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From the Headmaster

Making History in our Centennial Year



Tēnā koutou, e te whānau o Mount Albert Grammar School.

The College Sport 'Young Sportsperson Of The Year' Awards were held last night at Eden Park.

The evening showcases the best school sportsmen and women from across the region and recognises outstanding

achievements across the sporting codes. To be among the 150 nominations from the 70,000 students playing sport in Auckland is an achievement in itself.

MAGS had an impressive 17 students nominated on the night, representing the codes of Athletics, Basketball, Cricket, Football, Orienteering, Rowing, Rugby, Softball, Waka Ama and Wrestling.

Hours and hours of training and hard work (along with much support from their parents) has seen these young men and women being deservedly recognised for sporting excellence.

And it was the final award of the night that capped off a fantastic evening – and a fantastic year for a special MAGS student. Milly Clegg (Year 12, pictured right) was named 2022 Young Sportswoman of the Year in recognition of her outstanding success in Football this year. **Key Dates**

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Tuesday, November 29 Year 9 Interform Competition



Thursday, December 1 Year 10 Interform Competition

Friday, December 2 NCEA Exams end

Sunday, December 4 to Wednesday, December 7 Prefects Camp, School House

Tuesday, December 6 Last day of classes Year 10 Prizegiving, 9.30am Year 9 Prizegiving, 1pm

This is the first time a female MAGS student has won this award and

only the second time for the school since the inception of the awards in 1991!

Congratulations Milly on making history in our Centenary Year. Congratulations and thank you to our other recipients and all who nurture our sporting pillar at school.

MAGS is very proud of you.

Have a good weekend.

Patrick Drumm Headmaster



Sport

Photo Essays

Junior Mixed Waterpolo v King's College Click <u>here</u>



Trials and Registrations Click <u>here</u>

Fixtures and Results Click <u>here</u>

Our Lion Fund programme aims to provide financial support to allow every MAGS student to access the breadth of opportunities we offer at our school.

Donate to the Lion Fund now



Milly Clegg wins top sports award



Congratulations to Footballer Milly Clegg, who has been named the Young Sportswoman of the Year at the College Sports awards last night. Milly was awarded the premier girls trophy at the Young Sportsperson of the Year Awards for her rapid ascent in the football ranks - as a 16-year-old, she was the youngest player in the New Zealand squad in Costa Rica in August for the U-20 Women's Football World Cup (as pictured right) and scored a great goal in a 2-2 draw with Colombia. Following that tournament, she travelled to India for the U-17 Women's Football World Cup where she was the only Kiwi to score in losses to Germany and Chile. Since then, she has become the youngest player signed to the Wellington Phoenix, who play in the Women's A-League.

MAGS had 17 finalists nominated for



awards and there were category wins for Cam MacGillivray (Rowing), Ocearn Mathews (Softball), Daniel Wood (Orienteering) and Molly McGowan (Orienteering).

Oliver Restall awarded \$12,000 scholarship



Southbase Construction's Senior Project Manager Rob Harwood presents Oliver Restall with the \$12,000 scholarship. Also in attendance, from left, are Southbase Senior Site Manager

James Lamb, Southbase Brand and Communications Manager Kate Harland, Southbase Head of People and Culture Josie MacKenzie, Greenstone Group Project Manager Jamin Ahn, and Mr Drumm.

Year 13 student Oliver Restall has been awarded the inaugural Southbase "Determined to Deliver Scholarship" worth \$12,000 to undertake a Bachelor of Construction Management at Massey University.

The very generous scholarship of \$4000 over three years from Southbase Construction aligns with their values of excellence and continually striving to do better, as well as investing in the next generation of leaders in the construction industry.

Oliver will also receive mentoring from Southbase staff in their areas of expertise, an internship with Southbase during holidays, and a Cadet employment opportunity following completion of his course.

Oliver won the scholarship because he best met the qualifying criteria, being willing to gain hands-on commercial and on-site experience, and explore digital technologies transforming the industry, and having master problem-solving skills and a determined work ethic.

Year 13 student Jackson Somerville was the scholarship runner-up and will also be offered mentoring from Southbase staff, an internship with Southbase during holidays, and a Cadet employment opportunity following completion of his course.

Southbase is building our new Nairn Building, and there are rumours that Oliver may be seen on-site.

Holiday reading is vital

Students who read succeed. Sometimes this is forgotten over the summer break and a student's reading level can go backwards.



They then spend most of the first term catching up to where they were.

Please encourage your child to read for at least 15 minutes a day over the holidays so that they avoid this "summer slide".

Next week, they will be able to visit the school library and borrow several books so they can do this.

