

In Black & White



CHRIST'S COLLEGE
CANTERBURY

Issue 110, 30 August 2016



From the Executive Principal

As you will be aware, since 2015 College has undertaken a number of reviews, using both external and internal expertise, reflecting on what we do and how we can continue to improve. Earlier this year we reviewed our boarding offer, mid-year we engaged in a full culture audit of parents, staff and students, and this reflective process will continue in the near future with a review of sport.



I would now like to share two initiatives that have come out of these processes to date, and in consideration of our Priorities 2013–2017, which guides our strategic intent.

First, College is currently in the process of applying to join Round Square International. Our decision to join Round Square follows a thorough investigation on the part of a committee involving staff and students. Founded in 1966, Round Square is a worldwide network of 160 schools in 40 countries. These schools share and collaborate based on a holistic approach to learning built around six ideals: Internationalism, Democracy, Environmentalism, Adventure, Leadership and Service. By joining Round Square, member schools make a commitment to embed these shared ideals throughout learning activity within the school. A further explanation of how these ideals are described can be found [here](#). When our application is accepted, College will become the only South Island member school of this highly respected organisation. We believe membership of Round Square will provide a range of new and exciting opportunities for our boys.

Second, I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Darrell Thatcher (current Housemaster of Jacobs House) to a newly-established position in the College Leadership Team as Director of Boarding and the Centre for Character and Leadership. In his new role, Darrell will seek to further enhance the quality of our boarding programme through focused leadership. In addition, he will work alongside other College faculty, especially Housemasters, to develop a coherent character and leadership programme which will impact on every boy. This is an exciting step for College, as we are clearly identifying and giving resources to that which we value highly: our boarding programme and the character and leadership education of our students.

Annual Giving

Each year College asks its community to contribute to the school through Annual Giving. Such gifts add real value to the boys' experience and provide additional quality to the programmes we provide. Witness to this is the fact that funds

Click on the photo to read the full story then click the go back arrow in your browser to return to In Black & White.



College celebrates sporting success

The 1st XI hockey team capped off a successful season with a 3 - 1 win over Burnside High School...



Assembly Notes

Click on the photo for the Assembly Items



Calendar Events

Click on the photo to view Calendar Events

from last year's Annual Giving have led to great outcomes for boys this year. A new dance programme, run in association with St Margaret's College, called Co-Motion has begun and is being enjoyed by boys in all year levels; a new body alignment (scrum) machine has contributed to one of our most successful rugby seasons in living memory; and unbudgeted refurbishment of an old darkroom into a new photography studio has led to some inspiring creative opportunities for our artists. Please consider giving this year. You make a real difference to College life. Contact Director of Development Ric Fletcher on +64 3 364 6851 or apply [here](#). We appreciate your support.

Staff Movements

The third term in any school year is often described as the "moving term". It is a time when many people make decisions about their employment and life, about their future, and

confirm their intentions for the following year. With this in mind, I announce the following retirements and resignations: David Johnson (39 years), Graeme Worner (38 years), Allen Pyke (19 years), Matt Willcox (17 years), Grant Hamilton (5 years), David Griffiths (2.5 years).

As you can appreciate, each of these valued members of our staff will be honoured and farewelled at the end of the year.

Garth Wynne, Executive Principal

From the Chaplain



Chapel

You will have noticed there is a lot of work being done on the Chapel building. On the whole, the building was very secure during the earthquakes – apart from a cross that fell off the north transept and, inside, the font fell over and snapped, both of which were sorted early on. Now, meticulous work is

being carried out to repair other damage, such as cracks in the slates on the roof and in some of the stones. With 113 slates now replaced, the roof is, once again, weathertight. Cracks in some stones have lead to them being affected by weather, others were damaged by falling masonry from Harper House and these are being replaced. Some of the mortar (between stones) has cracked and this has to be raked out to a depth of 200mm to ensure the stone will bond together and strengthen correctly. Lime, sand and water is mixed to form the new mortar and then hand trowelled into the gap.



UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE CENTRE FOR ETHICS AND SPIRITUALITY

Thursday 8 September, 7.30pm, Chapman Room

Rev. Ron Hay on *Finding the Forgotten God: credible faith for a secular age*.

