

PRIZEGIVING CRITERIA

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CERTIFICATES

To be handed out at final assembly (not Prize Giving)

Bus Monitors

For fulfilling the requirements of a Bus Monitor during the year.

PE Monitors

For fulfilling the requirements of a PE Monitor during the year.

Library Monitors

For fulfilling the requirements of a Library Monitor during the year.

Peer Mediators

For fulfilling the requirements of a Mediator during the year.

Teacher's MATES

For fulfilling the requirements of a Teacher's Mate during the year.

Traffic Wardens

For fulfilling the requirements of a Traffic Warden during the year.

CUPS

To be handed out at Prize Giving

Special Character Certificates, Cups & Award

Our Christ centred school values of L.I.F.E (Love, Integrity, Faith & Excellence) are regularly taught, modelled, acknowledged and celebrated at Maranatha Christian School.

Beginning within individual classroom systems, we progress to Whānau Group Tokens which are awarded by staff to students who show L.I.F.E during the day. Acknowledgements become more formal during school assemblies where certificates are given, accompanied by the now “World Famous at Maranatha” ice block with the principal! Finally, outstanding progress in the area of L.I.F.E is acknowledged during Prize Giving.

LIFE Award Certificates & Medals

Awarded to two students from each class who have shown...

Love: We love as God loves us.

- a caring heart towards others

Integrity: We live by the example set by Christ.

- they do the right thing even when no one else is watching.

Faith: We believe and trust God for all things.

- faith in action.

Excellence: We aim high and do our best for God and His Kingdom.

- they can stand out in relation to their diligence in all areas.

Junior Bible Trophy (Year 1-3)

Awarded to a boy or girl who has...

- shown spiritual awareness
- applied themselves to learning scripture
- shown in their character biblical standards.

Middle Bible Trophy (Year 4-6)

Awarded to a boy or girl who has...

- shown spiritual awareness
- applied themselves to learning scripture
- shown in their character biblical standards
- availed themselves of opportunities to pray, speak and write in this area

Senior Bible Trophy (Year 7-8)

Awarded to a boy or girl who has...

- shown spiritual awareness
- applied themselves to learning scripture
- shown in their character biblical standards
- availed themselves of opportunities to pray, speak and write in this area
- shown Christian ethics and values in a position of responsibility

Christian Character Award Certificate

Awarded to one student.

The following was received from the MFB Chair 2010-2013 regarding the above award:

I understand that it will be difficult for the staff as there are no criteria, which is something that the MFB have discussed before. A past student received this a couple of years ago as they were a standout example to the school. This student did a lot for World Vision including organising and hosting a talent show. The Principal actually approached us to see if we could recognise this student in some way.

It is this kind of thing that we would be looking for. It is not a case of 'here are some criteria for an award that must be presented', it is the other way around. 'Here is an exceptional student who has shone in a way that the school would like to recognise'.

If there isn't a standout person then there is no need to present an award.

Curriculum Cups & Certificates

Mathematics Trophy

Awarded to a student who...

- is working at level four or above of the National Curriculum
- has consistently, across all strands, shown effort and very high degree of understanding and accuracy.
- achieved within the 8th or 9th percentile (stanine) in the Maths PAT tests.
- is skilled in problem-solving and logic type puzzles

Literature Trophy

Awarded to a student who...

- is working at level four or above of the National English curriculum
- reads a variety of books for their own interest
- has produced written work of a very high standard using a variety of genre
- is able to present tidy and correct work

Languages Certificate (ESOL)

Awarded to an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) student who...

- has shown consistent improvement in Language
e.g. most improved in English Oral Language

Science & Technology Trophy

Awarded to a student who...

- has consistently shown a high interest in these areas
- has demonstrated sound and creative investigative skills
- has produced work (written, oral, graphics, multimedia) that shows very good understanding.
- has entered a good exhibit in a science fair (if an opportunity has been provided).

