

# WELCOME TO TERM 4



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CHRIST'S COLLEGE  
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Each boy at his best.

## Dear parents and caregivers

**For some, the past few weeks have been a break of sorts from College life. However, for many, it has been anything but as we have had staff and students in the United States on a football tour, in Greece and Rome on a cultural tour, and in Kenya at the International Round Square Conference.**

Our basketballers, mountain bikers, and clay target shooters have participated in national tournaments and many boys have been on the Duke of Edinburgh Adventurous Journey. Meanwhile, summer sports have begun with camps and mini-tours. I am in awe of the dedication of staff and parents who make these opportunities possible for our boys. Please watch for stories from these events, with so much learnt in many different ways.

### The value of Independent Schools

Independent Schools of New Zealand (ISNZ) has recently commissioned McCrindle research to analyse the public benefit of independent education in New Zealand.

The report can be found [here](#).

Interestingly, as we see aspects of our civil society becoming more compromised, more and more parents are turning to independent schools for very good reasons – not least of which are the core virtues they present and the focus on holistic education for character development. The choice they provide is a real one, and parents are choosing schools like College because of smaller class sizes (the

### Important information

#### Library book returns

All library books must be returned before the end of Term 4 to avoid replacement charges. All non-returned books will be charged to December accounts.

**16 November – Years 12–13\***

**22 November – Years 9–11**

**\*Students should speak with Mx Stillwell if they require a text for an NCEA exam after this date.**

#### Monday 23 October

Labour Day

#### Friday 17 November

Canterbury Anniversary Public Holiday – College closed

College average for 320 classes taught in 2023 is 20), quality of teaching staff and the associated academic excellence, and the breadth of the co-curricular opportunities. Please read this report, as it will affirm why a College education greatly benefits our boys and the wider community.

### **The teaching of virtue**

As the end of any year approaches, my thoughts always turn to the departing year group and how they will finish the year. The five years of secondary school are a period of incredible formation for young people and a time when choices are made about how they will be with others and engage with all the challenges that life holds. If this period of adolescence is a time for testing, then the next period of 'adult-lescence' is one when decisions have consequences without the wrap-around love and support of a school which views all experiences as teachable moments.

At College, we are overt in what we want boys to hold at their core as they leave and when they are gone – our core virtues at their heart and the dispositions of our graduate outcomes in their heads. We have been intentional in our programmes and our pastoral care and guidance, and trust that this foundation is sustaining, especially as these boys experience their final moments at College.

### **Staff changes**

I am pleased to announce further staff changes consequent of internal movements in preparation for the 2024 school year:

Dr Graeme Swanson has been appointed Director of the Centre for Teaching Excellence & Research (CTER), with Amanda Lester joining CTER as one of three Heads of Teaching and Learning. Kirsty Howatson replaces Dr Swanson as Head of Department – Biology. Growth in the subject of Psychology results in Travis Dixon being appointed Head of Department. Andrew Levenger takes on the role of Diploma Awards Coordinator vacated by Arthur Wood, who takes over from Ian Stevenson as Corfe Housemaster.

### **Term 4 dates**

**Monday 9 October, 8.30am–5pm**

Years 10–11 Diploma parent/teachers/student meetings by appointment online (NO CLASSES for Years 9–13).

**Tuesday 10 October**

Classes start for Term 4

**8.30am** – start of Term Chapel Service

**Garth Wynne**

**Executive Principal**

## **Years 12–13 end of year**

The last day for Years 12–13 classes is Friday 27 October (Term 4, Week 3). The following week is study leave, in preparation for the NCEA exams starting on Monday 6 November. Teachers will be available in their classrooms to assist students during the study week, per the regular subject timetable.

### **Prize-giving – Friday 1 December**

1–3pm – Prize-giving (uniform – suit),  
Christchurch Town Hall

### **Carols on the Quad – Thursday 30 November**

6pm – compulsory for Years 9–13.  
Everyone's welcome to attend.

