

Maniototo Area School



NEWSLETTER

3rd March 2017

Staff and students at Maniototo Area School recently celebrated the launch of the new school values (PRIDE)



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PRIDE

Participation Respect Integrity Determination Empathy



Students, Staff and Supporters spell out the word PRIDE at the launch day

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OUR LITTLE SCHOOL HAS A LOT OF THINGS TO BE PROUD OF

We are proud of the family feel of our school.

As we all know, the buildings in our school are going to be demolished and new buildings will take their place. But buildings don't define us as a school. Whether we are in an old building or a new one; whether we are still in school or long gone we remain as a family. We are still a team wherever we go.

A part of what makes a team is a uniform. We take pride in wearing our uniform to events out of school. Last year the Year 9s to 12s went to East Otago High School for a careers expo. We are proud to represent our values and what we stand for in our blazers and ties.

Even when we are not in our uniform, our actions still reflect on our school. No matter where we are, whether we are just walking down to the pool during PE, or it's 30 years later and we all have our own careers, we will always be a part of Maniototo Area School.

Our school is always growing and always learning. We are bringing this whole concept of PRIDE into our school. What would make us really proud is if we see these values that we are working on, to be shown outside of school as well.

One of those new school values is integrity. Integrity is to do the right thing even though we don't necessarily need to. Integrity is also doing the right thing when no one else is watching. Showing PRIDE out of school means so much more because you aren't doing it just to get a sticker on your chart. You're doing it because it is what's right and it will help someone else.

We may not be physically awarded for the things we do, but the feeling of knowing you have helped someone and done the right thing is so much more rewarding. It makes you feel good about yourself and in turn feel good about being a part of Maniototo Area School.

And to achieve these PRIDE values, we need you, the wider community of Maniototo, to help us, to guide us, to encourage us, to remind us.

We know we have your support and example to lead us forward. Thank you to all who have shared our PRIDE launch day.



Students getting in the spirit of the day at the PRIDE launch

**Ben Smith and Candy Ferdinands
(Head Students)**



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

We are proud of Year 12 pupil Rina Watt who headed to Auckland on 28th February for an ice hockey training camp for 3-4 days. Rina and the rest of the team will then head to Thailand for a tournament called the Challenge Cup of Asia.

The countries taking part are Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, India, United Arab Emirates, Philippines and New Zealand. The New Zealand team members are all under 18, and the other teams are adults. Well done Rina, we look forward to hearing all about your trip when you get back.



Our Equestrian star Amanda Voice (Year 10) and her horse Wade recently attended the Quarter Horse Nationals in Taranaki where they added to their growing number of awards.

Hunt Seat Equitation Trophy
Hi Point Junior Youth Trophy
Hi Point Youth Overall (Senior & Junior) plus 8 little golden horses



The Otago/Southland Provincial Highland pipe band contest was held in Dunedin on Sunday 19th February.

This involved 11 pipe bands taking part in the days competition which involved a street march, set and medley.

The Balclutha pipe band extended an invitation to Ewan Mason and his pupils to take part with them in the days events. This was the first competition for Mark Smith.



Pictured are MAS student Matthew Neilson (Yr 13), Simon Neilson (ex pupil), Ewan Mason (Mark's piping tutor) and Mark Smith (Yr 8)

CAVALCADE HOLD UP

Over 40 Maniototo Area School pupils raised close to \$450 by holding up 2 of the trail rides on the Cavalcade.

The plan was to hold up the group of wagons but they were delayed, so our “bandits” went to another trail (with just horses) and hid in the tussocks with the gate shut. Once the gate was opened by the first rider the bandits jumped out. They said “This is a hold up, give us your money!”. The riders threw crunchie bars and gave money. As they came through the gate the bandits held out their hats and the riders put the money in there.

When the next group came through Keira lassoed her Dad. Everyone crowded around him with their hats out for money.

