



IN BLACK & WHITE

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FROM THE HEADMASTER

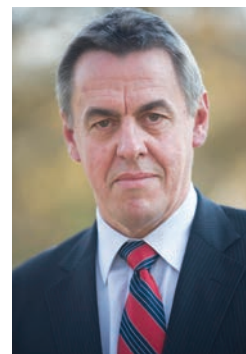
As we come to **the end of the teaching for our examination classes**, there is still a great deal ahead. The seniors should be focused exclusively on their preparation, and I am expecting to see many of them around school making use of their available teachers between their examination commitments. I look forward to having the leavers and their parents together for our final day, and our leavers' event at AMI Stadium; between now and then, a very important time for all.

I wrote previously about the **World Cup team hosting** in 2011. With regret, I have had to let them know we can not embark on the substantial upgrade of *Upper* requested to ensure parity for the quarter finals stage. They appreciate that in a year of considerable upheaval and confinement with our necessary building projects in progress, and the significant expenditure involved, further restriction on the use of our playing field during the busy athletics season was untenable. I am pleased to say, despite that response from us, the local rugby organisation are still very keen for us to be fully involved and will continue to promote our inclusion in the plans. We now wait to hear from them.

Matters of finance are seldom far away, particularly when we face unscheduled expenditure (like everyone else) **after the earthquake**. The earthquake has highlighted the value attributed to the historic built environment in Christchurch, of which we have a significant part, and the fact that we have no external help to maintain it. Our unique campus is a blessing, but also a significant liability. (To digress, I have written the word 'earthquake' so many times recently, I thought of an EQ abbreviation, but that has been hijacked to represent 'emotional intelligence', a current enthusiasm in some quarters. Perhaps 'Q' would cover it – although the mysterious 'quartermaster' figure in the Bond movies was responsible for all the clever gadgets and devices which enabled the hero to accept the challenges of his lifestyle, our 'Q' has unfortunately provided the challenges, and has left us to find the solutions...)

One way to respond to the ongoing challenges, of which recent events are merely one aspect, is through the work of **our Development Office**. Most will know that Derek Banks has retired from the role, though has continued in a part time capacity pending the appointment of his successor.

He brought to the newly created post in 2000 an unparalleled local and community knowledge, and has been the most diligent and creative servant of the College, committed to its success in all areas. Most recently, Derek has been wrapping up the Ball details, and I am delighted let you know that over **\$8,000 has been sent to the City Mission** from donated ticket money. My most grateful thanks to those who made this gesture, which will certainly be put to very good use. Derek, we knew, would be hard to replace.



However, **I am very pleased to introduce Jo Mulligan**, who has been appointed Director of Development from January 2011. Jo has recently moved to Christchurch from Perth, where she was Director of Community Relations at Christ Church Grammar School. Previously, she was the HBOS Australia Foundation manager, it being a charitable foundation set up within

the bank to support community projects across Australia. We are very fortunate that her move to Christchurch coincided so well with our restructure of our external communications and relationships, and she is looking forward, I know, to working with us and being part of our community. We are indeed fortunate to have secured such an outstanding appointment, and I know many of you will get to know Jo in the New Year.

Now that our longer term direction has taken such positive shape, I have been able to appoint **Jacq Gilbert** to the permanent role of Publications Manager. She has been on a fixed term arrangement pending the Development appointment, but we have all seen the impact she has made in the last two terms. We have launched *In Black and White*, and *College* has also taken a dramatic step forward under her direction, ably assisted by Melissa Gray our graphic designer. Hopefully all will have received the 'Q' edition! I have already seen the cover shot for the next one – another treat in store. There are innumerable other publications and communications in process at any one time; a new College prospectus (the first

since 2003) is underway, which will reflect the most up to date production opportunities. But no longer do we need to stock-pile a print run for several years – the new version will be contemporary and adaptable, able to reflect the ever changing profile of the school. We are, it is fair to say, reluctant to be slaves to 'branding', a process which leaves you with a clear image, some discomfort, and a smell of burning (either of hide or cheque book); nevertheless, you will notice a refreshment of some of our documents over the next few months.

As the term has progressed, and warmed up, the **stocking-prolapse syndrome** has been more troublesome, but the use of the previously suggested staple gun is imminent with the few serial offenders. However, we could consider another option – and that is the use of body paint, so imaginatively and discretely employed by Air New Zealand, and rather less so by the occasional race-goer (apparently). Shirts and socks may thus become redundant for the Summer Terms. Both of these options are more elaborate than simply having socks which fit, and garters, and I would appreciate your help with this.

The possible deployment of the staple gun within College, is reflected in this story, kindly sent in by Helen Golding.

A young man, ex Marine Corps, became a teacher, but suffered a back injury before starting at school. The necessary plaster cast was not noticeable under his shirt. When he opened a window, the breeze made his tie flap. He took out a stapler, and nonchalantly stapled the tie to his chest. Unsurprisingly, he had no discipline problems.

This week two students, Joon Hong (Year 10 Julius) and Michael van de Water (Year 12 Somes) met with **Mr Roland Stead**, whose travel bursary fund helps deserving members of the school to participate in non-sporting overseas trips. The boys were able to describe the Christchurch student delegation to Japan, and the College academic tour to Europe. Mr Stead enjoyed a selection of Michael's photographs of his trip, and he was delighted to hear of the impression made on the students as they encountered Canterbury University students working in high level appointments in Europe. Mr Stead has also supported the University.

