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CHRIST'S COLLEGE
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Each boy at his best.



From the Executive Principal

Director of Sport, Rob Clarke, and I have spent the last week crisscrossing the country so as to support coaches and players involved in Summer Tournament Week. In my experience, both across the ditch and internationally, this is a uniquely New Zealand phenomenon – where a week of what might be considered “academic time” is, for many students, given over to competing in sport at the highest national school level. It signals to me the significance sport plays in the New Zealand psyche, as it will be replicated in winter as well – indeed, the football (soccer) competition has started already. Sport is a great metaphor for life. It starts with participation, demands commitment and leads to, for some, an aspiration for excellence. The lessons learnt along the way are transferable and it was this I witnessed during tournament week. Too often, in our success-driven culture, the focus is on results rather than the process. Fortunately, in College sport, this is not the case. Over and over again I heard the most exceptional of coaches speaking of the process rather than the outcome, and encouraging each boy's effort towards his personal best. Of course – and interesting in the week of House Music – many other activities that ask young people to come together, work as a team and perform, also teach these lessons. It is one of the reasons College experience is so diverse and

why there is not a moment when boys, if they so choose, are not busy and engaged.

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I know all would appreciate that such “busyness” relies on a fully engaged and talented staff and, in this, the College community is indeed fortunate. Without such staff, the qualities of our programmes would diminish. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff involved in our co-curricular programmes – and also our parents, who so often find themselves both at the forefront and in the background of everything we do.

As always, please email me – executiveprincipal@christscollge.com – if you have any matters relative to College you would like to discuss.

Garth Wynne, Executive Principal

Interactive Newsletter

Click on the buttons and photos to read the full story.

Set to make a difference

Old Boy Hamish Thomas has been awarded a prestigious Girdlers' Scholarship for undergraduate study at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge University...



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From the Chaplain

Lent Appeal

This year's Lent Appeal is raising funds for two very worthy organisations – Beyond Water in East Africa and the Christchurch City Mission. It was great to hear about the work of Beyond Water in Chapel a couple of weeks ago. Then, on Monday 27 March, new City Missioner Mr Matthew Mark spoke to Chapel about the very important work the City Mission does for and in our community.

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews

Thursday 6 April, 4–7pm

Friday 7 April, 3.45–5.30pm

As I have so many students – I teach about half the school – rather than limiting numbers by having appointments, I will be around and available to talk to anyone on the evenings of the interviews. I would welcome the opportunity to see you, so do come and talk to me about what is happening in class or in the wider school.

Chapel

At weekday Chapel services during Lent we have been focusing on what is really important to us, using the Church's five-fold mission statement to start that reflection. We will conclude the term by looking at the passion of Jesus.

This year, as many of you will realise, it is 500 years since the start of the Reformation. Students in Year 11 focus on 2,000 years of Christian history. For much of the rest of the year we will be looking at Church history and the lessons we can draw from that in our personal lives.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Bosco Peters, Chaplain



Rev. Bosco Peters with City Missioner Mr Matthew Mark

Centre for Ethics and Spirituality

We have two interesting events coming up in the Centre for Ethics & Spirituality – both sure to spark lively discussion.

Thursday 18 May, 7.30pm, the Chapman Room

Rev. Bosco Peters and Director of Wellbeing and Positive Education, John Quinn present *The Fullness of Life – Positive psychology and the teaching of Jesus*

Thursday 8 June, 7.30pm, the Chapman Room

Sr Eleanor Capper presents *Laudato Si – The imperative to care for the environment*

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Christ's College Community Visits

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Everyone's welcome at Grandparents' Day

Friday 19 May, 10am – 12.30pm

The visit will begin with Chapel, followed by a tour of College with your grandson and refreshments in The Chapman Room which will include a welcome from Garth Wynne, Executive Principal.

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Latest News & Events



Success in summer sports

Summer Tournament Week marked the end of a very successful summer sports season, with College sportsmen travelling to destinations across the country to represent the school in...



Polished performance, resounding success

With up to 120 musicians together on stage, the performance by a combined orchestra – composed of students from Christ's College....



His work here is done

After 21 years, Bursar and Board Secretary Colin Sweetman has decided his work at College is done and it is time to retire. But if he thought he could simply slip out and...



A taste of Christchurch culture

On Tuesday 28 March, Christ's College international students attended an international student welcome event, organised by...



They did us proud

A talented group of College thespians performed a fantastic, fun-filled scene from *Twelfth Night* at the 2017 Otago University Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival, held at Villa Maria College on...



Parry and thrust

Fencing – the art and sport of fighting with swords – is as much about mental strength as it is about physical ability. "You've got to learn how to read people, understand the signals your opponent..."

