



IN BLACK & WHITE

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FROM THE HEADMASTER

We passed the 'anniversary weekend' just over a week ago, in beautiful weather for House 7s involving a high number of boys, and with a tremendous turn-out of parents. Happening at the same time was our 40 Year On Reunion – for those who joined the College in 1971. Of course the previous year (from 1970) got a much reduced affair, but at least a unique photograph in front of the damaged Harper/Julius building straight after the first earthquake. The reunion service in the Chapel on Sunday evening was notable for possibly the largest shake we have had when in there en masse. One or two of our visitors were a little disturbed, but a couple commented on the complete lack of reaction amongst the congregation of boys. Fortunately, they had just listened to my sermon, so were thoroughly sedated. On the previous evening, at the reunion dinner, we celebrated the careers of a number of colleagues still serving the College who were recruited during the early 70s. Brian LeVaillant ('BDL' as he was known then, as now) was present, and his propensity for memorable quotes noted. A new example was added to the archive – apparently he was recently heard to remark, 'I could write your achievements on the back of a postage stamp with a carpenter's pencil – and still have room for the Lord's Prayer.'

The architect's first ideas (form and function only at this stage, no firm proposals) for the new 'west end' of College were shown to a Board sub-committee last week. There will be a lengthy process of consultation with staff, and indeed students, before anything near the final scheme emerges, but I

was excited by what I saw. Hopefully some reasonable indications can be shared with the community quite soon. In the meantime, I want the staff to spend some time on some quite fundamental questions about educational philosophy and direction. We will have the opportunity to make an impact on a large proportion of our teaching facilities, perhaps larger than ever before, or will happen again, and now is the time to think hard about the future. I have a few questions. One of them is about the ever growing pathologising of learning inhibitors, and in particular ability to focus and give full attention. In recent years, with medication and innumerable strategies to reduce distraction and enhance concentration, there is no doubt some boys have benefitted. But are we doing all we can? What should we look for in classroom design, and what should be our priorities in screen based learning?

I am reminded of a trip I accompanied to Japan a few years ago, memorable not least for one or two inclusions in the party with focussing issues, who were always going to be the ones at risk of getting lost, missing instructions, etc. When I discovered that our stay in a Buddhist retreat temple on Mount Koya for a night included a thirty minute period of silent meditation, I was not optimistic. I was astonished at the calm which was created. I have recently been researching



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mainstream and credible academic research into the effectiveness of mind training techniques, and also the impact of environmental factors in learning spaces. The orientation of rooms, even colour schemes and elimination of unproductive elements in the environment have all been researched, and we need to do some homework. Lest you think I have taken an alarming turn for the mystical, all is well. However, we are faced with such a wonderful opportunity, and nothing should be off limits.

Whilst we are excited about that development, other projects may seem to have been neglected or moving slowly. Of course that is not the case. It would be fair to say that immediately after February, we responded to the most essential needs of the school and some regulatory processes caught up retrospectively. The Harper/Julius project is not only a complex design challenge, but the relevant authorities are now fully functioning and participating energetically. The building has a high heritage value, and every step of the intended renovation now has the benefit of numerous interested parties. The consultative steps are constructive, but time-consuming, and whilst little appears to be happening so far, there is a great deal actually going on. It may be that our buildings, being the most complete heritage landscape left in the city that is functioning and moving forward, are attracting particular interest. However, there is genuine appreciation of our track record in this area and the conversations are positive – I just wish the parties would talk more quickly. In the style of a livestock auction. That would be good.

