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CHRIST'S COLLEGE  
CANTERBURY

Each boy at his best.



## From the Executive Principal

**Yesterday, on Monday 21 November, I visited the Year 9 and Year 10 education outside the classroom experiences that had to be reorganised following last week's earthquake.**

The boys were enjoying water-based activities around Charteris and Cass bays and a high ropes course at Orton Bradley Park. It was refreshing to see them so constructively and positively engaged, supporting each other in newly-formed teams and challenged within a natural environment. It was also interesting to hear from one of the supervising staff who commented that, having whisked away mobile phones, the conversation was flowing at lunchtime. We should always remember an education of quality is one that has variety. In today's education environment, technology is absolutely necessary. It should, however, be balanced by experiences that are not virtual but real. I am pleased College takes this seriously by providing such opportunities. Earlier in Term 4, I visited the famous College Hut on the banks of Lake Coleridge, a destination for generations of College boys. It was wonderful to see names etched in tables and contemplate how this destination can continue to be an engaging part of our co-curricular programme. As College looks

towards a broad curriculum review, there will be a significant place for outdoor education, as we know it is such a wonderful learning environment for boys.

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NZQA exams are now in full flight for students in Years 11, 12 and 13. These qualifications form a basis of judgement of academic performance and I am confident our students' results will again reflect the quality academic programme College provides. One of the challenges with education is balancing assessment with learning, and ensuring that one neither compromises or dominates the

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### Sam Neill drops in to Christ's College

Well-known Old Boy actor Sam Neill spent the day at College on Wednesday 9 November. He was here being filmed by Australian ABC TV for...



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other. This is a dynamic tension, felt acutely within the New Zealand system, where assessment is both cumulative (internal) and summative at the point of external examinations. The amount of assessment for all students is something that is at the forefront of our current curriculum review.

The next few weeks are ones of celebration at College, with our wonderful Carols on the Quad, along with our final prize-givings and leavers' events. Given that this will be my

first experience of these activities, I am very much looking forward to the promise of these events, where we acknowledge and celebrate excellence and contributions made in so many ways.

Last week I communicated with our parent group with regard to our response to the Kaikoura earthquake. In considering this, College consulted with New Zealand Red Cross, who were clear in suggesting that at this point in time the most effective support

we could provide is through cash donations, which can be distributed most effectively to the point of need. With this in mind, you will find more information within *In Black & White* as to how you can assist.

**Garth Wynne, Executive Principal**

# From the Chaplain

This short, extremely busy term is hastening to its conclusion. Seniors are on study leave and doing examinations, while juniors are away on camp. We are all aware of the outcome of the presidential election in the USA and the impact of the strongest earthquake in New Zealand since the 1931 Napier quake. Advent, the season of the liturgical year we are now moving into, often speaks of uncertainty and a lack of having a firm footing. We are particularly conscious of those who struggle with these things and those who are most deeply affected.

We have some special services coming up in the College Calendar over the next couple of weeks:

**Sunday 27 November**, marks the 25th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. To celebrate, I was delighted to receive an invitation to preside and preach at the 10am Eucharist Service at St Michael and All Angels (by the Bridge of Remembrance). Later the same day, at 7pm, we have our annual Advent Carol Service.

**Thursday 1 December**, please join us for Carols on the Quad. This positive and uplifting event is an opportunity for the

College community to come together to sing Christmas carols and share some readings and prayers.

**Friday 2 December**, the year concludes with the Leavers' Service. Parents and caregivers of Year 13 students are invited to attend.

As you know, the Chapel has recently gone through a process of repair and restoration. There is a tradition amongst many stonemasons to seal a bottle of whisky into a wall as they conclude their work. I was delighted to be invited to continue this tradition and seal a bottle into the wall of the Chapel to celebrate the end of this project.



*Rev. Bosco Peters continuing a tradition and sealing a bottle of whisky into the wall on completion of the Chapel restoration.*

Finally, looking forward to next year ... your son may be interested in thinking about baptism (christening) if he has not previously been baptised. Seniors will be invited to consider confirmation.

## Centre for Ethics and Spirituality

**Thursday 16 February 2017, 7.30pm** – Ven. Dr Peter Carrell will introduce *Can mercy guide us through the moral maze?*

**Thursday 16 March 2017, 7.30pm** – my wife, Helen, and I will present on Thomas Merton and Mindfulness.

I wish you all a blessed Christmas and New Year, with safe and recreating holy days and holidays.

