

# In Black & White



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## From the Headmaster

Thank you to all who came to the 'School of Thought' evening last Friday – it was gratifying to have so many wanting to work together on the challenges put before our young people in 2014. My particular thanks to our guest experts, David Stoner, Dick Brunton and Ben Walker, my colleagues who joined the discussions, and of course Michael, Tom, Taylor and Ben – student leaders who added their perspectives. My thanks also to Henry Seed who, though unseen, readily gave up his afternoon and evening at very short notice to make sure everything which needed wires behaved itself.



The greatest interest was in the digital explosion, and its implications. Elsewhere in this newsletter will be a reminder about, and invitation to, a special evening for parents devoted to digital citizenship and safety on Thursday 4 September, which I know will be well supported.

### References from last Friday, for your interest:

Ministry of Transport: *Crash Facts 2013 Young Drivers & Alcohol/Drugs*

Christchurch City Council et al: *Youth Well Being Survey 2013*

Ministry of Education: *Bullying Prevention & Response – A Guide for Schools*

Christ's College Policies: *Bullying, Use of Mobile Phones and Acceptable Use* (of College IT facilities)

Malcolm Gladwell: *Outliers* (Factors leading to success and dangers of poor communication)

Jane McGonigal: *Reality is Broken* (An examination of computer gaming)

Ben Walker provided copies of the new *Harmful Digital Communications Bill*, currently going through Parliament.

After the event on Friday, a parent introduced me to [www.opendns.com](http://www.opendns.com).

This is a subscription internet security service, which you may like to explore.

A cell phone app, it allows detailed programming of screening for your

internet service. It appears to be a solution for parents who wish to control access (for gaming, social media etc) whilst the internet remains open. I understand it can be reprogrammed simply at any time, to allow fixed gaming times etc, to suit your wishes.

Our 1st X1 football team managed to hold CBHS goalless again last weekend, for the fourth time this season. I gather Mr Carville Stewart, our tirelessly loyal supporter, is trawling the archives to see whether this has ever happened before. Also the 1st XV made a much better job of the second meeting with Lincoln High School on Saturday, with a performance doubtless spurred on by the animated support on the bleachers, led by the afore mentioned football team! They play the group final on Saturday, against Roncalli, again on Upper.

## Assembly Notes

[Click here](#) for Assembly notes

## Joe Moody, All Black



Congratulations to Joe Moody on becoming an All Black, the 18th from Christ's College.

I am currently on a ten day visit meeting with agents, prospective families and of course our own alumni and parents in Kuala Lumpur, Hong Kong and Singapore. In connection with the first event in Kuala Lumpur, I was able to talk at length with three old boys at College, about the development of more meaningful connections with Malaysia from their perspectives. We were also able to distribute an updated version of our 'Future' document, which sets out our longer term vision for the campus. It will be superseded in due course by more detailed project information, but as we are approaching completion of our new complex, there are further ambitious plans on the table.



*Old Boys Senthil Danabalan and Ralph Ratnaswamy, Headmaster, NZ High Commissioner David Pine, Registrar Sandy Scannell and Old Boy Mike Moggie*

I am delighted to announce that, having laboured under the title 'The West Wing' to date, the Board has approved the naming of the main building The Sir Miles Warren building, to be usually known as 'The Warren Building'. We are recognising Sir Miles' long association with College, and his leadership in ensuring our campus was well prepared for the events of 2010 and 2011. Our architect, Alec Bruce, expressed his pleasure at the choice. Two rooms within the complex are also named – the public space on the ground floor will be known as 'The Chapman Room', and the staff room/sports lounge will be 'The Coles Room', after The Rev David Coles, formerly Bishop of Christchurch and Warden, whose interest in, and affection for, the College was appreciated by all.

