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From the Headmaster

Recognising excellence



For more than 90 years, the F.W. Gamble Hall has stood at the symbolic and practical heart of Mount Albert Grammar School.

Named after our Foundation Headmaster, this building has been a place of gathering for generations of students, parents and members of the

wider MAGS community. Our honours boards bear witness to the success of former students – each name in gold helping to turn this building into so much more than simply bricks and mortar.

Each week our current students continue the long tradition of assembling to honour and celebrate the success of their peers across the breadth of endeavours that are part of our school.

Walking across the school stage is a significant achievement for any MAGS student. It is an acknowledgment of success at the highest level in academia, arts, sports or service. And many of these students are destined to have their own names added to the honours boards in the future.

Every student should aspire to walk across the school stage throughout their time at MAGS. Standing on our stage is not only an affirmation of personal excellence but strengthens our school-wide culture of success.

Congratulations to all who have walked our school stage to date – let's make this a goal for all!

Have a good weekend

Patrick Drumm

Weekly Notices



Key Dates

[Click here for the 2018 Calendar](#)

Thursday, April 12

Albertians' Anzac Service

Friday, April 13

End of Term 1

Monday, April 30

Start of Term 2



Sport

Registration and trials for summer and winter sports

[Click here](#)



Photo essay

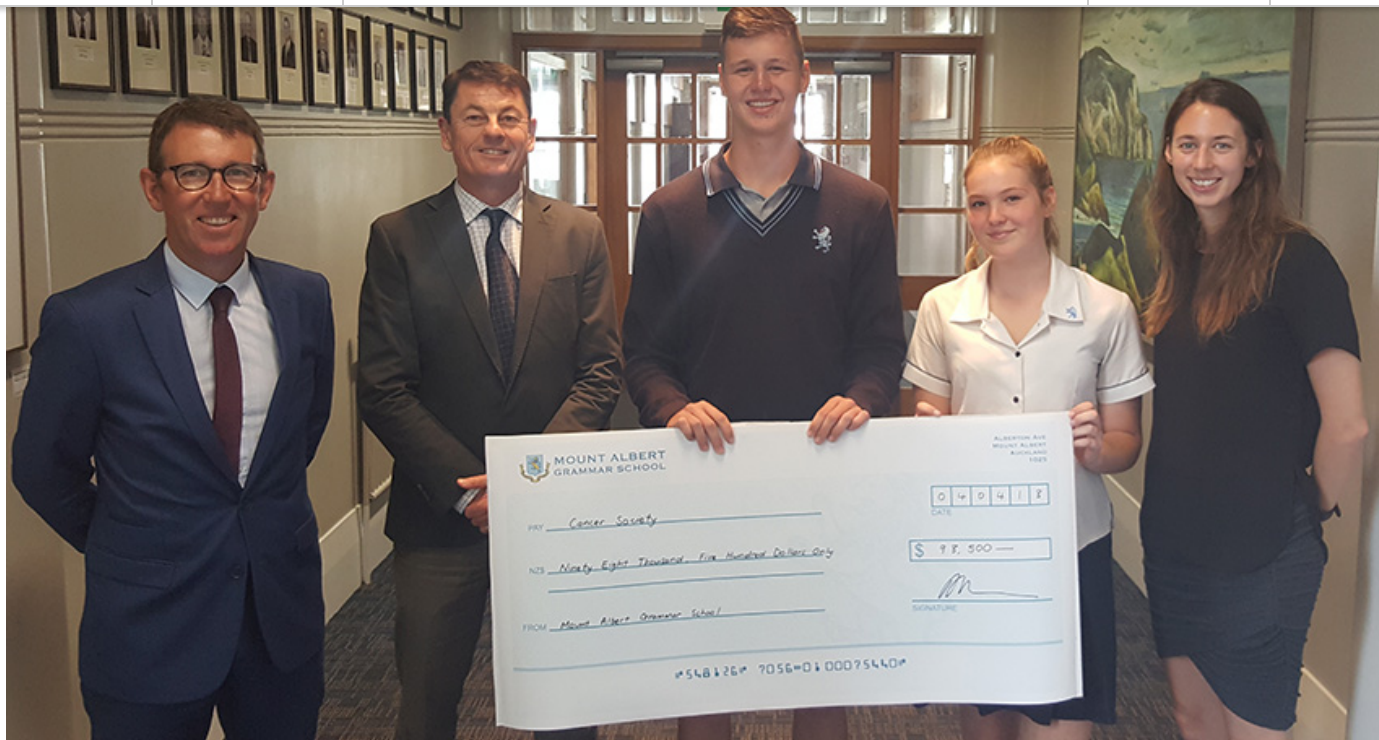
Champ of Champs Tennis

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Fixtures and results

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Relay for Life raises \$98,500



A tremendous effort by MAGS' staff, students and their supporters has helped to raise \$98,500 for the Cancer Society through the charity event Relay for Life.

