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# HEAD STUDENTS 2023

## Thomas Benson

Being asked to encapsulate the last seven years of my life at MAC in 574 words is a bit like Roy house actually winning something. The vast quantities of moments: the good, the bad, the funny, the failure and the success would far exceed the pages that this short spiel graces. Saying that I will now take you on a short journey and capture some of my most memorable tales and learning experiences that have made my time at MAC so enjoyable.

Coming to MAC in Year 7, we all have different expectations of what school is going to be like. Physical Education with Mr Bruce is probably not one of them. Mr Bruce is an absolute legend at MAC and his class is a rite of passage that we all took growing up. His very dry sense of humour and some witty nicknames make him a favourite. Most of the time. I vividly remember being told in no uncertain terms that PE was outside no matter how cold it was, regardless if I forgot a jumper. Standing there, shivering to death, I realised that school wasn't always going to sunshine and rainbows. I understood that sometimes it might get a bit tough and I would have to do things that I didn't want to do. I am very grateful for moments like these that taught me that life's not always a breeze and sometimes I might just have to put my head down and get to work.

Another great learning experience was an exciting encounter with some cows. A mix of Year 9 camp and a hearty dose of peer pressure was a deciding factor in my decision to run around a tree in the middle of a paddock full of steers. After successfully making it to the tree, the trip back got exciting when three of the cows didn't like us in their paddock and promptly started chasing us. A sudden shout made me look back to see one of the boys had tripped and lost a shoe while the cows were still barrelling towards us. Not wanting to become roadkill, I decided it was every man for himself and continued running. Moments like these were great lessons that sometimes the more you mess about, the more you're going to find out. Fortunately we all safely made it over the stile even if our pants were slightly more browned than before. Surprisingly this was never mentioned to Mr Sheppard at dinner that night. Sorry sir.

Fast forward to this year, and a kayak trip down a very muddy Makarora river was one of the most memorable trips from my time at MAC. Adventures like this serve as a reminder that pushing your comfort zone is very rewarding. Some of the biggest rapids I've ever experienced and some freezing cold water were a recipe to get the heart rate pumping. There were a few moments where I questioned putting on a wet and cold wetsuit and the fact that me and my mate were the only people to stick their hands up to give the river a go. But trusting in your abilities and the excellent OP instructors, and just jumping into the unknown is the best way you can learn and create some of the most rewarding experiences and memories.

I hope you enjoyed my short memoir of my time at MAC. As you can see, I have had way too much fun. Cheers to all my teachers for supporting me throughout my journey as well as my peers for being a bunch of good buggers. I wish the best for you all and hope you continue to chase your dreams.



Thomas Benson

## Jessie Winter

Having the opportunity to represent Mount Aspiring College this year as one of the Head Students has been an absolute honour and privilege. To come to a new town and school in Year 7 was a massive shift from my comfortable life in Christchurch, but I wouldn't change it for the world. The opportunities, friendships and life experiences I have gained from this small town of no more than 10,000 people have been truly extraordinary and I am so grateful.

I am grateful to my parents for moving my family here, to my Year 7 class of which many are my best friends to this day, and to the teachers for pushing me to excel, my netball teams and the netball community for providing me with a sanctuary from the overwhelming experience of my high school years, and finally to my youth group for always providing the laughs and helping me grow in my faith.

This year was a year of individual firsts. As Head Students, we had the absolute honour of speaking at the ANZAC Day service. Honouring those who sacrificed so much for our country was incredibly humbling and I felt privileged to pay tribute to the hundreds of thousands of families that were affected by the war. The De La Salle billets were a highlight to many. The experience opened our eyes to plenty of cultures and lifestyles that we are not usually exposed to in Wānaka and the friendships formed were ones to treasure. And finally, of course, the bittersweet feeling of finally finishing our 13 years of school.

As cliché as this may be, leadership is not confined to a position or role. Everyone has the opportunity to be a leader, to inspire those around us, and to lead in our own way. I have complete confidence that the school will continue to thrive under the new individuals coming up into leadership roles next year. To those students, embrace all the challenges with enthusiasm and an open mind and do it together.

To my fellow head students and Mrs Jacobsen: thank you for your vulnerability, your patience and your joyfulness. Thank you to Jackson for your wisdom and insight, Thomas for your personal strength and humour, and India for your encouraging persona and always being there for me.

Finally to my family and friends: Mum, Dad, Aria and Abi, thank you for always supporting me in helping me to become a better person, and for always encouraging me and allowing me to pursue anything I wanted. To my friends: thank you for welcoming me with open arms on my first day and inspiring me to do what makes me happy.

I wish everyone the best of luck for the coming years. Thank you.



Jessie Winter

## India Yule

And just like that, one door closes as another opens. My seven years at Mount Aspiring College have been one long - yet exhilarating - rollercoaster ride. My final chapter before embarking on my next adventure has been filled with reflection, gratitude and growth.

I am feeling fulfilled and grateful to have had the privilege of being one of the four Head Students at MAC this year, such an opportunity being the best way to end my time at school. A memorable project we created this year - together with the Senior Leadership Team - was the Junior Leadership Development Programme, a course for Years 9 and 10 students. Jessie, Thomas, Jackson and I focused on topics we struggled with when becoming leaders: failure, improvisation, communication and more. I am proud of these kids for putting themselves out there and being willing to grow. It is a pretty cool feeling knowing you are leaving the school in hands that are more than capable to lead.

I realised time management is a whole other ball game in Year 13. Shoutout to Mum who bought me a 'Days of the Week' whiteboard so I could just write it down and not forget anything. Otherwise, this year would not have run so smoothly.

I could write a chapter book on those who helped me reach where I am today and deserve my gratitude. The quicker you realise that strength comes not just in the individual, but in the collective, the easier your high school experience becomes.

I am immensely thankful for my family, who were my rock in the turbulent ocean which was Year 13. Mum, Dad and Hayley, I hope you understand just how much you have done for me this year. Year 13 wasn't fluffy kittens and unicorns all the time, but you reminded me to keep pushing forward, offering unwavering support in times when I couldn't quite see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Jessie, Thomas and Jackson: you guys are awesome. I feel lucky to have shared the Head Student journey with people I have the utmost faith in. Thank you to Mrs Jacobsen and the Senior Leadership Team for guiding and supporting us in our leadership role this year; you pushed us to be better leaders and people. We truly appreciate it.

Finally, to my friends...we did it! Together. I wish you the greatest luck and success in your future endeavours.

Oh, I nearly forgot to thank some very special people! Morgan Wallen, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Taylor Swift and Ruel, thank you for providing the bops to get me through the year. Appreciate you guys.

"It's time for your next adventure."

"I have no idea what I'm going to do tomorrow..."

"How exciting!" - Night at the Museum



India Yule

## Jackson Duguid

The end of one road and the beginning of another.

It's tempting for me, and I'm sure everyone else, to look forward to what's next. Towards the next year, whether that be another year at MAC, university, travel, or something else, everyone has something new to look forward to, so we rarely take the time to look back. That's why we should all take some time before the year wraps up to reflect and think about what you've achieved, what you are proud of, and what made you happy.

My time reflecting left me with one thought: thank you. I came to MAC three years ago with no idea what my life was going to be like. I'd left my school, my friends, and my home behind. I was scared my life would become one of those horror stories about kids moving. But it didn't because thanks to this school and its community that didn't happen. Thanks to MAC I got to grow into who I am today.

So I want to say thank you to MAC, to my friends, to my teachers, and to everyone else in this community. You have given me opportunities that I could never have found elsewhere. You have helped me learn, helped me grow, and made these three years something I will never forget. You've watched me while my life became something wonderful. You've been there while I've laughed, while I've loved, while I've made great decisions and while I've made some less than perfect ones. I came to MAC as a different person than I will leave it as, and I will forever be grateful for those who have helped me on that journey.



Jackson Duguid



The community at this school is something to be proud of. The acceptance and ability to achieve what MAC offers is beyond anything I could have ever imagined or asked for. If there is one thing I would ask of this school it is to never let that go. Keep working to make this school a place where anyone can thrive and become who they dream of being - a place where any kid who moves across the world can find a home.

And that goes to those leaving with me as well. As you move on to the rest of your life remember to keep that spirit with you, to help others grow, to help yourself grow, and to help the world grow. As we say goodbye to our life at MAC we can bring with us the beauty of this community.

Thank you. You have made my life beyond special.

# PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

Kia ora koutou

In a year of many highlights, one of the biggest highlights for me this year has been seeing our students and staff flourishing in our new learning and work spaces.

I've loved observing Years 7 and 8 students engaged in their learning in their light-filled and spacious hāpori, seeing students gathering in the whare to practise kapa haka and poi at lunchtimes, attending student performances in our new Box Theatre, and hearing music produced by our students in our new fit for purpose music studios.

In addition to our new learning spaces, the co-location of student pastoral care services in our new administration block has created a supportive space for students with our deans, guidance counsellors and administration staff all under the one roof.

Of course, it's not the bricks and mortar that make our school such a special place to be; it's our students. As ever, I am amazed by the extent of achievement and student-led activities at our school this year. Here's just a taste of what our students have been doing in 2023:

- In the academic sphere, we've seen excellent NCEA results and extraordinary student achievements at a national level in science and mathematics.
- In public speaking and debating, our students have demonstrated outstanding critical-thinking and oratory skills as they've grappled with some of the most challenging issues of our time.
- Our students' level of participation and achievement in a vast array of sports at a national and international level has been remarkable.
- The passion and skill of our Te Māhaki o Tititea Kapa Haka students has been showcased at events at school and all around our region, and has helped us all develop a deeper appreciation of te ao Māori within our community.
- We've been uplifted and challenged by the courage and expertise of our students in the fields of music, drama and the visual arts who have bravely told stories and taken risks through their creative expression.
- Our wellbeing committee members have created events and run activities to help all of us look after ourselves and each other and live a balanced life.
- The leadership of our Team Green and sustainability committee members has helped all of us find more ways to live our school value of kaitiakitanga and to live more sustainably.
- Our service committee members have found meaningful and effective ways to create a sense of belonging within our school and wider community and have raised funds for many worthy causes.
- The thousands of volunteer hours our students have given through the Students in the Community programme have benefited many individuals and organisations in our community and reinforced in our students the importance of service.

These achievements and activities, and many more I do not have the space to mention, demonstrate the commitment of our students and staff who work so hard to make MAC an inclusive and sustainable learning environment where young people can achieve their aspirations.

As is the nature of things, this time of year brings both endings and beginnings as we bid farewell to some students, prepare to welcome new students to our school, and see returning students transitioning to new year levels.

To our senior students who are leaving, we thank you for your contribution to the life of our college. Your time here at MAC has laid important foundations for your future and we look forward to hearing about your many adventures and achievements as you go into the world and contribute to the greater good. We are all so proud of you.

To our returning students, we look forward to another year of learning, friendship and fun in 2024.

To our teachers, administration staff, parents, caregivers and whānau and our community, we thank you for everything you do to nurture our students and support our school.

Each year, our magazine showcases and celebrates the extraordinary array of student achievement and activity that has occurred at the college, and this year's edition is no exception. Please enjoy these pages which are filled with the stories and images of the extraordinary commitment of our students and staff, and whose support of each other helps to make our school such a wonderful place to be.

Toitū te whenua.  
Toitū te tangata.

The land is strong.  
The people are fulfilled.

**Nicola Jacobsen**  
**Principal**  
**Mount Aspiring College**



# SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Tēnā koutou katoa, greetings to all

The College's Board plays the key role in the effective governance of the College, and I am grateful to members of the Board for the time and expertise that they freely commit to the work of the Board. The membership of the Board has been stable this year. Mark Sinclair continued as Deputy Chair, Ben Taylor chaired the important Finance Committee, and Tane Haines has been an articulate student-elected member of the Board.

On behalf of the Board, I thank the College's staff for all that they have done this year to promote the best interests of our students. As the impact of the Covid pandemic receded, it was pleasing to have a much more settled year for both staff and students.

We had an exciting start to the year as we finally shifted into the new buildings on the Plantation Road frontage. These excellent new facilities have been a long time coming, and are a tribute to previous Boards and senior leadership for their advocacy of the College's needs. There is still more work to be done now to refurbish some of our older buildings and to plan for further new facilities.

We are grateful for the wonderful support that the College receives from the local community. This support is not just in financial terms, but in the help and assistance so generously given to many of the College's activities.

Thank you again to the trustees of the MAC Foundation and to the Friends of MAC for the valued support that they provide to the College.

This magazine will record the outstanding achievements of many of our students across so many fields of endeavour. For those students who are leaving the College this year, we send our best wishes for your future success.

As my term as the Board's Chair comes to an end, I express my thanks for the opportunity of working with other Board members to advance the College's development. I believe that the Upper Clutha community is well served by all of our local schools, and I am confident that our College will continue to provide an excellent and well rounded education for our students.

Ngā mihi nui.

**Dr Ian W Hall**  
**Board Chair**



## MAC STAFF 2023



## PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF MAC

Our group plays an important role in building our school community through organising events that bring people together, raising funds for projects and activities, and promoting open and constructive communication between the school and the community. It's been great this year to see our group coming together to contribute to the school, including raising money for a new adventure playground and organising Sunday afternoon social gatherings for members of our school community. We are delighted to have parents getting involved in the school this way and we look forward to organising some more fundraising and social events next year.

# ODT CLASS ACT AWARDS 2023



CLARKE WEST

Enjoyment is at the heart of Clarke West's dream of becoming a rock star.

The accomplished 17-year-old knows how to keep his passion from turning into a chore. The talented musician and Mount Aspiring College pupil cannot get enough of the "buzz" he gets from playing live. He has performed throughout the South Island with his band, the Powder Chutes. This year, he and his band even opened the Gibbston Valley Winery summer concert, which featured ZZ Top and the Stone Temple Pilots, playing to a crowd of 16,000 people.

Beyond high school, Clarke plans to work hard to keep advancing his musical skills to ensure success in the music industry.

He is considering going to university, but says music is the only career he can imagine pursuing.

His band have already seen some success, releasing an EP that gained more than 120,000 streams across different platforms. They have also released a single that made it to No9 on the official New Zealand music charts.

Although reluctant to take up the guitar, Clarke discovered his love for the instrument after his mum made him try it when he was in year 6. He has won the Music and Audio Institute of New Zealand musicianship award twice at the Smokefree Rockquest competition.

Music appeals to him because it is a way for him to express himself. He likes to maintain an optimistic outlook on life, approaching challenges with a sense of humour and rarely lets his emotions best him. Being in the Powder Chutes has had a massive impact on his life, he says. The band members are strongly supportive of one another, picking each other up when they are down.

He loves the feeling he gets from performing in front of an energetic crowd, especially when his band are "locked in" on the same wavelength.

**Achievements:** NCEA level 1 and 2, merit endorsement (2021, 2022); Powder Chutes' single played on the Rock FM and Radio Hauraki (2023); Powder Chute opening for New Zealand band The Feelers in Oamaru (2022); placing third twice and second once in the Smokefree Rockquest regional final, third (2019, 2021) and second (2022); Festival of Colour, Elephant Talk songwriter/performer (2023); accepted as a student for Martin Goulding, of England, one of the world's top guitar teachers (2022-2023); Mac choir member (2020-2023); Mac choir senior leader (2022, 2023); lead guitarist in school production Fame. (2020); playing at Wānaka lakefront on New Year's Eve (2020, 2021, 2022); performing more than 60 times throughout the South Island (2021-2023); Mac achiever, music (2021).

**Role model:** Musician Dave Grohl.

**Hopes and plans for the future:** To pursue his passion of creating music and become a success in the music industry.

**Thanks to the ODT for the individual photos of Clarke and Jessie. Article Credit - The ODT**  
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JESSIE WINTER

Caring for others is Jessie Winter's dream and she plans to do exactly that — through medicine.

The 17-year-old aspiring doctor does a bit of everything.

Working hard from a young age, Jessie has always kept a busy schooling schedule, exploring a range of different opportunities.

Recognised as a talented netball player, Jessie shares her knowledge of the sport by coaching younger teams at school.

She has a deep fascination about the cause and effect of medical problems on the human body. It is a fitting interest for someone who wants to make a difference by becoming a doctor.

She hopes to be a person anyone would feel safe and comfortable around. She came to the decision to pursue medicine "quite easily" after thinking about what she was interested in and seeing how her mother, a doctor, loves her job and loves helping people.

Throughout her schooling at Mount Aspiring College (MAC), Jessie has had a strong interest in science. This has been reflected in her NCEA excellence endorsements in Level 2 physics and chemistry.

She is a keen singer and has been a member of the school choir since 2019, representing the school in the Big Sing three times.

To achieve her goals, Jessie will continue to work hard in school, stay curious, stay true to herself and live a balanced life.

Jessie is thankful for her supportive family and school who have encouraging her to take opportunities and develop her morals and aspirations.

**Achievements:** NCEA Level 1 and 2 with excellence endorsement; NCEA excellence endorsement in all Level 1 subjects; NCEA Level 2 excellence endorsement in PE, physics and chemistry; all-round year 12 pupil (2022); blues awards in sport, academic, arts and service (2022); joint head pupil (2023); senior A netball (2021-2023), captain (2022, 2023); senior A volleyball (2021, 2022); senior A mixed touch rugby (2023); Upper Clutha netball U16 (2021); U18 Central Lakes netball team (2022, 2023), went to nationals (2022), co-captain (2023); talented netball player recognition (2020-2023); highest achiever in netball umpiring zone theory; coach of year 7 and 8 netball team (2022); netball trials umpiring (2023); coach of year 10 social team (2023); leader at children's holiday camps (2022); choir (2019-2023), Big Sing (2019, 2021, 2023); Mac service committee (2022); academic committee (2023).

**Role models:** Her parents; for their support and intense love of their children and for always pushing her to reach her potential.

**Hopes for the future:** To pursue her dream of supporting and loving others by becoming a doctor.



## MAC'S NEW BUILDINGS REFLECTIONS FROM STAFF AND STUDENTS

Students, teachers and staff have flourished this year in their new learning and work spaces.

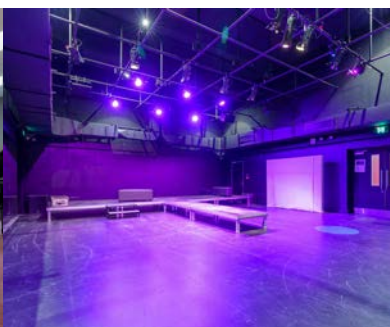
The new buildings include teaching spaces, performance studios for music, drama and dance, art workrooms, music practice rooms, a new library, a wellbeing hub, a staff room and meeting rooms, a new reception area and work spaces for administration staff, and a whare.

Head of Learning for Year 7 Tiffany Kemp says: "The new flexible spaces have helped promote stronger relationships between teachers and students. Our students can work with four teachers as part of a learning hāpori (community) and benefit from having access to a mix of teachers with varied interests, passions and expertise. Thanks to the flexibility of the space, we have been able to organise the learning environment to cater to our students' different learning styles."

Head of Learning for Year 8 Kate Brown says: "This year, we have seen students creating spaces that support their learning whether it be working in a group, in a large meeting area, with a partner in a quiet space, or in a cafe-style booth on their own. We also have a dedicated area that allows for creativity, innovation and big projects, and smaller break-out spaces students can use for quiet reflection or where students can receive one-on-one personalised support from a teacher. The new learning spaces have allowed teachers to share best practice approaches and ideas which means we can make the most of the strengths of our staff and learn from each other."

Year 8 student Tyler Coombs says: "We've done lots of independent learning in this space. The teachers explain what we need to do and they are always here to help us if we need it but you can go off and get your work done. The colours make you feel relaxed and calm and because I don't feel stressed, I can concentrate better."

Year 8 student Casey Knights-Johnson says: "The new learning spaces have helped me learn better and I've really enjoyed having two teachers in my learning space. If one of them is busy, I can rely on the other one and they can teach us different things in different styles. I love working in our new space because it's really open, the light shines through, and you can see over the whole school so it makes learning fun, not boring."



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# 2023 AWARDS AND SUCCESSES

## PREMIER AWARDS



### DUX OF MOUNT ASPIRING COLLEGE

#### MATILDA METCALFE

Matilda Metcalfe has attained academic excellence of the highest order in Music, Enterprise, Art Design and Art Painting. Next year, Matilda will commence a Bachelor of Visual Communication Design and Music at Massey University.

### PROXIME ACCESSIT OF MOUNT ASPIRING COLLEGE

#### EVE FLINT

Eve Flint has attained academic excellence in Physics, Chemistry, Calculus and English. Next year Eve will embark on a career in Engineering at the University of Canterbury.



### BEST ALL-ROUND STUDENT

#### JESSIE WINTER

This year's best all-round student is Jessie Winter. Academically she has excelled with a trifecta of excellence endorsements across Levels 1 and 2, and expected at Level 3. She has been one of our head students and was a recipient of the Class Act award. This year she has been a member of the student executive, Students Against Dangerous Driving and formal committees. She was responsible for setting up our buddy mentoring programme and has been a passionate member of our school choir. In sport she has been a member of our A netball team, co-captain of the Under 18 Central Lakes team, and a member of two touch 7s teams. She has spent countless volunteer hours umpiring and coaching. Next year, Jessie will study Health Science at the University of Otago.

## YEAR 13

### HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT

Matilda Metcalfe (visual art design and music), Caity Curtis (spatial and product design and event and entertainment technologies), Olive Kirk (geography and mathematics and statistics), Cuba Pavlovich (visual art painting), Oscar Goodwin (music technology), Lily Ashe (health), Thomas Benson (outdoor pursuits), Sam Caumette (visual art photography), Daniel Clark (pathways), Grace Gillies (psychology), Jackson Duguid (computer studies), Libby Frazer (drama), Annelise Wedgwood (materials technology), Sebastian Rhind (business and enterprise), Melia Brett (biology), Nina Lee Smith (Spanish), Isabella Soper (physical education), Bradley Gendall (economics), Carter Sidwell (mathematics with statistics), Zara Beeby (Te Reo Māori), Eve Flint (chemistry), Oliver Cohen (woodwork), Haylee Jermyn (tourism), Ruby McLachlan (food and nutrition), Olivia Wood (history)

### HIGH ACHIEVEMENT

India Yule (mathematics and statistics), Lucas Buick (chemistry), Aimee Caesar (outdoor pursuits), Ajay Quirk (business and enterprise), Carter Sidwell (outdoor pursuits), Zara Beeby (biology), Eve Flint (physics), Olivia Wood (English)

## YEAR 12

### HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT

Amy Benson (music, chemistry and Spanish and level 3 English and mathematics with calculus), Zoe Laws (history and psychology), Josh Moody (level 3 physics), Annika Massey (mathematics and statistics), Lily Jarvis (agriculture), Millie East (physical education), Oisin Corbett (spatial and product design), Ella Sarginson (food and nutrition and mathematics with statistics), Emily Schmidt (business), Anton Jones (computer studies), Noa Hunter (tourism), Suki Leigh (drama), Lewis Turner (economics), Tawa Wolfe (music technology), Nat Warburton (photography and woodwork), Jaime Olley (gateway), Aryenyo Emasu (painting), Sacha Swanson (Te Reo Māori), Tivi De'Souza (health), Mackenzie Hall (event and entertainment technologies), Tom Sides (English), Henry Allison (mechanical engineering), Bryne Bloxham (outdoor pursuits), Abbey Pedersen (art design and geography)

### HIGH ACHIEVEMENT

Taylah Jones (mathematics and statistics), Will Miller (outdoor pursuits), Neve Brugman (psychology), Finn van Maren (physics), Tai Treadwell-Burke (biology and chemistry), Henry Allison (woodwork), Lena Pollard (biology), Bryne Bloxham (physical education), Abbey Pedersen, Ollie Baldwin, Annie Wells, Ben McMurray (English), Josh Moody (biology and level 3 English), Zoe Laws (English)

## YEAR 11

### HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT

Izzy Foscett (music and level 2 physics and mathematics with statistics), Lucy Liddell (agriculture, science and food and nutrition), Sophia Lyon (art design and Spanish), Joseph Combe (spatial and product design), Archie Bruce (English), Mila Culpitt (mathematics with statistics), Sam Beale (outdoor pursuits), Sam Wilson (music technology), Jessie McNeil (event and entertainment technologies), Minka Brooks (art painting and photography), Cody Brett (mechanical engineering), Oskar Sharpe (computer studies), Ryan Stenbridge (drama), Cholula Brown (mathematical modelling), Monty Brown (woodwork), Midori Osnabrugge (economics and business), Amelia Latchford (geography), Lucy Maibach (Te Reo Māori), Grace Thomas (history), Harry Oxley (mathematics with algebra), Isaiah Chin-Nyika (physical education)

# 2023 AWARDS AND SUCCESSES



## HIGH ACHIEVEMENT

Xander Maguire (science), Abby Jago (food and nutrition), Jessie McNeil (outdoor pursuits), Minka Brooks (science), Cormac Lee Smith, Arlo Mackay (mathematics with statistics), Eli McArthur (spatial and product design), Lucy Radford (physical education), Joe Rowley (English and science), Ryan Stembridge (English), Joseph Combe (economics and business and English), Zeph Foster (woodwork), Dan McKean (English and level 2 Mathematics with calculus), Olivia Shore (English), Midori Osnabrugge (science), Sophia Lyon (economics and business), Chantel Thurston (art painting and photography), Lexi Brown (mechanical engineering)

## SPECIAL ACADEMIC AWARDS

Thomas Benson (history), Dan McKean, Anton Jones (science and technology scholarships), Jackson Duguid (mathematics scholarship), Blake West (workshop workmanship), Pieta Craig (outdoor pursuits scholarship)

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Pippa Raffills (medical), Bee Ambrose (design), Matilda Metcalfe (music), Oscar Goodwin (additional music prize), Saskia Janssen (law), Cuba Pavlovich (art), Joe Gardner (engineering), Jaime Olley, Zoe Antone, Estelle Gellatly, James Dougherty, Bradley Gendall (vocational), Alexis-Sofia Harvey-Wills, Kate Watson (leadership), Cuba Pavlovich, Georgia Chrisp, Milly Lewis, Jemma Brake, (leadership and role model), Estelle Gellatly (polytechnic)

## BEST ALL ROUND STUDENTS



YEAR 13

INDIA YULE



JACKSON DUGUID



TOM SIDES

YEAR 12



AMY BENSON



IZZY FOSKETT

YEAR 11



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## NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Cam Anderson (mountain bike)

## INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Carter Guichard (road cycling), Cam Melville Ives (snowboarding), Clarke West, Otis Murphy (music), Sylvia Trotter, Fin Melville Ives, Lucia Georgalli (skiing)

## PREMIER SPORT AWARDS

Lucia Georgalli (girls' sports), Fin Melville Ives (boys' sports)

## SERVICE AWARDS

Ally Paterson, Annalise Millar, Bradley Gendall, Carter Sidwell, Coco Smith, Cuba Pavlovich, Elise Tomkins, Emma Lamb, Estelle Gellatly, Eva Humphreys, Eve Bretherton, Freja Malmo, Georgia Chrisp, Georgie Gillespie, Haylee Jermyn, Hazel Murray, India Yule, Isabella Soper, Jackson Duguid, Jemma Brake, Jessie Winter, Jordan Stevens, Jorja Liddell, Kynan Marsh, Laura Watkins, Lewis Inder, Lily Ashe, Maddie Parkin, Melia Brett, Milly Lewis, Molly Rodger, Oliver Cohen, Paige Gawn, Pippa Raffills, Ruby McLachlan, Sakiko Saka, Sam Parry, Sara Jewell, Sebastian Rhind, Sienna Jones, Sophia Hay, Tayla Doran, Sam Caumette, Oscar Waddington (students in the community – special recognition), Cuba Pavlovich, Milly Lewis, Isabella Soper, Paige Gawn (house spirit), Hazel Murray (special recognition - sustainability), Carter Sidwell, Lily Wickham, (whole-hearted contribution), Lachlan Davison, Melia Brett, Thomas Benson, Emma Lamb (special recognition), Elise Tomkins (student council recognition)

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

Zavier Taylor (bronze), Chloe Murray, Elise Tomkins, James Watson, Lily Wickham, Lucy Radford, Oisin Corbett (silver), Aimee Caesar (gold)

## CULTURAL AWARDS

Lucy Maibach (te ūkaipō and mana pounamu) Anataia White (mana pounamu and te korowai o te mātauranga)

## ARTS AWARD

Matilda Metcalfe (wholehearted contribution to the arts)

## EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Libby Frazer, Lily Wickham, Sienna Jones, Bradley Gendall, Sam Parry, Isabella Soper, Tayla Doran, Jem Curtis, Kalan Nichol, Milly Lewis, Aimee Caesar, Anna McLean, Annalise Millar, Ava Hay, Charlotte Squire, Jordan Stevens, Kate Johnson, Lewis Inder, Lily Hawea, Lucas Buick, Olive Kirk, Zara Beeby, Joe Gardner, Lily Glover, Georgia Chrisp, Olivia Wood, Eve Flint, Jackson Duguid, Hazel Murray, Jessie Winter, Isabella Soper, Thomas Benson, Melia Brett, Lily Ashe

## PREMIER AWARDS

Matilda Metcalfe (dux), Eve Flint (proxime accessit), Izzy Foskett, Lucy Radford, Amy Benson, Tom Sides, India Yule, Jackson Duguid (best all-round students), Jessie Winter (best all-round student overall)



## Happy holidays to our Aspiring Learners students.

We are so proud of your achievements and look forward to seeing you next year.