Our Parents' Association 'Pink Lunch' will take place on Friday 28 October and more information is due to reach you shortly. This has become established as a highlight for ladies associated with the College. This committee, mindful of the year our commercial supporters have had, will not be making approaches for sponsorship in the form of gifts for attendees, items for the tables etc. However, if there is anyone within the community who feels there is something they could contribute, please contact Nicci Wyllie at anwyllie@scorch.co.nz

As you know we are now the sole suppliers of school uniforms having taken over from Ballantynes who served us so well for so long. Initially we faced a significant investment buying their stock, but that stock was damaged in the earthquake. We now understand that some, or all, of it has been recovered by the insurers and their intention is, quite properly, to recover what they can of its value. It now appears some of it may be cleaned, and may be offered for sale, though there are no details of this as yet. I alert you to this opportunity – it may be advantageous. However, since this stock has been recovered from the earthquake and may be offered at substantially reduced prices, we will not subsequently take it into the second-hand shop alongside goods from parents who have paid full retail price. Please also remember the suit stocked by Ballantynes had been superseded by a new and much improved design. By all means avail yourself of any benefit, but *caveat emptor* applies both to the quality and history of the products, and their likely serviceability and resale potential.

I am very much looking forward to seeing many of you at the Black and White Ball this weekend and I know the boys are equally enthusiastic about their event. Uniquely this year (after the cancellation in 2010) none of the attendees have been to a College Ball before. I will be meeting with them this week to remind them that in 2009 we staged, unquestionably, the finest such event in the country. It was a credit to all involved and this year we will build on that memorable legacy.

Simon Leese, Headmaster

CALENDAR EVENTS

Week 7

- Th 15 Interhouse Chess, 12.45pm
Interhouse senior debating semi-final, 12.45pm
Winter sports photographs, 12.45pm
Advanced Learning logic problem solving workshop, Library Conference Room, 4.00-5.00pm
CSS intermediate debating round 5, University of Canterbury, 5.00pm
Boarding Awards Dinner, Dining Hall, 6.00pm
- F 16 Year 12 Lincoln University visit, 9.00am-3.00pm
Year 13 General Studies, OBT, 1.15pm
Black & White Ball, 7.30pm
- Sa 17 Weekend programme available for all boarders
School Ball, 7.00pm
- Su 18 25th Ordinary Sunday
Holy Eucharist, 9.00am
Year 11 boarder team challenge day, 10.00am-5.00pm

Week 8

- M 19 Year 13 Biology field trip leaves for Kaikoura, 9.15am
- Tu 20 Winter sports photographs, 1.15pm
Interhouse senior basketball, Gym, 1.15pm
- Th 22 Interhouse senior debating final, OBT, 1.45pm
Visiting author, Mr Glenn Colquhoun, addressing English classes, OBT, 1.45-3.30pm
CSS senior debating round 6, University of Canterbury, 5.00pm
Wells Music Competition, Assembly Hall, 7.00pm
- F 23 Year 12 General Studies, OBT, 1.15pm
Year 13 Biology field trip returns
Senior rowing camp(U16, 17, 18) begins, Twizel
- Sa 24 Weekend programme available for all boarders
House Plays technical set up, Assembly Hall, 9.00am-3.00pm
- Su 25 26th Ordinary Sunday
CSS debating finals, University of Canterbury
Rowers returning from Twizel
House Plays technical/dress rehearsals, Assembly Hall, 12noon-6.00pm
Condell's House parent & son golf tournament, 10.00am

CURRICULUM

As you read this senior boys will have finished sitting their Term 3 trial examinations, and staff will be marking the scripts and writing full reports. You can expect to have these reports in your hands in the first week of the next term break. With a two-week break, and then less than three additional weeks of Term 4 before boys go on study leave, it is important that boys maximize their effort in preparing for those final external assessments.



So this seems to be an appropriate time to highlight one of the biggest study mistakes that students make: the tendency to revise those things we know already. Why? Perhaps there is comfort to be found in the familiar. But revision effort should of course be directed towards what we don't know. This is where the trial examinations offer value far beyond the grades they provide. Each examination paper is essentially a wonderful catalogue of those aspects of that topic or standard that need more work.

As the boys receive their marked examination papers back and go over them with their class teachers, they need to use them to identify exactly where their effort needs to be directed. Make a list, put post-it notes around the walls, create a wall chart of a mind map, do what ever is necessary to identify exactly what needs to be revised and practised. Study is hard work; there is no need to make it harder than it needs to be by wasting time studying what we already know. As parents the best thing you can do to help is to engage with your sons in discussion around the examinations and reports.

