



The **Informer** St Paul's Collegiate School

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Dear Parents and Guardians

So far, 2014 has been full of major initiatives and innovations that we are trialling or introducing, in order to make a really positive difference in the teaching and learning experiences for our students.

The new Character Education programme that we have introduced in our mentor groups, has seen the seniors (Year 13 for the girls and Year 12 for the boys) deliver structured discussions around the following challenging topics:

| | Term One | Term Two | Term Three |
|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Year 9 boys | Honesty | Self-Control | Servant Leadership |
| Year 10 boys | Courage | Serving Others | Modelling Leadership |
| Year 11 boys | Integrity | Resilience | Preparing for Leadership |
| Year 11 girls | Respect | What is a good woman? | Leadership |
| Year 12 girls | Integrity | Resilience | Preparing for Leadership |

**Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
A Successful Season**



It is our belief that young men/women's journey in life often needs structure, guide posts and moments of reflection and inspiration. The Character Programme at St Paul's aims to stimulate discussion and thought on various factors that contribute to the building of a boy/girl into a young man/woman of 'Good Character'.

In society in the past, we have celebrated this journey by some sort of rite of passage. Tihoi for our Year 10 boys is an important part of this journey, but in society there are other symbolic gestures that indicate this shift, such as getting your driver's license, graduating from school, religious confirmations, etc. It is our belief that intentional development of this journey is critical and that as a school, we are a key piece of this passage and we need to be



proactive, deliberate and intentional in helping to shape this experience. Building young men and women 'of character' is an essential goal of St Paul's.

Each Character Education session has used a mixture of case studies, You-tube clips or articles to stimulate, at times quite animated discussion, between students from within the same Year level within mentor classes. We are trying to encourage, through the powerful medium of leadership from older peers, a sharing of opinions on what makes a man or woman of 'Good Character'. Our feeling is that the trial in 2014 has proven extremely effective and we have been really impressed by the level of engagement and involvement of those participating and very encouraged by the initiative and leadership shown by our senior students. We will take on-board the feedback from mentor students, leaders and teachers, in order to modify to ensure that the 2015 programme, has an even greater relevance and impact on those taking part in it.

The Junior Oaks Award system has also proved an extremely successful initiative. Aimed at providing positive reinforcement for our Year 9 and 10 students, our junior students have been recognised by their teachers, with an 'Acorn' stamp in the back of their homework diary, whenever teachers felt that their contribution in class, in sporting, cultural and service activities, has been 'well above the norm'.

SENIOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP

At a School assembly on 4th August, we inducted two further full School Prefects into the senior student leadership group. Emma Walker and Tessa Whale joined Devon Nolan (who was inducted early in Term Two) as the new Prefects. They will join 23 other Year 13 students selected at the start of the year, to lead the School in 2014. All three have proved proactive and have displayed initiative in helping organise House and School activities over the course of the year. Given the high quality of many of their peers, it has been challenging to differentiate and select additional new Prefects.

STAFF NEWS

Mr John Oehley announces his resignation

After just over 20 years of outstanding service, in a variety of crucial roles within our School, Mr John Oehley recently indicated that he will be retiring and ending his teaching career in December 2014.

Mr Oehley came to St Paul's Collegiate School in 1994 as a teacher of Mathematics, having emigrated from South Africa, where he had been the Senior Deputy Headmaster of the prestigious Pretoria Boys' High School. Almost immediately, he was appointed as Housemaster of Hamilton House and then as Boarding Housemaster of Clark House (a position he held for five years) and School timetabler, before being appointed as Assistant Headmaster, around the start of the new millennium; a position he held until the end of 2010, when he took up a part-time role as Careers Advisor.

Mr Oehley's tenure has seen the school roll rise from 450 students to just under 700. He played a crucial role in the implementation of NCEA into St Paul's; managed the School curriculum assessment; student option choices and the timetable. An outstanding Mathematics teacher in his own right, Mr Oehley had a significant influence on raising the School's academic performance. Dedicated, he coached both Cricket and Rugby sides and more recently, coordinated the Weights Club.