Congratulations to the students leaving MAC in 2023. Wishing you all the best for the next step on your chosen path.

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# 2022 JUNIOR AWARDS AND SUCCESSES

## ACADEMIC AWARDS

### YEAR 10

#### HIGHEST ACHIEVERS (CLASS)

Joe Rowley, Alex Coupland, Oskar Sharpe, Dan McKean, Harry Oxley, Lincoln Rimmer.

#### HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS)

Will Blyth, Minka Brooks, William Pascoe, Angus Ives, Archie Bruce, Ania-Kanu Saklani, Sam Wilson, Olivia Sklenar, Amelia Sramek, Cody Brett, Chloe Murray, Harrison Eastwood, Ryan Enoka, Jacob Fielding, Barnes Metcalfe, Cholula Brown, Sam Soper, Lexi Brown, Lili Kaler, Arlo Mackay, Chantel Thurston, Douglas Wise, Grace Thomas, Lola Ritchie, Lucy Maibach, Toby Gunn, Amelia Latchford, Ashleigh Peat, Isaiah Chin-Nyika.

#### HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS AND TITITEA TROPHIES)

Ryan Stembridge, Dorothy Anderson, Elizabeth Pell, Lachlan Hay, Charlie Roy, Lucy Radford, Olivia Shore, Aria Winter, Robbie McRae, Lucy Liddell.

### TITITEA TROPHIES

Abby Jago, Mila Culpitt, Cormac Lee Smith, Caitlin Harridge, Hannah Gillespie, Mikayla Duncan, Sam Hunger, Rebecca Blanc.

### YEAR 9

#### HIGHEST ACHIEVERS (CLASS)

Nico Pettit, Mikayla Botting, Kasey Brooks, Riley Miller, Heidi Anthony, Phoebe Laker, Fenella Millen.

#### HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS)

Sophie Fountain, Noah Moody, Connor Eley, Ethan Highsted, Ryan Tombling, Denali Emmitt, Francesca Peters, Max Horrocks, Rhian Telfer, Nova Whiston, Alianna Hay, Nieko Knippers, Olive Sinclair, Rāhana Brett, Hinato Watanabe, Tasmin Murphy, Susannah West, Chantel Rudhall, Monty Brown, Patrick Agravante, Jacob Toomey, Juno Gerlach, Ruby Smith, Jack Sides, Luke Harrold, Tommy Cotter, Kaitlyn Tooley, Isla Taylor, Matilda Dawson, Alex Kettle, Alex Pedersen, Bede Laming, Freddie Knight, Ashley Beaton, Maja Griffith-Jones, Kio Haines, Sam Harper.

#### HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS AND TITITEA TROPHIES)

Nova Whiston, Heidi Jarvis, Luka Cowan, Ruby Holsted, Kevin Schafer, Zoe Gumpatzes, Domenico Robinson, Priya White, Zephyr Walker, Oli Wyeth.

### TITITEA TROPHIES

Belinda Hope, Ryan Keenan, Max Bagley, Caroline Smith, Elijah Valentin, Sophia Menlove, Molly Brown, Tomas Robertson, Maxene Ursua, Maya Parker, Mabel North. **SPORTS AWARDS**  
Hugh Ragg (athletics), Kahlarni Hondelink (cross country), Rhian Telfer (mountain biking), Oscar Leigh, Jalen Carleton (snowboarding), Nico Pettit (athletics and cross country), Luke Harrold (junior sport).

### NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT - SPORTING

Jeremiah Moses (rock-climbing), Oli Wyeth (biathlon), Nico Pettit (cross country skiing), Sylvia Trotter, Isabel Watterson, Luke Harrold, Lottie King (skiing), Kezik Magill (ice hockey and skiing).

### NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT ARTS

Hunter Cranfield (ballet), Grace Thomas (dance).

### ACADEMIC AWARDS

Grace Thomas (debating), Dan McKean (mathematics), Nico Pettit (monologue).

### CULTURAL AWARDS

Ryan Enoka (Mana Pounamu and Te Kura Ara Mai).

### ARTS AWARDS

Ruby Smith (music), Luke Gendall (whole-hearted contribution – junior).

### SERVICE AWARDS

Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary bronze award: Olive Sedon, Chloe Murray, Jacob Toomey, Lucy Radford, Nico Pettit, Ruby Smith.

### JUNIOR PREMIER AWARDS

Mikayla Botting, Jack Sides (best all round Year 9 students), Lucy Radford, Ryan Enoka (best all round Year 10 students), Ryan Enoka (whole-hearted contribution – junior).

### ACADEMIC AWARDS

### YEAR 8

#### HIGHEST ACHIEVERS (CLASS)

Hannah Thomas, Zoe Waddington, Tim Heiler, Lottie King, Hugo Van Maren, Dani Maguire, Isaac Lam.

## JUNIOR PREMIER AWARDS 2022 BEST ALL ROUND STUDENTS



LUCY RADFORD

YEAR  
10



RYAN ENOKA



MIKAYLA BOTTING

YEAR  
9



JACK SIDES

## HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS)

Hannah Radford, Monte Halliday, Edward Ives, Mackenzie Whiston, Ethan Shirley, Georgia Beale, Tia Condren, Seren Basson, Tommy Connolly, Lyndajayne Kitto, Vinnie Vickers, Vera Jacobsen, Winifred McAllister-Brown, Sarah-Jane Berben, Angelo Dale, Kaito Scott, Maia Wheeler, Ben Soper, Phoebe Cervelli, Olivia Coad, Arnaud Mackenzie, Grace Underwood-Vize, Max Evans, Ryley Bristow, Gretchen McCarthy, Joe Cruden, Kody Bloxham, Otis Oxley, Georgia Murray, Milo Adams, Liv Fairmaid.

## HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS AND TITITEA TROPHIES)

Charlie Colebrook, Madison Smith, Hope Beker, Fia Warburton, Emily Hunt, Adair Nichol, Aroha Osborne, Ivy Adams, Nieve McRae.

## TITITEA TROPHIES

Alex Tubb, Tori Jago, Astarja Lippe, Ryan Hartnell, Theo Blyth, Quinn Barrett-Corrigan, Jayden Robertson, Theo Irvin, Amory Wolmarans, Harvey Allwood, Macy Holland, Zack Adams-Biggs.

## YEAR 7

### HIGHEST ACHIEVERS (CLASS)

Coco Hocking, Theo Guilleux, Niamh Nolan, Bella Wright, Bess Wilson, Brooke McLachlan, Lucas Simpson.

## HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS)

Blanka Lewis, Amber Gemmell, Ivy Craig, Vinnie Lamb, Madix Chandler, Flynn Robinson, Josh Tombling, Sierra Emmitt, Shaya Byrne, Laila Telfer, Tom Allibone, Trinity Pullar, Alara Reeve, Charlotte Schurink, Leo Cliff, Luke Evans, Casey Howard, Holly Radford, Mack Hay, Zack Wilson, Zoe Fahy, Billy Brown, Harrison Taylor, Jake Holsted, Leo van Riel, Maia van Riel, May Foxley, Scarlet Henshall, Joplin Gerlach, Ila Duncan, Fergus MacRae, Jaime Taylor, Gabriel Vioria, Galileo Griffith-Jones, Natasha Thurston, Charlie Swan, Charlotte Sheppard, Fabian Stanley, Merryn Foster, Stella Harper, Lucas Simpson, Olivia Noble-Kirkbride.

## HIGH ACHIEVERS (SUBJECTS AND TITITEA TROPHIES)

Lily Brown, Laia Mactaggart, Grace Derby, Eve Pfahlert, Liam Thomas, Emma Head.

## TITITEA TROPHIES

Patrick Mackay, Luke Silipo, Jack Chisholm, Anika West, Izzy Ashford, Mackenzie Smith, Eli Wilson, Elsie Dale, Frankie Dodds, Josh Gilmour, Sammy Watkins, Shannon Tisch-Wickes, Hazel McRae, Rose Webster, TJ Tukana.

## NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT - SPORTING

Fia Warburton (rock climbing), Daisy Woods, Eva Small, Logan Millar, Nova Arnott (skiing), Kade van der Hulst (snowboarding), Winifred McAllister-Brown (cross country skiing and biathlon), Fergus MacRae (karate).

## NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT - ARTS

Isabel Martin, Timothy Heiler (ballet), Hannah Thomas (dance).

## SPORTS CHAMPIONS

Ila Duncan, Lyndajayne Kitto, Otis Oxley (athletics), Liv Fairmaid (cross country), Daisy Woods (skiing), Kade van der Hulst (snowboarding), Lauchlan Roy (cross country and athletics).

## SPECIAL ACADEMIC, CULTURAL & SERVICE AWARDS

Amber Gemmell (speech), Jayden Robertson (music), Adrianna Huggett, Arnaud Mackenzie, Dani Maguire, Emily Hunt, Georgia Beale, Grace Underwood-Vize, Hank Weathington, Hannah Radford, Hannah Thomas, Isabel Martin, Ivy Adams, Leo Johnstone, Liv Fairmaid, Lottie King, Lyndajayne Kitto, Madison Smith, Mia Gemmell, Mia Langton, Mikae Hape, Milo Adams, Monte Halliday, Nelson Rimmer, Otis Oxley, Phoebe Cervelli, Rhys Taylor, Sarah-Jane Berben, Theo Irvin, Thomas Jurczyluk, Tighe Owen, Winifred McAllister-Brown, Zoe Waddington (William Pike Challenge).

## JUNIOR PREMIER AWARDS

Holly Radford, Merryn Foster (best all round Year 7 students), Dani Maguire, Zoe Waddington (best all round Year 8 students).



## JUNIOR PREMIER AWARDS 2022 BEST ALL ROUND STUDENTS



ZOE WADDINGTON

YEAR  
8



DANI MAGUIRE



HOLLY RADFORD

YEAR  
7



MERRYN FOSTER

# MAC BLUES AWARDS 2023



# SERVICE - ARTS - TE AO MĀORI



## ARTS COMMENDATION CERTIFICATE

Kasey Brooks  
Max Byrne  
Alice Chaly  
Luke Gendall  
Alexis-Sofia Harvey-Wills  
Emma Head  
Suki Leigh  
Robbie McRae  
Sophie Walsh

## ARTS SERVICE BLUE

Amy Benson  
Miki Bercelli  
Jemma Brake  
Eve Bretherton  
Cholula Brown  
Max Byrne  
Sam Caumette  
Tayla Doran  
Paige Gawn  
Estelle Gellatly  
Oscar Goodwin  
Tane Haines  
Alexis-Sofia Harvey-Wills  
Brooke Hutchison  
Ruby McLachlan  
Matilda Metcalfe  
Ella Miles  
Otis Murphy  
Lena Pollard  
Portia Randall  
Isabella Soper  
Grace Thomas  
Aria Thor-Poet  
Vanessa Vickers  
Laura Watkins  
James Watson

Clarke West  
Aria Winter  
India Yule  
**ARTS ACHIEVEMENT  
BLUE**

Amy Benson  
Hunter Cranfield  
Tayla Doran  
Oscar Goodwin  
Isabel Martin  
Matilda Metcalfe  
Otis Murphy  
Isabella Soper  
Grace Thomas  
Clarke West  
Priya White

## SERVICE BLUE

Amy Benson  
Jemma Brake  
Paige Gawn  
Ava Hay  
Lewis Inder  
Sienna Jones  
Emma Lamb  
Milly Lewis  
Freja Malmo  
Jessie McNeil  
Noah Moody  
Tasmin Murphy  
Hazel Murray  
Ben Pell  
Lulu Pettit  
Nico Pettit  
Lena Pollard  
Lucy Radford  
Elise Tomkins  
Laura Watkins  
James Watson

Lily Wilson  
Molly Wilson  
Jessie Winter  
India Yule

## TE AO MĀORI COMMENDATION CERTIFICATE

Alice Chaly  
Laila Telfer  
Oscar Waddington  
Zoe Waddington  
Arlo Waddington

## TE AO MĀORI ACHIEVEMENT BLUE

Anataia White  
Melia Brett  
Ryan Enoka

## TE AO MĀORI SERVICE BLUE

Anataia White  
Sam Caumette  
Melia Brett  
Ryan Enoka  
Hazel Murray

## MAC VALUES AWARDS

Manaakitanga Awards  
Arts: Clarke West  
Te Ao Māori: Anataia White  
Service: Emma Lamb  
Whanaungatanga Awards  
Arts: Oscar Goodwin  
Te Ao Māori: Hazel Murray  
Service: Laura Watkins  
Aroha Awards

Arts: Laura Watkins  
Te Ao Māori: Lucy Maibach  
Service: Sienna Jones  
Ihi Awards  
Arts: Paige Gawn  
Te Ao Māori: Oscar  
Waddington  
Service: Tasmin Murphy

## SPECIAL AWARDS

Junior Music Award 7&8:  
Merryn Foster  
Junior Music Award 9&10:  
Ruby Smith  
Senior Music Tech Award:  
Oscar Goodwin  
Senior Music Award: Clarke  
West  
Thomson Award for Dance:  
Ruby McLachlan and Tayla  
Doran  
Thomson Wright Award for  
Direction and Backstage:  
Robbie McRae  
Kings Performing Arts Award:  
Laura Watkins  
Heskell Award for Excellence  
in Drama: Zoe Raffills  
Senior Languages Award:  
Lulu Pettit  
Tecorians Award for Senior  
Speech: Libby Fraser  
Aspiring Writers Award: Amy  
Benson  
Senior Debating Award:  
Jackson Duguid



# MAC BLUES AWARDS 2023



# SPORTS



## MAC VALUES AWARDS

Manaakitanga Sport Award  
Matt Rickard  
Whanaungatanga Sport Award  
Kate Watson  
Aroha Sport Award  
Eva Small  
Ihi Sport Award  
Carter Guichard

## SPORT SERVICE BLUE

Paige Gawn (basketball)  
James Watson (gymnastics)  
Lena Pollard (jiu jitsu)  
Hana Jones (netball)  
Claudia Patterson (netball)  
Ella Sarginson (netball)  
Lottie Hunt (netball)  
Elise Tomkins (netball)  
Ava Hay (netball)  
Emma Lamb (netball)  
India Yule (netball)  
Sara Jewell (netball)  
Ally Paterson (netball)  
Milly Lewis (netball)  
Annalise Millar (netball)  
Eva Humphreys (netball)  
Amelia Young (netball)  
Jessie Winter (netball)  
Lily Ashe (netball)  
Anton Jones (rowing)  
Laura Watkins (sailing)  
Sebastian Rhind (sailing)  
Bella Soper (netball)  
Tom Sides (rugby)  
Anton Jones (rowing)  
Aria Winter (netball)

## COACH OF THE YEAR

Gareth Howley & James Adams

## VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Natalie Keenan

## TEACHER-IN-CHARGE OF THE YEAR

Vicky Brown

## SPORT PERFORMANCE BLUE

Pippa Raffills (athletics)  
Nova Gillam (cross country skiing)  
Baxter Pollard (cross country skiing, biathlon)  
Lulu Pettit (cross country skiing)  
Heidi Kendrick (equestrian)  
Abbey Ragg (hockey)  
Billie Wilson (hockey)  
Hugh Ragg (hockey)

Kynan Marsh (hockey)  
Amy Benson (hockey, ski)  
Thomas Benson (hockey, mountain bike)  
Eva Gilbertson (netball)  
Bella Soper (netball)  
Jessie Winter (netball)  
Millie East (netball, athletics)  
Lucy Radford (rowing)  
Annie Wells (rowing)  
Lolo Ritchie (rowing)  
Annika Massey (rowing)  
Jem Curtis (rowing)  
Anton Jones (rowing)  
Kiana Babbington (rugby)  
George Lister (rugby)  
Tom Sides (rugby, triathlon)  
Melia Brett (sailing)  
Laura Watkins (sailing)  
Sebastian Rhind (sailing)  
Erica Hudson (sailing)  
Cam Melville Ives (snowsports)  
Ella Miles (snowsports)  
Luke Harrold (snowsports)  
Fin Melville Ives (snowsports)  
Sakiko Saka (snowsports)  
Josh Moody (triathlon)  
Jack Sides (triathlon)  
Kate Watson (basketball)  
Kalan Nichol (rugby)  
Phoebe Laker (athletics)  
Niamh Townsend (athletics)

## NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Matilda Verbeck (ice figure skating)  
Fia Warburton (climbing)  
Brooke McLachlan (triathlon)  
Ivy Craig (triathlon)  
Scarlet Henshall (triathlon)  
Phoebe Laker (athletics)  
Nico Pettit (cross country skiing)  
Sylvia Trotter (snowsports)  
Cam Anderson (mountain bike)  
Nova Arnott (snowsports)

## INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Lucia Georgalli (snowsports)  
Fia Warburton (climbing)  
Carter Guichard (cycling)  
Sam Harper (indoor cricket)  
Sophie Fountain (equestrian)  
Heidi Kendrick (equestrian)  
Daisy Woods (snowsports)  
Cam Melville Ives (snowsports)  
Fin Melville Ives (snowsports)  
Luke Harrold (snowsports)  
Sylvia Trotter (snowsports)

## MAJOR AWARDS JUNIOR

Faulks Family Trophy for boys' sport: Luke Harrold  
Vicki Ashton Trophy for girls' sports: Phoebe Laker  
SENIOR  
Bayne Family Trophy for girls' sports: Lucia Georgalli  
Paul Campbell Trophy for boys' sport: Fin Melville Ives  
Team performance of the year: MAC mixed hockey team  
Alumni sport achievement award: Ryan Young

## RECOGNITION AWARDS

Raphael Anderson (golf)  
Cody Armstrong (athletics)  
Evelyn Armstrong (skateboarding)  
Ella Asberg (netball)  
Georgia Beale (basketball, netball, tennis)  
Sam Beale (mountain biking, tennis)  
Paige Boomsma (mountain biking, skiing)  
Matthew Botting (athletics)  
Hana Carnie (athletics, cross country, swimming)  
Jackson Clark (rugby)  
Janie Colebrook (sailing)  
Dean Coll (gymnastics)  
Jimmy Cooper (rugby)  
Oisin Corbett (squash)  
Sarah Dougherty (netball)  
Amaya East (triathlon, athletics, netball)  
Jake Edwards (athletics)  
Cory Enoka (athletics, rugby)  
Ryan Enoka (athletics, rugby)  
Liv Fairmaid (triathlon, cricket)  
Cody Gemmell (rugby)  
Mia Gemmell (football)  
Ally Gray (cross country, triathlon)  
Deacon Gwilliam Browne (basketball)  
Stella Harper (swimming)  
Ryan Hartnell (mountain biking)  
Toby Hartnell (mountain biking)  
Lachlan Hay (rugby)  
Nick Heiler (sailing)  
Poppy Jackson (tennis)  
Fleur Jansen (swimming, triathlon)  
Thomas Jurczykuk (sailing)  
Lili Kaler (netball)  
Jonty Keenan (rugby)  
Dan Kettle (basketball)

Lottie King (skiing)  
Jack Labes (rugby)  
Vinnie Lamb (cross country, swimming)  
Bede Laming (mountain biking)  
Madi Lovelock (netball)  
Arnaud Mackenzie (mountain biking, swimming)  
Laia Mactaggart (tennis, skiing)  
Sienna Marsden (rowing)  
Phillip Massey (rowing)  
Sophia McClintock (athletics, swimming)  
Brooke McLachlan (cross country, triathlon)  
Fenella Millen (netball, rowing)  
Coast Morland (swimming)  
Otis Murphy (sailing)  
Tasmin Murphy (sailing)  
Georgia Murray (triathlon)  
Charlie Nisbet (gymnastics)  
Imogen Nisbet (sailing)  
Mabel North (triathlon, sailing)  
Sybella Pepper (triathlon)  
Ethan Prince (squash)  
Kyan Prince (squash)  
Trinity Pullar (basketball)  
Holly Radford (basketball, triathlon)  
Zoe Raffills (netball)  
Kate Ritchie (rowing)  
Harry Rowden (skiing)  
Charlie Roy (rugby)  
Kazuma Saka (skiing)  
Ella Sarginson (netball)  
William Schurink (swimming)  
Eva Small (mountain biking, skiing)  
Caroline Smith (rowing)  
Madison Smith (sailing)  
Rub Smith (mountain biking)  
Bianca Soares (athletics)  
Sam Soper (rugby)  
Rhian Telfer (triathlon)  
Chantal Thurston (athletics)  
Kaitlyn Tooley (tennis)  
Hinato Watanabe (swimming)  
Marshall Watson (triathlon)  
Lucy Wellington (gymnastics)  
Anataia White (sailing)  
Aria Winter (netball)  
Finn Woolley (mountain biking)  
Olive Woolley (mountain biking)  
Alex Worthington (basketball)  
Oli Wyeth (sailing)

# ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

The Academic Committee's role in the school is to ensure students feel supported by their peers and engage in a range of extracurricular academic activities. We provide ways for the students to feel supported through our buddy program, and provide lunchtime activities that give students the opportunity to win house points, like our interhouse debating and interhouse mathematics competitions. The committee really enjoyed working this year to put on these activities for the school and we hope that the students enjoyed them as well.

## Mathletics

The inter-house mathletics competition took place in week 6 of Term 2. Each of the teams was given 20 problem-solving questions with contrasting difficulty based on their year level, and 30 minutes to complete as many questions as possible. We held rounds for each year group in the junior school as well as a senior round. There was great participation from each house allowing for a fun, light-hearted competition. The overall results were:

**1st Roy**  
**2nd Pisa**  
**3rd Iron**  
**4th Barker**

## Debating

The interhouse debating competition was held in week 4 of Term 3. This event consisted of each house competing in heats, as well as the winning houses continuing on to finals to compete for the win. It was great to see the high standards set by the students this year, making some very difficult decisions for the judges. All houses put their best foot forward which was really encouraging. The overall results were:

**1st Roy**  
**2nd Barker**  
**3rd Iron**  
**4th Pisa**



Back Row: Tai Tredwell Burke, Josh Moody, Tane Haines, Bradley Gendall  
Front Row: Lily Glover, Nina Lee-Smith, Sara Jewell, Tayla Doran, Georgie Gillespie, Jessie Winter

## Tuakana Teina Buddy programme

The Tuakana Teina buddy programme puts Years 12 and 13 students who have a study period into Year 7 classes. This year we have approximately 30 senior students participating in the buddy program. We think this programme benefits the Year 7 students as it gives them role models to look up to and friendly faces to see around school.

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our competitions or our buddy programme this year. It has been a privilege and a pleasure working with you all.

*Tayla Doran - 2023 Academic Committee Leader*

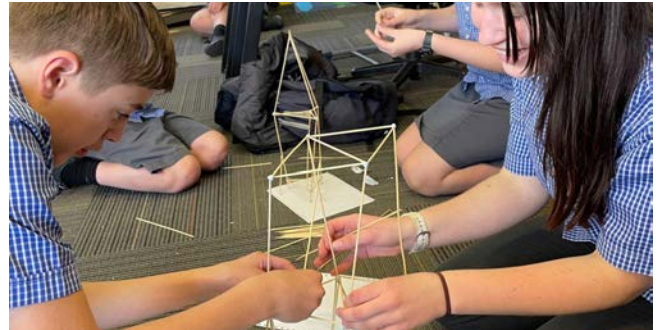


# KITENGA

## GIFTED AND TALENTED

Kitenga is MAC's 'gifted and talented' group, directed at Years 7, 8 and 9. We focus on developing our real-world skills and knowledge through fun puzzles and games, and also on specific things like being "above and below" the line, and managing our impulses. In Kitenga we value difference and what that means to us as a developing person. A willingness to work with different people and consider different views in a non-judgemental way increases our ability to be creative, see various solutions, cohesively function in a group, and accept ourselves as unique individuals.

