

In Black & White



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From the Headmaster

Our term started yesterday with our traditional Anzac Service, a thought provoking and respectful reflection on the liberties and choices we enjoy in 2014, and what has gone before to ensure those opportunities. By coincidence rather than design, my holiday reading included Sir Martin Gilbert's compilation of the writings and speeches of Sir Winston Churchill throughout his long and extraordinary career, interlaced as it was with the conflicts which we remember at this time of year. He recognised New Zealand's contributions in a number of extracts, not least that the New Zealand losses were, per capita, the greatest of any country. There is national relevance to the European history we teach in New Zealand today, and this is certainly a time to reflect on the outcomes of the major world conflicts. We are looking forward to our history education conference on Friday, which has attracted great interest.



During the holidays, once again the campus was set upon by yet more contractors, with limited time to complete vital stages of the works needed. Much of it will never be seen - new drainage and services repairing earthquake damage, and providing new connections to our West Wing complex. With just one way in, this is a juggling act, but once again all is back in place for the new term. The weather hasn't helped at all, but we are moving round the campus today with little to show for the enormous amount of excavation and reinstatement that has gone on in the last three weeks. All credit to our construction team, who schedule around the school's activity so willingly.

The assembly hall has been alive throughout the break, with CATS rehearsals and technical preparations. I am always astonished and humbled when I wander into this parallel universe, when everyone is so busy, so knowledgeable, so competent and so absorbed. I often ask to have some aspect of the technical side explained - and am always impressed at the level of engagement of some of our students. One day I found our two stage managers sitting on the floor surrounded by charts, lists, plots, prop schedules - their professionalism is remarkable. I am at the stage I usually get to, when I don't want to see much more rehearsal for fear of spoiling the impact of the show. But I can assure you it already has the 'tingle factor' - if you have not yet booked tickets, you must.

I am indebted to a feature on the BBC news noting that today is the 60th

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Saluting the Sacrifice

On Friday 9 May Christ's College will host 'Saluting the Sacrifice', a conference to mark the 100th anniversary of the start of World War One. Schools from throughout Christchurch have been invited to participate along with our College history students.

Around 200 participants will attend sessions led by two prominent historians, Dr Jock Phillips and Professor Glyn Harper. Other speakers include Mr Simon Moody (The Air Force Museum of New Zealand at Wigram), Ms Sarah Murray (Curator of Human History from the Canterbury Museum), and Christ's College's Ms Jane Teal and Mr Warren Lidstone.

Dr Phillips, an old boy of Christ's College, is Chief Historian at the Department of Internal Affairs and Ministry for Culture and Heritage, as well as an ONZM recipient in the 2013 Queen's Birthday honours. He will present on 'The Great Adventure'.

Professor Glyn Harper, a former lieutenant colonel in the New Zealand Army and now head of the War Studies Department at Massey University. His keynote presentation will focus on soldier's experiences through photographs.

Warren Lidstone

anniversary of the first sub 4 minute mile, run by Roger Bannister in Oxford on 6 May 1954. The current world record is 3.43, some 16 seconds faster. With a few unsatisfactory approximations, a head-to-head between Bannister and the current holder, the unpronounceable Hicham El Guerrouj, would see Bannister 117 yards (about 108 metres) behind at the finish. In sixty years time would Mr Guerrouj's performance find itself behind by the same margin? The question becomes what ultimately is not possible? In athletics, is there a physiological ceiling and even if there is, does that matter? Improvements are incremental - they are 'quantum leaps' in the correct sense, extremely small numbers - and there is always the chance of improving on a personal best, or a record by just a small margin. That is where the message to our boys needs to be - they aren't at their limit yet in any of their endeavours, however hard they may believe themselves to be pursuing their goals. We can all always improve - we can train, practise, rehearse; we can learn

more from mentors, we can imitate positive behaviours, study techniques, learn effective habits.

Today I received an email from Minchan Park who left College at the end of 2012, and is studying at Cambridge. He wrote: 'I realised the academic environment is no different to that of College - busy, challenging, competitive but fulfilling. That being said, I believe from my time at College that a number of my peers were more than capable of coming (here) had they put their minds to it.'

