ISSUE 163 3 AUGUST 2019

IN BLACK **I D E**

From the Chaplain03
Curriculum News04
Lates News & Events05

Careers06	,
Boarding Matters08	,
From the Archives)



CHRIST'S COLLEGE CANTERBURY Each boy at his best.



From the Executive Principal

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the subject selection and careers evening presented by Assistant Principal – Curriculum Nicole Billante and Careers Advisor Chris Sellars. The excellent presentations made by these experienced and knowledgeable staff were complemented by contributions from three local tertiary providers, the University of Canterbury, Lincoln University and Ara Institute of Canterbury, and questions from the parents and students in attendance were thoughtful and considered.

Some students know the direction they wish to take and select subjects based on what they need to set them on their way, others are not so sure about their learning pathway. Making future study and career decisions has become more fraught in recent times, as it has been suggested that some jobs we now train for will be disrupted or disappear as a result of the impact of emerging technologies. Everywhere we turn, from surgery to sandwich making, there seems to be a robot on the way - an artificial intelligence to replace human intelligence ... but I know I won't be boarding a pilotless

plane any time soon! Is it any surprise that young people can feel a little overwhelmed about how and where to take that next step? Given this, the evening was affirming, sharing the idea that the next step isn't necessarily a definitive one, but rather needs to be seen as part of a journey that, by its nature, will demand some fundamental communication and collaborative skills, combined with the confidence to adapt. So much of what was said simply suggested the boys make a considered decision reflecting their skills and interests and then get on with it - and, in doing so, appreciate the

Interactive Newsletter

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

Economics a winner

Year 13 student Max Surveyor's passion for economics has seen him achieve high honours at the 2019 International Economics Olympiad...



Click to view Assembly Notes > **Calendar Events** > f 🖌 🛗 Follow us

necessity for persistence, hard work and open mindedness. The fact that things might change and a direction may need to be adjusted should not be viewed as a failure of the original decision but rather as part of the adventure of life.

There are many styles of music that attract different people for different reasons. Jazz, for me, has always been a genre that speaks so beautifully to the balance between the individual and the group. Without the strength of the rhythm section, the beauty of the solo is lost. Without the balance of the band, the parts can be discordant and dissonant. Jazz represents the absolute value of respect for what each part can bring to the whole. It was a great pleasure to see this in real time at the recent Southern Jam Youth Jazz Festival held in and around Blenheim from Wednesday 7–Sunday 11 August. College's Big Band played a number of gigs at this wonderful event, best

described as the "tournament week of Jazz". Year 11 student and saxophonist Shyam Hari was selected for the All Stars Band and College came away with a Gold Award, along with memories of pure collaboration in the music form, a metaphor for that which is required in the human form.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the work of and farewell College Counsellor Wiremu Gray, who will leave us at the end of next week. Wiremu has been a fantastic support for students, families and staff in many different ways during his time at College. He has also made a particular contribution to our growth in bicultural understanding and, significantly, was responsible for the re-working of our haka to make it more fit for purpose and culturally respectful. I know you will join with me in wishing Wiremu all the best for the future.

Garth Wynne, Executive Principal



GENERAL EXCELLENCE AND SPORT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YEAR 10 AND ABOVE

Apply now

SAVE THE DATE REACTION

2019 Christ's College House Plays Festival

Monday 12 August 6.30pm Assembly Hall Condell's •Corfe •Harper •Julius •Rolleston

Thursday 15 August

6.30pm Assembly Hall

•Flower's •Jacobs •Richards •School •Somes

From the Chaplain

Bible Presentation Fund

In a previous article I mentioned all new students at College are given a Bible. The cost of this initiative is met by the Bible Presentation Fund. Drawing on the school's historic records, I want to share something of the history of this fund in recognition and appreciation of this gift.

The fund was established in 1951, based on gifts given by Mr Cecil Baikie and Dr C Russell Rendle. Mr Baikie's donation was in memory of CG Monaghan (4341), who was killed in action on 21 November 1941, D Monaghan (4598), who died of sickness in Italy on 27 January 1944, and A Ritchie (4611), who was killed in an aircraft accident on 28 November 1944. Dr Rendle's gift was in memory of his son, HCR Rendle (2683), who was killed by Japanese while a prisoner of war at Changi, Singapore.