*By Sophie Bull, Bella Wright and Luke Silipo*



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# 2022 NCEA RESULTS

## LEVEL 3 2022

### EXCELLENCE

Felix Blanchard  
Ava Colthurst  
Sophie Davey  
Toby Davies  
Amelia Finlay  
Juliet Frater  
Harry Gilbertson  
Kate Harry  
Emily Hayes  
Lucy Laws  
Leon Nicholson  
Layton Osnabrugge  
Sophia Perkins  
Hayden Watson

### MERIT

Bree Ackland  
Hayley Ambrose  
Rose Armstrong  
Caitlin Bailey  
Kimiya Byrne  
Lyla Chamberlain  
Will Collins  
Millie Cranfield  
Hana Dean  
Amity Drake  
Jacob Field  
Thomas Foley  
Brooke Furniss  
Mia Gerrard  
Samara Goodall  
Minnie Harker Gilmour  
Aimee Harold  
Isla Henderson  
Mari Henderson  
Amelia Holmes  
Penelope James  
Olivia Jones  
Jamie Kerr  
Isabel Kurta  
Aishlyn Lawton  
Cormick Lea  
Maggie Lourie  
Hannah Mangnall  
Leo Manning  
Marni Matheson  
Kate McWhirter  
Cullen Meyer  
Amelia Mitchell  
Scarlett Norman  
Tai Olley

Daisy Orbell  
Hannah Prosser  
Benji Pujol

Ally Rea  
Bella Robertson  
Elias Robinson-Gomas  
Bella Sarginson  
Vick Scalera  
Bailey Sharp  
Benjamin Silipo  
Ben Simmers  
Luke Smith  
Caroline Taillie  
Luka van Maren  
McKay Watson  
Matai Wells  
Liam Williamson

### ACHIEVED

Kahu Allan  
Mackenzie Allison  
Claudia Alloway  
Roman Altj  
Ma'nea Apa  
Nico Arnold  
Matt Barclay  
Lucie Barman

Charlotte Bell  
Dane Bowler  
Ruby Boyd  
Jonty Burfoot  
Tamara Burrows  
Kyle Castillejos  
Angeleah Chambers  
Victoria Clark  
Ryan Clements  
Torben Craig  
Kiara De Petro  
Maggie Dougherty  
Finn Dowling  
Niki Dunn  
Claire Edwards  
George Elworthy  
Abbey Fink  
Lewis Gardner  
Ashley Gibbons  
Fletcher Green  
Max Hanna  
Eliza Hardaker  
Mikaela Harridge  
Otis Harry  
Carter Hewson  
Monty Hewson  
Eligh Hollegien  
Ewan Hughes  
Casey Irwin  
Sam Johnson  
Unesh Khadka  
Jack Lanigan  
Xion Lippe  
Rove Mackie  
Jessie Mathison  
Abby McArthur  
Olivia McLachlan  
Lucy Miller  
Emily O'Riley  
Emma Palmer  
Ella Parker  
Jenna Peat  
Rory Read  
Kay Santos Dias  
Quinn Secker  
Evie Sinclair  
Hugo Smith  
Taine Smith  
Corin Suddaby  
Bonnie Traynor  
Kayla Wallace  
Michael Wallis  
Jack Wilkes  
Caleb Wright

## LEVEL 2

### 2022

### EXCELLENCE

Lily Ashe  
Zara Beeby  
Kate Bennie  
Jemma Brake  
Melia Brett  
Lucas Buick  
Aimee Caesar  
Caity Curtis  
Jackson Duguid  
Paige Gawn  
Oscar Goodwin  
Ava Hay  
Nina Lee Smith  
Matilda Metcalfe  
Annalise Millar  
Hazel Murray  
Cuba Pavlovich  
Ajay Quirk  
Sakiko Saka  
Isabella Soper  
Jessie Winter

India Yule

### MERIT

Cam Anderson  
Zoe Antone  
Thomas Benson  
Eve Bretherton  
Neisha Bryant  
Tayla Doran  
Estelle Gellatly  
Bradley Gendall  
Nova Gillam  
Georgie Gillespie  
Grace Gillies  
Lilly Hampson  
Sophia Hay  
Eva Humphreys  
Holly James  
Sara Jewell  
Sienna Jones  
Max Knight  
Jorja Liddell  
Freja Malmo  
Ruby McLachlan  
Ella Miles  
Ryan O'Sullivan  
Pippa Raffills  
Illume Sadowski-Synnot  
Coco Smith  
Elise Tomkins  
Laura Watkins  
Annelise Wedgwood  
Clarke West  
Anataia White  
Billie Willson  
Amelia Young

### ACHIEVED

Morgan Antone  
Emma Arthur  
Elliot Bain  
Solomon Bentley  
Freyja Berry  
Max Birkby  
Ashley Buckland  
Mike Burke  
Max Carter  
Amali Chin-Nyika  
Oliver Cohen  
Jem Curtis  
Leo Duncan  
Scarlett Fenton  
Connor Garnock  
Julia Gilson  
Zara Gray  
Ngaio Groenen  
Ben Hawkins  
Trae Hessian  
Luke Horrocks  
Lochie Hunt  
Haylee Jermyrn  
Ella Kaler  
Emma Lamb  
Milly Lewis  
George Lister  
Cruz Morland  
Kalan Nichol  
Sam Parry  
Ally Paterson  
Sebastian Rhind  
Sam Sharratt  
Alex Sudron  
Aria Thor-Poet  
Niamh Townsend  
Caleb Turner  
Oscar Waddington  
Thomas Wallington  
Molly Wilson  
Hunter Wilton  
Amelie Woonton

## LEVEL 1

### 2022

### EXCELLENCE

Bee Ambrose  
Amy Benson  
Bryne Bloxham  
Ella Briscall  
Layla Brooks  
Neve Brugman  
Oisin Corbett  
Aryeno Emasu  
Eva Gilbertson  
Carter Guichard  
Tane Haines  
Erica Hudson  
Lottie Hunt  
Bianca James  
Zoe Laws  
Annika Massey  
Ben McMurray  
Josh Moody  
Otis Murphy  
Vida Osborne  
Abbey Pedersen  
Ben Pell  
Lulu Pettit  
Baxter Pollard  
Lena Pollard  
Abbey Ragg  
Ella Sarginson  
Emily Schmidt  
Tom Sides  
Tay Simpson  
Zavier Taylor  
Tai Treadwell-Burke  
Finn van Maren  
Nat Warburton  
Kate Watson  
Annie Wells  
Lily Wilson

### MERIT

Charlie Anderson  
Ollie Baldwin  
William Bale  
Marshall Bell  
Coco Bentley  
Miki Bercelli  
Matthew Botting  
Sienna Collins  
Anna Corthell  
Ben Davies  
Tivi De'Souza  
Millie East  
Phoebe Garnock  
Jessica Gould  
Mackenzie Hall  
Alexis-Sofia Harvey-Wills  
Caoimhe Heath  
Ashton Holsted  
Harry Hope  
Brooke Hutchison  
Ruby Ives  
Anton Jones  
Lucy Laker  
Zoe Learmonth  
Suki Leigh  
Emily Lovelock  
Emily McCarthy  
Cam Melville Ives  
Will Miller  
Thomas Mitchell  
Thomas Niles  
Isabella Noble-Kirkbride  
Archie North  
Evie Pendlebury  
Kyan Prince  
Zoe Raffills

Portia Randall  
Olivia Rudhall  
Daisy Sanders  
Kobi Simmers  
Hugo Sinclair  
Sacha Swanson  
Finn Thomsson  
Lewis Turner  
Hamish Tye  
Lola Underwood-Vize  
Ethan Van Niekerk  
Vanessa Vickers  
Caspar Waddington  
Sophie Walsh  
James Watson  
Daniel Wright  
Jack Wyeth

### ACHIEVED

Henry Allison  
Will Anderson  
Cody Armstrong  
Evelyn Armstrong  
Isaac Beale  
Thomas Buick  
Max Byrne  
Daniel Clark  
Madi Cooper  
Stella Dawson  
Bayne Deaton  
James Dougherty  
Anthony Edwards  
Aiden Fitzpatrick  
Tom Gasson  
Beau Gordon  
Jinwoo Hong  
Jai Horkings  
Noa Hunter  
Edward Jackson  
Lily Jarvis  
Madi Jolly  
Taylah Jones  
Jonty Keenan  
Justin Lam  
Ruby Laming  
Campbell Lanigan  
Chloe Latimer  
Huck Levy  
Georgia Lindsay  
Calum Martineau  
Philip Massey  
James Masters  
Lilly McCarthy  
Sophie McKenna  
Fin Melville Ives  
Kyle Millar  
Ollie Morgan  
Jaime Olley  
Caspin Orbell  
Chilli Papai  
Luca Peters  
Flynn Phillips  
Caelan Purnell  
Kate Ritchie  
Rowan Rosie  
Harriet Sargood Ross  
Hunter Tuck  
Dhenzyl Valentin  
Debora Vieira  
Noah Vincenzi-Johnson  
Mya Walker  
Blake West  
Tawa Wolfe  
Hannah Wright



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Our Careers team has had a busy year providing many diverse opportunities to our students to help them make decisions about their future career pathways. In addition to placing students with local employers for work experience, MAC has also organised a number of events and excursions to give students firsthand experiences of the world of tertiary study and work:

- Trades Academy Taster
- Otago Polytechnic
- Victoria University
- Option Evening
- Otago University medical students
- Canterbury University
- Barista course
- Otago University
- Forklift course
- Lincoln University
- Rural health careers
- Massey University
- Studylink with Central Otago budgeting



## SCHOOLS TO SKIES

In the second week of the April school holidays, India Yule and Georgie Gillespie flew to Palmerston North to spend a week on RNZAF Base Ohakea as part of the 'School to Skies' course. To be selected for this course, you must be a Year 13 female student studying a maths and a science subject. Alongside 38 other girls, we experienced life on base from eating in the mess hall to fitness testing. We learnt about the multitude of jobs and specialist jobs available which included aircraft technician, helicopter loadmaster, security forces, avionics and more. We even had a go at flying the A-109 helicopter simulator. This course opened our eyes to the possibility of having a future in STEM and the endless opportunities available, not just in the Air Force but at universities and polytechs as well. We were lucky enough to finish the week with one of the best things Georgie and myself have ever experienced: we planned a mission alongside air warfare officers and specialists and then got to fly in one of the Air Force's NH90 helicopters.

*India Yule - Year 13*



# LIBRARY 2023

"The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library." - Albert Einstein

It's been a year of big changes for the library. As well as moving into the new space, we have recruited an enthusiastic and dedicated team of 26 student librarians who contribute to the running of the library at break times. We have also been supported by Students in the Community volunteers Max Carter, Caleb Turner and Oscar Waddington, and HQ work experience student Zac Scott. With the help of our student volunteers, we have processed more than 1000 new books to add to our collection.

For the first time, this year we gathered a team of keen readers in Year 9 to contest the Otago Readers' Cup competition. Our team of Ivy Adams, Olivia Coad, Dani Maguire and Zoe Waddington was the only team to achieve a clear round but ultimately came in second. Our digital collection on Wheelers ePlatform has also been enhanced. Students (and staff) can now access more than 1150 eAudiobooks and 2350 eBooks, including a carefully curated wellness collection designed to support students' mental health and wellbeing.

This year, we supported Schools' Pride Week by screening diverse cartoons and hosting in-library displays. We also supported the month-long 'Out on the Shelves' campaign in June with our colourful Read with Pride display. Other displays promoted 'Bullying-Free NZ Week' and 'Pink Shirt Day', prize-winning books from the New Zealand Book Awards for Children and Young Adults, and 'Mental Health Awareness Week'. We celebrated 'Aotearoa New Zealand School Library Week' in August with a range of activities and competitions and were delighted with the wholehearted response from our community.

We love hosting chess club every Tuesday in the library and our chess sets are among our most popular borrowable items. We continue to organise loans from the National Library to support teaching and learning across the curriculum and write weekly articles for the school newsletter to keep our community updated on happenings in the library.

Happy reading!

Maia, Kenna, and Ruth

## STUDENT LIBRARIAN: TEAM

### LEADERS

Cholula Brown  
Emma Cartlidge  
Ben Pell  
Mackenzie Smith  
Caspar Waddington  
Zoe Waddington

### STUDENT LIBRARIANS

Emily Anderson  
Iyaz Rhein Basco  
Aaliya Begley  
Tibor Boda  
Malcie Cervelli  
Caleb Cotton-Everitt  
Gemma Cragg  
Camilla Foskett  
Emily Heathorn  
Jade Lunny  
Paige Lunny  
Duke MacLachlan  
Dani Maguire  
Asha McPhee  
Leo Melville  
Yohana Merengnagne  
Lennox Millar  
Obie Mitchell  
Fabian Stanley  
Matilda van Urquhart  
Arlo Waddington

### COLLECTION

- 11000 books
- 2350 Ebooks
- 1150 audiobooks
- 100 magazines.

## CIRCULATION

- Books: over 7000 issues this year (6800 last year, + 3%)
- eBooks: over 1000 loans this year (800 last year, + 25%)
- eAudiobooks: over 320 loans this year (230 last year, +40%).

## TOP 5 FICTION SERIES

- 'Tom Gates' books by Liz Pichon
- 'Skulduggery Pleasant' series by Derek Landy
- 'The World's Worst...' books by David Walliams
- 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' series by Jeff Kinney
- 'Wings of Fire' series by Tui Sutherland.

## TOP 5 GRAPHIX

- 'Guts'
- 'Babysitter's Club'
- 'Heartstopper'
- 'Amulet'
- 'Brave'.

## TOP 5 MANGA

- 'Komi Can't Communicate'
- 'Demon Slayer'
- 'Naruto'
- 'Assassination Classroom'
- 'One Piece'.



## Praia do Amado

By Cuba Pavlovich - Year 13

A sharp light cuts you from your slumber. Sun glares down over the ledge of the tattered canopy above, through a sky all but a dome of brilliant blue, interrupted only by a lone gannet as she glides south. Feel your hair rustle against the rough canvas above as you rise to sit. The shade of this abode, a safe haven in a heatwave. Peer out across this land now, far into the sweltering haze that blankets the distant scape. Bay after bay the scene boils further into mirage. Masses of green succulents creep over the great dunes who hug the coast, this army of trigonal flora bombard the salty ridgeline with a thousand purple blooms.

Listen to the constant hum of the swell, crashing, rumbling waves peel along the rippled blue back of the deep steely sea. Whipped by the wind, the ocean sheds glistening tears into the air. Oblivious, surfers streak along like nubs of butter on a hot pan, melting back into the cobalt drink.

Sun still beats down upon you, no holds barred. Beads of sweat arise from your pores. A fickle wind teases you with a glimpse of relief, only to disappear again.

Urged now by the searing outlook, you fumble amongst book and towel, searching. Finally, your hand clasps salvation. As you squeeze, the potent whiff of sunblock satisfies your weary mind. Now with newfound will, you come to stand. The sand that lays ahead seems unassuming and in your new found confidence, a step out from this shadowed sanctum. But with one stride, betrayal. The ground is that of stovetop and griddle. Your feet are bare, naked to the scorching earth. Pain crescendos as you hop and skitter to no prevail. Sun and sand, a deceitful couple, have played a nasty trick. Or are you a mere cynic in your blindness? Nevertheless you have no choice but to dart, hotfoot, for reprieve.

In your frantic, fiery, escape you bound toward the ancient cliff face on your right. He stares stoically over the land, steadfast. Centuries of ceaseless torment by the sea has left his feet broken, great boulders strewn beneath. Yet he stands tall, gallant. Your anguish reduced to dust in the face of his fortitude.

Suddenly you enter a new space, a crowd of babble and chatter envelopes you. The holler of promotion from a travelling merchant pulls your attention. A row of gypsy markets, a brew of twine, bead and dread, convene on the corner. Traces of myrrh and sage pass on wafts of smoke that plume from incense sticks that smoulder amongst the bohemian booths. Smile at these humble people existing on jewel and trinket, Free spirits.

Closer to the shore now, a chilling gust rises from the vast abyss, calling you forward out of this dreaded heat. A squabble of gulls squawk and screech on your left. You catch them devour an unsuspecting beach

goer's lunch as you helplessly stroll ahead. Reaching the waterfront, feel the cold salty mist fill your nose. The saline spray further drying your parched lips. Swish, slosh, splash. Gurgles, gulp, gasp. Listen to the joy as kids dive, paddle and play in the shallows. Anticipation pulls you in with the tide, Shots of bliss rocket up through your legs, every hair on your neck stands on end. With every influx the frigid water foams and froths around your ankles. The icy brine offers a long-awaited revival to your charred soles. The torrid veil has been snapped from your mind, an exhilarating chill.

Feel your toes dig into the soft seabed, an all too alluring sensation. Deep fascination wells up from within. Lean in, closer, scoop up a handful of sand. Look in awe as an endless plane of slick beige has become a million points of colour. Each speck unique. Each grain a memory of the past, yet no way to remember. Lost to the sands of time. Infinite complexity sitting in your palm, falling through your trifling fingers. Such a thing leaves you perplexed, but still you wonder around on this earth acting as if you know anything of what's going on? On this earth who is just another jot of sand in a sea of suns, Absurd.

## Daisy

By Amber Gemmell - Year 8

The new white shoes that I just bought are sinking into the mud. But I don't move. The scratches on my shoulders are stinging. But I don't shift my head even the tiniest bit to look at them. I'm a statue, except for my fingers as I twirl the daisy that I picked earlier round and round. My breathing slows. Every breath of air that fills my lungs is cold. Almost too cold. I take a deep breath, and, shivering, I pull my jacket tighter. Slowly, I close my eyes, because a little sliver of sunlight that managed to make it through the layered canopy of leaves is striking a shape across my eyes, kind of reminiscent of a blade, and they're starting to sting.

I come here whenever life just... doesn't. When everything is getting to be too much, and I need a break. A rest. A reminder that somewhere, not too far from home, there is peace. And whenever I leave, with that daisy that I always make sure to pick, I feel recharged. All those little anxieties that refused to leave me alone retreat.

Slowly, I exhale.



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# ALPINE FAULT EARTHQUAKE

By Dorothy Anderson - Year 11

## NOW: PRESENT TIME

Looking down upon the landscape, the houses are like matchboxes lined throughout the variegated countryside waiting to be lit. Sun sinks towards the mountains making the admired scenery turn a molton-rose colour. Below, the green pasture brings a spiritual peacefulness to the land with rich vegetation that casts over the rolling hills. They seemingly stretch on forever. Each fragment accommodates mixtures of green hues, creating a tartan-like field, holding nothing but crops. Snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps, their jagged edges etched against the cerulean sky. Elevated high, the irregular outlines glow, embracing a halo. An azure colour contrasts with the assortments of varying pigments streaming across the compelling view of the countryside, with washed vibrant hues and golden fields extending along the horizon. Across the elevated grounds, neat rows of vineyards stretch out beyond the landscape resembling a patchwork quilt, and the utopian view fades into the distance. Still crisp evening air steals the breath of living things, filling them with the peace the breeze contains. Silhouettes of companions accompany each other along the pavements laden with asphalt, inhaling the scent of wildflowers and pine trees. Light dapples the bleak sidewalks, bringing the suburbs to life and reassures the sense of nature. Small portions of thriving weeds emerge in the minor cracks through the terminated concrete, giving the pavement a verdant foliage. The world is a delicate sanctuary for all living things.

## THEN: AFTER EARTHQUAKE

Looking down upon the landscape, the dirty rubble of the ruined buildings and the debris cascade down the countryside. Deep cracks ripple through the unused pasture with vineyards disfigured. Creviced land resembles fractured bones keeping the Earth intact and the grey sky engulfs all with fear. Ash also plagues the atmosphere, making the air unbearable to breathe. Uprooting trees topple into the buildings that were once comforting homes, while crumpled figures evoke the world and loved ones they once knew. Everything in sight are reminders of the devastating memories the disaster brings. The safety that once blanketed everything is nowhere to be seen. Crowds of panicking strangers wander around the streets with confusion and desperation. Natural gas lingers in the atmosphere, creating an uneasy feeling giving a brutal reminder of the disaster. A distinctive mercaptan smell immerses the land and brings the traumatic memories flooding back to the towns. Individuals attempt to position themselves from the liquefaction rising from the Earth's surface, while the vulnerable communities gather together, forming a protective cover from the descending danger. Cracks of the leftover debris falling from the structures are heard over the sirens of emergency vehicles. No sound can escape the harsh roar of the earthquake. The deafening blare shakes the Earth like an angry god. There is panic throughout the crowds, dreading the aftershocks to come. The lateral ground displacement is not over.



## A Tired Voice

By Sam Caumette - Year 13

In the darkest of places  
The lost sing out,  
For the hearts of  
the past are dying.

A cry of hope  
For my scars still bleed.  
The pain of masses  
Scream in need

Someone save us?  
Oh, Won't you please?  
For our voice is  
Tired, Tired of

Generations of inferiority.  
Our lives lie belittled  
In times of misery.  
Condemn this pyrrhic victory.

Are deaths inscribed  
before it is our time  
Or are we just  
The unlucky ones?

Destined to live  
A life of resentment.  
Trapped by the top  
Who have ill-intended

The hope of a future.  
The hope to find solace.

Like ripples our lives splinter  
Isolated, in distant waters,  
left to die.  
A Lament for fallen stars

That no longer Shine.  
Confined within which  
Defines our very lives.  
Hopeless, lost, forlorn.

Inside this world  
I feel so small  
"Is it no great mischief  
if I fall"



Kynan Marsh  
AKA: Kytard  
Q: I'll do it next week...



Scarlett Fenton



Quinn Pak



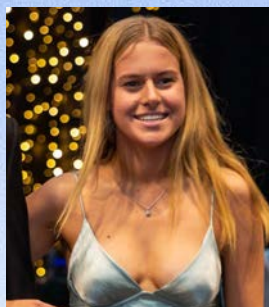
Sam Sharrat  
TM: Rolling his car



Charlotte Squire  
AKA: Cuddlemuffin



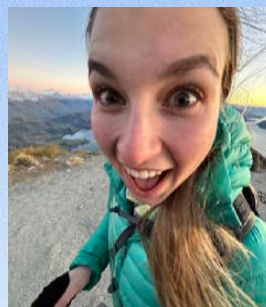
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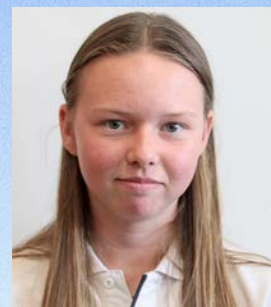
Maddie Parkin  
AKA: Bulldog



Ben Hawkins  
AKA: Kina  
TM: Shosha



Neisha Bryant  
AKA: Neishka  
TM: Cascade bomb squad leader



Freja Malmo  
AKA: Rejji  
FC: Anything and everything



Joe Gardner



Saskia Janssen  
AKA: Sussy



Oliver Feint  
AKA: Ollie  
TM: Taxi Driver

# LEAVERS' PROFILES 2023



Milly Lewis  
AKA: Milly Moo  
FC: Finding a farmer at Lincoln



Jessie Winter  
AKA: J-Dub  
FC: Our boss  
TM: Dabbing and Crocs



India Yule  
AKA: Indy  
TM: Hand sanitiser  
FC: Romy's husband



Sam Parry  
AKA: Samjambaloo  
TM: Duct tape, zip ties & WD40  
Q: She'll be right



Ajay Quirk  
Q: Early knockoff?  
TM: [www.soapcraft.store](http://www.soapcraft.store)  
FC: Software engineer



Aimee Caesar  
AKA: Seal



Bella Soper  
AKA: Bels  
Q: Do potatoes grow in cages?



Lewis Inder  
AKA: Lewkitty  
FC: Fireman  
Q: Mums I'm not sick...



Lily Glover  
AKA: Lils



Mike Burke  
AKA: Michaelangelo  
Q: I swear I'll get tyres next week



Pippa Raffills  
AKA: Pip Squeaks  
Q: Can I have a cracker  
FC: Zelda



Thomas Wallington  
Q: I can't I got work tomorrow  
TM: The military cut



Molly Rodger  
AKA: Creature  
Q: Triple Treat  
FC: Dr Phil



Hunter Wilton  
AKA: Willyton  
Q: Meow  
FC: Stardew Valley Guide



Connor Garnock  
AKA: The Rizzler  
Q: Actually I have 5 million power...



Regina George  
AKA: Mean Girl  
Q: Is butter a Carb?  
TM: The Plastics



Clarke West  
FC: Grape n' Gills Fertiliser



Hannah Robinson  
AKA: Hannahconda



Luke Horrocks  
AKA: Lukielu  
Q: Bruh  
TM: North Face Puffer



Sebastian Rhind  
AKA: Sebby  
TM: Sailing & Melia  
Q: I have homestudy!

# LEAVERS' PROFILES 2023



Carter Sidwell  
AKA: Cartos  
FC: Warehouse Manager  
TM: Kathmandu Kid



Cuba Pavlovich  
AKA: Goofy  
FC: Broke artist



Ryan O'Sullivan  
AKA: Big Man  
TM: Being 30mins late for history



Henry McConnell  
AKA: Hennells  
FC: Rockstar  
Q: I'll come tomorrow



Georgie Gillespie  
AKA: George  
FC: Simply Plumb LTD  
Q: That's so asbestos



Annelise Wedgwood  
AKA: Pookie  
Q: Lemme Baz that Luhrmann



Harry Ward  
AKA: Meat Head  
Q: Must be the Roar



Lily Wickham  
AKA: Oamaru  
TM: Being from Oamaru



Illume Sadowski-Synnott  
AKA: Halloumi  
FC: Interior Designer  
Q: You're foul



Matilda Metcalfe  
AKA: Foul Beast  
Q: What's occurring?  
FC: Musician



Estelle Gellatly  
AKA: Stellywellyweekly  
FC: Billionaire  
Q: Can I get a ride?



Scarlett Edwards



Lucas Buick  
FC: Trophy husband



Haylee Jermyn  
AKA: Hazzcat  
Q: Lana Whipp is my Mum  
FC: NBA Star



Amali Chin-Nyika  
AKA: Amali-Bali  
TM: Never going to English  
Q: What?!?



