

Maniototo Area School

NEWSLETTER: 9 July 2021

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

There is, no doubt, a huge sigh of relief from students and staff that the term has come to an end. My first thought is to thank all the students and staff for their commitment and hard work over this past term. Thanks also to you, parents and caregivers for your assistance and support to the school and for the interest you have shown in your children.

CAREERS NIGHT: We were absolutely blown away by the response and support from our community businesses who made presentations at our first ever Careers Night. Your interest in our students and your words of advice and wisdom gives us great heart.

PARENT INTERVIEWS: Thank you, parents and caregivers for attending our Parent Interviews this week. We had a great turnout on these two days. The collaboration between teachers and parents is crucial to the success of your children.

SHEARING PROGRAMME: Four of our Ag students are completing their three day Shearing Programme. By the end of this time they will have gained 12 credits towards NCEA Level 2.

TIAKI MANIOTOTO: This is a programme aimed at conservation and preservation of our waterways in the wider Maniototo. Emma Crutchley has introduced our students and teachers to the project. This fits in very well with our focus on Local Curriculum and will help our students become aware of the need for conservation. More than that, it provides our students with an opportunity to participate in protecting our local environment through a hands-on approach.

SNOW DAY & ADVERSE WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please remember to tune in to Burn 729 or to visit our Facebook page for sudden announcements of school closures or delayed starts to the school day due to snow or other adverse weather conditions. We will also send you a text informing you of such decisions.

UNDER 18 WOMEN'S REP HOCKEY TOURNAMENT: Our best wishes go with Kass Pont who leaves for Wellington for a week-long tournament with the Central Otago Under 18 Women's Hockey team.

NATIONAL AREA SCHOOLS TOURNAMENT: All the best to Harmony Devitt, Hope Devitt, Jasmine Balloch, Kass Pont, Reef Becker, Jeremy Dumapis, and Abby Ferdinands who will be competing as part of the South of the South Area Schools contingent in the National Area Schools Tournament due to be held in Dunedin in the second week of the holidays.

At the conclusion of this Term 2 all the staff and I would like to wish you and the students a relaxed term break. It's a time to recharge the batteries and to be ready to face Term 3 with great energy and positivity.

Nga mihi nui,
Joe Ferdinands—Principal



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Writing Corner

Agriculture Writing Focus



MANIOTOTO SHEEP COUNTING INC.

Community Focus:

My product is to help the mental wellbeing of farmers around the Maniototo or wider community, this is because my product helps count sheep accurately so farmers don't have to worry about counting sheep and having a non-accurate tally. This is important because farmers are paid per sheep meaning having a non-accurate tally number can drop your price by lots, which means losing money.

My Vision:

"Taking the guesswork out of stock tallying"

My Mission:

My mission is to make a high quality product that counts sheep accurately by attaching to the gateway of a single file race, so farmers know the accurate stock tally.

My Goals:

My goal is to sell a product to most of the farmers around the Maniototo area by the end of 2021 to then take my product to Waimumu Field Days, and go to a Young Enterprise.

My SMART objective:

- I want to make my product the market leader.
- To make it to the Waimumu Field Days and get heaps of orders for my product
- To go to a young enterprise and get to go to wellington.
- To make a good profit of 1,000 by the end of the year
- To sell around 50 by the end of the year.

Mystery Creek Field Days—This promotional method came across because I presented my idea at a farm tour FIL company which lead me to get an invitation to the Mystery Creek Field Days in the Innovations Hub. I then booked a stand and went and presented my prototype, this was a very successful trip as I got good feedback from my target market which is farmers.

When I was in the Innovations Hub at the Mystery Creek Field Days I had the experience to meet Judith Collins and get an interview with her about my product, Judith was very positive and loved hearing about my product because "it is original and old fashion instead of technology"

Zona Howell



SCIENCE ENRICHMENT COURSE

This year we were very fortunate to have three senior students selected for the Science Enrichment course which is run through the University of Otago. The students are Sandee Barroga and Erylle Del Mundo both Year 11 and Charlotte Gegan in Year 12. Other secondary schools throughout New Zealand are allocated one place each, however, the Professor who chose the students was very impressed with our candidates which is why we were fortunate to receive three places.