The fund originally intended for a Bible to be presented to students on completing their education at Christ's College – by which time the gift was often not appreciated. When I became Chaplain, I asked the Board to vary the terms of the fund so that a Bible is presented to new entrants. This way, students use it during their time here and, hopefully, continue to treasure it beyond school.

In the classroom

Using their new Bibles, the Year 9s are currently working through the story of Moses. We are reading a story from thousands of years ago that is talking about people's fear of those, in their midst, who are different – and the fear that they will increase numerically and impact the privileges of the majority. So much of what we see in the news today reflects this same story. We work with these ancient stories to learn wisdom for our present context.

In Year 10, some classes are learning about and from one of the world's great religions, while others are looking at Philosophy of Religion: what do we mean when we use the word "God"; how do we know when something is true (such a relevant reflection in our postmodern, fake news, alternative facts world); why do bad things happen to good people and vice versa; and so forth. In Year 11, all are doing their assessment around the Reformation, that watershed period we need to understand to grasp the world in which we find ourselves today.

In Chapel

In Chapel, I have been working through the elements of the ideal graduate profile – how does each one of us at our best look when considered in different contexts. Again, the ancient, biblical Christian insights have a lot to teach us and to enrich our reflections.

Yours in Christ Bosco Peters, Chaplain



Moving Places

Presented by Rev'd Dr Tom Innes

Thursday 29 August, 7.30–9pm, Chapman Room, Christ's College



Tom and Dorothy Innes have been moving off-grid and into the garden. They are finding that things look very different from where they now stand. Many things have moved – their home, their perspective, and their hearts, but there is still a long way to go. Come along and hear something of their journey and their vision.



BOOK NOW www.christscollege.com/community/ centre-for-ethics-and-spirituality

BASKETBALL FUNDRAISER

TICKETS WILL BE DRAWN ON FRIDAY 23 AUGUST AT 4PM IN THE COLLEGE GYMNASIUM

Proceeds will go towards the develop the Christ's College basketball progra THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

1ST PRIZE

AN IPHONE XR

TICKETS ONLY \$5

APPLE IPHONE XR 64GB (valued at \$1399) Includes: EarPods with Lightning Connector, Lightning to USB Cable, and USB Power Adapter 2ND & 3RD PRIZE

Apple AirPods with Charging Case (valued at \$279)

Spark[™]

CHRIST'S COLLEGE

Exam week ahead

We are already a third of the way through Term 3. For juniors, this means a new rotation for trimester subjects, and for seniors, it means a number of NCEA assessments on the go.

One of the biggest academic challenges this term is our derived grade exams, which the seniors will be sitting in Week 6. As the name suggests, by their very nature, these exams are a perfect opportunity for students to have a good derived grade recorded on file. What exactly does that mean? If a student is unable to sit an external exam for reasons beyond their control, NZQA asks us for the grade the student was likely to get based on pre-existing evidence and prior assessment opportunities. Every year we have a number of students who unexpectedly have to apply for derived grades. Therefore, it is important students prepare well and try their best when they sit the derived grade exams in Week 6. It is an ideal opportunity to "bank" grades that might be needed at a later date and also gives students a good idea of how they are tracking in a given subject.

It is a busy week, as we have to accommodate a range of subjects in a short space of time. <u>Click here</u> to view the schedule of examinations. Students will need to ensure they use spare time in the next week or so to prepare, as they will not have much study time between exams, even though senior classes are suspended for the duration. Plenty of rest and making good choices around food intake will also help them through this demanding week.

Lastly, a reminder that subject choices for the 2020 school year are currently open. Students have until Friday 23 August to submit and amend their options. They have a wealth of staff on hand to help answer any questions – teachers, mentors, Housemasters, Careers Advisor Chris Sellars, and me – so please encourage them to seek guidance if they need it.

