



# IN BLACK & WHITE

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## FROM THE HEADMASTER

The CBHS v College 1st XV fixture took place in atrocious weather last week – staff and supporters who braved the conditions deserved a medal. On the pitch, it was heartbreakingly close for our team – we knew with dry ball-handling conditions, we were favourites; on the day, the weather won as a dogged and heavier CBHS pack steamrollered their way up the pitch for the only try of the game.

But when the whistle goes, the deserving team wins. The outcome was a bitter disappointment to our team, who knew this may have been the year – but as Kipling's IF has it,

*'If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster  
And treat those two impostors just the same.....'*

Tomorrow is another day, and the season is young. The Rathkeale fixture was a splendid come-back!

At the end of last week, we bade farewell as a school to Trish Smith our librarian of 37 years. She was quite unprepared for the send off provided by the school at lunchtime, when having been drawn off site for lunch, she returned to find her library packed to the rafters with half the school, who sang for her before Head Prefect Harry McCormick made the presentation of a signed Wells drawing of the library. As the first half slipped away the other half arrived! Two shifts of warm affection, including singing of Ka Waiata and flowers from each house. She fired literary enthusiasm in countless generations. We wish her a long and happy retirement.

The 'Pallet Pavilion' in Christchurch was full of action a couple of weeks ago with a small 'vintage market'. A few dollars later, I had acquired a couple of vintage Castrol oil cans, a book on Greek astronomy, and two vinyl LPs – the latter for no other reason than Herp Alpert and his Tijuana Brass had nostalgic appeal. Having no working turntable, some might think a pointless purchase. However, one thing lead to another – and to a Hi-Fi shop in Christchurch, where a new drive belt and new cartridge revived the unit which was pulled back into service for the first time in fifteen years.



In the meantime, records became cassettes which gave way to CDs and they in turn to digital downloads. The progression is easy to follow. Easier, smaller, faster. The chap in the HiFi shop told me many people were rediscovering the joys of vinyl, and as I dug out long forgotten 33rpm favourites I found the whole thing strangely involving. The means is accessible and mechanical – there was even a place in the deck marked 'oil'. Maintenance was needed – what a concept. Then there was the fragility of the functioning parts – needing care and precision. The discs themselves – to be cleaned, stored carefully, handled respectfully – crisp sound

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## ROMEO & JULIET

BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE  
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# ASSEMBLY NOTES

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reproduction testimony to sustained sensitive ownership. Sitting back and enjoying the sound came at a cost – investment of time, care and dexterity. Something rather more than the hidden self-contained genius of an iPod – it barely needs anything from us, and produces a better end result. If the sound is all there is, vinyl for most of us is a nonsense.

But perhaps some activities are better for being more demanding. A moment's carelessness with a vinyl LP, and it will never give pleasure again. The wound is there forever. As digital technologies become ever more spontaneous and remote from conscious engagement, carelessness is inherently likely, and just as damaging. We are so used to things 'just working' we are at great risk of excusing our own carelessness as just part of rapidity of the medium. But care has never been more needed. This week another example of what has become widely known as 'cyber bullying' surfaced and was dealt with. The technology was abused, the use was careless, the motivation inexplicable. Doing damage is just too easy – the digital world is sterile and remote. Personal involvement is casual, and danger ever-present. We must be alert to the oil-film world of social media. Oil on water spreads to molecular thickness – it looks pretty in the right light, a tiny amount covers a huge area, but it is fragile and has no real substance.

I had a flash-back a couple of weeks ago. Watching one of our football teams, I remembered the very similar Newcastle United shirts, a team I followed for a time. The long time owner was Sir John Hall, whose other passion was motor racing. In 1996 his black

and white liveried GT1 Lister Storm crashed at Daytona, shattering its almost weightless bodywork. It happens that the workshop charged with replacing it was near to my home, and the owner a parent of my last school. Needless to say, I managed to acquire a large piece of black and white striped carbon-fibre which hung on my laboratory wall to be looked at every day. Some might think it was oddly prophetic. The look is the same, but our football shirts are far more interesting to watch.