Whether or not ambition lies abroad or at home, the world is competitive - whether in athletics, or academia. As we start a new term, all our boys should be ready to compete - against themselves. The rest will come.

Simon Leese, Headmaster



Curriculum News



Terms 2 and 3 of the year are always the most intensive for senior school (Years 11-13) internal assessment. The workload can become very demanding and requires good organisation. The adolescent brain doesn't always get these feats of organisation right (mind you, nor does the adult brain), and so we publish an assessment calendar that shows the standards being assessed at each year level, and the week in which teaching departments expect to do the assessment. Often these will be assessments completed over a period of time so the date given in the calendar will be the final due date. We provide this so that as parents you can see when assessments are due, and hopefully make the appropriate encouraging noises. A little prod every now and then can be a good thing.

With the first term of our laptop programme finished, we are reviewing how things have gone. This Thursday evening at 7pm (in ICT1 and 2 in the Fine Arts building) we are running a feedback meeting for parents. We will be sharing information

that we have gathered from boys on how they have been using their laptops in class. We are also interested in your perspectives as parents. We also hope to find a little time to familiarise you with one or two of the tools that boys and staff are using, and how you might be able to engage with your son's learning. If you intend attending, we would appreciate if you could complete the form available at this web address:

<http://goo.gl/SwTS6B>

On the subject of assessment (in particular for those administered by test or examination), preparation is made that much easier if undertaken regularly. I would like to offer a reminder of Karen Boyes' study skills webinars on offer this term. The cost is \$29 for one webinar or \$89 for a programme of 5. The next set begins on Tuesday 20 May. You can enrol via this web link:

<http://spectrumeducation.com/portal/content/view/75/160/R Sutton>

Robin Sutton, Senior Master Academic

Calendar Events

Week 1		
Wed 7 May	8:35am	Y13 biology practical investigation
	10:20am	Chapel Service
	7:30pm	Confirmation group
Thu 8 May	12:45pm	Interhouse senior volleyball
	12:45pm	Interhouse junior hockey prelims
	5:00pm	CSDC interschool debating junior round
	6:00pm	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award introductory session
	6:30pm	CATS Thursday rehearsals continue
	7:00pm	Parent information & feedback session on laptop programme
Fri 9 May	8:30am	Full School Assembly
		'Saluting the Sacrifice'. A Centenary Remembrance of World War 1 for Years 11-13 History & selected students
	1:15pm	Interhouse junior volleyball
	4:00pm	1st XV leave for Timaru
	6:45pm	Induction of new choristers
Sat 10 May		Saturday activities begin
	12:00pm	1st XV v Timaru BHS (Away)
		Weekend programme available for all boarders
Sun 11 May	10:00am	CATS rehearsal with crew & orchestra
	7:00pm	Evening Worship for Easter. Preacher: The Chaplain
Week 2		
Mon 12 May		Otago Tertiary Study Information Day, for selected students
	4:00pm	School cross-country races
Tues 13 May	1:00pm	Contact Boy training
	1:15pm	Interhouse senior hockey prelims
Wed 14 May		CSS winter sport begins
	2:45pm	1st XV v Burnside HS (Upper)
	7:30pm	Confirmation group
Thu 15 May	8:30am	CATS rehearsal intensive, all cast & crew
	12:45pm	Interhouse senior volleyball
	12:45pm	CSS road race
	12:45pm	Interhouse junior debating first round
	5:30pm	Book launch - "Fitz: The Colonial Adventures of James Edward FitzGerald"
Fri 16 May	8:00am	Year 11 biology field trip
		CSS basketball begins
	1:15pm	Interhouse junior volleyball
	1:15pm	Year 12 General Studies
	5:30pm	CATS dress rehearsal
	7:30pm	Year 9 dance
Sat 17 May	12:00pm	1st XV v Waimea College (Upper)
		Weekend programme available for all boarders
	5:30pm	CATS dress rehearsal

Careers



Le Cordon Bleu NZ

James Kennish, sales and marketing manager, would welcome the opportunity to discuss how Le Cordon Bleu can be a gateway into the exciting world of cuisine and hospitality. Courses offer the Bachelor of Hospitality Management and the Bachelor of Culinary Arts and Business. jkennish@cordobleu.edu

International College of Hotel Management (ICHM)- Adelaide

ICHM prepares students for a successful career at the top end of the international hotel industry. It is the only Swiss Hotel Association (SHA) school outside of Europe, offering prestigious and internationally recognised qualifications - Bachelor of International Hotel Management (Swiss Hotel Association) & the Bachelor of Business (Hospitality Management). ICHM has a world wide industry placement programme.