Meanwhile our remodelling of the reception area for College is going ahead, but already we have a lot of very good feedback about the temporary arrangement. The bursar's staff are now settled in Armagh Street, and I thank them for their help with restructuring the various roles between the two locations. We will shortly be welcoming Shelley Keach to College working with Ric Fletcher in Development; she will be accommodated in the downstairs office, and when our new reception is complete, the existing office will become the centre of our Development activity. Lastly on facilities, the temporary Armagh Street classroom has been removed, and others will follow as they can be released from now on. At one time we had 26 temporary classrooms – now down to 15, and the end for them is nigh!



*Picture of the departing Armagh Street classroom*

In just a couple of weeks, we will be enjoying the Black and White Ball and of course the students' ball, always a highlight of the year. Then it will be winter tournament, and a few weeks later we will be back in the summer season. Spring is just around the corner; the Botanic Gardens have seen a wonderful series of developments and improvements in the last year, and we are sure to appreciate their beauty all around us even more this year. We have enjoyed equal dedication to the preparation of our sports grounds by Mr Paul O'Connor, who has looked after them for no less than 38 years. We wish him all the very best for a well deserved retirement.

**Simon Leese, Headmaster**

## From the Chaplain



From recent Chapel collections we were able to send \$2,000 to help in Gaza. Getting help there is obviously difficult, but people are managing to deliver food, water, hygiene kits, hot meals, and shelter materials. Specialist medical teams have gone in, people are working with three maternal health clinics, and so on. Some work is obviously on hold. An

interesting exercise is to use <http://www.ahmadnassri.com/labs/gaza-everywhere> to compare Gaza's size with other areas (it stretches from Rangiora to Rolleston). Just under 2 million people live in this area. We are now raising money for the Christchurch City Mission, and the City Missioner will be with us next Sunday.

In Year 11, students are beginning the study of ethics, morals, and values. There have been some good discussions developed from the recent screening of the documentary on Gloriavale, and how to keep ourselves safe from cults and unhealthy religion. Year 10 students are doing a variety of studies. In Year 9 we are continuing from where we started with Abraham and are now learning about and from the Moses stories.

In Chapel we are mostly looking at the time around the Babylonian Exile more than two and a half millennia ago. There is so much we can learn from that watershed period in human history.

In Christ

**Bosco Peters, Chaplain**

# Calendar Events

<b>Week 5</b>		
<b>Wed 20 August</b>		CSS sport ends
	1:30pm	‘Collegium’ leave for Big Sing Finale (Auckland)
	3:00pm	CSS Litolff Cup cycling time trial (Prebbleton)
	7:00pm	Cantamath competition (CBS Arena)
<b>Thu 21 August</b>		Big Sing Finale (Auckland Town Hall)
<b>Fri 22 August</b>	8:00am	Deadline for submitting subject option choices for 2015
		CSS basketball ends
		Senior trial examination week ends
<b>Sat 23 August</b>		1st XV “The Press Cup” group final (Upper)
		Weekend programme available for all boarders
	7:00pm	Finale of Big Sing (Auckland Town Hall)
<b>Sun 24 August</b>		21st Ordinary Sunday
	6:30am	Boarders’ ski bus
	1:50pm	‘Collegium’ returns from Auckland
	7:00pm	Choral Compline. Preacher: Mr Michael Gorman (City Missioner) (Chapel)
<b>Week 6</b>		
<b>Mon 25 August</b>	4:00pm	Interhouse junior rugby, first round (CCCG)
	4:00pm	Interhouse senior football, semi-finals (CCCG)
<b>Tue 26 August</b>	1:10pm	Interhouse chess, first round
<b>Wed 27 August</b>		CSS sport reserve day
	7:00pm	Godley Evensong with The Oxford Scholars & College Choir (St Michael & All Angels)
<b>Thu 28 August</b>	8:35am	Year 12 PE rock climbing activity (Castle Hill)
	12:45pm	Interhouse table tennis, semi-finals (TT room)
	12:45pm	Interhouse senior debating, semi-finals
	1:00pm	Recital with The Oxford Scholars (Chapel)
<b>Fri 29 August</b>	11:00am	Cycling team leave for Blenheim (Blenheim)
		Victoria University Open Day (Wellington)
		CSS basketball reserve day
	1:15pm	Year 12 General Studies (OBT)
<b>Sat 30 August</b>		Weekend programme available for all boarders
		SISS cycling two-day tour (Blenheim)
		University of Auckland Open Day (Auckland)
<b>Sun 31 August</b>		22nd Ordinary Sunday
	6:30am	Boarders’ ski bus
	9:00am	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