My thanks once again to the parents who have offered their services to our **Year 10 camps**. I am very much looking forward to it, but so far my request to Martin Hayes for a map with contours further apart, has fallen on deaf ears.

This morning we held an outdoor assembly, to ease pressure on preparations for examination rooms this week. Previously we have held assemblies in the gymnasium at this time of year. Many years ago, all assemblies were held in front of the Open Air block as we did. We thought it would be another 'different' experience in what has been a very unusual term.



Mr Roland Stead and Michael van de Water

CALENDAR EVENTS

Week 5

- Tu 9 Year 9 examinations
Revision classes for year 13,
9.00am-3.50pm
- W 10 Year 10 examinations
CSS sport ends
Revision classes for year 13,
8.35am-2.30pm
Interhouse junior cricket semi-
finals, CCCG, 3.00pm
- Th 11 NZQA Scholarship examinations
begin
Year 10 examinations
Final monitors meeting, Assembly
Hall, 8.00am
Revision classes for year 13,
8.35am-3.25pm
Interhouse badminton finals,
Gym, 12.45pm
Years 11 & 12 examination
briefing, Assembly Hall, 1.50pm
Years 11 & 12 classes finish
Barbeque for new entrants and
their parents, Quad, 5.00-7.00pm
- F 12 Show Day. School holiday
- Sa 13 No Saturday activities
- Su 14 33rd Ordinary Sunday
No Chapel service

Week 6

- M 15 NCEA Levels 1, 2 & 3 examinations
begin
- Tu 16 Year 9 Geography field trip,
Lyttelton, 9.00am-3.50pm
- W 17 Interhouse junior cricket final,
CCCG, 3.00pm
Science competition for
intermediate/junior schools,
Science Department, 2.45-5.00pm
- Sa 20 Weekend programme available
for all boarders
Usual Saturday activities for years
9 & 10
Second Pennant rowing regatta,
Kerr's Reach, 8.00-4.00pm
- Su 21 Christ the King Sunday
Holy Eucharist, 9.00am

REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WEBSITE

Our website christcollege.com is regularly updated with news and images of events happening around College. We also post the notes from our weekly assembly and, of course, this e-newsletter (under Information: In Black & White).

THE CHAPEL CHOIR OF CHRIST'S COLLEGE
WELCOMES THE FESTIVE SEASON WITH...

CHRISTMAS CHEER

SUNDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

A CONCERT OF BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS MUSIC
SUNDAY 28TH NOVEMBER AT 3.15PM

Join us on the Quad at Christ's College
from 2.30pm for Christmas cake and bubbles
followed by a concert in the Chapel.

Entry: A note for a note - Adults a
minimum donation of \$10 would be
appreciated. Children a gold coin.

Please RSVP for admission and catering
purposes to Nicki Wood.

Phone: (03) 342 4981

Cell: 027 4581000

Email: nicki.wood@orcon.net.nz

CHRISTMAS CHEER

In 2006 the Choristers presented 'Christmas Cheer', a new concept to the College community. It involved the choristers and College musicians heralding in the Christmas Festive season with popular carols and Christmas music in the College Chapel.

This year we are repeating the venture on Sunday 28th November and inviting the audience to have a glass of bubbles/juice and Christmas cake on the Quad starting at 2.30pm. The concert will start in the College Chapel at 3.15pm and conclude at 4.30pm.

The audience will hear the Chapel choir sing a range of Advent and Christmas music that it will present in their forthcoming services and then the audience are able to join in with the old standard carols as the choir weaves its magic with the familiar descants that Sir David Willcocks made famous with his Kings Chapel Choristers. Several talented music students, along with Music Tutor, Miss Nikola Eckertova, will perform several popular solo items.

Entry is 'a note for a note', with adults a recommended minimum donation of \$10 and children a gold coin. For catering purposes and admission please contact Nicki Wood on nicki.wood@orcon.net.nz or phone 3424981, or 027 4581000

RJ Aburn, Director of Music

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

The change from Winter to Summer sport brings with it a change in Saturday Activities. 26 new groups are now underway in Term 4.

Many of these activities take place at College and include art, black & white photography, creative writing, radio controlled aero-modelling, wargaming and weight training. A number of senior boys are also taking advantage of extra classes in Chemistry, Calculus, Drama, Economics, Music, Physics and Statistics in preparation for Scholarship exams.

Other groups working off-site include those doing archery at the Aimtru Archery Centre, Cooking at the Rangī Ruru Food Technology rooms, golf lessons with a pro-coach at the Garden City Golf Driving range, rock climbing at the YMCA and surfing with the Learn to Surf programme operating at Sumner beach. Each group has a teacher actively involved and many also have the input of specialist trainers. Boys from all year levels work together in the groups, sharing skills and information.

Seniors have now finished Saturday Activities for the year as they move into the examination period. Junior boys will continue to have activities on 20 and 27 November. Year 10 boys are expected to attend their Saturday Activity on the weekend before and after their Outdoor Education camps.

