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FROM THE HEADMASTER

There was a full cathedral in Nelson for the funeral of Claudia Wysocki, former Executive Principal of St Margaret's. Her serenity and her uncomplaining approach to her final weeks was but more evidence of the remarkable personal qualities which endeared her to so many St Margaret's girls and their parents over the years. We are pleased to be hosting the **St Margaret's memorial service for Claudia on Monday 2 April in our Chapel, at 4.00pm. All are most welcome.**

The campus Preparations for the new temporary classrooms on the former site of the Chapman building are progressing to schedule, and the planned evacuation of the Open Air Block for its full refit will be going ahead over the holidays, and first couple of weeks of Term 2. The slate roof on the old Maths Block has been stripped for reuse, prior to the demolition which will start this weekend – it will then be suspended for a week, and completed in the holidays. The Harper/Julius exterior may not appear to change much, but rest assured there is much going on inside. I went in yesterday to get a few pictures, to give you some impression.

The West Wing A small image of the proposed new building to replace the maths/English and Chapman buildings was included in the last newsletter, and a larger version here. Still to be finally approved, the design is likely to be very similar to this image, and will be launched officially shortly. The view is from Upper, with Open Air to the right, and the Fine Arts Building behind. There is another whole wing stretching back at right angles from the left corner, replacing the mathematics block. At the front on the ground floor, can be seen the glazed circulation area, which will also provide refreshments during the day, and for sports fixtures at weekends. The glazed link between the two parts of the building will preserve the view through to the



field we have all grown to enjoy since the demolition of English. In all a very exciting project, the biggest in the College's history.

Last week, we enjoyed *Shake Ripple and Roll* our junior musical with Rangi Ruru – a simple tale about the future of an ice-cream parlour, with lots of singing, dancing and high drama, before all were able to live happily ever-after when the juke box finally revealed its secret. A light, easy and memorable show, a credit to those involved. There has been a lot happening in recent weeks on the sporting as well as the cultural fronts – I hope all are able to keep up with the regular news updates on the website.

ICT Strategy Parents will be receiving an updated strategy for the school's ICT development early next term. We have decided not to proceed with the provisionally proposed iPad based philosophy, though are developing many of the constituent ideas.



After the disruptions of the last year, and some improvisations still with us, staff energy is needed to ensure we remain at the forefront of academic achievement, across all abilities. A degree of rationalisation has been required, and I do not feel a major change in ICT policy at this stage guarantees the success we would require in the short term. We have also found that, in fact, a flexible approach is working very well; many staff are allowing, and encouraging, the use of own devices in a wide range of learning activities. In all cases though, this is to individual staff preference, and is not a prescribed approach. We are providing class sets of iPads available for staff use, in addition to our 'high end' computer suites.

Our new building will contain the most up-to-date technology, but with a completion date in 2014, even anticipating what that will mean by then is not easy, such is the rapidness of change! Similarly, the iPad has progressed since this discussion was started, with the latest version available only this week. The range of new tablet machines grows daily. In essence, we risk building in redundancy in any phased roll out period, inevitably having different generations of machines as opposed to a common working platform.

We are also wanting to reflect the individual needs of the boys as accurately as possible. Some boys derive great benefit from IT equipment appropriate to their learning needs and preferences, whilst others are happiest working in a more paper based way. Many staff are committed to, and highly innovative in using, digital opportunities for developing their teaching, and our intranet is a resource used by all. Where staff are achieving excellent outcomes, not only in terms of results, but as importantly in providing engaging and productive content, they should choose how best to meet that objective.

Our wireless network is extensive, and contains in-built supervision and protection facilities. But our internet traffic is not 'free' and we have to impose some restrictions on how the provision can be used. Nevertheless, our aim is for the use of technology within the school to mirror the reality outside – which is own choice of technology, if any, flexibility in use, and upgrading as desired and when convenient.