Nicole Billante Assistant Principal – Curriculum

Upcoming Events at Christ's College

Be sure to stay up to date with events at College CLICK HERE



CHRIST'S COLLEGE
PARENT EDUCATION EVENING

Understanding Rainbow Identities

A community conversation with Alice Andersen, Qtopia Executive Director

Thursday 22 August, 7.30pm, Chapman Room



CHRIST'S COLLEGE CANTERBURY Each boy at his best.

Latest News & Events



Embracing an international perspective

Year 13 student and Head of International & Round Square Mark Ma and his committee organised a packed programme of events and activities for Round Square International Week...



The right moves

They went into the final as top seeds and – with a 4–0 win against St Andrew's College – finished as division champions in the Christchurch secondary schools' chess competition...



1st XI in great form It is proving to be a great season for the College 1st XI football team...



Hot sun, cool jazz

The sun shone on the top of the South last week, as young musicians from schools across the South Island converged on Blenheim for Southern Jam 2019...



Clean up with Kākahi

They brainstormed, created prototypes, conducted market research and manufactured, and now Year 13 students Will Macdonald, Jack Elvy, George Matheson and Max Goulter – also known as WJGM Soaps...



Welcome, come on in

Hundreds of interested people streamed through the College gates on Sunday 4 August, taking the opportunity to visit the Dining Hall and see the other heritage buildings around the Quad...

Careers

Curriculum Studies Guide

The boys have started to make their subject choices for 2020 and all Year 10, 11 and 12 boys have attended a session about subject options and career pathways. <u>Click here</u> to view the Curriculum Studies Guide. Subject Options – Career Pathways 2020 can be found <u>here</u>.

University scholarships for Year 13 students

MoneyHub, a consumer finance website, has published a guide to scholarships for students planning to start university in 2020. The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every New Zealand university, including regional, privately-funded and specific scholarships, plus tips for scholarship success. Applications close throughout the year. For more details and to find suitable scholarships, go to the <u>MoneyHub scholarship page</u>.

Job interview guide and tips for success

MoneyHub has also published a guide to job interview success, to help people develop the confidence to shine in a job interview. For more information, go to <u>https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/common-job-interview-questions-students.html</u>

Victoria University Scholarships

Applications for school leaver and other scholarships for Victoria University are now open. For more information and to apply, go to <u>https://www.victoria.ac.nz/scholarships/types-of-scholarships/</u><u>undergraduate/school-leaver</u>. The closing date for applications is Sunday 1 September.

Engineering Week

During Engineering Week, from Monday 5–Friday 9 August, eight Year 12 boys attended a day at GHD engineering. It was a great opportunity for them to see engineers and scientists working on various projects in the same open plan office environment. The boys heard from transport engineers talking about cycle ways in Christchurch and roading near Kaikoura, a civil engineer focused on water issues in Wanaka, a geotech engineer talking about the washed out road at Franz Joseph, a structural engineer who had designed a large storage building in Ashburton, and an environmental scientist who was looking at land contamination. In addition, three recent graduates talked about their pathway to engineering. The boys also went on a site visit to the Town Hall to look at the footpaths and roading in that area, and the day finished with them building a structure that could support a certain height or load.

Parents as Career Educators

Parents as Career Educators is a seminar designed to help parents guide teens through the various career or study options available to them. It will cover career pathways, supporting career decision making, choosing tertiary options and effective communication. Parents as Career Educators will be held on Thursday 15 or 22 August, in the John Britten Building, University of Canterbury, 69 Creyke Road, from 7–8.30pm. Register online at: www.canterbury.ac.nz/events

Hospitality and tourism

The Pacific International Hotel Management School (PIHMS) specialises in tourism, hotel and hospitality management education. Based in New Plymouth, PIHMS has now trained more than 3300 students, offering internationally recognised qualifications and preparing them for jobs in New Zealand and all over the world. The PIHMS Career Week, from Tuesday 8–Friday 11 October, provides students with the opportunity to experience the PIHMS culture, lifestyle, education and training. For more information, go to <u>http://</u> www.pihms.ac.nz/career-week.html