Careers

University of Canterbury Year 12 Discovery Day – Tuesday 11 April

More than 20 boys have registered for the upcoming University of Canterbury Year 12 Discovery Day. I believe this is a great opportunity for Year 12 students to find out about options available at UC. If you have not yet registered, but are still interested, click on the following link and have a read about the day – [timetable and session descriptions here](#)

Lattitude Global Volunteering

Lattitude Global Volunteering is hosting another information evening in Christchurch aimed at senior students interested in embarking on an international gap year abroad in 2018 or beyond. Lattitude is a youth development charity with over 40 years' experience helping over 40,000 young people with: 1) Preparation for future career choices; 2) Personal development; 3) Relationship building; 4) Cultural awareness; and 5) Life skills and experiences. The information evening will be an opportunity for students and their parents to find out about the Lattitude experience, with volunteer placements from 3 months to 1 year in one of 12 different countries.

Monday 10 April, 6.00pm, Christchurch Community House, 301 Tuam Street

For more information, go to – <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/lattitude-global-volunteering-information-evening-christchurch-april-10th-2017-tickets-33069024342?aff=es2>

2018 Aspire Scholarships

Aspire Scholarships have now released documentation for 2018

For further information, please contact Peter Guiney on 04 4637557, ext 47557, or 022 325 9110.

University of Waikato

I have been away in the Waikato for rowing's Maadi Cup Regatta, so it seems appropriate to include something about the University of Waikato ...

The university has produced a very useful Parents' Information Guide which has everything you need to know about Waikato, including what to expect in the first year, the curriculum, qualifications, accommodation, fees and costs, scholarships, student support, enrolment, and tips for parents. For more information, have a look at the university's website – www.waikato.ac.nz.

Waikato University – Sir Edmund Hillary Scholarship

This scholarship – worth up to \$10,000 per year – offers a tailored leadership and personal development programme for students who demonstrate academic excellence and potential to further excel in either a sporting code or in the creative or performing arts. Recipients receive personal support from the university's Hillary programme manager. For more information, email highperformance@waikato.ac.nz

Waikato University Rowing Club (WURC)

The university has its own dedicated rowing club, based at the Waikato Rowing Club, with boatsheds on the Waikato River and Lake Karapiro. It caters for all rowers, from members of elite teams through to novices and nurtures a balance between a competitive but social environment.

Events since last issue

- Lattitude Global Volunteering information evening
- Your Education, student exchange
- Lincoln University liaison visit (Year 13)
- Ara, Bachelor of Nursing information session

Upcoming careers dates

- 6 Apr** – Victoria University liaison visit, 12.50pm
- 10 Apr** – Lattitude Global Volunteering information session
- 11 Apr** – University of Canterbury Year 12 Discovery Day
- 8 May** – Dunedin Tertiary Open Day
- 7-11 May** – University of Otago On Campus Experience, Maori students
- 22 May** – Otago University Law seminar for Christchurch schools
- 7 June** – University of Canterbury information evening
- 15 June** – Ara, New Zealand Broadcasting School information session
- 26 June** – Ara, New Zealand Broadcasting School information session
- 13 July** – University of Canterbury Open Day
- 13 July** – Ara, New Zealand Broadcasting School information session
- 1 Aug** – University Accommodation applications open
- 15 Aug** – Applications due for most scholarships
- 1 Sep** – Victoria University Open Day
- 2 Sep** – University of Auckland and Auckland University of Technology (AUT) Open Days
- 1 Oct** – University accommodation applications due
- 1 Oct** – University of Canterbury applications to enrol open
- Dec** – University of Canterbury applications to enrol due

University of Melbourne – selection for entry using NCEA

The following link is very useful for parents and students who want to calculate a % and minimum average required in their best 80 credits at Level 3 NCEA. <http://www.unimelb.edu.au/>

Horizons Unlimited

This gap year experience involves an initial 12-week Adventure Leadership training programme, based in Christchurch, followed by opportunities to work either in New Zealand, or overseas in Australia, Hong Kong or USA, and then travel. The 12-week programme is designed for school leavers who want to take a structured "time out" and provides practical learning in small team environments. The course delivers a Horizons Certificate in Adventure Leadership, and involves a range of outdoor activities, leadership skills and personal development. Horizons Unlimited assists students to find work with Summer Camps USA. Some students use this course as their first step to working in the adventure tourism industry, but for many it provides a structured gap year, before they return to tertiary study in New Zealand. The next programme runs from February–May 2018. Applications are now open. For more information call 0800 GAP YEAR or visit www.gapyear.org.nz.

End of Term 1

It has been a very busy term. Year 13 interviews have been a priority. Some universities have given presentations during general studies on Fridays, while other providers have talked to interested boys of all year groups during lunchtimes.