In the Priorities document was a reference to the 'Earthquake Legacy'; three areas where we intended to sustain the lessons learned, and perspectives gained, from the experiences of 2010 onwards. A more developed document is being prepared and will be circulated shortly.

We have just passed what in the northern hemisphere would have been the 'third week in November'; it was well known to be the low point, short days, dark, cold and damp, and towards the end of an excruciatingly long term. Christmas was not far away, but not close enough either. If anything was going to go wrong, it was the prime time. I really shouldn't tempt fate, but the boys are in good form at present – the school is buzzing along.

**Simon Leese, Headmaster**



*Librarian Miss Trish Smith is farewelled after 37 years of service to Christ's College*



# CALENDAR EVENTS

Week 5		
Th 6		NZCF 'Big Sing' Festival begins, St Mark's Presbyterian Church, 150 Withells Road
	9.00am-1.00pm	Year 13 Classical Studies Day, UofC
	12.45pm	Interhouse junior hockey first round, Upper
	12.45pm	Interhouse senior basketball, Gym
F 7		
		CPIT 'Have a Go Day' for selected year 11, 12 & 13 boys
	1.15pm	Year 12 General Studies, OBT
	1.15pm	Interhouse junior basketball, Gym
Sa 8	7.30pm	NZCF 'Big Sing' Festival concert, regional finals, CBS Arena
		Weekend programme available for all boarders
Su 9	12noon	1st XV v St Bede's (home)
		10th Ordinary Sunday
	7.00pm	Choral Evensong Preacher: The Headmaster
Week 6		
Tu 11		NZCT Chamber Music contest begins
	1.15pm	Interhouse senior basketball, Gym
W 12		Music Scholarship auditions, Music School
		Years 9 & 10 mid-year English & mathematics examinations
Th 13	8.35am-3.30pm	Year 13 Physics NCEA internal assessment day, ICT1/2
	9.00am-1.00pm	Entrance/Scholarship examinations
	12.45pm	Interhouse junior debating semi-final
	12.45pm	Interhouse senior hockey first round, Upper
	1.00-1.45pm	Music recital series, Chapel
	4.00-6.00pm	Study skills seminar for Year 11 dayboys, OBT
	7.00-9.00pm	Study skills seminar for Year 11 boarders, OBT
F 14	9.00am-3.00pm	NZSS cross-country championships set-up for selected students
	1.15pm	Year 13 General Studies, OBT
	1.15pm	Interhouse junior basketball, Gym
	7.00pm	College v King's College debate, OBT
Sa 15		Weekend programme available for all boarders
		NZSS cross-country championships, Halswell Quarry
Su 16	2.30pm	1st XV v Shirley BHS (home)
		11th Ordinary Sunday
	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
Week 7		
M 17	4.00pm	Interhouse junior rugby prelims, CCCG
Tu 18	1.15pm	Interhouse senior basketball, Gym

# FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE



Donors to the Building Preservation Fund gathered in Big School recently for a supporters' function. Now used as the Library, Big School celebrates its 150th anniversary this year, and as New Zealand's oldest educational building still in continuous use, it was an appropriate venue to thank people personally for their support for College's built heritage. The upstairs windows also provided guests with an excellent view of the complex 'West Wing' construction site.