PJ Ashbey



CAREERS

The University of Auckland Scholarship

College was delighted to hear that five of our Year 13 boys have been awarded these prestigious scholarships for 2011. The scholarship includes, tuition fees, compulsory fees, \$5000.00 and two airfares for three years. This means they are worth between \$30-\$50,000 over the three year period. This is a great achievement and credit also has to go to all those who have taught, coached and mentored them. The boys are Alex Donaldson, Alex Kendall, Max Smith, Campbell Taylor, Uddaka Wijesinghe.

Other scholarships that we are aware of include:

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| Angus McKenzie | Future Leaders | Lincoln University |
| Tyler Koning | Future Leaders | Lincoln University |
| Taidhg Fraser | Commerce | University of Canterbury |
| Sam Hider | Law | University of Canterbury |
| Ryan O'Connor | Music | Selwyn College Otago |
| Zach Smart | Excellence | University of Victoria |

NCEA Level 2 results

A reminder to parents and boys that Level 2 results dictate the awarding of scholarships the next year. Victoria University awards academic scholarships to the value of \$5000.00 to those who achieve an overall result of NCEA Level 2 with Excellence.

Subject Options for 2011

Last week boys had a chance to change options. In general at Year 11, I hope boys are keeping things fairly broad so that their future subject and career options remain open. We would hope that most boys take at least one science at that level. General Science is a very good course especially for those not sure about their future and also it allows other areas of interest to be included in their programme. If there is an interest I like to encourage boys to continue with a language for as long as possible.

General Studies Programme - Year 12 & 13

On alternative weeks the senior boys have speakers talking to them in the Old Boys' theatre. This has included University Liaison staff, recent Old Boys, motivational speakers, people in industry, politicians, the police and city leaders. Warren Lees talked to Year 13 last week. He is an ex Black Caps player, captain and coach and now runs University Hall at the University of Canterbury. Warren previously managed Cumberland College at the University of Otago. He talked to the boys about leaving Christ's College, the challenges they face, that for many it is the first time they are away from home, the importance to keep up their sport and also the importance of family. He also talked about supporting each other while away from home and also the need to balance the activities in one's life. Last week Gary Moore (Christchurch Mayor for 9 years) talked to Year 12 on the theme of "Leadership". Gary gave an entertaining and truthful talk as to his views on leadership. Very good questions were put to him by the boys who thoroughly enjoyed his talk.



IPENZ Foundation Scholarships - Engineering

This foundation is a Charitable Trust formed by the Institution of Professional Engineers NZ. One of their objectives is to encourage school leavers into tertiary education in the fields of engineering and engineering technology. There are a number of scholarships available - National and IPENZ Branch scholarships. Further information can be found on www.IPNZfoundation.org.nz

Chris Sellars, Careers Adviser

HIGH DEFINITION VIDEO CONFERENCING -TE PAPA

Year 1 and 2 students from Discovery School in the central city visited our ICT suite to communicate directly with Te Papa scientists using our High Definition Video Conferencing unit recently.

"Our network is super fast, and we have the video conferencing unit and contact with places like Te Papa to make it all possible." said Karl Summerfield, Information Systems Manager at Christ's College.

The students clearly enjoyed the experience of watching a squid dissection and the chance to learn more about the colossal squid housed at Te Papa.

And they had plenty of positive comments about what they had learned. Noah said "It was cool to learn new stuff." Lucy commented, "The eyes were as big as soccer balls." Meanwhile Eli was clearly fascinated by what he observed, "I liked it when the eyeball exploded. It was disgusting cool."

The high definition video conferencing unit is a resource that is regularly used by College boys to communicate with students and experts from various parts of the country about a range of subjects.



FROM THE CHAPLAIN

The boys at Rathkeale College took up a collection to be used by our school for any earthquake issues. We have gratefully used this money to repair our font which fell over and snapped. This was the only damage in our Chapel.

The Blackout competition raised \$8,713.75 for CanTeen. Two people spoke at a chapel service about CanTeen and how significant this amount is and how cancer affects so many of us.

The Humanitarian Committee has been fundraising in a number of ways (mufti days, dances, collections) and handed over \$6,900 to Cholmondeley Home at a Chapel service. Again, this is a substantial amount to a very worthwhile cause.