MAGS' Relay for Life organiser and teacher Alayna Pulham, pictured right, joined Headmaster Patrick Drumm and students Sophie Rippon and Oscar Graham to present a cheque for \$98,500 to John Loof, second from left, the CEO of the Auckland North Cancer Society.

The Relay for Life was held at the Millennium Institute on the North Shore on March 10 & 11, with 292 MAGS students running a total of 25,000 laps.

There were at least four students who ran over 200 laps: Ella Gillooly, Theo Brown, Bailey Bennett and Thomas Brendolise, who ran the most laps with 219, which is more than two marathons. And there were 133 students who ran over a marathon across the night which is equivalent to 105 laps around the track.

Annual Dance Concert tickets on sale

Tickets are on sale at the Finance Office for "Between the Lines", this year's Annual Dance Concert on Tuesday, April 10 and Wednesday, April 11.

The concert at Epsom's Centennial Theatre features items from all year levels in the MAGS Dance programme, and have been inspired by a story or a book.

Many of the items are choreographed by Year 13 students who present their dance productions for assessment.

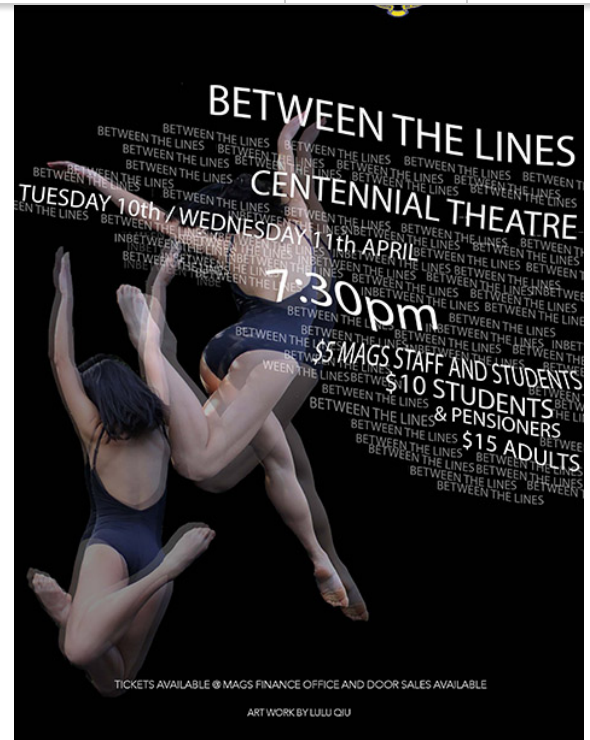
This will be a great show so please come and support our talented and passionate dance students.

The show starts at 7.30pm with tickets \$5 for MAGS staff and students, \$10 for other students and pensioners, and \$15 for adults.

There will be food and refreshments available – provided by MAGS Megacrew students.

For any inquiries regarding Arts co curricular events or groups, please contact Jacqui Cesan (Director Arts Co Curricular)

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Heart-warming response to Blood Donor Day



Students and staff flocked to the F.W. Gamble Hall yesterday in a big show of support for Blood Donor Day.

School nurse Monica Haworth said there was a maximum of 155 appointment slots for donors available on the day and she expected they would all be filled.

She said the day is becoming increasingly student-led with the Health Committee involved in organising the event and encouraging students to donate.

Ms Haworth said MAGS has one of the best records among schools for its blood donations but what is collected from the school is only enough to keep Auckland Hospital supplied for one day.



Next Thursday, 12 April, the Mount Albert Grammar School Albertians Association is hosting an Anzac Service Assembly, followed by drinks and lunch at School House for Albertians.

For the Anzac Service, guests assemble in the foyer of the main school building (by reception) at 11.30am, and they will be shown into the F.W. Gamble Memorial Hall.

Following the service, guests will make their way down to School House for lunch. The speaker at the luncheon will be Headmaster Patrick Drumm.

The cost of the lunch is \$30 per person, which is payable by cheque or

cash as you arrive at School House. Or you can make an online payment to:

MAGS Albertians Association, ASB Bank, Mount Albert:

Account Number: 12 3029 0376398 00

Ref: Christian name and surname

Please RSVP to Martin Sykes on: 846 2044 ext 8135 or email: msykes@mags.school.nz

Unfortunately car parking will not be available on school grounds, however drop-off at the front of school is fine.

Concerns about student safety

In recent weeks, concerned members of our local community have observed examples of unsafe behaviour by a few of our MAGS students, and they have been in touch with the school because they are genuinely worried about student safety. The concerns are around driving, and crossing roads and railway lines.

