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CHRIST'S COLLEGE
CANTERBURY

Each boy at his best.



From the Executive Principal

We live in unsettling times, and the present stand-off between North Korea and the USA and escalation in threatening rhetoric has been disconcerting and upsetting for many.

But in our College community, the boys have been the fortunate recipients of some very different messages, which provide a welcome and aspirational contrast.

First: International Week

This student-led initiative highlighted the Round Square Ideal of Internationalism. Coordinated by a committee led by Year 13 student Vincent Li, and through a wide range of fun events and activities, International Week promotes the strengths of international diversity within College and our wider community. At the start of the week in Chapel, on Monday 7 August, Vincent spoke eloquently about cultural differences, expectations and the need for greater understanding.

Second: Dr Michael Kimmel

This internationally-renowned author, sociologist and gender studies expert from Stony Brook University, New York, gave a great deal of time to the boys during his visit, sharing his wisdom with them and their parents. Michael spent time in some

of our English classes, gave a presentation at a parents' information evening, and was guest speaker at our Father & Son breakfast. Michael's key messages had two particular elements: the first was associated with privilege and acceptance; and the second was about understanding the nature of gender and the opportunities that exist for schools like College to educate the "good man".

Third: The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy

The historical connections between College and Christ Church, Oxford, are substantial, and we were privileged to work with the Christchurch City Council to host a civic reception and special dinner for The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy, Dean of Christ Church Oxford. Martyn also spoke at the school's Centre for Ethics & Spirituality and at Chapel. He brought together philosophy and religion in a way that was truly inspiring. His presentations to both the boys and the wider community was about how we are so much more human and more Christian when we fully embrace, celebrate and accept others.

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My house is your house

International Week celebrates diversity, language, culture and the incredible benefits that spring from opening our hearts and minds to international...



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To be a great school, Christ's College must be a community where all are welcome – where each is as significant as the other and, culturally, we aspire to be Christ-like in our relationships. Such behaviour and disposition starts with our gospel-inspired virtues and finishes in our everyday interactions with those around us. Such openness and acceptance of diversity is challenging at times, but is our community at its best.

Garth Wynne, Executive Principal

Choral Connect

FEATURING BIG SING NATIONAL FINALISTS
CHRIST'S COLLEGE CHAPEL CHOIR
AND RESOLUTIONS

Tuesday August 22nd, 7.30pm
Christ's College Assembly Hall, Rolleston Ave

Gold Coin Admission
Proceeds to Child Cancer Foundation



Rangī Ruru
Girls' School



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From the Chaplain

Visit of the Dean of Christ Church, Oxford

It was a delight to host The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy, the Dean of Christ Church, Oxford. His address at the school's Centre for Ethics & Spirituality on *What it means to be an inclusive church* went to the foundations of Christianity as a movement that included and incorporated those who were normally excluded. It was great to have two Bishops, Board members, staff, parents, students, and people from the wider community present. I think that Jesus's vision of rejoicing in rather than fearing difference is such an important one for our students and for the wider world.

On Friday Martyn addressed Chapel, focusing on education being not just for ourselves but to enable us to make positive change in the world in which we live. Martyn was welcomed into Chapel as we sang the school's new waiata, "Te Whakapono Ki Te Atua". This is the first time we have used this waiata to welcome someone to College.

Work on Chapel windows

I am thrilled the Annual Appeal has raised enough money for the school to replace the covers on the Chapel's stained glass windows with proper protective glass. If you want to get a bit of an idea of the improvements to come ... they will look even better than the ones done some time ago, covering the window on the Quad side nearest the west door and over the central light of the east, sanctuary window. The Piper window – certainly our most famous window – will also come out and be restored. It is the abstract Tree of Life and River of Life in the niche with the Book of Memories on the south (museum) side. If you look at it before restoration, you will see that over the years it has significantly buckled.

Mr Graham Stewart will do this work, which will protect the glass well into the future.

Yours in Christ
Bosco Peters, Chaplain



Latest News & Events



Bopping with the Big Band

With Ara JazzQuest on Saturday 5 August and the Southern Jam Youth Jazz Festival in Blenheim from Wednesday 9–Saturday 12 August, it has been a busy time for College’s jazz musicians.



We could be heros

A dedicated research day is a rare treat in a busy school schedule, but on Tuesday 8 August Year 13 Classics students took a break from their usual routines to...



¿De dónde eres?

Say “Hola” or “Kia ora” or “Hello”, and welcome Carlos Toda Plaza to our community. Carlos, from Viaró Global School in Barcelona, Spain, is on a one-month teaching fellowship at.....