Some students may wish to read online books.

The school has its own e-books library, but we also encourage your child to sign up for Auckland Libraries digital collection <u>here</u>

For parents, the National Library has comprehensive advice on summer reading here

Device-free from next Tuesday

From Tuesday, 29 November, students should leave their devices at home. Over this coming last week of school, there will be Inter-form competitions, special assemblies and other activities.

Teachers will not be setting work that requires the use of a device.

Arts Awards recognise top Juniors

Congratulations to the Juniors who were awarded Junior Arts badges and Junior Arts trophies at Year 9 and Year 10 assemblies this week.

The awards are presented to Junior students who have been nominated by their teachers or extra-curricular group leaders for their excellence in their subject or for outstanding performance.

You can see more photos and all the Junior Arts Awards winners here



Year 10 trophy winners, back row, left to right: Chingya Hu (Most Promising Junior Musician – Classical), Dale Vincent Meer (Most Promising Junior Chorister – Boys), Daniel Dorrian (Most Promising Junior Musician – Contemporary), Joseph Talisa (Most Promising Male Junior Dancer), Hugo Le Cren (Excellence in Drama – Junior Boys).

Front row, left to right: Kyra-Leigh Masina (Excellence in Dance Performance), Hanna Smith (Most Promising Junior Dancer), Delcie Pomfrett (Excellence in Visual Arts), Phoebe Newcombe (Most Promising Creative Visual Arts), Paige Barnes Kilgour (Excellence in Drama – Junior Girls). Absent: Brendan Akeli (Tali Afele Trophy – Commitment to Cultural Initiatives), Sneha Mandadi (Excellence in Dance Academic) and Alex Moon (Most Promising Junior Musician – Classical).



Year 9 trophy winners, left to right: Brooke Lisipeki (Most Promising Junior Chorister – Girls), Manon Gilbert (Best All Round Year 9 Dance Student), Hiyori Yoshizawa (Best All Round Year 9 Drama Student), Naomi Chileshe (Most Promising Junior Actor).

Cricket Boys 1st XI in final tomorrow



A place in the national playoffs is at stake tomorrow when MAGS Boys Cricket 1st XI host St Kentigern in the AKSS Final, starting at 10.30am.

The two sides played each other last weekend, with MAGS coming out on top.



As Director of Cricket Tony Sail explains, "With both teams already in the final and on the same points, but MAGS topping the table statistically, the last round robin game versus St Kents was for home ground advantage in the final." He adds, "MAGS were asked to bat on a sticky St Kents wicket that had been under cover for three days. "Skies cleared and Aryan Nigudkar, opening the batting for the first time, compiled a good 48. There was some support for him from Priyam Mistry (21) and Ohm Patel (23) but the total of 159 looked unlikely to be enough. With St Kents score on 49 for 1 after 8 overs it looked more unlikely still. "However, Harrison Wills' introduction in the 9th over saw a remarkable feat of bowling and a bizarre collapse from St Kents. Wills took each of the next 7 wickets to fall for only 7 runs from his bowling in 6 remarkable overs. Malay

Patel added the final 2 wickets in his first and only over, the 20th of the innings, and St Kents were all out for 76 in 19.3 overs.

"A win to MAGS by 83 runs."

This season, the Boys 1st XI has won 10 games, lost 3 and had 1 washout. They finished the 14-game round robin competition 3 points clear of St Kents.

The winner of tomorrow's game will go to the Gillette Cup National Tournament next month.

For a photo essay from last weekend's MAGS v St Kentigern game, click here

Entrepreneurs celebrate success

MAGS Year 13 Business Studies students have participated in the Young Enterprise Scheme alongside completing the Level 3 NCEA programme.

More than 4700 senior secondary students took part in YES this year, setting up 1171 companies between them.

As the Young Enterprise Trust says, "The one-year programme enables students to get an authentic learning experience that prepares them for life after schooling by teaching entrepreneurship and connecting them with the business community."

MAGS' business group Oatie won the Auckland Central Zone award for 'Excellence in Food and Beverage'.

Students Waejen Kwan (CEO), Sophie Watson, Sonia Airehrour, Zara Baxter and Arjan Nigudkar successfully produced and marketed a delicious oat milk strawberry ice-cream, which targeted the ever-growing market for plant-based, sustainable products. The business also donated a percentage of their profits to the NZ Breast Cancer Foundation. Two of our students, Waejen Kwan and Eashan Patel, were also selected to participate in another YES initiative, 'Bizventure Japan', in Wellington.

Thirty students from New Zealand and 20 from Japan came together in person and online in July to solve real-life business challenges.