For junior boys end-of-year examinations will be held in Week 3 of Term 4 (the week 7-10 November) and, of course, the same lessons apply for them.

SELECTION NEWS

Connor Heap (Year 9 Harper) has been given a wild card to the Australian 14's Tennis Nationals in Sydney. Wildcards are hard to get and Connor will be competing against the top Australian 14 year old tennis players.

Matthew Boyce (Year 10 Harper) has been selected for the New Zealand Under 16 Baseball team. He has spent the past few weekends attending trials and training in Auckland will travel late September to Queensland for a tournament.

Congratulations to both boys. We look forward to tracking their progress.

SQUASH WIN

The Christ's College A Squash team, comprising Kane Stewart, Jake Campbell, Austin Abbott and Peter Carpenter won the B Grade Boys' section of the Interschool Squash Competition. They defeated Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti 4-0 at the Christchurch Squash Club. Felix Wells and John Fulton are also in the squad.

CALENDAR EVENTS

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Su 25 Choral Eucharist, 7.00pm

Week 9

M 26 Year 11 PE (Option) field trip, McLeans Island, 9.30am-3.30pm
Plays dress rehearsals, Assembly Hall, 6.30-9.30pm

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SEDLEY WELLS MUSIC COMPETITION

The Sedley Wells Music Competition will take place in the Assembly Hall on the evening of Thursday 22 September at 7.00pm. This is Christ's College's annual competition for instrumental and vocal solo works. All are welcome to attend and enjoy a wonderful evening's entertainment.

Students are required to present one work in Solo performance of no more that 10 minutes duration.

There are two parts to the competition:
Junior Competition Students in Year 9 & 10
Senior Competition Students in Year 11 - 13

Applications close with Mr Coxon by email ncoxon@christscollge.com on Friday 16 September.

CAREERS

Events since the last In Black & White

- Study Link presented a seminar on Student Loans and Allowances to Year 13
- Swiss Hotel Management School Information evening at the George Hotel, www.shms.com



University Halls/Colleges Applications

Year 13 boys are at present applying online for places in Halls. They collect a confidential form from me and on completion of the academic section they return it to me and I forward to their Housemaster for written comments. I will then send the completed form to the University. Consideration for a place will not take place if both the application online and confidential form are not received.

Navy Adventure Challenge: 10–14 October

The objective is to challenge 40 high profile Year 12 students from New Zealand secondary schools that have been identified for potential leadership positions within their school for 2012. The programme is designed to challenge the participants through a wide variety of unfamiliar situations, allowing them to develop confidence in their abilities as both leaders and effective team members. The Navy will cover all travel, accommodation and meal costs. Interested boys should see Mr Sellars for further details.

UC - University of Canterbury Scholarships

UC has increased the funding of scholarships by a third. A significant component will be available to first-year students based on their Level 2 & 3 endorsements.

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Merit + Excellence	Excellence	= \$2000
Merit + Merit/Achieved	Merit/Achieved	= \$1000
Achieved + Excellence	Excellence	= \$2000

TERM 3	Important Dates:
	15 September: Closing dates for Colleges, Otago. Performance music applications due, Canterbury
	16 September: Lincoln University "Explore Day" Year 12, Lincoln
	28 September: University of Otago - course planning at College, Otago
	29 September: Victoria University - course planning
	30 September: Closing date Fine Arts, Music-Jazz, performance, music majors, Auckland. Closing date for Victoria Excellence/Achiever scholarship, Victoria. Closing date for University Colleges/Halls of residence, All
	8-10 October: NASDA - Musical Theatre auditions, CPIT
TERM 4	15 November: Fine Arts applications due, Canterbury
HOLIDAYS	8 December: Closing date, Architecture, Arts, Business, Law, Engineering, Health Sciences, Auckland

BreakOut - Scholarships, Awards, Grants

BreakOut is the primary source of information about funding for study in New Zealand. BreakOut will help you select the most appropriate award, scholarship or grant for you. We have subscribed to BreakOut which can only be accessed from the Christ's College campus, but parents are most welcome to come into College and use it with their sons if they wish. Use either www.breakout.org.nz or www.fis.org.nz/databases/BreakOut.php

Scholarships

The Arrow Foundation 2011 Leadership Scholarships:

2 x \$5,000 scholarships awarded to the two most impressive applications nationwide. For students who have demonstrated leadership qualities within their school or community. Applications open on Monday 1 August 2011 and close Friday 7 October 2011. Only one student per school can be nominated. Further information available from Mr Sellars.