[BOOK HERE NOW](#)



In the classroom

Year 9 has, with the wealth of tools, knowledge and skills provided through the Religious Education course so far, begun looking at the first few chapters of Genesis. This is pivotal in giving integrity both to science and history, as well as the biblical literature that is so often approached from a superficial perspective. In Year 10, some classes are now looking at Hinduism, having completed Islam, while others are examining the philosophy of religion and looking at issues such as free will, how we know what we know, and so on. In Year 11, students are concluding their NCEA assessment on history.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Bosco Peters, Chaplain

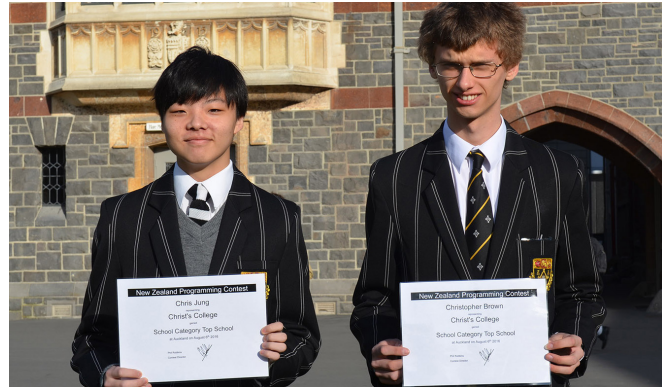
Latest News & Events

Click on the photos below to read the full story then click the go back arrow in your browser to return to In Black & White.



A thrilling Big Sing

A wide range of music reflecting New Zealand's strong choral tradition, performed with passion by some outstanding school choirs...it is no wonder the Big Sing is one of the highlights of the...



Going places with computer science

Their shared interest in computer science and information technology has recently taken Year 13 student Christopher Brown and Year 12 student Chris Jung to some far-flung places...



Pak'nSave visit for accounting students

The Year 12 Accounting field trip to Pak'nSave is a chance to give students experience of the way accounting principles work...



Year 9 success at Cantamaths quiz

Congratulations to the Year 9A College team who were placed second overall to Burnside High School at the annual Cantamaths quiz competition held on Wednesday night...



Successful Grandparents' Day

Grandparents were once again delighted at the opportunity to visit College for the second Grandparents' Day held last Friday. More than 200 grandparents attended the day...



Writing competition winners

Year 10 student Ollie Brakenridge was the winner of this year's Dr Roger Ridley-Smith Writing Competition. Jack Murison, Year 13, came second...

Careers



Course planning – three universities

Liaison officers from Auckland, Otago and Massey universities will be at College during the week 5–9 September. Course planning is not new to the boys, as they have already looked at the possible subjects they will take next year at university. It also allows them to plan widely, so there is flexibility at the end of their first year of tertiary study.

Accommodation applications and reference form

Year 13 boys should now have started to complete their university residential college / hall applications online. They will get email confirmation that their application has been received and can then log on at anytime to check their status. They also need to request a Common Confidential Reference Form (CCRF) be completed by the school.

University of Waikato scholarship

The university awards 20 scholarships annually, valued up to \$25,000 over three years, for outstanding academic achievement, leadership potential and community involvement. Students awarded these scholarships are guaranteed a place in the Halls of Residence.

Zespri scholarship

Each year, two \$15,000 grants are offered to encourage top students to pursue a career in the country's fast-growing kiwifruit industry. The scholarships are aimed at students undertaking tertiary study and complement the company's graduate recruitment scheme. Applications close Sunday 25 September. For more information, visit www.zespri.com/scholarships.

StudyLink – student loans and allowances

The first step in applying online is to check out www.studylink.govt.nz. First time students will need a RealMe login or RealMe Verified Identity, their IRD number, their bank account details, their email address, the name of the education provider where they will be studying, and approximate course start and end

dates. By applying early, students will allow enough time for all steps in the application process to be completed before their course starts.

Massey University, College of Creative Arts, Wellington

Massey offers selected entry degrees in Design, Fine Art, Maori and Visual Art and open entry degrees in Creative Media Production and Commercial Music. Subject areas in the Bachelor of Design or Bachelor of Fine Arts include: fine art, photography, spatial, industrial, fashion, textile and visual communication design. The Bachelor of Commercial Music includes majors in Music Practice, Music Technology and the Music Industry.

