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**A Tradition of Excellence**  
9th-14th May 2022



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## From the Headmaster

## Get Involved!



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

We've enjoyed a fantastic full week for the school as our students have re-engaged and re-connected in person here at MAGS.

I cannot over-emphasise how impressive our young people have been in restarting their academic year for the second time this Term.

Programmes outside of the classroom have also swung back into action with a full round of sporting fixtures planned for the weekend. Arts and Service activities are underway, and planning for the much-celebrated Relay For Life is gaining momentum.

The importance of the breadth of what we offer at MAGS comes into its own during these times. Students who are involved and committed to our co-curricular programmes will be benefiting both physically and mentally from these activities.

And it's not too late for any student to sign up for the opportunities on offer beyond the classroom.

Get a group of friends together and get involved – and be part of getting the MAGS machine rolling again!

Have a great weekend.

Patrick Drumm  
Headmaster

## Weekly Notices



## Key Dates

Click [here](#) for the Calendar

### Friday, March 19

Class and ID photos

### Monday, March 22 to Sunday, March 28

Summer Tournament Week

### Saturday, March 27, 6pm to Sunday, March 28, 8am

Relay For Life, Lovelock Track,  
Mt Roskill



## Sport



## Fixtures and results

Click [here](#)

## International Prefects announced



At today's first International Assembly of the year, International Students were introduced to their Prefects and the International Student Committee.

Prefects Anna Kozawa and Mingi Cho (pictured above) told their peers about themselves and about the activities they had planned for International Students during the year.

Anna, from Japan, is in her third year at MAGS and plays Badminton for our school and is involved in the Academic Council. Mingi, from South Korea, has been at MAGS since Year 9 and plays Football for our school.

At the assembly, International Director Bronwyn Watts acknowledged that it was not an easy time for International Students but there was plenty of support for them from staff and their peers.

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## Calling all Student Volunteers

Next week is Student Volunteer Week 2021 and MAGS students are encouraged to join up for a chance to give and grow as individuals.

Student Volunteer Week 2021 (#SVW2021) runs from 15–21 March, with 'Give.Grow.Connect' the theme of the week.

Student volunteers give a hand to the community, and grow as they gain knowledge and

create valuable change and connect with others. Students, universities, schools and organisations all over New Zealand will be celebrating #SVW2021 through a variety of events that celebrate our student volunteers and connect young people with opportunities to get involved in volunteering. For information on how to get involved, click [here](#). There's still time for Year 9 and 10 students at MAGS to sign up to the Student Volunteer Army Service Award. Register [here](#) and get involved with your community.



**COLLECTIVE IMPACT**

**Give. Grow. Connect.**

**15–21 MARCH 2021**



## Albertians in the Navy



Congratulations to the five Albertians who graduated from their New Zealand Navy basic training at Devonport Naval Base at the end of last year.

The five are flanked by fellow Albertians in Leading Seaman Combat Specialist Dylan Thomas (Drill Instructor), at left, and Leading Marine Technician (Electrical) Roman Rodahl (Basic Training Instructor), at right, and are, from left, Conor Watson, Isaiah Jennings, Moana Ward, Richard Mann and William Filimoehala.

Mr Thomas said after completing their basic training, recruits Conor Watson and Isaiah Jennings were training as Marine Technicians, Moana Ward and Richard Mann were training as Logistics Supply specialists, and William Filimoehala was training as a Musician.

Mr Thomas, who along with Mr Rodhal had his final year at MAGS in 2007, said, "It was awesome to see MAGS producing an outstanding number of Defence Force recruits in one intake, and we hope to continue seeing this in the years to come."

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## Remaining school photos to be taken next Friday