### **Year 13 Leavers' Ball – Saturday 2 December**

7.30–11pm – Air Force Museum of New Zealand,  
Wigram

## **Years 9–11 end of year**

The last day for Years 9–11 is Friday 1 December. There are no classes on this day. It is about celebrating the year. Boys will be required to wear their suit. Further details to follow.

### **Prize-giving – Friday 1 December**

1–3pm – Prize-giving (uniform – suit),  
Christchurch Town Hall

### **Carols on the Quad – Thursday 30 November**

6pm – compulsory for Years 9–13.  
Everyone's welcome to attend.

## **Chapel Services**

**Friday 13 October, 6.45pm**

Baptism Service

**Sunday 15 October, 7pm**

Chapel Service – Evensong Years 11–13

**Sunday 29 October, 7pm**

Chapel Service – Evensong Years 11–13

## Year 11

### NCEA co-requisite reassessments

For those boys resitting any of the NCEA co-requisite exams, these will take place in Week 4 of Term 4, starting on Monday 30 October. Schedule details will be provided through Schoolbox notices in Week 2.

### Exams

All Diploma prep courses, where appropriate, will have an exam. The final day of classes for Year 11s will be Wednesday 15 November. Exams will then begin on Thursday 16 November through to Wednesday 22 November. During exams, boys will be on study leave to focus on performing their best. Exam results will be used to determine readiness for chosen NCEA subjects.

### End-of-year experience – Finding your pathway

Year 11 students will then have their end-of-year experience as they complete the Ngā Miha Mātauranga – Christ's College Diploma.

The focus will be on the transition from the College Diploma to readiness for NCEA. Year 11 students will spend the last days of the school year taking part in our 'Finding your pathway' programme.

Graduating from the Diploma into NCEA study is a good time to start thinking about the post-College options available. The programme will include visits to the three local tertiary institutions (University of Canterbury, Lincoln University, and Ara) and local businesses in a range of industries, along with on-site workshops about careers and personal strengths and leadership development. This programme has been designed to broaden boys' thinking about potential education and career pathways at an important transition time. This programme will run from Thursday 23 November–Thursday 30 November.

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## Year 10

### NCEA co-requisite reassessments

Year 10 students will be given their first opportunity to attempt the NCEA Numeracy co-requisite this term. We will provide further information to the students early in the term.

### End of year

Classes for Year 10 students will finish on Tuesday 21 November. During the following seven days, the boys will be involved in multiple experiences, including the Kōhititia programme or a marae visit, and then a community service programme. All will contribute to your son's Ngā Miha Mātauranga College Diploma. This will conclude on Thursday 30 November.

## Year 9

Classes for Year 9 students will finish on Wednesday 22 November.

Following this, the boys will be involved in an outdoor education programme, including a two-day overnight camp and four day trips. Boys will attend a compulsory pre-camp briefing, with the date advertised later in Term 4. Camp commitments will, where possible, accommodate any junior sport tournaments or co-curricular activities that take place during this time. This will conclude on Thursday 30 November.

## Boarding

### Monday 9 October, 3pm

Boarding Houses open for Term 3 (all boarders are due back in the Houses by 8pm).

### End-of-year events

Housemasters will be in contact with the details.

### Flower's House

Thursday 30 November – dinner and prize-giving  
Friday 1 December – Year 13 function

### Richards House

Thursday 30 November – dinner and prize-giving  
Friday 1 December – Year 13 function

### School House

Friday 20 October – dinner and prize-giving  
Monday 23 October – House shoot  
Thursday 30 November – Year 13 dinner



*The*  
**PINK**  
*Lunch*

with special guest speaker  
Carrie Broomhall

Friday 20 October, 12pm  
Christ's College Dining Hall

Tickets \$50  
Bookings essential by 16 October

## Summer uniform (Terms 4 and 1)

All students are expected to wear summer uniform when they return to school. The summer uniform consists of black shorts, with a black belt, and short black socks with two white stripes. Boys can wear long trousers in the summer if they wish. When shirt sleeves are rolled up, they must sit neatly above the elbows. Students must wear blazers to Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and to assembly. Suits are to be worn to Sunday Chapel and prize-giving.