I also return to the 'focus' issue; we are determined to develop the ability to concentrate and think deeply, and to instil the essentials of effective selfmotivated learning. A well chosen IT based approach can be a significant benefit, but equally we must be alert to the potential for distraction when individual boys lack a complete commitment to the task in front of them. A document entitled 'The digital dimension' is being prepared, and will be sent to all parents early next term.

Finally, a quorum was achieved at the **Parents' Association AGM** on Monday, and we moved smoothly through the appointment of the new committee. Can I take this opportunity to thank Nicci Wyllie, Donna Procter, Ceredwin Fowler and Margie Fairgray for all their work for the school during their terms of office, supported of course by an enthusiastic and ever willing group of parents. Margie is continuing as treasurer, and we welcome Kerry Mannis as Chairman, and Chris Korako as secretary. Our Parents' Association is exclusively focussed on developing the enjoyment of the school for parents, through its own events and support for many of the school's important functions. They are always willingly on hand for prospective parent events, to give the insiders' view, which all find so helpful. The next meeting, to which you are warmly invited, will be on 7 May, at the start of next term, at my house, at which (amongst other things) we can discuss how to structure parent consultation about uniforms, a subject raised in the recent parent survey. We will ask for numbers (for light refreshments) at the start of next term.

CALENDAR EVENTS

Week 9

- W 28 Confirmation preparation group, 7.30pm
- Th 29 Interhouse junior volleyball, Gym, 12.45pm
- F 30 Sheilah Winn Festival ends Year 12 General Studies, OBT, 1.15pm
 - Year 9 OE camp returns, 4.00pm
- Sa 31 Weekend programme available for all boarders Final Saturday activities for the term
 - SISS athletics championships begin

APRIL

Su 1 Palm Sunday Rowers return from Maadi Cup Regatta Holy Eucharist, 9.00am CSS polo tournament, Sefton, 10.00am Flower's House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 7.00pm Richards House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 7.30pm Jacobs House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 8.00pm School House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 8.30pm

Week 10

M 2 Harper House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 8.00am Year 13 biology field trip, Lauriston, 9.15am-3.30pm Rolleston House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 1.20pm Winter sports meetings & trials, 4.00pm Condell's House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 5,30pm Julius House Music rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 6.00pm Tu 3 Interhouse senior volleyball, Gym, 1.15pm Big Band & Schola Cantorum sound check, CBS Arena, 2.00pm Small vocal group sound checks, CBS Arena, 3.15pm Small instrumental group sound checks, CBS Arena, 3.45pm House choir backing group sound checks, CBS Arena, 4.15pm Somes House Music rehearsal, CBS Arena, 5.45pm Corfe House Music rehearsal, CBS Arena, 6.05pm

Hopefully the scaffolding round the house will have gone by then. One of the neighbour's children asked: 'Why has Mr Leese got such a big 'Jungle Gym'? Is it because he is the Headmaster?' Obviously.

Simon Leese, Headmaster



West end subdivision takes shape (for the remainder of the year only)



Foundations for the new Harper/Julius sheer wall near completion



Harper/Julius roof bracing frames, and ply ceiling diaphragm completed before steel framing is installed

CALENDAR EVENTS

cont.

- Tu 3 House Music Festival, CBS Arena, 7.00pm
- W 4 Sport Canterbury Summer Sport Awards Winter sports meetings & trials, 2.30pm
 - 'JCSS' rehearsal, Assembly Hall, 7.00pm-9.00pm
- Th 5 Maundy Thursday Term ends Years 9 & 13 parent/teacher interviews, Assembly Hall, 4.00pm-6.00pm
- F 6 Good Friday

HOLIDAYS

- Sa 7 1st XI cricket tour to England departs
- Tu 10 'JCSS' technical rehearsal week begins, Assembly Hall
- Su 15 'JCSS' technical rehearsal week ends, Assembly Hall
- Tu 24 'JCSS' rehearsal intensive week begins, Assembly Hall
- Su 29 'JCSS' rehearsal intensive week ends, Assembly Hall
- M 30 1st XI cricket tour returns



Architect's drawing of the new 'West wing'

CURRICULUM NOTES

In his sermons in Chapel over the past week the Chaplain has talked about how we might look for a sense of awe in the universe, its creation and its existence. His references brought a smile to my face as I made the connection with yet another of Art Costa's Habits of Mind, 'Responding with wonderment and awe'.