Computing Programmes at CPIT (Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology)

Certificate/Diploma in Information & Communications Technology. Bachelor of Information & Communication Technology (BICT). This applied degree provides a practical link between the latest computer technology and its application in business today. There are 3 streams: Software development, Interactive media, Data communications and networking career opportunities: programmer, systems analyst, project manager, network manager, webmaster, IT support specialist, database administrator, web developer, interactive media developer, software engineer.

New York University Shanghai

NYU Shanghai is NYU's newest degree granting campus and it opened in 2013. The initial class consisted of 250 students, with 51% coming through the Chinese examination system and 49% from around the world. All classes are conducted in English and non-Chinese speaking students will be expected to be proficient in Chinese upon graduation.

CTC Aviation - Crew Training Centre, Hamilton

Training programmes: The NZ Diploma in Aviation (Level 6) provides flight training up to a Commercial Pilot Licence with Multi Engine Instrument Rating. The course splits into two streams: Airline stream (Airline Transport Pilot Licence ATPL) and Instructor stream (C- Category Flight Instructor Rating).

Study @ Victoria University Open Day - 29 August

Research has shown that this day is key for enabling students to gain a clear understanding about what Victoria can offer, and to give them a chance to explore the facilities. Traditionally boys have gone to this day. Some fly to Wellington on Thursday evening, others fly up early Friday morning. Parents have often travelled with their sons. This is not a school organised trip, but Mr Sellars will be in Wellington and attending a careers advisers session.

Chris Sellars

Careers events since the last In Black & White:

Horizons Unlimited (GAP) programme
Defence Forces- Year 13
Massey University liaison visit
Otago Polytechnic liaison visit

Upcoming Careers Dates: Term 2

12 MayOtago Tertiary Open Day, Dunedin
16 MayLincoln University Liaison visit
22 MayCareers Expo, CBS Arena
23 MayCareers Expo, CBS Arena
30 MayVictoria University Liaison visit
06 JunUniversity of Canterbury liaison visit, Year 12
13 JunCPIT liaison visit
19 JunCPIT Open Day, 4-6.00pm
20 JunMassey University liaison visit
29 AugVictoria University Open Day
30 AugUniversity of Auckland Open Day

2014 Christchurch Entertainment Book

A reminder that Entertainment Books can be purchased through College.

Please return order forms to Q5 or order on line at:
<http://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/914y186>

All proceeds are going to support July's International Service project in Apia, Samoa

From the Chaplain



Term 2 began with our ANZAC Commemoration service. Our Books of Memories were placed on the Altar. We particularly reflected on the centenary this year of the start of the First World War, how many people suffered and died, how significant our Old Boy sacrifice was, and what lessons we might learn from these. The Headmaster, President of CCOBA, Mr Ben Walker, and the

Head Prefect each laid a wreath. This week World War I will be commemorated at a day's conference here.

Towards the end of last term we had a baptism service. Congratulations to George Fitzgerald and Zac Cran who were baptised at this service.

Friday evening this week is the Induction service of new choristers. The choir is a vital part of our Chapel and school life and we are grateful for their leadership in Chapel.



I hope this term, again, many family members will take the opportunity to be part of Sunday Chapel services. Know you are always very welcome, and it has been wonderful to have so many of you at services during Term 1. We begin this Sunday evening with the Chapel in darkness as we have our special Easter service, drawing from the ancient traditions of the church.

Blessings

Bosco Peters, Chaplain

Year 13 Agriculture Class

The Year 13 agricultural class has been studying wool production as part of their course run by Fraser Weir from the National Trade Academy. The group visited Yaldhurst Wools Limited last week on a field trip to discover more first hand knowledge about classing of wool, ways of protecting the wool clip and looking at ways of maximising production on the farm. Many of the boys come from farms and some of their fathers were known to the owners of the wool buyers that the class visited.