Christchurch Medical School – Open Day, Sunday 18 September

Take the opportunity to visit the University of Otago's Christchurch campus. Students will be able to explore career options in the health sector, talk to people doing postgraduate health research, and tour the high-tech Simulation Centre, where health professionals practice procedures on mannequins. There will also be tours of the Brain Research Institute and tours of laboratories, where students can see what it would be like to work as a researcher.

Please continue to page 5 for more careers events and upcoming careers dates.

Events since the last issue:

- UC course planning
- Defence Careers Experience, applications closed
- University of Auckland Scholarships closed
- Massey University - Creative Arts presentation in Wellington
- Ara - Industry Expo and Open Day
- Victoria University - Study@Vic Day
- Courses and Careers Day (Open Day), University of Auckland
- Auckland University of Technology (AUT) Open Day
- EducationUSA, presentation at College for parents and students

**Please join us for
the Year 9
Father & Son
Breakfast**

Saturday 3 September

8am to 9am, Christ's College Dining Hall

Reserve your table from Friday 19 August at
christscollge.com

\$30 for father and son

Enjoy a wholesome cooked breakfast.

Guest speaker - Don Chamberlain
(a father of three College boys)



**CHRIST'S COLLEGE
CANTERBURY**
Each boy at his best.

Ara – school holiday workshops

The following free holiday workshops are available in the September / October holidays:

Wednesday 28 September – Totally Saiko: Japanese language workshop, for Years 11, 12 and 13.

Monday 3–Tuesday 4 October – Mission to Mars: Discover how to survive and thrive on Mars, for Years 9 and 10.

Wednesday 5–Thursday 6 October – Mission to Mars: Discover how to use science to thrive on Mars, for Years 9 and 10.

Bond University – liaison visit, Tuesday 18 October

Two representatives from Bond University, one from the faculty of Health Sciences and the other, the Executive Director of Sport, will discuss with interested parents and students the university's medicine, health sciences and allied health degrees and its elite sports programmes. Based on the Gold Coast, Bond is Australia's first private not-for-profit university. It ensures student funds are invested directly into the student experience. Bond attracts some of the brightest and most ambitious students who are eager to embark on their careers and make a significant impact in their chosen field.

Engineering career opportunities

During Term 3, students on the mechanical engineering programme have been visiting companies in Christchurch to see what engineering careers they offer, the entry requirements and the pathways possible within their organisations. In most companies the range of careers on offer are from apprenticeship to degree level. Visits to a Fletchers Construction site (the new Justice Precinct), the Gough Group (Caterpillar) and Air New Zealand have taken place, with CWF Hamilton next on the list. As well as a tour of the facility, the students meet with the training coordinator of the company and, if possible, current apprentices. The visit is followed by a debrief session back at College, where a ten-point checklist is completed for future reference for anyone considering an engineering career in that industry.

Chris Sellars, Careers Advisor

Upcoming careers dates:

- 31 Aug** – Ara, construction and allied health taster
- 31 Aug** – University of Waikato - Outstanding Academic Achievement scholarship closes
- 1 Sep** – Air New Zealand Aviation Institute, pilot career event
- 6 Sep** – University of Auckland course planning
- 7 Sep** – University of Otago course planning, all courses except health sciences, 2.30pm
- 8 Sep** – Lincoln University course planning
- 8 Sep** – Massey University course planning
- 13 Sep** – Defence Forces information evening, HMNZS Pegasus
- 13 Sep** – Auckland University of Technology (AUT) course planning
- 14 Sep** – University of Otago, course planning, 2.30pm
- 14 Sep** – Victoria University, course planning
- 18 Sep** – Christchurch Medical School, Open Day
- 18 Oct** – Bond University, Gold Coast, Queensland, liaison visit

SCARED SCRIPTLESS

WITH THE

THE COURT Jesters

& CHRIST'S COLLEGE
THEATRESPORTS

Wednesday 21 September, 7.30pm, Old Boys' Theatre

Book before 10 September and be in to WIN two opening night tickets to Showbiz Christchurch's Evita

Tickets \$10, book now!

