



# IN BLACK & WHITE

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## FROM THE ACTING HEADMASTER

The Black and White Ball in the marquee on Upper, on Friday 14 September, will be a very enjoyable occasion and a great antidote to the doom and gloom of recent times. The committee has gone to a lot of trouble to create a special event for the guests and I encourage parents, friends and Old Boys to support their efforts. Without the Black and White Ball, the School Ball for Year 12 and 13 boys the following night in the marquee would not be viable, which is yet another reason to support it. Tickets are available from the Headmaster's secretary: [smlindsay@christscollege.com](mailto:smlindsay@christscollege.com), or phone 03 364 6811. The Ball committee can assist you with table allocations.

We have just completed a successful forty years on reunion weekend. For this occasion, Old Boys return forty years after their first year of entry to College. In some cases, Old Boys had not returned to College since their school days and therefore were struck by the changes to the campus since they left, including those resulting from the earthquakes. The foresight shown by the Board, in strengthening our historic buildings over the years, was evident to the reunionists as they toured the school and compared our buildings with the devastation of other parts of the city. In particular, they enjoyed the dinner in our Dining Hall and were, naturally, delighted that it was still there for us to use. On Friday, the Chaplain had challenged the current Year 9s to think about what school, and society, would be like when they returned for their forty years on reunion. I am sure that many of the boys would not be able to comprehend that span of time, let alone the changes that may occur in the next forty years, or even think of themselves as being in their fifties. I used the Chaplain's idea in my reunion dinner speech and covered how much has changed at College in the last forty years, along with a few aspects which have

not. The latter, for the most part, are 'good traditions well maintained'. The former relate mainly to new ways of learning and the use of information technology. I noted that Computer Science was introduced in 1975. Look how far we have come since then and imagine what the future may hold, if you can. Skype and the internet would have been science fiction concepts when I was a teenager.



Week 7 will be action-packed, what with Tournament Week and a number of social occasions for parents, as calendared. We look forward to the 7s tournament at the CCC grounds on Saturday, which is an entertaining event for spectators, especially if we get a fine spring day.

Mr Arthur Wood, Housemaster of Flower's House, has announced his resignation with effect from the end of this year. We will find an opportunity next term to thank him for his valuable contributions to teaching, sports coaching and pastoral care. It is with pleasure that I announce Mr Andrew Levenger as the new Housemaster for Flower's from 2013. Andrew joined the staff this term as a mathematics teacher and he has a keen interest in hockey and cricket. He has a wealth of experience in boarding, as an assistant boarding Housemaster at Ardingly College in the UK and more recently as a boarding Housemaster at Repton Dubai.

Rob Donaldson, Acting Headmaster

## THE BLACK & WHITE BALL

**GLAMOUR ON THE RED CARPET**

*Friday 14 September 2012, 7.30 pm – 1.00 am  
Marquee on Upper, \$175 per person*

**HAVE YOU GOT YOUR TICKET?**

**FLYER AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER**

# FROM THE CHAPLAIN

This weekend is the meeting of the diocesan synod. The synod is the governing body of the Anglican Church in Canterbury and the West Coast. George Mander and I are voting members of the synod. The synod is also encouraging a young person to be present, from each community, with speaking (but not voting) rights. George Fitzgerald is coming in this capacity representing the school, and will take over George Mander's voting position next year. It is good to see two other current students will also be there. Matt Harris will be attending as part of the cathedral's contingent, and Etienne Wain will attend with St Christopher's, Avonhead. The church needs the voice and vision of young people. It is positive that these thoughtful young men are willing to participate in the decision-making processes. Such meetings for many will seem dull (for older as much as younger) – but the sharing of decision-making is one of the treasures of Anglicanism. Very important decisions lie before us as we work to rebuild Canterbury after the quakes. Christ's College has also been asked to lead Midday Prayer at synod on Saturday.



For a variety of reasons it has taken a bit longer to conclude this year's Lent Appeal, but the positive part of that is that there has been a near-record amount raised: \$16,620. Congratulations to all involved! Half of this will be given to the Barefoot Foundation (a non-profit organisation that tries to make education universally available to every child). The other half will be handed over to Mr Michael Gorman (from Christchurch City Mission) at Friday's Chapel service, and used for people in need here.



