





# From the Executive Principal

The academic year concluded for the entire school last week with prize-givings and several celebratory events. These were fitting ways in which to finish off an excellent year in the life of the school. With over 1000 people in attendance at Carols on the Quad, it is most appropriate to thank our Chapel Choir under the directorship of Mr Robert Aburn. This is now a major event in the Chapel calendar that draws the past and the present together. As one grandparent said to me "I feel like it's Christmas time now".

At both prize-givings, there were a number of themes I left the boys with to contemplate through the Christmas break – whether they return to College or as they move onto life beyond the gates. Three things that I believe have a significant impact on College culture and on the general culture of our community. From my speeches:

Firstly, "How are you going to personally manage technology in your lives?" Addictive effects of screen time and elements of social media and visual entertainment, if allowed to overtake meaningful engagement with the moment and the quality of your live relationships, could be your undoing. You need to consider your own controls for the years ahead as you continue to be sold the "magic" of virtual rather than real connections.

Secondly, "What type of a man do you intend to be?" The time for passive acceptance of boys being boys, of men behaving badly, or simply "being a lad" are gone. Contemporary expectations demand much more of you. Our society, both inside College and beyond, no longer accepts behaviour that reflects a sense of entitlement based on your age, gender or ethnicity. Your understanding, acceptance and celebration of diversity in all its representations and, most importantly, your absolute respect for girls and women, are non-negotiable parts of your future if you wish to be considered a success in any part of your life and a 'real' man. I ask you to consider how that fits with your current worldview and address any dissonance that may exist.

Finally, and related to our College mission: "How are you contributing to Each 'other' at 'their' best"? Reflect on the past year and ask yourself how and, indeed, if you have supported those around you, both in College and beyond, to be themselves, to follow their interests, to seek new challenges or follow unique and special passions. How good a friend have you been? Have you been a bystander or have you stepped in? I ask you to think about how you will support others to be at their best. What are you prepared to give to help others grow?

I also had the pleasure of announcing a very special opportunity that College has gained as a member of the Round Square collection of schools. We have been selected as one of five research fellow schools for a study to be led by Dr Christina Hinton from Harvard Graduate School of Education and her team at Research Schools International. The study will consider How Round Square Schools support students' International Understanding. The two-year international study will explore how educators in the Round Square community of 180 schools in 50 countries support students' development of international understanding. Students and teachers in all schools will be invited to contribute to the study their reflections on students' global competencies, how the school supports students to develop those competencies, and which activities and approaches they believe are most effective in supporting their development. Student participation and voice will play an important part in this research process.

I hope everyone has a reinvigorating and enjoyable Christmas period and returns refreshed in 2018. Our next *In Black & White* will be in the second week of term.

Garth Wynne, Executive Principal

### Carols on the Quad













### Junior Prize Winners

#### Year 9

IC Aitken JJ Barr AJD Batchelor JP Belcher SH Cranstone JM Currie GC Gearry CJ Hackston OMC Hlavac ST Idiens J Jolly JP Kinley CE Lord RW Lynch CG Manson K Oikawa AW Orr DS Pahalawatta N Prachuabmoh N Prachuabmoh FAH Sudell

CW Tellick

#### Year 10

LJR Adams FF Anderson MB Audeau RRM Baird AJ Baker SHJ Barnett HDC Bell **GN Chaffey BP Davis** JTB Drage MJ Durant DG Edmond HW Eglinton BA Evans JG Gallagher JA Gibbs LMMM Gunn AB Hayman JW Herber K Houston OF King WJD Koko

A Kwak
FT Laing
JRW Lay
ZRH May
FGJ Miller
HT Mossman
JDM Peebles
EGB Pidgeon
KJ Salt
OHR Short
GD Simpson
TG Smith
A Vraich
JJY Wong

F Zhou

#### **Special Prizes**

Junior Sportsman of the Year Zach May

Christ's College Interhouse Competition Trophy Harper House









### Senior Prize Winners

#### Year 11

CJ Bassett JRW Batchelor MA Bayley MA Biraben-Clough OH Brakenridge F Brokenshire WS Chaffey **GM Coates** TJ Dimbleby ST Fergusson ZW Gallagher TC Graham LP Hamilton MA Heywood ES Hsing NJ Lidstone **RRC Limbrick** WL Macdonald GS Matheson JH Mattingley H Nakajima NC Penrose TM Rose WJ Schneideman CA Smith FM Smith J Stevenson MT Surveyor MI Todd **AP Todhunter** 

#### Year 12

MJ Whittaker

MI Toth

T Berg AG Finlay GR Flynn DO Heap

ARC Hlavac CJ House D Houston MAJameson H Kim BD McGuigan JD Murison GFG Murray WAC Murray A Porter J Premaratne AAR Rowe TJ Stark TLS Stewardson JM Stewart FA Sugarwala S Swanson HJR Voice H Wee KA Weeks HF Wilson WJC Wynn Thomas

#### Year 13

LA Alderton SJ Averill KB Balenacagi JO Banks **HWR Beale** SM Rennetts SP Brown SG Cameron-Dunn MF Clark EM Clements PN Coates TE Cornell BF Criglington MA de Geest BJ Dickie CPR Dyer

SK Ferguson F Fu Q Gong TWP Goodman K Guttmann HET Hartstone LD Heale PAW Hone JC Hutton WJH Ju SJW Julian AP Keleghan GOM Kenny VP Kenworthy YLai JT Lidstone SFJ Mackay HT Marshall BP Marshall-Lee WS McLuskie CR Murch JBC Newton CW Nye HMW O'Neill **HG Phelps** WMJ Quin MA Sammut HT Seaton C Stevenson TN Tau TM Taylor **RP**Tempero JH Tracy

RH Turnbull

JA Wade

MRJ Edmundson

BJ Epton

#### **Special Prizes**

Christ's College Interhouse Competition Trophy Harper House

Senior Sportsman of the Year Louis Beckert

Executive Principal's Prize for Service
Brent Criglington

The H.M. Chrystall Prize for all-round Merit in Sport and Scholarship Sam Cameron-Dunn

The Somes Prize for Outstanding Overall Contribution to the Arts and General Scholarship Hugo Beale

The Maling Memorial Prize for Outstanding Service to the School Vincent Li

Joint runner up to the Wacher Prize for Academic Head of School Simon Brown Joint runner up to the Wacher Prize for Academic Head of School Cameron Stevenson

The Wacher Prize for Academic Head of School William Ju

The Head Prefect's Prize and The Ormsby Medal Ben Marshall-Lee























## Parent Evening Events

Term 1

#### Thursday 25 January

Parent Education Evening with Matthew Scholes

#### Tuesday 6 March

Professor Lea Waters Book Launch – The Strength Switch

#### Thursday 22 March

Centre for Ethics and Spirituality – Israelites in Archaeology and the Bible

#### Wednesday 31 March

Parent Education Evening with John Parsons – Keeping your children safe online

#### Tuesday 10 April

Parent Education Evening with Paul Dillon – Drug & Alcohol Education

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