Gender Equality expert at College

Dr Michael Kimmell, Professor of Sociology and Gender Issues at Stony Brook University who has been visiting College this week, has plenty of insights for boys...



Lessons for a fulfilling life

Health, wellbeing, positive education, character strengths, mindfulness, leadership skills ... These are not the latest educational buzzwords, there is growing evidence to suggest such concepts have intrinsic value...



Drama to make you shudder!

Senior Drama students have taken the bold step of exploring physical theatre, using movement and emotion to create atmosphere....

Careers

Your Education - Student Exchange

Your Education is a specialised education agency offering student exchanges in over 15 countries around the world. Now, Your Education also plans to offer "Educational Tours" to China, Spain, France and California for two weeks during the July and September holidays. These trips will include language tuition and sightseeing.

The next Your Education information meeting will take place at the Upper Riccarton Library, Thursday 17 August, 6.30pm. This is the link to the Facebook Event page <https://www.facebook.com/events/106213013310425>.

Deloitte Awards

The Awards are open to Year 12 and 13 students who are studying Accounting and who are of Maori descent. The Deloitte Award – Most Promising Maori Accountant will assist and encourage Maori students to study Accounting. They must be intending to pursue full-time undergraduate study at a recognised New Zealand tertiary institute with Accounting as a subject, and must wish to follow a career in Accounting. Further information is available on the Deloitte website: www2.deloitte.com.

Victoria University – Study@Vic Day – Friday 1 September

Thank you to parents and boys who have indicated when they will be travelling to the Victoria University Open Day on Friday 1 September. A booklet has been issued to the boys who are going, which will help them plan their day. Activities include visiting Halls of Residence, attending lectures, talking to academic staff at the expo and exploring Wellington.

University of Auckland and Auckland University of Technology Open Days – Saturday 2 September

A booklet has been given to those who are attending the Auckland Open Days. This includes information about faculties, lectures and activities, including a lecture timetable, hints for planning the day and campus maps. Visit www.auckland.ac.nz or www.aut.ac.nz for more information.

NCEA and Careers Evening

We were delighted with the large turnout for this information session, mainly aimed at Year 10 boys and their parents, about NCEA Level 1 and subject choices for 2018. A Careers booklet *Subject Options, Career Pathways 2018* was given to parents. This booklet gives an indication of subjects to consider, and the importance of keeping in mind tertiary education options at universities and polytechnics. Please contact Mr Sellars if you would like a copy.

University course planning sessions

The liaison officers from the various universities come back to College this term. Course planning is not new to the boys, as most have looked at 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. Prajesh from the University of Otago will emphasise that those doing Health Sciences First Year need to have a plan B if they are not accepted into medicine.

University accommodation applications and CCRF

At present boys are completing their online applications. They can then log on anytime to check their status. They can also request a Common Confidential Reference Form (CCRF) be completed by College. Housemasters will complete this form and forward it to the university's

Events since last issue

- University accommodation applications opened
- University of Melbourne visit
- Victoria University course planning

Upcoming careers dates

- 15 Aug** – Applications due for most scholarships, including UC and University of Otago
- 15 Aug** – Queenstown Resort College (QRC) information evening, The George Hotel, 6.30pm
- 17 Aug** – Music Arts for a Day, Ara, 11am–3pm
- 17 Aug** – NASDA for a Day, Ara, 8.30am–4.30pm
- 20 Aug** – Massey University scholarship applications close
- 28 Aug** – Senior examinations
- 31 Aug** – University of Auckland applications close for Music Performance majors
- 31 Aug** – University of Otago applications close for Teacher Education
- 1 Sep** – Victoria University Open Day
- 1 Sep** – University of Otago applications close for Performance Music auditions
- 2 Sep** – University of Auckland and Auckland University of Technology (AUT) Open Days
- 7 Sep** – University of Otago course planning (all courses except Health Sciences First Year), 1pm
- 11 Sep** – Massey University course planning, 1pm
- 12 Sep** – Lincoln University course planning, 1pm
- 13 Sep** – UC course planning, 2.30pm
- 14 Sep** – University of Otago course planning (Health Sciences First Year), 1pm
- 15 Sep** – Common Confidential References to Halls of Residence due
- 15 Sep** – University of Otago applications close for Bachelors of Dental Technology, Oral Health, and Radiation Therapy
- 21 Sep** – Defence Force information evening, 419 Montreal Street, 6pm
- 30 Sep** – University of Otago Halls of Residence applications close
- 1 Oct** – Accommodation applications due
- 1 Oct** – John Waller Memorial Scholarship applications close
- 1 Oct** – University of Auckland applications close for Bachelor of Fine Arts
- 1 Oct** – Victoria University enrolments open for 2018
- 1 Oct** – UC applications to enrol open
- 11 Oct** – Ara Design Portfolio workshop, Ara, 10am–1pm
- Dec** – UC applications to enrol due