# Careers



## University Halls / College Applications

Applications for University Halls/ Colleges opened on 1 August. Boys have applied for the University Halls and Housemasters have been filling in the Confidential Reference forms. I would like all to have completed this process by 1 September.

## Study @ VIC Day - Friday 29 August

Boys have been making their own arrangements for travel to, and accommodation in Wellington. By now they should have received a booklet to allow their planning for the day. I have spare copies in the careers room. I will be in Wellington on Thursday night and Friday. I hope to meet up with all the boys on Friday morning. My phone 0272689437

## International College of Hotel Management (ICHM)

ICHM in Adelaide delivers the ICHM Bachelor of Business and the Swiss Hotel Association Diploma. The diploma requires some study in a second language. This takes between two and a half and three years. In the fourth year the students enrol for the Swiss Hotel Association - Bachelor of International Hotel Management. Career Week is in October. This is a great opportunity to see "if this is for you". [www.ichm.edu.au](http://www.ichm.edu.au) or contact Neil Lambie - 021626592 or 0800284246. I have visited the ICHM campus and the facilities are excellent.

## University of Canterbury - "Parents as Career Educators"

Guiding teenagers through the various careers and study options available to them in the modern world can be a challenge. UC Careers Consultant Dave Petrie will talk with you about how you can support your child's career decisions. Thursday 21 August, 7.00–8.30pm, Seminar Room 101, Undercroft - James Hight Building (Library), University of Canterbury. The seminar will cover : Career pathways, Supporting your child with career decision making, Choosing tertiary options to suit your child, Communicating effectively with your child. Register by Monday 18 August - [www.alumni.canterbury.ac.nz/PACE](http://www.alumni.canterbury.ac.nz/PACE)

## Lincoln University - Global Challenges Scholarships

Feed the world, protect the future, live well: these are Lincoln University's causes - a response to the global challenges facing the planet today. Global Challenges scholars will have their first years fees paid in full. They will also have the chance to work along side major employers in a variety of ways. [www.lincoln.ac.nz/globalchallenges](http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/globalchallenges)

## Southern Institute of technology

Are you aware of the many courses offered by SIT (zerofees)? They have recently advertised a Certificate in Basic Animal Care Science.

## CPIT- Certificate in Contemporary Music Performance (Level 4)

This new programme complements the Bachelor of Musical Arts Degree programme. CPIT Performing Arts manager Liam Ryan says "We need to prepare musicians for the new world of music technology and develop a sense of entrepreneurship early in their careers so they can really achieve success as artists".

## SAT Classes - for overseas universities

St Cuthbert's College Auckland is offering a series of SAT classes which are open to students from all schools. The tutor is a qualified teacher having taught an extensive SAT prep programme in the US. For further information contact Heather Foy, [heather.foy@students.school.nz](mailto:heather.foy@students.school.nz) , 021677507

## UC Accommodation - College House

Prospective students and families are invited to visit College House. A tour booking ahead of a planned visit would be advisable and can be arranged by contacting the College House Office. telephone (03) 3642001, email [office@collegehouse.org.nz](mailto:office@collegehouse.org.nz) Interviews and tours between 11.00am and 4.00pm on weekdays.

