

### FROM THE HEADMASTER



Welcome to the first newsletter of term 3. A short break behind us, and a very full term ahead.

In the last newsletter I thanked a parent for pointing out a misquoted date. I went on to refer to the potential for the qualities of computer games to be embedded in some main-stream academic practices. I was delighted when this in turn caused another parent to lend me a book entitled

'Reality is Broken', by Margaret McGonical. It was a best seller, so will be well known I am sure, though new to me. The book's proposition is that gaming is so attractive because it provides what is absent in 'real life' - a fascinating and reassuring read for those who may have concerns about how absorbing, and indeed compelling, games are for many. It also demonstrates that computer game playing is not at all the exclusive preserve of the stereotypical socially withdrawn teenager. It contains some extraordinary figures; since its creation in 2004, the 'World of Warcraft' has accumulated game time by players around the world of over 5 million years. The book raises a lot of questions, and dispels a lot of myths and pre-conceptions. I found myself wondering whether a well managed gaming competition might have inter-house potential; I have asked a number of sensible senior boys, and they thought it worth exploration.

Meanwhile over the holiday, I understand some time has been made up on the West Wing project and we are still expecting to see some wall sections shortly. On a lesser scale, but equally satisfying, was to see the belfry on the Selwyn Building restored and our weather vane replaced after a long absence. The College has never lacked a sense of direction, but the beautiful ironwork compass has made a welcome return. Scaffolding has remained up a few days to enable the belfry to be painted, and today I notice our returning pair of Paradise ducks showing more than casual interest in it, perhaps as a potential nest site. I look forward to being told by a further attentive reader that they only nest at ground level, but at the very

least they are admiring the craftsmanship.

Last Sunday saw the cathedral congregation assembled in our Chapel for the last time. In a generous message to College, Chris Oldham, the cathedral administrator, recorded the nearly three year relationship we have had the Cathedral. He wrote:

'Christ's College's help goes far beyond that of one of the oldest Anglican



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institutions in Christchurch helping out another'. We are sad to be leaving, but looking forward to our new Transitional Cathedral. It will be exciting to have our own home again. However, the generosity shown to us here will not be forgotten.'

We have enjoyed having the Cathedral with us, not only in the Chapel for their worship, but also based on the campus, first in the College Boardroom and latterly in a building remaining on the Cranmer site. The connection has opened our gates to many in Christchurch, both as members of their congregation and also others visiting their many events. They have been delightfully engaging lodgers, and we wish them every success in the next chapter of the long history of the Cathedral in Christchurch.

Some change is inevitable, and this week we have confirmed that we will be transitioning Jacobs from a boarding to a day house over the next three and a half years. The decision is a reflection of reduced boarding numbers and will ensure the vigour and vitality of a smaller, but still defining, element in the ethos of the school. Jacobs House will continue – its central place in the school will remain the same whilst its nature will change.

It was good to meet so many parents at the end of last term at teacher evenings. I asked many parents how the online booking system had worked for them, and nearly all were delighted with it. I met one parent who was less impressed, but I believe his experience was the exception; it is important, though, that both staff and parents accept the inflexibility of the timings, and keep to schedule. One over-run appointment can cause downstream disruption, and frustration. In one school I worked in the headmaster stood on a chair and blew a whistle every five minutes; it might be thought to have merit, but I can assure you everyone involved (except him, clearly) disliked it intensely. We are looking at a somewhat more subtle alternative, which may be in place in time for the junior evenings next week.

The Friday evening session led into our Parents' Association mid-winter drinks, as always a much enjoyed and well supported get-together for which my most grateful thanks go to all involved. First time attendees commented once again about how welcoming and friendly the event is, and it is certainly a highlight in our year. Now we look forward to the Black and White Ball on Friday 13 September. The only 'unlucky' ones on that night will be those without tickets. For the first time, the wonderful marquee will be on the quad, linked to our beautiful and unique dining room which cries out to be used on such a splendid night. It will provide a more tranquil ambience to complement the energy of the marquee itself. It promises to be a truly exceptional evening, and I fully expect tickets to go very quickly. It will be outstanding- don't miss out.

You may have read in today's 'Press' that the College has agreed to be a partner with the 2014 Buskers' Festival. We are very much looking forward to hosting events on campus and welcoming many more visitors to the school.