Accommodation Centre. Students can apply for accommodation at several universities and make their final decision in October. Applicants should know early in Term 4 if they have an offer or are on the waiting list. We recommend they accept the first hall they are offered.

StudyLink – student loans and allowances

Studylink is a service provided by the Ministry of Social Development to administer student allowances and student loans, and assist students to get the financial support they are entitled to.

To apply online, students will need their 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 of the application process to be completed before their course starts. For more information, phone 0800 889 900 or go to www.studylink.govt.nz

UC – John Waller Memorial Scholarship

PwC in conjunction with the BNZ offer this Memorial Scholarship on behalf of the family of John Waller, to honour Mr Waller's values and professional contribution. John was at College from 1966–1970. The John Waller Memorial Scholarship supports undergraduate students in Commerce, Science and Law at the University of Canterbury. Each scholarship provides \$6,000 per annum for three years, an offer of mentorship from PwC or BNZ or both, an offer of two paid internship opportunities during the term of the scholarship, and consideration for an offer of employment with PwC or BNZ on graduation from the programme. Closing date: Sunday 1 October. For more information go to www.canterbury.ac.nz

Chris Sellars, Careers Advisor

Football Fundraiser

Christ's College Fleece Blankets – \$85 each

- These blankets will keep you warm and toasty whilst watching your son's sporting events
- Great for boys to have on the end of their bed at home or boarding
- Wrap up in one whilst watching tv
- Easy care blanket to have in your car
- Machine washable

Order form is available at Uniform Shop or place an order direct with Karen Duff – fourduffs@xtra.co.nz

We have 24 blankets embroidered and available in stock now



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Homestay families required

We have an increasing number of international students choosing the Christ's College experience, for both short- and long-term stays – which means we need more host families willing to welcome these young men into their homes during school holidays only.

Hosting an international student can be a very rewarding experience, enriching the lives of everyone involved and often forging lasting friendships.

Support and assistance is provided at all times, and a weekly fee will be paid.

If you would like more information, please contact International Student Manager Deanne Gath on 027 215 5366 or email dgath@christscollege.com

Cocktails

on the 

Quad

FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER, CHRIST'S COLLEGE
7.30pm - 11.30pm

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Get a group of your friends together!

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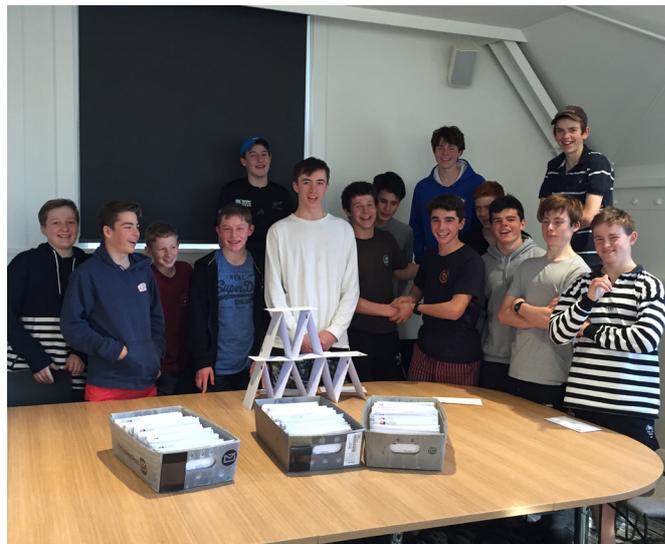
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Boarding Matters

No matter how much planning goes into a new project, you never know how it is going to go until it is implemented. We are now at the midway point of the first trial of our new Immerse & Inspire programme – and I am pleased to say feedback so far, from parents and boys alike, has been very positive.