CHRIST'S COLLEGE

ARTS WEEK

19-23 SEPT

Meet our team

In today's edition we feature library assistant Lyn Feterika and Japanese teacher, Steve Everingham.

LIFE IN THE LIBRARY



Library assistant Lyn Feterika has seen a large number of changes in the College library since her arrival in 2000.

Libraries used to be places where talk was kept to a minimum, books were filed alphabetically and there was a bank of computers which boys lined up to use.

"Now it is a welcoming space where boys can catch up, study, find a cosy place to sit and read or to get help with research projects. We have new chairs, we have been donated new couches upstairs and there are plenty of beanbags, which are very popular. We have changed the whole space to make it very user friendly.

"We get a lot of boys who want to hang out together but who may be in different Houses, so they come here," she says. "But it's not all about social chitchat, it's also a good opportunity for boys to help each other with their studies."

But the biggest changes Lyn has seen is the sharp increase in the number of boys reading ebooks and librarian Lisa Trundley-Banks' decision to shelve books according to their genre rather than according to their author's surname.

"At first I thought this method of classification would be confusing, but it has really worked. If boys like, say, science fiction, they can then find other books by different authors in the same place rather than searching through the shelves.

"We are constantly updating our non-fiction section to reflect research boys are undertaking or topics they are studying in class. Lisa has also been weeding out some books and buying to reflect curriculum advances, such as a new Te Reo section.

"There is no doubt there has been a decline in the number of books issued, but this has been matched with the rise of interest in ebooks. The library online page has hundreds of books in many categories and this year so far there have been around 300 issues."

Initially Lyn was employed to issue books, catalogue and shelve. But her role has grown and she now helps boys with research, suggesting places where they will find information. She was also asked to take charge of cataloguing the English department text books and helps out with the issue of school textbooks at the beginning of the year.

"I really enjoy working here," says Lyn. "I really like being able to help boys with their research and I certainly have a wide variety of things to do. It's a great job."

A STRONG LOVE OF LANGUAGE



Steve Everingham has been teaching Japanese at College for 20 years, as well as occasional classes in economics and geography. Next year, he will be in charge of the new Te Reo course, which all Year 9 boys will take.

Steve studied geography at university, but in the early 1990s when he and his wife went on their OE for two years in Japan, he decided he really enjoyed the language and would like to teach it.

"When we came back, I decided to change direction in my teaching. I could see the popularity of learning Japanese as more people were becoming aware of the Pacific/Asian links, especially the Asian connections.

"I really enjoy teaching Japanese, especially to teenage boys who like it because it is so closely linked to the entertainment industry. Most of the video gaming technology comes from Japan and this attracts young boys to the country. Take the latest Pokemon Go craze, which originated in Japan."

His faith and his family are very important to Steve. He and his family are members of their local Catholic parish and his children attend Catholic schools. The children are all musical and play and perform.

"We all love music," says Steve. "A real bonus for me recently was when I accompanied the College Big Band to the Southern Jam Festival in Blenheim and was able to see my daughter performing in her school band."

Steve is looking forward to the introduction of Te Reo. He will take the classes and is confident he will also learn and develop as he goes.

"The time is right for Te Reo to become part of the junior curriculum. We have had Te Ao, our three-day immersion at the end of Term 4, and the enthusiasm with which the boys accepted this, showed their willingness to become much more knowledgeable about things Maori. This class will give the boys much more, including the confidence to speak Te Reo and to become more sensitive to the protocols. It will build on the Te Reo most have experienced at primary school."

Steve is passionate about everyone learning a language other than English. "In this increasingly global community, it is important we can communicate with others in their own language, especially in the business arena, rather than expecting everyone else to learn English."

Kristi Gray, College Writer

15th SEPT | 20th SEPT

SAVE THE DATE

Enjoy an entertaining night of House Drama

REACTION

2016 Christ's College House Plays Festival

Cocktails
on the Quad

FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER, CHRIST'S COLLEGE
7.30pm - 11.30pm

EVERYONE'S INVITED

Get a group of your friends together!

Be entertained by the Vague As Brothers and more!

\$80 per person

(includes cocktail on entry, drinks and canapes all night!)