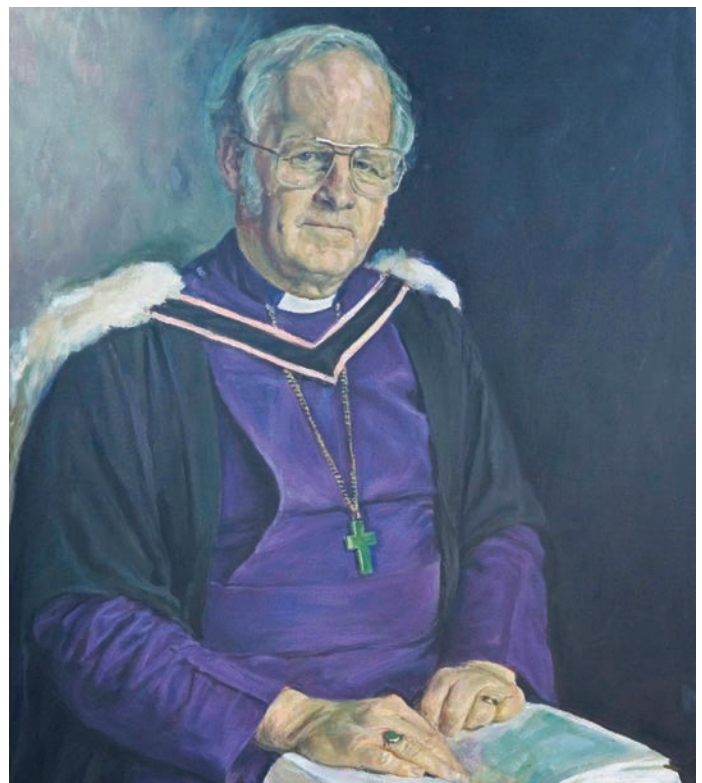
Bishop Maurice Goodall died on October 27. He was the sixth Bishop of Christchurch and, hence, a Warden of our school from 1984-1990. Prior to that he had been the Dean of the Cathedral and the City Missioner. We remembered him in Chapel, praying for all those who mourn him.

The Diocesan Synod began the evening before the earthquake and continued on October 30. Harry Tohill is the lay representative for the school. This was his first synod. At the synod was the announcement that the diocese raised \$120,000 for Haiti as a thanksgiving offering. Our school raised money for Haiti earlier this year.

Significant services ahead of us are the Advent Carol Service which is being attended by all our Year 9 and 10 boys, the Christmas Carol Service in the Christ Church Cathedral, and finally the Leavers' Service.

May all go well in their final preparations for examinations so that they get fair results for their efforts.

Yours in Christ
Bosco Peters, Chaplain



Bishop Maurice Goodall, Warden 1984-1990.

KINGS DEBATE

Christ's College have won the annual College v King's debating fixture. Hosted by King's College and negating the moot that 'this house would impose a fat tax', the College team defeated King's College for the first time since 2006.

The team of Zach Smart, Alex Kendall and Max Smith also won the 'The Press' Canterbury Regional Debating Championships earlier this year. Zach Smart was named best speaker in the King's College Debate. Alex Kendall is also member of the Canterbury Secondary Schools debating team.

Master in Charge of Debating, Ms Sian Evans cannot recall College winning both titles within one year. "At the start of the year we decided our ultimate goal was to accomplish the 'tri-factor' of winning Press, Otago and King's," she said, "and I am thrilled that we have managed to achieve this."



Zach Smart, Max Smith and Alex Kendall.

SCHOLARSHIPS 2011

Christ's College Year 13 boys have been awarded several prestigious scholarships.

The Auckland University Scholarship has been awarded to a total of five Christ's College Year 13 students. The five winners, each the recipient of a scholarship worth up to \$50 000, are Alex Donaldson, Alex Kendall, Max Smith, Campbell Taylor and Uddaka Wijesinghe. Based on academic excellence, all-round ability and leadership potential, the scholarship covers all tuition and compulsory fees for three years, as well as two fares home each year.

Uddaka Wijesinghe has also won, in addition to the Auckland University Scholarship, a Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship at Otago University worth \$5000 in his first year. Uddaka is still to decide which of the two institutions he will attend to pursue a degree in medicine.

Campbell Taylor and Zach Smart have both been awarded the Victoria Excellence scholarships which are awarded to students attending Victoria University who have an Excellence endorsement in Level 2 NCEA. The value of this scholarship is for \$5,000 for one year. However, based on achievement in the first year of study, a number will be held up for three years.

Ryan O'Connor, studying at Otago University in 2011, has won a Choral Scholarship to Selwyn College, widely regarded as one of the more difficult Halls of Residence in which to gain a place. Ryan was required to audition and he is one of four young men and women chosen for one of these inaugural scholarships, which will pay for private voice tuition next year as well as a reduction of his College hall fees. He will sing in Selwyn College chapel services as a soloist at their on-site Trinity church. Trinity Church is also one of Dunedin's city churches.

Tyler Koning and Angus McKenzie will attend Lincoln University and have been awarded Future Leaders scholarships for 2011.

Sam Hider has been awarded a University of Canterbury Emerging Leaders' Scholarship as well as an Undergraduate Law Scholarship. The combined value of the scholarships is \$6000 for the first year of study. Alex Kendall also earned an Emerging leaders scholarship from the University of Canterbury but will be taking a place at Auckland University.

Also attending Canterbury University, Taidhg Fraser is one of three people to win a top Commerce scholarship. It is the UC College of Economics and Business Award for Excellence and is worth up to \$15,000.



Campbell Taylor, Max Smith, Alex Kendall, Alex Donaldson and Uddaka Wijesinghe, Auckland University Scholarship Winners.



*Back Row: Sam Hider, Uddaka Wijesinghe, Angus McKenzie and Tyler Koning
Front Row: Alex Kendall, Taidhg Fraser and Ryan O'Connor.*



Zach Smart and Campbell Taylor, Victoria Excellence Scholarship Winners.