Queenstown Resort College: National Scholarship, for students starting Diploma studies in 2012. Diploma of Hospitality Management and Diploma of Adventure Tourism Management or Diploma in Adventure Tourism specialising in Snowsport Business Management. Further information available.

Massey University: College of Business, Captains Club Leadership Awards - covers first year fees (up to \$5,000) and takes the form of a fees bursary. Bachelor of Business Studies, Accountancy, AgriCommerce, Applied Economics, Aviation, Aviation Management, Communication.

IPENZ Foundation Scholarships: The IPENZ Foundation is a Charitable Trust formed by the Institution of Professional Engineers New Zealand. One of its objectives is to encourage New Zealand school leavers into tertiary education in fields of engineering and engineering technology. Closing date for applications is January 10th 2012. Application forms are available from Foundation@IPENZ.org.nz or Mr Sellars

University of Canterbury Dux Scholarship: The Dux of each New Zealand secondary school is rewarded with a UC Dux Scholarship of \$5000 towards tuition fees and participation in their Leadership programme.

Heinz Watties Ltd Scholarship (University of Otago): for students wishing to pursue studies in Food Science. This is particularly suited to students strong in Chemistry who are keen on real-world applications for their science.

Engineering

Many of our students who wish to follow a career in Engineering either study at UC (University of Canterbury) or the University of Auckland. There is another option which may suit some students and in many cases may be the better option. CPIT (Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology) - Engineering Trades, NZ Diploma in Engineering (Civil, Electrical, Mechanical) 2 years, Bachelor of Engineering Technology, 3 years. Both the Diploma and Degree lead on to further study at the universities.

CPIT's School of Art and Design welcomes you

Every Thursday starting August 25 you can tour the studios and facilities and catch up with Mark McEntyre to discuss the

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future of art and design education. To book an individual visit call 03 940 8208 or email liaison@cpit.ac.nz. Tours 1-1.45pm or 2-2.45pm, Madras Street Campus.

University of Otago: Hands-On-Science, University of Otago Summer School

15-20 January 2012, students must be entering Year 12 or 13 in 2012. Students need to have a strong interest and the potential to excel in Science.

The new Careers in Science book (Otago) has been updated and includes a lot of new profiles of recent graduates.

Jumpstart Physics/Bridging Chemistry courses. These are held during summer school at Otago.

Lincoln University

Lincoln University is just 20 minutes out of Christchurch and is often overlooked locally due to the University's national position as a specialist land-based institution. Perhaps best known for the agricultural degree programmes, Lincoln University offers a range of land-based options and has a long-established Commerce department and New Zealand's oldest Landscape Architecture school. Specialist research centres form part of the University's make-up including the centres for Wildlife Management and Conservation, International Development, Viticulture and Oenology, Advanced Computational Solutions, Agribusiness and Economics, to name just a few. Graduates from Lincoln University end up all over the world, with the specialist nature of the undergraduate degrees being in high demand with employers.

Lincoln University alumni include such notable names as current All Blacks Richie McCaw and Sam Whitelock; John Palmer, Chairman of Air NZ and Solid Energy; Geoff Ross, founder of 42 Below Vodka; Toni Street, TV1 sports reporter; broadcaster Maggie Barry; Mark Inglis, winemaker and mountaineer; Hon David Carter, to name just a few. There are many alumni from both Christ's College and Lincoln University, including former All Black and Wallabies' coach Robbie Deans, Charles Upham, and Ian Donald (most notably of Fletcher Challenge management). In fact Lincoln University's very first enrolment in 1880 was a Harry Arthur Knight of Christ's College.