Costa suggests that one of the characteristics of successful

people is that they respond to new knowledge and understanding with wonderment and awe. I can clearly remember a sense of awe as I sat in Stage 1 Algebra classes over 35 years ago and worked my way through simple algebraic proofs. We might find this sense of wonderment and awe anywhere: in the experience of seeing dovetail joints fit snugly together as you finally assemble a timber cabinet in the workshop, putting the finishing touches to a painting, having a balance sheet balance, completing a 100m sprint in a new personal best time, or watching a chemistry reaction unfold exactly as the teacher suggested that it might.

Every one of us is surrounded by opportunities to experience the awe that exists in our daily lives. As adults it is a remarkable experience to help teenagers experience this same wonderment and awe in what they do (and probably something that keeps many of us in the teaching profession). As parents we play a huge part in developing this response to new knowledge and skills in the way that we respond when our children discover something new, or acquire a new skill.

Term 2 and Term 3 are filled with assessments for seniors, with their trial examinations in Term 3. In addition, we are all juggling our time with sporting and cultural commitments. Please remember that we maintain an assessment planner that displays all of the senior (Year 11 to 13) assessments through the year. Go to the web page and look under the Information tab, Assessment Planner, to see when your son's assessments are coming up. This year more than most these are reasonably well spread out for most boys, but there are still several 'choke points' in the year when several assessments are due at the same time.

As Term 1 draws to a close, it might be a good time for us all to sit back for a moment and consider what we have learned, and how we have learned it. And just maybe we might gain some sense of that wonderment and awe that excites us to learn more as the pressure comes on next term.

Finally, if your son is in Year 11, a little advanced notice that on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday 22 May we are running our annual Study Skills workshops with Karen Boyes from Spectrum Education. The session for dayboys runs from 4pm to 6pm, while for boarders the session will run from 7pm to 9pm. The workshops do incur a cost.

Mr R Sutton, Senior Master Curriculum



YEAR II FIELD TRIP TO HANMER SPRINGS

On Tuesday 20 March a group of Year 11 geographers travelled to Hanmer Springs to gather information about the impacts of tourism on the town. The 44 boys completed a number of tasks including mapping parts of the town, surveying tourists and locals, surveying traffic flows and ranking sites on their environmental quality. A quick dip in the hot pools followed. An individual written report will be submitted for Achievement Standard 91011, worth 4 credits in geographic research.

Mr PJ Cooper, HOD Geography





CAREERS

Events since the last In Black & White

- University of Canterbury Liaison visit (Year 12)
- University of Otago Liaison visit (Year 13)
- Massey University Liaison

Dates



Dates	
TERM 1	Important Dates:
	30 March: General studies Year 12, Lincoln
	University liaison visit
HOLIDAYS	9 April: Navy Adventure Challenge
	16 April: Navy Adventure Challenge
	29 April: Year 13 group travel to Dunedin for
	Otago Open Day
TERM 2	30 April: Otago Tertiary study Open Day. Dunedin
	4 May: CPIT liaison visit (Year 12)
	10 May: University of Auckland, liaison visit,
	8.30-11.00am
	11 May: Victoria University (Wellington), liaison visit
	13–15 May: Careers Expo, Year 12 to visit
	15 May: Work Choice Day, Year 12
	18 May: General Studies Year 12, AUT
	(Auckland University of Technology) liaison visit
	25 May: Lincoln University, liaison visit (Year 13)
	8 June: CPIT liaison visit
	11 June: University of Otago, Law Seminar, Years 12 & 13
	1 August: University of Otago, Law Seminar, Years 12 & 13
	31 August: Study at Vic Day Open Day, Victoria University, Wellington