Finally the Headmaster was pleased to receive rapid feedback from several boys about his announcement that the gold ties would be so exclusive there would only ever be ten in the school at once, five in each of Year 12 and Year 13. What, they asked, would happen when the Year 12 awardees were not the top five in Year 13? We will cross that bridge when we get to it. Perhaps we will have ceremonial 'stripping' of the tie – or perhaps not. Another more immediate problem did arise – a 'tie for the fifth tie' in Year 12, which only emerged after the awards due to a miscalculation of credits. In that case, of course, we would always award to both, and so it is a pleasure to add William Briscoe to the list of awardees. He should have an extra award for raising the matter so politely, no doubt recognising the Headmaster's potential discomfort at being unable to count.

#### Simon Leese, Headmaster

#### ASSEMBLY NOTES Click here for Assembly Notes

### WELCOME

We welcome our new Librarian Mrs Linley Earnshaw, who joined the Christ's College staff late last term. Mrs Earnshaw was previously the Librarian at Elmwood Normal School.



### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC DATES

#### Jazz Combo

Saturday 3 August Jazz Combo, rehearsal 4pm Music School Saturday 3 – Sunday 4 August 2013 Jazz Quest, CPIT Jazz School



#### Big Band and Jazz Combo

Tuesday 6 – Sunday 11 August Southern Jam, Blenheim

Wednesday 14th August Big Band Concert 7.30pm in the Assembly Hall

#### Jazz Combo

The Annual New Zealand School of Music Jazz Festival

Thursday 15 August 6.30pm return on Sunday 18 August 12.55pm, arrive 1.55pm or to leave at 12.15pm.

### CALENDAR EVENTS

WEEK 1		
W 31	10.00am	1st XV leave for Ashburton
	12.45pm	1st XV v Ashburton College (away)
AUGUST		
Th 1	8.30am	NZ Blood Service visit
	8.45-10.00am	Australian Mathematics Competition
	12.45pm	Interhouse junior basketball semi-final, Gym
	12.45pm	Interhouse senior debating first round
	6.00-8.30pm	Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh training session, ICT 1 & 2
F 2	11.00am	1st XV leave for Dunedin
	1.15pm	Year 13 General Studies, OBT
	2.00-5.00pm	Year 12 Accounting field trip
	4.30pm	College v St Margaret's College debate, OBT
Sat 3		Saturday Activities begin
		Weekend programme available for all boarders
		Jazz Quest for Jazz Combo begins, CPIT
	2.45pm	1st XV v Otago BHS, Dunedin
Su 4		18th Ordinary Sunday
		CSS squash championships
	6.30am	Boarders' ski bus
	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00am	Big Band rehearsal, Music School
	1.30pm	1st XV leave for Quadrangular Tournament
WEEK 2		
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#### Calendar Events continued

Fr 9	7.00pm	Year 12 boarder leadership evening, Gym
Sa 10		Weekend programme available for all boarders
Sa 10		1st XV "The Press Cup" semi-finals
Su 11		19th Ordinary Sunday
	6.30am	Boarders' ski bus
	9.00am-4.00pm	Year 12 boarder leadership day, Washpen Falls
	9.30am	Harper House claybird shoot, Nth Canty Clay Target Club
	3.30pm	Big Band returns from Blenheim
	7.00pm	Choral Evensong
		Preacher: The Chaplain
WEEK 3		
M 12		International Languages Week begins
	12.15pm	International College of Hotel Management liaison visit
	1.00-3.00pm	Year 13 German students persentation/workshop, UofC
	4.00pm	Interhouse senior football first round, CCCG
Tu 13	8.35am-3.30pm	Year 10 biology field trip, Cooper's Creek
	1.15pm	Interhouse languages waiters' race, Upper
	7.00pm	Year 9-12 course options/careers evening, Assembly Hall

### CURRICULUM NEWS



Of most immediate concern for boys in Years 9 to 12 will be the selection of courses for 2014. These choices are crucial to the construction of our timetable for 2014. We begin with their indicative choices, and then proceed to construct a timetable that meets the selections of as many as possible. It is never possible to meet every boy's needs, but we try hard, and in my experience

our timetablers do a very good job. The course choice evening is an essential first step to the process, a chance for boys and parents to come along and meet with Heads Of Department. It is important to remember, however, that the choices made in August are not final. We continue to allow changes, but as the timetable construction proceeds it may in some cases become more difficult for students to get their preference.