It was surprising to learn that the farming industry has changed dramatically over the last decade or so with such things as decreasing wool prices, and the dramatic increase of dairying into traditional sheep farming areas. It is now possible, according to one of the wool classers who showed the group around the Yaldhurst store, to count the number of farms in Canterbury devoted to fat lamb production on one hand. Although this stock type is not bred for wool, it is symptomatic of a sheep decline.

There is still a demand for high quality, fine merino wool, however, and much of this is still grown in Central Otago to international standards. The traditional mixed crop/livestock landscape in Canterbury is certainly changing; something that may well affect the boys who made the field trip in their future careers.

PA Hewson



Connected

CC and SMC film, 2014

For over eight months, since Term 2 last year, students from Christ's and St Margaret's Colleges have been writing, casting, rehearsing and impatiently waiting to shoot their film, *Connected*.

Written by students, headed by Amazir Aknine and Meghan Laing, the film is about a history student who, as part of his research into early 20th Century photography, stumbles on to a girl from the period he is researching while in an online chat room. His friends are all obsessed with the technology of cell phones, Facebook, Twitter etc. and he thinks they are playing a practical joke on him. When he discovers the girl online is actually from 1911 and is critically ill, he has to make a vital choice about whether he can save her.

Production took place during the first week of the April holidays and involved locations at St Margaret's, Ferrymead, the beach, Northwood and a local cinema. There are over 70 people involved in the film, including actors, director, lighting, camera, sound, makeup, wardrobe, production, art department, and digital imaging.

Producer, Mr Peter Hewson, says that he is very proud of the work the students have put in to date and the long days they spent working on the film during the week. "It has been shot to a very professional standard," he says. The film is only half finished he adds, because now all the editing, sound mixing, music composition and finishing is required before it can be screened. The premiere is planned to take place at the St Margaret's auditorium on Tuesday 29 July this year.



Learn to Drive

The Automobile Association is offering eligible pupils the chance of a free driving lesson to help set them on the right path to achieving the skills necessary to be safe and competent drivers.

We have distributed, via the Housemasters, a free AA booklet which gives a comprehensive guide for learner drivers, setting out the information they need to know to obtain their full licence.

To be eligible for the free driving lesson the new driver needs to have held his learner's driver licence for less than two months and be either an AA member or son of a member.

To book the free lesson parents can apply on line at aa.co.nz/free-driving-lesson or call the AA on 0800-223-199 quoting the licence number of the learner driver, the issue date and the membership number of the AA member. Please book these lessons outside school time.

The website contains all the information explaining the booking process and details all the areas of instruction covered in the lesson.

The College is pleased to promote this AA service to assist pupils developing better driving skills.

House Music Festival

Julius House are the winners of the Best House Choir at the 2014 Christ's College House Music Festival. The event was very well attended by parents and friends of College. Every boy in the school performed with all ten houses competing for the best choir title.

The small vocal group was won by Rolleston House and the small instrumental group was won by Condell's House. School House earned the prize for best house backing.



Shillito NZ Selection

Ross Shillito has been selected as one of four secondary students to represent New Zealand at the 46th Chemistry Olympiad Competition in Hanoi, Vietnam this July.

His selection news came following a training camp held in Auckland during the April holiday for just 30 of the initial 90 applicants.

Ross was initially selected to a training group of 80 students based on his performance in a selection test held in October last year. In term one of this year he completed a training programme including reading material, problem assignments, and a test in early March.

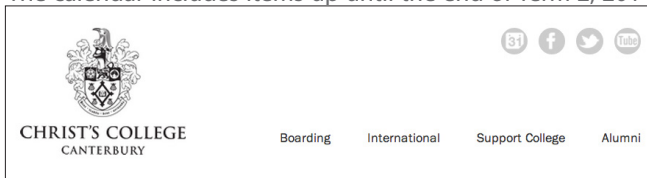


Ross Shillito with chemistry teacher and Head Of Department Scott Franklin.

Online Calendar

Our calendar is now online and our website (in desktop, ipad and mobile view) includes a button in the header for quick reference (as pictured).

The calendar includes items up until the end of Term 2, 2014.



Fixtures and events for Term 3 will be confirmed and then added to the site in early July.