Otago Tertiary Study Open Day – 30 April, Year 13

Urgent: boys need to collect Parent Permission forms from the Careers room in Richards House. The following have indicated they will be travelling: Jun Ho Jin, Laurie Renwick, Philip Lee, Sam Choi, Anson Fong, James Luxton and Tim Carey.

careersnz

Cantabrians looking for information on career, work and learning options will now find it all available in one convenient place, thanks to an initiative developed by Careers New Zealand. For the first time Cantabrians of all ages and stages can get, from one site, all the information they need on education, skills, training, future job opportunities, and where the regional economy is going.

Browse the site at http://canterbury.careers.govt.nz

Computer Science

Doors open in many fields when students do a Computer Science degree – from computer animation, computer games, software design and robotics, through to legal, financial and business fields. Computer scientists are in demand across the world and attract excellent salaries. If you like solving problems a career as a computer scientist will be challenging and rewarding. There are no special requirements or prerequisites but for someone majoring in Computer Science NCEA Level 3 Mathematics (Calculus) would be useful.

Aoraki Polytechnic (Timaru)

Are you aware of the courses that are offered at Aoraki Polytechnic? For boys who don't see University as the next stage for them, the following courses may be of interest: Journalism, Sport & Fitness, Digital Photography, Film, Hospitality, Outdoor Education and International Tourism. Aoraki is providing its tertiary qualifications in Sport & Fitness in Christchurch and Timaru this year. The Diploma in Sport & Fitness prepares graduates with work-ready skills and is also an excellent stepping stone into degree level programmes in Exercise science, PE and Sport and Recreation.

NASDA for a Day

Interested in pursuing a career on stage or on screen? CPIT's National Academy of Singing and Dramatic Art (NASDA), offer a Bachelor of Performing Arts (Music Theatre) and are hosting experience days throughout the year so senior students can find out what performing arts training is all about. This is a great opportunity to get a feel of what it would be like to be a student at NASDA, and a lot of the NASDA for a Day participants decide to audition for a place in the programme the following year. Mr Sellars has application forms and dates.

Mr CP Sellars, Careers Advisor

HEALTH CENTRE

With winter fast approaching and holidays coming up this is the perfect time to arrange an influenza vaccination for your son. Make an appointment with your family doctor.

If your son becomes ill at school he must report to the Health Centre first so we can assess him and call you if we think he needs to go home. Some boys are contacting their parents directly and making their own arrangements to be collected from school. If your son is unwell in the morning please keep him at home to help prevent the spread of coughs and colds throughout the school. If boarders are unwell in the morning they should report to their House Matron.

Occasionally boys will find no one at the Health Centre as we are collecting medication from the hospital, checking on sick boys in the boarding houses or running errands. If this should happen a notice is placed on the door with instructions to contact us on our cell phone or if urgent to go to the school office. We always carry a cell phone with us and are easily contacted. Phone 364 8601 or cell 027 500 3357

MUFTI DAY

The Christ's College Humanitarian Committee held a mufti day last Friday in support of the Child Cancer Foundation's March Appeal month. This also coincided with Friday's Beads of Courage street appeal day. With the final amount still to be counted, the group has raised over \$1750 from the mufti day donation, a lunchtime sausage sizzle and the sale of Beads of Courage.

The boys will be collecting again for the Child Cancer Foundation at the House Music Festival on Tuesday 3 April.



SOUTH ISLAND TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Christ's College's A tennis team attended the South Island tournament held at Timaru over the weekend. The team was undefeated after the first two days, beating Southland Boys' High School, Timaru Boys' High School and John McGlashen College. On the final day the team faced Christchurch Boys' High School with the chance of finishing top overall. Unfortunately, despite a closely fought 3-all draw, CBHS won on games and College was placed third overall (as John McGlashen had won against CBHS to finish second).