CRICKET

The 1st XI Cricket team has had a busy and eventful Term 4. Strong performances in the traditional interschool matches (victory over Otago Boys' High School and a close last over draw with Christchurch Boys' High School) in Term 1 has seen the boys set high goals. One of those goals was to secure victory over traditional rival Wanganui Collegiate School. Over Labour weekend the 1st XI travelled to and played against Palmerston North Boys' High School. A strong eight wicket victory was secured just days before PNBHS won the Central District place in the New Zealand Schools' one-day finals competition.

The next day saw an experienced College XI (with almost 500 1st XI appearances between them) dominate Collegiate for almost the entire game to also secure a convincing eight wicket victory. On the first day College dismissed Collegiate for 115, with wickets being shared between Guy Murgatroyd, Ollie Bosworth, Will Utley, Michael Snedden and Jack Harper. Some outstanding catches were taken by the fielders. Jeremy Duncan (27) and Tim Murgatroyd (27) combined to have College in a very strong position at 80/1, and following good and forceful knocks from Timothy McGoldrick (24), Daniel Sharples (17), Guy Murgatroyd (18no) and Michael Snedden (18no), College declared at 171/6. Inspirational bowling from Angus McKellar, with 4 wickets, and wickets to Snedden, Utley and Harper saw Collegiate dismissed a second time for 114. Daniel Sharples took three catches. College, particularly Jeremy Duncan (28) batted with real intent and the 58 runs were knocked off quickly. This was only the 16th time since 1913 that College has won this fixture.

Matches in the Christchurch schools' competition have also progressed well after a close and small loss to Christchurch Boys' High School. A second innings run chase of almost 200 in 41 overs was achieved against Shirley Boys' High School only three wickets down. This result saw College finish third in the two-day competition. In the one-day competition College is currently placed second.

There have been a number of excellent performances with the bat this term. Centuries have been secured by Will Utley (101no) and Timothy McGoldrick (115no), while Jeremy Duncan had the disappointment of being run-out one short on 99 and Will Utley (98) was just short of a second century. Outstanding partnerships of 173 by Will Utley and Timothy McGoldrick set College up for 297/3 in a one-day fixture with Shirely BHS, while Jack Harper (89no) and Sam Chamberlain's (56no) 138-run partnership secured the two-day outright result against Shirley BHS.

Other notable achievements include Jack Harper and Michael Snedden joining Timothy McGoldrick, Hamish Robertson and Tim Murgatroyd in reaching 50 1st XI caps.

While there are still goals to be achieved in 2010, planning is underway for 2011. The season begins with College hosting the annual January trans-Tasman Festival with King's College (Auckland), Sydney Shore School and Canberra Grammar School. With ten players from the 2010 squad returning in 2011 and the standards being achieved during Term 4, the XI is in good stead for even greater success in 2011.

WC Lidstone



Daniel Sharples hitting out in a one-day fixture.



Angus McKellar 4 wickets vs WCS.



Leaving field after dismissing WCS for 114.



Team photo after WCS victory.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION BURSARY WINNER

The 2010 Parents' Association Bursary, worth \$1,300, has been awarded to Year 12 student, Jock Harris.

Mrs Nicci Wyllie, President of the Christ's College Parents' Association said, "We are really impressed with his commitment to equestrian sport. Particularly as Jock is a boarder and he doesn't have parents nearby to run him here and there. He has had to be self-starting to be successful." All boys who had applied for the bursary were interviewed by Mrs Wyllie and Mrs Ceridwen Fowler. Mr Le Vaillant, who helps to coordinate the bursary was also present at the interviews.

Jock plans to use the money towards his expenses in March next year as an entrant in the 2011 Horse of the Year competition at Hastings. "I have a new horse that I am hoping to compete on called Noble Ben. This bursary will go towards transporting him up there and all the other expenses involved in competing so far away."

Last year's winner was Alex Reese. After spending five months in the United Kingdom playing in the Kent Premier League, Alex is currently in Mumbai attending a cricket academy. He is training and playing for the academy and will soon be involved in helping out the Netherlands and Irish teams ahead of next year's World Cup. In December Alex's main project will be to work with Gary Kirsten to organise a cricket camp for children from the slums.

"The bursary has been incredibly helpful to the success of this India venture so far. It has helped me achieve things that I could never imagine I would be doing only one year out of school," said Alex from Mumbai.