Hugely loyal and committed to St Paul's, Mr Oehley has been a magnificent servant of our School. Particularly in the challenging period in the late 1990's when he had a pivotal influence in the School's revival. A hard worker, there is no doubt that his position took a huge toll on his health and time with his family. In Term 4 we will have an appropriate time to thank him for his amazing contribution over the past two decades. His wisdom, institutional knowledge and dedicated service will be missed.

Mr Defyd Williams selected for prestigious Yad Vashem Seminar

We recently received notification that Mr Williams was one of a small group of New Zealand teachers selected to take part in the Yad Vashem Seminar, Jerusalem, Israel from 12th – 26th January 2015.

An enthusiastic historian and Head of the Social Science faculty, Mr Williams will travel to Israel to take part in lectures and seminars with educators from around the world, on the history of the Holocaust and its significance to today's society.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

ST PAUL'S TAKES A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN NATIONAL CURRICULUM ROLLOUT

St Paul's Collegiate, in conjunction with its Principal and Business Partners, is looking to introduce a new subject into the National Curriculum by 2017 – NCEA Level 2 and 3 Agri-Business.

In New Zealand at present, there is a huge shortage of tertiary capable students involved in the Agriculture sector. In recent years, there have been just under 300 University graduates with Agri-Science or Agri-Business qualifications. With Dairy NZ indicating that annually, as a country, we need 1200 plus agriculture related graduates to keep this key export sector within our economy, both healthy and growing. Ag-Hort Science as a subject has been in decline for a decade, with just 430 students taking the subject at NCEA Level 3 in 2013, (compared with 600 taking Maori, 8000 taking Biology and Chemistry and 16000 taking Statistics). A career in the agriculture sector is currently not seen as exciting and challenging by many senior high school students. We want to make sure as many of both St Paul's and our nations brightest and most talented students are encouraged and keen to pursue the incredible range of careers in the agriculture sector.

St Paul's has taken a key facilitation role, in what has become a unique industry-led educational initiative. Currently, 46 Year 12 and 13 St Paul's Collegiate students are piloting a NCEA Level 2 and 3 Agri-Business course, being taken by a selection of our school's most talented teachers in a number of curriculum areas. In 2015, a further five other lead schools from around the country, will be invited to assist with the refinement of the Agri-Business programme and the development of associated resources to implement the subject. In 2016, St Paul's will host a National conference and workshops for New Zealand educators interested in delivering the new curriculum area. In 2017, we hope that Agri-Business will be an official NCEA subject, in its own right.

In addition to the new subject area; schools in different regions around New Zealand will be invited to become Centres of Excellence for Agricultural Science and Business™. These schools will be required to deliver an academically rigorous and challenging programme, made up of Agri-Science, Agri-Business and a combination of Chemistry, Biology, Accounting and Economics subjects at NCEA Level 2 and 3. Through the oversight of a

management group made up of representatives of the Principal Partners; St Paul's Collegiate School, Beef and Lamb and Dairy NZ, schools around the country wishing to use the Centre of Excellence (i.e. CoE) terminology, will have to adhere to a rigorous quality control criteria.

St Paul's Collegiate is happy to share the knowledge we will gain over the next few years with schools around the country. We believe that the prominent role that St Paul's will play in the National roll-out of this innovative curriculum, will raise the School's profile nationally and will help to attract both day and boarding students to our own School. We have already had significant publicity on the radio, television and in the print media. The following example is a copy of the editorial comment, published in the 19th June edition of the Waikato Times:

OPINION: *St Paul's Collegiate School, the Hamilton-based independent day and boarding school, has announced an \$8 million development including building a cutting-edge learning hub, expanding the school's music block and rebuilding a boarding house, Williams House.*

The fourth project is the launch of a Centre of Excellence in Agricultural Science and Business. The school deserves top marks after declaring its hope the centre will change the face of agribusiness education in this country. It describes the initiative as one of "national significance" in educating the next generation of agribusiness leaders. Headmaster Grant Lander says industry, businesses, professionals and tertiary institutes have been involved in developing a curriculum that will produce tertiary-qualified students for the sector. That's commendable, too.