All players performed well, especially Connor Heap who was the only player from any team unbeaten in singles and doubles in the whole tournament. Ben Johnston won all of his doubles and two of his singles matches and Charles Oswald won all of his singles and two of his doubles.



Henry Smit, Charles Oswald, Ben Johnston, Jack Silvester and Connor Heap

Mr AT Moore, MIC Tennis

CANTERBURY SECONDARY SCHOOLS' SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Canterbury Secondary Schools' Swimming Championships were held at Wharenui Pool on Thursday. Unlike QEII, which we have used in previous years, the pool complex is too small for spectators and is a challenge for swimmers, being a 25m pool of only 8 lanes. Sadly, the College team was missing some key members due to illness, injury, internal assessments or field trips, so we had a challenge on our hands from the onset.

As always, the boys rose to the occasion, and earned some commendable results:

Juniors	
Henry Idiens	3rd in 50m backstroke
Jared Chin	3rd in 50m fly
George Clarke	2nd in 50m freestyle
Ben Chen	2nd in 50m breaststroke
Michael Newton	5th in 50m fly
George Cooper	5th in 50m freestyle
Vincent Curd	3rd in 50m breaststroke (15 years)
Patrick Wynne	1st in 100m fly (Open boys) and 1st in 50mfly (16-18 boys)

Well done to all the boys and thanks to the staff who supported their participation. My thanks in particular to Charles Porter who came back to support the team and to do some time-keeping for the event, and to Mr Chris Williams who came to help at the event on the day.

Mr MR Hayes, MIC Aquatics

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Baptism (Christening)

By the end of this term I need to finalise any being baptised. On the first Friday of Term 2, 4 May at 6.45pm, there will be a simple baptism service in the presence of the choir and any family, friends, and supporters who would like to be there. At the service new choristers will also be inducted as full members of the choir.



If your son is not baptised ('christened' is another word for baptism), please talk with him. I need to know as soon as possible if he is interested.

All Year 9 students are studying baptism in class. If your son is in another year here, he will have done this earlier. I will meet with each student interested in baptism and go over what it means to them as well as the details of the service.

Confirmation

Confirmation preparation is going well. We are preparing together with students from St Margaret's College and the confirmation service will, this year, be in our Chapel, Sunday 27 May, 7pm. Some interested students have not been able to attend some sessions - we understand that it is especially those who involve themselves across so much that is happening in our school who show interest in confirmation, and we work around that. Any student who is being confirmed needs to be baptised (see above).

Jesus Christ Superstar

I am delighted that our school is preparing to present Jesus Christ Superstar. As we get ready to remember Palm Sunday and Holy Week, I hear students singing the passion story. This is another example and opportunity to make connections between Chapel and spirituality and drama and music. We will close the term by reflecting on the Gethsemane story, using the music and lyrics from Superstar.

Lent Appeal

Raising funds towards the Lent Appeal is going well. We had the City Missioner in to speak to Chapel, and this week we will hear from a student about the Barefoot Foundation (a nonprofit organization that tries to make education universally available to every child). We want the Lent Appeal to benefit those for whom we raise money. We want to learn about people's needs more. And we want to encourage these values to be life long. The Humanitarian Committee is a strong example of the students taking their own initiative in all this. Last week they raised funds for the Child Cancer Foundation.

May you and your family have refreshing holidays, a blessed conclusion to Lent, and a re-energising Easter Season.

Blessings Bosco Peters, Chaplain

A PLACE AT THE NATIONAL FINAL

A Christ's College team has won the local round of the International Young Physicists' Tournament. Year 13 boys David Clay, Min Chan Park and John Kwak narrowly beat the Christchurch Girls' High School entry to earn a place at the national final in Wellington on Saturday 31 March.

This regional tournament required the boys to find solutions to seven complex physical problems which were made available to them several months earlier. The tournament itself takes the form of a series of 'Physics Fights', in which one team is challenged to present their pre-prepared solution to one





Min Chan Park

of the problems by another team - one defending their work as the other attempts to find flaws. The flaws might involve physical understanding, experimental techniques, unexplained trends in the data, or unexplored parameters. This is judged by a jury panel.