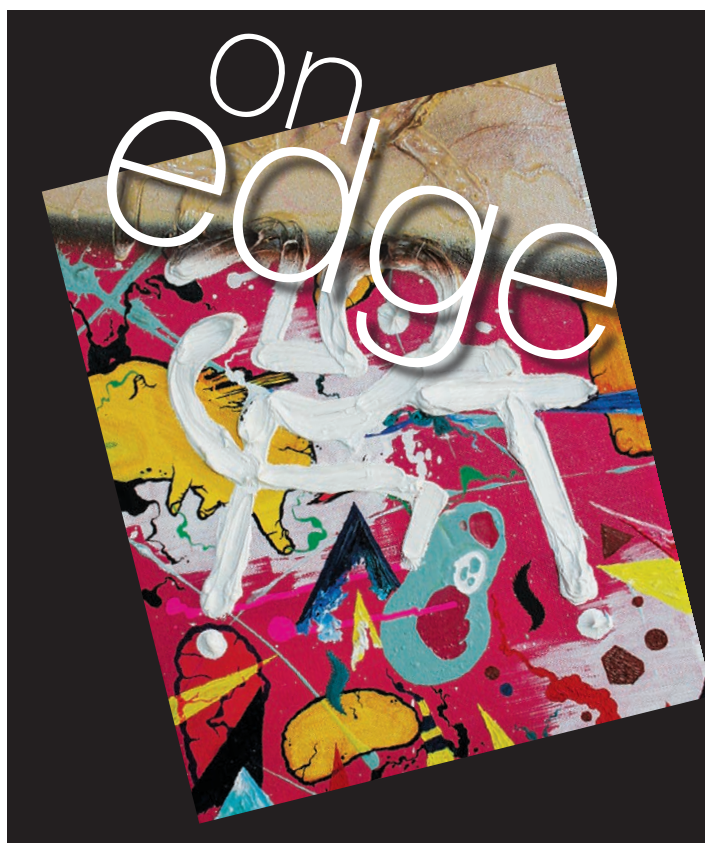
Each year the bursary is generated from the interest on deposits held by the Association. Mrs Wyllie said that this year they were also able to include the money raised from the sale of Christine Fernyhough's books at the Pink Lunch recently.



Mr Brian le Vaillant, Jock Harris and Nicci Wyllie.



Jock competing on Bonjour Paris.



Last chance to order On Edge

Following on from the success of 'On Ice' published earlier this year, a second volume celebrating the visual art and creative writing talents of Christ's College boys is soon to be published.

This volume, in its final stages before printing, is called 'On Edge'. Pre-orders are now being taken for anyone who wishes to own a copy and the volume would make a fabulous Christmas gift.

The quality of the pieces selected for this volume, including poetry, short stories and stunning artwork, are of an extraordinary standard and will be enjoyed by a wide audience.

Orders close Monday 15th November!
An order form is included at the end of this newsletter.

WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO

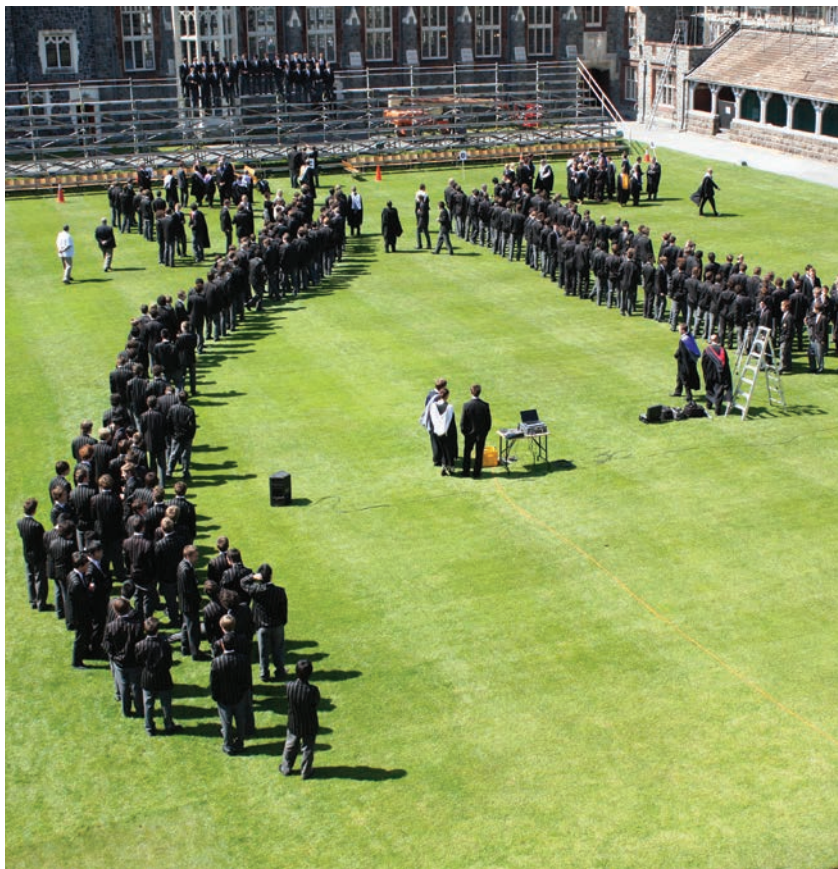
After considerable planning over several weeks, a full school photograph was taken in the first week of Term 4. The Christ's College Academic staff and pupils number nearly 750.

A stand was constructed on the Quad earlier in the week. On the day, boys were grouped by year level in height order and led in turn to their rows. Academic staff then took places, by order of length of service at Christ's College, in the front rows. The entire exercise, including photography, took just under one hour.

The last time a full school photo was taken was in 2005. Mrs Jane Teal, College Archivist, says that school photos began in 1895. The photo of the Upper School from that year was published in the NZ Graphic of 1896 and became part of the College Prospectus.



Upper School 1895.



COLLEGE OLD BOY WINS SILVER

Jacobs House Old Boy, James Lassche, paired with Graham Oberlin-Brown, has won a silver medal at the World Rowing Championships on Lake Karapiro.