There are also separate Assessment Calendars which outline NCEA assessment dates at each year level. This is managed by Mr Robin Sutton, Senior Master Curriculum, through the Heads of Departments.

You can now subscribe to these calendars across most devices and platforms (android, iOS, gcal, Outlook, PC and Mac etc) to add them to your own online calendar. It is also printable from day, week or month view. In Black & White will continue to include a printable page for the upcoming fortnight but we will no longer be posting out a hard copy.

Any questions, please email
inblackandwhite@christscollge.com

Jacq Gilbert, Publications Manager

Meow – Wow!

Holidays? The CATS company (www.catsthemusical.co.nz) channeled energy into the senior musical production despite the “holiday”. As the new term begins, CATS promises a “meow wow” spectacular.

Eleven performance teams have combined to create the Rangi/ College production company for CATS. Working throughout the April holidays, all eleven teams have delivered, in bucket loads!

Stage construction and technical teams began as soon as the hall was cleared of parent/teacher interview desks. Light, sound, props crews, alongside further set building and painting teams dominated the week between Easter and Anzac Day. The rewards of that work became evident in the last week as the cast and crew took over the Auditorium and the OBT for intensive holiday rehearsals.

The huge job of costume creation and makeup design for the cast of seventy is on track. Fur, tails and ears are the order of the day and the anthropomorphic results are amazing. In makeup, as in the other management teams, boys and girls are working side by side under the guidance of Rangi/College specialists, empathetic parents and industry professionals.

More than 170 people are now focused on making the “purrfect” show. Last Sunday, the first rehearsal with the full orchestra in the newly set up orchestra pit heralded breathtaking proportion.

“To list the boys who are “standing out” would take a page of *In Black&White*”, says Director of Drama David Chambers. “In all eleven CATS management divisions, our boys and girls are learning from the best in the industry. They learn key competencies for life, through drama. It’s why we do it!”

Two weeks to go! Tickets for CATS are on sale at the school office. One night is almost sold out. The city-wide publicity campaign has started. Secure your tickets quickly.

Booking information is at www.catsthemusical.school.nz

Robyn Peers, Production Manager





Monday 19 May – Saturday 24 May
7.30pm, Christ's College Auditorium

Rangi Ruru Girls' School & Christ's College

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(03) 366 8705 or (03) 983 3700
www.catsthemusical.school.nz



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Hard Tack and the Anzac Biscuit

On 9 May Christ's College will host a WWI conference for senior secondary school students throughout Christchurch. Called *Saluting the Sacrifice: A Centenary Remembrance of World War One* it has brought together speakers from throughout the country, as well as members of our own staff. The participants will be eating Anzac Biscuits for morning tea so named, it has often been said, because they were sent to the troops overseas. Culinary historians, particularly those in Australia and New Zealand, have debated this story for many years.

It is true that the military rations of New Zealand soldiers sent from England did include biscuits, more commonly known as "hard tack" and with corned beef (bully beef), tea, and sometimes jam, formed the staple diet at Gallipoli. In an article published in the New Zealand Medical Journal last year researchers have shown that a diet of this kind was a likely contributor to scurvy and other nutrient deficient disorders. These "Anzac wafers" or "Anzac tiles" had a myriad of uses. They could be grated to create porridge or soaked and then spread with jam, to make "jam tarts". Mostly they were just nibbled around the edges and thrown into No Man's Land. Some soldiers even wrote letters on them and sent them home. When the white, easy to eat, and pleasant tasting New Zealand Army biscuit did arrive with new reinforcements it was a highly prized commodity.

A recipe for hard tack can be found at <http://www.awm.gov.au/education/schools/resources/hard-tack/>

But this hard tack is not the Anzac biscuit as we know it with its rolled oats, golden syrup, sugar, flour, desiccated coconut and melted butter. Emeritus Professor Helen Leach, from the University of Otago, has been researching the origin of the Anzac biscuit for many years. Initially this was undertaken by examining early community cookbooks. However, with more newspapers online, tracing the existence and spread of a recipe's dissemination will become even easier.