Jorja Liddel  
AKA: Speed Hunterz  
TM: Bringing Lochie lunch  
FC: Winner of Lego Master



Emma Lamb  
AKA: Ems  
TM: Backroad sweater  
Q: Nrmmm



Eva Humphreys  
AKA: Evs  
TM: Lewis  
Q: Brrrr



Molly Wilson  
AKA: Mole  
TM: 100 days of running



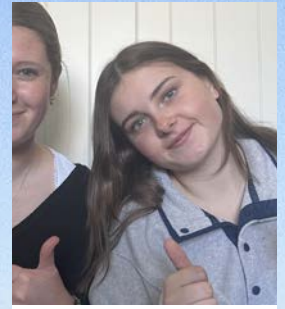
Lily Hawea  
Q: ceebs  
FC: Licensed drug dealer (pharmacist)



Ally Paterson  
AKA: Smelly  
FC: Farmer's wife  
TM: The colour pink



Ava Hay  
AKA: Aves!  
TM: Parking  
Q: Sorry...



Sara Jewell  
AKA: @sarasue8  
Q: My Mecca order is on the way TM: Meccca



Amelia Young  
AKA: Mels Q: ACTUALLY that's my friends...  
FC: Speed demon



Matt Irvine  
Q: I'm gonna quit after this...



Paige Gawn  
AKA: GAWNY  
TM: Sneezing  
FC: Billionaire/Barbie

# LEAVERS' PROFILES 2023



George Lister  
AKA: Lister



Cruz Morland  
AKA: Goldilocks



Lochie Hunt  
TM: Never has his own food  
Q: Bro I'll pay you back...



Julia Gilson  
AKA: Hulia  
Q: Habsgdghahhhh  
FC: Hairdresser



Eve Bretherton  
AKA: Eviebievie  
Q: Womp Womp  
TM: Taking learners tests



Anataia White  
FC: Ghost of Paper Plus  
Q: Soz team



Olivia Wood



Ruby McLachlan  
AKA: Rubes  
Q: I hit the curb...again  
FC: Dance Mum



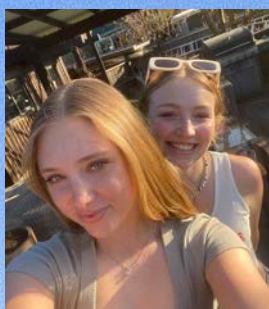
Ella Miles  
AKA: Ellerrr  
Q: That's steeeezy!  
FC: Torn ACL



Jemma Brake  
AKA: Jems  
TM: Mltre 10  
Q: I'm only half ginger



Billie Wilson  
AKA: Billie Willie  
Q: Brr chillay  
FC: Vet



Lilly Hampson



Leo Duncan



Richard Denyer



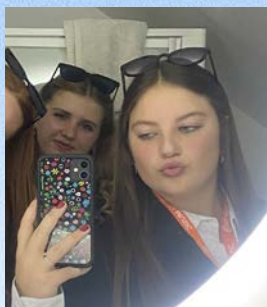
Antonio Cordero  
AKA: Chops  
TM: Been in school for 28 years and counting...



Tayla Doran  
AKA: tswizzle  
FC: The Pink Wiggle  
Q: Life is a spelling test



Elise Tomkins  
AKA: Lisey-poo  
Q: Designated driver  
FC: Ginger Spice



Aria Thor-Poet  
AKA: Sharky  
Q: 5th Member of Powder Chutes FC: Abloom CEO



Zara Beeby  
AKA: Beebanator  
Q: Do you know I'm fro Raglan?



Solomon Bentley  
AKA: Soroman Bentary  
FC: Pro Domi's Driver  
Q: Heyyy Guyssssss



Oscar Waddington  
AKA: Da Hat Man  
FC: Hat wearer  
Q: I don't know where I live



Amelie Woonton  
AKA: WOTAN  
FC: Game designer  
TM: Red vs Blue



Ashley Buckland  
AKA: Short King  
FC: Animator  
Q: Nuh uh



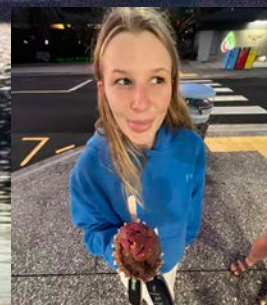
Thomas Benson  
AKA: Tomo  
FC: Living in my sister's shadow



Jem Curtis  
AKA: Jemo



Oliver Cohen  
AKA: 'Merican  
FC: RNZAF  
Q: HOORAAH



Georgia Chrisp  
AKA: George  
TM: Denial  
Q: Don't worry 'bout it



Sam Caumette  
FC: David Attenborough  
TM: Watched the game  
Q: Did you catch the game?



Laura Watkins  
AKA: Loza  
TM: Talking way too fast  
FC: Pro footballer



Sophia Hay  
AKA: Hayday  
FC: The Pope  
Q: You should come to YAK



Jackson Duguid  
AKA: Yakweed Dobetter  
TM: Cringe Leftist  
Q: Alright Mann



Elliot Bain  
AKA: Chunk  
Q: Money doesn't grow on trees...or in my bank



Will Walsh  
AKA: Jumaji  
Q: That's why you're small



Max Knight  
AKA: Spare Parts  
FC: Intergalactic despot  
Q: Properly chuffed



Nina Lee-Smith  
AKA: Nim  
TM: Sunglasses and  
airpods



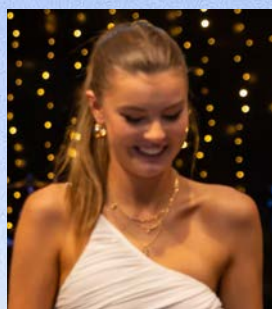
Olive Kirk  
AKA: Oliver



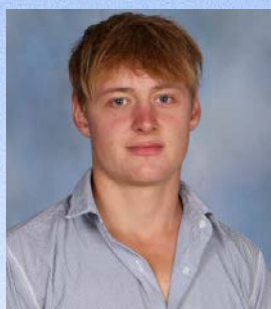
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AKA: Maximus  
FC: Politician



Annelise Millar  
AKA: Fancat  
FC: Astronaut  
TM: Crashing my car



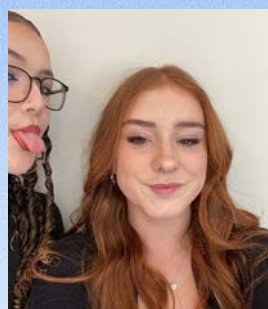
Freya Berry  
AKA: Stewiee  
FC: Professional cleaner  
TM: Ditsy



Cam Anderson  
AKA: Spacehead  
FC: Miner  
Q: Can u turn off the lights?



Emma Arthur  
AKA: Em  
Q: I'm not ranga I'm  
Strawberry blonde



Caity Curtis  
AKA: Caity Pie  
Q: Where's Grace?  
TM: Coffee and insomnia



Grace Gillies  
AKA: Gillies  
Q: Where's Caity?  
TM: Never at School



Sakiko Saka  
AKA: Kiko  
FC: Instagram Influencer  
TM: Bubble tea



Lily Ashe  
AKA: Lils  
TM: Weekly Posts  
#fortheweekly



Melia Brett  
AKA: Meals on Wheels  
TM: Driving an Electric car  
Q: I have enough charge...



# LEAVERS' PROFILES 2023



Sienna Jones  
AKA: Jonesy  
TM: Raging Feminist



Kate Johnson  
AKA: Chef Kate  
Q: Get a map



Bradley Gendall  
AKA: Bradles  
FC: Stock Broker  
TM: Clarke's Party



Kalan Nicol  
AKA: K-nix



Nova Gillam  
AKA: Novus  
TM: Drives 'Ruby' the Red  
Subie



Ella Kaler  
AKA: Wilyyyyamm  
FC: Range Rover Mum  
Q: Come to mine



Max Carter  
Q: She is in awe of my tism



Oscar Goodwin  
AKA: Oski  
FC: Knob twiddler  
Q: Can't make it, got a gig...



Zara Gray  
AKA: Big Z  
Q: She'll be right  
TM: Broken Knees



Libby Frazer  
AKA: RB  
TM: Accident prone



Trae Hessian  
TM: Trench Coat



Holly James  
AKA: Holdog  
FC: Criminal psychologist  
TM: Always dying hair



Lauri Halonen  
AKA: Milk  
Q: Put it in reverse Terry



Anna McLean  
AKA: Annabum



Alex Sudron  
AKA: Pookie  
TM: Being physically at school for 1 week this year



Lachlan Davison  
AKA: Lachy  
TM: Crashing my drone  
Q: I think I'm a bit stuck...



Ari Evans  
Q: I've worked hard to keep Kanye off my spotify wrap this year



Zac Scott  
AKA: Zachary



Niamh Townsend



Cobi Millar  
AKA: Reech Walsh  
FC: Millar Family Trust  
Q: My Hilux goes 'Stuuuu'



# LEAVERS' PROFILES 2023



Eve Flint



Hazel Murray  
AKA: Hazy  
Q: I AM SMILING!  
FC: Buddist tree hugger



Caleb Turner  
AKA: Chelsea  
FC: Crazy cat lady



Morgan Antone  
AKA: Mazza  
Q: Ctrl+C  
FC: Pro Mountain Biker



Zoe Antone  
AKA: Cray Cat  
Q: Ctrl+V  
TM: Disappointment



Jordan Stevens  
AKA: Jarrito  
Q: That's sub optimal  
FC: KFC drive through



Ngaio Groenen  
AKA: Can't hit Nails  
TM: Mild Joker cosplay  
Q: Dude!



Coco Smith  
AKA: Smithsta  
FC: HR  
Q: Proolly not

# CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR 2023 LEAVERS

Key: AKA: Nickname FC: Future Career TM: Trade Mark/Known for Q: Quote





# FORMAL 2023







# SURVIVOR BABY PHOTOS

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# HOSTEL CHAT 2023

## ARAWHATA

Arawhata, formerly known as Maddie, Lily, Eve, Saskia, Charlotte, and Aimee. However, now we consist of Bulldog, Oamaru, Steve, Sussy, Squire, and Seal. Not to mention the two honorary members Joe and Jared. The daily 'Grubs Up' call sends Arawhata running to the dinner table - most excitedly when it's Eve or Aimee cooking (unless Aimee is serving raw chicken again)! However Charlotte's sausage casserole or the kebabs that nearly took down senior leadership were most definitely memorable. Throughout the year Saskia's consistent habit of breaking glasses and coat hangers has resulted in a couple of Wasties replacement trips. Arawhata's favourites are the curfew-defying pancake nights and the 'Pit, Peak, and a Funny' dinner table discussions. Eve's fiery personality goes hand in hand with Saskia's kitchen fires.

However the top Arawhata moment was the Hostel vs Hostel Karaoke Night where we dished out insults like there's no tomorrow. Maddie's 'yeahhs!' and birthday cake efforts for the Hostel almost make people forget she's from Levin. Starting the year with a black eye, Oamaru made a solid impression on everyone which she upheld with her Saturday baking and kept the lazy boy warm. Despite the accidental pet mouse living in the kitchen, Arawhata continues to deliver.

## ROB ROY

Rob Roy lads of 2023: it's been a successful year with many memories made and an upstanding reputation as the greatest house to ever bless the hostel. For starters, we were the cleanest house, we passed every Monday morning inspection with flying colours, and left the walls in pristine condition.

Our house sigma, William Walsh (aka Jumanji) helped to keep Rob Roy on the snap fitness grind. During this year Jumanji accomplished maximum surface area. His 'anabolic as F\*\*k' meals got Rob Roy on the bulk. He made full use of every 'legal' gym stimulant on the market (for research purposes). Jumanji's inspirational quotes ('you're small') and gym motivation constantly helped to lift our spirits and put a smile on our faces. Jumanji's high-protein meals helped to (seriously) fatten up our malnourished Finnish immigrant

Lauri 'Milk' Halonen, whose name came about from his severe lactose intolerance and - unfortunately for the boys - his unwillingness to accept it. Milk started his year off with a bang - he was a highly sought after young Wellingtonian stud - and was in such high demand that he had a fan club named after him. He is potentially the laziest member of the hostel and the words 'ceebz that' were a common daily occurrence.

Our very own Hastings native Jarad Stevens or Jarrito had a rough start to the 2023 year trying to navigate his way through the rich Tauranga wahine. However he found his footing in the heart of Ponsonby. Jared's high-gluten meals and two packets of paprika had Rob Roy on the comfort seat for the whole of prep. Throughout the year Jarad had countless dusty mornings, and his inability to function without a shower or coffee - not to mention not waking up before 8:30 on school days - left Rob Roy with five members until morning tea.

Moving on to our only South Island member Cameron Anderson (aka Space Head): Space Head was on the sift the moment he set foot in Wānaka, and he became knotted up early on in the hostel 'roar'. Space Head is known for his wide vocabulary and way with words. Space Head's addiction to chia seeds and avocados, mixed with his drawer full of health supplements, helped to keep the boys fit and healthy all year round.

Ari Evans known as the 'Hickey-man': When Ari isn't flying planes or

mesmerising people with his thick italian eyebrows, he is often found whipping up a storm in the kitchen. Ari's meals consist of two ingredients: pasta and olives. Ari and Jumanji make up the dangerous roommate duo; their top tier buzz cuts and god-gifted hairline leave the rest of us jealous and insecure at our balding foreheads.

Finally moving on to our resident Northlander conspiracy theorist: Joe Gardner, commonly known as joesift. While he single-handedly upheld the academic side of the house, his everyday remarks were responsible for the loss of many brain cells including his genius idea to 'use vacuum cleaners to fix the Auckland floods' amongst many other unrepeatable quotes.

In all seriousness This year has been a blast. The lads have formed a tight-knit group where everyone understands each other's strengths and weaknesses. In summary, the boys of Rob Roy 2023 can be described in one word: 'ruthless'.

## LIVERPOOL

To sum up the year it is pretty fair to say that Liverpool is known as the most relevant house in the hostel. Whether it's Carter's big glutes, Quinn's masculine jaw, Lewis's amazing immune system, Matt's contribution to the household, Harry's chimpanzee rib cage or Richard's way with the ladies, it's unfair the influence we have had upon Wānaka compared to the other houses.

Throughout the year, Liverpool has achieved sheer excellence. This consists of winning the prestigious house singing competition, being the humble founders of the local empowered men movement, housing the well-accomplished judge Harry Ward, and winning the Rob Roy X Liverpool basketball game. These accomplishments have not gone unnoticed with continual support from hostel managers.

Liverpool over its time has developed from a house of five meat eaters and one vegetarian, to six meat eaters. Hostel has shaped us through its daily challenges into respectful, independent, open-minded, young men.

Thanks especially to Quinn and Richard, Liverpool has seen its fair share of birds.

Halfway through the year, we noticed a local skinny malnourished cat. With the skills we have honed, our unbreakable empathy and need to contribute to the community we have taken it upon ourselves to feed this cat daily. Taking money out of the budget for its betterment. The development has been immense, it is now unrecognisable.

This cat is a direct metaphor for how far our house and how far as people we have come.

But in all seriousness hostel has been a blessing and will be an unforgettable experience, contributing to one of the best years of our lives.

## CASCADE

Cascade had a pretty rough start with Molly being completely deaf (thanks for bursting your eardrums on the first day!).

Yet we defied all odds and Cascade has had the best year. As our friendships have strengthened through dusty Saturday morning shops, life-threatening snowball fights, forgotten gear, cascade dance parties and agonising blisters, it's easy to say we're now pretty much family. Aside from our unsuccessful daily meetings about the constant dishes, Cascade has by far been the best house to live in and our photo wall proves it.

## ARAWHATA



## CASCADE



## LIVERPOOL



Chefs tucked in for another night of tik toks till 3am  
Across the hall the phone calls are just starting to begin  
George hasn't been home since January, she's desperate to get back for a day  
Oliver's still on the phone with her Jafa bae  
Was that another internal she procrastinated? It'll have to wait another day.  
The lights in the house dim  
As hannahconda's sleep talking begins  
Oliver slides on the sleep mask that's never left her side  
Even over the southern alps, boy what a ride.  
Muffled through the walls RB's late night talks  
Keep everyone up the ginger ninja sure loves to squark  
The twist of a door handle as someone begins their late night walks  
But at the end of the day, as we all say our goodbyes  
It was a great year for all and for all a great time.



## ROB ROY



The 2023 Cascadians consist of the following:

Molly (aka creature) is somehow always coincidentally sick on the first days of term and most Mondays, however, miraculously recovers just in time for OP and ski days. In terms of cooking, she specialises in the spice department and forgets not everyone can eat entire tablespoons of Dave Cassaidy's 'death hot sauce'.

Despite her shyness at the start, Lily (now only known as HAWEA) emerged from her shell after losing her toenail on our orientation tramp and could always spread laughter through the house, as well as earning herself the legendary title 'vorteke queen' and making our house proud. Liv's (aka Seagull) bubbly personality always shone through and she always dished out the best advice. She somehow was the best kayaker of us all, despite being in the dweeb challenge OP.

Anna's (aka Anna Bum) witty comments and blonde moments were a constant highlight of our year, alongside the new dishes she was buying to replace the ones she dropped. We could always tell when she was home from hockey because her laughter carried through the house 24/7.

When Neisha's (aka Neishka) not fighting the guys off from our pantry she's nearly killing her housemate Hawea (making her need to get rescued in the ski patrol toboggan) and her own mother on the mountain, but she makes up for it with her famous slow cooker meals. As the allocated mum of the house, she's the sole reason our house is still standing and our pantry stays safe.

Zara's (aka Beebinator) near-death experience with being run over by a snowboarder wasn't enough to stop her from pizzerizing down the mountain the whole season, and her curries warmed the whole house up even when we'd run out of hot water. Our living room was always filled with people, and fighting to get a spot on the couch was pretty much an olympic sport. We are undeniably the best house and it's no wonder there's never a quiet night. Molly was our absolute saviour and brought her projector which helped distract us all from our study (which we attempted to make up for during prep). Thanks for the lifelong friends and all the amazing opportunities MAC!

### AVALANCHE

\*Cricket noises...\*

Twas the night before inspection, when all through the lanche  
Tea time was brewing,  
cookies were stewing,  
the perfect night for another 'The summer I turned pretty' viewing.  
A glance to the kitchen reveals Oliver's green tea from the morning before  
and RB's crusted porridge pot adorning the bench once more.  
Chef in the kitchen cooking up a storm  
Hope they're vegetarian, gluten free, dairy free, you know just the norm.  
Lilibet's curled up on the couch again  
Was that ice cream worth the pain?  
Mmmm does that smell good, hannahconda wouldn't know  
Let's settle in for the movies - WAIT where did george go?  
Off with Mike, brother or boyfriend?  
Was that another meeting the hostel rep didn't attend?  
Not to worry Lilibet's constant plus one fills the space  
He's always here. I think it's time to go back to your own place.  
We all have our favourites. Hannahcondas is the hottest single  
Before bed a night time dance a bit of a jingle.  
RB can't join in  
One injury after another when will she get a win?

## AVALANCHE



# HOSTEL PICS 2023



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# SERVICE COMMITTEE

The Service Committee is a group of students who believe in giving back to the community while engaging Mount Aspiring College students in different activities to help create a better spirit among students at the school. As a committee, we are responsible for organising a selection of activities and providing different opportunities for students and teachers to give back to our wider community within Wānaka as well as the rest of New Zealand, and in a positive and enjoyable way. There is always a lot of work behind the scenes to be able to make all of these wonderful opportunities happen, and it has been great to see our committee really coming together to make something awesome happen for our community and help out others in Aotearoa.

It has been an action-packed year within the committee with us organising many activities. We started the year with the Year 13 'Great Goose Chase', which is an 'Amazing Race'-styled event that provides a fun opportunity for the locals, hostellers and any new students to come together, get to know one another, and have an opportunity to bond as a year group. This event is a long-held tradition at MAC and is looked forward to each year by the Year 13 students. Next, we organised a mufti day to fundraise for the Red Cross which helped with the relief effort in response to Cyclone Gabrielle which hugely impacted some North Island communities at the start of this year. We also organised for the Years 7 and 8 students to have an opportunity to make cards with words of support to send to those on the frontline helping with the relief work from Cyclone Gabrielle.

The 'Relay for Life' was up next where we got the opportunity to work with our local branch of the Cancer Society to organise the students' input into the relay, as well as get a team together made up of school committee members which raised a huge amount for The Cancer Society. We also ran a Pink Ribbon breakfast for the teachers to raise funds for the Breast Cancer Foundation, and we also ran a Years 7 and 8 disco as a part of a fundraiser for the '40-Hour Challenge' week held at school. This year we've also run lunchtime activities for Years 7 and 8 students, run the yearly 'Polar Plunge' to raise funds for The Cancer Society for Daffodil Day, and also organised the yearly leavers' hoodies and 'Leavers Dinner' for the Year 13s.

None of these events or opportunities could have happened without the hours of support from some amazing teachers, parent helpers, and members of our wonderful Wānaka community.



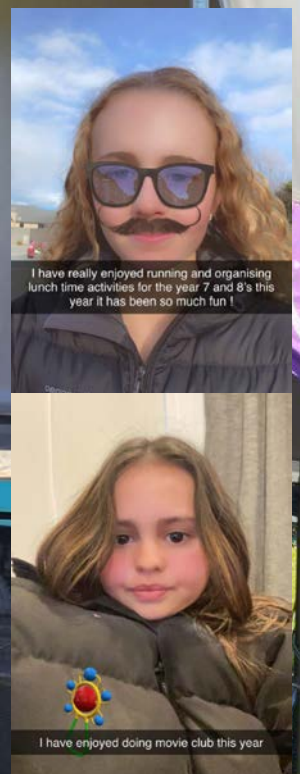
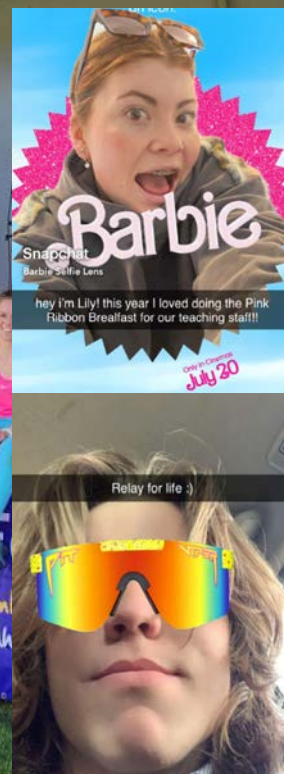
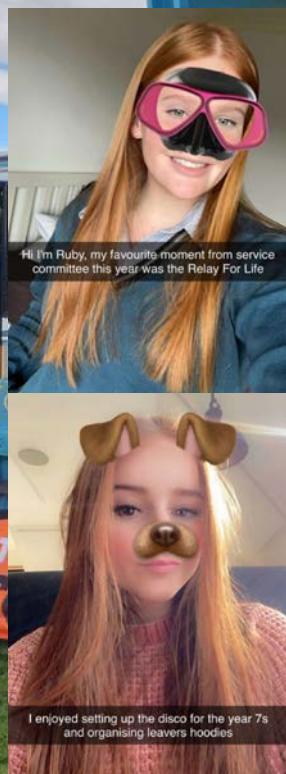
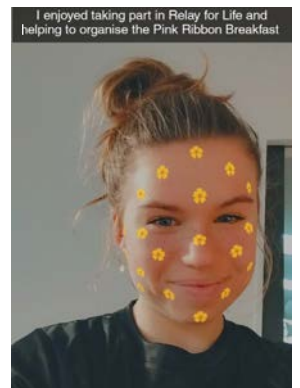
Back Row: Caity Curtis, Sebastian Rhind, James Watson, Jackson Duguid

Front Row: Olive Kirk, Ruby Ives, Laura Watkins, Taylah Jones, Jemma Brake, Lily Wilson

A special thanks goes to Joanna Hewson-Williams for helping the Service Committee this year and our awesome teacher support Kate Brown who was always there to help when we needed it. We've also got to give special thanks to 'Urban Grind', 'Adam & Eves' and 'New World Three Parks' who donated food to some of our events.

I've loved being a part of the Service committee for the last two years. I've learnt so many new skills, and been provided with so many wonderful opportunities. I'm really proud of all the effort the committee has put in this year organising so many different activities and taking part in so many initiatives, and I feel that we've really been able to make a difference this year. I hope that the committee in future years can only get better and keep on giving back.

Laura Watkins - 2023 Service Committee Leader



## STUDENTS AGAINST DANGEROUS DRIVING

Students against dangerous driving (SADD) is a nationwide organisation that helps educate and empower young kiwis to make good choices and prevent loss on our roads.

It is a student-led charity aiming to promote safe driving habits and help prevent loss on New Zealand roads. Members of MAC's SADD Committee run events in and out of school to get our peers thinking about the decisions they are faced with and the impact these decisions have on themselves, their peers and the community. This year the SADD committee worked closely with the Wānaka Police to run safety events in the community. They even enjoyed free Sal's Authentic New York pizzas and a ride in the police car.

**Christina Gott - SADD Teacher Liaison**



## STICKS 'N STONES

Sticks 'n Stones is a youth-led bullying prevention programme that supports students to grow their emotional- and self-awareness so they can stand up for themselves and for others. In Years 7 and 8, our students undertake the programme with a session each week over two terms. Our Sticks 'n Stones Advocate group comprises students from all year levels and advocates meet in Hapori 1 on Mondays at lunchtime.

Sticks 'n Stones focuses on hearing students' voices and supporting students' ideas and has used this approach in their Ambassador programmes for all Years 7 and 8 students, as well as co-designing research alongside a group of students to explore junior school students' experiences of bullying.



This year, the student advocate group facilitated classes for the Years 7 and 8 students and produced a number of podcasts. The group also ran Pink Shirt Day which raised awareness of the message that bullying is not okay and encouraged people to be active bystanders and do something about bullying when they see it happening. The advocate group has also set up geocaching sites around Wānaka where little treasures can be found with supportive messages.

Here are some reflections from student members of the group:

"I have really enjoyed the geocaching and the mood at the meetings."

"I enjoy the openness of the group and the way we all feel comfortable to share our ideas."

**Tiffany Kemp - Sticks 'n Stones Teacher Liaison**

# STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Our Year 13 students have done us proud once again!

They have given more than 3000 hours to lend a hand in our Upper Clutha community. The Students in the Community programme has been running for over 20 years and is well supported by local organisations.

Term 1 is always a busy time in the programme with the number of large-scale events held in Wānaka in February and March. Students gain a lot of hours in this term by volunteering at 'Challenge Wānaka', 'Motatapu' and 'Spirited Women' sporting events. They take on a variety of different roles at the A&P Show and volunteer at the biennial 'Festival of Colour'.

This year, to support those affected by cancer, a group of Year 13s took on the role of activities coordinator for the 'Relay for Life', preparing entertainment for participants to keep their energy and spirits up. Others supported the Breast Cancer Society by helping organisers at the 'NZ House and Garden' tours.

Once winter sports start to rev up, we have our Year 13s dotted around sports clubs coaching, managing, umpiring and time-keeping. We also have students who regularly get involved in activities with the public library, primary schools and preschools.