Significantly, the agribusiness courses (at NCEA level 2 and 3) aren't intended just for St Paul's students. The programme has been designed with the whole country in mind, Lander says. His school will set the template and work with a group of lead schools next year.

It will host a national conference and workshops in 2016 for teachers interested in delivering the new curriculum, and will offer the curriculum to secondary schools across the country in 2017. It's a blot on our education system that St Paul's can claim this will be the first structured programme in NZ to promote careers in agribusiness. Figures worked out in conjunction with DairyNZ and Beef and Lamb show about 1200 graduates are required for the sector each year, but only 250 or so are coming out of our universities. Yet the sector can claim to be the country's most productive and innovative, and entry-level jobs provide pay packets significantly higher than those of arts graduates entering the workforce. Most critically, the need to feed a steadily growing global population means the agricultural sector is poised to boom. A shortage of skilled workers threatens to hold it - and the economy - back. Waikato University professor of agribusiness Jacqueline Rowarth has championed both the need for a better understanding by students of agricultural career opportunities and curriculum changes to include agriculture in NCEA science subjects. She is bound to applaud the St Paul's initiative. So should we all. - Waikato Times

There are currently many Unit Standard options available for students interested in careers in the agricultural sector. But the proposal put forward by St Paul's and its Principal and Business Partners will be much more academically challenging and focused on Achievement Standards. We believe it will provide ours and other New Zealand students with an insight into a wide range of exciting tertiary and career pathways. It is our belief that this ground-breaking initiative will have a hugely positive spin-off for our School.

PRINCIPAL AND BUSINESS PARTNERS FOR THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM ROLL-OUT

We have had confirmation of the Principal Partners, who will help us to manage the development and roll-out of the new Agri-Business curriculum and the establishment of Centres of Excellence for Agricultural Science and Business™ in provinces around the country.



We are indeed fortunate to have the support of Principal Partners who are leaders within the sector:

- Dairy NZ
- Beef and Lamb

They will provide us with the guidance, support and credibility, within the wider agricultural sector, as we implement this innovative programme.

In addition, we have established a close working relationship with five Business Partners who have most generously provided financial resources both for this ground-breaking new curriculum and our own Centre of Excellence facilities at St Paul's Collegiate School:

- Greenlea Premier Meats
- Bank of New Zealand (BNZ)
- Livestock Improvement Corporation (LIC)
- Waikato Milking Systems
- Zoetis
- New Zealand Agricultural Fieldays Society

Together the Principal and Business Partners have generously contributed an impressive \$1.3m to the development and distribution of the Agri-Business Programme to New Zealand schools.

