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## From the Headmaster

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## Arts Extraordinaire!

 [Key Dates](#)



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**Monday, August 8**  
KBB Music Festival starts

**Thursday, August 18 and  
Friday, August 19**  
Arts and Cultural Photos

**Monday, August 29**  
Winter Tournament Week  
starts

*"The purpose of art is washing the dust of daily life off our souls."*

— Pablo Picasso

 [Sport](#)



Our annual MAGS Art Show returns this weekend with tonight's Gala Evening promising to be a sparkling affair.

The show takes on special significance in our centennial year as we reach out to our MAGS community and beyond in a celebration of the Arts.

The event provides an excellent opportunity for MAGS students to showcase their own work alongside professional exhibiting artists.

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Netball Premiers: Combined Points Tournament  
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Thank you to all our artists who are supporting the show.  
And thank you to the Art Show Committee – so well led by Pippi Laing – for your expertise and tireless work in bringing this weekend together.

Hopefully we will all take some time to visit the FW Gamble Hall this weekend to view (and purchase?) some of the magnificent artwork on offer.

Funds raised will support MAGS students through the [Lion Fund](#).

See you there!

Patrick Drumm  
Headmaster



Rugby Boys 1st XV v Kelston  
Boys High  
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#### Fixtures and Results

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## Art Show blessed and ready to go



Matua Peter Walters led the blessing of the MAGS Centenary Art Show this morning, supported by Te Puna o Wairaka students and Whaea Waimirangi Paul. Months of hard work by the Art Committee, MAGS staff and students and volunteers have gone into putting on what will be another fantastic show. The blessing precedes tonight's Gala Evening, which starts at 6pm with guests getting the first chance to see and purchase pieces from a range of amazing artworks while enjoying drinks, canapes and entertainment. The Art Show continues, with free admission, tomorrow (10am-4pm) and Sunday (10am-2pm). There will be performances over the weekend as follows:

Saturday 10am,11am – Josh Li, piano



Saturday 12pm, 1pm – Isaiah Nin, singer  
Saturday 2pm – Anouk Blackburn, singer  
Sunday 11am and 12pm – Junior Dance performance group  
Sunday 1pm – Zoe Burnett and/or Bill Yi and Manas Chigurukota, singers

The Student Art Awards and Prizes have also been announced. You can see all the winners [here](#) and look out for their works at the show.

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## Award-winning artist's works on show

Visitors to the MAGS Centenary Art Show will have the chance to view (and buy) two artworks by award-winning Albertian artist Jessica Gurnsey. Last night, Jessica repeated her success of last year in the National Youth Art Competition, again winning first prize for her age group (15-19 Years) for her painting *Shady at Midnight*. Last year she won in that same age group and won the overall award at the National Youth Art Competition. Following that, she became the youngest person (at 18) to win the prestigious \$20,000 Adam Portraiture Award. She is pictured with her two acrylic on canvas works in the Art Show: *Circus* (at top) and *Lights! Camera...* Jessica (a Year 13 at MAGS last year) was a Visual Art Leader for Ceramics and Painting. She won the People's Choice Award at the Art Show last year and the Trophy for Excellence in Painting when she was at MAGS. Jessica is now studying Commerce at Victoria University.



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**Book for Centenary Events now**



Our [Centenary Events website](#) now has full details about the upcoming Centenary celebrations during the week of September 25 to October 1.

You can buy tickets for paid events or register for free events via the site.



Highlights of the week include:

- Thanksgiving Service (Sunday, September 25, 10am, FW Gamble Hall)
- Pasifika Centenary Dinner (Tuesday, September 27, 6pm, Manhattan)
- Albertians' Day and Luncheon (Wednesday, September 28, at MAGS)
- Golf Day (Thursday, September 29, 11am, Muriwai Golf Club)
- The Alternative School Tour with the Pua brothers (Friday, September 30, 10am at MAGS)
- Centenary Reunion Drinks (Friday, September 30, 6pm, FW Gamble Hall)
- Centenary Dinner (Saturday, October 1, 6.30pm, Grand Millennium Hotel)
- School Tours (various days throughout the week)

You can learn more about these Centenary Events and buy tickets for them or register for them [here](#)

## MAGS duo at World Rowing Champs





Cam MacGillivray (at left) and Nick Bryan (third from left) experienced the thrill of international competition recently when they rowed in the Coxless Four for New Zealand at the U19 World Rowing Champs in Varese, Italy.