The Curriculum Handbook outlining all of the courses available is freely available on the College web site under the 'Information' tab. There are also instructions on how to enter preferences. The most important instruction is that boys should, if at all possible, enter their choices in order of preference. I will be briefing all boys after assembly on the selection process. The course advice selection evening will be held on **Tuesday 13 August between 7.00 and 9.00pm** in the Assembly Hall. We welcome all Year 9-12 boys and their parents. The second date of importance for all parents is the laptop information evening on **Thursday 8 August at 7.00pm**. At this stage it will be held in the Old Boys' Theatre, and topics covered will include:

- 1. Opening comments from the Headmaster Mr Simon Leese
- 2. What will learning look like at College in 2014
- 3. Which laptop will my son need and how will they look after it?
- 4. Digital Literacy and Citizenship how can I help as a parent?

We will be pleased to welcome Mr Mark Osborne,. Mark was the foundation Deputy Principal of Albany Senior High School, is currently working with CORE Education, and was responsible for creating and driving the school's laptop programme. He will be providing some insights into his experiences, and those of the school community, as they went through the 'bring your own device' process. We hope to see as many parents of Years 9 to 12 as possible, although if you are unable to attend please be assured that we will be offering a number of other information sessions on this issue. We will also be adding a page to the College website with helpful information.

Finally, please remember the date for submission of Financial Assistance Applications. These need to be in my hands by **Friday 23 August**. The application form and eligibility criteria can be downloaded from the NZQA web site.

Mr R Sutton, Senior Master Academic

### CAREERS



#### **Events since the last issue**

- Victoria University, Information evening
- Aoraki Polytechnic, Sport & Fitness (2 days)
- CPIT Broadcasting Information evening
- CPIT Free Science & Engineering Workshop
- Lincoln University Open Day

#### College House – University of Canterbury

College House is the oldest and most traditional university college in New Zealand. It was founded as part of Christ's College in 1850 and has evolved into an independent residential college. It is the strong

sense of community that makes College House distinctive. Students enjoy the structures that are in place and the high standards that are expected there. The staff invite families and students to visit during the year. Prior advice and a booking is advisable. 03 364 2001, or email office@collegehouse.org.nz. Interviews are available during the week and tours can be arranged.

#### **University Halls/Colleges 2014**

The process of application will start early in Term 3. Applications open on 1 August and close on 1 October. I will send all confidential forms to the universities by 15 September. This will allow time for any follow up required. 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 and make their final decision when positions are offered in Term 4.

#### **Study Link – Student Loans and Allowances**

The Study Link "sussed" programme is about helping students make decisions about their finances and studies as they move out of school and into tertiary education. On 23 August StudyLink will be at General Studies and will help the boys to apply online. Boys will need to bring their IRD and bank account numbers to this session.

#### AUT (Auckland University of Technology)

Information Evening – degrees and study areas. Monday 12 August, Chateau on the Park, 7.00-8.00pm. Register online, www.aut.ac.nz/forms/chch-parent-info-evening. Interested students should see Mr Sellars and collect an AUT flyer.

#### ICHM (International College of Hotel Management) Adelaide – Career Week

Monday 30 September–4 October. What to expect at Career Week – this live-in introduction to hotel management is an opportunity to experience first hand the hotel/hospitality environment and ICHM. You can expect to learn more about the international tourism and hospitality industry; gain understanding of the ICHM hotel management course; find out about different career paths and what graduates are doing; have a fun, hands-on introduction to hotel operations; visit local hospitality and tourism sites; ask questions of current ICHM students; meet teaching staff; experience world class ICHM teaching facilities; learn about ICHM's worldwide hotel industry placement. They will visit College on Monday 12 August and talk to certain classes. Any boy or parent who is particularly interested in this should contact Mr Sellars.