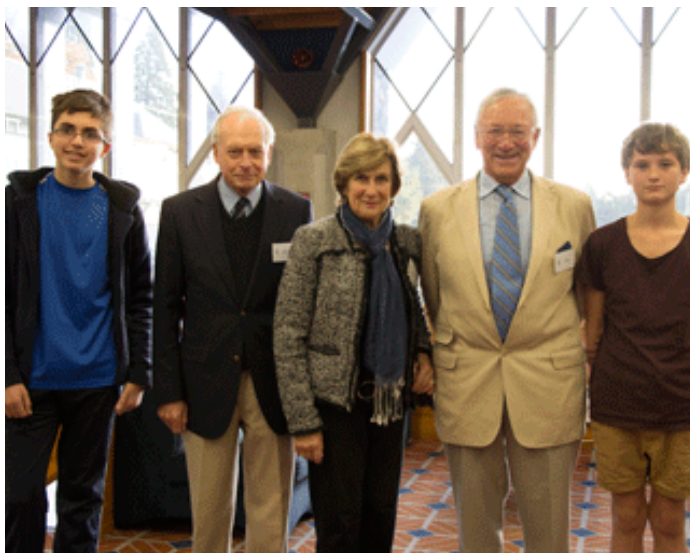
Gifts over the years to the Building Preservation Fund have provided a capital base, the income from which is used to help preserve and maintain our heritage buildings. Chairman of the Board of Governors David Barker paid tribute to the loyalty of the wider College community who have contributed to the Fund. He particularly acknowledged the generosity and leadership of Old Boys Charles Bidwill (6116), for his commitment to fund

the refurbishment of the Dining Hall in 2006, and Philip Burdon (6125), for his leading gift and patronage of the 2006 appeal.

Mr Barker also stressed that the aims of the Building Preservation Fund are as valid now as they were when it was launched. "If we want our heritage buildings to look as good in 100 years time as they do now, we will need to continue to invest in their preservation," he said. "Despite the major upgrade required because of the earthquakes, heritage buildings require a lot of maintenance. The Board will continue to manage the Fund so that those aims can be met now and in the future."

Headmaster Simon Leese emphasised how Christ's College is very much more than a collection of buildings. "We all know how much our lives in this place are enhanced by our campus. Old buildings are both a joy, and a liability. We are so pleased to have the support of those who understand the latter, to ensure they remain the former for generations yet to come."

**Mrs R Crossland, Director of Development**



*From left: Henry Seaton, Justice Peter and Mrs Gill Penlington, Mr Tom Tohill and Jack Noble-Adams*



*Mrs Jennifer and Mr John Packer*



*Dr Shailer Weston, Justice Peter Penlington and Mr Godfrey Judd*



*The Headmaster and Mr Godfrey Judd*

# CAREERS

## Computing Courses & Careers - Online Music & Movie Distribution

The need for computing professionals and executives is growing as companies become more global. Students are able to study Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Information Systems, Information Technology, Software Engineering. Last time: Gaming. This week: Online Music & Movie Distribution. The future of music, movies and all the Media is on the Internet. Most of the major studios plan to distribute films online. The entertainment industry is being shaken up and the whole revolution is powered by technology and computing professionals. Computer Scientists design the huge databases that store music, TV shows, and movies. Specialists in software engineering, IT, and computer science work with artists to create attractive, engaging interfaces for consumers. Information systems professionals design the logic that keeps track of customers' interests and provides recommendations. Computer engineers build the iPod and other portable media devices on which we play our downloads. Entry requirements for Computer Science? You are not required to have studied any sort of computing at high school. Good preparation is NCEA Level 3 Mathematics (Calculus). Physics can also be useful.



## Victoria University – Scholarships

Excellence Scholarships – based on academic merit, NCEA Level 2 endorsed with Excellence, 400 to be awarded, \$5000.

Zach Andrew, Michael Donaldson, Louis Jackson & Aengus Port were awarded these for 2013.

Achiever Scholarships – based on academic merit and other criteria, up to 70 to be awarded, \$5000.

New scholarship, Victoria Vice-Chancellor's Achiever Scholarship, five to be awarded, \$20,000 for three years study.

## University of Canterbury Emerging Leadership Scholarships

At least 100 Scholarships are available annually to students who intend to begin their first year of an undergraduate degree programme at UC. The scholarships comprise tuition fees of up to \$5000. Recipients must be New Zealand or Australian citizens or permanent residents.

## IPENZ Foundation Scholarships

These are available for students who intend to study professional Engineering in 2014. There are a number available for those studying: a four year Bachelor of Engineering (BE), a Bachelor of Engineering Honours (BE(Hons)), or a three year Bachelor of Engineering Technology (BEngTech) degree. Applications for these scholarships close at 5.00pm, Friday 4 October 2013.