## Chris Sellars

### Careers events since the last In Black & White:

University Accommodation Applications opened  
New York University Abu Dhabi, information evening  
Horizons Unlimited, GAP information evening

### Upcoming Careers Dates:

21 Aug ..... UC "Parents as Career Educators"  
22 Aug ..... Massey University Course Planning, 10.00am  
28 Aug ..... CPIT Industry Expo & Open Day, 2.00–6.00pm  
29 Aug ..... Victoria University Open Day, study@vic day  
29 Aug ..... Massey University, Wellington Open Day  
29 Aug ..... "Your Education" student exchanges, OBT 1.15pm  
30 Aug ..... University of Auckland Open Day, 9.00am–3.00pm  
30 Aug ..... MESNZ Engineering Scholarship closes  
1 Sept..... Otago University, closing date for Performance Music Auditions  
3 Sept..... University of Auckland Scholarships, applications close  
9 Sept..... Auckland University, Course planning, 1.00–2.00pm  
9 Sept..... US University Sports Scholarship pathways, 1.00–2.00pm  
10 Sept ..... Otago University Course Planning, All courses, excludes Health Sciences, 2.30pm Q6



# Curriculum News



I suspect that we all share concerns about the impact of the increasingly digital world in which we live. Some would argue that it's because we are 'digital migrants' whereas our children are 'digital natives', but there is no evidence to support that view of our ability to use technology at all. Amongst our concerns we would probably number distraction, 'gaming addictions and personal

safety, and it would not be difficult to find horror stories in any of these contexts.

We are aware that many parents have concerns about these and other issues. Accordingly we have invited well known adviser and presenter John Parsons to work with members of the College community on a range of aspects of cyber safety. He will be running workshops with all boys in Years 9 and 10, with staff, and with parents.

There is more detail on his presentation elsewhere in this edition of 'In Black and White'. You may also find the material accessed via this link of interest:

<http://www.netsafe.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/Staying-Safe-Online-NZ.pdf>

NetSafe is an independent non-profit organisation that promotes confident, safe, and responsible use of online technologies.

The parent workshop will be held on the evening of Thursday 4 September from 7.00–8.00pm in the Fine Arts building - level 2. If you plan on attending we would appreciate you completing the form found with the following link:

<http://goo.gl/6KPIbs>

This week senior boys are sitting their examinations. The results from these examinations are important for several reasons. They provide good data should any boys need to apply for derived grades for any of their external examination papers in November.

The examinations also provide an excellent snapshot of current progress. They offer the best feedback possible on the gaps in knowledge and skills and in that regard the papers offer the single most useful revision tool that any student can have. You will receive a full report on your son's progress at the end of term 3. Feel free to use this as the basis for positive conversations with your son on where to next.

**Robin Sutton, Senior Master Academic**



## The Black & White Ball

Friday 12 September 7.30pm–1.00am  
Marquee on the Quad

Organise your table of 10 now and purchase at  
[blackandwhiteball@christscollege.com](mailto:blackandwhiteball@christscollege.com)  
or [click here](#) for online sales.

Table of 10 \$1600.00 Individual tickets \$170.00

## Parent Workshop on Digital Safety

As part of our Digital Citizenship programme, we have invited John Parsons to run Digital Safety courses for our Year 9 and Year 10 boys in early September. He will also run a Parent Workshop on Thursday 4 September from 7.00–8.00pm in the Fine Arts building - level 2. This follows on from the Headmaster's informative "School of Thought" conversation with parents last Friday night.

John Parsons is an Internet Safety and Risk Assessment Consultant to schools, the private sector and the health sector, providing specialist advice and direction on the safe use of Digital Communication Technology. He will provide parents with strategies and information to help their sons communicate in a safe and responsible way in the digital world.

**Pauline Henderson, E-Learning Facilitator**



*John Parsons, Internet Safety and Risk Assessment Consultant*

## Technology Gets Boys Out of the Classroom

A group of boys at Christ's College got a tour of SCIRT's Bridge of Remembrance and Triumphal Arch site recently as thanks for the part they played in making a hands-on model of the Arch. The model-making was part of a technology class project.

The model is now on the Oxford Terrace/ Cashel St site, protected by a safety fence with a gap in the fence to access the "What happens in a quake" red button. This then shows you how the Arch has been designed to react if it shakes again. Thanks to all the boys who took part in this technology challenge and their enthusiastic teacher Tony Holland.