The national final is also the selection event for the New Zealand team that may compete in the international tournament in Iran in July. The three members of the winning team and the best five students from the other teams will form the squad from which the five person New Zealand squad will be selected.

SPACE CAMP

Edward Roche (Condell's) has been awarded a full scholarship to attend a NASA space camp in Alabama. His application required him to design a space patch and write several essays, along with written references from College staff.



Edward, who is in Year 11, will attend the camp in August of this year.

ATHLETICS CANTERBURY CHAMPS

Following preliminary heats on Tuesday 13 March, 48 Christ's College boys reached the Championship finals for Canterbury Secondary Schools' athletics. This event was held on Saturday 17 March at the new venue of Rawhiti Domain, with many of the College boys achieving personal bests on the day. The highlight of the day for Christ's College was the narrow win, by just 1/100th of a second, over St Bede's College in the 4 x 400 Open relay.

Ben Wade (Jacobs) also had an impressive day, competing in the 1500m, 800m, discus, $4 \times 100m$, and $4 \times 400m$ and earning two first places, two third places, and a fifth place. College boys who earned top four places have now qualified to attend the South Island Secondary Schools' athletics meeting being held at Nelson from 30 March until 1 April.

Firsts

Reid Edmond Matt McKellar Toby Franks Brock Timperley Freddy Faull Simon Early 4 x 100m 4 x 400m U14 Triple Jump
U14 Javelin
Junior Triple Jump
Senior Triple Jump
Senior Javelin
Open Hammer
Junior A Lukonin, AJ Finlayson, ET Franks, BJ Wade
Open BJ Wade, NCO Hutchinson, DS McKenzie, SG Gilchrist

Seconds

Felix Ellerm Norton Thomas Cresswell Laurie Renwick Damian McKenzie Sam Gilchrist Alexander Gregory 4 x 100m 4 x 100m U14JavelinOpenPole VaultOpenHammerSenior100mSenior200m and 400mSenior800mU14AJL Gray, MJ McKellar, NGJ Punivai, TR MitchellSeniorS Choi, SG Gilchrist, NCO Hutchinson, DS McKenzie

Thirds

Ngane Punivai Mac Bolderston Tom Perkins Edward Close Angus McKenzie Toby Franks Freddy Faull Ben Wade Nick Hutchinson Tom Guy U14

Open

Open

Open

Junior

Senior

Open

Triple Jump

Intermediate Long Jump Intermediate Triple Jump

Pole Vault

Pole Vault

800m and 1500m

Steeplechase

Hammer

400m

Senior Javelin

Fourths

Matthew Minish Tom MacFarlane John Borland Laurie Renwick Alex Birkett Daniel Keleghan Tom Macfarlane Patrick Wynne Junior Javelin Intermediate Shot Put Intermediate Javelin Senior Shot Put U14 3000m Junior 80m Hurdles Intermediate 100m Open 300m Hurdles





Bryce Park



Matt McKellar

MATHEMATICS BUILDING

The Christ's College Registers for 1915-1919 are sad reading. Photographs and obituaries of those Old Boys' who were killed in the First World War take up many of the pages. Yet in amongst this there is evidence that not only was College making sure that its day to day academic and sporting life was continuing, but that it was also planning for the future. The buildings which will be demolished in the coming weeks are the physical reminders of that foresight. While the face of the Quad will not change as the Hare Memorial will remain, the building behind it will be reduced to rubble and bricks.

The Hare Memorial Classroom was designed by Cecil Walter Wood and was constructed during 1916. It was originally the College Library and was funded by the Christ's College Old Boys in memory of Francis Augustus Hare, Master, Headmaster, Chaplain and Principal of the Upper Department. When the library outgrew the space in 1958 and moved into Big School, it was re-invented for the teaching of music and most recently was a History classroom.