## SIT (Southern Institute of Technology) Christchurch

Campus Open Night, Tuesday 11 June, 6.00-8.00pm, 60 Waterloo Road, Hornby. Courses in Automotive, Construction, Collision Repair, Project Management, Landscape Design, Group Fitness.

## CPIT (Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology)

Bachelor of Musical Arts, Jazz, Blues, Rock, Pop. Applications due 6 September 2013. Auditions held 30 September – 2 October. For an audition pack [info@cpit.ac.nz](mailto:info@cpit.ac.nz)

## University Halls/Colleges 2014

The process of application will start early in Term 3. Boys will apply online to Universities of their choice and a Confidential reference will be written by their Housemasters. They can apply to several universities if they wish and make their final decision when positions are offered in Term 4.

## Lincoln University Presentation

Jamie Thomson (Student Liaison Manager), Tyler Koning and David Black, (two College Old Boys) spoke at General Studies. Due to another school activity this was voluntary but still attracted 43 Year 12 and 13 boys. The emphasis was on future jobs, salaries, scholarships and courses. It was an inspiring presentation to a large group of mainly boarders. There is sometimes a misconception about Lincoln being for potential farmers or boys from farming families. This is not the case. I am happy to run this session again for the dayboys if there is student and parent interest. I think it would be food for thought for boys intending to study Science and Commerce when they leave College.

Chris Sellars

## Events since the last issue

- Otago University Law Seminar
- Lincoln University liaison visit
- IT Connect Expo
- University of Canterbury, Careers Advisers' conference

## Upcoming Dates

7 June	CPIT "Have a Go Day", Year12, 13 students
11 June	Southern Institute of Technology (SIT) Open Night
15 June	University of Otago Scholarships open
20 June	CPIT Broadcasting Information session (evening)
21 June	Monash University liaison visit
15/16 July	Aoraki Polytechnic, Sport & Fitness
18 July	CPIT Broadcasting Information session 7.00pm
5 Aug	University of Melbourne, liaison visit. University of Melbourne, information evening, The George Hotel
15 Aug	Applications for Otago University Scholarships close
20 Aug	Swiss Hotel Management School, The George Hotel, 7.00pm
30 Aug	Study @ Victoria University Open Day
31 Aug	Auckland University Open Day
19 Sep	Aoraki Polytechnic, Introduction Day, Christchurch Park
4 Oct	IPENZ Engineering Scholarships close.



# YEAR 9 & 10 EXAMINATIONS

## Wednesday 12 June

All Year 9 and 10 students will be sitting a one and half hour examination in English and Mathematics on Wednesday 12 June. The examination schedule is as follows:

Periods 1 & 2	Year 9	Mathematics
	Year 10	English

Normal Congregational Practice and Periods 3 and 4

Periods 5 & 6	Year 9	English
	Year 10	Mathematics

Examinations will take place in the Assembly Hall and in classrooms.

While the examinations are a valuable means of assessing where students are at academically, they are also important preparation for NCEA examinations in the senior school.

Ms Chris Rayward HOD English sees these examinations as teaching boys the self-discipline and organisational skills required to successfully prepare for formal examinations. In English, the results provide a useful snapshot of all boys' academic progress so far, including identifying specific areas that need further development. The upcoming Year 9 and Year 10 English examinations will cover close reading skills, grammar and proofreading skills, and a Response to Text essay.

