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MAC CELEBRATES SENIOR STUDENTS AT ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

Te Kura o Tititea Mount Aspiring College last night <Wednesday 1 November> celebrated the service and achievement of its senior students at its 2023 Senior Awards ceremony.

Principal Nicola Jacobsen said the awards recognised student achievement across a range of disciplines underlining the many opportunities open to students at MAC.

"We pride ourselves on being a place for all students to grow and be proud of who they are, and encourage our students to not only make the most of the curriculum opportunities available, but to get involved in all aspects of school life.

"We want every MAC graduate to leave our school equipped with the skills and self-knowledge they need to contribute to the common good and flourish in a complex world.

"Academically, our results are well above the national average and our leadership team and teachers are constantly striving to develop ourselves professionally to meet the needs of our students.

"We also place a strong emphasis on our values which represent what we stand for as a school community and inform how we treat ourselves, each other and our environment.

"Observing our senior cohort of 2023, I feel very confident our students will go on to make a positive contribution to our society.

"I am very proud of our senior students and thankful for the support they receive from their families and whānau and our local community."

Matilda Metcalfe was named Dux of the college for academic excellence of the highest order in Music, Enterprise, Art Design, and Art Painting. Eve Flint was named Proxime Accessit for academic excellence in Physics, Chemistry, Calculus, and English, and Jessie Winter was named Best All-Round Student for 2023.

Other awards announced at the event were:

- senior subjects high achiever awards
- scholarship winners
- national sporting title winners
- Duke of Edinburgh bronze, silver and gold award recipients
- Students in the Community programme distinction awards
- outstanding contribution to house spirit
- contribution to the culture of the college
- contribution to sustainability at the college
- leadership in the arts
- the Mana Pounamu teina, tuakana, Te Ūkaipō, and Te Korowai o te Mātauranga cultural awards
- best all-round student awards
- wholehearted contribution to college life award.

The college's new head students and committee leaders were announced at the event with Tom Sides, Zavier Taylor, Lottie Hunt, and Daisy Sanders named head students for 2024.

In addition to the presentation of awards, the ceremony included a number of special performances, including a haka pōwhiri performed by Te Mākahi o Tititea (MAC's kapa haka group), the leavers' band, the classical group, the jazz combo, and the award-winning musical trio 'Spoken'.

More information: Please contact Principal Nicola Jacobsen on 03 443 0498 or principal@mtaspiring.school.nz

Related documents

- Student biographies: 2023 MAC Dux, Proxime Accessit and Best All-Round Student
- List of award winners

Related images

- Image 1: 2023 Dux of Mount Aspiring College Matilda Metcalfe
- Image 2: 2023 Proxime Accessit of Mount Aspiring College Eve Flint
- Image 3: (L-R) 2023 Dux Matilda Metcalfe, Proxime Accessit Eve Flint, Principal Nicola Jacobsen