This relatively new combination was part of the New Zealand lightweight four that finished sixth in the World Under-23 Championships in July, prompting the decision for the New Zealand selectors to include them in the coxless pair for the WC regatta.

James was a determined and hardworking member of the Christ's College Rowing Club during his secondary schooling. In his final College rowing season of 06/07 James was part of the under-18 VIII who won silver in the Maadi Cup. At that regatta he also won silver in the under-18 IV and earned his first New Zealand selection as a member of the Junior World Championship VIII.

SAM HIDER'S RECENT FRENCH SUCCESS

Sam Hider, Year 13 Julius has had an extremely successful year in the subject of French. Earlier in the year Sam obtained first class results in a French proficiency examination called the DELF, an internationally recognised examination run by the French Ministry of Education.

Sam has built on this success and recently passed the higher level B1 which is a significant academic qualification. Of the four local candidates who sat the examination only Sam and one other were successful.

His proficiency was tested in listening comprehension, analysis of two written documents and he was required to express personal opinions in both written and spoken contexts. The individual examination of his oral proficiency lasted 15 minutes with only 10 minutes to prepare.

This result means that Sam is recognised as having marketable French proficiency as well as being at a competent level to operate at a French university.

ASSEMBLY NOTES

Tuesday 9 November 2011

PRAYER: Chaplain

Visitor: Mr John Murdoch, Canterbury Rugby Referees' Association life member

LAST ASSEMBLY FOR YEARS 11 AND 12



School assembles outside the Open Air Block.

NOTICES:

From Mr Clarke

Year 10 boys who are doing Bronze Duke of Edinburgh this year have had a change of date for the last training session. It was down for tonight but has now been changed to Tuesday 16 November at 6.45pm

PRESENTATIONS TO:

Instrumental Music Honours ties

Nick Dow – received the Gibson Crosse Award for most outstanding keyboard player, attended the Queenstown violin summer school, and is a member of the Pettman Academy at the University of Canterbury as well as the Southern Jam All Stars Band

Isaac McCluskey (+ tie) – Member of the NZ Youth Jazz orchestra, the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra, the NZ Secondary Schools' symphony orchestra, the Pettman Academy at the University of Canterbury, the Southern Jam All Stars Band, the Garden City Big Band, and the Christchurch Youth Orchestra

Justin Standring – Member of the National Youth Orchestra, the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra, the Pettman Academy at the University of Canterbury and the Christchurch Youth Orchestra. He will be doing University Performance first year in 2011. He also entered both the Gisborne International Music Competition and the National Concerto Competition

Bradley Wood (+ tie) – Has received his ATCL and LTCL, both with Distinction. Is the National Young Performer of the Year and is one of the top 15 pianists in New Zealand under the age of 21. He has also received the George Russell Scholarship for the most promising pianist under 18 years of age, and is a member of the Christchurch Youth Orchestra

Bradley recently took his Licentiate of Trinity College London Diploma on the Piano. The standard of performance required is equivalent to the performance component on completion of a full-time under-graduate course at a University or higher education establishment. He was awarded this Diploma with Distinction, gaining 91 per cent. This degree status entitles Bradley to wear an academic gown and hood. In recognition of this, and also for gaining the highest mark in Christchurch Bradley has been asked to perform at the diploma ceremony in December. He has already gained his Associate of Trinity College London, which is the equivalent to a first year under-graduate course at University, and this will be his second diploma ceremony this year.



Bradley Wood, ATCL and LTCL with distinction.

PRESENTATIONS TO:

Interhouse Claybird competition

Ten teams met on Sunday for the shoot which was initially postponed after the earthquake last term. The results are as follows:

The Interhouse Clay Target Shield was won by the Flower's House A team from Jacobs A in the final round. The team members are **George Chamberlain** (captain), **Jack Batchelor**, **Tom Adams**, **Humphrey Lawrence**, and **Jake George** (Tom Adams to collect)

The Headmaster's Cup for the Highest Score in the final was won by **Tom Adams**.

The Flower's House Cup for the Highest Average Score was also won by **Tom Adams**

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Awards

David Clay
Riaz Howey
Sam Thomas



Jubilee Rugby Cup – for fair play

The Cup has been competed for since 1946 when CRRA had their Golden Jubilee. It is competed for by all teams U18 and below in the Metro competition. This year there were 142 teams from U18 to U11 that competed for Cup. Each week teams are allocated points, by referees, out of 10 in four areas:

James Northcote receives the Jubilee Cup.

Punctuality at kick-off and half time, team appearance, conduct on & off field including loyalty to captain, adherence to law & spirit of game. Christ's College first won the cup in 1975, then again in 1981, 1990, 1996 & 2000 – to be presented by Mr John Murdoch (from CRRA) to James Northcote, captain of 16A rugby team

Tug of War Competition

Junior competition

School defeated Condell's 2 - 0 in the best of three matches

Intermediate competition

Harper defeated Flowers 2 - 1

Senior competition

Jacobs defeated Flowers 2 - 1

In the plate competition (no trophies to award)

Junior and Intermediate winners were Julius

Senior winners were Corfe



The Headmaster awards the Junior trophy for tug of war to Brad Berquist, School House.

ACTIVITY REPORT: Will Utley, Harper House

There was no cricket or competitive Athletics this week.