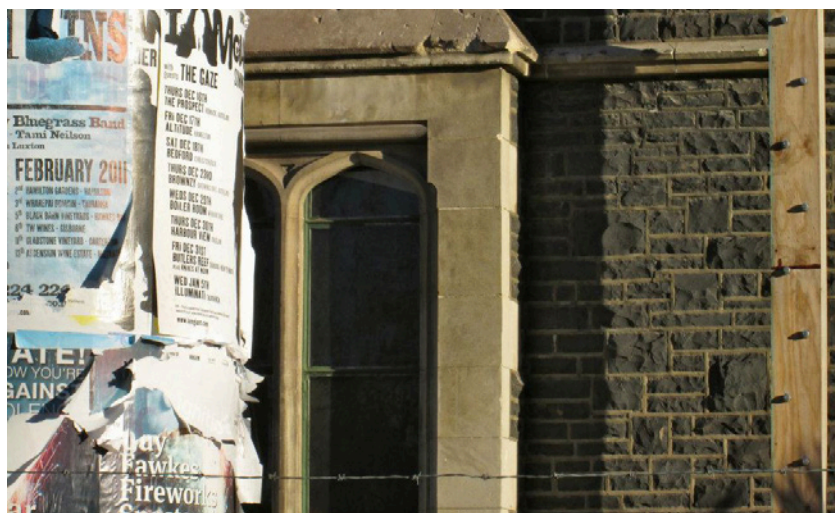
Dr Martin Griffith's HOD Mathematics values them as being very important for allowing teachers to assess strengths and weaknesses both of individuals and within the year group. This in turn informs future teaching within the department. The examinations also give students the opportunity to gauge their own progress at this crucial stage of their mathematical development.

Mr RJ Aburn, Senior Master (Internal)

## FROM CHRISTCHURCH TO WELLINGTON TO MANILA

Christ's College pupils Joe Hutchinson and Hamish Thomas had their photography included in the exhibition Christchurch: See Through My Eyes at the Canterbury Museum and Capital E in Wellington. Organised by UNICEF NZ and involving 11-13 years olds from schools around Christchurch, the project invited the children to share ways the earthquake has changed their lives and communities through photography.

The exhibition has recently been invited to Manila to be shown at the Yuchengco Gallery by the New Zealand Ambassador to the Philippines Rueben Levermore in July.



A snapshot from the exhibition by Joe Hutchinson

## MIDWEEK SPORT UPDATE

Midweek sport last Wednesday was busy with a number of sports taking place. Badminton had a successful day with four wins from their six matches. The top side defeated St Bede's by 9 nil. Squash had a 2 win, 2 loss record with the top side convincingly defeating Riccarton by 10 nil, while table tennis made a clean sweep with four wins from four matches. The College 1 side defeated Riccarton Red 9 – 0 and the College 2 side defeated Riccarton Blue by the same score. The two Senior B basketball sides both had close, hard fought wins. The Black side won 38 – 35 over St Bede's while the White side defeated Christchurch Adventist School by 40 – 34.

Mr RA Clarke, Director of Sport

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ANNUAL DEBATE

THURSDAY, 14 JUNE 2013  
7:00PM

OLD BOYS' THEATRE

# RATHKEALE EXCHANGE

Over Queen's Birthday weekend a number of Christ's College staff and sportsmen travelled to Masterton for the annual Winter sport exchange with Rathkeale College. On Sunday the College golf team drew 2 all, with Jason Yoo and Harry Smart winning their matches. The squash team was defeated 4-1 with Tim Bullen recording the only Christ's College win.

The 1st XI hockey side, without nine regular players who remained in Canterbury for representative duties, lost 3-1. The 1st XI football side continued their recent good form with a 2-1 win. Goals were scored in football by Joe Bell and Jharn Stevenson.

In the 1st XV match, College led 13-5 before a try on half-time by Rathkeale cut the lead to only one point. Rathkeale scored again early in the second half, and a Damian McKenzie penalty had College trailing 17-16 with 20 minutes to play. Despite all efforts to regain the lead, the score remained the same right to the last play of the game when a string of phase play gave McKenzie an opportunity to break the final line of defence and score the winning try on fulltime. Final score 23-17 to College.

**Mr RA Clarke, Director of Sport**

## DEBATING SUCCESS

Vincent Curd (Julius), having been named in the regional squad at the recent Russell McVeagh championships, has just learned of his selection to the Canterbury debating team. He will travel to Wellington in August to compete in the National Debating Championships.