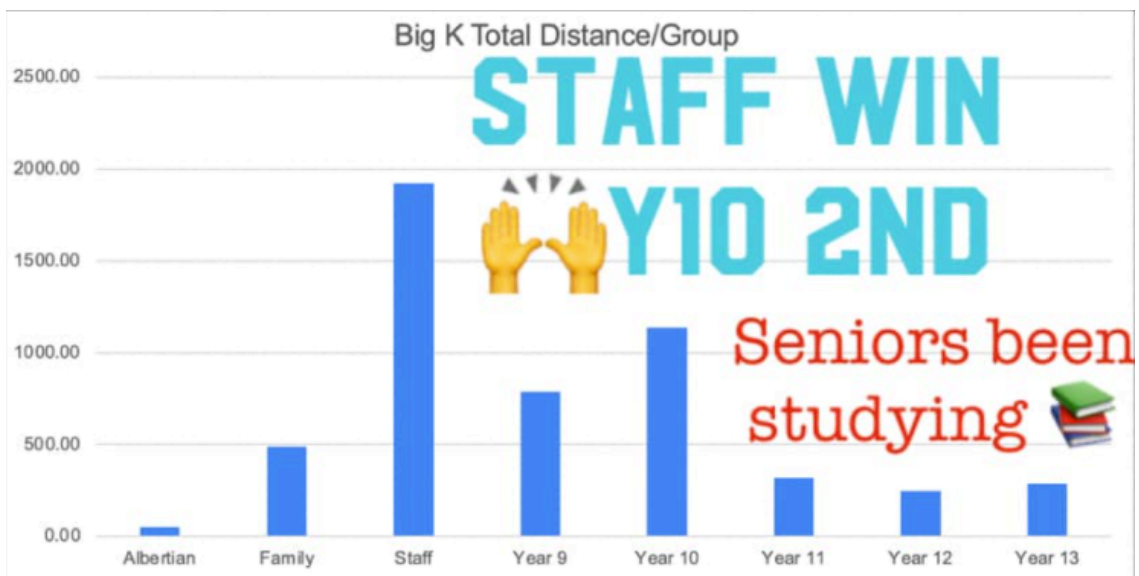
Due to Auckland going into an Alert Level 3 lockdown last week, the remaining Mentor Class and Student ID photos that were to be taken on March 4 have now been rescheduled for next Friday, March 19.

Click [here](#) for details.

Photos for Summer Sports, School House and Relay for Life are scheduled to be taken on Thursday, April 8. You can see details [here](#)

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## Staff win Big K Challenge again



MAGS Staff once again came out on top during last week's lockdown, winning the Big K Challenge.

Well done to everyone who got involved, got out there and kept moving during Level 3.

There were 5684km logged over the week, with Staff covering the most distance.

Year 10s won the student competition, while 9KNA and 10FRS topped their year levels and won points towards the Junior Interform Competition.

## Let the Albertian Games begin!



Calling Albertians everywhere! Get behind the Pride and join the full school on Wednesday, March 31 in one of the many events leading up to our Centenary Celebrations (May 9-14, 2022).

Join us as we celebrate the Sports Lions of the past and present, with spectators welcome.

Past Premier players – intending to play or not – and spectators should register [here](#) for the event and the after-match at 5pm, which will feature a cash bar and savouries supplied by Westie Pies.

There will be more information coming to those who have registered, including a link to pre-order T-shirts (pictured above), available for \$40.



# ALBERTIAN GAMES

CENTENARY  
**100**  
1922-2022

PAST PREMIER PLAYERS

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2021 PREMIER PLAYERS

**GIRLS & BOYS IN EVERY CODE**



**DRAW**

*CRICKET 10.00AM-1.00PM*

*BASKETBALL 12.30PM GIRLS 1.10PM BOYS*

*FOOTBALL 1.30PM GIRLS 2.30PM BOYS*

*HOCKEY 12.30PM GIRLS 1.30PM BOYS*

*NETBALL 2.00PM*

*ROWING 2.00PM ERG RACE*

*RUGBY UNION/RUGBY LEAGUE - TOUCH GAME 2.30PM*

**WESTIE  
FOOD GROUP**

**5PM AFTERMATCH**

**31ST OF MARCH 2021 @ MAGS**

Albertian Register @ <https://forms.gle/gRKBpNX3VxhkeqAT7>

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## Historical photos

In 2013, there was a lunchtime picnic for International Students. It took place at the beginning of the year in fine weather.

This photo is part of Set 58, recently added to Historical Images on the MAGS website [here](#). These images are sourced and annotated by our Archivist, Brian Murphy.



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**Sign up to the Centenary database**



As we get closer to our Centenary in 2022, with events planned for May 9-14, we warmly invite all Albertians to sign up to the database [here](#) to keep up to date with information and events leading up to the Centenary celebration.

Please encourage your friends and peers who were with you at MAGS to attend with you, and to also register at the link.

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## Sports Update

### **Maddy Gordon debuts for Silver Ferns**

Congratulations to Maddy Gordon, who made her international debut for the Silver Ferns last week against the Australian Diamonds during the Constellation Cup netball series. Maddy was named in the Silver Ferns squad last August, and joined fellow Albertian Maia Wilson in the national squad.

The call-up followed Maddy being named the MVP in the final as her Central Pulse team won the ANZ Premiership title over the Tactix last year.

Maddy was MAGS' Victrix Ludorum in 2017, having excelled in a number of sports at MAGS, including netball.

The Silver Ferns played a three-test series against England in Hamilton in October and November but Maddy did not get on court.

She finally got some game time against the Diamonds in the Silver Ferns' 3-1 series win.





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