Specifically, there have been reports of students making poor choices such as wearing headphones or ear buds while crossing railway lines – a particularly dangerous practice around electric trains that can be coming from either direction, sometimes simultaneously. In other incidents, one student almost stepped out in front of a bus while wearing headphones, and another student was nearly hit by a car while sprinting across the pedestrian crossing outside school without looking.

Students are reminded to be careful about the choices that they make in the interests of their own safety and our parent community is encouraged to remind their sons and daughters that they need to take more care, both specifically in regards to road safety and in general.

Winter uniform reminder

A reminder that in Term 2 winter uniform expectations will come into effect. Please ensure students have clean, black leather lace-up shoes and correct school socks. All boys must wear garters.

Girls must wear correct school socks.

Snappy prizes in school photo competition

MAGS' Visual Arts Leaders are running a photography competition for the whole school with four mini wifi printers as prizes.

One printer is up for grabs in the Junior category (Years 9 & 10), which has a 'Sports' theme, while there is a printer on offer for the best photographers in each of Years 11, 12 and 13, which have a theme of 'Identity'.

SPORTS

JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Theme: Sports
Take a photo that represents MAGS sports eg: Students playing, halftime meeting, or a pile of sports uniforms

Category: Juniors

DEADLINE: 13th April 2018

-Participants can only have 1 entry in the competition
-Send the photo via email to nharitsyah@students.mags.school.nz with format: Name - Form Class - Photo Title

BE IN TO WIN!
HiTi P310W MOBILE PRINTER





IDENTITY

SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Theme:
Take a photo that represents your own or someone else's identity. This photo could be a portrait or of a collection of objects specific to a person.

Prizes:
3 x HiTi Printers.
1 for Y11, 12 and 13

Rules:
- Permission must be given by those being photographed!
- Participants can only have 1 entry in the competition, taken by themselves.
-All entries must be emailed. nharitsyah@students.mags.school.nz Include: Name - Form Class - Photo Title and story behind your photograph
DEADLINE: 13th April 2018

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Sports update



Boys knocked out of Champ of Champs

The Senior and Intermediate Tennis Boys were eliminated from the Champ of Champs Tournament at Scarbro Tennis Centre on Wednesday.

In the Seniors, Ruben Emmerson-Hiini won his first-round singles 9-5 but lost in the next round in a tie break 9-8.

Vincent Cudmore lost his first-round singles 9-1. In the doubles, Ruben and Vincent lost the first round 9-2

However, two Junior Girls teams have made their finals of the Auckland Schools Tennis Competition to be played tomorrow.

In the Junior A3 grade, MAGS Gold plays St Mary's College Blue for top spot at St Mary's at 8.15am; and in the Junior B (Green) final, MAGS Blue plays Marist College Blue at MAGS, also at 8.15am.

The Senior Boys B and the Junior Boys are in 3rd/4th playoffs against St Peter's White (at MAGS at 10.15am) and Selwyn College (at Selwyn at 8.15am) respectively.

Registrations are now open for the School Tennis Championships on April 9-11. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Sharp performances at Fencing regionals

MAGS' Fencing team returned some solid results from the Northern Region U20 & U23 Epee Championships held at Massey High School.

James Butler came third in the U23 division while in the U20 division Charlie Bioletti placed fifth, James Butler sixth, and Gio Aguilar, in picture at right, came seventh.

Three MAGS students will be part of the 21-strong NZ team travelling to Newcastle, England in July to take part in the Cadet (under-17) & Junior (under-20) Commonwealth Fencing Championship.

Amey Smith is one of three fencers to represent NZ in the Girls Cadet Epee individual and team events and will be one of four fencers to represent NZ in the Womens Junior Epee individual and team events.

Charlie Bioletti and James Butler make up two of the three NZ Boys Epee Cadets in the individual and team events.

Albertian Matthew Valkenberg has been selected as the reserve for the NZ Mens' Junior Epee individual and team events. He won't travel unless there is an injury prior to departure.



Sports trials and registrations



Students are encouraged to register for sports teams and trials taking place in Term 1. Sports seeking registrations include Tennis, Basketball, Rugby and Lacrosse.

[Click here for the registration forms](#)

General notices

STUDY IN THE U.S.

Mount Albert Grammar School



Meet
Top U.S.
Universities

Art & Design

Computer Science
Robotics

2 May 2018

Presentations: 5:00pm - 5:30pm
Fair: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Register HERE:
<http://educationusanz.eventbrite.com/>



Theater
Accounting

Embry - Riddle Aeronautical University
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Hofstra University
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York
Whitworth University



ALBERTON MARKET DAY

Sunday 8 April
10am-2pm

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Plants & flowers, Face-painting, Mini-farm, Tea Room!
Music by Jasper Hawkins! The final market!

Free entry



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