#### Subject Options Years 9–12, 2014

I have recently seen all of Year 10 for a careers unit during their health classes. This has included a "look at self", areas of interest, further understanding of kiwi careers on the computer – www.kiwicareers.govt.nz and a questionnaire

#### Upcoming Dates

1 Aug	Queenstown Resort College Career
	Week commences
5 Aug	University of Melbourne, liaison
	visit. University of Melbourne,
	information evening, The George
	Hotel
8 Aug	Horizons GAP Year, presentation,
	Bishopdale YMCA, 13 Bishopdale
	Court, 7.00 - 8.00pm
12 Aug	International College Hotel
	Management (ICHM) visit. AUT
	(Auckland University of Technology)
	Information Evening, 7.00pm
13 Aug	Course options/careers evening, Yr
	9 - Yr12, 7.00pm Assembly Hall
15 Aug	Applications for Otago University
	Scholarships close. UC Emerging
	Leaders' Scholarships close.
	Russell McVeagh Law Scholarships,
	applications close.
19 Aug	Lincoln University, Year 13 visit,
	1.30pm
20 Aug	Swiss Hotel Management School,
	The George Hotel, 7.00pm
22 Aug	University of Canterbury – "Parents
	as Careers Educators"
30 Aug	Study @ Victoria University Open
	Day. Massey University High
	Achievers Scholarships (Academic,
	Arts & Sport) applications close. The
	Salvation Army Edmund Sanderson
	Jeff Farm Scholarship, applications
	close
31 Aug	Auckland University Open Day
1 Sept	University of Otago, closing date for
	Performance Music Auditions
4 Sept	University of Auckland, Entry Level
	Scholarships, closing date for
	completed applications.
6 Sept	CPIT, Bachelor of Musical Arts
	applications due. Lincoln University
	Course planning, 1.15pm
10 Sept	Otago University Course planning,
	(Health Sciences) 1.15pm. CPIT,
	NASDA applications due
11 Sept	Otago University Course planning,
	(all other degrees) 2.30pm
15 Sept	Confidential Halls/Colleges
	references to be sent from College
	by this date.
19 Sept	Aoraki Polytechnic, Introduction
	Day, Christchurch Park
4 Oct	IPENZ Engineering Scholarships,
	applications close.

to help in selection of subjects for next year. A similar careers unit will be presented to Year 9 this term. Year 11 and 12 will attend the general studies slot on the second and third Fridays of this term, and information re required subjects for tertiary education will be presented.

#### **The University of Auckland Courses and Careers Day** Saturday August 31, 9.30am–3.15pm

The website, www.coursesandcareersday.ac.nz, is now live and includes an interactive version of the Courses and Careers Day programme, where students can customise their own schedule for the day. The schools partnership office hosts a Travellers' breakfast and free airbus transfer tickets to and from the airport. Students can reserve a place at the breakfast and tickets by emailing: spo@auckland.ac.nz by Friday 19 August. Places are limited.

#### UC (University of Canterbury) "Parents as Careers Educators"

Thursday 22 August 7.00–8.00pm

NZi3 Building, University of Canterbury, 69 Creyke Road. The seminar covers: careers pathways, supporting your child with career making decisions, choosing tertiary options to suit your child, communicating effectively with your child. Register by Thursday 15 August to reserve your seat.

#### www.alumni.canterbury.ac.nz/pace-seminar-three

#### Mr Chris Sellars, Careers Advisor

### FROM THE CHAPLAIN



On Christmas Day next year, 2014, it will be two hundred years since the first preaching of the Gospel by Samuel Marsden at the invitation of Ruatara, the first Christian service, and the first Eucharist. This year, in preparation for that significant anniversary, the Anglican Schools' Conference (next week) will be in the Bay of Islands. Ms Robyn Peers (who, amongst her many skills,

also teaches Religious Education), two students (Edmond Chang Y13, Ro; Jack Woodley Y12, R), and I are attending this exciting conference.

The Bay of Islands, of course, is central to our nation's history. It had the first European school, the first land sale, the signing of the Treaty, our first capital, and so forth.

Being away means, unfortunately, that I will be unable to meet with you at the parent/teacher interviews next week. I am always happy, of course, to talk about anything after Sunday services and look forward to seeing many of you in Chapel during this term. World Youth day in Rio de Janeiro did not, in our media, get the attention that it might. A million young people were part of the Friday Stations of the Cross service on Copacabana beach. Three million were present there at the Sunday service. There is often a tendency to speak and act as if young people are not interested in spirituality. I continue to find the opposite: in the classroom, after Chapel, around our school grounds and beyond, students are vigorously interested in engaging about meaning, values, ethics, and spirituality. Numbers do not mean everything, but nor does having three million young people at a Eucharist on Copacabana beach support those who contend that this generation is not interested in these things.