Tennis

Our Junior tennis sides had an excellent day out last Wednesday winning four out of their five fixtures. The J1s were too good for St Bedes winning 6-0. The J2s won on countback 26-25 against Shirley BHS after being locked at 3 all. The J3s beat Hillmorton comfortably 6-0 and the J5s had a 4-2 win against Cashmere.

The Year 9 3s and the Year 9 5s both had 4-2 victories over opposition from Cashmere and St Thomas's respectively.

Volleyball

Our Senior As beat our Senior Bs 2-1.

Tom O'Malley pulled off an excellent run of serves to help the Junior Volleyball team beat Hagley 2-0. In the 2nd set and down 18-24. Tom hit 8 serves in a row to claim the win.

Waterpolo

The senior As had an 11-6 loss to Burnside HS.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE HEADMASTER

Congratulations to
William Utley,
Head Prefect and
Harry Tothill,
Deputy Head Prefect for 2011.

The full list of 2011 Prefects
will be available
on our website from
Thursday 11th November.



From left: Harry Tothill, Deputy Head Prefect and William Utley, Head Prefect for 2011.

CHRIST'S COLLEGE BOARDING AWARDS DINNER 2010

The annual boarding awards dinner took place on Thursday 4th November 2010 in the College Dining Hall and was attended by the Headmaster, invited guests and the Christ's College boarding community. Flower's Housemaster, Dave Scott who gave a speech entitled "It pays to have a Passion", filled in this year as speaker as the scheduled guest speaker had to withdraw at short notice.

The dinner is also a way of thanking all the people who help to make boarding such a positive experience at College and this year we welcomed Mr. Dave Denham and Mrs. Francine Murray from the National Trade Academy who are tutors on our hugely successful agriculture course, Miss Karen Brill who provides Defensive Driving courses, Mr. Chris Allen who is involved in organizing the Year 11 Team Day and The Duke Of Edinburgh – Hillary Award, Mrs. Ruth Elena and Miss Sue Newton from St. Margaret's College who organize the Y11 Cooking classes and our own Mr. Martin Hayes who has taught numerous boys to scuba dive and taken them through their PADI qualifications.

A key aspect of the evening is the presentation of the Rutherford Cups, which are awarded to a boy from each house who demonstrates citizenship and service and epitomises what it is to be a boarder. This year Jacobs House Matron, Miss Sonia Good, presented the cups. Sonia is leaving Jacobs and College at the end of the year for a position at Harrow School In England and to mark the occasion she was presented with a bouquet of flowers from the whole College boarding community. The Dining Room team as ever on this occasion put on a fantastic meal and I would like to thank Mr. Dean Saunders and his team for their efforts on the night.

Awards & Presentations

Boys who have successfully completed the 2-year NZQA certified diploma in agriculture course are:

Henry Hurst (Ja), Sam Kidner (R), Tom Adams (F), George Wadsworth (S), Hamish Gallagher (Ja), George Murray (S), Campbell Denham (Ja), Digby Heard (Ja), Ben Thatcher (F), Jock Harris (F), Henry Pearce (R), Jak Reader (F), Jake George (F), Dan Macfarlane (S), Jack Murray (F).

The National Trade Academy Cup for Most Promising 1st Year Student Humphrey Lawrence – Flower's House

Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI) Diving Qualifications
Open water certificates: George Staniland (Ja), George Fox (S), Reinn Duxfield (Ja), Riaz Howey (R) and Thomas Wright (R)

Advanced Diver Certificates: George Staniland (Ja), George Fox (S), Reinn Duxfield (Ja), Tom Bostock (S), Tom Cresswell (R), Sam Kidner (R) and James Newbigin (S).

2010 Most Active Boarder: Nick Murchison – Flower's House

The Year 11 Boarders Team Challenge Day:

This competition was cancelled this year because of the earthquake. It has been decided that the Cup for Challenge Day will be renamed the Scott McDonald Cup in honour of Scotty Mac, a Tutor in Richards House who sadly passed away earlier this year. Scotty was a regular at the team day and always enjoyed being a part of boarding programme activities.

Rutherford Awards for Citizenship and Service to the Boarding House:

Flower's House: Ben Thatcher
Jacobs House: Peter Ravn
Richards House: Toshi Westbury
School House: Forbes Leckie

DA Scott – Boarding Programme Coordinator and Housemaster of Flower's House



Mr David Scott is presented with a gift from Aaron Lang, Richards House.

The evening was a fitting opportunity to farewell Mr David Scott from the Boarding Community as he moves at the end of the year to take up the Head of Boarding role at Scotch College in Adelaide.

Sam Kidner from Richards spoke on behalf of the current and past boarders who have benefited from Mr Scott's work with the Boarding Programme over the past 6 years and thanked him for his hard work and thoughtful planning.

Proceeds from a collection amongst the boys were given to Mr Scott towards a piece of NZ art as a lasting token of thanks. He was also given a voucher for a tandem skydive.

Mr Neil Porter, Senior Master (Boarding)

2010 TUG OF WAR RESULTS:

Championship

Senior Jacobs
Intermediate Harper
Junior School

Plate

Senior Corfe
Intermediate Julius
Junior Julius



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