George Fitzgerald

Matt Harris

George Mander

Etienne Wain

## ASSEMBLY NOTES

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## YOUNG MUSICIAN AWARDS

Euwin Tan has placed second overall in the Institute of Registered Music Teachers of New Zealand Young Musician of the Year. Held at Rangi Ruru Girls' School, Euwin performed three piano pieces during the concert.

Judged by Trinity College London examiner, Malcolm Ball, report comments included, 'A precise and acute technique' and 'crystal clear perception and elegance from the outset'. Euwin earned \$250 for his second placing.



## THE OLD BOYS' SCHOLARSHIP FUND



The Old Boys' Scholarship Fund was established in 1922 with the express purpose of using the income to provide assistance to parents wishing to send their sons to Christ's College. This is available to both new entrants and those currently attending the College.

Applications forms are available from the CCOPA office, at 8 Gloucester Street, email [ccoba@ccoba.com](mailto:ccoba@ccoba.com) or phone 379 6738. Completed application forms need to be returned by 30 September.

**Justine Nicholl, CCOPA Secretary**

[www.ccoba.com](http://www.ccoba.com)

# CALENDAR EVENTS

Week 7		
Th 6	8.45am-3.15pm	Year 9 biology field trip, Mt Oxford
	7.00pm	Year 13 NCEA drama performance assesement, OBT
F 7	1.15pm	Year 13 General Studies, OBT
	7.00pm	Jacobs House dinner, The George
	7.00pm	Flower's House dinner, Dining Hall
	7.00pm	School House dinner, Clearwater
Sa 8		Weekend programme available for all boarders
		SISS cycling two-day tour begins, Blenheim
Su 9	1.00pm	Interhouse 7s rugby tournament, CCCG
		23rd Ordinary Sunday
	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
	9.30am	Jacobs House claybird shoot, Nth Canty Clay Target Club
	9.30am	Flower's House claybird shoot, Nth Canty Gun Club, Amberley
	9.30am	School House claybird shoot, Inland Road, Waiiau
Week 8		
M 10	4.00pm	Interhouse senior rugby semi-finals, CCCG
	4.00pm	Interhouse junior football final, CCCG
Tu 11	9.00am-3.45pm	Year 10 biology field trip, Cooper's Creek
	1.15pm	Interhouse chess semi-finals
	1.15pm	Winter sports photographs
	4.30-9.30pm	House Plays technical rehearsals, Assembly Hall (Ja, R, F, S)
	6.00-9.00pm	Year 10 German Oskar competition, Villa Maria School
W 12	3.00pm	Interhouse senior football final, CCCG
	5.00-10.00pm	House Plays dress rehearsals, Assembly Hall (R, S, F, Ja)
Th 13		House play week begins
	12.45pm	Interhouse senior debating semi-finals
	12.45pm	Winter sports photographs
	6.00pm	CSS interschool intermediate debating
	6.00-9.30pm	House Plays (S, F, Ja, R), Assembly Hall
F 14	1.15pm	Year 12 General Studies, OBT
	4.00-9.30pm	House Plays technical rehearsals, Assembly Hall (J, Ro, Cf)
	7.30pm	Black & White Ball, Upper
Sa 15		Weekend programme available for all boarders
		SISS skiing and snowboarding championships begin, Cardrona
		Final Saturday activities for term
Su 16	7.30pm	School Ball, Upper
		24th Ordinary Sunday
	6.30am	Boarders' ski bus to Mt Hutt
	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
	2.00-9.30pm	House Plays technical/dress rehearsals, Assembly Hall (So, Ro, H, Cf, C, J)
Week 9		
M 17	9.00am-3.00pm	UNICEF photography workshop for selected students, ICT1
	4.00pm	Summer sports meeting & trials
	6.30pm	House Plays, Assembly Hall (C, Cf, J)
Tu 18		Level 1 NZQA algebra external common assessment
	1.15pm	Interhouse chess final
	1.15pm	Interhouse senior debating final
	4.30pm	House Plays dress rehearsals Assembly Hall (H, So, Ro)



# CURRICULUM NOTES

As you read this edition of *In Black & White*, our senior boys will have finished their trial examinations, and hopefully will be pondering the implications of their results. This is a good time to reflect on how this information can be used over the remainder of the academic year.