**Rev. Bosco Peters, Chaplain**



## Carols on the Quad

Thursday 1 December  
6.00pm at Christ's College

We will be collecting for  
the Christian World Service  
Christmas Appeal.





# Curriculum News

## As we come to the end of Term 4 we can reflect on another incredibly successful year in which our students have continued to excel in all academic areas.

At the heart of our success is the commitment and dedication demonstrated by our teachers throughout the year. They inspire students with their passion for their disciplines. They help students acquire the knowledge and skills to become confident, independent learners, who then pride themselves on their understanding and expertise. Great teachers enable their students to experiment, make mistakes, inquire and question and develop the skills and disposition of original thinking.

What makes College even more special is the relationship between our teachers and students. This has been reinforced to me during the current NCEA examinations, where I have observed the commitment staff have made to ensure the students are prepared for their final examinations.

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As I reflect on my first year at Christ's College, I can honestly say I am very thankful to be part of this amazing community. I

have been impressed by the outstanding achievements of our talented and hardworking students, the dedication and passion of our staff and the positive and supportive relationships we enjoy. I wish the College community a relaxing break and look forward to the 2017 academic year!

*He aha te mea nui o te ao?*

What is the most important thing in the world?

*He tangata, he tangata, he tangata*

It is the people, it is the people, it is the people.

**Joe Eccleton, Director of Studies**

## DONATE TO THE RED CROSS

Support earthquake recovery in Kaikoura

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## Night Prayers Everyone's welcome

Every Monday, 8pm,  
Christ's College Chapel



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# Latest News & Events



## Be Inspired conference enthuses audience

The OBT was filled to capacity with 180 keen and eager Year 7s from intermediate and full primary schools around Christchurch who were challenged to think about leadership, team work and how they could make a difference to the lives of others...



## Inspiring budding scientists

The Christ's College Science Competition challenges and inspires Year 7 students interested in science and technology, testing their skills in various hands-on science-based activities...



## Year 9 and 10 speech competition

It was a tough decision for the judge to choose the winners of the annual Year 9 and 10 speech competition held on Thursday...



## Excellent ICAS results

Christ's College students achieved some outstanding results in this year's ICAS Science examination. Two students gained High Distinction awards, which puts them in the top 1% of students overall...



## Actor selected for prestigious course

Henry Rolleston, who took the lead role in senior productions *Our House* and *Dr Faustus*, auditioned for and has been accepted into the Actors' Programme...



## Bowing out as swimming coach after 23 years

On Wednesday 16 November, College swimming coach Kathrin Mueller worked with boys at the swimming pool for the last time...



# Careers

## Careers Advisors Conference 2016

I recently attended the Careers and Transition Education Association conference in Hamilton, from 16–18 November, which had a strong focus on pathways and opportunities in the primary industries and celebrated the theme “From Pasture to Plate and Beyond”.

Professor Jacqueline Rowarth, chief scientist at the Environment Protection Authority, stressed the importance of the primary sector for New Zealand, which includes the industries that produce and manufacture high quality food and fibre. There is a shortage of graduates with degrees and diplomas in this area. Rather than suggesting students follow their passion, she advocated, “Do something that is needed – it will become your passion”.

By 2020, the top 10 required skills are predicted to be: problem solving, critical thinking, creativity, people management, coordinating with others, emotional intelligence, judgement and decision making, service orientation, negotiation and cognitive flexibility. From Professor Rowarth's perspective there are preferred pathways, but in any degree she suggested students should try and include some aspect which could be of value in agriculture and used the sciences, commerce and geography as examples.

A panel comprising a forestry harvest manager, a consulting officer with Dairy NZ, an agribusiness manager with Westpac and a technical specialist in animal nutrition, talked about their careers within the primary sector. In some cases, they had only picked up science at university. Key points mentioned were the need for people with the ability to develop and maintain strong relationships, technical skills, global competition, environmental challenges and public perception about jobs in the primary sector.

Agribusiness in NZ – comprising St Paul's Collegiate School, Hamilton, along with Dairy NZ and Beef & Lamb NZ – has written seven new Agribusiness Achievement standards. These will be trialled by nine secondary schools in 2017 and available to all secondary schools in 2018. Those who have some science or commerce subjects going into Year 12 could be eligible for this course, which aims to attract bright and capable students. Teaching agribusiness is an important initiative for sustaining New Zealand's economy.