*Ready to don their hi-vis gear for the site tour, Triumphal Arch model makers, Thomas Van Der Geest, Alex Birkett, Munro Hall and Callum Long. The model is now available for people to test out at the Bridge of Remembrance.*

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# International Chemistry Olympiad

Ross Shillito has spent the last 12 months studying Chemistry from his initial Year 12 content all the way through to top University level syllabus. Through a comprehensive training programme he grew his chemistry knowledge to a level suitable to compete alongside other NZ students at a training camp in April. Success at the training camp earned him a place as one of four New Zealand representatives at the 46th International Chemistry Olympiad in Vietnam. In attendance were 300 top Chemistry students from 75 different countries worldwide. Ross was placed 115th and was awarded a top Bronze Medal as a result, earning him a place in New Zealand history alongside other top achieving Chemists.



*Ross with his International Chemistry Olympiad top Bronze Medal*

For any comments or queries please contact us  
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# Boarding Programme - A Mystery?

It was a busy weekend for the Boarding Programme, starting on Friday night with many of the Year 9 and 10 Boarders attending a dance at Rangi Ruru.

Saturday night saw 25 boys head to the Ferrymead Golf Driving range to test their golfing skills. They were pleasantly surprised when they arrived back to have "Mr Whippy" waiting at the gates with a complimentary ice cream.

A lot of anticipation had been created regarding Sunday's activity as it had been advertised as the Mystery Activity. Twenty boys took the challenge of putting their names down for an activity without knowing what it was going to be. Two vans driven by School Housemaster, Neil Porter, and Flower's House Matron, Karen Adams, left College at 8.30am. The boys eventually found out that the day consisted of two activities - quadbiking at Hanmer and a swim and hydroslide at the hot pools. This was complimented by a fish n chip lunch. A lot of fun was had by all with the only regrets being from the boys who stayed at home having chosen not to put their names down for the activity.

The magnificent weather on Sunday was also enjoyed by a group of boys who headed to Mt Hutt for a day's skiing.

## Darrell Thatcher, Housemaster Jacobs House



*Boarders enjoying the beautiful Sunday weather in Hanmer*



*Quadbiking as part of Sunday's Mystery Boarding Activity*



## Luke Alderton

Year 10 student Luke Alderton (C) travelled to Australia recently to compete for the Canterbury Boltz at the Australian National Powerchair Football Championships. The Canterbury team came a very creditable third behind Queensland and NSW. A New Zealand team was then selected to play Australia for the appropriately named "Ditch Cup" and Luke was not only selected in the team but went on to be the Most Valuable Player of the match. He also sang the National Anthem, solo, prior to the event. The good news continued when Luke was selected in the tournament's All Stars team and there is a chance of further competition up in Japan in January 2015, at a World Cup qualifying event.



*Luke at the Australian National Powerchair Football Championships*



*Luke in action for the Canterbury Boltz*

## NZ Cross-country Champs

Josh Browne competed in the New Zealand Cross-country championships at Halswell Quarry on Saturday 9 August. He competed in the Mens U18 grade, which saw 41 entries from around the country. In fine weather and firm conditions underfoot, Josh finished 14th in the race.



*Josh (right) competing in the school cross-country earlier this year*

## Junior World Rowing Championship Bronze

Congratulations to Hugo Elworthy and the New Zealand Junior Coxed Four on winning Bronze at the Junior World Rowing Championships in Hamburg, Germany on Sunday 10 August. Well done Hugo!



