



Welcome to the 'Parapet'

'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.

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: Playing games during study period	W F O'Leary
B: Reported by prefect	K Reed
C: Scragging in class	L A Boyer
D: Persistent talking	J Mathews

What's coming up at school

Come along and support these events

Rugby

Marlborough Boys' College – Home games

27/06/15 vs Timaru BHS

25/07/15 vs Burnside HS

08/08/15 vs St Andrew's college

Old Boys' supporting the school

Staff at the college have been working very hard to formulate a structured development proposal for those wishing to support the school financially. Under the heading '4 Pillars', representing Academic, Leadership and Service, Arts and Sport, this proposal has now come to fruition. Refer our web site for details (www.mcoba.org.nz)

Your Old Boys' Association is pleased to announce that we have made financial grants exceeding \$20,000 to assist the swimming pool maintenance, Student Leadership and Training and the publication of the Marlburian.

Funds have been drawn from cash reserves and our very successful vehicle delivery program which raised over \$9,000. This excellent fundraising project was made possible with the organising skills of Jill Adams, volunteer drivers from the Old Boys' and the goodwill of [Blenheim Toyota](#). Thank you to all involved.

We have another vehicle delivery coming up, so keep an ear to the ground and become involved.

Extract of letter recorded in the Marlburian:

On the night of about 6th June the Canterbury infantry held Quinn's post; the 12th Nelson company holding numbers 4,5, and 6 sub posts with the 13th company in support. That night a voluntary demonstration of 120 men was formed to take the Turkish trenches in front of Quinn's Post. Capt. Goulding sent 20 men as a support under Lt Rout. Maj Griffiths supplied 40 men from 13th company to fill up vacancies. At about 1:30 a.m. Capt. Goulding told Griffiths that he had been out to the Turkish trenches and said he was making a communication trench, so Griffith sent another 40 men to do the pick and shovel work. Captain Goulding went forward again and returned about 3 a.m. whilst actually digging, poor Goulding was shot through the head and died instantly-before he could speak a word. Major Griffiths had a cross made by the pioneer Sgt to mark the grave, and he will get a photograph of the grave taken, if possible, when he returns to the front, which he will do shortly. Captain Goulding was buried by clergyman who happened to be in the vicinity namely, Rev Merrington; the grave is in square-, map of Gallipoli: of course this map is not available yet. (At the date of letter the Grid reference was omitted for security reasons



Capt. J H Goulding

College remembers its fallen heroes

I was privileged to represent MCOBA at a memorial function on the college front field two days prior to Anzac. I cannot put into words my feelings when a speaker quantified the losses our college suffered in the Great War. Imagine our existing fifth, sixth and seventh forms offering their lives for King and country.

The initiative by the school was supported by members of the Armed Forces, RSA, Police, old boys and the community. On this day I was truly proud to be a Marlborough man!

Your MCOBA attended the official town Anzac service and presented a wreath in memory of the schools heroes. Dennis Robinson (left) Ross Anderson (right)



Recuperating servicemen with their nurses outside College hospital - 1942

Confirmation that our school is truly an integral part of the community was further reinforced with knowledge of what the school contributed to the war effort.

Can you imagine our classrooms filled with recuperating soldiers? Their condition ranging from shellshock, loss of eyesight and limbs and emotional drama caused by the thought of having to cope the rest of their lives without a limb or if they were lucky a prosthetic!

Never let it be said that our school is just for pupils and teachers. Our school reflects our community and those that live within it. Sadly for some time we have considered the problems of the school to be the problems of the teachers and central government. It is time to rethink our attitudes towards our school and take ownership of it. Our college is one of the few things that binds the community together and influences all of our lives. Whether you had a good experience, a bad experience or were asked to leave upon reaching 15 years, the school helped to make you what you are today.

School continues to improve its academic base

Recent NCEA results have shown MBC's continued improvement in academic success. Pass rates improved 5% on the previous year in level 1, 6% in level 2 and 12% in level 3. Overall pass rates have improved from 60% in 2009 to 80% in 2014. The school achieved record scholarships with 11 in the 2014 year.

The improved grades show that the college is meeting the needs of its academic students with some of the results being directly attributed to programs currently supported by Marlborough College Old Boys' Association and the Marlborough College Charitable Foundation.

Do you remember the old school Haka?

Leader:

Ringa Te kuna Iho

Ringa Pakia

Pahia Kai Rite

All

E Rite Nei Hoki

Leader

A Wae Wae Takahia Kia Kino

All

E Kino Nei Hoki

Leader

A Ringa Ringa A Torona

Kei Waho Mau Tonu

Tau Ka Tau

All
Hei

Leader
Tau Ka Tau

All
Hei

Leader
Tau K Tau Kirunga Atu
Whangoia Mei Nei

All
Nei Nei Nei ara Tu Ara
Ta-a-a

Leader
A ringa Ringa A torona
Kei Waho Mau Tonu
Tau Ka tau

All
Hei

Leader
Tau Ka tau

All
Hei

Leader
Tau Ka Tau Kirunga atu
Whangoia Mei Nei

All
Nei Nei Nei Ara Tu
Ara Ta-a-a

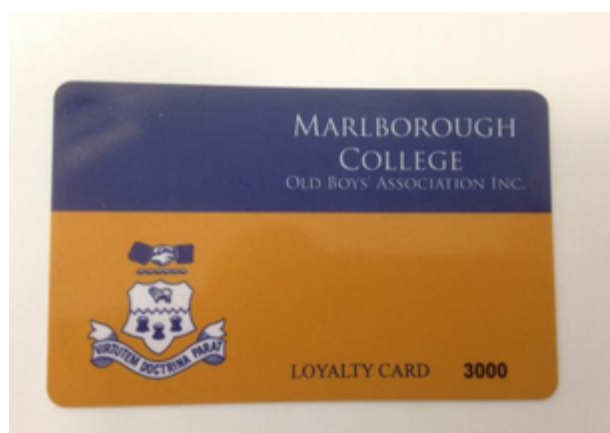
Leader
A Tahi Ki Riri Tora Ka Wha

All
O Homar O Kopu Kia Weta Weta
Ssst Weta Weta, Ssst Weta Weta
Ara Tu ara Ta A Te Te Tei
Marlborough

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](#)
- [Red Top Bins](#)
- [Wingman Gift](#)



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

New Web site

MCOBA is proud to announce that they now have their own web site. Soon you will be able to purchase college memorabilia direct off the web site to impress your mates.

Visit us at www.mcoba.org.nz

Crime and Punishment – Answers

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

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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