University accommodation applications and CCRF

Boys have been able to complete their university accommodation reference form, the Common Confidential Reference Form (CCRF) online since Thursday 1 August. They should fill in the CCRF at the same time as they apply to the halls of residence for their chosen university (or universities, as they have the opportunity to register for accommodation at several universities on the one form). Deadline: Saturday 15 September. The student registration for the CCRF can be found at <u>https://ccrf.dotnous.com/students/</u>

A flying start

Air New Zealand is hosting a pilot career information evening on Thursday 5 September at the International Aviation Academy of New Zealand in Christchurch for students interested in a career in aviation. This is an opportunity for students and their parents to meet some pilots, hear from various flight training organisations and find out what it is like to fly for Air New Zealand. For more information and to register, go to <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/air-new-zealand-pilotcareer-evening-christchurch-tickets-67397727417</u>

JumpStart Physics – Otago

JumpStart Physics, from Monday 27 January–Friday 14 February, is a summer school course that provides the background knowledge and study skills necessary to confidently undertake the PHSI Biological Physics paper at Otago University. It is designed for students whose training in high school physics and mathematics is incomplete, having not taken Year 12 (NCEA Level 2) Physics or having obtained fewer than 14 credits in NCEA Level 2 Physics or Science. For more information, go to https://www.otago.ac.nz/physics/study/health-sciences-first-year/ jumpstart-physics.html

Medicinal Chemistry – UC

Medicinal Chemistry is a new major being offered by UC's College of Science in 2020. Medicinal Chemistry is the link between synthetic chemistry and the real world of health care, prescription medicines and pharmaceuticals. Students will learn about the process of drug discovery and design, through to production, clinical approval and treatment, developing skills in critical thinking and analysis, logic and innovation, team building and collaboration, as well as understanding of intellectual property and ethics, and how to correlate science with societal needs. For more information, go to https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/science/schools-and-departments/ phys-chem/medicinal-chemistry/

Upcoming careers dates

14 Aug –	University of Otago course planning, 2.30pm
14 Aug –	Victoria University course planning, 2.30pm
15 Aug –	UC scholarship applications close
15 Aug –	UC, Parents as Career Educators
19 Aug –	University of Auckland course planning
19 Aug -	Queenstown Resort College information evening, Commodore Hotel, 6.30pm
20 Aug –	University of Auckland and Massey University scholarship applications close
21 Aug –	UC course planning, Year 13

- 22 Aug UC, Parents as Career Educators
- 23 Aug Victoria University Open Day
- 23 Aug Massey University Open Day
- 23 Aug Southern Institute of Technology Open Day, Invercargill
- **31 Aug** University of Auckland Open Day, 9am–3.30pm
- 31 Aug AUT (Auckland University of Technology) Open Day
- 1 Sep Victoria University scholarship applications close
- 1 Sep Ara, applications close for Bachelor of Medical Imaging and Bachelor of Midwifery
- 5 Sep Air New Zealand, pilot career information evening
- 9 Sep Massey University course planning

13-15 Sept - NASDA auditions

- **14 Sept** Massey University Aviation Open Day
- 15 Sept Common Confidential Reference Form due
- 27 Sept UC accommodation applications due
- 30 Sept Ara, applications close for Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Broadcasting Communications
- **30 Sept** Applications close for tertiary accommodation, residential halls or colleges
- 30 Sept-2 Oct Ara, Bachelor of Music Arts auditions
- **30 Sept-4 Oct** International College of Hotel Management career week
 - 12 Oct NZ College of Chiropractic, Auckland, Open Day
 - **30 Oct** Ara, applications close for NZ Certificate in Animal Management and Animal Technology
 - **31 Oct** Ara, applications close for Bachelor of Social Work
 - **8 Dec** Applications close for most university programmes
- 12-17 Jan Hands-On at Otago

27 Jan-14 Feb - University of Otago Summer School -JumpStart Physics

The future of work

This series looks at ideas about the future of work. Much of the information is based on the speculation and ideas of futurist Thomas Frey.

Digital Currency Specialist

The growing virtual currency market will need experts, such as future currency speculators, monitors and policy analysts.

Microbial Balancer

As concerns over dangerous bacterial agents increase and new forms of bacteria are discovered, trained balancers will be needed to assess their microbial composition.