Scholarships for 2012

Lincoln University's main scholarships are SPORTS: offered in Rugby, Rowing (new), Football, Netball, Golf, Hockey and Cricket plus an elite scholarship for high performing athletes in any other code; FUTURE LEADERS for candidates showing strong leadership characteristics; and EXCELLENCE for those with a high academic record. Scholarships provide financial assistance with fees for University study and opportunities for further engagement with the University and its activities. Note: sports scholarship testing is being carried out on the Lincoln University campus on Friday 30th September (All sports except rugby) and Thursday 6th October (Rugby only) from 3.30pm – 6.30pm.

For more information about the opportunities that a specialist Lincoln University degree can offer, please contact land@lincoln.ac.nz or 0800 10 60 10.

Chris Sellars, Careers Adviser

CONDELL'S HOUSE CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT
 OPEN TO ALL
 Sunday 25 September – Tee Off 11.00am
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OSKARS!

Christ's College had two entries, involving 26 boys, in the 2011 Oskars German Drama competition. The first entry of *Wie es hätte enden sollen* (How it should have ended) included Jeremy Penrose as Harry Potter and Emmerson Cosgrove as Voldemort. Modern Languages teacher, Ms Elaine Tang says, "It was very entertaining, despite some surprises on the stage. The students coped well!"



The second play, which included particularly strong performances from William Warren, Vincent Curd, Sam Till, Charlie Blair, Edward Wright, Oscar Fitzgerald and George Fitzgerald, won an Oskar for entertainment. The play was *Die Sauerei an der Brauerei* (The mess in the brewery). "They all did a great job," says Ms Tang, "with special mention to Charlie Blair and Oscar Fitzgerald who did particularly well as women. And Edward Wright, who was shot as soon as the curtains opened and lay dead for the duration of the play!"

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SKIING RESULTS

Two teams represented Christ's College at the South Island Inter-schools' Ski Championships at Cardrona, Wanaka last weekend. Their success at the Canterbury SS Championships a few weeks ago continued with our A and B team finishing in first and second place respectively in the boys' team event (Giant Slalom).

MIC skiing, Mr Martin Hayes, says that both teams have a strong group of committed skiers. "On the day this kind of racing comes down to split seconds for individuals and a bad gate or slip can affect the team dramatically."

A team: Nick Gemmell (our top individual performer), Hugh Garbarini-McKendry, James O'Donoghue and Tommy Loeffen-Gallagher

B team: Hamish Grigg, Campbell Moreton, Charles Carey and Barnaby Carey

The boys also took part in the relatively new sport of Ski Cross, where a cross terrain course is raced by four skiers at a time in knockout style. Campbell Moreton made the final four, but was beaten to fourth place by the older and stronger boys.

Mr Hayes says, "All in all it was our most successful skiing results, and promising for 2012 as six of the eight boys will be available to compete for College again."

Christ's College skiers Hugh Garbarini-McKendry and Campbell Moreton recently competed in the latest National Youth Race Series, New Zealand Youth Championships in the J1 Mens category. This was a three day event, running from Friday 19 August through to Sunday 21 August.

Hugh's results included a 2nd place in the Slalom event on Friday, 1st place in the Giant Slalom on Saturday and 2nd place in Sunday's Super G. Campbell finished 1st in Friday's Slalom and in the Super G. He did not finish the Giant Slalom.



Hugh Garbarini-McKendry

NZSO NATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Justin Standring and Matt Harris, two of our Music Scholars, joined 87 orchestral musicians aged between 12 and 25 for a nine day residential course last month as members of the NZSO National Youth Orchestra. The course, starting in Wellington and ending in Auckland, enabled some of the country's finest young orchestral players to perform music to a high level under the direction of British conductor James Judd, the Musical Director Emeritus of the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra.



Festiva for Organ and Orchestra by American composer Samuel Barber. The world premier of a work entitled, *An Atlas of Unfixed Stars*, commissioned for the 2011 orchestra from Wellington composer Alexandra Hay and finally, the mighty *Symphony No. 2 in E Minor* by Sergei Rachmaninov.