This is a fully-funded Science scholarship that runs over five days at the University of Otago's marine science laboratory in Portobello. The students will sleep on Quarantine Island and take a water taxi to and from the laboratory each day. We look forward to hearing all about their experiences and seeing some photos on their return.

WE ARE LOVING OUR NEW TECHNOLOGY BLOCK!!

FOOD TECH

Senior girls making Chicken Hangi parcels for Matariki celebrations



ART & DESIGN



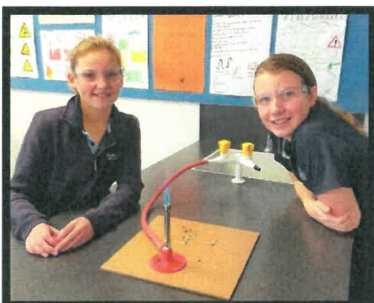
HARD MATERIALS

Thanks to Karen Munro for coming into school and showing Ryan how to use the wood lathe



SCIENCE

Year 7 & 8 Science Technology students were the first class to try out our brand spanking new Bunsen burners in the Lab. They couldn't believe the power of the new Bunsen's!



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MATARIKI

Last week we celebrated the beginning of Matariki by participating in a number of events. The Year 10 Food Technology class prepared an inside hangi and the whole school gathered for kai, kapa haka and waiata during lunchtime on Friday. The Primary students spent Friday afternoon participating in an activity of their choice e.g. star and kite making, weaving creating a mural, baking Maori bread and completing a Matariki digital technology challenge. Lots of fun was had and it was a lovely opportunity to get together as a school to acknowledge the great things in our lives and to look ahead with a sense of excitement to the year ahead.



Are you keen to give Squash a go?



If you are 8 years old or over and keen to learn about the game of squash get in contact with us to express your interest. We intend on having coaching sessions in term 3, and will have ability based groups with set session times. Our club will provide racquets and protective eyewear for you to use. More information about this will follow once we have numbers. Express your interest before 12th July with Kelly Smith **027 4888 211** Kelnsmith@hotmail.com or Simon Paterson **027 444 0498**, armidalemerinos@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MANIOTOTO AREA SCHOOL

9 July	Last Day of Term 2 / PRIDE Assembly at 2.30pm
29 July	Attitude Presentation (Years 7-13)
30 July	House Dance Competition (Note: This is a new date) in the Gym
3-6 August	Primary Ice Week
4 August	Senior Art Trip (Dunedin)
9-13 August	Year 11 Camp (Wellington)
10 August	Year 5/6 Netball Tournament / PTA AGM 3pm
11 August	Year 7/8 Netball Tournament / Board of Trustees Meeting 5.30pm
30 August	Maniototo Cross Country (postponement date 31st August)



St John

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"I think it's the best job in the work, because you're helping people in their time of need"

St John is looking for Ambulance Volunteers in Ranfurly

Have you ever considered being a volunteer and helping your community in a time of need? St John is looking for people who are interested in joining our terrific team based in Ranfurly. This will ensure we keep our service operating to the best standard possible for the wider Maniototo community.

St John Volunteers work as part of a dedicated team. You will receive:

- * Very rewarding job, varied and satisfying.**
- * Flexible shifts to allow for child care or work commitments**
- * We will provide all of your training free of charge, including a NZ Certificate in Emergency Care (Level 3)**

For further information please contact the Ranfurly Station Manager, Glenis Crutchley on **0274375247** or **glenis.crutchley@stjohn.org.nz**

July

Holiday Programme

2021



Travel back in time and play with dinosaurs at Central Otago Libraries for the July school holidays! During Week 1 make your own pipe cleaner dino friend, design a balloon dinosaur and become a dinosaur. Let your imagination go wild creating dinosaur skeletons and make a toothy dino notepad during Week 2.

Alexandra Library

Wednesday 13 July	10.30am - 11.30am
Wednesday 20 July	10.30am - 11.30am

Roxburgh Library

Friday 16 July	2.00pm - 3.00pm
Friday 23 July	2.00pm - 3.00pm

Maniototo Library

Tuesday 13 July	2.00 - 3.00pm
Tuesday 20 July	2.00 - 3.00pm

Cromwell Library

Monday 12 July	2.00pm - 3.00pm
Thursday 15 July	10.00am - 11.00am

Bookings are essential and under 5s are to be accompanied by an adult



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