The NCEA examination system focuses on thinking. To produce Merit and Excellence results requires thinking. However, this cannot occur in the absence of knowledge. We have to 'know stuff' first.

Perhaps the greatest mistake that students of any age make when studying is to focus on those things they already know. This may be understandable; there is a sense of comfort and affirmation to be gained from reading over familiar material. However, it doesn't help. Study time needs to be focused on what we don't know. After all, that is where we have the opportunity to improve our results and our understanding. The trial examinations represent arguably the single most useful study aid that boys could have in their lead up to the final external examinations. Each paper is a personalised catalogue of material that each boy needs to learn.

This is the 'stuff that they have to know' in order to be able to think, in order to be able to produce those Merit and Excellence results to which every boy should aspire. Every study session between now and the end of the year should include at least some reflection on the learning opportunities highlighted in each paper. This is good advice for boys in the junior school too, as they complete topic tests, and begin their preparation for end-of-year examinations in early November.

Mr R Sutton, Senior Master Curriculum

# SKIING NATIONAL TITLES

Two Christ's College skiers recently became National Junior title holders – Nicholas Gemmell of School House for Giant Slalom, and Ben Loeffen-Gallagher of Julius House for Slalom racing. These results were determined following a day's racing at Mt Hutt as part of the Junior National Ski Racing series.

Nicholas finished in first place for Giant Slalom, second place for Super Giant Slalom and third in the Slalom event. Ben Loeffen-Gallagher earned the National title with a second place finish to a Korean ski racer in the Slalom event.



*Nicholas Gemmell, School House*

# 1st XI HOCKEY WIN

The Christ's College Hockey 1st XI won the Christchurch Secondary Schools' 1st XI competition in an exciting final against St Andrew's College on Friday 24 August. St Andrew's College were previously unbeaten until the 3-1 result in front of a large number of Christ's College supporters at Marist Park.

After an even start, College scored first with Hamish McLean finishing off a fast break from Dominic Newman. St Andrew's then equalised

early in the second half and looked to be taking control before Jack Silvester scored from a deflection at the far post. The game was put beyond doubt with four minutes remaining when James Kean scored, again from a deflection.

This is the first year that a secondary schools' competition has been run, with teams previously playing amongst the men's grades.

The team is this week in Napier competing in the Rankin Cup tournament.



*Christ's College supporters congratulate players immediately after the game*

# CAREERS



## Events since the last *In Black & White*

- University of Melbourne, Information evening
- New York University Shanghai, visit
- University of Auckland, Courses & Careers Open Day, Auckland
- Study at Vic Day Open Day, Victoria University, Wellington

## Dates

TERM 3	Important Dates:
	5 September: Lincoln University, Course Planning, 2.30pm. Swiss Education Group, Swiss Hotel Management School, Chateau on the Park, 7.00pm. University of Auckland, Course planning
	8 September: CTC Aviation Training (NZ) Limited, Hamilton, Open Day
	12 September: University of Otago, Course Planning, 2.30pm. University of Canterbury, Course Planning, 3.00pm
	13 September: Queenstown Resort College Information evening
	14 September: University of Otago, Course Planning, 1.00pm
	19 September: Victoria University, Course Planning, 2.30pm
	20 September: University of Auckland, Course planning
	2-5 October: Queenstown Resort College Career Week

## Year 13 University Halls/Colleges 2013

Housemasters have completed the Confidential Hall application forms. These will be sent to the universities early next week. A reminder for Victoria University Accommodation that a \$75 fee is required in order to be considered for a position.

## University of Canterbury (UC) Scholarships

NCEA Level 2 Endorsement	NCEA Level 3 Endorsement	\$ Amount
Excellence	Excellence	\$3,000
Excellence	Merit	\$2,000
Excellence	Achieved	\$2,000
Merit	Excellence	\$2,000
Merit	Merit	\$1,000
Merit	Achieved	\$1,000
Achieved	Excellence	\$2,000
Achieved	Merit	\$1,000

## Year 12 Students (Otago University)

The number of credits gained and their value (Excellence, Merit or Achieved) is used as part of the selection process for degrees in dental technology, oral health, physical education, radiation therapy, teaching and in the award of scholarships and places in residential colleges.