As you know we have George Fitzgerald as a school representative voting at our diocesan synod (the governing body of our church in Canterbury and the West Coast), congratulations to Etienne Wain (Y12, So) who was recently elected, at a diocesan meeting, to represent diocesan youth on synod. The voice and vote of young people need to be part of the decisions shaping our future here at this important time, and it is great to see Christ's College students being young leaders. We all know this is a very full, short term. May it be a good one.

**Bosco Peters, Chaplain** 

### DUATHLON

Christ's College teams performed well at the Canterbury Schools' Duathlon Championships held at Ruapuna in early July.

#### **Results:**

Junior Individual Boys			
5th	Sam Averill	(38.53)	
6th	Ben Marshall-Lee	(39.02)	
Intermediate Individual Boys			
6th	Rory Swanson	(50.23)	
Intermediate Boys Team			
2nd	Jeremy Pentrose, George Satterthwaite	(46.39)	
Senior Boys Teams			
1st	Hamish Clay, Max Beckart, Simon Northcote	(54.21)	



Ben Henderson crosses the finish line

### TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL TITLES FOR MUNRO

James Munro (Somes Year 12) has continued to attract success in his chosen sport of motor racing since his win in the New Zealand Formula Ford Championships earlier this year. He has recently spent a week, alongside eight other young drivers, at the New Zealand Elite Motor Sport Academy in Dunedin.

Held at the Otago University's Human Performance Centre and the headquarter of High Performance Sport NZ, this is the 10th year that the academy has offered the week long intensive course. The intention is to prepare the young drivers for high performance through training in physiology, mental skills, nutrition, media and life management skills.

Part of the experience included forming a team as well as competing as an individual. James was the winner of the Ian Snellgrove award for his individual performance throughout the week and his team, Octane, were also the overall winners.



### SOUTH ISLAND CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

In the first weekend of the school holidays the College cycling team had 15 boys entered in the South Island Cycling Championships.

Saturday's races included the individual time trial and team time trial. Top results from this saw Sam Averill 10th in the under-15 boys, Joe Hutchinson 6th in the under-16 boys, George Satterthwaite 6th and Rory Swanson 9th in the under-17 boys. Max Beckert claimed bronze in the under-20 boys race, the first of his three medals for the weekend.

Max joined with George Satterthwaite and Rory Swanson to finish 3rd in the Open Team Trial. This was a great effort and was excellent experience for Rory and George who will hopefully continue to compete strongly in the future.

Sunday was in complete contrast to Saturday. Rain and sleet swept the course and the temperature was rarely above zero. This did not stop the College team from competing strongly with five placings in the top 10 over three ages groups. The highlight of the afteroon came in the last race when Max Beckert won gold in the boys 40 km under-20 race. Max has won several silver and bronze medals at the South Island Championships over the last few years for College. It was great to see him win gold in his last race at this competition.



### NEW TUTORS AND GAP

We welcome three new tutors from the UK to the staff. Jessica King joins us as our new mathematics tutor. Laura Knight joins us our new English tutor and Edward Jeffrey joins us as the latest of our UK GAP tutors.



Edward Jeffrey



Jessica King



Laura Knight

### NATIONAL MUN 2013

This year, as in many others, a number of Christ's College students participated in the National Model United Nations conference in Wellington. This fantastic and prestigious event brings together 240 talented, astute students from around the country. There are also numerous university students who are involved in the running of the conference.

The way Model UN events start is each delegate gets assigned a country. They then research their nation's culture, political status, population, opinions and economical status in preparation for representing the country's government in a mock-up of the United Nations. This year, the NZMUN topics were all centered around the millennium development goals. Being such a big conference, much of it is split up so there is more opportunity to input and interact in small group workshops.