Chris Sellars, Careers Advisor

Boarding Matters

The end of the term is an ideal opportunity to reflect on what has taken place. It is still early days in terms of the longterm goals for boarding, but I feel the boarding community can be proud of the steps it has taken to date.

One of the areas we wanted to focus on was the student voice and, as you can see in Ben's Head of Boarding report, there has definitely been traction in this area. Another area was in terms of duty, or staff we provide in each of the boarding Houses. From the start of Term 2 there will be an additional non-residential tutor in each House offering weekend support, as well as a gymnasium supervisor, which will see the gymnasium and weights room open during the evenings and at times in the weekend. There will still be some tweaking required in terms of hours, however, as we assess student demand.

In Term 2, we will work on creating a cohesive and consistent discipline model, as well as taking the first steps in implementing a new electronic leave system. Term 2 will focus on training for staff, with the plan to be using the new leave system with boys and parents in Term 3. This will be discussed at my presentation **Boarding at Christ's College – 2017 and Beyond**, on **Sunday 30 April**, from 5pm.

At the conclusion of this presentation, we invite you all to the Dining Hall for dinner and an opportunity to see the renovations to the kitchen and servery. **If you intend having dinner, please email your Housemaster by Friday 7 April.**

Over the weekend, 30 Year 8s enjoyed a 24-hour Boarder Experience. The boys arrived at lunchtime on Sunday, participated in the weekend boarding activity of ten pin bowling, and enjoyed time in and around the three boarding Houses. On Monday morning they were able to experience some classroom activities. From my perspective, it was nice to spend time with these young men, as well as have the opportunity to meet their parents.

Hopefully we will see most of them again next year as Year 9 boarders at Christ's College!

Darrell Thatcher, Director of Boarding and The Centre for Character & Leadership

Boarding Programme

The last two weekends of term have seen the boarders continue to be busy with the Boarding Programme. Activities have included watching the Crusaders remain unbeaten with a win over the Force; visiting the Escape Room, which saw the boys try and escape from a themed room, in a set time, using a series of clues; a trip to the movies to see *Kong: Skull Island*; taking part in Round 2 of the interhouse boarding competition, with Flower's House winning the water polo; and an afternoon at ten pin bowling. The Boarding Programme for Term 2 will be out at the beginning of next term.

Head of Boarding report

On Friday 10 March, I headed to Christchurch Girls' High School for a weekend of activities with other Heads of Boarding from around the country. Once we had all had a talk about what was planned for the weekend, All Blacks high performance manager Don Tricker gave a presentation. Don was hired in 2010 after writing an article about why the All Blacks had not won a rugby world cup since 1987. The main idea I took out of his speech was RSA, which stands for Resistance, Structure and Awareness. I found it key, as it is what I will need to be successful, not only in fulfilling my Head of Boarding role, but also for what I want to achieve in sporting and academic areas. During the course of the weekend, we also participated in an "amazing race", took a tour of the Christchurch Boys' High School boarding hostel and – in one of my favourite events – enjoyed a formal dinner and dance with a band, singers and all. Other speakers I enjoyed included Bernie and Chris Mene, who covered what it takes to lead a team. At the end of the weekend, I realised how lucky I and my fellow boarders are at College, in terms of the facilities we have, the opportunities we are given, and how strong the connection is between each of the boarding Houses – instead of having one big boarding hostel, as is usual at other schools.

Last week, boarding leaders from Flower's, Richards and School, came together to discuss and collate the ideas that have come out of their student committee meetings in Term 1. The people involved were: Hamish Anderson and Max Murray (School House Deputy Heads of House), Liam Sullivan (Richards House Head of House), Guy Murdoch (Richards House Deputy Head of House) and Ben Aitken (Flower's House Deputy Head of House). We also had two other boarding school prefects Jack Noble-Adams (Head of Technology) and Sam Cameron-Dunn (Deputy Head Prefect) present, while Robert Turnbull (Flower's House Head of House) was absent due to Maadi Cup rowing commitments. Mr Thatcher also attended. The meeting covered a lot of areas, including the Dining Hall, any problems in the House and weekend activities for seniors. I found it really valuable and know that going forward the student voice can contribute to the growth of boarding. This week we are putting out a Dining Hall survey, where boys will be able to give feedback on meals and other aspects of the Dining Hall.

Ben Murray
Head of Boarding



SAVE THE DATE

St Margaret's College & Christ's College Senior Musical
OPENING 27 JUNE 2017

Screenplay by BETTY COMDEN and ADOLPH GREEN
Songs by NACIO HERB BROWN and ARTHUR FREED

The rhythm of her life



Claire Oliver “just fell into” a career in music, but she would not have it any other way. “I love it. I’ve been a musician all my life and was already teaching music by the time I finished high school. It’s very satisfying, rewarding work.”