Within our own school community, the students have set up coding and robotics clubs, and a Spanish club where senior students can use their skills to teach younger groups. They also take part in activities with students from HQ and have a buddy system set up for mentoring students in Years 7 and 8.

Students' success in the programme has always been measured by the number of hours given, with students who achieve more than 50 receiving a distinction certificate at senior prizegiving. Some students, however, go above and beyond and show initiative, leadership and selflessness. This year we have had a student volunteer over 100 hours with the fire service. We also have students working with the M!nt Charitable Trust crew with music, fitness and a range of outdoor activities. Another student took on the responsibility of student coordinator for 'Food for Love'. We are proud of the efforts of all our students in this programme, and even more so when students take the opportunities further and show real altruism.

We are extremely grateful to the amazing organisations we work with in our community and we are pleased to be able to volunteer within a large number of areas and reach a range of ages and cultures. In the coming year, we will be making some changes to the programme which will include the involvement of more year groups - so watch this space!

## FEEDBACK FROM PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS

"Without the help of locals, we would not be able to hold this incredible community event. Mount Aspiring College's involvement contributed significantly to its success. We hope the students enjoyed their experience and that they may continue to support the work of the Cancer Society in future. I am most impressed by the young people from your school and the way they conduct themselves."

*Mary Davidson-Smith, Cancer Society*

"The SIC programme at MAC has been so valuable to the library team. We have had student volunteers face painting, shelving books, helping at events, and most importantly we couldn't run our Digital Help programme for older people in our community without the SIC programme. Our community is so fortunate to have such great young people volunteering and engaging in our town."

*Paula Mitchell, Wānaka Library*

"Our orchard is now looking well nourished and cared for after the working bee. Thank you to the six MAC students who turned up to help on such a cool winter afternoon, getting busy weeding and mulching around the fruit trees."

*Debbie Kaye, 'Garden to Table' programme, Wanaka Primary School*



## STUDENT FEEDBACK

"I hadn't realised how rewarding volunteering was until I helped the M!nt Trust take their youth through the adapted challenge Wānaka course designed for them. I helped students through the swim and bike version of the course twice. I cheered them on and made sure they were comfortable and capable. I also cheered for other M!nt Trust kids as they completed the course. Seeing the smiles appear on the children's faces as they heard me cheering was just so rewarding."

*Jemma Brake*

"Even after I achieve my Students in the Community programme goal, I am going to continue to volunteer because I genuinely love helping others. Giving up your own time to volunteer is a truly amazing thing to do and you will find that everyone is so appreciative for your help. Volunteering is something I believe everyone should do because even though you don't get paid in money you get paid in appreciation, experience and kindness."

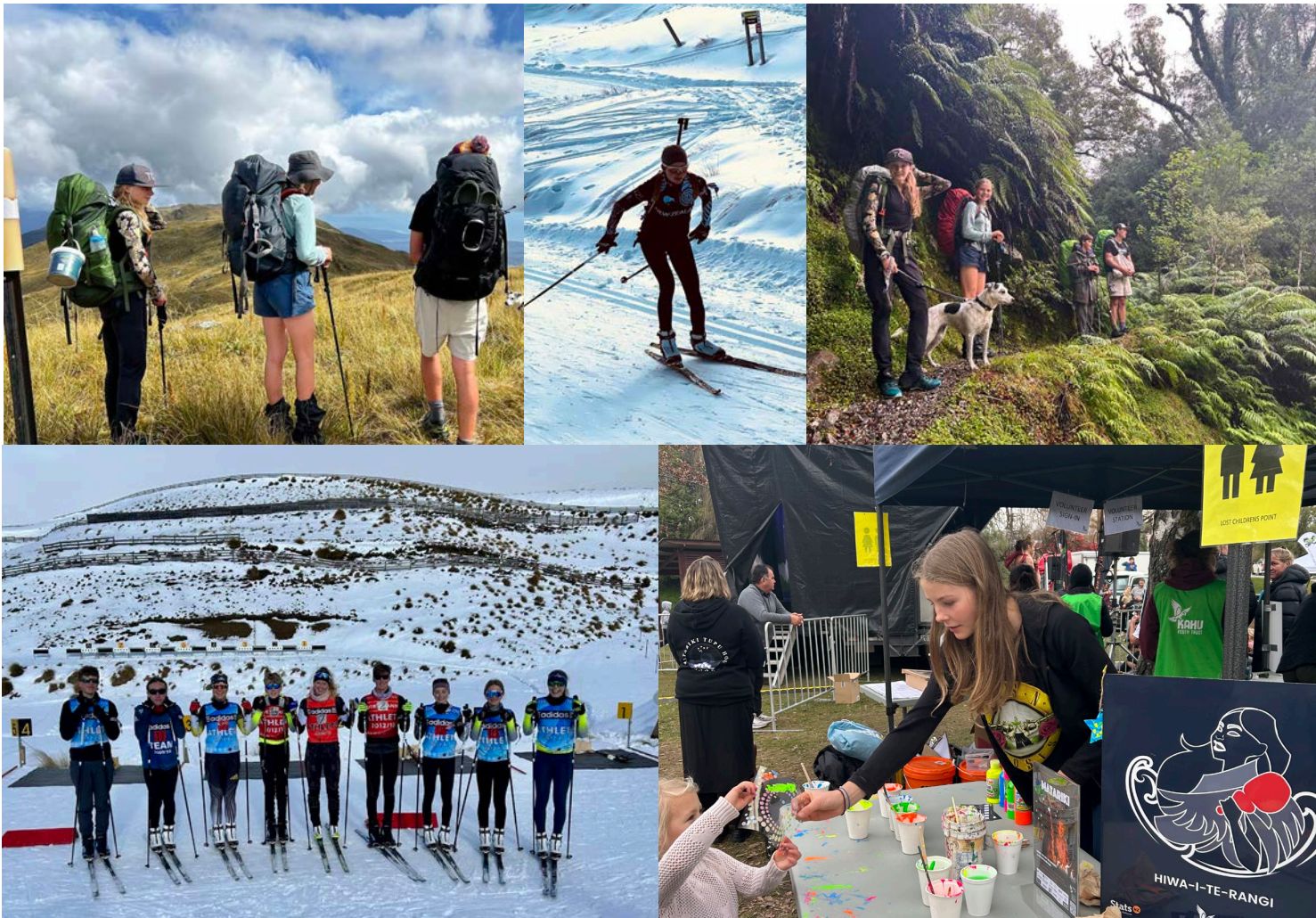
*Sienna Jones*

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Duke of Edinburgh Award participants set their own challenges. They volunteer in the community, learn new skills and set active goals for themselves. The MAC students who complete the award have shown that they are committed and reliable. Here's a taste of what students had to say about participating in the award programme:

- "I loved volunteering at the preschool after school."
- "I really enjoyed getting to know some of the elderly people at Elmslie House. They are actually quite funny."
- "My favourite part of doing my Duke of Ed was going tramping with my friends."
- "The Duke of Edinburgh award has provided me with a lot of opportunities and new experiences that have allowed me to gain lifelong skills. I have met new people and built relationships through tramping, my residential journey and all of my sports. Over the past three years, I can look back and be proud of my achievements and the people and communities I have helped through my volunteering. It is a rewarding and enjoyable programme which I would encourage everyone to do."



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# TEAM GREEN

Team Green is Mount Aspiring College's student-led environmental group. We are focused on creating a sustainable future for MAC. This year, we had a stall at the A&P show, featuring a juice bike and an earring-making stall. We have also participated in two climate strikes. The biggest project this year was the establishment of our new recycling station, which we constructed in collaboration with Kahu Youth using funding we received from the Kahu Youth Trust. Our latest project is focused on how we can create even less non-recyclable rubbish in our school canteen.

By Bella Wright and Grace Derby



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# SPORTS COMMITTEE

In 2023 the Sports Committee has been busy organising and providing our MAC students with as many exciting sporting opportunities as possible. We have organised a variety of activities involving all year groups. Here are some of the main events we were involved with this year:

- The Year 13 lunchtime competition which took place during Term 1 was a great way to be active during lunchtimes, play a range of different sports, and connect as a year group.
- Next, we organised social volleyball which ran during Term 2 for students from Year 9 and up. It was especially cool to see how keen some of the Year 10s were and the committee really enjoyed the intense games we played with them.
- Our biggest event was the Trinity College exchange. It was our job to work together to select and train eight different sports teams and manage communication with students and parents.
- We also ran 3v3 basketball in Term 3. This was for all year groups and we found it exciting given that basketball is becoming more popular in the community.
- We've also had smaller roles in other activities like swim sports, athletics day, the Years 7/8 lunchtime competition, and involvement with the pump track.

Overall 2023 has been a productive year for the committee. We worked hard to provide as many opportunities as possible to our students. We each learnt a lot by being in the committee and we are happy with our work this year.

*Isabella Soper - 2023 Sports Committee Leader*



Back Row: Tom Sides, Sam Parry, Kynan Marsh, Jem Curtis

Front Row: Abbey Ragg, Estelle Gellatley, Thomas Benson, Bella Soper, Ella Miles





## Athletics

Boys 100m			
Yr7	Lauchlan Roy	13.37sec	2022
Yr8	Jimmy Knight	12.85 sec	2021
U14	Jack East	11.99 sec	2016
U16	Adam Breen	11.53 sec	2016
O16	Lachy Moore	11.22 sec	2021
Girls 100m			
Yr7	Tania Grieve	13.94 sec	1992
Yr8	Sarah Gourlay	13.65 sec	2003
U14	Abby Fisher	12.59 sec	2018
U16	Abby Fisher	12.12 sec	2020
O16	Abby Fisher	12.22 sec	2021
Boys 200m			
Yr7	Leon Matahaere	28.49 sec	2000
Yr8	Jimmy Knight	27.00 sec	2021
U14	Jack East	24.53 sec	2016
U16	Michael Walker	23.03 sec	1997
O16	Michael Walker	22.74 sec	1998
Girls 200m			
Yr7	Ila Duncan	30.50 sec	2022
Yr8	Reina Pihama	29.60 sec	2003
U14	Abby Fisher	26.78 sec	2018
U16	Abby Fisher	26.27 sec	2020
O16	Clare Walker	27.05 sec	2001
Boys 400m			
Yr7	Hugo Smith	1m 08.44 sec	2016
Yr8	Nico Bowering	1m 04.20 sec	2014
U14	Jack East	56.60 sec	2016
U16	Josh Dickson	56.10 sec	2010
O16	Paul Hodgson	53.91 sec	2007
Girls 400m			
Yr7	Ruby Coers	1m 10.97 sec	2009
Yr8	Zoe Smith	1m 06.16 sec	2016
U14	Phoebe Laker	1m 03.65 sec	2022
U16	Zoe Smith	1m 03.33 sec	2018
O16	Clare Walker	1m 01.37 sec	2001
Boys 1500m			
Yr7	Gregor Findlay	5m 05.00 sec	2012
Yr8	Gregor Findlay	5m 06.94 sec	2013
U14	Tom Mulqueen	4m 49.42 sec	2007
U16	Gregor Findlay	4m 21.69 sec	2016
O16	Julius Staufenberg	4m 08.40 sec	2017
Girls 1500m			
Yr7	Ruby Coers	5m 41.00 sec	2009
Yr8	Zoe Smith	5m 06.50 sec	2016
U14	Zoe Smith	5m 05.47 sec	2017
Boys Javelin			
U14/600g	Neil Jepson	36.15m	1993
U16/700g	Neil Jepson	37.98m	1994
O16/700g	Brendan Smith	51.29m	2004
Girls Javelin			
U14/600g	Ami Mitchell	20.31m	1991
U16/600g	Laura Erickson	24.47m	1997
O16/600g	Bree Ackland	36.81m	2022
Boys Discus			
Yr7/750g	Fergus Read	25.40m	2014
Yr8/750g	Ryan Schmack	33.30m	2015
U14/1kg	Al Buchanan	34.32m	1996
U16/1.25kg	Tim Stevenson	34.60m	1999
O16/1.5kg	Hans Mills	34.18m	2011
Girls Discus			
Yr7/750g	Bronwyn Sami	22.07m	1990
Yr8/750g	Libby Jones	24.74m	2009
U14/1kg	Georgie Bruce	28.17m	2018
U16/1kg	Georgie Bruce	30.67m	2020
O16/1kg	Bronwyn Sami	29.45m	1996
Boys Shot Put			
Yr7/2.72kg	Sam Dickson	8.56m	2010
Yr8/3.25kg	Ryan Schmack	9.91m	2015
U14/4kg	Ryan Schmack	11.99m	2016
U16/5kg	Al Buchanan	13.77m	1998
O16/6.25kg	Rhys Hughes/Quinn Gwilliam	11.85m	2020
Girls Shot Put			
Yr7/2.72kg	Milly Lewis	7.26m	2017
Yr8/2.72kg	Billie Scurr	8.88m	2010
U14/3.25kg	Scarlett Norman	9.30m	2018
O16/3.25kg	Bronwyn Sami	10.16m	1994
Boys Long Jump			
Yr7	Leith Rowley	4.41m	1990
Yr8	Lachlan Roy	4.72m	2023
U14	Leith Rowley	5.06m	1992
U16	Jason Clarke	5.06m	2001
U16	Danny Lawson	5.56m	2006
O16	Lachy Moore	6.67m	2021
Girls Long Jump			
Yr7	Sarah Willson	4.06m	1988
Yr8	Millie East	4.49m	2019
U14	Abby Fisher	4.86m	2018
U16	Millie East	4.98m	2021
O16	Mandy Osnabrugge	4.55m	1990
Boys Triple Jump			
U14	Ryan Schmack	10.15m	2016
U16	Richard Allison	11.91m	1988
O16	Ben Colmer	12.70m	2005

Girls Triple Jump			
U14	Abby Fisher	8.89m	2016
U16	Charlotte Gardiner	9.72m	2006
O16	Haley Scurr	9.29m	2007
Boys High Jump			
Yr7	Michael Walker	1.50m	1992
Yr8	Raymond Peat	1.52m	1987
U14	Michael Walker	1.76m	1995
U16	Kris Maitland	1.78m	1996
O16	Michael Walker	1.86m	1998
Girls High Jump			
Yr7	Holly Bailey	1.30m	2009
Yr8	Sarah Crabbie	1.30m	2009
U14	Vanessa Robertson	1.50m	1993
U16	Jessie Winter	1.49m	2019
O16	Georgie Bruce	1.54m	2020
O16	Cam Crossen	1.58m	1993
Cross Country			
Boys			
Yr 7 & 8	Gregor Findlay	8m 35 sec	2013
Yr 9 & 10	Janus Staufenberg	8m 01 sec	2014
Yr 11	Janus Staufenberg	10m 05 sec	2015
Yr 12 & 13	Janus Staufenberg	9m 52 sec	2017
Girls			
Yr 7 & 8	Zoe Smith	9m	2016
Yr 9 & 10	Zoe Smith	9m 17 sec	2017
Yr 11	Samantha Burke	11m 34 sec	2015
Yr 12 & 13	Ruby Burke	12m 27 sec	2019
Swimming			
Boys 25m Freestyle			
11 Yr	Leith Rowley	16.47 sec	1990
12 Yr	Alex Rogerson	14.70 sec	1999
13 Yr	Sam Lee	14.25 sec	1993
14/15 Yr	Toby Crawford	12.87 sec	2003
O 16	Rodrigo Audi	21.31 sec	2003
Girls 25m Freestyle			
11 Yr	Cindy Adair	17.07 sec	1991
12 Yr	Kate Young	16.45 sec	1993
13 Yr	Cindy Adair	14.64 sec	1993
14/15 Yr	Cindy Adair	14.84 sec	1994
O 16	Carolyn Forster	14.35 sec	1999
Boys 50m Freestyle			
11 Yr	Tim Pierce	30.06 sec	1999
12 Yr	Jack Findlay	30.07 sec	2016
13 Yr	Benjamin Silipo	28.44 sec	2018
14/15 Yr	Coast Morland	26.87 sec	2023
O 16	Noel Bisson	26.12 sec	2015
Girls 50m Freestyle			
11 Yr	Casey Ollerenshaw	32.14 sec	1999
12 Yr	Maddie Brett	30.45 sec	2007
13 Yr	Kate Bennie	28.43 sec	2019
14/15 Yr	Kenzie Findlay	28.78 sec	2014
O 16	Danielle Martin	29.22 sec	2003
Boys 25m Breaststroke			
11 Yr	William Jackways	23.34 sec	1995
12 Yr	Phoenix Cooper	22.16 sec	2016
13 Yr	James Ingram	19.63 sec	2016
14/15 Yr	Matt Adair	17.43 sec	1999
O 16	Matt Adair	16.87 sec	2001
Girls 25m Breaststroke			
11 Yr	Abby East	21.19 sec	2016
12 Yr	Charlotte Hawkins	20.62 sec	1999
13 Yr	Philippa King	19.64 sec	1999
14/15 Yr	Shanae Coupe	19.50 sec	2016
O 16	MacKenzie Ayres	20.34 sec	2016
Boys 50m Breaststroke			
11 Yr	Gregor Findlay	42.28 sec	2012
12 Yr	Ben Silipo	40.60 sec	2017
13 Yr	Cruz Morland	36.16 sec	2019
14/15 Yr	Coast Morland	32.72 sec	2023
O 16	Matt Henderson	33.22 sec	2014
Girls 50m Breaststroke			
11 Yr	Lauren Kerr	41.02 sec	1999
12 Yr	Sophie Fariburn	36.62 sec	2012
13 Yr	Sophie Fariburn	35.97 sec	2013
14/15 Yr	Sophie Fariburn	36.44 sec	2014
O 16	Sophie Fariburn	38.60 sec	2017
Boys 25m Backstroke			
11 Yr	David Gardner	20.17 sec	1994
12 Yr	Chris Walker	17.25 sec	1992
13 Yr	Michael Walker	16.91 sec	1994
14/15 Yr	Ben Boyd	16.53 sec	2016
O 16	Rodrigo Audi	16.07 sec	2003
Girls 25m Backstroke			
11 Yr	Kate Young	20.00 sec	1992
12 Yr	Kate Young	19.91 sec	1993
13 Yr	Serena Miller	18.16 sec	1994
14/15 Yr	Cindy Adair	18.51 sec	1994
O 16	Carolyn Forster	17.75 sec	1999
Boys 50m Backstroke			
11 Yr	Ryder Van Lune	35.40 sec	2017
12 Yr	Gregor Findlay	34.15 sec	2013
13 Yr	Wilfred Spearing	33.67 sec	2014
14/15 Yr	William Schurink	30.03 sec	2023
O 16	Mitchell Worthington	30.48 sec	2014
Girls 50m Backstroke			
11 Yr	Clare Walker	33.32 sec	1995
12 Yr	Clare Walker	33.10 sec	1996
13 Yr	Fleur Jansen	33.84 sec	2023
14/15 Yr	Clare Walker	32.45 sec	1999
O 16	Clare Walker	31.88 sec	2000

Open 100m Freestyle			
Boy	Noel Bisson	58.08 sec	2015
Girl	Kate Bennie	1m 03.21 sec	2020
Open IM			
Boy	Coast Morland	1m 04.97 sec	2023
Girl	Clare Walker	1m 11.19 sec	2000
Open Butterfly 25m			
Boy	Coast Morland	12.16 sec	2023
Girl	Kate Bennie	14.00 sec	2020
14 Person House Relay			
House	Iron	3m 45.25 sec	2023

## Deans Bank MTB

Boys			
Open	Ty Sarginson	29m19sec	2018
Girls			
Open	Phoebe Young	33m15sec	2018

## MAC Enduro

Boys			
Year 11-13	Thomas Benson	11m46.1sec	2021
Year 9-10	Tom Sides	12m26.6sec	2021
Year 7-8	Max Bagley	12m52.3sec	2021
Girls			
Year 11-13	Morgan Antone	13m35.0	2021
Year 9-10	Amy Benson	13m21.1	2021
Year 7-8	Ruby Smith	14m50.8	2021

## MAC Snow Champs

Banked Slalom			
Boys Snowboard			
11-13	Jalen Carlton	34.99sec	2023
9-10	Jalen Carlton	37.98sec	2022
7-8	Tane Fox	36.21sec	2023
Girls Snowboard			
11-13	Chole Booth	44.55sec	2023
9-10	-	-	-
7-8	Ruby Bull	44.28sec	2023
Boys Ski			
11-13	Jem Curtis	30.96sec	2023
9-10	Harry Rowden	32.31sec	2023
7-8	Milo Adams	32.85sec	2022
Girls Ski			
11-13	Sakiko Saka	32.31sec	2023
9-10	Lottie King	34.72sec	2023
7-8	Nova Arnott	31.61sec	2022

Slopestyle			
Boys Snowboard			
11-13	Jalen Carlton	92	2023
9-10	Oscar Leigh	82	2022
7-8	Kade van der Hulst	90	2023
Girls Snowboard			
11-13	Chloe Booth	60	2023
9-10	-	-	-
7-8	Lea Moylan	35	2023
Boys Ski			
11-13	Hamish Barlow	86	2022
9-10	Harry Rowden	85	2023
7-8	Flynn Robinson	89.33	2023
Girls Ski			
11-13	Jamie Kerr	73	2022
9-10	Lottie King	95.33	2023
7-8	Eva Small	89	2022

## MAC XC Ski

2 KM Highlander Year 7-8			
Boys			
7-8	Lucas Simpson	9m24sec	2022
Girls			
7-8	Brooke McLachlan	6m20sec	2022
3.5 KM Highlander/Mary's			
Boys			
11-13	Baxter Pollard	7m10sec	2022
9-10	Oli Wyeth	10m18sec	2022
Girls			
11-13	Lulu Pettit	7m52sec	2022
9-10	Nico Pettit	8m48sec	2022

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OP is a great new experience that is the best part of the week. My highlight was building the caves and tramping.



OP made me appreciate our environment. My highlight was our snow caving trip.





OP is great because you get to try new things outdoors.



OP made me value teamwork more. I learnt to kayak whitewater.



I really liked OP because it was a new experience every week and I got to go out into nature with my friends.



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# OUTDOOR PURSUITS 2023



I enjoyed OP because it got me outside, learning new skills. You get pushed out of your comfort zone and learning skills like white water kayaking.



My highlight of the week! I really loved OP because it gives me great opportunities and adventures. So much fun!



# MAC BIKE CHAMPS 2023

A rapid shift in MTB culture has been occurring at MAC. A whole host of grommies are picking up the bike for the first time and tearing up the local tracks as well as a huge progression of experienced riders at Lismore. After a drop off in mtb participation in previous years, it seems like biking is cool again which is awesome to see. Adding to this, a motivated bunch of teachers, driven by Mrs Jacobsen's love for the sport, has given MAC the opportunity to work with some amazing businesses and members in the community to run three mtb events over the school year: Bike Glendhu Enduro, Cardrona DH and Deans Bank XC.



The first event of the year was the Bike Glendhu Enduro. A solid effort from Issac Beale secured the senior win over Cam Anderson. In the senior women, Amy Benson took a convincing win, out-riding the other girls on the classic Glendhu tracks. Max Bagley came away with the junior win. A great ride, especially on a hardtail. Ivy Adams was the junior girls winner.

The finale of competition was held at Deans Banks XC. The 12km loop winds its way on the banks of the Clutha river making it a suitable final test to wrap up the bike events this year. Tom Sides battled the tough headwind to claim victory in the senior boys with an impressive time of 33.10. Well done to Lulu Petit for winning the senior girls. Many different riders of all ages turned up to take part which was great to see.

Thanks to everyone at MAC and within our local community for making these events happen. It is something unique to our school and I hope it continues into the future. - *Thomas Benson*

# MAC SNOW CHAMPS 2023

In August, 50 students competed in the Mount Aspiring College Ski and Snowboard Championships at Cardrona. In perfect conditions the students competed in both the Banked Slalom and Slopestyle Events. Many thanks to Cardrona for running another successful event for the school.

## LIMITED RESULTS: 2023 CHAMPIONS

### BANKED SLALOM

Snowboard Overall Boy: Jalen Carlton  
Snowboard Overall Girl: Ruby Bull  
Ski Overall Boy: Jem Curtis  
Ski Overall Girl: Sakiko Saka

### SLOPESTYLE

Snowboard Overall Boy: Jalen Carlton  
Snowboard Overall Girl: Lea Moylan  
Ski Overall Boy: Dylan Brown  
Ski Overall Girl: Chole Field





## MAC XC SKI 2023

In Term 3 this year, MAC ran a six-week cross-country skiing course at Snow Farm for students of all ages. We had two options to choose from: biathlon or classic skiing. Students learned skills in either classic or skating and became experts by the end. Biathlon students tried target shooting with laser rifles which was a great opportunity. Near the end of the season, many students participated in the merino muster, which is one of New Zealand's main cross-country ski races. Unfortunately, the MAC cross country-ski champs were cancelled due to a lack of snow.

- Holly Radford



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# MAC SENIOR



## **MAC Senior A Netball**

**Back Row:** Jessie Winter, Sophie Walsh, Sara Jewell, Eva Gilbertson, Hannah Robinson, Eva Humphreys, Jen Fergusson (coach), Kate Brown (manager)

**Front row:** Janine Laney (coach), Millie East, Bella Soper, Coco Bentley, Ava Hay

**Absent:** India Yule



## **MAC 1st XV Rugby**

**Back Row:** Ryan Coupe, Sam Soper\*, Will Miller, Ben Hawkins, Harry Ward, Cam Anderson, Christopher Cook, Cody Gemmell\*, Lachlan Hay, Cody Labes.

**Middle Row:** Wayne Enoka (coach), Jack Labes\*, Lewis Turner, Matthew Marshall, Hunter Tuck, Cobi Millar, Jackson Clark+, Ryan Enoka\*, Gareth Howley (coach)

**Front Row:** Charlie Roy\*, David Bowler, Jonty Keenan+, Tom Sides (vice-captain)+, George Lister (captain)+, Ben James, Henry Allison, Kalan Nichol+

**Absent:** Flynn Phillips, Natalie Keenan (manager)

+ Otago Country Under 18 Representative  
\* Otago Country Under 16 Representative



## **MAC 1st XI Cricket**

**Back row:** Luke Harrold, Jack Sides, William Noble-Kirkbride, Harrison Orbell, Tom Sides, James Muir, Ben Pennycuik (Coach).