Professor Paul Spoonley from Massey University talked about the “new” New Zealand: older, more diverse, a more dominant Auckland and different ways of working. The fourth Industrial Revolution is seeing the twin impacts of globalisation and technology changing how and where we work. This demographic transformation is also changing the structure of our communities, with many more people over 65 years of age, smaller numbers in other age groups as fertility declines, and a growing reliance on immigration for both skills and population growth.

Dr Adrian Lowe from Lincoln University said job opportunities in the primary industries are expected to skyrocket over the next decade as the sector becomes more sophisticated due to technological advancements. At least 60% of the primary industries workforce will need a post-school qualification, with strong skills in technology, management, business, marketing and science.

## University of Otago course planning

University of Otago liaison officer Prajesh Chhanabhai will be in Christchurch for one-on-one course planning from Monday 28 November – Friday 2 December.

**Where:** Chairman's Suite, Addington Events Centre, Tigger Street, Addington.

**Times:** 9am–4pm.

**How:** Book an appointment by calling 04 460 9805 or emailing [margaret.tobin@otago.ac.nz](mailto:margaret.tobin@otago.ac.nz)

Some boys have already made appointments.

## Events since last issue

- Careers and Transition Education Association conference, Hamilton

## Upcoming Careers Dates

- 28 Nov** – University of Otago course planning  
**2 Dec**
- 8 Dec** – University of Auckland, course application due
- 10 Dec** – Victoria University, applications for limited entry programmes and courses due
- 10 Dec** – University of Otago, closing date for 2017 first year applications
- 12 Dec** – University of Canterbury, application to enrol deadline
- 10 Jan** – Victoria University, applications for open-entry courses and degrees due

## Student Job Search

Student Job Search (SJS) is an online service that helps students gain work experience and extra money while studying at tertiary level. This service is free for students who are enrolled in tertiary study for 2017, or who have a letter of confirmation from any NZ tertiary education provider. Students can register and start applying for jobs online at [www.sjs.co.nz](http://www.sjs.co.nz)

## Christchurch City Mission – Foodbank Volunteers

Traditionally we help the City Mission at this time of the year in the run-up to Christmas. It is a challenging and worthwhile experience for the boys and gives them plenty of volunteering hours in outreach to the community. Dates and times are available as follows:

**Monday 12 – Friday 16 December** 8.45am–12.30pm  
AND/OR 1.15–3.30pm

**Monday 19 – Friday 23 December** 8.45am–12.30pm  
AND/OR 1.15–3.30pm

Please email Mary Wood at [foodbank@citymission.org.nz](mailto:foodbank@citymission.org.nz), or call her on 371 0608, if you are able to help.

## StudyLink – Student Loans and Allowances Apply by Friday 16 December

The first step in applying online is to check out [www.studylink.govt.nz](http://www.studylink.govt.nz). First time students will need: RealMe login or RealMe Verified Identity, their IRD number, their bank account details, their email address, the name of the education provider at which 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. This needs to be done now.

**Chris Sellars, Careers Advisor**

### Dear readers of *In Black & White*

I enjoy preparing this column as a summary of careers news at College. If there is any other information you would like to see included, or any improvements you would like to suggest, please email me at [csellars@christscollge.com](mailto:csellars@christscollge.com).

Thank you to those people who responded to my request for feedback in the last issue of *In Black & White*, I appreciate your comments.

# From the Archives: Melanesian Mission

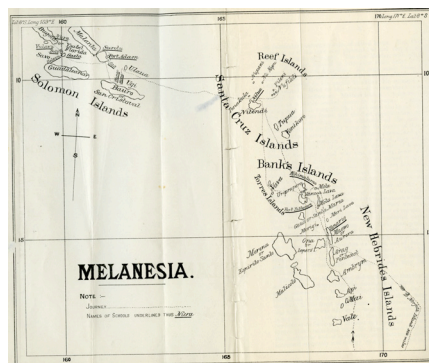
***Christ's College Register*, May 1895, p40: "Percy Williams, and W G Ivens have joined the clerical and John Williams the lay staff of the Melanesian Mission". What was it that drew these three young men who had been contemporaries at Christ's College in the mid to late 1880's to Melanesia?**

John William Williams (1063) had proceeded to Edinburgh after leaving College and trained as a doctor. By 1895, he had returned home to Napier. His brother, Percy Temple Williams (1062), completed an MA in Theology at Jesus College, Cambridge, and by 1895 was assistant to Benjamin Thornton Dudley at St Sepulchre's in the Diocese of Auckland. Walter George Ivens (1125) had stayed closer to home and had graduated MA with Honours in Latin and Greek while living at College House. He had also completed the examinations of the Board of Theological Studies prior to ordination.