BOOK NOW

From the Archives: Walters' House

When an archivist looks at a photograph, there are three questions they hope will be able to be answered: who are the people, and where and why was it taken?

Unlike many photographs in the collection, this one is helpfully labelled Christmas 1890 and includes the names of 17 individuals. When the names were inputted into a table, and matched against two very useful sources – the College List 1850–1890 and the Form Lists – it became clear that Walters' House was the common factor. The Form Lists provided another very useful piece of information, as they differentiated between those who were boarders and those who were day boys. These lists also identified three boys who had not been included in the photograph: Frederick Grant Banks, Herbert Nalder and Guy Dobree Pascoe. The painted line across the foreground suggests it was taken on the edge of the rugby field adjacent to a boundary hedge.



Walters' House 1890 (day boys and boarders)

Back Row, left to right: Colin Mackenzie Taylor, Edmund Whyndham Heathcote Gray, Hugh Thomas Dyke Acland, John Owen Sanderson, Robert Henry Bramley Upton, Ronald Graeme Scott Orbell, John Davies Ormond, Ernest Edward Nalder

Middle Row, left to right: Percy Edward Webb, Henry Herbert Ward (Prefect), John Harold Kemp (Prefect), Francis Joseph Rolleston (Prefect), Percy Theodore Herring (Prefect)

Front Row, left to right: W G Arthur Gore Campbell, George Thomas Tucker, Cecil Cleave Cox, Stewart Dineby Marjoribanks, Kenelm Arthur Wallis



Christ's College Staff September 1888

Back Row, left to right: Carl J Harling, Rev'd Francis Augustus Hare, Thomas de Renzy Condell, Captain Urban Vigors Richards, Alfred John Merton, J B Harrison, Robert Francis Irvine
Front Row, left to right: William Thomas Charlewood, Joseph Pentland Firth, Charles Carteret Corfe, William Charles Flamstead Walters, William Douglas Andrews

The Housemaster and teacher of Classics, William Charles Flamstead Walters, worked at College from January 1885 to May 1893. He arrived from England a bachelor and married Ethel Mary Aileen Skyring at the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Christchurch, in 1886. Their son, Rupert Cavendish Skyring Walters, was born at College. Walters returned to England and was appointed Professor of Classical Literature at King's College, London. He wrote many text books, as well as books and articles on Greek and Roman authors.

The overall informality of the photograph is intriguing and contrasts with the studio photographs of the rugby and cricket teams of the same period. Suit jackets are undone and the prefects lounge in the centre of the photograph, and close examination of the front row reveals one boy has his eyes closed. There is also a range of colours in jackets, waistcoats, trousers and knickerbockers. The year 1890 was of course, well before a formal College uniform was adopted, but the signs of it are there in some black and white striped ties, a mixture of caps and boaters, and the First XV cap.

So two of the three questions have been answered: the individuals are named and, on the balance of probability, the photograph was taken at College. Unfortunately, there is no clue about who the photographer was, as the print has been cut and glued onto card and then surrounded by a mount at a later date. So, apart from the fact that it was Christmas, why it was taken remains a mystery.

Errata

Thank you to Bishop George Connor (6503) whose email and research indicated there was confusion in the article on Herbert William Williams. He was Principal of Te Rau College and the Principal's home was Te Rau Kahikatea.

<http://mro.massey.ac.nz/handle/10179/296/browse?value=Connor%2C+George+Howard+Douglas&type=author>

Jane Teal, Archivist

Ronald McDonald House South Island are running a new fundraising campaign called "Host A Roast".

Not only is this a great chance to invite your family and friends over for dinner at your place in September, but it is also an opportunity to raise funds to help the organisation continue supporting hundreds of Kiwi families while their children undergo hospital treatment.

To register and download your fundraising pack, visit www.hostaroast.squarespace.com.

For any questions, email hostaroast@rmhsi.org.nz or call 03 377 3311.

THIS SEPTEMBER LET'S



BECAUSE DINNER IS BETTER TOGETHER



Host a Roast at your place for family
and friends in September



Each \$20 your guests make goes to
keeping hundreds of families close



Visit www.hostaroast.squarespace.com
to register today!



Email hostaroast@rmhsi.org.nz or call 03 377 3311