The community service session, led by City Missioner Matthew Mark, was very thought-provoking and made the boys realise how giving up a little bit of time can make a big difference to another person or group. This was followed by the boys carrying out two service projects. First they headed to New Brighton beach for a rubbish clean up, then they helped fold letters and put them in envelopes at the Christchurch City Mission. While the boys completed this task in around 90 minutes, they were told it would have taken about 24 hours for one person to complete – which underscores the statement made above, that “giving up a little bit of time can make a big difference to another person or group”. The Study Skills session run by Patrick Sherratt from Innervate was also well received. It gave the boys a better understanding of how the brain works and how to be efficient in terms of utilising time to study. Two pre-camp evening sessions has seen the boys well prepared for their adventurous journey at Boyle Lodge. And in between all these activities, they have enjoyed plenty of downtime, getting to know other boys in their year group that previously they may not have had much contact with. There has also been some more mundane (but just as important) tasks like cleaning the kitchen, doing their own washing, emptying rubbish bins and keeping their rooms tidy, which have hopefully helped them form some good habits for when they head back home.

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



Head of Boarding report

The year is flying by and, as we head towards the middle of Term 3 and school examinations, the Year 13s are beginning to realise their days at College are numbered. It is also the time of year when the Year 12s are ready to step up and take over leadership roles in the three boarding Houses. They have now taken on morning and night duties within their Houses and have also applied for their preferred prefect role for next year. Doing House duties at this time is the perfect way to shape them into the prefect leaders of their Houses next year.

This term the boys have had the opportunity to receive evening tuition in each of the three boarding Houses. There is help available in a variety of subjects and this tuition will make a big difference heading into NCEA examinations at the end of the year. The new initiatives that saw the gymnasium and weights room open in the evening, and the introduction of a “fuelling station” in the Dining Hall before sports training, have proved popular. They are well used and much appreciated by the boarders. The remainder of the term will continue to be busy, with upcoming highlights including the House Shoot and Dinner weekend, House plays, and the junior and senior Boarder vs Dayboy rugby games.

Finally, College’s boarding leaders have met with student leaders from other Christchurch boarding schools to discuss the introduction of an inter-boarding school competition for all year groups. The schools involved include College, along with Christchurch Boys’ High School, Christchurch Girls’ High School, St Bede’s College, Rangī Ruru Girls’ School, St Andrew’s College and St Margaret’s College. This will be a great way to connect with boarders from other schools in a social setting and will hopefully become a fine boarding school tradition. We hope it will start by the end of Term 3.

Ben Murray, Head of Boarding

Boarding Programme

Over the past couple of weeks, the boys have visited the driving range and mini putt at Ferrymead Golf, and used up a lot of excess energy on the trampolines at Mega Air in Hornby. They also watched a movie at Hoyts Riccarton on Saturday evening, but unfortunately the ski trip to Mt Hutt had to be cancelled due to inclement weather (strong winds).

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE BOARDING PROGRAMME FOR TERM 3](#)



Hats off to a successful Chapel Choir European Tour Quiz Night

A huge thank you to each and everyone who contributed to making the Quiz Night a fun and successful event. With special thanks to Matt Cortesi for his wonderful Quiz Master and MC skills, and to all our sponsors.



From the Archives: The Lusk Albums

Harold Butler Lusk is best known as a first-class cricketer who played for New Zealand, Auckland, Canterbury and Wellington from 1899–1921, and as the New Zealand Amateur Golf Champion in 1910. Christ's College is, however, indebted to him as both a teacher, from 1906–1919, and for two photograph albums that are now held in the College Archives.

Lusk was born in Sydney in 1877 and, after moving to New Zealand, he completed a MA in 1902 and LLB in 1907. At College, Lusk took on many roles. He was a tutor in Flower's House, coached the 1st XV, spent a lot of time in the nets coaching cricket, sang in concerts, and taught English, Mathematics and History. He left to become Headmaster of King's College, Auckland.

Both albums (CCPAL/1 and CCPAL/14) are dated 21 October 1907 and cover the period from 1906 to about 1908 in considerable detail. College events, teams and buildings are included, interspersed with cricket, golf and trips around Canterbury. A few may relate either to his time at university in Auckland or a subsequent visit. Some photographs are repeated on the seventy-two pages that comprise the two albums.

Choosing which of the many photographs to use to illustrate the comprehensive scope of the albums is difficult – but it seems appropriate to begin with a photograph of Lusk himself, and include several photographs of buildings and events with which he was familiar.

Jane Teal, Archivist



Harold Butler Lusk, Christ's College Archives CCPAL1/2/1



The interior of the Chapel, Christ's College Archives CCPAL14/8/1



Sports Day 1906, Christ's College Archives CCPAL1/9/1



Gloucester Street from the College Gates, Christ's College Archive CCPAL14/5/1