Christ's College experienced another very successful round of interschool debates last Thursday, this time in the Intermediate grade. The moot for the evening was that this House would legalise all performance enhancing drugs in sport. Team 1, comprising of Matthew Moore, Luke Gellen and Tommy Brennan negated this moot. Their greater experience was evident in this debate, which resulted in a convincing win over Unlimited. Team 2, consisting of Jason Guan, Anthony Baker and Sam Walker, had the more challenging job of Affirming this moot, but still managed to defeat St Margaret's College. Congratulations to Sam Walker and Matthew Moore for their Best Speaker awards.

**Ms CM Rayward, MIC Debating**



*Vincent Curd*



*Best Speakers Matthew Moore and Sam Walker*



## QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY RUGBY AND FOOTBALL

The 2nd XV rugby side enjoyed a very successful outing on Saturday when they defeated St Andrew's College 2nd XV by 80 – 0. The under-16A side played an excellent match to defeat Shirley Boys under-16A by 23 – 21. The lead changed several times and College showed patience and skill to score some excellent tries. The win was achieved near the end of the game when Liam Beckett kicked a penalty to take the lead, and eventually the win. Kale Thatcher and Matt McKellar scored a hat trick of tries each for the under-15A side in their 88 – 17 win over St Thomas, while the under-14B side continue their unbeaten run with a 15-0 win over St Andrew's.

The 1st XI football side defeated CBHS 2nd XI last Saturday by 3 – 0. This reversed their result from earlier in the season. College led 2 – 0 at the half through goals from Tom Raymond and Conrad Fleischmann, and Eddie Wright completed the win with a goal in the second half. The 2nd XI enjoyed their first win of the season with a 1 nil win over Burwood B. The winning goal was scored by Jonty Nattrass, and Luke Mannis played a strong game at the back. Tom Botting scored four goals in the 15A win over Halswell United, while the 14A side defeated Ferrymead Baywatchers 5-1 to gain promotion into Division 1.

**Mr RA Clarke, Director of Sport**



*Ben Chamberlain (above and below)*





# CSS ROAD RACE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Last Thursday, a cool day greeted the College road racers as they lined up in North Hagley Park for the annual CSS Road Race Championships. In the Under 14 grade Ben Marshall-Lee was the best performed runner finishing 8th while Monty Batchelor (11th) and Jack Hayman (19th) also finished in the top 20 which helped the team finish 2nd. The Junior team finished 4th overall in their grade thanks to top 20 finishes by Jeremy Penrose (5th), Henry Idiens (8th), James Coull (16th) and Callum Long (17th). Josh Browne (5th) and Tom Jackson (8th) helped the Intermediate team to 1st place. Rory Swanson (27th) and Fraser Densem (30th) were the next best Intermediate finishers. Hamish Clay was the only senior to run and completed the 5km course in 17.08 minutes to finish a very creditable 12th.

**Mr GG Christey, MIC Harriers**



*Hamish Clay*



*Ben Marshall-Lee and Monty Batchelor (right)*

# INTERHOUSE HAKA COMPETITION

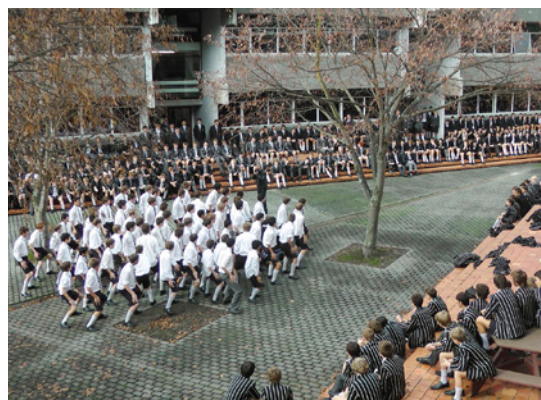
The Christ's College Boarding Houses dominated in the 2013 Interhouse Haka competition. Richard's House were the winners, with School House then Flower's House in the next placings. Each of the ten houses performed the College Haka for invited judges Mr Dave Brennan and Mr Tametea Pahi, and College language teacher Mr Steve Everingham. Mr Everingham was extremely pleased with the standard of this year's competition. "I feel the boys have been doing an even better job of delivering and teaching the haka of late. Events such as this are very important to maintaining the standard of our haka", he said.