Along with Henry Kirk (Otago Boys) and Adam Wilson (Hamilton Boys), the MAGS duo gave it everything but couldn't match the speed of a lot of the European crews.

They finished fourth in the C Final, in a very tight race with less than 1.5 seconds between all crews.

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**Another great Future Pathways Expo**



The Future Pathways Expo held on Wednesday was an exciting evening to explore future possibilities for our students.

Over 60 universities, industry training organisations and tertiary institutes visited our school to promote educational and vocational opportunities. Teachers from each department at MAGS were also available to discuss course options and the strengths of their subject area.

Alongside some fantastic conversations, there were a number of interactive activities. Students had the chance to try virtual reality headsets, meet Police Officers, hold film equipment, record music and see live animals.

There was a great turnout from the MAGS community with the MH Block buzzing and students feeling inspired and informed.

Mrs Caso, our Gateway Coordinator said, "Opportunities to engage with careers information is a major part of finding success."

Students who want to learn more about course option choices or career pathways should book an appointment with the Careers Department soon.

You can see more photos from the Expo [here](#)





## Coming up in the Arts



As we look beyond the MAGS Centenary Art Show this weekend, we have another busy Arts term with the Year 13 Drama production, the Dance Scholarship Concert, the KBB and Jazz and Blues music competitions, finals of the Spoken Word competition, and our Centennial Choir competing in the Big Sing Cadenza to be held in Rotorua.

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## Centenary Rowing appeals



In our Centenary year, MAGSROW is seeking donations for two funds: The Centenary Eight Fund and The Centennial Rowing Scholarship Fund.

The main thrust of the appeal is to raise funds to purchase a New Zealand-made skiff for our women's eight.

And in honour of the late Kerry Ashby, the first MAGSROW Patron, The Centennial Rowing Scholarship Fund will cover part or all of the rowing fees for students who show promise, but whose families struggle to meet the cost. There are various levels of donations available for each fund and they are tax-deductible.

Email Roger McGarry at [magsrowevents@gmail.com](mailto:magsrowevents@gmail.com) for more information.

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**Get your Centenary apparel now!**



MAGS Official Centenary apparel is now available to order, with more Centenary merchandise to be added over the coming months.

Available now are stylish hoodies, rugby jerseys, basketball singlets, caps, beanies, ties, scarves and face masks – all in MAGS colours and most of them boasting the Centenary logo.

You can order MAGS Centenary apparel [here](#)



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## Sports Update

### Three selected for NZSS Netball squad

Netballers (from left) Le'Oxeayn Maiu'u, Summer Temu and Catalina Young have been named in the NZSS squad to take part in a trial camp in October.

Netball NZ said the 24-strong squad will take part in a four-day camp,

which will also act as a trial from which a NZSS team and a NZSS A Selection side will be named.



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## Upcoming Premier Sport





Today, our Squash Premier Boys began their NZSS campaign with a match against Wairarapa College at 1pm at Browns Bay Racquets Club, and then our Basketball Premier Girls and Boys play at home against St Kentigern at 6pm and 7.30pm respectively.

On Saturday, our Netball Premiers also face St Kentigern at 9.30am at Auckland Netball, while the Football Boys 1st XI play St Peter's at home at midday, and the Rugby Boys 1st XV face top-ranked St Peter's, also at home, at 2.30pm.

On Tuesday, our Football Boys 1st XI play a catch-up game against Sacred Heart at 3.30pm.

On Wednesday, the Football Girls 1st XI are at home to St Kentigern at 4pm, and the Hockey Boy 1st XI are up against Auckland Grammar 2nd XI at Grammar at 6.45pm.

On Thursday, the Lacrosse Premier Girls have a home game – a 3rd/4th playoff – at 4pm against Westlake Girls, and the Hockey Girls 1st XI play EGGs at Diocesan at 6.30pm.

For more fixtures and results, click [here](#)

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