Newsletter

Maniototo Area School

MAY 2023

We have had a very positive start to term 2. Week one was a busy mix of our staff only day, our ERO visit and our annual Jack Martin exchange with East Otago High School. It has been pleasing to see students return to school settled and focused, and ready to learn. Thank you parents for your ongoing support of our learning programmes.

ERO now have a new operational model which focuses on partnerships with schools, and working with school staff and Boards to plan strategically for their students. This ERO visit was a useful opportunity to outline the school's strategic priorities and review the range of consultations that have contributed to developing this strategic vision. Our broad focus for the year is to work on relationships for learning, to ensure our students are engaged, motivated and achieving their potential. There is a wide world of opportunity out there, and we need to ensure we do everything we can to open doors for our students. They, of course, are part of this too. It is important that we build a school culture where students make the most of experiences on offer, feel empowered to take risks, use feedback to improve and are ready to roll their sleeves up and get involved.

Developing this learning-focused environment will be our priority in 2023.

I am looking forward to getting around and watching some winter sport over the next few weeks. It has been great hearing the results of the first few fixtures. A huge thanks to all of the staff and parents who support sports activities through coaching, management and helping with transport. Please remember that people are volunteering their time.

The sidelines are not a place for complaints to be raised. Let's keep the tone positive, student-focused and a reflection of our strong school values.

This week is our annual area schools tournament at Lawrence Area School, and I know that this is a real highlight for many of our secondary students. I am very much looking forward to attending this for the first time.

Finally, I would like to thank our prefects for their presence at the community Anzac Day services, and also commend them for their excellent work at the Relay Your Way, held at the school over the weekend. In this latter event over \$2800 was raised for the Cancer Society. Walking throughout the night was a challenge, and we were grateful for the parents and staff who popped in to support with snacks and company.

Melissa Bell Principal

Term 1 PRIDE Awards

These students were recognised for displaying great Empathy. Congratulations Blake Sutherland, Maddie Norman, Lucas Knox, Esme Hore, Aubree Mulholland, Marshall Newth-Macdonald, Lucas Clark, Sophie Meehan, Charlie Owens, Stevie Woodham, Mahaliya Pike, Keisha McFadyen and Sandee Barroga



Missing from photo: Sophie Meehan



Cookie Dough

Maniototo Area School Year 11 students are selling delicious Frozen Cookie Dough to raise funds to attend their School Camp in Wellington.

Funds raised will go towards covering the cost of the camp, including transport, activities and meals.

To order follow the link on our Facebook page

Shakespeare Trip

At the end of term 1, the year 11 English class travelled to Dunedin for the day. They attended a Shakespeare workshop hosted by the University of Otago, and performances by Dunedin high school students as part of the Sheila Winn Shakespeare Festival. We had been studying Shakespeare in class all term, and the students really enjoyed seeing their peers perform some of his most iconic scenes.



EOHS Sports Exchange

On the 28th of May, we welcomed East Otago
High School into our school for the sixth
anniversary of the Jack Martin sports
exchange. It was a fun-filled day with much
competition and sportsmanship between us
and East Otago High School.

Throughout the day, each of our five teams participated in four different sports, with one team from each school supporting their other teams. Whether it be basketball, football, softball, or ki o rahi, we all had lots of fun participating in the exchange, with East Otago High School only winning by two games.

After everything, we still played and competed in memory of Jack Martin, who loved to play many kinds of sports, and who was an amazing sportsperson no matter if he was on or off the field.

William McKinney (Year 9)

Senior Tramp

During the last week of Term 1, the Seniors travelled to Tuatapere to complete the Hump Ridge Track. This was a 61 km walk over 3 days, which included walking along the South Coast of New Zealand and up to the subalpine zones of the Fiordland National Park. The altitude starting from sea level reached levels of 1000m. I would describe this tramp as mentally and physically challenging, but it was great to accomplish the journey. Over the three days we stayed at two private backcountry lodges on the track. On the first night we stayed at Okaka Lodge, which was at the highest point (1000m) on the track. This was situated in the subalpine environment which overlooked the Southern Ocean and Stewart Island was also visible. Port Craig Lodge was the other accommodation site on the tramp, situated on the South Coast only a few metres from Mussel Beach. The views during the whole tramp were incredible, and the natural environment was great for personal reflection and development. Thank you to Mr Stevens for spending a lot of time organising this tramp, and Miss Perkins, Willie Dowling, Jeff Pont, for taking the time out of their week to make this tramp possible. And thank you to the wider community who supported our fundraising efforts so we could have this unforgettable experience.