The immediately obvious reason for their decision to join the Mission was a tour of New Zealand, from January to April 1895, by the Right Reverend Cecil Wilson, second Bishop of Melanesia, and Reverend Arthur Brittan, one of his staff. The first number of the *Southern Cross Log* indicates that with the resignation of John Richardson Selwyn the Mission was without leadership, but not without determination. The tour, in the Mission ship *Southern Cross*, was not only a way of disseminating information, but also a way to recruit staff and provide a passage for them to Melanesia.

Christ's College already had a long connection with Melanesia. Collections in Chapel had contributed to the Mission for many years, as part of Diocesan-wide offertories. Benjamin Thornton Dudley (16) was in Melanesia from 1858–1863 and at various times from 1872–1880, while Robert Simeon Jackson (11) had served in Melanesia from 1870–1876. In February 1885, the Williams Brothers and Ivens would have read in the *Christ's College Sports Register* of Simon Qontitin, the second scholar College supported at the Mission Headquarters on Norfolk Island. The first was Edwin Sakalraw.

In September 1885, Charles Coleridge (Coley) Harper's (959) nine page account of his visit to



*The Islands of the Melanesian Mission, showing Charles Coleridge Harper's journey. Christ's College Sports Register, September 1885*

the Mission must have caught their attention. He journeyed in the 125-ton barque-rigged *Southern Cross* from Norfolk Island to the New Hebrides (Vanuatu), the Banks and Reef Islands, Santa Cruz and the Solomon Islands, before returning to home base. John Richardson Selwyn had preached in the College Chapel in 1880 and again in 1889, during Ivens' last year at College.

On Sunday 24 March 1895, a Dismissory Service was held in the Chapel for John and Percy Williams and Walter Ivens. The *Register* records that although only Walter Ivens was able to be present, the others were kept informed with what was happening. The next day, the Feast of the Annunciation, "the Bishop solemnly bade Mr Ivens God speed in his new work. Mr Ivens himself also spoke a few touching words suitable to the very solemn occasion".

John Williams was appointed Medical Officer to the Mission, a position which he held for two years before postgraduate work in London. He practised in Gisborne before the First World War, when he served as a medical officer on board the *Aparima*. He then spent two years at the New Zealand General Hospital at Walton-on-Thames. On his return to Hawke's Bay, he maintained an interest in ex-servicemen, as well as contributing to his local parish as churchwarden and vestryman.

Percy Williams' role at the Melanesian Mission was varied. He wrote about his initial time on Norfolk Island (1895–1896) in the *Register* of March 1896. He then spent two years at Bundaberg in the Diocese of Queensland ministering to Melanesians. From 1899–1902 he was in Guadalcanal, followed by a year in New Zealand, and then back to Norfolk Island from 1904–1905. In later years, he was principal of the Theological College of



*Christ's College in Melanesia 1895. L–R Walter George Ivens, Percy Temple Williams, John William Williams.*

St John the Evangelist and spent part of the First World War as chaplain to the 8th reinforcements.

Walter Ivens never lost his commitment to Melanesia. After serving on Malaita and Ulawa (1895–1909) he spent a year as travelling secretary of the Mission in New Zealand. In 1910–1912 he was based, with his wife Eleanor Barrett, at the Yarrabah Aboriginal Mission near Cairns. Years in Melbourne followed, and then he spent 1928–1935 in England as travelling secretary for the Melanesian Mission. His facility with languages and anthropological skills led to the publication of a number of books, as well as several grammars and dictionaries of Melanesian languages. He translated large portions of the Bible into the Sa'a, Ulawa, Bugotu and Lau languages. His PhD from the University of Melbourne in 1923 was called "Dialects of the Pacific Islands". The Harris Collection contains copies of some of his works.

**Jane Teal, Archivist**

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# Maddie's Sauvignon Blanc

Lone Goat has joined the fundraising effort to help 12 year old, Maddie Collins, go to the United States for a life-saving kidney transplant. As the saying goes "it takes a village to raise a child" and Lone Goat invites you to be part of the village for the Collins family.

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