If you can find a ticket, you can see Justin and Matt play with the orchestra, as they have the honour of accompanying Plácido Domingo in his Christchurch concert, 6 October at the CBS Canterbury Arena.

Nick Coxon, Head of Instrumental Music

Since its inception in 1959, the National Youth Orchestra has played a vital role in providing a unique opportunity for the country's most gifted young orchestral performers, many of whom have gone on to forge successful careers as orchestral players, soloists, chamber musicians and teachers.

Justin, who is in his second year with this orchestra, was the piccolo player, probably the smallest instrument to cart around, and so little chance of a hernia there! Auditions for a place in the orchestra were held in April in what is termed a 'blind' audition, in that those listening and judging do not know who the candidates are so that the whole process is completely impartial. The audition consisted of set excerpts from difficult orchestral works, as well as a piece of the candidate's own choice. These are recorded and played back anonymously to NZSO players in Wellington, who then choose players – in Justin's case, two flautists and a piccolo player and in Matt's, eight double bass players. Both found out that they had been accepted a couple of months later.

Justin was very enthusiastic about being able to work with James Judd. Of him, Justin commented, "He was full of energy and had a clear idea of how he wanted the music to sound. This is especially important with a group of youths." He also enjoyed working with Cameron Carpenter, the organ soloist in one of the works played, because he too was a very experienced musician, and young enough to appreciate the importance of the orchestra. Cameron was full of praise for the orchestra, saying that he is soon to travel through Europe and he can guarantee that he won't find a youth orchestra with the same flair or enthusiasm.

For Matt his accomplishment is great for his age. He was chosen as one of eight double bass players and, unlike Justin, has one of the larger instruments in the orchestra to lug around. He was excited to be playing in venues that famous musicians such as The Beatles have played in.

Each day was full-on, with six to eight hours of playing each day. There were two, three-hour sessions each day, a one to two hour youth ambassador session involving planning and going to primary schools to introduce music to young students and on top of all this, about an hour of personal practise to be done.

The orchestra gave two public concerts, one in Wellington and one in Auckland. The Programme comprised of *Toccata*



FROM THE CHAPLAIN

The diocesan synod was held last weekend. Each year more and more young Old Boys from Christ's College are noticeable by their involvement in leadership at parish and diocesan level, something I noted in one of my speeches.



Our school's way is to have a student present at synod with speaking and voting rights and another, with speaking rights, who will take on the right to vote as the former leaves school. Harry Tohill has been an excellent voting representative, and George Mander, at this his first synod, very quickly got the hang of the parliamentary procedures being followed. Our school can be proud of them and of the Old Boys I mentioned.

Discussions included the response of the diocese to the earthquakes (24 Anglican churches can currently not be used) and some of the housing and other concerns that result from that. There were the usual accounts, reports, budget, and attempting to improve existing statutes, as well as matters of interest ranging from Fiji to a General Synod commission, and decisions on liturgy.

On September 11 we remember ten years since the terrorist attack in USA. On that day we altered the school timetable and stopped as a community in the middle of the day to have a special Chapel service. Secular schools did not have such a basis on which to register this important event. Nor, sadly, do they take up sufficiently the opportunity to increase knowledge of different points of view.

As you know, students here study six world religions and the expectation is that every student leaving this school has a good grasp of those faiths. It seems to me increasingly more important that young people have an appreciation of different perspectives so that we can have a greater chance of living in peace and harmony together. I have just been studying

Islam with my Year 10 classes and I am delighted that there is positive interest among all the students to understand that religion better.

Blessings
Bosco Peters, Chaplain



The Chaplain, George Mander, Harry Tohill at the meeting of the diocesan synod



Harry Tohill speaking at the diocesan synod in the debate on housing issues following the earthquakes.

OUR PUBLICATIONS

We love to hear about the achievements of Christ's College boys outside of school to include in our publications. Any photos of our teams and boys competing are also most welcome.

Please email: inblackandwhite@christscollege.com to share images and news of the achievements of College boys.