*Simon Northcote, School House*



*Quinn Angus, Somes House*



*Richards House*



# ROMEO AND JULIET

Love, sex and death are the components of Shakespeare's classic story of the relationship of two young people which reaches across the barriers of family and convention. Romeo and Juliet encompasses great love, high drama, low comedy and a tragic ending.

Romeo and Juliet meet by chance and fall instantly in love. But their families are bitter enemies and their love is forbidden. Yet the two lovers cannot bear to be separated and, in a city torn apart by feuds and gang warfare, their love leads them to drastic measures – with devastating consequences.

The cast and crew are working very hard to create another magnificent show with Rangi Ruru Girls' School. The lead actors are shining through rehearsal and this production promises to be at a very high standard.

Bookings are through the College Office. See the show website for details.

**David Chambers, Director of Drama**

## SPEECH AND DRAMA CONGRATULATIONS

Each year Trinity College London acknowledges the recipient of the highest mark in each grade in New Zealand. This year two College boys have shared this honour in the Speech & Drama Grade 8 examination.

This Thursday Henry Shaw and Jonathan Fowler, both of Harper House, will attend a Diploma and Highest Marks Ceremony at Medbury Preparatory School.



Head of Chemistry Mr Scott Franklin's class experimented with dry ice on the final day of their first science rotation recently.

## AN INVITATION FOR PAST PARENTS

Past College parents are invited to attend a social gathering (drinks and nibbles) in the College Library at 6.00pm on Friday 21 June. The aim of this event is to establish a Past Parents' Group which keeps people in touch with each other and the College.

Please pass this invitation on to anyone who may be interested in attending and ask them to RSVP to the Headmaster's PA, Sandra Lindsay at [smlindsay@christscollge.com](mailto:smlindsay@christscollge.com)

For further information contact Neil Porter at [nporter@christscollge.com](mailto:nporter@christscollge.com)

# THE DOMAIN SITE

It is 160 years ago next month that the possibility that Christ's College might occupy an area of ten acres surrounded by the Avon River was first raised. How it actually happened is a story worth re-telling.

Henry Sewell in his journal dated 8 June 1853 records that after a meal with Henry and Emily Jacobs and their pupils, he set off with Jacobs, Thomas Cass and Robert Bateman Paul to look over the Church lands to select a site for the college. The location of the college had been a vexed question from the day of the arrival of the first ships. Some wanted it in Cathedral Square, others wanted it near the Heathcote Ferry, Bishop Selwyn was clear he wanted it out of town, and others thought that by putting a few of the town allotments together something could be sorted out.

Sewell had another idea and wrote "So I walked them (Cass, Jacobs and Paul) off to look at the land marked "Government Domain" – about 64 acres next (to) the Town, surrounded on three sides by the River, and after a careful inspection of it we all agreed it was the place".

Who was Henry Sewell and how did he become associated with Christ's College? Henry Sewell was a solicitor from the Isle of Wight who summed up his connection with the Canterbury Association in a letter to Lord Lyttelton as "sundry accidental circumstances." His brother, Revd William Sewell, the founder of Radley College, already had links with the founders of Canterbury, as did John Simeon, MP for the Isle of Wight who Sewell knew. Added to this were his personal circumstances including the death of his first wife Lucy (Lucinda Marianne Nedham), his re-marriage to Elizabeth Kittoe and the loss by his father of a considerable sum of money. It appears that he originally planned to sail with the first group of colonists, and as applicant number forty-eight he paid £75 for a 50 acre rural block of land in Addington, which later became the basis of Church Square.

He did not, however, arrive until February 1853 having spent the previous two years as a paid deputy chairman to the Canterbury Association in London. His job in Canterbury was to sort out the affairs of the Association. Sewell's Diary indicates it was no easy task with people like James Edward Fitzgerald and some strong minded clergy already established in the colony. There was also the problem of poor land sales which were supposed to boost the coffers and pay off various creditors.