I was assigned the country Georgia, a small ex-Soviet republic and for my sessions I was involved in resolving the issues of refugees, slum dwellers and the ever prevalent issue of biodiversity loss. We debated topics like how to affordably relocate impoverished refugees, why aid money is necessary for improving living conditions in the poorest residential areas, and how the effect on industrial nations' economies of removing primary industry subsidies far outweighed any good the clause in guestion would have for the environment. Of course, there were no good or bad consequences from what we were doing, but it was a valuable learning experience in how things get run and how problems get solved in real-world organisations and businesses. On the subject of business, another bonus of the conference was a sustainable business workshop from a team of top Wellington businessmen and women along with talks from influential politicians. We were tasked with coming up with a business that would help solve an issue within the country, for example child mortality.



Edward Roche, George Fitzgerald, William Briscoe, Jason Guan, Matthew Moore and Luke Gellen

The conference is hugely looked forward to and enjoyed, partly due to the fact that it wasn't all work. As well as the great food, and socialisation in breaks, the organisers had set up a lot of activities to bridge time gaps and give our minds some rests. The first day saw an Amazing Race through the fantastic CBD. The second day saw a quiz and a browse through the city while the third evening played host to the big social event, the NZMUN Ball. On the fourth and final day we had the combined session which had all 240 delegates in one room working to construct a resolution. All those people gave plenty of creative input for the joke session, where, under the eye of chairperson and old boy Harry Tothill, dressed as head zombie Michael Jackson, we discussed what rights zombies should have in an apocalyptic future.

The event ended soon after, and the delegates all left feeling tired but hungry for more, along with possession of a wealth of new experiences and knowledge. Fortunately for those involved, and for all others, the next UN+Youth event is at the end of this August, the Model European Union.

#### William Warren

### GOLD TIE

A new award for academic excellence was presented to a group of boys at a Christ's College assembly at the end of last term. The award, a Gold tie, is for those boys who are the top five placed boys at Year 12 and the top five placed boys at Year 13 amongst those who have earned a Gold Badge. Those awarded Gold Ties in 2013 are:

Year 12: George Fitzgerald, Ross Shillito, William Doak, Ben Fulton, Jeremy Penrose, and William Briscoe. Year 13: Nic Ganly, Louis Loader, Jonathan Abbott, Andy Yeomans, Quinn Angus

"Our Gold Badge, significantly above the Excellence endorsement threshold, has been a tremendous success, and I am delighted at the number now being proudly worn in the College," says Headmaster Mr Simon Leese. "Some of our students push themselves even further, and achieve extraordinary numbers of Excellence credits. We decided to 'endorse' the Gold Badge for just the top five achievers in each of year 11 and 12 with a complementary Gold Tie.

It is based on the former Scholars' tie, but has gold bands - it may be the first time a non-commemorative tie has been coloured - but if I am wrong about that, our archivist will tell me soon enough! It is an appropriate recognition for some very high achievers."



Year 13: Louis Loader, Nicholas Ganly, Quinn Angus, Jonathan Abbott and Andy Yeomans

# NEW ZEALAND SELECTION

Dominic Newman (Year 12 Condell's) has been selected in the Owen Glenn Hockey NZ under-18 squad. He is one of four young Cantabrians rewarded for strong performances as a provincial team this year.



### OLD BOYS ENJOY WORLD ROWING SUCCESS

Jacobs House Old Boy James Lassche is a member of the World Series winning New Zealand Men's lightweight four. The crew won gold at all three World Series Regattas (Sydney, Eton Dorney, and Lucerne) and now have their sights set on gold medals at the Elite World Championships later this year.

Coxswain Sam Bosworth, who is a Corfe House Old Boy, won Silver at the World Rowing U23 Championships at Linz-Ottensheim, Austria this past weekend as part of the New Zealand Men's 4+.



### ATCL TOP MARK

Recent Old Boy Edward Close (Harper) has earned the highest mark nationally in the Trinity Guild College ATCL Speech and Drama examination. Edward has been



taught by Speech and Drama teacher Rozena Hallum at Christ's College. His parents will be presented with a cup on Edward's behalf at the Speech Communication Association's AGM as Edward is at Harrow School, England on his Gap year. A fellow Harper student, Taylor Frost, also achieved this honour in 2009.

### PARENT INTERVIEWS

Tuesday 6 August Year 9 - 10 Day Boys 5.00–7.00pm, Assembly Hall

The Parent teacher interview portal will be opened on Tuesday 30 July. An email will be sent to all parents outlining the procedures to book appointment times.