**Front row:** Ryan Tombling, Sam Clarke, Jackson Clark, Will Anderson, Rossco Rowley.

# SPORTS TEAMS 2023

## **MAC 1st XI Boys Football**

**Back Row:** Neil Stuart (coach), Joe Miller, Harry Lamb, Robbie McRae, George Lister, Jacob Fielding, Jem Curtis (captain), Ben Davies, Xavier Taylor, Jack Wyeth, Harry Oxley

**Front row:** Oliver Feint, Isaiah Chin-Nyika, Barnes Metcalfe, Nat Warburton, Finn Thomsson



## **MAC 1st XI Girls Football**

**Back row:** Lola Ritchie, Annie Wells, Lily Hampson, Elise Tomkins, Melia Brett, Lily Wickham, Miki Bercelli

**Front row:** Mia Gemmell, Nina Lee Smith, Evelyn Armstrong, Bryne Bloxham, Brooke Hutchison, Laura Watkins, Caoimhe Heath

**Absent:** Rhian Telfer, Annika Massey



## **MAC Senior A Mixed Hockey**

**Back Row:** (kneeling) Dan Cullen (teacher-in-charge), Rachel Prendergast (manager), Amy Benson, Kate Johnston, Ruby Ives, Anna McLean, Matthew Botting, Kynan Marsh, Hudson Weathington, Will Anderson, Georgia Chrisp, James Adams (coach), James Dougherty

**Front Row:** Harry Hope, Abbey Ragg, Dorothy Anderson, Thomas Benson, and Hugh Ragg.





### **MAC Colts Rugby**

**Back Row:** Jack Sides, Cody Labes, Kyle Millar, Jamie Olley, Lachlan Hay

**Middle Row:** Daniel Labes (coach), Lucas Barron, Lucas Haig, Hunter Wilton, Archie Bruce, Hugh Ragg, Sam Beale, Cameron Wilson, Lincoln Bruce (coach)

**Front Row:** Riley Upfold, Kahlarni Hondelink, Edward Jackson, Ryan Coupe, Myles Nichol (captain), Zeph Foster, Tyler Gawn, Jacob Toomey

**Absent:** Tyler Hatherley, Lucas Parry, Blair Coupe (coach), Kim Parry (manager)



### **MAC Basketball 1st V Boys**

(L-R) Myles Nichol, Cody Labes, Kobyn Williams, Cody Gemmell, Jack Labes, Lucas Parry, Isaiah Chin-Nyika, Tyler Gawn.



### **MAC Basketball 1st V Girls (Photo taken with Wakatipu Team)**

(L-R MAC Girls) Paige Gawn, Pippa Raffills, Lucy Radford, Amelia Young, Molly Wilson, Georgie Gillespie, Lili Kaler, Lucy Maibach, Kate Watson.

**Absent:** Niamh Townsend



### **MAC Volleyball Senior Black Mixed Team**

**Back row:** Hunter Wilton, Thomas Wallington, Sam Caumette

**Front row:** Mila Culpitt, Kaitlin van Staden, Zara Weatherly



### **MAC Volleyball Senior Yellow Mixed Team**

**Back row:** Izzy Foscett, Sophia Tuck, Bradley Gendall, Thomas Benson

**Front row:** Lucy Laker, Kate Watson

**Absent:** Jem Curtis



#### MAC Rowing

(L-R): Annie Wells, Philip Massey, Lola Ritchie, Nova Whiston, Team Mascot (Coach Chris Brooks), Kate Ritchie, Hana Jones, Fenella Millen, Annika Massey, Caroline Smith, Sienna Marsden, Jem Curtis, Lucy Radford, Anton Jones. Absent: Matt Rickard (Coach)

#### MAC Tennis

(L-R): Sam Beale, Tane Haines, Nat Warburton, Noah Vincenzi-Johnson, Lochie Hunt, Finn Thomsson, Georgia Beale, Lucy Radford, Georgia Lindsay, Kaitlyn Tooley



#### MAC Netball Senior B Team

**Back Row:** Janette Willis (Manager), Jemma Spear, Amaya East, Annalise Millar, Ella Sarginson, Georgie Gillespie, Jo Scurr (coach), Aria Winter

**Front Row:** Sophie Walsh, Taylah Jones, Daisy Sanders

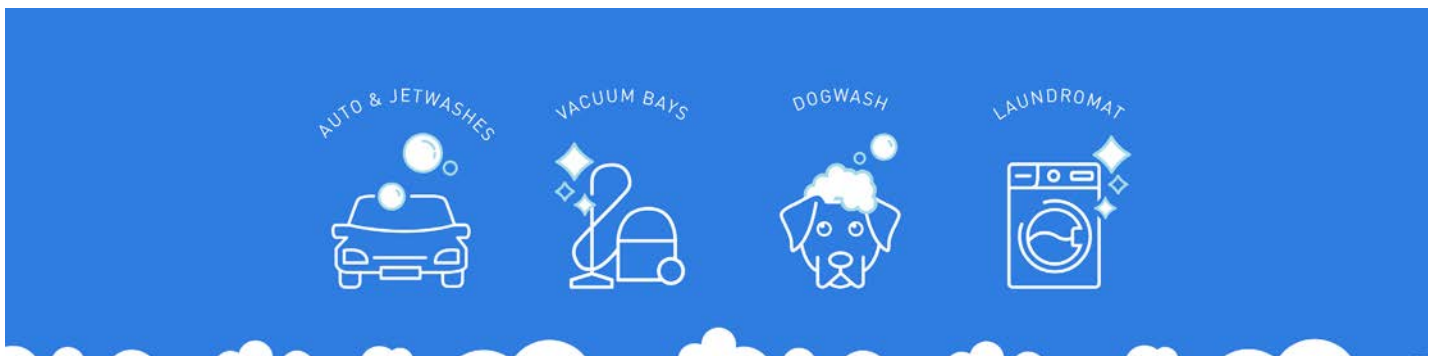
**Absent:** Mikaela Mason (coach), Tegan Duffy (coach)



#### MAC Netball Senior C Team

**Back Row:** Izzy Foscett, Amelia Young, Ally Paterson, Hayley Webb (Coach), Lily Wilson, Abbey Pedersen, Emma Lamb

**Front Row:** Grace Thomas, Laura Watkins, Lottie Hunt, Zara Weatherly



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### MAC U14 Rugby

**Back Row:** Kim Gilson (manager) Beau MacLachlan, Johnny Latchford, Cory Enoka, Mackenzie Whiston, Ross Gilson, Monty Lahood, Julian Field (coach)

**Front Row:** Maxwell Persson, Rex Pickett, William Persson, Ruben Harley (captain), Monty Field, Billy Pope, Jacob Weatherly, James Wilson

**Absent:** Ben Soper, Isaak Babbington, Kahu Evans, Leo Ravel, Murphy Paterson, Noah Purnell, Rhys Taylor, Todd Soper (coach), Patrick Harley (coach)

## MAC JUNIOR SPORTS TEAMS 2023



### MAC Basketball Year 7&8 Girls Team

Zoe Fahy, Jaime Taylor, Ivy Campbell, Elliot Lovelock, Amber Gemmell, Stella Harper, Holly Radford

### MAC Volleyball Year 8 Team

Stella Harper, Claire Radford (coach), Bess Wilson, Holly Radford, Nate Gibson, Duncan Turner, Charlie Lovelock

### MAC Volleyball Junior A Team

Back row: Sophia Menlove, Heidi Jarvis, Lyndajayne Kitto, Caroline Smith  
Front row: Aroha Osborne, Francesca Peters, Rhian Telfer, Maya Parker

### MAC Volleyball Year 7 Team

Violet Laughton, Gabby Henshall, Sophia McClintock, Elliot Lovelock, Toby Hartnell, Harper Norman, Roko Agalliu  
Luke Kelly (coach)

### MAC Netball Year 9A Team

(L-R): Maree Lange (Manager), Naive McRae, Rylee Lange, Phoebe Cervelli, Lily Garrett, Cam Shore, Georgia Beale, Gretchen McCarthy, Emily Hunt, Lyla Craig, Adair Nichol, Megan Beale (Coach)

### MAC Basketball Year 9&10 Girls Team

Back Row: Georgia Beale, Cameron Shore, Taylor MacRae, John McRae (coach), Naive McRae, Trinity Pullar  
Front Row: Holly Radford, Ivy Craig, Mia Gemmell, Lyla Craig, Emily Hunt

### MAC Netball Year 8A Team

Amber Gemmell, Stella Brown, Bess Wilson, Bella Wright, Holly Radford, Stella Harper, Miela Hanning, Eve Pfahlert, Amelie Millen, Zoe Fahy

### MAC Rugby Year 7&8 Team

L-R: Belinda Sides (TIC), Hank Carmie, Hunter Ottley, Zac McIntyre, Lucas Nichol, Cohenn Lange, Charlie Swan, Toby Hartnell, Harry Dickson (v.Captain), Mason Wootton, Shane Dickson (coach) Seated: George Murray, Patrick McKay, Nate Gibson, Duncan Turner (captain)

### MAC Basketball Year 7&8 Boys Team

Back Row: Dan Kettle, Deacon Gwilliam Browne, Axel Worthington, Nixon Dunlop  
Front Row: Charlie Lovelock, Gabriel Viloria, Luke Silipo

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# MAC ATHLETICS 2023



## ATHLETICS DAY RESULTS

**PISA 1167: 1ST**

**IRON 1161 : 2ND**

**BARKER 1080: 3RD**

**ROY 1035 : 4TH**



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MOUNT ASPIRING COLLEGE

## MAC CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

- 1st: IRON (193 points)
- 2nd: ROY (183 points)
- 3rd: BARKER (155 points)
- 4th: PISA (131 points)



TE KURA O TITITEA  
MOUNT ASPIRING COLLEGE

## MAC CROSS COUNTRY 2023



## OTAGO ATHLETICS CHAMPS



Congratulations to the 12 MAC students who competed at the recent Otago Secondary Schools Athletics Championships in Dunedin.

All our athletes competed strongly, with Cody Armstrong winning the 400m sprint final to take the Mount Aspiring College school record for this event. This record has been in place since 2007.

Phoebe Laker continued her magnificent season form, comfortably winning both the 100m and 200m finals, and narrowly missing out on the Otago Secondary Schools record for her 200m by .04 of a second. She did, however, secure a new 200m sprint MAC record.

Ryan Enoka won in shot put, and then took out the MAC discus record with a throw of 38.02m and in the relays, our MAC teams were successful in securing gold or silver positions in all three races.

# WILLIAM PIKE CHALLENGE

The William Pike Challenge is now in its fifth year at MAC and is getting more popular every year. In 2023, we had a group of more than 50 Year 8 students who have remained committed to the challenge. It is quite a commitment as each student needs to complete and log 20 hours of community service, 20 hours of passion projects and 5 or more outdoor activities.

As a group, this year's students gave more than 1000 hours of service to our community. The service projects included:

- working in community gardens
- baking for fundraising sales
- coaching and refereeing sports
- library volunteering
- tree planting and nursery
- grebe care
- bike track maintenance
- food bank service
- aged care service
- food for love
- sports event assistance.

Students undertook a range of passion projects, including: learning new sports (kayaking, surfing, go-karting, sailing, boogie boarding, cross country skiing, scootering, rowing, gym, skateboarding, trampolining, football, orienteering, dance) crafts, skills and hobbies (baking, photography, crochet, cooking, jewellery making, art, sewing, gardening, knitting, puppy training, carving, coding, boat restoration, portraiture, creative writing, bike building), languages (Spanish, Dutch, French), music (drums, piano, guitar, bass).

Outdoor activities are group challenges, and this year students have been able to opt in to activities such as whitewater rafting, rogaining (orienteering), cross country skiing, snowshoeing and bush walking.

A highlight this year was when the man himself, William Pike, came to MAC in Term 3 for a live presentation to our MAC students about his own life story and what inspired him to establish the William Pike challenge.



## 40 HOUR CHALLENGE

Mount Aspiring College students challenged themselves in various ways in mid-June to support World Vision's efforts to bring life-changing clean water to children in Malawi and other tough places.

School-based activities run by the student committee included a movie night in the gym for Years 7 to 10 students, a bake sale, a sponsored breakfast for staff, a disco for Years 7 and 8 students and a DJ set at lunchtime. Individually, students' efforts ranged from fasting for 40 hours to walking 40km or 40,000 steps, summing Mt Iron 40 times, distributing 40 rocks painted with kindness messages around Wānaka, and jumping off the jetty into the lake 40 times.

Everyone enjoyed their activity and was proud to continue MAC's long-time involvement with this charity. Justin Lam won the Skydive Wānaka voucher as the highest individual fundraiser.

World Vision Youth Ambassador Emily Ridd visited in August and presented committee members with a Silver fundraising award for the \$7,464.67 raised and also surprised committee members with the Auahatanga Most Creative Fundraising Award. James Watson will travel to Auckland in January to attend the World Vision Senior Scholarship Summit and will bring the skills he learns to the 2024 MAC 40-Hour Challenge.



# HOUSE DAY 2023



MAC's annual House Day is a great opportunity for our new and returning students to get to know each other through fun outdoor activities. On the first Friday morning of the school year, students assembled in their houses at different locations around Wānaka to complete outdoor challenges. In the afternoon, the great tug-o-war competition was held on our main field. Congratulations to members of Iron House who pulled off a big win! And thank you to our staff who organised the event, enabling our students to enjoy such a fun and affirming experience to top off a great start to our school year.

## ROY

While this year's house day for Roy did not go completely to plan, we did an absolutely amazing job. Watching everyone compete in their tug-of-war battles and giving their all was inspiring. Our junior students did an incredible job with taking the W in their battles. However, a highlight of the day was definitely the morning activities. With over 200 students meeting at Roy's Bay to compete in Whānau vs Whānau activities there was so much excited energy roaming the air. From piggy-back races to three-legged competitions, everyone had a go and did their best which was super cool to watch. Overall this house day was definitely one of the best and certainly a day to remember. We are super proud of Roy this year and we hope that Roy will continue to DESTROY.

*Paige Gawn and Jem Curtis - Roy House Leaders*

## BARKER

Sam Caumette and Estelle Gellatly have had the privilege of being your Barker House Leaders for 2023. This experience has been truly amazing, we have learnt so much as people and have grown as leaders. This leadership role has given us the opportunity to build our confidence and responsibility as young adults. It was so awesome to see Barker's involvement in events and competitions this year, especially House Haka. We have worked alongside many age groups in our new Barker committee to make Barker the best it can be. A big thank you to Ms Watt (Barker Senior Dean), Ms Scurr (Barker Junior Dean) and Ms Rickard (Barker House Leader) for helping and supporting Sam and I. Being Barker Leaders has been a great way for us to end our MAC experience. Thank you so much Barker House for the amazing year!!!

*Estelle Gellatly - Barker House Leader*



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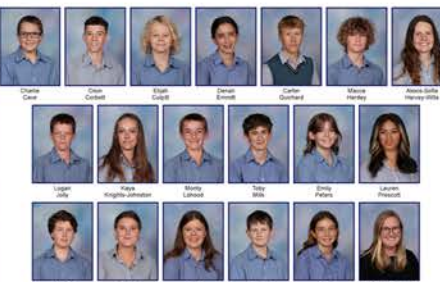
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# Iron

## Whānau



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## YEAR 7 CAMP AND ACTIVITIES

### YEAR 7 CAMP STORIES

*By selected students*

In Term 2, our Year 7 students went to Rakiura for their school camp. We had such a wonderful time. The weather was amazing and we enjoyed a variety of activities, including nature walks, kiwi spotting, fishing (caught masses amounts of blue cod which we all enjoyed for meals and even brought some home to share!), museum visits and activities, and a visit to the DOC centre. We all loved spending time on the beach exploring and seeing the wonderful birds and nature. We had a terrific time and the memories we made will always be fondly remembered.

### ULVA ISLAND

I'm walking stealthily down the track. I hear the leaves rustling above me in the tall trees as a bird darts amongst them going to and fro. I feel the uneven ground rising and falling beneath my feet. I feel the steaming hot sun burning the back of my neck. I smell a mix of smells, all natural and earthy, filling my nose with a cold and refreshing feeling. The screech of a kakariki cry startled us. It was close. "SSShhhh," someone whispered. We crept forward with hope that we would be lucky enough to spot a kakariki. The beautiful green and red bird glided elegantly down from a nearby tree, we were so silent we even heard the 'whoosh' of air rushing past it as it gracefully landed on the track. We froze watching, still as a statue in case we scared it away. It sang its melodious song and then flew away into the foliage. I continued walking, ears tuned to the surrounding forest. Waiting patiently for the next bird to show itself! We were all very grateful and lucky to have seen such a marvelous creature.

*Charlie Cave 7KPT*

### FISHING

Baiting my hook up ready for it to go firmly down to the bottom of the sea, making sure my finger was still on the fishing reel when the weight hit the bottom of the sea. My rod started to tug, my hand is spinning the reel as fast as I can. The big Albatross (Mollymawks) were ready to try and steal my fish as soon as it hit the top of the water. The big Albatross swooped in to try and get it but I pulled it in just before they tried to clutch on to it. I'm full of joy. It was an amazing blue cod, a great size, into the bucket for dinner. It was my first fish of the day. We take the fish off and bait my rod up again. Waiting for the sinker to hit the bottom. It seemed to be that this one was taking a lot longer. Then I felt a massive tug but I was not too sure if I should pull it up or not?

*Honor Jones 7KPT*

### ULVA ISLAND BEACH

The soft grainy sand squeezed gently between my toes. My wet feet were covered in sand, I slowly began to walk. The slimy seaweed squelched as I stepped, there was also a crunch. The sharp shells cut my foot, seagulls squawked. The pristine sun shone on the waves blinding me, the crisp salty air traveled deep in my nostrils and down to my lungs. I blissfully walked further along the beach, the seaweed still crunched, the mud squelched and the sea grapes popped like bubble wrap. As I calmly walked, I heard a giant ROAR, it echoed through the beach and bounced off the mountains. People ran and splashed, their pants becoming wet and sandy. Melodious birdsong rang through my ears, the music of nature.

As the sun began to set, I heard a distant shout. I unwillingly walked back to the gravel road. I may be leaving, but this experience will stay with me forever.

*Lea Moylan 7KPT*

### KIWI SPOTTING

For that split second in time I heard a noise from the Stewart Island kiwi that lives amongst us. The night was cold and damp. There is a shuffle that's to my side. I am scared that it is a possum. We scoped out the area with the bright red light and there it was, a 6-month-old male Stewart Island kiwi. I could tell that because male kiwis are smaller than the females. I remember the people who went before us. They said they saw a kiwi run. We approached the little creature, the grass was damp and wet. We met the point where the runway stopped and the grass started. We stood our first steps on the damp grass. Careful not to scare the kiwi as it felt the vibration from the tip of his beak.

The kiwi slightly tipped its head up as it heard us approaching. The grass felt thin and the dirt was soft as I got closer and closer and my feet sunk in the dirt. The kiwi slunked away into the bushes and we saw its little burrow that was very well hidden. We could all tell that it wanted to fly away but its wings are very small and cannot hold the kiwis body. The kiwi was running really fast like 12mph, that's how fast kiwis can run. We carried on walking and never saw anymore. But we did see the male kiwi again. They said that it was a well-known kiwi and it hangs out a lot. I was really disappointed that I only saw one out of the 20,000 kiwis that live on Stewart Island.

*Gemma Cragg 7KPT*

# YEAR 7 CAMP AND ACTIVITIES



# YEAR 7 WEARABLE ARTS



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# YEAR 10 BUNGY JUMPING EXPERIENCE

When I first heard of the opportunity to bungee jump for a school event I was excited to say the least and, from the look on my mates faces, so were they.

This opportunity that school provides is an important part of health with finding and recognising our limits. Leading up to the jump we had been learning about stress management in our health class and this was an important aspect of the jump

– Luka Cowan, 10AL

As soon as the offer to bungee jump was suggested to our class I knew I wanted to do it. I also knew that it was going to scare me to death. I wanted to try and jump but I had no clue if my mind would actually let me throw myself off a bridge. Leading up to the jump I was normal, happy and actually just fine. This was because I was ignoring the problem ahead and doing my best to portray confidence. This seemed to work until I was standing right on the edge, about to jump. My mind immediately went 'NO', and 'Why are you doing this?!' It felt so extremely unnatural to stand there and even contemplate jumping off; it felt criminal to my mind and body. But I let time take over because I knew I wanted to challenge myself to succeed. So I posed for the photos and let the worker countdown and just let it happen. That is what worked the best for me, letting myself move and just do it. Afterwards I felt very happy with myself and was proud that I was able to jump. Although I am unsure as to whether I would be able to bungee again, I now know I can trust my mind to tell me when I get there. For now it is important to stay open-minded to new experiences and sometimes just allow things to happen and then who knows maybe you'll do something you're super proud of too.

– Mikayla Botting, 10AL

I really enjoyed having the opportunity to take part in the Year 10 trip to the Kawarau Bridge bungee jump in Term 3 this year. We started the day off with the hour-long drive to the bridge which, statistically speaking, is more dangerous than the bungee itself. I couldn't wait to do it, and once we got there I quickly grew impatient, with my heart rate at a steady 130 BPM. Luckily, I was up first though, which meant that not only would I be doing it sooner, but I'd be able to set the standard, which in my head was pretty high. It took a while to get ready and get the harness on, but as the jump itself grew nearer, I stopped being impatient and slowly, my heart rate began to slow. I surprised myself as I really wasn't nervous, and even when I stepped up to the edge of the platform, my pulse was pretty normal, around 70 BPM. Looking down the 43 metre drop was, sure, intimidating but as I was counted in, I put that out of my mind and just jumped. It was an awesome experience and it was really cool to see how much support everyone showed towards each other, whether they jumped or not.

– Toby Mills, 10AL



## YEAR 10 CAMPS 2022



## SURVIVOR BABY PHOTOS - KEY

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|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Ava Hay          | 13. Paige Gawn        | 25. Holly James      | 37. Kalan Nichol     | 49. Ajay Quirk      |
| 2. Jemma Brake      | 14. Estelle Gellatly  | 26. Jem Curtis       | 38. Jessie Winter    | 50. Isabella Soper  |
| 3. Haylee Jermyn    | 15. Ben Hawkins       | 27. Ella Kaler       | 39. Amalie Woonton   | 51. Caleb Turner    |
| 4. Amali Chin-Nyika | 16. Sam Caumette      | 28. Melia Brett      | 40. Oscar Waddington | 52. Aria Thor-Poet  |
| 5. Julia Gilson     | 17. Eve Bretherton    | 29. Freya Berry      | 41. Hunter Wilton    | 53. Billie Wilson   |
| 6. Tayla Doran      | 18. Oliver Cohen      | 30. Elliot Bain      | 42. Freja Malmo      | 54. Pippa Raffils   |
| 7. Lilly Hampson    | 19. Lily Ashe         | 31. Caity Curtis     | 43. Annalise Millar  | 55. Sam Parry       |
| 8. Grace Gillies    | 20. Sienna Jones      | 32. Eva Humphreys    | 44. Clarke West      | 56. Hazel Murray    |
| 9. Ngao Groenen     | 21. Scarlett Fenton   | 33. Bradley Gendall  | 45. Amelia Young     | 57. India Yule      |
| 10. Mica Drake      | 22. Thomas Benson     | 34. Cruz Morland     | 46. Cobi Millar      | 58. Sebastian Rhind |
| 11. Max Carter      | 23. Georgie Gillespie | 35. Laura Watkins    | 47. Max Knight       | 59. Milly Lewis     |
| 12. Sara Jewell     | 24. Emma Arthur       | 36. Matilda Metcalfe | 48. Ella Miles       |                     |

# VOCATIONAL PATHWAYS AND LEARNING EXTENSION

**Snow College:** A large number of students completed the Snow College programme in partnership with Cardrona x Treble Cone. A great time was had by all and led to the learning of lots of new skills and even some NCEA credits! The Snow College course is an 'optional extra' students can choose to do on top of their usual learning programme.

**Work-based learning:** Partnerships with local employers meant many students spent time at workplaces and on worksites gaining valuable insights into a range of industries such as construction, retail, hospitality, health, equine, agriculture, hair and beauty, mechanics, engineering, and tourism.

**Aviation:** Flying is becoming more popular and our committed aviation students have progressed towards completing their private pilot licence with two students achieving their first solo flights this year.

**Trades Academy:** This off-site course is delivered in partnership with Otago Polytechnic at Cromwell where students can undertake a host of trade-related courses towards NCEA Level 2 and 3 credits while gaining valuable trade-related skills in fields such as mechanics, cooking, apiculture, horticulture, hospitality, turf management, and hair and beauty.

**University-level papers in computing and maths:** A number of high-performing students completed university-level papers: Math199 offered through Canterbury University and Computing 101 through Waikato University. Students can choose to sit university-level papers as an additional learning opportunity on top of their usual learning programme.

*Pete Smalley - Teacher Liaison*



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# CULTURAL COMMITTEE

Kia ora koutou. This year the Cultural Committee consisted of six talented senior students who are actively involved with aspects of te ao Māori. We work together to ensure Māori culture is celebrated here at Te Kura o Tititea. Some highlights from this year include the Mata-Au festival, Haka Tu Haka Ora, Hautonga and Ngā Manu Korero regionals where three of our taurira (Rāhana Brett, Melia Brett and Anataia White) competed. Anataia took first place and went on to compete at the national event!

One of the big school events the committee organised this year was the interhouse haka competition. We put together practice times to ensure that both students and staff had the ability to both perform our school haka and understand the importance of Māori performing arts. All the houses presented tough competition, and a highlight of the day was the staff performing a waiata. Tau kē! The committee also organised a week of activities for this year's Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. Kemu, poi, kapa haka, and weaving were run by our senior members in the wharenuī and we were lucky enough to have the primary kura visit to perform kapa haka on Friday at lunch.

Tihei mauri ora!

*Melia Brett - 2023 Cultural Committee Leader*



Back Row: Ryan Enoka, Sam Caumette, Sacha Swanson  
Front Row: Zara Beeby, Melia Brett, Anataia White  
Absent: Jorja White



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# KAPA HAKA 2023



## TE MĀKAHI O TITITEA

Our kapa haka group, Te Mākahi o Tititea, is made up of Years 7 to 13 students. Our name, Te Mākahi o Tititea, is inspired by the pūrākau of Tuterakiwhanoa (Waitaha rakatira) and the use of his mākahī (cleave) to lift up Tititea (Mt Aspiring). Our ingoa provides us with lots of mana and connection to the whenua of Wānaka.

This year our group has performed at many events around the region including:

- Mihi whakatau for Cardrona staff
- Haka Tū Haka Ora primary schools kapa haka competition (Years 7-8), Queenstown
- Mata-Au Festival, Wānaka
- Te Hautonga Secondary kapa haka regionals, Invercargill
- Winter Games NZ Opening Ceremony, Wānaka
- Central Lakes Polyfest, Queenstown.

