



## Welcome

'The Parapet' is the official magazine of the College Old Boys' Association. 'Parapet' is distributed free to MCOBA members. Look for it in your inbox monthly.

The Southern Youth Jazz Festival took place in early August in Blenheim, featuring 17 secondary schools from around the South Island. The Jazz Combo won the Jazz Combo section, a first for the College. Further success was achieved by Tas Richards as the Most outstanding Keyboard player at the festival. Sam Powell was selected on trumpet for the Southern Jam All Stars Band.



## What's coming up at school

Come along and support these events in Term 4:

MBC Tennis Tournament – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at Pollard Park Tennis Courts

MBC Sports Dinner – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October at Clubs of Marlborough

Roy Titheridge Volley Ball Tournament Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at Stadium 2000

Tasman Awards – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November T: 2.30pm – 4.30pm Venue: Old St. Johns Church Tickets: \$5 each

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Tasman Secondary Schools Junior Golf

Friday 14<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November – TSS Junior Volleyball Tournament in Nelson (Saxton Courts)

Bugsy Malone, the junior production, at The Boathouse, 15-18 October, including a matinee 18 October. Tickets are sold at The Marlborough Civic Theatre.

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Junior Touch Rugby Tournament – Tahuna Fields, Nelson

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November – SISS Track Cycling – Invercargill

## Back in the day - quiz

Crime and Punishment – from the MBC Punishment Book 1969 Guess the number of cane strokes – answers at end of magazine.

Offence	Master
A: Flicking ink	J Mathews
B: Kicking over rubbish bin	P Minehan
C: Playing up	H Williams
D: Insulting in class	M Lash

## Old Boy's lament

I remember in my days when I was trying to learn French under the auspices of one Mr "Moon" Lyons, forgetting my books. Mr Lyons said to me "where are your books Drew" I said "I have left them at home sir". Mr Lyons then said "well if you are not going to bring your books, I am not going to teach you" and I said in reply "If you are not going to teach me, I'm not going to bring my books sir". He promptly dispatched me on my bike to go home and get the books and on return I was subject to some corporal punishment, which today would be considered an "offence". I got six strokes. He wasn't that good compared to one or two of the other masters that liberally disbursed the cane for the most minor of offences, eg. Socks not at the right height, forgetting song book for school assembly. Haven't days changed, not necessarily for the better!!.

Thanks Geoffrey Drew for your story.

Keep the stories coming! We love to hear tales of your old school days and love to share them with others in the MBC community

## Back in the day - quiz

Can you remember/guess who the names refer too? Answers the at end of magazine.

A: Noddy

- B: Wedge  
C: Ninja  
D: Captain Hot Shot

## Gotta get the Card!



Your committee have developed the Marlborough College Old Boys' loyalty card which is available to all financial members.

The idea behind the card is that it provides members with buying privileges whilst generating income for the MCOBA. Currently we have the following affiliates with many more to come:

Fairweather's on Scott Street.

Grove Road Super Liquor

Quick Cash Finance

Mitchell Sport

## Buy local – support your former pupils

To become an affiliate the business, it must be owned or substantially managed by former pupils of MBC. Email [oldboys@mbc.school.nz](mailto:oldboys@mbc.school.nz) for details

If you would like a card please email us and we will get one out to you.

## Old boys' trying to connect

BNZ Closed for Good

During September a group of BNZ staff assisted by Sandra Robinson (appointed MCOBA Bloke-ess) and Ross spent a day trying to obtain email addresses of former students. The result was an outstanding success. We have now connected with over 700 lost Old Boys', of which we now have 429 email addresses. The challenge is to continue until we have found everyone.

If you would like to fill in a few hours helping the Old Boys' reconnect, please email [oldboys@mbc.school.nz](mailto:oldboys@mbc.school.nz)

## Old Boys' Meeting Schedule

Your committee meets once a month on the first Tuesday. To ensure involvement of our Old Boys', every second meeting is a social meeting, held at Fairweather's on Scott Street, Blenheim commencing 12 noon.

Come along and join us for a convivial lunch and refreshments.

### Fairweather's 12 noon

7<sup>th</sup> October 2014

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015

### MBC Board room 5.30pm

4<sup>th</sup> November 2014

3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015

7<sup>th</sup> April 2015

## Students enjoying the new Parapet constructed with the assistance of MCOBA



A: 3 strikes,      B: 2 strikes      C: 3 strikes      D: 3 strikes

**Nicknames from the past – Answers**

A: Don Oddie      B: Woodhead      C: Keith Reed      D: Pete Oliver

If you have a story to be told of MBC Old Boy's life beyond the college, please drop me an email.

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