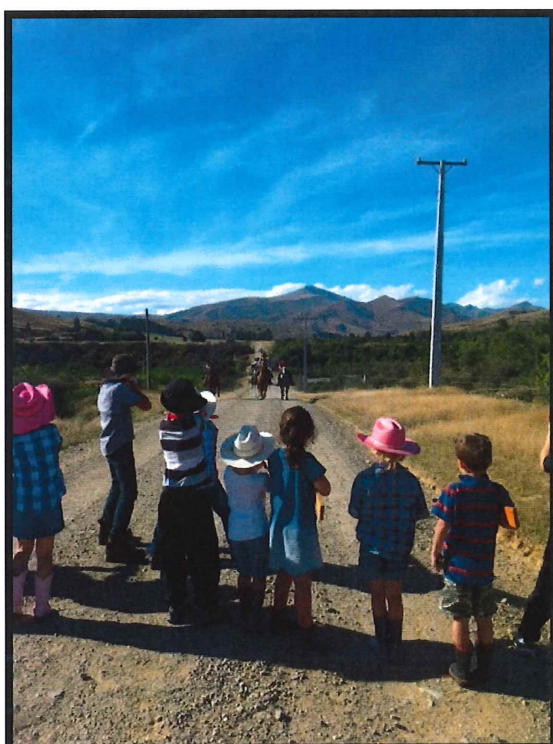
When the wagons arrived (3 hours later) some of the bandits waited at the first Danseys Pass bridge and stormed out onto the road with their guns ready. The horses charged at the bandits, but the bandits stood their ground.

The stand-off ended well with the Bandits getting a ride on the wagons back to their parents cars.

Thank you to all the Cavalcade riders for their generous support. The funds raised will be used in the Junior school.



Thanks to Perri and Archie for sharing their story about the cavalcade hold up



JUNIOR SWIMMING SPORTS

Below is a outline of the Junior Swimming Sports to be held on Tuesday 7th March. Please note these times are indicative only and times maybe be running slightly earlier or later.

9.30 Start

10-7 year old freestyle (lengths)

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10.15 5 & 6 year old races

10.45 10-7 year old backstroke (lengths)

10-7 year old backstroke (widths)

11.30 10-7 year old breaststroke (lengths)

11.45 Year 3-4 house relay (widths)

Year 5 & 6 house relay (lengths)

12.15 Finished

Note: Five and six year olds will not be down at the pool for the whole morning.

Students are able to go home with parents after swimming sports are finished. Please let your classroom teacher know if you are taking your child. Otherwise children will return to school for the afternoon.

SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS

Tuesday 7th March. Spectators need to be at the pool at 12:50. Sports start at 1pm sharp. Competitors need two towels, goggles, togs and a water bottle. They can wear house colours over top of togs.

EOHS SPORTS EXCHANGE

We are hosting the 'Jack Memorial Trophy' tournament on Friday 17th March 10am till 2pm. This will be an annual event between East Otago High School and Maniototo Area School where teams are chosen from year 7 to 13.

We require refs for basketball, netball, and touch on the day. We would also love some parents to manage a team for this. Please contact Mrs Lithgow or Mrs Fiona Dowling if you can help. Thanks.

FUNDRAISING

The Intermediate class will be having a sausage sizzle **every Wednesday** this term as fundraising for their camp in September

Thank you for your support



IMPORTANT DATES

7 March	Swimming Sports (9.30 start Juniors & 1pm start Seniors)
8 March	DARE programme commences (Yrs 7/8)
9 March	HPV vaccinations (Year 8)
10 March	Junior Assembly 2pm (please note change of date)
11 March	Otago Secondary School Athletics
16 March	Drive to Survive (Year 11)
17 March	EOHS Sports Inter-change / Disco
20 March	Otago Anniversary Day— <u>school is closed</u>
22 March	Vision Hearing testing
22 March	Quiz Night (Fundraiser for Social Sciences trip)
23 March	Central Otago Triathlon
25 March	MAS School Formal
4-6 April	Year 9/10 EOTC (Mt Aspiring Homestead Lodge)
5-7 April	Life Education Trust
7 April	Raffle Night (Intermediate Class)
9 April	Kapahaka Festival
13 April	Last Day of Term 1 / Road Race
1 May	Term 2 commences
17-19 May	Southern Area Schools tournament (Catlins)

AIR TRAINING CORPS

No 50 (Alexandra) Squadron Air training corps AGM 7pm
Thursday 16 March at the Clyde Firestation

ADOLESCENT ORAL HEALTH SERVICE

Adolescents* are entitled to FREE basic dental care, from Year 9 until their 18th birthday – no matter where you're at... high school, training course, work or unemployed.

Free basic dental care is available by enrolling with a Dentist. This is usually arranged at the child's last dental visit with the Community Oral Health Service in school year 8. The chosen Dentist should contact you directly to make an appointment.

If you need to enrol, or have any questions please call:

0800 825 583 – option 2

For more information visit: <http://www.southernhb.govt.nz/pages/adolescent-oral-health-service/>

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