*Hugo (left) pictured with two of his NZ Coxed Four crewmates*



# Saturday Sports Weeks 3 & 4





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# Senior Examination Timetable Term 3

## 18–22 August 2014



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Monday 18 August	Tuesday 19 August	Wednesday 20 August	Thursday 21 August	Friday 22 August
<b>Session 1</b> 8.30am–10.30am L.1 History L.2 German L.2 Classics L.3 English L.3 English (Alt)	<b>Session 1</b> 8.30am–10.30am L.1 German L.2 General Science L.3 Statistics Yr12 L.3 Statistics Yr13 L.3 Statistics (Alt) L.1 Visual Art	<b>Session 1</b> 8.30am–10.30am L.1 Mathematics Yr10 (1,2) L.1 Mathematics L.1 Mathematics (Alt) L.2 Geography L.3 Biology L.3 Music L.3 Design	<b>Session 1</b> 8.30am–10.30am L.1 Chemistry L.2 Physics L.3 History	<b>Normal Classes</b> Yr11–12 Periods 1–2 Yr13 Periods 1–6 unless you have an examination
<b>Session 2</b> 11.00am–1.00pm L.1 Geography L.2 French L.2 Physical Education L.3 Calculus L.3 Physical Education	<b>Session 2</b> 11.00am–1.00pm L.1 Economics L.2 History L.3 Chemistry L.3 General Science	<b>Session 2</b> 11.00am–1.00pm L.1 General Science PLUS Physics & Biology L.2 Japanese L.2 Drama L.3 Physics	<b>Session 2</b> 11.00am–1.00pm L.1 Biology L.2 Biology L.2 Art History L.3 Accounting L.3 Art History	<b>Session 1</b> 11.00am–1.00pm L.2 Mathematics Yr11 L.2 Mathematics Yr12 L.2 Mathematics (Alt) L.3 Media Studies
<b>Session 3</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm L.1 Physics L.2 Economics L.3 Economics L.3 Photography	<b>Session 3</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm L.1 English L.2 Accounting L.2 Music L.3 Drama L.3 Japanese L.3 German L.3 Geography L.2 Visual Art	<b>Study and Portfolio</b> <b>Afternoon</b> <b>Normal Sport Commitments</b>	<b>Session 3</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm L.1 French L.1 Japanese L.1 Music L.2 English L.2 English (Alt)	<b>Session 2</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm L.1 Accounting L.1 Drama L.2 Chemistry L.2 Media Studies L.3 Classical Studies L.3 French



# THE OXFORD SCHOLARS

## Artists in Residence 26 July–29 August 2014

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IN ASSOCIATION WITH JOHN ROBERT GODLEY MEMORIAL TRUST, CHRIST'S COLLEGE,  
CHRISTCHURCH CATHEDRAL AND THE CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

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### LUNCHTIME RECITALS

#### **Thursday 7 August**

The Church of St Michael and All Angels  
1.00–1.45pm

#### **Thursday 14 August**

Christ's College Chapel 1.00–1.45pm

#### **Thursday 28 August**

Christ's College Chapel 1.00–1.45pm

### COMBINED CHOIRS RECITAL WITH THE OXFORD SCHOLARS

#### **Saturday 16 August**

Christ's College Chapel 6.00–7.30pm

#### **Wednesday 27 August**

"Godley Evensong" with Combined  
College, Cathedral and St Michael's Choirs.  
The Church of St Michael and All Angels  
7.00pm



2015 England Cricket Tour Fundraiser

# Dear Ladies

..... Wear Else .....

Wear Else, a quality secondhand womenswear boutique located at 77 Somerfield Street, has offered to sell your unwanted clothing and accessories to help raise money for the 2015 England Cricket Tour.

## How it works

Wear Else sells your good quality unwanted clothing on your behalf. You receive 50% of the sold price but can then determine how much of that percentage you want to donate to the cricket tour. Wear Else will then also donate a percentage of their takings from any of these items sold. This is a great opportunity to clear out that wardrobe!

### Criteria

Up to date spring/  
summer clothing  
Jewellery  
Handbags  
Shoes  
(All in great condition)

### Shop hours

Tuesday–Friday  
10.30am–5.30pm  
Saturday  
11.00am–4.00pm  
Please ring Tracy on  
981 8280 for any queries.

**Tracy Jones, Wear Else**