Emma Kinney (Year 13)



Relay Your Way



On the 29th and 30th of April, the school Prefect team took part in our very own Relay for Life event held here at school. This nationwide celebration shows awareness of those survivors or family's that are greatly impacted by cancer. Holding our own relay was a great way to show our remembrance for those in our community or close friends, which have been or are affected. In pairs, our team all took turns

at walking for one hour intervals around the courtyard for a 20 hour time period. A candle walk was held at 8.30 pm where there was an opportunity to light a candle for someone special to you who has been affected by cancer. In total we raised \$2820.52 for the Cancer Society. Thank you to Ms Bell and Ms Meyer for organising this event, those who came along to join our journey and the wider community for all your support. *Emma Kinney (Year 13)*





Road Race Results

Year 11-13 Boys: 1st Bradley Shaw (33.30), 2nd Gabriel Ong (38.33), 3rd Jack Steele (38.37)

Year 11-13 Girls: 1st Abby Ferdinands (26.53), 2nd Sandee Barroga (37.43), 3rd Kassidy Pont (38.19)

Year 9-10 Boys: 1st Nate Spooner (40.07), 2nd Jack Kiri Kiri (54.44), 3rd Jae MacDonald (56.06)

Year 9-10 Girls: 1st Sam Roxburgh (33.04), 2nd Nicola Kinney (33.57), 3rd Ella Owens (43.33)

Year 8 Boys: 1st Nathan Paterson, 2nd Jake McMillan, 3rd Rhys Wilson

Year 8 Girls: 1st Indianna Hepi, 2nd Alexis Jones, 3rd A'eva Cairns-Whitcombe

Year 7 Boys: 1st Andrew Becker, 2nd Lucas Clark, 3rd Noah Spooner

Year 7 Girls: Lexi McFadyen-Beck, 2nd A'esha Cairns-Whitcombe, 3rd Jayda Deverill

Year 6 Boys: 1st Tyrell Hore, 2nd Hugo Paterson, 3rd Brodie McAtamney

Year 6 Girls: 1st Laura Paterson, 2nd Vanessa Kinney, 3rd Isla Drake

Year 5 Boys: 1st Charlie Norman, 2nd Sam Hore, 3rd Ben Davis

Year 5 Girls: 1st Thalia Hepi, 2nd Nikita Wilson, 3rd Evelyn Hagen

Year 4 Boys: 1st Toby McFadyen-Beck, 2nd Bede Paterson, 3rd Oscar McAtamney

Year 4 Girls: O'Sharne Huriwai-Kirk, 2nd Sophie McAtamney, 3rd Esme Hore

Year 3 Boys: 1st Liam Wilson, 2nd Archie Sutherland, 3rd Reuben Hagen

Year 3 Girls: 1st Mackenzie Davis, 2nd Abby Graham, 3rd Kora-Lee Martin

Year 2 Boys: 1st Kahu Houpapa, 2nd Hudson Crutchley, 3rd Hemi Huddleston

Year 2 Girls: 1st Aria Parker, 2nd Maddie Norman

Year 1 Boys: Ghiahn Lewis, 2nd Mason Smitheram, 3rd Kyle Johnson

Year 1 Girls: 1st Millie Harley, 2nd Briar Gillespie, 3rd Briella Graham

ANZAC Day Art













Wonderful ANZAC Day art created by the students in Room 4

Event Calendar 2023

16 May: School Open Night 5.30pm

18 May: PTA Meeting 3.15pm

22 May: Dunstan Zone Rippa Tournament

22 May: Kids Online Parent Night 7pm

27 May: School Formal

29-31 May - Science Extension Course

1 June: Central Otago Rippa Rugby

1 June: Maniototo Speech Comp

5 June: Kings Birthday (School is closed)

11-12 June: Secondary Netball **Tournament**

30 June: Last Day of Term 2

10-13 July: NZAST (Rangiora)

17 July: Start of Term 3

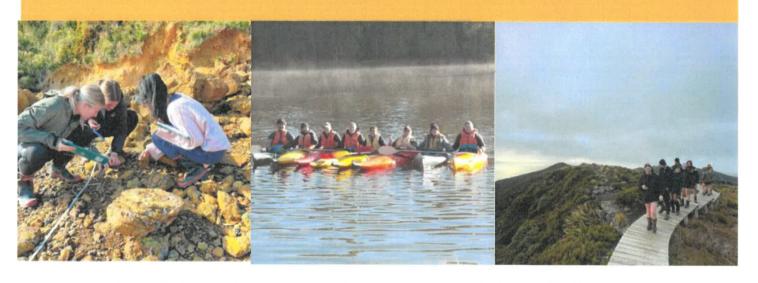
18-21 July: Ice Week

31 July - 4 August: Year 11 Camp to

Wellington



MANIOTOTO AREA SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT



TUESDAY 16TH MAY | 5.30PM TO 7 PM



ALL WELCOME

RSVP: OFFICE@MANIOTOTO.SCHOOL.NZ



Maniototo Area School presents:

Parents Cyber Safety Evening

With Rob Cope – Author, Parent & Filmmaker of the 2020 documentary: 'Our Kids Online'

- Understand the harms our kids are facing online in relation to cyber bullying, predators, pornography, gaming, social media and the 24/7 switched on effect on the developing brain.
- Learn practical solutions to keep your children safer online.
- Get advice on healthy ways to approach these tricky topics.
- Learn what to do when your child has been exposed to something harmful.

Watch the promotional video here - Our Kids Online Parent Evening.

MONDAY 22ND MAY 2023 | 7PM - 9PM 15 CAULFEILD STREET, RANFURLY

To find out more about Rob's work visit www.ourkidsonline.info