## Looking smart for Term 4

Please ensure that all boys return to school clean shaven and with the appropriate haircuts and hair lengths. Click [here](#) and go to page six for further guidelines.



## Enrolments

The demand for places at Christ's College continues to climb, and we will be interviewing siblings of present students – for 2025 entry – in November this year. If you have not enrolled your son, [please contact Admissions Registrar Sarah Fechny as soon as possible.](#)

## Leaving College?

If your son does not plan to return to College in 2024, please email [executiveprincipal@christscollge.com](mailto:executiveprincipal@christscollge.com) to let us know by the end of Week 1, Term 4. Later notice will likely incur fees for Term 1, 2024.

## Events in Term 4

Please go to the [Upcoming Events page](#) on the College website for more details.

### Wednesday 11 October

Business Banter with former CEO, The New Zealand Merino Company, John Brakenridge

### Friday 13 October

Levels Test for 2024 Year 9 Students and Parent Induction

### Saturday 14–Sunday 15 October

The Christ's College Students & Old Boys' Art Exhibition

### Monday 16 October

Sedley Wells Music Competition

### Friday 20 October

Boarding Mothers' Morning Tea  
Christ's College Parents' Association Pink Lunch

### Wednesday 25 October

South Canterbury Community Visit

### Thursday 26 October

Ashburton Community Visit

### Tuesday 31 October

Blenheim Community Visit

### Wednesday 1 November

Nelson Community Visit

### Tuesday 7–Saturday 11 November

*Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Jr.* – Christ's College and Rangī Ruru Girls' School Years 9–10 Production

### Tuesday 21 November

Wanaka Community Visit

### Sunday 26 November

Advent Service with Prep schools Years 9–10

### Thursday 30 November

Carols on the Quad

### Friday 1 December

Year 13 Boarding Parents Brunch  
Years 9–13 Prize-giving  
Year 13 Leavers' Chapel Service

### Saturday 2 December

Year 13 Leavers' Ball

# 2024 Prefects

Congratulations to next year's Prefects, announced at the final Term 3 assembly.



**Zinzan Bondarenko-  
Leatua (J)**  
Head Prefect



**Albie Roberts (R)**  
Deputy Head Prefect



**Franklin Barry (F)**  
Head of Boarding



**Nicholas Sharr**  
HoH – Condell's



**Matthew Moggie**  
HoH – Corfe



**Jake Leck**  
HoH – Flower's



**Freddie Coates**  
HoH – Harper



**Josh Durant**  
HoH – Jacobs



**Rahal Pathirana**  
HoH – Julius



**William Judd**  
HoH – Richards



**Harry Vaughan**  
HoH – Rolleston



**Harry Hanson**  
HoH – School



**George Grace**  
HoH – Somes



**Seann Zhao (Ro)**  
Head of Academic



**Hugo Sudell (J)**  
Head of Arts & Culture



**Tom Rawstron (C)**  
Head of Biculturalism



**Nicholas Winefield (J)**  
Head of Chapel Choir



**Hugo Helmore (S)**  
Head of Character &  
Leadership



**Matthew Flint (So)**  
Head of Environment



**Lucas Maguire (J)**  
Head of International/  
Round Square



**James Whitaker (Cf)**  
Head of Service



**Finn McCormack-  
Young (Ja)**  
Head of Sport



**Oscar Compton-  
Moen (C)**  
Head of Wellbeing



**Oliver Du Toit (So)**  
Chapel Prefect



**Oliver Biggs (S)**  
Chapel Prefect



**Bede Hamilton (H)**  
College Prefect



**Max Topham (C)**  
College Prefect

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