Immediately to the west of the Hare block are two classrooms which were built of brick, at the same time from College funds. They were so successful that when Wood returned from the First World War, where he had served in the New Zealand Field Artillery (1917-1919), his first task was to increase the number of classrooms towards Upper. The result was a further extension that housed two more classrooms and the science laboratories. It combined both the Gothic and Arts and Crafts styles that Wood had used so successfully in 1915. The science laboratories, as the English block, have already been demolished and by the end of the Easter holidays there will be another view which College has not seen since about 1919 – the side of School House across the "cartway" which Wood marked so carefully in his original plans.

J Teal, Archivist

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The Mathematics Department, 1929. From the LJ Wood Album



In April 2013 a combined Year 11 & 12 Geography and History field trip to Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia (essentially Indochina) will take place.

The aim of the fieldtrip is the same as the previous four very successful trips; that is to provide our students with a unique experience outside of the classroom.

The way that people relate to their environment varies, depends on their values, perceptions and traditions. The main idea behind this fieldtrip is to challenge some of boy's viewpoints but also to provide a valuable practical experience that can be related to their learning.

We will be visiting such famous places as Angkor Wat, S21 prison in Cambodia, The Plain of Jars in Laos and the Hanoi Hilton prison and Mekong Delta in Vietnam.

Interested students should in the first instance get an information pack from Mr Nicholson or Mr Cooper before the end of the first term.



BOARDING PROGRAMME

Another two weeks of Boarding Programme activities have now taken place.....

Last weekend started with the Crazy Legz Boarders' Relay. This was a boarding fundraising activity for Lent. Each year group from each House had to run the marathon distance as a relay – from the quad to the bridge into Hagley Park by Salisbury Street and back formed the circuit for participants. Prior to the event each boy had gained sponsorship and our thanks goes to all who supported them.

On the Saturday evening the boys mini golf skills were tested at Caddyshack, while on the Sunday 50 boys spent time doing what boys love doing - that is the Ultimate Game Paintball at McLeans Island.

Last Saturday night saw over 100 boys support the Crusaders in their first home game in nearly two years. A perfect evening weather wise, as well as a great atmosphere at the new stadium and, of course, the correct result saw the boys thoroughly enjoying themselves.

On Sunday it was out to Sumner for some surfing. We also welcomed several boys from Medbury and Waihi Prep schools to allow them to experience what the boarding programme is all about.

This term's programme finishes this weekend with some ice skating on Saturday evening and then a golf day on Sunday.

Mr DJ Thatcher, Boarding Programme Coordinator





The combined Rangi Ruru/Christ's College stellar cast of Jesus Christ Superstar are hard at work preparing a massive production of Jesus Christ Superstar. The man who was adored, betrayed, forsaken...and changed the course of history! Cast, orchestra and crew are working through the holidays toward opening night Monday 14 May, in the College Hall. That's week 3 of Term 2. Be touched by Jesus Christ Superstar!



ASSEMBLY NOTES

Tuesday 27 March 2012

PRAYER: Chaplain

NOTICES

From Mr Sellars

General Studies is for Year 12 this week – to be seated in the OBT by 1.15pm please.

From Mr Sutton

All Year 11 boys are to meet with Mr Sutton in the Assembly Hall at 1.15pm on Friday for some important information on NCEA. Please be prompt.

From Ms Evans

New Zealand Model United Nations runs during the Term 2 holidays. If you are interested in applying, email Ms Evans for an application form and details of the process

ACTIVITY REPORT: Tom Barlow, Prefect Julius House

Summer sport concludes this week with Tournament Week around the country and many sports having their final weekend of competition.

For College, the rowing club have travelled to Twizel and are currently competing in the National Secondary Schools' championships with the culmination being the boys' eights race for the Maadi Cup late on Saturday afternoon. Also this weekend, a number of College athletes will be travelling to Nelson to compete in the South Island Schools' Athletics Championships after a very good showing at the Canterbury Championships a couple of weekends ago. For the 1st XI cricket side, Saturday will be their last game of the term with a semi-final Gillette Cup match against St Bede's which, with a win, will put them into the regional final once again in Term 4.