Our kapa haka students have shown real dedication in attending weekly and weekend practices for our many events and competitions. I am very proud of all of them and thank them for their commitment to our group.

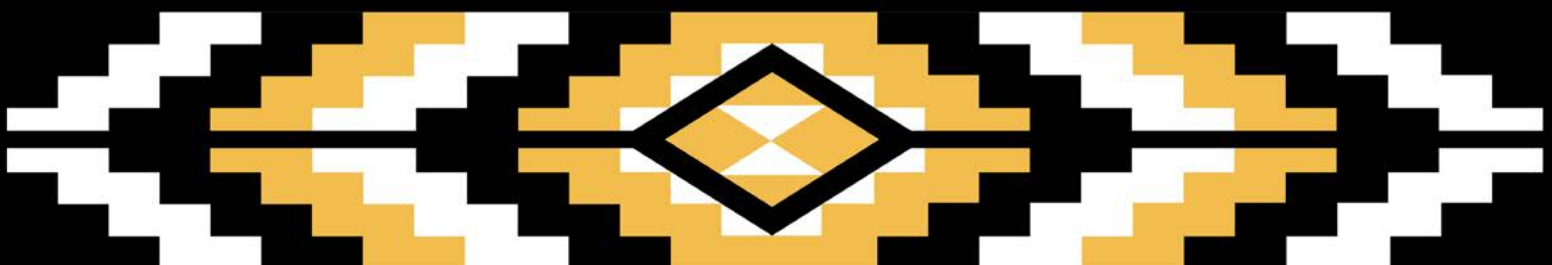
## NGĀ MANU KÖRERO

Three MAC students, Melia Brett, Anataia White and Rāhana Brett, competed in the Ngā Manu Kōrero Otago/Southland event at the Dunedin Town Hall. Ngā Manu Kōrero is regarded as the most significant event on the Māori education calendar for nurturing oratory skills.

Anataia, Melia and Rāhana represented our school very well in the way they spoke and conducted themselves at the event. We are very proud of Rāhana for having the courage to take to the stage for the first time, and Melia for taking up the challenge to compete against fluent reo speakers.

Anataia placed third in the prepared section, first in the impromptu category and was awarded first prize overall for the Korimako category and will speak at the national event from 19 - 21 September at the Edgar Centre in Dunedin. Anataia delivered a prepared speech 'Whakataukī: the uncut jewels of Māori wisdom' and an impromptu speech on the topic: 'Matariki, just a day off or something more. What does it mean to me?' Congratulations Anataia - everyone at MAC is so proud of your wonderful achievement!

*Candace Carroll - Teacher in Charge - Kapa Haka*



# SPANISH CULTURAL TRIP 2023

In September a group from the senior Spanish language classes travelled to Spain for a cultural and language experience. The group spent time in Tamarit on the Mediterranean coast, Barcelona, the monastery at Montserrat, Pamplona and a homestay experience in San Sebastian. Some reflections from the students are on this page.

I really enjoyed trying the Spanish food but especially loved their cheesecake.  
-Madi Jolly, Y12

The football match between Barca and Celta de Vigo was my favourite part of the trip. The olympic stadium can hold 55000 people and the noise was thrilling from all the fans.

-Alex Coupland, Y11

Tamarit is one of the nicest towns I have visited, it has an incredible beachfront with a picturesque view of the sail boats scattered in the bay.

-Eli McArthur, Y11

My favourite part was San Sebastian because my homestay family were very welcoming and kind. The beach was also very nice.

-Harry Lamb, Y11

I loved the flower stalls on the streets of Barcelona. My secret person (Olivia) got me a bouquet which I was very happy about. Me encantan las flores.

-Holly James, Y13

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-Holly James, Y13

Overall Trip: 10/10  
Would go again.  
Don't forget your passport on planes.

-Ollie Taylor, Y11

I thoroughly enjoyed going on the rides next to the beach in Barcelona, as well as the rollercoaster at the small amusement park in San Sebastian.

-Layla Brooks, Y12

We did two lots of surfing lessons in San Sebastian, with three very funny instructors. Most of us managed to stand up at least once, with a couple of us falling every time.

-Olivia Rudhall, Y12

Easily the best moments were the museums, architecture and gelato. Mucho, mucho helado. Era muy rico.

-Nina Lee Smith, Y13



From the amazing views to the beautiful culture, San Sebastián is a place of dreams. So much to do and so much more to see. I just wish we had more time.

-Douglas Wise, Y11



The best part for me was San Sebastian and meeting my host family, as I got along really well with my host sister. Fue una experiencia muy emocionante, y me encantó conocer a las personas del grupo y acercarme a ellas.

-Evie Pendlebury, Y12



I really liked our visit to Montserrat. The beauty of the mountains, which you can freely explore through the trails is unparalleled. Montserrat is one of the most beautiful places in the world, and I will absolutely be going back in the future.

-Jackson Duguid, Y13



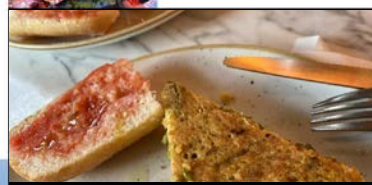
¡Las vistas de San Sebastián eran increíbles, con puestas de sol impresionantes! ¡Me encantó!

-Sam Hunger, Y11



I loved Barcelona, it was a beautiful city with delicious food. I can't wait to go back.

-Zoe Learmonth, Y12



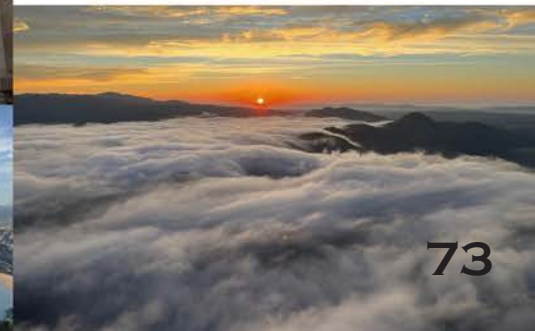
My favourite part was the lightning storm that we saw while we were on the beach watching the fireworks one night. This was during the festival of La Mercé, in Barcelona.

-Georgia Lindsay, Y12



Everything in Spain was a blast, from the amazing landscapes and the beautiful buildings. However, the one thing that I'm so glad I didn't miss was the Barcelona football game. The atmosphere was amazing with the 3-2 comeback. Trip overall 10/10.

-Cormac Lee Smith, Y11



# ARTS COMMITTEE

The Arts Committee acts as a beacon of all creative and artistic events held throughout the year. This includes MACstock, Festival of Colour, Rockquest, Showquest, and many more. All members of the committee are passionate and eager to promote and enhance all aspects of the arts within our life at school. In 2023, the Arts Committee organised a group of talented painters to create a mural that showcases dance, visual art, music and drama. This mural is now showcased on the stage and stands as a testament to what our committee represents. We have a Songwriters Club open for any members on Friday mornings, providing guidance to those starting out on their songwriting journey. We are creating a MAC Radio Show to provide a platform to promote student music. We also have a MAC Variety show open to any acts to showcase their talent. The Arts Committee thrives on new and passionate ideas and is always eager for input and members are available to answer questions if students would like to sit in on the committee's meetings.

*Matilda Metcalfe- 2023 Arts Committee Leader*



Back Row: Clarke West, Oscar Goodwin, Otis Murphy  
Front Row: Ruby McLachlan, Eve Bretherton, Matilda Metcalfe, Paige Gawn, Portia Randall, India Yule  
Absent: Libby Frazer



## Songwriters' Breakfast

Every Friday morning, songwriters of all levels gather in the music room for the Songwriters' Breakfast. This weekly tradition offers a platform for musicians to share their compositions, exchange feedback, and find inspiration among fellow creators. Beyond the music, it's a space where friendships blossom, ideas flourish, and melodies harmonise, contributing to a vibrant and supportive songwriting community within our school. Whether it's refining melodies or simply enjoying the company of like-minded peers, the Songwriters' Breakfast ignites passion and collaboration before the school day even begins.

Photo below featuring Ruby Smith, one of our most prolific songwriters



## The Music Mix

On Saturday 10 June, we hosted a Music Mix workshop at MAC, inviting people from all around Central Otago. The day was a wonderful opportunity for musicians of all levels to collaborate and experience playing music in an orchestra setting. The day began with workshops organised by instruments, allowing players to work on specific skills and learn the pieces in a small, supportive environment. We worked on three pieces: 'The Barber of Seville', 'James Bond' and 'Te Aroha', which were arranged especially for the event. In the afternoon we had the opportunity to play the pieces as a group and it was amazing to see the music come together. The day ended with a concert, giving us a chance to showcase what we had worked on throughout the day to friends, family and members of the community. Overall this was an amazing experience and we are excited to continue to run similar events in the future.

*Lena Pollard*

## Jazz Combo

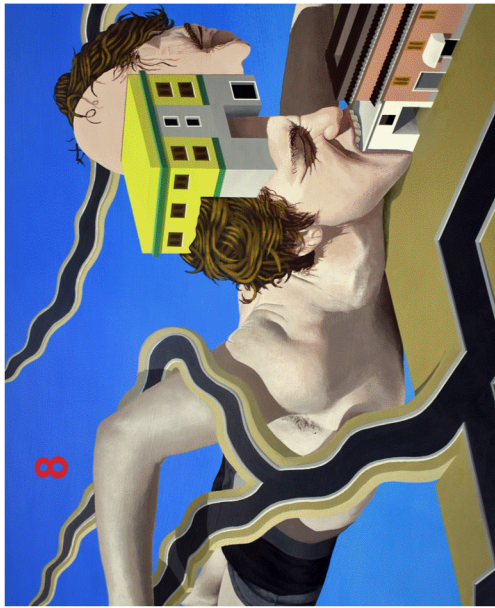
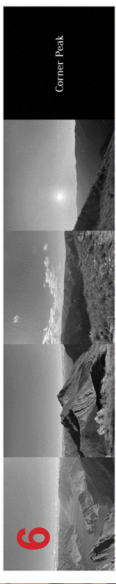
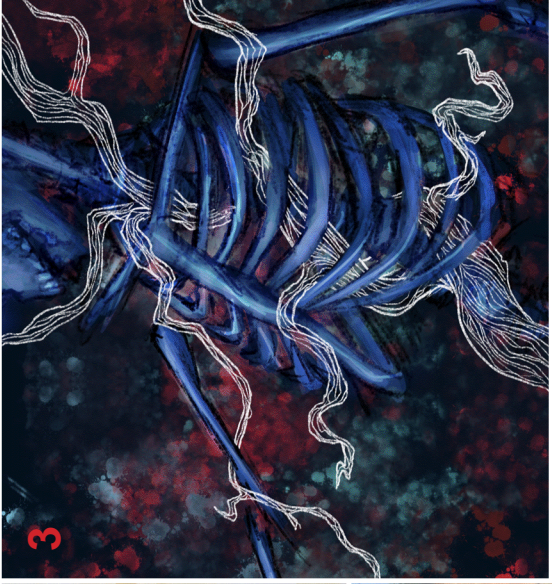
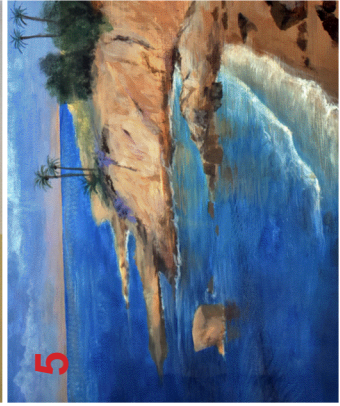
Every Thursday, the Senior Jazz Combo gathers to practise, play and perform jazz music. Although we have questionable time etiquette, with the support of Alistair, we manage to practise our pieces once a week. Joking aside, we have been learning three pieces this year and are excited to play them at the Invercargill Jazz Festival. While we still have lots of room to improve, we are a group of passionate musicians who are inspired to share jazz music with each other and our school.

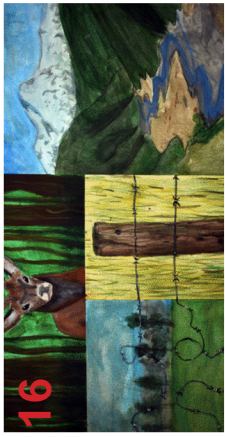
*Amy Benson*

# JUNIOR ART 2023



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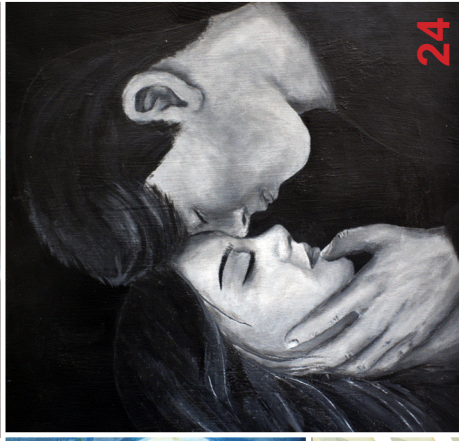
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# SPOKEN - NATIONAL ROCKQUEST FINALS

This year, we were very excited when our three-piece band 'Spoken' placed first at the regional finals. For the next round of the competition, we filmed a 10-minute video of three songs. We had the honour of working with film director Jo Murdie to create our submission and we all learned a lot from this experience. In the next round, we made it into the top 10 bands giving us the opportunity to compete at the national finals in Auckland in September

*Matilda Metcalfe, Oscar Goodwin and Richard Denyer - Spoken*

## MACSTOCK

MACstock 2023 was an absolute blast. The talent we saw was insane and the quality of performances just got better and better. The Thursday night Junior MACstock included many of our school bands such as the Junior Band, Classical Band and the Junior Jazz Band, as well as some astonishing performances from young musicians. This night was hosted by Toby Mills and Harrison Eastwood and given it was their first time MC-ing EVER, they were phenomenal and really got the crowd hyped. The Friday night Senior MACstock could not have been better. In fact, the backstage crew ran so smoothly that we were one hour ahead of schedule - so renowned band 'Power Chutes' was able to play more tunes! This night was hosted by Paige Gawn and Ella Miles who, in my opinion, did an awesome job. Like seriously. Very good. A highlight of the evening was our Level Three music class showing its appreciation for the one and only Mr Doyle who makes MACstock possible. Once again, a massive thank you to the teachers and parents who volunteered on both evenings and huge congratulations to everyone who performed!

*Paige Gawn Year 13*

# 'PLAY IT STRANGE' SONG COMPETITION

Matilda Metcalfe stood out as a dual finalist in the 'Play it Strange' peace song competition, securing consecutive melodies earns her

national finals placement for her song 'Mailbox'. With her entrancing and poignant lyrics, Matilda's extraordinary achievement not only a coveted recording session at her chosen studio but also a well-deserved spot on the esteemed 'Play it Strange' 2023 playlist. Matilda's musical journey continues to inspire, spreading messages of peace through her exceptional songwriting.

## POWDER CHUTES - SINGLE RELEASE AND GIBBSTON VALLEY



In 2023, MAC rock band 'Powder Chutes' had a goal of releasing a single to follow up their EP 'Sweet Noise Pollution' from early 2022. Earlier this year, we went down to 'Sublime Studio' located in Kurow for three days, to start the process and record our song called 'Moths to the flame', alongside a few demo tracks. Once the track was mixed and mastered, we worked alongside Joe Murdie and The Film Crew to produce a music video for the song. The video was shot in three separate locations in the Wānaka region including Puzzling World, Mount Aspiring College, and an old house located in Hāwea. The shoot took place over a whole day and with much help from Joe and his crew, we came out with something we are really proud of.

The song and video were released on May 5 and since then, the song has climbed as high as the #9 most played rock songs on New Zealand radio. We also ticked off some of our other big goals, including being played on regular rotation on 'The Rock' and 'Radio Hauraki'. 'Moths' also briefly made its way into the top 5 NZ charts, shortly after its release.

We hope to head back into the studio shortly to get some more songs recorded and follow up with more music that we can be proud of.

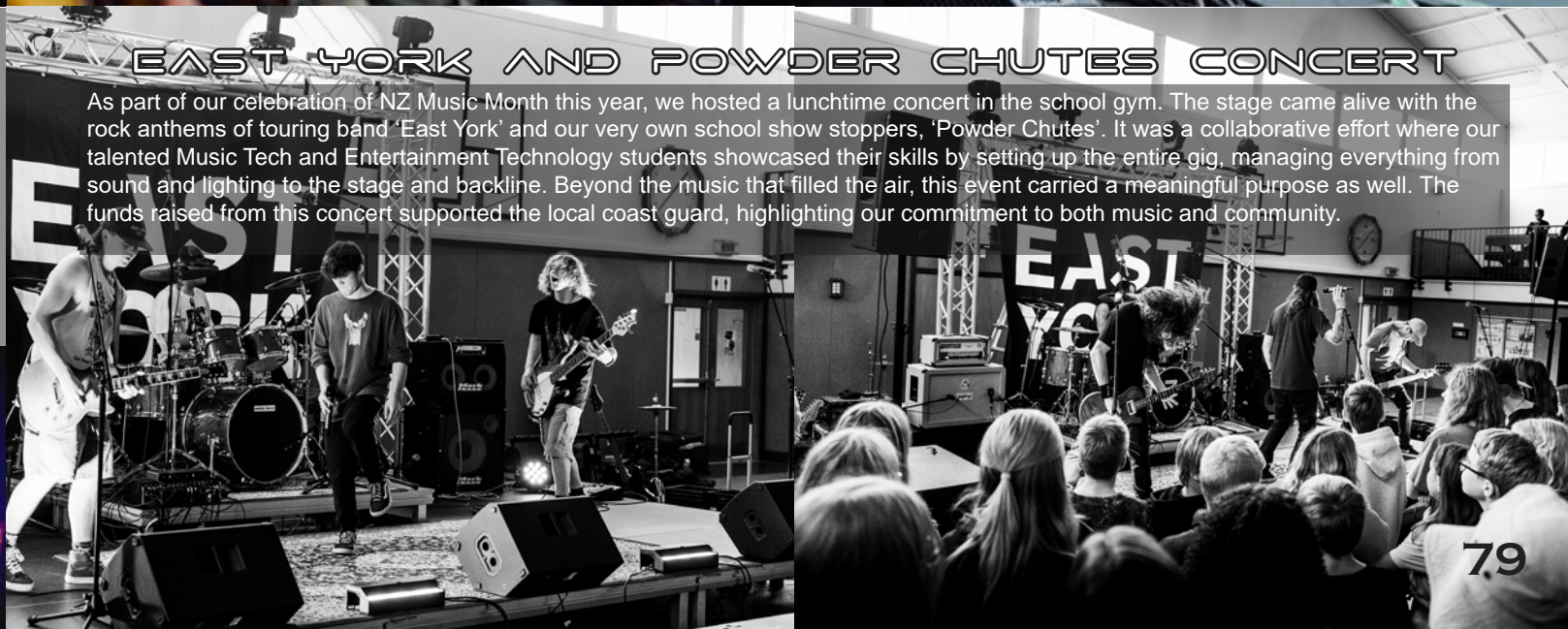
**Clake West - Power Chutes Guitarist**

This year 'Powder Chutes' had the privilege of opening the Gibbston Valley Summer Concert alongside headline acts, 'The Angels', 'Stone Temple Pilots', Pat Benatar and Neil Giraldo and 'ZZ Top'. It was an unbelievable experience to play in front of 15,000 people which was basically a sea of people! Looking forward to seeing what the future has in store.

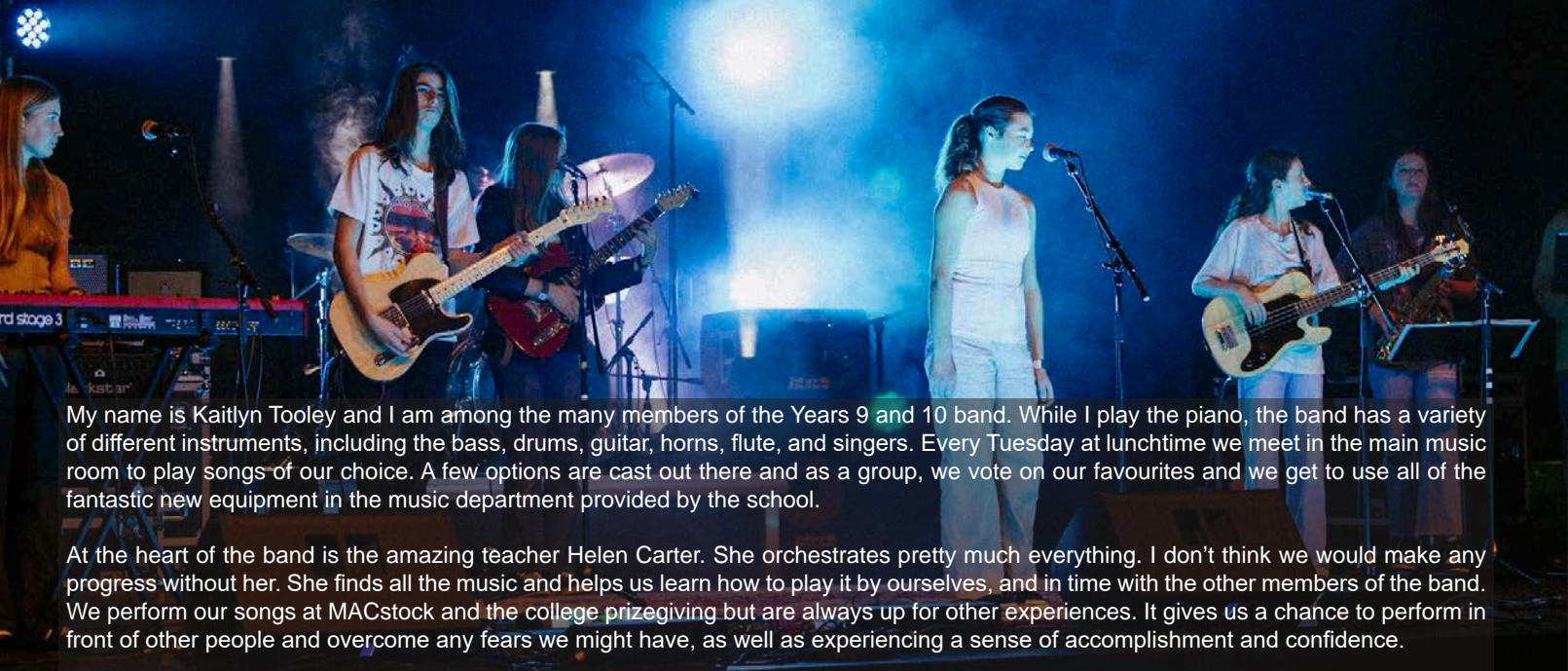
**Otis Murphy - Powder Chutes Bassist**

## EAST YORK AND POWDER CHUTES CONCERT

As part of our celebration of NZ Music Month this year, we hosted a lunchtime concert in the school gym. The stage came alive with the rock anthems of touring band 'East York' and our very own school show stoppers, 'Powder Chutes'. It was a collaborative effort where our talented Music Tech and Entertainment Technology students showcased their skills by setting up the entire gig, managing everything from sound and lighting to the stage and backline. Beyond the music that filled the air, this event carried a meaningful purpose as well. The funds raised from this concert supported the local coast guard, highlighting our commitment to both music and community.



## ECHO AVENUE YEAR 9 AND 10 BAND



My name is Kaitlyn Tooley and I am among the many members of the Years 9 and 10 band. While I play the piano, the band has a variety of different instruments, including the bass, drums, guitar, horns, flute, and singers. Every Tuesday at lunchtime we meet in the main music room to play songs of our choice. A few options are cast out there and as a group, we vote on our favourites and we get to use all of the fantastic new equipment in the music department provided by the school.

At the heart of the band is the amazing teacher Helen Carter. She orchestrates pretty much everything. I don't think we would make any progress without her. She finds all the music and helps us learn how to play it by ourselves, and in time with the other members of the band. We perform our songs at MACstock and the college prizegiving but are always up for other experiences. It gives us a chance to perform in front of other people and overcome any fears we might have, as well as experiencing a sense of accomplishment and confidence.

Personally, I have found that being in the band has helped expand my musical skills. As well as providing me with opportunities to perform in front of my peers. Everyone there is really friendly and supportive and it's just a great environment. Songs we have performed in the past include: 'Everybody wants to rule the world' by Tears for Fears which we performed at the college prizegiving last year, and most recently 'Cool me down' by The Black Seeds which we performed at MACstock.

Overall this is a great opportunity to meet new people, expand your skills, and have a good time. I would highly recommend it and welcome anyone who plays an instrument and is keen for a new challenge or to play music with other eager musicians. Just come along on Tuesday at lunchtime or have a chat with Helen.

*Kaitlyn Tooley - Echo Avenue*

## MAC CHOIR - BIG SING 2023

This year has been a busy one for the MAC choir filled with all sorts of singing opportunities and experiences. During the year the choir was made up of students from Years 7- 13 and the college hostel with many new members joining us. Our major event for the year is the Otago Regional Big Sing which is a secondary school choral competition in Dunedin. For this event we prepared three choral arrangements; Kyrie, Minoi Minoi and Queen's 'Don't Stop Me Now'. We did incredibly well in our performance coming fourth out of 17 other choirs, receiving awards for most improved choir and one for the 'Spirit of the Festival'. This year it has been so wonderful to see an influx in the juniors joining the choir as well as some senior students wanting to try something new and give it a go.

Sadly we have many Year 13s leaving us, who have been part of the choir since 2017. The choir will be taking a break next year as there will be many members of the choir taking part in our school musical, but will be back in 2025 for another year of singing. This year has not been without its ups and downs but as a choir the commitment, resilience and positivity that the students show is awe-inspiring and is really something to be admired. However we could not do it without the support and encouragement of our teachers Mr Doyle and Mr Hodges, our choir pianist Abbey Peterson, and most importantly Mrs Waide. Mrs Waide throws herself wholeheartedly into the choir putting hours in behind the scenes to enable us to have the opportunities that we have, and just spreads positivity wherever she goes turning the choir from just a group of students into a whānau. Choir would not have been the same without you Mrs Waide. From all of us in the choir we want to say a massive thank you.

*Laura Watkins - Year 13*





## MAC CLASSICAL GROUP

The MAC Classical Group is a group of young talented musicians who are keen to improve their musical skills by playing in a group. We meet every Friday at lunchtime to play classical pieces composed by the likes of Tchaikovsky and Mozart. We also play pieces from our very own composer Helen. A big thank you to our teachers, Helen, Ms Cotter, Johanna and Mr Doyle.