According to Eashan, "This was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity which taught us a lot. Students built good relationships with other students and got to hear and learn from some well-known entrepreneurs and meet the Japanese ambassador to New Zealand."



Albertians' Christmas Luncheon



Albertians are invited to join us for a festive, buffet Christmas luncheon and a chance to catch up with friends for a final time in 2022.

The luncheon will take place at MAGS on Wednesday, December 7, starting at 11.30am in the W.O.H. Gibbs Room (the new staffroom in the Administration Building).

Tickets for the luncheon are \$40 and can be bought <u>here</u>. There will be no door sales.

A reminder that car parking is unavailable on school grounds, however drop-off at the front of the school is fine.

<u>Tickets</u> to the luncheon are strictly limited, so please book early.

MAGSROW Christmas Fundraiser



Organise your Christmas essentials and support local businesses - all without heading to the shops!

We're selling a selection of Christmas items to raise money for MAGSROW and fund new equipment for our rowing squad.

Christmas cakes \$30 & mince pies \$20 from Bread & Butter

Traditional rich, dark Christmas cake with fruit & spices (cakes 15cm in diameter & weigh approximately 900g)

- · Six-pack of delicious Christmas mince pies
- Made by Bread & Butter Café, a local gourmet bakery
- · Will come to you attractively gift-wrapped
- · Ideal as gifts for family, friends, staff or suppliers
- . To make an order, please email your order through to christmasmagsrow@gmail.com
- Cakes and mince pies can be collected in early December

Christmas trees

- Beautiful real trees from Misa Christmas Tree Farm
- Trees start at \$60
- · Available for contactless click and collect or delivery
- To order your tree (or trees!), visit the Misa website https://misachristmastrees.co.nz/ and use the code MAG S20

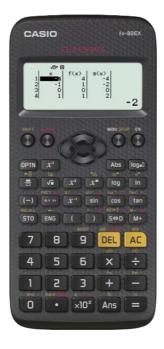
Donate your unwanted calculator

Students who know they will not need or use a graphics calculator after they leave school are encouraged to donate them to MAGS.

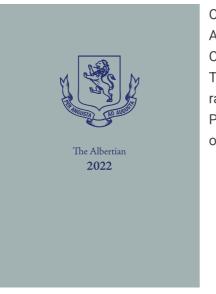
They can then be lent out to students in years 11-13 for whom the cost might be

challenging or to those who have lost or forgotten theirs for tests and exams.

Calculators can be dropped off at the Student Centre at any time in the next few weeks.



2022 Albertian orders close December 5



Our Finance Department is now taking orders for The Albertian 2022, which will be available in 2023. Orders close on December 5.

The yearbook can be delivered to Year 13 students, rather than picked up from MAGS, for a small extra cost. Please click <u>here</u> and fill out the form to order your copy of The Albertian 2022.

Order your Xmas ham and help MAGS



Quality Manuka Smoked Christmas Hams The perfect Gift for you and MAGS



New Zealand Free Farmed Half Ham, Cooked on the Bone. Gluten Free and Delicious.

Each ham weighs approximately 4.26 - 4.75kg

How it works: \$80 per ham, with \$10 of this going back to Mount Albert Grammar School.

Pick up: Wednesday 7th December 4-6pm from MAGS.

Get in quick while they last!

Order your delicious Christmas ham now and help MAGS. Every ham ordered via the Neat Meat promotion sees \$10 go to MAGS. You can make your order <u>here</u>

Centenary books on sale now

Our Centenary book, *Change and Tradition*, by Deborah Dunsford is available to order online

The book, which focuses on the period 1997-2022, is a companion to Professor Russell Stone and Neville McMillan's 75th Jubilee book, *Tradition and Change*, which covers MAGS' history from 1922-1997.

Change and Tradition has comprehensive coverage and photos of the past 25 years at MAGS.

The book has a RRP of \$45 but our Centenary pricing has it at \$35, and it can be bought in a bundle with *Tradition and Change* for \$50. You can order these books online <u>here</u> along with MAGS Centenary apparel and merchandise.

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DEBORAH DUNSFORD

Helping City Mission spread the love



MAGS is helping the Auckland City Mission to support families through Christmas, a time that can be a struggle for many households around Auckland. Students can donate non-perishable food and new gifts to help the Auckland City Mission make Christmas magical for families in need.

Last year, the Mission gave out 36,000 gifts to tamariki and 10,930 Christmas food parcels to Aucklanders who would otherwise have gone without.

Collection bins are located in the Student Centre so drop off any donations there.

Please click on the poster at left to see suitable food or gift donations. Donations will be accepted until Tuesday, December 6.

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