Big Data Doctor

Big Data already has a growing influence in many industries – and health care could be next, with a new class of doctors who base their treatment on a patient's biographic profile and personal data.

Chris Sellars, Careers Advisor



Thank you to our rugby sponsors who have supported our 1st XV this season. We couldn't have gotten to the UC semi finals without you.



Year 9 Father & Son Breakfast

Computer Concepts Limited

Come and enjoy a hot cooked breakfast with your Year 9 son, grandson, nephew or valued family member. Father and son ticket is \$25 per family.





Boarding Matters

The inaugural New Zealand National Boarding Week was held from Monday 5–Friday 9 August. To mark the event, we extended an invitation to all staff to take a behind the scenes look at our three boarding Houses and learn about life as a boarder at College.

The evening began with a meal in the Dining Hall, before Head of Boarding Tom Davidson and Heads of Houses Will Greenslade, Max Goulter and Will Chaffey led tours around their respective Houses. The staff also got to see the Year 9 and 10 boarders completing prep in the Library, and visited Jacobs House to see the Year 10 boys involved in Immerse & Inspire in action. I know everyone who attended got a lot out of the experience and appreciated the opportunity – and while they may not say it, I am also confident the boarders appreciated these staff showing an interest in their "home away from home".

As part of Boarding Week, the boys were pleasantly surprised on Thursday evening when boarders from St Margaret's College visited and gave each House a box of homemade cookies. They say the way to a boy's heart is through his stomach, and this kind gesture was appreciated by all.

Immerse & Inspire

The third group of Year 10 boys participating in Immerse & Inspire are now completing their Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award adventurous journey at the Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre. The underlying goal of Immerse & Inspire continues to be to develop our young men outside of the classroom in areas that will benefit them in their senior years and beyond. This includes learning tolerance and understanding by spending four weeks living together. The feedback is positive and we will continue to review, refine and develop the programme to ensure it continues to meet the needs of this group of boys.

House Plays – Parent Function

The three boarding Houses are performing at the Reaction House Plays Festival this Thursday 15 August. The performances begin at 6.30 pm, but we are hosting a combined boarding parents Drinks & Nibbles function in the Dining Hall from 5pm.

Numbers for 2020

We are now at the stage of the year where we are starting to look ahead and plan for 2020. To help with this process, we would be grateful if you could advise your son's Housemaster – ideally by Friday 30 August – if he is not returning to Christ's College next year. If you are yet to decide, please let us know at the very beginning of Term 4 in order to avoid incurring fees for Term 1 2020. Your assistance and information will give us a clearer picture of how many spaces we have available to offer to boys wanting to join the Christ's College community next year.

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

Boarding Programme

Activities over the last two weeks have included ice skating on Saturday 3 August; a service trip to the Red Zone on Sunday 4 August to plant 420 trees, which is the first step towards a nature trail; a trip to the movies on Saturday 10 August to see *Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw*; and ten pin bowling at the recently re-opened Zone Bowling on Sunday 11 August.

The workshop continues to be open for boarders to complete their class work or start a weekend project. Year 12 and 13 students have recently met with Boarding Programme coordinator Scott Franklin to discuss external courses available in Terms 3 and 4. These include a forklift course, Foundation Passport – Building Construction (Site Safety), First Aid Level 1, and PADI Open Water Dive Certificate.







CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE BOARDING PROGRAMME FOR TERM 3

The South African Panels in the Library

It is very easy to walk past the panels in the Library that have the names of 102 Old Boys and the dates 1899 and 1902 without really registering what they represent. Yet they record the commitment made by Old Boys to the Boer War, which began 120 years ago on 11 October 1899.



Also known as the Second Boer War, the Anglo-Boer War or the South African War, it was the first conflict in which New Zealand made a formal military commitment overseas. Premier Richard John Seddon enthusiastically promised New Zealand's involvement two weeks before the official start.¹ New Zealand sent 10 contingents to South Africa and Old Boys were represented in each one. Old Boys also signed up in Australian, English and South African regiments. Some of them were with New Zealand contingents more than once, while others gained commissions in English regiments.