The College waterpolo side have competed this term on a Wednesday evening in the Senior competition. The team have competed well and last week played off for third place but were unable to defeat Burnside High School and lost the match 7–1.

Both Senior A tennis sides lost last week, but a better record was shown from the B grade teams with the top four sides recording wins. The B1 side defeated Christchurch Boys' High School B, and the B2 side won against Rangiora A. The B3 team won 6 nil over St Bede's College's A3 while the B4 side won by a narrow 25–22 games over St Andrew's College's B1. The College's top Year 10 and Year 9 sides finished the term strongly with wins and have performed consistently well over the season.

Last weekend the 1st XI cricket side lost their one day match to St Andrew's College while the 2nd XI recorded a very good win over Timaru Boys' High School 1st XI. Batting first, Timaru were dismissed for 144 thanks to a great spell of bowling from **Jack English** who claimed 6 for 34. In reply, College achieved the total with only the loss of five wickets thanks to a very good partnership from **Thomas Stevenson** and Q**uinn Angus**. Both the 3rd XI and Colts sides had first innings wins over their opponents. **Thomas Small**, in his first match back from injury, took 5 for 7 for the 3rd XI while **Harry** Bonifant scored 64 for the Colts to help them develop a first innings lead. Matthew Smith was 67 not out for the Youth A while William Lacey-Metcalfe took 4 for 7 for Youth B to help both sides to wins on the weekend. The innings of the weekend was Sam Heselwood who scored 111 for the Year 10A who had another large victory. The Year 9 A side were made to work hard for their victory over South West cricket, winning by only 15 runs, while the Y9 Black and White side remain unbeaten and look forward to the local derby between the two teams. The White team were in trouble defending 140 with Christchurch Boys' High School 125 for 3 but some superb fielding and bowling saw CBHS lose their last six wickets for 3 runs and a win to College by 3 runs. Isaac Hobson had a great double on Saturday scoring 54 not out and then claiming two wickets for no runs for the T20 side in their win over CBHS Red.

PRESENTATIONS:

Cricket certificates:

Jack English – for claiming 6 for 34 for 2nd XI v Timaru BHS Richard Goodwin – for scoring 120 for Y10Bs v St Bede's Sam Heselwood – for scoring 111 for Y10As x STAC Thomas Small – for claiming 5 for 7 for 3rd XI v South West Cricket

Interhouse junior tennis – Rolleston defeated Harper 4-2

PRESENTATION BY: Thomas Frost (Flower's House Old Boy and 2011 Academic Head of School) – on his THIMUN trip to The Hague

HEADMASTER:

Expectations for boys travelling to Twizel at the weekend for the Maadi Regatta

- Safe travel
- Exemplary conduct at the course
- Strong and positive support for the rowers
- Boys who have sporting fixtures this weekend are expected to attend those fixtures and not excuse themselves to go to Twizel
- Must have parental approval to drive to Twizel

THE COLLEGE CLOTHING SHOP

HOLIDAY HOURS

The Uniform Shop will close on Thursday 5 April for Easter and the week after, and will reopen on Monday 16 April

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

16 April – 20 April, 10.00am-4.30pm, 23 April – 27 April, 10.00am-4.30pm Closed Saturdays

TERM 2 From 30 April, 10.00am-5.00pm

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TERM ONE IMAGES



Golf, Otago Boys' High School Summer Tournament



Big Band perform at Open Day



Shake, Ripple and Roll production



Richards House supporters during the Athletics



Prefects' Induction



Biology Field Trip at Temple Basin



Preparing to sail in Lyttelton Harbour



Year 9 Orientation



The Chapel Choir at The Press memorial service



Swimming Sports



Crash Bash presentation







Mr Gildenhuys' Mathematics Class



Cricket, Otago Boys' High School Summer Tournament



Founders' Dinner