Leach's research has found that the first use of the term Anzac is in the 7th edition of the *St Andrew's Cookery Book*, published in Dunedin in 1915, but the ingredients in the recipe do not match and nor are there any mixing and baking instructions. They were probably more like rock cakes than biscuits. However, by the 8th edition of the same book, published in 1919, the name Anzac is associated with the correct ingredients. These Anzac Crispies evolved from the Rolled Oat Biscuits that were made in both New Zealand and Australia during World War I, but as far as can be ascertained were not sent overseas.

The Anzac Biscuit, once it was established, has also evolved over time; coconut was not introduced until 1927, while wheatmeal instead of rolled or flaked oats came and went from the early 1930's to 1950. Some of the more recent food writers – Alison

Holst, Lois Daish and Jo Seagar – have added new variants like peanuts, sultanas, sesame seeds and chocolate chips. New Zealand even had its own millennium Anzac Biscuits made by Griffins – a chocolate coated version.

Sources: Leach, H.M. 2007. The Evolution of Anzac and Related Biscuits in New Zealand, and pers com 2014. Wilson, N, N Nghiem, JA Summers, M-A Carter and G Harper 2013. A nutritional analysis of New Zealand military food rations at Gallipoli in 1915: likely contribution to scurvy and other nutrient deficiency disorders <http://journal.nzma.org.nz/journal/126-1373/5606/>



Your chance to hear our keynotes

The two keynote speakers at 'Saluting the Sacrifice', Prof Glyn Harper and Dr Jock Phillips, will repeat their talks at a free public lecture in the Bird Hall at the Canterbury Museum from 5.30pm-7.15pm on Friday 9 May. Dr Phillips (a Christ's College old boy) will be speaking about 'The Great Adventure' and Professor Harper about World War One images.

International Young Physicists

This year the College team of Luke Gellen, Ji Woo Kim and Joshua Wensley won the regional final of the International Young Physicists' Tournament (IYPT). This saw them representing the region in the national finals where they came sixth. They were ably supported in their preparations by Jason Guan, Matthew Minish and Michael Newton.

The IYPT is a physics based debating style event where students investigate various challenge problems, develop and test explanations and then present their research findings at the finals. In each round a second team opposes the presentation while a third team draws the debate together to provide a summary and synthesis discussion.

This year the seven topics ranged from explaining the chirp produced by tapping two steel balls together, through the behaviour of a mass attached to a hoop rolling down a ramp, to optimising the production of electrical energy using a candle flame as the power source. We are particularly grateful to Mr Emil Schroder our physics department technician who gave up several Saturdays to help support the boys and judge the "fights".

Dr Andrew Taylor, Head of Physics



Finals Win for Year 9 Tennis Team

Late last term the College's top Year 9 tennis side met Christchurch Boys' High School in the Division 1 final for CSS midweek tennis. The team consisted of Harry Black, Josh Murison, Jonathan Currie and James Corbett. Harry and Josh were beaten in the top doubles 2-6, and Jonathan and James won their doubles 6-4. In the singles Harry lost 6-4, while Josh (7-5), Jonathan (6-4) and James (6-4) all won, securing a 4-2 win and the title.

Tennis Reps

Connor and Dylan Heap both competed at the NZL National Tennis Teams' event in April. Both were undefeated in their singles, with the under-14 team, of which Dylan was a member, winning Gold. Connor's under-16 team won Silver.

Dylan then competed last week in the Canterbury Junior Tennis Championships winning both the singles and doubles titles.

Canterbury Swimming

Late last term a small group of Christ's College swimmers competed at the Canterbury Secondary Schools' Swimming Championships. The boys earned some pleasing results:

Hunter Wilson

Boys 12-13yrs 50m backstroke.....2nd

Boys Open 200m individual medley4th

Keegan Chin

Boys 12-13yrs 50m breaststroke5th

Ethan Clement

Boys 14yrs 50m freestyle3rd

Jared Chin

Boys 15yrs 50m backstroke3rd

Cameron Smith

Boys 15yrs 100m freestyle.....3rd

Brendan Chin

Boys Open 100m butterfly2nd

Boys 16-18yrs 100m freestyle2nd

Holiday Swimming Results

Hunter Wilson (year 9 Somes) had a very successful week at the Swimming NZ National Age Group Championships. Competing in the 12-13 age group he featured in 8 finals finishing up with two 4th placings (200 Back and 100 Back) and a Bronze medal in the 50 Backstroke. Hunter swam personal best times in all of his events - another outstanding achievement.