Lesley Duncan Prize: (preference is given to Māori & ESOL students)

The Lesley Duncan Prize Fund was set up to benefit a Year 8 student who has made great progress in the study of English during the year.

Awarded to a Year 8 student (preferably of a Pasifika culture)

Accelerated Academic Progress Certificate

Awarded to two students who have shown...

- outstanding academic progress during the year
- making more than expected progress
- high levels of self-motivation with the appropriate display of Christian attitude and diligence throughout the year.
- consistent effort across all curriculum areas

Academic Excellence Certificates

Awarded to up to four students from each class who have shown...

- appropriate Christian attitude towards their learning and the learning of others
- consistent achievement and excellence across the curriculum during the year
- high levels of self-motivation
- a consistently positive attitude towards their learning
- responsibility for their own learning (active learners)

The Arts Cups

Visual Arts Trophy

Awarded to a student who...

- consistently demonstrates high artistic skills throughout the year in a variety of visual art forms

Performing Arts Trophy

Awarded to a student who...

- consistently demonstrates artistic skills throughout the year in a variety of performing art forms
- has taken advantage of opportunities for involvement in performing arts groups

Dance Ministry Trophy:

Awarded to a student who...

- has fully participated in the Dance Ministry Group and demonstrated a developing level of proficiency in dance.
- demonstrates enthusiasm toward learning dance and a willingness to practice with a servant heart and attitude.
- has made contributions to Dance Ministry outreach.

Sports Cups

Junior Boys Sports Trophy (Year 1-3)

Awarded to a boy from Years 1, 2 or 3 who has...

- displayed appropriate Christian character - playing hard, but playing fair
- displayed a high level of ability in a range of codes
- displayed appropriate teamwork and respect for officials
- involved themselves fully in the sports programme offered.

Junior Girls Sports Trophy (Year 1-3)

Awarded to a girl from Year 1, 2 or 3 who has...

- displayed appropriate Christian character - playing hard, but playing fair
- displayed a high level of ability in a range of codes
- displayed appropriate teamwork and respect for officials
- involved themselves fully in the sports programme offered.

Middle Boys Sports Trophy (Year 4-6)

Awarded to a boy from Year 4, 5 or 6 who has...

- displayed appropriate Christian character - playing hard, but playing fair
- displayed a high level of ability in a range of codes
- displayed appropriate teamwork and respect for officials
- involved themselves fully in the sports programme offered
- represented the school at competition level.

Middle Girls Sports Trophy (Year 4-6)

Awarded to a girl from Year 4, 5 or 6 who has...

- displayed appropriate Christian character - playing hard, but playing fair
- displayed a high level of ability in a range of codes
- displayed appropriate teamwork and respect for officials
- involved themselves fully in the sports programme offered
- represented the school at competition level.

Senior Boys Sports Trophy (Year 7-8)

Awarded to a boy from Year 7 or 8 who has...

- displayed appropriate Christian character - playing hard, but playing fair
- displayed a high level of ability in a range of codes
- displayed appropriate teamwork and respect for officials
- involved themselves fully in the sports programme offered
- represented the school at competition level.

Senior Girls Sports Trophy (Year 7-8)

Awarded to a girl from Year 7 or 8 who has...

- displayed appropriate Christian character - playing hard, but playing fair
- displayed a high level of ability in a range of codes
- displayed appropriate teamwork and respect for officials
- involved themselves fully in the sports programme offered
- represented the school at competition level.

Family Cups & Prizes

Founders' Cup:

The Founder's Cup was created by former Principal, Debbie Middleton, on behalf of her mother, Athalie Chapman. Mrs Chapman was the founding Principal of Maranatha Christian School, then known as Prospect House, from 1967 until 1983.

The Founder's Cup is awarded to a Year 7 or 8 student in recognition of outstanding attitude, effort and/or initiative across all areas of school life.

Oldham Family House Cup

The Oldham House Cup was gifted to the school by the Oldham family. Mr and Mrs Oldham were an elderly couple at the time the school opened and were among the first "Prayer Warriors" for Maranatha Christian School, then Prospect House. Their prayers of support and encouragement for the founding Principal during the early years of the school were greatly valued.