At College, Claire is director of the Big Band, Jazz Combo and Saxophone Quartet, as well as an itinerant teacher of saxophone, clarinet, double bass and bass guitar. She also has students at Christchurch South Intermediate, manages saxophone quartets and teaches at St Margaret’s College and St Andrew’s College, and is director of the Christchurch Girls’ High School jazz band. She might be busy, but

Claire still finds room for playing tenor sax with Christchurch’s All Girl Big Band. “An all female group is rare in Big Band terms – we’re the only one in New Zealand. For me, the best thing about it is I don’t choose the music and I’m not in charge. I’m in it for the sheer pleasure of playing.”

It is, however, her passion for teaching – for nurturing the talent in her students – that inspires her. “What with lessons, practice, groups and ensembles, music is very absorbing. If they’re still into it at high school, it’s because they’re choosing to do it for themselves – and that’s awesome.”

College has a strong musical tradition and, for jazz aficionados, there is always something to look forward to: House Music in Term 1, the Cavell Leitch NZ International Jazz and Blues Festival in Term 2, Southern Jam in Term 3 and the Christchurch Big Band Festival in Term 4.

While she is open to suggestion, Claire usually selects the music – looking for works in the traditional jazz genres of swing, Latin and funk, plus feature pieces to give strong instrumentalists the chance to shine – and then runs her ideas past Head of Big Band Jamie Hutton. “I put quite a lot of weight on what he has to say. Creating great music is a collaborative process and I always like to get the boys’ buy in.”

Claire rehearses with the Big Band twice a week, and the Jazz Combo and Saxophone Quartet once a week. “It’s good to have something to aim for. Playing in competitions and festivals keeps the boys on their game. They work hard to get each piece to performance level.”

Whether by teaching, playing or listening, music has enriched and enhanced Claire’s life. “It’s a privilege to be able to do what I do.”

Catherine Hurley, College writer



Information Evening
16 May, 7.30pm

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From the Archives: Steffano Francis Paulovitch Webb

In January 1895 two brothers were enrolled at Christ's College: Rickards Hickman Webb (1677) and Steffano Francis Paulovitch Webb (1678). Another four of Henry Richard Webb's sons had spent varying times at College from 1876 to 1890, but it was Steffano's name that was to appear in the Christ's College archives long after he left in 1898.

Webb's obituary in the Christ's College June 1968 *Register* records that when he left College he went to work at *The Press*, where his formal interest in photography began – although it must have been helped by his father being president of the photographic section of the Philosophical Institute.

After a brief sojourn in Sydney, Webb returned to Christchurch and established a photographic studio at 217 Colombo Street. It was his appointment as one of the official photographers to the 1905–1906 International Exhibition in Hagley Park that brought his studio to the attention of the wider public. By 1908 he was in partnership with George Angus Bunz (1624), a contemporary of his at College, in a studio in Gloucester Street. When Bunz left to establish a studio in Ashburton, Webb remained in these premises until 1912, when he moved to Petersen's building at 252 High Street. In 1929 he took over a photographic studio in Timaru, and retained both studios until he retired in 1951.

The Christchurch City Libraries hold a number of his photographs in their Heritage Collection, and the National Library of New Zealand holds approximately 1600 of his original dry plate glass negatives.

Jane Teal, Archivist



Shooting VIII photographed by Steffano Webb in 1920
Back, left to right:
Mr Fell (coach), CC Scannell, Corporal KM Kissling, B M Richmond, Sergeant APC Graham
Front, left to right:
Sergeant I S Gardiner, Corporal P Grant, Sergeant J F Barclay (capt), D E Grigg, Corporal G E Gray



Swimming IV photographed by Steffano Webb in 1930
Back, left to right: AP Blair, R C Harper
Front, left to right: D H Arthur, J H Holderness

Sources:

- Christ's College Register, June 1968
- Early New Zealand Photographers <http://canterburyphotography.blogspot.co.nz/>
- Webb, Steffano 1880–1967; Collection of negatives <https://natlib.govt.nz/items/22740240>

Note: Webb's 3rd Christian name is variously recorded as Paulovitch, Pavlovich and/or Paulovich



Christ's College Rugby Gala Dinner

Friday 9 June, 5.45pm

Join special guest speakers **Stephen Jones**, world renowned rugby correspondent for *The Times* and *The Sunday Times* and twice-named Sports Correspondent of the Year, and **Mark Reason**, a seasoned journalist of twenty years covering sport for *The Telegraph* and *The Sunday Times* in Britain, now living in New Zealand and working for Fairfax Media, for a three-course meal with premium wines proudly selected and sponsored by Giesen Wines.

All proceeds raised will go towards supporting every rugby player at Christ's College through our coaching programmes and equipment, as well as Linwood junior rugby.

Individual Ticket – \$200
Table of Twelve – \$2400

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