## University of Waikato

Sir Edmund Hillary Scholarship Programme. New closing date, 1 October 2012. For students who excel academically and in sports or creative and performing arts. Online application form at [www.waikato.ac.nz](http://www.waikato.ac.nz)

## Lincoln University Scholarships

The Lincoln University database provides details of scholarships provided, promoted or administered specifically by the university. [www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholar](http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholar)

## Lincoln University Scholarships for Excellence: applications due 30 September.

**Lincoln University Industry Focused Scholarship:** applications due 18 November.

**Lincoln University Inclusive Undergraduate Award:** applications due 1 December.

**Sports Scholarships Testing Week:** Thursday 20 September – cricket, golf, hockey, netball, rowing, basketball, football. Friday 21 September – rugby.

## New York University - Shanghai

NYU Shanghai is NYU's newest degree granting campus, opening in September 2013. The initial class will consist of 250 students with 51% coming through the Chinese examination system and 49% from around the world. All classes will be conducted in English and non-Chinese speaking students will be expected to be proficient in Chinese upon graduation. Students will follow a liberal arts and sciences core curriculum for their first two years, deciding on a major at the end of the second year. They are eager for the students to experience and explore Shanghai and China through academics, co-curricular study trips, and summer internships in Shanghai, throughout China or even abroad. The ideal Shanghai student is academically ambitious, intellectually curious and is interested in building a knowledge and understanding of China. It is expected there will be financial aid available for international students. Mr Sellars has talked to their liaison staff and has more information.

## University of Canterbury – Theatre and Film

The proposal to disestablish Theatre and Film Studies at UC has been rejected by the University of Canterbury's Council. First year students will be able to take TAFS 101 Performance and TAFS 105 Puppets, Animated Film and Gaming.

## Year 13 Maori or Pacific students – Engineering

Students who are taking physics and calculus should apply via a MAPTES application. This will give them not only the best chance for entrance into the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Auckland, but also the best chance of success once they have begun their studies.

## University of Otago – Maori Science Scholarships, Year 12 in 2013

Dunedin January 13-18 2013. Scholarship covers flights, accommodation, food, programme activities and entertainment. Closing date Wednesday 19 September 2012. Further information from Mr Sellars

## Aoraki Polytechnic – Sport & Fitness

On Saturday 20 September Aoraki Polytechnic is giving students the chance to experience life as a sport and fitness student at the Christchurch Park campus. The Open Day is a 'hands on' insight into the Sport and Fitness Industry. 9.30am-2.30pm. A timetable of the day is available.

Mr CP Sellars, Careers Advisor

# FENCING RESULTS

Julius Herzhoff (Year 13 Jacobs House) and Daniel Keleghan (Year 11 Rolleston House) competed recently at the New Zealand under-20 Fencing competitions. Daniel place 25th in the foil competition. Julius finished third in foil after losing to the eventual winner, 15-14. He also placed third in epee, again losing to the eventual winner. The Canterbury team placed second overall.

Julius will be travelling to Auckland next weekend to defend his title in the National Secondary Schools' championships. He won this event in 2010 and 2011. We wish him well!



*Julius competing for New Zealand in 2011 at the Junior Commonwealth Games*

# MUSIC - ALL AROUND US

We can't escape from music, and even if we wanted to, we rarely do. All sorts of devices play music at us, from alarm clocks, car radios and even when you turn on your cell phone!



Next term the Year 9 classes will be looking at the topic of music and film in their music lessons. One of the areas they will be looking at is how music is used to enhance or change the mood of a film. The media uses music as an integral part of how they get society to perceive their visual broadcasts.

Unlike most speech, music may give us chills down our spine, and can even make us cry. According to recent research from the University of London, it even affects how we see visual images. In the experiment, thirty subjects were presented with a series of happy or sad musical excerpts. After listening to the snippets, the subjects were shown a photograph of a face. Some people were shown a happy face – the person was smiling – while others were exposed to a sad or neutral facial expression. The participants were then asked to rate the emotional content of the face on a 7-point scale, where 1 means extremely sad and 7 extremely happy.

The researchers found that music powerfully influenced the emotional ratings of the faces. Happy music made happy faces seem even happier while sad music exaggerated the melancholy of a frown.