The Oldham House Cup is in recognition of the whānau group with the most points for the current year.

Awarded to Whānau Group Leader/s of the winning house.

Thorn Family Cup of Christian Service:

The Thorn Family have been associated with Maranatha Christian School from its beginning as Prospect House 51 years ago! Morry Thorn was involved in the construction of the first school buildings, served for many years as the Board Secretary and helped with the ongoing maintenance of the property. Nellie Thorn served voluntarily as a Parent Helper/Teacher Aide and then for many years as the school Librarian.

Over the years 3 of their children, 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren have attended, or currently attend, the school. A number have followed Morry & Nellie's example and served in various capacities including PTA and as a board member.

The Thorn family value the significance of 'Passing the Baton' to the next generation in order to ensure that God's good works continue at Maranatha Christian School and beyond.

Joshua 24:15 (NIV)

But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.

The Thorn Family Cup is in recognition of Christian Service.

Awarded to a Year 7&8 student who has...

- grown God's Kingdom, and displayed selflessness, through Christian Service.
- displayed a servant heart and a Christ-Centred attitude in all areas.
- shown the Fruit of the Spirit through their daily interactions with others.

Upton Family Cup of Christian Service:

The Upton Family were associated with Maranatha Christian School from 1980 through to 2001. Ron and Julie Upton had three sons, David, Andrew and Darren who completed their schooling at Maranatha. Julie was a teacher at the school from 1988 - 2001, and in the last few years was both Deputy Principal and Head of the Junior Syndicate. Ron supported the school in many ways including being a member of the PTA. Julie left Maranatha to go into the mission field with Ron.

The Family Upton Cup is in recognition of Christian Service.

Awarded to a Year 4-6 student who has...

- grown God's Kingdom, and displayed selflessness, through Christian Service.
- displayed a servant heart and a Christ-Centred attitude in all areas.
- shown the Fruit of the Spirit through their daily interactions with others.

Sophie Beveridge Memorial Cup:

Sophie was a student at Maranatha Christian School from New Entrant to Year 6. Sophie was born with many challenges, however, she never let these define her. Sophie was an example of faith in action, joy in adversity and she was a much-loved member of the school community. Soon after leaving Maranatha, Sophie passed away unexpectedly. A kowhai tree was planted at school, with a plaque at the base, in remembrance of her.

The Sophie Beveridge Memorial Cup is awarded to any student for showing courage and determination throughout the year.

Bhawan Family Leadership Cup:

The Bhawan Family were associated with Maranatha Christian School from 2008 - 2017. During that time both Sandy and Sanjay served on the Board of Trustees as members and chairpersons while their children, Mysha and Aryav, completed their schooling at Maranatha.

The Bhawan Cup is in recognition of the importance of Godly Leaders, as described in our school vision "Growing Christ-Centered Learners and Leaders". It acknowledges leadership contributions to the Student Council at Maranatha Christian School.

Awarded to a Student Councillor who has...

- fully participated in the Student Council and demonstrated a developing level of proficiency in leadership.
- demonstrated enthusiasm toward the role of Student Councillor, displaying a servant heart and attitude in all areas.
- made contributions to Student Council initiatives that focus on development and well-being within the Maranatha Christian School Community and beyond.
- made contributions to School Governance through involvement and participation with the School Board of Trustees (From 2019)

Maranatha Christian School Cup

Maranatha Cup (Year 8)

*For this award senior students vote to determine the shortlist of candidates.
The Principal has the final say on the decision in consultation with the staff.*

Awarded to a student from Year 8 who fulfils most of the following criteria...

- Is an all-around student
- Has been in attendance at Maranatha for two years or more
- Has consistently demonstrated Christian living (Christian ethics and virtues in practice)
- Has attained very high academic standards in a variety of subjects
- Has taken on leadership roles and fulfilled them
- Has taken on sporting and/or cultural activities and fulfilled them