Alex Kettle

## ROCKQUEST CENTRAL OTAGO

New Zealand's nationwide, original music youth event gives young musicians the opportunity to perform live in a professional setting in venues from Northland to Southland. The 2023 event, powered by Rockshop, motivated young musicians to strive for success, to realise the opportunities available in music careers, and to encourage their peers to support original New Zealand music. Mount Aspiring College stood out at Smokefree Rockquest 2023 with an impressive showcase of musical talent. Of the 10 bands that entered, two secured top-three positions ('Spoken' placed first and 'Salty Vision' came third), solidifying the college's reputation as a hub for emerging artists. Domenico Robinson also received the musicianship award.

### List of bands who competed at the Central Otago regional finals

- *Salty Vision: Max Byrne, Rowan Rosie, Tay Simpson, Tawa Wolfe*
- *Day Glow: Portia Randall, Brooke Hutchison, Bianca James, Vanessa Vickers, Miki Bercelli*

- *Feed the System: Toby Mills, Tommy Cotter, Archie Bruce*
- *Parabola: Domenico Robinson, Abby Jago, Jayden Robertson*
- *Superficial: Zara Weatherly, Axel Macdougall, Harrison Eastwood, Cormack Lee Smith*
- *Wrinkly Sinks: Thomas Buick, Kobi Simmers, Kanuka Elms, Calum Martineau*
- *Spoken: Matilda Metcalfe, Richard Denyer, Oscar Goodwin*
- *Jibbitz: Jemma Brake, Anataia White, Melia Brett, Laura Watkins, Ella Miles*
- *Mocka: Molly Wilson, Clarke West, Otis Murphy, Henry McConnell*
- *Izzy and the Anchors: Izzy Foskett, Chloe Murray, Lola Ritchie, Luke Gendall, Eliza Rowley*

### Solo/duos

- *Paige Gawn*
- *Ruby Smith*

## YAMI SOUNDZ SUMMIT 2023



The 2023 programme 'YAMI Soundz Summit' proved to be an awe-inspiring and unforgettable event, held at the Lake Wānaka Centre in early May this year. People of all ages in our local community were given the opportunity to attend a two-day course consisting of different workshops, involving music and sound creation and the technological side of the Aotearoa music industry. 'YAMI' brings together all those who share a passion for music and is guided by pioneers of the music industry. It enables aspiring musicians of all ages to gain experience within the music world and to create lifelong memories while doing it.

We had the privilege of working with kiwi icons and tutors such as Anthonie Tonnon, Finn Andrews, The Beths and my personal favourite Anika Moa. A selection of MAC music students were given the honour of playing alongside these icons on stage at both the Saturday and Sunday YAMI performances. These shows also included sets from local MAC bands and music students. It was an opportunity to show the public what the attendees had been working on over the two days, with numerous performances of newly made compositions and existing original songs. I speak on behalf of all the YAMI attendees in offering a massive thank you to all those who had a part in making the weekend so memorable. - *Aria Thor-Poet Year 13*





During Term 2, 37 students from Years 7 to 13 travelled to Invercargill to take part in the Southland Regional Showquest Competition. Showquest is an amazing opportunity for students across New Zealand to take part in performances consisting of dancing, singing, acting, music, editing, storytelling, choreography, lighting design and more. The rehearsals and the live performance were held at the Invercargill Civic Theatre, which was an amazing experience in itself. This year the team was led by Year 13 students Tayla Doran and Ruby McLachlan, along with a talented group of senior students behind the scenes, who helped put the piece together.

Our ten-minute performance was inspired by our Drama department's whakataukī: 'Kia whakatōmuri te haere whakamua': 'I walk backwards into the future with my eyes fixed on my past'. We took a trip to the 1920s to meet 'Ruby', a normal working-class girl living in Wānaka who dreams of an escape from the normality of her working life. She finds such an escape by meeting locals on an island for weekly cabarets - the island we now know as Ruby Island.

The college competed in the senior section, and we were thrilled to come away with third place overall which was an incredible achievement. We were also awarded the following special awards:

- Highly Commended Choreography
- Highly Commended Live Music
- Best Use of Props
- Best Use of Video Wall.

Special thanks to Lisa Clough and Jo Hewson-Williams for their support throughout the journey. The trip would not have been possible without them. After months of hard work, many missed lunchtimes, and weekend and holiday rehearsals, we were so proud to see the piece come together. Everyone involved on stage and backstage was so dedicated and pulled together beautifully to work as a team. For many of the seniors, it was a valuable opportunity to develop their leadership skills - skills which will be highly beneficial for them in the future.

*Tayla Doran & Ruby McLachlan - Year 13*



## MUSICAL THEATRE GROUP



In the musical theatre club, students of all levels with a passion for singing, dancing and acting gather to learn new skills and make friends with others who share the same interests. This year the members of the club worked towards a performance in Term 4, where we performed numbers from a range of musicals including 'Shrek the Musical', 'Hamilton' and 'Legally Blonde the Musical'. During rehearsals on Tuesday afternoons and at lunchtime on Fridays, Ms Clough teaches us how to sing with lots of expression, and we learn a dance for each number. The musical theatre club is a great opportunity for both beginners and experienced performers to improve their skills and confidence on stage.

*Izzy Foscett*

# FESTIVAL OF COLOUR

## ELEPHANT TALK

Past and present MAC students and teachers came together to create 'Elephant Talk', a play which was the epitome of awkwardness. The younger generations' reliance on technology has led to the inability to have those difficult conversations face to face. This show wasn't a regular 'sit down and watch a show' kind of show. The crowd promenaded around the college grounds making their way to a fundraising concert which had unfortunately been delayed.

As they walked, they plugged into their phones and listened to snippets of songs created by Mr Doyle's Senior Music class, and between songs the audience came across various scenes of teenagers being downright awkward. The final scene was in the Black Box Theatre where the crowd witnessed a rocking, mini concert. 'Elephant Talk' really had it all. The cast performed for six nights to sold out audiences. We would like to thank Emily McRae, Anna Shaw, and Mat Doyle for their creative minds and for giving us the opportunity to be part of a show like this.

Concept creation by Emily McRae  
Directed by Emily McRae and Anna Shaw  
Musical Direction by Mat Doyle  
Written by Jack Arbuckle, Petra Shotwell, Luke Burke, Siena Shotwell and Olive Blyth  
Produced by Holly Mercer  
Original Music by Mount Aspiring College Senior Music students  
*India Yule and Eve Bretherton*

## SCHOOLFEST AT MAC

As part of Wānaka's biennial 'Festival of Colour', we were lucky to have some of the artists perform at MAC. Anders Faltie-Jensen performed his beautiful piece 'Back to Square One?' for our senior drama students. Using only chalk for his storytelling, we were introduced to Inga, a 95-year-old grandmother, missing her family over lockdown. He performed pieces of history from the last century through her eyes. Then he served us Danish cake!

Our music department hosted Adam Page and Jenny Mitchell. Adam is a solo multi-instrumental loop artist who workshopped with some of our music students, sharing his skills and knowledge by using all of our own equipment already available to students.

Country folk singer Jenny Mitchell performed to the Year 10 music class. She ran a songwriting workshop and, along with her younger sister, spoke about their trajectory in the New Zealand music industry.


We also welcomed Ruby Solly, member of the Tararua Ensemble, who held a writing workshop for some of our Māori and Pacifica students and then went on to work with senior music students on putting together an original composition.

Writer and poet, Liz Breslin returned to MAC to work with some year 10 English classes on creating 'Zines'. This was a great opportunity for students to learn different creative ways of producing written work.

Our students were also involved in Saturday's free community performances with dancers performing in Centralpoint Dance Studios 'Surface Tension' and in the United Dance Crew, as well as our popular MAC bands playing for crowds on the main street.




# GIRLS LIKE THAT



'Girls Like That' was a challenging but fun performance that senior Drama students worked for long and hard. They combined all their years of work in drama to come out with a performance piece that had deep meaning and a confrontational context behind it. Scarlett's nudes were leaked and all her friends since kindergarten betrayed her by turning their backs and calling her names and posting about her in the media.

The Years 12 and 13 Drama students worked together from the very beginning of term two all the way to the last show night on the 23 June. It was a challenging term for the whole group with many interruptions to classes and schedules. There was much frustration, laughs, panic, sweat, and a few tears shared around. Although it was tough for us all, we came together in the end with all of our talent and knowledge to put on a show for not just everyone that comes to watch but for ourselves.

The two nights of the big performance were almost a goose chase, all of us running around to get costume, hair and makeup done. This was all led by the Entertainment Technologies class of amazing students who took time out of their night and day to help us out as a team. When the lights went down for the last time a huge weight was lifted off all of our shoulders and we felt a great sense of pride and satisfaction. None of us would be able to do any of this at all if we didn't have the Entertainment Technology crew to help us out with lighting, music and effects during the show.



We are all very proud of the Drama class as well as others being proud of us. Throughout the weeks of long tiring practices, we would not have made it through without Ms McRae herself who pushed us long and hard at every rehearsal. As stressful as it was for us, we can't imagine the stress she would have had with never ending sicknesses and absences of students along the way. But she pushed it away to put a show on for everyone including herself. So thank you Ms McRae you are a legend for everything you do for the Drama community.

Portia Randall - Year 12

This year I had the privilege to be a part of the play Girls Like That, alongside some of the most inspiring women I'll ever come across. The play's underlying story involves following the evolution of feminism while observing a group of school girls mature and understand their relationship with one another.

This standard didn't just allow me to build my own confidence but it also allowed me to build relationships with the Year 13 girls. The play brought together a group of very different schoolgirls and became something we bonded over.

The title of the play comes from the dialogue. When the girls are dissecting another girl's nude, they talk about how they would not want to be associated with her, because girls like that give girls a bad reputation. The play was a complete contrast to the group of girls I worked alongside; each individual woman I talked to had a unique beauty to her. They were confident, strong, kind and full of life.

I had the privilege to be making a costume for Laura Watkins, who can make anyone feel welcome by just flashing a smile. Even when I hadn't had her pants finished two days before the show, Laura showed no sign of disappointment or frustration towards me. I found that Laura loved to be busy. She was always doing something, dance, choir you name it, Laura does it. She has a bold presence and confidence like no other and when she performed her monologue she glowed.

These monologues led me to focus on the woman who performed them, Paige Gawn and India Yule shared a monologue and both

performed fiercely. Paige Gawn is a woman who voices what she wants and can always assertively communicate in order to get things done. She is the perfect balance between work and play and her laugh is unforgettable.

Her co-part India Yule is a woman like no other, ask anyone who worked on the play and they'll tell you that at times it was the most draining process to go through. During her monologue she stepped out to take a moment to regain herself. She is a head student and takes on other various tasks in and outside of school, but came back like a warrior.

Jemma Brake is a humble woman with talent, while doing her makeup she reminded me to ask if she had any allergies as she had some. She said it with humour and I didn't feel dumb. She looked out for me and never made me feel small.

Eve Bretherton has the most motherly energy you'll ever come across. Her dry humour always lights up a room, but don't let that comforting smile fool you because Eve performed her monologue with great gusto. She commanded attention and it was captivating.

I write this page as a little love letter to these girls. It's a reminder to them that they have the qualities to make a positive impact on the world they are heading to, but also that they have had an impact on the world they're leaving. I hope they know that girls like me look at them and say "I wanna be girls like that".

Tivi De'Souza - Year 12

# FIND ME YEAR 10 PLAY

"Year 10 demonstrated amazing resilience and perseverance to bring a multi-role playing and complex play to an audience at the end of Term two. The maturity and depth displayed in their acting was something to be very proud of." - *Emily McRae - Head of Drama*

"'Find Me' was an amazing opportunity and positive event to be part of. During the time we had to put together the play, the term was littered with teacher strikes but we managed to pull through and bring it together despite missing almost a third of our practices. The play itself is a beautiful and meaningful piece with ideas that need to be known and heard. The class was full of awesome and inspiring people and none of it would have happened without our committed and passionate drama teacher Mrs McRae. I would definitely

recommend this class to the younger years as a fun and rewarding experience. I learnt a lot, I looked forward to every class and I am very grateful that I got to be a part of it." - *Maja Griffith-Jones*

"It was such a joy to perform in the Year 10 production of 'Find Me' this year. Not only was the end result of presenting our work a great experience, but the build-up to it was also a very rewarding process. Mrs McRae did an incredible job of guiding and teaching us to develop our performance skills and it was so much fun learning alongside classmates and peers. I found the whole experience of learning what it takes to put together a production really interesting and will definitely remember this for the years to come." - *Priya White*

## LUMA LIGHTS FESTIVAL



**Just because you can't see it, doesn't mean it's not there.**

LUMA Queenstown is an arts, performance and sensory event that works with over 500 contributors to transform Queenstown Gardens and the urban nightscape. This year's event attracted more than 35,000 visitors.

This year, more than 2000 students registered for the LUMA schools programme which is based around what students can do to maintain their resilience and wellbeing at optimal levels. Using research undertaken by the 'Mental Health Foundation of New Zealand', students review the five ways to wellbeing, and reflect on what they do well in each category and which ones they need to focus on and improve.

Students were tasked with designing and prototyping shadow sculptures that looked like abstract shapes. When a light was shone at a certain angle, the 'activity' that the student had identified as

having an impact on their wellbeing - based on their analysis of their personal wellbeing - was visible in the shadow the sculpture created.

Olivia Shore's striking creation won the MAC entry for LUMA 2023.

The LUMA schools programme forged new partnerships with 'Patagonia' whose staff cast their vote on the final five sculptures, and Wai Innovations and Southern Lakes Engineering donated materials and time to produce the student prototypes in steel. These materials would have ended up in landfill if not utilised by our school programme.

Another fantastic first for the school programme in 2023 was that the students who produced work for the exhibition had their work returned to them meaning their work will be displayed in homes and schools for years to come.

*Rebecca Hembrow - Teacher Liaison LUMA*

**Congratulations  
to all students and  
staff for achieving  
success in this  
challenging year.  
We wish you all  
the best for 2024.**



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# WELLBEING COMMITTEE

The Wellbeing Committee started in 2022 so we are still quite a new committee but we've had a great second year. Our job is all about boosting school spirit and making everyone feel at home here. We're a group of ten Years 12 and 13 students and two teachers who have all had a super fun year getting involved!

In 2023, we ran a bunch of exciting events that have brought everyone closer and made our school community stronger. We ran weekly 'Wellbeing Wednesdays' with an aim to get kids moving and socialising through activities like netball shooting competitions and chain tag with canteen vouchers up for grabs. Our first event of the year was Valentine's Day where we sold lolly bags for people to give to people they were thankful for. We then joined forces with 'Sticks 'n Stones' to organise 'Pink Shirt Day' at the college, where we ran a mufti day and a bake sale with all proceeds going to the New Zealand Mental Health Foundation. There was also a prize up for grabs for best dressed which was kindly donated by New World Wānaka. Not long after this, we ran 'Pride Week', where we pushed the idea of accepting everyone. A mufti day was run for this with proceeds going to 'Rainbow Youth', along with some other cool activities such as a pride parade and a rainbow writing competition. We've teamed up with Year 7 classes to create a mural featuring pictures and words that spread positivity and promote positive wellbeing.

A big thank you to Miss Smith and Miss Thompson who have been our very helpful support teachers this year and a big thanks to all committee members for their hard work!

*Milly Lewis - 2023 Wellbeing Committee Leader*



Back Row: Haylee Jermyn, Oscar Waddington, Jorja Liddell, Daisy Sanders  
Front Row: Holly James, Coco Smith, Milly Lewis, Sophia Hay, Lucy Laker



## Schools' Pride Week Aotearoa @ MAC 12-16 June 2023

### WHAT'S ON

**Monday lunch**  
• WATCH inclusive cartoons (library)

**Wednesday lunch**  
• WATCH inclusive cartoons (library)

**Friday**  
• WEAR mufti, rainbow/express yourself (gold coin required)

**All Week**  
• VIEW Pride Displays (Atrium/Library)  
• COLOUR-IN and WIN the Drag Queen Colouring Competition (Library)



## PRIDE WEEK

This year, MAC held an amazing Pride Week that displayed the importance of the event. The week was packed with activities and happenings and subtle works.

One thing that was amazing to see around the school was allies and members of the community alike wearing pride stickers to show support. The stickers came from 'Rainbow Youth' and 'InsideOUT', organisations that help coordinate 'Schools Pride Week' which is celebrated across Aotearoa by participating schools.

These organisations are incredibly important and have aided in many efforts in the community, including providing support and knowledge within the community and about the community so people's journeys are not so hard.

Another contribution these organisations made was to provide the pride progress flag which flew on our flag pole underneath the New Zealand flag. Flying this flag shows that we are very here and that it is not something that society should be trying to hide. Flying it high and proud alongside the New Zealand flag shows that it is not something foreign.

Across our Pride Week, there were also a number of events. On Monday and Wednesday in the library there were inclusive

cartoons played. These included 'The Owl House' and 'Dead End: Paranormal Park'. Friday was our biggest single pride day with an express yourself themed mufti day with proceeds going to organisations such as rainbow youth and inside out. and MAC's first pride parade. The library also put up a beautiful 'out on the shelves' display showcasing that this is not a new idea and you are not alone going through your journey, which showed many corners of our community. This display lasted a month.

Two competitions were also held, the first running the duration of Pride Week, which was a drag queen colouring-in competition. There were many entries but in the end the winner was Charnee Turner.

The second competition was a writing competition that lasted the whole of 'Pride Month'.

Pride Week and Pride Month were possible thanks to the efforts of those in the QA (Queer Alliance) Group. It was a great success even though it did display why we still need to run these events and educate the community.

*James Watson - Year 12*

# SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

The Sustainability Committee is a new committee in 2023. We have built the committee from many past Team Green projects and new ideas that would lead to more sustainable change within our school. Our projects this year have focused on a direct positive impact on our environment as well as raising awareness on environmental issues.

This year, we started by organising a climate strike involving both students and the community. We demanded for more action to be taken to mitigate the impacts of climate change and that the government be held responsible for our futures.

Later in the year, many of our members worked at the A&P show in a collaborative community stall called 'Our Place'. This stall included other environmental-focused community groups such as 'Wai Wānaka', 'Te Kakano' and 'WAO Wānaka'. The event was both fun and informative. We dressed up as birds, ran a bike-powered slushie machine, and taught showgoers how to make recycled earrings from inner tubes.

The formation of the sustainability committee allowed us to take on bigger challenges, so this year we started a carbon audit for the school. This audit will allow us to unpack our schools emissions so that we can begin to make changes towards a more sustainable future.

In term three, we organised a 'Sustainability Week' at school, focusing on raising awareness of environmental issues and initiatives. The week included many activities for students, including, a clothing swap, a pump track race, several planting days, and



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a green-themed mufti day to raise money for further waste management projects at our school. It was great to see students getting involved and we will continue to run many more exciting events in the future.

*Hazel Murray - 2023 Sustainability Committee Leader*



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2nd Row: Jack Chisholm, Logan Jolly, Lauchlan Roy, Leo van Riel, Flynn Robinson, Elijah Culpitt, Shaya Byrne, Belinda Sides (Teacher)

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YEAR 8 TNG



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 2nd Row: Cam Olley, Hank Weathington, Nicholas Norton, Beau MacLachlan, Lucas Rainbow, Joanna Jimson, Hamish Crosbie (Teacher)  
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 2nd Row: Tane Beazley, Max Evans, Marty Duennbier, Ethan Shirley, Ben Soper, Vinnie Vickers, Finn Buckland, Michelle Suddaby (Teacher)  
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 3rd Row: Paige McMahon, Adrianna Huggett, Milo Adams, Nikoline Israelsen, Briar Diack  
 2nd Row: Caleb Sanford, Ryley Bristow, Charlie Colebrook, Aidan Good, Monty Field, Rossco Rowley, Kris Logan (Teacher)  
 Front Row: Ada Reid, Ariana Boon, Emma Cartlidge, Rylee Lange, Hera Webster, Skyla Coll, Lyla Craig  
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## YEAR 9 IS YEAR 9 MD



Back Row: Jacien De'Souza, Mackenzie Whiston, Ross Gilson  
 3rd Row: Joao Soares, Gretchen McCarthy, Matai Searing, Piper Wolfe, Sophie Hawkins  
 2nd Row: Quinn Blasby, Oscar Sloan, Otis Oxley, Kody Bloxham, Rui Fukaya, Theo Irvin, Ed Waddington (Teacher)  
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 2nd Row: Riley Walker, Alex Tubb, Tommy Connolly, Lennox Heath, Hugo Van Maren, Ben Casey, Helen Figueira (Teacher)  
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3rd Row: Luca Perkins, Alianna Hay, Heidi Anthony, Magnus Pinfeld, Cooper Arkell, Hana Jones, Denali Emmitt

2nd Row: Lucas Brett, Jordy van der Hulst, Lachy Thomson, Jacob Gould, Anshu Prasad, Liam Huettemann, Megan Van (Teacher)

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Absent: Sophie Fountain, Luke Harrold, Briana Joyce, Jayden Lawrence, Murphy Paterson, Harry Rowden, Nathan Sanford, Kazuma Saka

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YEAR 10 CD



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2nd Row: Dom Plimmer, Dan Russell, Seiha Iizuka, James Muir, Liam McLachlan, Niko Campbell, Nikki Cotter (Teacher)

Front Row: Maja Griffith-Jones, Sophie Smith, Francesca Peters, Nova Whiston, Susannah West, Nadine Imhof, Keira Beston

Absent: Isaac Baker, Ahlia Barrow, Fletcher Chisholm, Cooper Foskett, Lucas Haig, Ryleigh Hart, Jem Pendlebury, Olly Shutt, Jamie Whitehead



Back Row: Quinn Bailey, Ruben Harley, Max Henley, Dougal McConnell, Caden Metekingi

3rd Row: Kevin Schafer, Ella McGregor, Kymani Van Mourik, Oliver Cameron-Small, Krist Manalo, Gabriel Soares, Sienna Marsden, Lukas Gabriel Venancio de Souza

2nd Row: Lukas Latimer, Finn Woolley, Ryan Keenan, Jack Stanley, James Brake, Ryan Tombling, Max Bagley

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Cody  
Brett



Minka  
Brooks



Cholula  
Brown



Dylan  
Brown



Lexi  
Brown



Monty  
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Archie  
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Eve  
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Alex  
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Lily  
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Fenella  
Craig



Pieta  
Craig



Hunter  
Cranfield



Mila  
Culpitt



Catty  
David



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Izzy  
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Franks



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Fries



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Tyler  
Gawn



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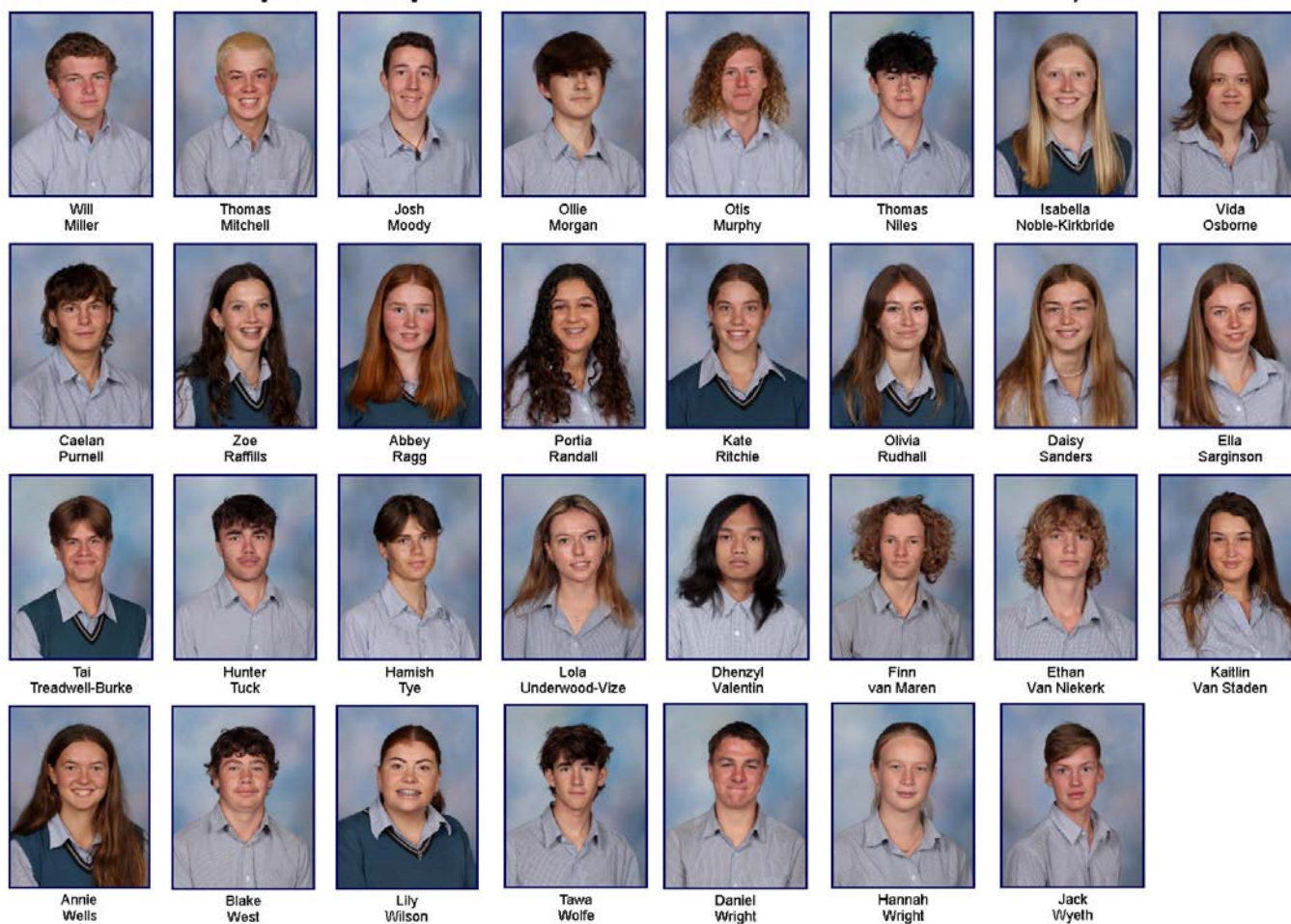
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### YEAR 8

Jude Straker, Emilia Viitanen-Taylor (8BNK), Lochie Bennett (8REB), Mitchell Winterburn (8TNG), Winston Williams, Sam Clarke (8TNR), Marek Stratton (8MEL)

### YEAR 9

Charnee Turner (9MD) Cameron Clarke, Jagan Nair (9IS) Thanaphon Sanon (9TC)

### YEAR 10

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