Maybe it was Sewell's training, or maybe it was his personality, but there were times when his ability to view matters from more than one point of view created difficulties. There was, however, a consistent theme throughout all his dealings around College – he wanted it established and he wanted it to be viable financially.

But why did it take until October 1855 for it all to come together? The wheels of bureaucracy ground slowly even then. First Church Property Trustees had to be established by the Church Property Trust Ordinance of 1854. This then gave them the ability to formally establish Christ's College and this was completed by the Deed of Foundation, of 21 May 1855. It was then formalised by the Canterbury Provincial Council's Christ's College Ordinance of 26 June.

The Fellows of the College then had to be elected, meet, agree on the location and petition the Superintendent of Canterbury, James Edward Fitzgerald (who was also a Fellow) for the land. He obliged, and the Canterbury Association Reserves Ordinance of October 1855 bought Sewell's original idea to completion, although the College did not actually begin using the site until 1857.

But was that all the Sewell influence? In the archives there is a very dirty and well-thumbed volume "Statuta Collegii Sancti Petri Apud Radley" (Statutes of the College of St Peter at Radley) that was written by William Sewell. It has been unbound, interleaved and then annotated by more than one hand. Interestingly it suggests Lyttelton as the location of the College, an association that ended in 1852.

## Jane Teal, Archivist

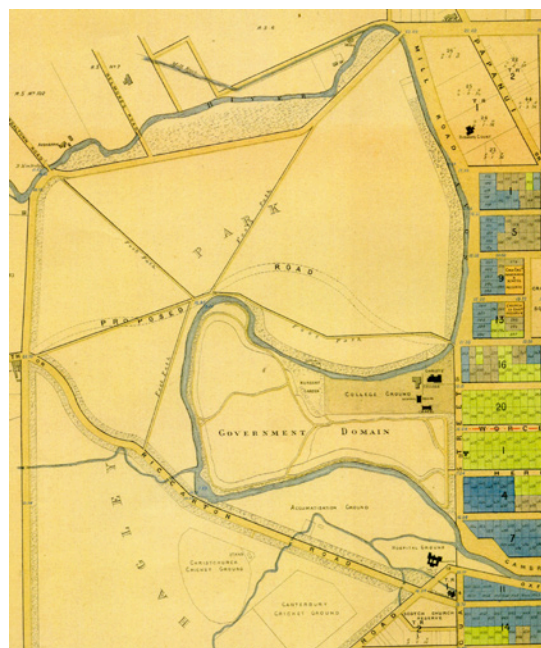
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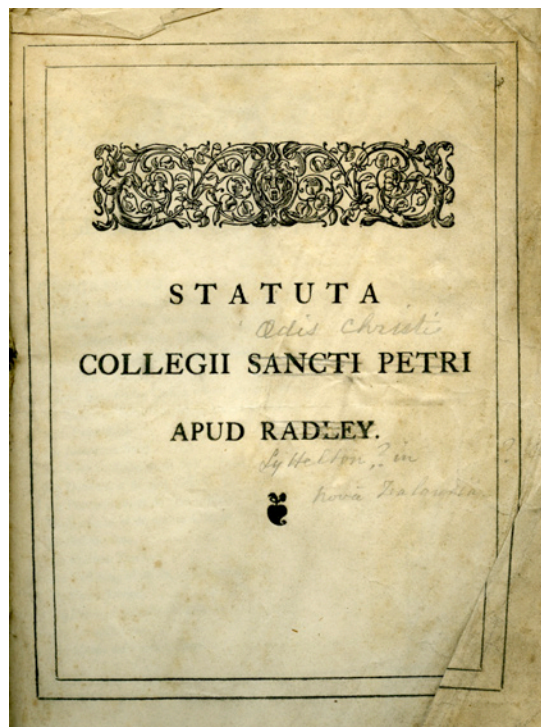
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Christ's College and the Domain Site, 1868 from Plan of the City of Christchurch, WW Dartnall, Surveyor



The front page of "Statuta Collegii Sancti Petri Apud Radley" showing annotations.