In the course of researching the Old Boys involved, it was discovered two names had been missed off the original list. So, in 2010, Arthur Houchen and Percy Cooper Rose were added.

Five names are painted above the main panels. These are the names of Old Boys who died in the conflict.



Charles Spencer Bourne (1587) was the son of College Headmaster Charles Frederick Bourne. He was a trooper in the 8th Contingent and was one of sixteen who died when their train collided with a goods train on 12 April 1902 at Machavie, near Potchefstroom. The contingent had only been in South Africa for a few weeks. Described as a "singularly honourable and high-minded boy", a memorial service was held in the Chapel on 23 April 1902. ⁱⁱ



received the South African 1901 clasp. "



Arthur William Dudley (1499) was a trooper in the 2nd Contingent and died on 28 February 1901 of enteric fever. He is buried in the Pretoria Cemetery. He was the son of Charles Thornton Dudley (21) and grandson of Rev. Benjamin Woolley Dudley (Fellow of the College 1864–1888). The clasps on his Queen's South Africa Medal indicate he had been part of conflicts at Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Cape Colony and Orange Free State. He also clasp. ⁱⁱⁱ

Robert Henry Bramley (Bob) Upton was a lance corporal in the 3rd Contingent. He, too, died of enteric fever at Johannesburg on 13 June 1900. He is buried in the Braamfontein Cemetery, Transvaal. A memorial service was held for him and others who had fallen in South Africa at St Stephen's Church, Ashburton, on 2 December 1900, and a plaque erected in his memory "by his comrades in the Third Contingent, Rough Riders" was dedicated on the same day.^{iv}

He was awarded the Queen's South Africa Medal with three clasps – Johannesburg, Cape Colony and Orange Free State.



Arthur Cormack Neave (1423) was a lieutenant in the 1st Contingent. He was one of 1300 killed in action at Paardeberg in the Orange Free State while leading his company. He was described in *The Press* as "a dashing horseman, and a more than average shot, with undaunted courage and endurance." ^v He had decided to make the army his career and prior to enlisting had sat and passed the first examination. Once the results of the second military

examination were known he was transferred to a commission in the West Yorkshire Prince of Wales Regiment. He is commemorated in a window in the Chapel alongside his brother, Henry Everard Neave (1216). $^{\rm vi}$

Arthur Levelis Hine Way (1603) was a trooper in the 8th Contingent. He died on 7 May 1902, as a result of being thrown from his horse at Vaalbank on 2 May.^{vii} He was awarded the Queen's South Africa Medal with two clasps – Transvaal and South Africa 1902. The Archives has *The Iliad of Homer*, translated by Alexander Pope, which was awarded as a prize to ALH Way for Elementary Drawing in 1897. The Library Panels are not our only South African War memorial. There is another one in the Chapel. It was unveiled by the Bishop of Christchurch and Warden of College, Churchill Julius, on 27 August 1905. The College *Register* describes it in detail: "At the top of the circle, in which the inscription is enclosed, are draped two Union Jacks, and above crossed swords and rifles. The border is formed of lances with crimson and white pennons. At the foot are representations of cannon and South African scenery, together with laurel leaves." ^{viii}

Jane Teal, Archivist



ⁱ Richard John Seddon was the father-in-law of Walter Stanley Bean (385) who had married Seddon's daughter Jane Ann Seddon, and grandfather of Richard John Seddon Bean (3259).

"See College Register April 1902, frontispiece and p159.

ⁱⁱⁱ Enteric fever – or typhoid – killed more soldiers in this conflict than enemy action. It is caused by bacteria entering the body through contaminated food or water. At this time there were no antibiotics for the disease.

^{iv} Ashburton Guardian 20 November 1900. See also College *Register* August 1900, p404.

^v The Press 23 February 1900.

^{vi} see Ciaran F and Teal J *The Stained Glass Windows of Christ's College* and College *Register* August 1900, pp370–371.

^{vii} The New Zealand Herald 7 May 1902, where the surname is recorded as "May". See also College *Register* September 1902, p203.

^{viii} College *Register* December 1905, p104.