Jed Smith competed in the State King of the Bays Ocean Swim at Takapuna Beach during the holidays and was the first male swimmer home in the 1km race. This followed Jed's third placing in the State Le Grand Swim in Akaroa earlier in the season.

Elworthy Selected for NZ

Hugo Elworthy was named on Sunday as part of the New Zealand squad to contest the 2014 World Rowing Junior Championships in Hamburg, Germany in August. The team will assemble and train at Lake Karapiro at the Rowing New Zealand High Performance Centre for six weeks from 8 June to train as a squad. The young New Zealand rowers will compete against 600 top junior athletes from 50 nations around the world at the Championships.



Hugo Elworthy (left) and George Perkins both trialled for NZ during the holiday break.

Rowing Representatives

The season continued into the school holidays for five of our Maadi Cup regatta senior rowers. While George Perkins and Hugo Elworthy took up their invitation to trial for the NZ juniors, Tom Darry, James Chapman and Jack Caulton all took places in the under-18 South Island team.

The North v South regatta was held at Lake Karapiro with all three boys in the eight who twice beat their northern competitors. Christ's College rowing coach, Peter O'Connor was coaching the representative crew.

Following the eights racing the boys also took part in small boat racing with Tom and James in a pair, and Jack in a four. The pair placed fourth, and while the four won their race.



South Island under-18 rowers, James (3 seat), Jack (7 seat) and Tom (8 seat) competing at the North v South regatta held at Lake Karapiro.

NZ Polo

Christ's College Polo players Louis Davidson (Jacobs) and Archie Cameron (Flower's) recently travelled to Australia as part of the New Zealand Schools' Polo team. The team were the winners of the Ken Austin Trophy over Australia Schools 7-3. This match was the curtain raiser to the Australia-Argentina test at the Windsor Polo Grounds. The boys were coached by Roddy Wood.



Silver at Fencing Nationals

Daniel Keleghan, Alastair Keleghan and Anthony Goh have returned from Wellington where they competed in the under-15 and under-17 National Championships. In the under-17 competition Anthony won Silver in the men's epee and Daniel finished in fifth place. In the men's foil Daniel earned the Silver medal, with Alastair finishing 12th. Alastair also finished 12th in the under-15 foil.



Daniel Keleghan (left) with silver medal.

NZ Selection

Damian McKenzie has been selected to play for New Zealand at the IRB Junior World Championship in June. Considered to be a showcase of the future stars of world rugby, the tournament will take place in Auckland from 2-20 June. The New Zealand side will face South Africa, Scotland and Samoa in Pool C. England, Australia, Argentina and Italy form Pool A, with France, Ireland and Fiji in Pool B.

Older brother, Marty, was a member of the 2012 under-20 team who competed at the same tournament in South Africa, reaching the final before being defeated by the host nation 20-16.



Athletics Success

Christ's College athletes enjoyed success at the South Island Secondary Schools' Championships held in Timaru over the weekend. 31 College athletes competed, having qualified based on their performances at the Canterbury Secondary Schools' Championships earlier in the month.

A large number of boys finished in the top 8, with four Golds, four Silvers and six Bronze medals won. A good number of personal bests were also earned for the final event of the season.

Gold

Matt McKellar under-15 javelin.....	46.31
Hunter McKenzie pole vault.....	2.80m
Max Smith under-16 high jump	1.86
Max Smith triple jump	12.37

Silver

Patrick Thacker under-14 discus.....	38.70
Nic Murray under-15 javelin	40.84 (PB)
Hunter McKenzie under-16 800m	2.04.67 (PB)
Toby Franks under-19 pole vault.....	3.40m

Bronze

Simon Brown javelin	33.68 (PB)
Patrick Thacker under-14 shotput	11.95
Jayden Beckett under-16 pole vault.....	2.50m
Andrew Ford under-19 pole vault	2.90m
Sefton Mason Open hammer	32.46 (PB)
Sam Walker Open 3km walk.....	20.01.62



Max Smith competing at Canterbury Championships earlier in the season.

Images from Term 1