You can try a similar experiment for yourself. Try watching a short movie clip without the sound and see what sort of mood it creates and how you are affected. Now try adding the sound and see if your response is different. What you now have is the composer's reaction to the clip, and another composer might create a completely different mood by using another type of music. Now play the clip again, making your own choice of music and see the difference.

For those who play music whilst working the mood/style/tempo/volume of music could make a difference to the outcome of your work. Now think of TV adverts! Perhaps if we turned the music off the effect would be lost.

**Mr NM Coxon, Head of Instrumental Music**

P.S. Apologies to those of you in multi-media advertising.

# UNICEF PROJECT

Twenty four 11-13 year old students, from 17 Christchurch schools are taking part in two training workshops being hosted here at Christ's College, including two Christ's College Year 9 boys, Joe Hutchinson and Hamish Thomas. This project is called 'Christchurch: See through my eyes', and is designed to share children's views of last year's earthquake.

Jacqui Southey, education and development officer at UNICEF NZ said, "The Christchurch earthquake has rightly dominated our media for the past 18 months, yet we have heard little from the perspective of the children."

The project will culminate in an exhibition of the images in December at the Christchurch Museum.



*UNICEF workshop underway in Christ's College's computer suite*



# WINTER TOURNAMENT WEEK

This week is Winter Tournament week for New Zealand secondary schools and we have a range of teams competing around the country in different tournaments, while we are also hosting one of the tournaments here at Christ's College.

**RUGBY** Christ's College and Shirley Boys' High School this week welcome top young rugby players to the South Island Secondary Schools' Under 15 Invitational Tournament. This is held annually and, in addition to the hosting schools, includes Marlborough Boys' College, Southland Boys' High School, Waitaki Boys' High School, Shirley Boys' High School, King's High School, Nelson College, and Timaru Boys' High. Games will be played at Christ's College and at Shirley Boys' High, with the finals taking place at Christ's College on Thursday. For a full programme and team lists, please [click here](#).

**HOCKEY** Our 1st XI hockey side are in Napier to compete in the Rankin Cup, with scheduled pool matches against Timaru

Boys' High School, Otago Boys' High School and Palmerston North Boys' High School. The under-15 Hockey team is competing in the Jon Tanner Cup being hosted by St Paul's in Hamilton. The 2nd XI are playing, as is traditional, at the local Nunweek Tournament.

**FOOTBALL** The 1st XI football team are in Ashburton for the week competing in the NZSS Jim Wishart Tournament. There they will meet Mt Aspiring College, Edgewater and St Bede's College in the pool play.

**BASKETBALL** Our Basketball A team is in Dunedin competing at the Edgar Centre in the 2012 'AA' Secondary Schools Zone 4 Premiership Basketball tournament.

**CYCLING** Our cycling team are travelling to Blenheim to compete in the 2-day Tour of Blenheim.

FOR FULL DRAWS AND RESULTS PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#)



Waitaki Boys' High School



Southland Boys' High School



Christ's College



Marlborough Boys' College

## CHRIST'S COLLEGE ROWING CLUB CENTENNIAL SEASON

Christ's College will begin the celebration of its centennial season with a social and information evening in the Old Boys' Theatre on September 21 2012. Parents, Year 13 rowers, masters and old boys who are in Christchurch at this time are invited to attend. RSVP: Peter O'Connor [poconnor@christcollege.com](mailto:poconnor@christcollege.com)

There are also plans for a Centennial Dinner to be held on Thursday 28 February (sports weekend) for former College rowers and parents.

We are keen to add to the information which we already have on College rowing.

If you have information for the last 25 years of Maadi Crews (including lightweight fours etc), including photographs and accurate crew lists then please contact Peter O'Connor: [poconnor@christcollege.com](mailto:poconnor@christcollege.com)

If you have information for the previous 75 years, then please contact the College Archivist: [jteal@christcollege.com](mailto:jteal@christcollege.com)



# THE BLACK & WHITE BALL

## GLAMOUR ON THE RED CARPET

Friday 14 September 2012, 7.30 pm - 1.00 am  
Marquee on Upper

### THE BLACK & WHITE BALL ORDER FORM

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE. \$175 PER PERSON (ALL INCLUSIVE). TABLES FOR 10 AVAILABLE.

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