Jacqueline Gilbert, Publications Manager

SAVE THE DATE

The 2011 Leavers' Function will be at the CBS Arena on Saturday 3 December.

SUIT HIRE FROM SERGIOS

SUIT COLLECTION:

Please collect your suit at their establishment on either Thursday 15 September or Friday 16 September. After school is preferable. The address is 3/66 Office Road in Merivale.

SUIT RETURN:

Please bring your suits to the foyer of the Christ's College Assembly Hall by 9.00am on Monday 19 September. If this is not suitable, please return your suit to 3/66 Office Road before 5pm, Monday 19 September.

COLTS

The Colts team beat the previously unbeaten Harewood 2-1 to win the Youth Division 1 Final last Saturday. College played one of their best team games of the season with some outstanding passing and tight defence. College scored a goal in each half. The first an impressive shot from the top of the circle by Mac Bolderston, the second, from Martyn Roe, was a deflection at the end of an impressive build up.

The win capped off an impressive season for the team. During the round robin stage of the competition, College played 9 games for 8 wins and 1 loss (to Harewood). They then went on to beat St Bedes in the Semi-final 4-2. The team had the impressive season statistics of 42 goals for and 12 goals against. Captain Mac Bolderston led by example with an impressive 16 goals throughout the season. However, this

certainly was a team effort with the success not just being in the results but the development of the players throughout the season.

The last time College won this competition was in 2005 and, with this team comprising of Year 9, 10 and 11 players, it highlights that the future of College hockey is certainly bright.

The team was: Mac Bolderston (Captain), Nick Clarke, Ben Satterthwaite, Jono Hartland, Charles Fraser, Michael Allison, Nico Cronshaw, Sam Feutz, Joe Mulder, Tom Cameron-Dunn, Michael Newton, Martyn Roe, Antony Thomas, Rory Williamson, Sam Wilson and Kenny Duncan (Coach)

Darrell Thatcher, Manager

DIVISION WIN

On Sunday 2 September the 2nd XI played the final of the Senior Men's Division 3 Porritt Cup competition against Rangiora, a team who had defeated College 3 – 1 during the pool play (an encounter where the pitch turned white as last month's big snow arrived.)

The loss placed College in the semi-final round against the winners of the Championship round-robin, the Harewood Red team. The semi-final turned out to be a fast paced and action filled game with College leading 1 – nil into the final minutes. A flurry of controversial decisions by one of the umpires led first to a converted penalty stroke against College and then a disallowed goal by College, so the full time score was drawn. In the penalty shoot-out Tom Crisp scored College's only successful stroke but a string of saves by Brian Lee left the scores still tied after the first five attempts. Finally, in sudden death, another save by Brian, with Tom slotting his stroke, won the game 3 – 2. Top class hockey and an unforgettable game for everyone involved.

On to the final.... College scored the first goal on a fast break early in the first half to provide a very satisfying start to the rematch between these two teams. Pressure from Rangiora allowed them to equalize before half-time. A confident team performance in the second half produced increasingly effective



pressure in the midfield but the few scoring opportunities went wide. The team dugout evolved into a casualty evacuation station with several bruises receiving ice, one broken arm requiring a splint and a bloody nose to mop up. It was a very clean and fairly-contested game but one played at pace and with upmost commitment from the College boys.

With injuries mounting and with no more reserves available the full-time score was drawn at 1 - all. For the second week running the result depended on the penalty stroke team; three saves by Brian Lee and three converted strokes saw College win the final 4 – 3.

Dr Andrew Taylor

FAREWELL

Mr Charlie Longley has been appointed to a management role outside of education and finishes at Christ's College on Thursday 15 September. Mr Longley has been teaching in the History department since 2005 and, among other positions of responsibility while at College, has most recently been the Housemaster of School House. We wish him well with his career change.

Mr Grant Hamilton, who is currently the Headmaster at Waihi School has been appointed as the new Housemaster for School House. We look forward to welcoming Grant and his wife Iva to the College in 2012. Mr Neil Porter will be the interim Housemaster until then.