Mr Robert Aburn, Senior Master

### STOP THE PRESS

Harper House has won the interhouse junior hockey final at lunchtime today, beating Somes 10-8.



### NZ KARATE SELECTION

Congratulations to Reid Edmond who has been selected to represent New Zealand at the 7th Commonwealth Karate Championships being held



in Canada in October of this year. This selection follows on from his success at the New Zealand National Karate Championships in July where he won a gold medal for Christ's College in the secondary school Kumite (fighting) section.



## What is Mankind without Men?





CHRIST'S COLLEGE Canterbury

Sam Till William Briscoe William Fulton Christ's College — St Margaret's College Debate Friday 2 August Christ's College OBT, 4.30pm

> vs This House Believes that there is no need for Men'

Rebecca Read Sophie O'Brien Meghan Laing



# BOARDING PROGRAMME TERM THREE, 2013

### **ACTIVITIES**

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	WEEK	DATE	ΑCTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION	SUPERVISING HOUSE
	1	Fri 1	Y10 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training session	6.00pm	ICT 1 & 2	
	(August)	Sat 3	Golf Driving Range	7.00pm	Ferrymead	Jacobs House
		Sun 4	Ski Trip (Weather permitting) Workshop Open	6.30am 1.00-4.00pm	Mt Hutt or Porters	
	2	Thu 8	Y10 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training session	6.00pm	ICT 1 & 2	
		Fri 9	Y12 Boarder Leadership evening	7.00pm	Gym	All Houses
		Sat 10	Movies	7.00pm	Hoyts@Riccarton	Flower's House
		Sun 11	Ski Trip (Weather permitting) Y12 Boarder Leadership day	6.30am 9.00am	Mt Hutt or Porters Washpen Falls	All Houses
	3	Tue 13	Y9 & 10 Dinner Swap	5.30pm	St Margaret's College	
		Thu 15	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training session	6.00pm	ICT 1 & 2	
		Sat 17	Iceskating	7.00pm	Alpine Ice	Richards House
		Su 18	Ski Trip (Weather permitting) Workshop Open	6.30am 1.00-4.00pm	Mt Hutt or Porters	
	4	Thu 22	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training session	6.00pm	ICT 1 & 2	
		Sat 24	All Blacks v Australia	7.30pm	OBT	All Houses
		Sun 25	Ski Trip (Weather permitting)	6.30am	Mt Hutt or Porters	
	5	Sat 31	Laserstrike	7.00pm	Harvey Norman Centre	School House
	(August/ September)	Sun 1	Ski Trip (Weather permitting) Workshop Open	6.30am 1.00-4.00pm	Mt Hutt or Porters	
	6	Sat 7	School Based Activity	7.00pm	ТВС	
		Sun 8	House Claybird Shoots	9.00am	Various Venues	
	7	Sat 14	Y10 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training tramp departs School Based Activity	3.00pm 7.00pm	ТВС	
		Sun 15	Workshop Open Y10 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training tramp returns	1.00-4.00pm 5.00pm		

### **OPTIONS**

OPTION	PROVIDER	COMMENTS
Diploma in Agriculture	National Trade Academy	This course continues on from Term 1 and 2 with 16 Year 11 boys and 18 Year 12 boys being involved.
Defensive Driving	AA Driver Training	The sessions for Term 3 will run from 6.45 – 8.30pm on the following days: Monday 5 August, Wednesday 7 Augus, Monday 12 August & Wednesday 14 August. Boys interested should contact Mr Darrell Thatcher on: dthatcher@christscollege.com
PADI Open Water Dive Training	Mr MR Hayes (qualified PADI Instructor)	This course continues on from Term 1 and 2 with 12 boys being involved. Anyone interested in future courses should contact Mr Martin Hayes on: mhayes@christscollege.com
Cooking Classes for Year 11	St Margaret's College	Year 12 had a successful time last term, now it is Year 11's turn. Each Year 11 boys will be involved in three sessions over the first three weeks of Term 3.
Duke of Edinburgh (Young New Zealanders Challenge)	"Full On" & Christ's College	This term sees four training sessions taking place on the first four Thursday evenings. The training camp then takes place over the last weekend of this term.
	These are ex	xtra-curricular courses and qualifications provided exclusively for boarders.

Further information on each course is available from Mr Thatcher.