| Donations to the Capital Facilities Projects (as at 31 August 2014) | | | Donations to the Centre of Excellence National Curriculum |
|--|------------|----------------|--|
| Anonymous #1 | \$ 300,000 | Learning Hub | Beef + Lamb |
| Anonymous #8 | \$ 200,000 | Williams House | Dairy NZ |
| Anonymous #2 | \$ 100,000 | | Greenlea Premier Meats |
| John and Sarah Oliver | \$ 100,000 | CoE | Waikato Milking Systems |
| Anonymous #6 | \$ 100,000 | Williams House | BNZ |
| Chris and Jill Grace | \$ 80,000 | | Zoetis |
| Greg Thompson | \$ 60,000 | Learning Hub | LIC |
| Andrew Johnson and Sarah Morton-Johnson | \$ 50,000 | | NZ National Fieldays Society |
| Anonymous #3 | \$ 50,000 | | Donny Charitable Trust |
| Lion Foundation | \$ 50,000 | CoE | TOTAL \$ 1,280,000 |
| Gregg and Suzanne Brown | \$ 50,000 | | |
| Anonymous #9 | \$ 50,000 | | |
| Chris and Liz Trower | \$ 50,000 | CoE/Williams | |
| Jon and Sue Tanner | \$ 40,000 | | |
| Anonymous #10 | \$ 25,000 | Williams House | |
| John and Jenny Jackson | \$ 20,000 | Williams House | |
| Annabel Cotton | \$ 20,000 | | |
| Greenlea Premier Meats | \$ 20,000 | CoE | |
| Waikato Milking Systems | \$ 20,000 | CoE | |
| BNZ | \$ 20,000 | CoE | |
| Zoetis | \$ 20,000 | CoE | |
| LIC | \$ 20,000 | CoE | |
| NZ National Fieldays Society | \$ 20,000 | CoE | |
| Anonymous donor #7 | \$ 15,000 | Williams House | |
| Lex and Christina De Jong | \$ 10,000 | | |
| Ken and Julie Williamson | \$ 10,000 | | |
| Kerry and Susan Kirk | \$ 10,000 | | |
| Ian and Penny Taylor | \$ 10,000 | CoE | |



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| The Johnstone Trust | \$ 10,000 | CoE |
| Great Oaks Trading Company | \$ 6,000 | |
| Grant and Judith Lander | \$ 5,000 | |
| Rod and Jenny Carr | \$ 5,000 | Williams House |
| David Kidd | \$ 5,000 | Williams House |
| Anonymous #4 | \$ 5,000 | Williams House |
| Anonymous #5 | \$ 5,000 | CoE |
| Leveson and Vicki Gower | \$ 5,000 | |
| Spacific NZ | \$ 5,000 | |
| Bryan & Gareth Sanson and Kylie and Michael Rameka | \$ 5,000 | Williams House |
| Biocel Health Limited | \$ 5,000 | CoE |
| Mr RB and Mrs CE Armstrong | \$ 5,000 | Learning Hub |
| Rev Loris and Mr Colin Eyre | \$ 3,000 | Music Facilities |
| Former Friends of St Paul's Association | \$ 1,861 | |
| Giles Chanwai and Tammy Wong | \$ 1,000 | |
| Trevor and Yok Hickmott | \$ 250 | |
| TOTAL | \$1,592,111 | |

PROFILE OF A KEY BUSINESS PARTNER – GREENLEA PREMIER MEATS LTD (HAMILTON)



Greenlea Premier Meats is a family-owned beef processing company which operates two plants – one in Hamilton and the other in Morrinsville. With 425 staff employed across two sites, they process in excess of 200,000 head of cattle and 100,000 calves per year.

Their innovative plants are recognised around the world for their efficient processes that produce high quality export beef products. Operating the latest boning room technology from Europe and locally developed freezing technology, Greenlea is at the cutting edge of innovation and the productivity from their plants has been identified as one the highest in Australasia.

Their international reputation for reliable service and consistent, high quality product makes Greenlea the processor of choice in many markets. They currently supply a broad range of customers from top end retail and food service to manufacturing with more than 400 product specifications and a strong emphasis on meeting the requirements of Halal markets.

Greenlea has been operating for more than 20 years. The last two decades has seen the company grow from humble beginnings to a significant player in the New Zealand meat industry. Greenlea's managing director is Tony Egan, father of Connor (Year 11) and Claudia (Year 13) both currently attending St Paul's Collegiate School.

St Paul's is so grateful to have received financial support towards its Centre of Excellence in Agricultural Science and Business™ through the Greenlea Foundation Trust, an initiative set

up by the shareholders of Greenlea to support a range of charitable organisations. Tony and his trustees believe the Centre of Excellence programme is a wonderful initiative and are excited to have been the first business partner in the project to help drive this programme nationwide, to attract more young people into the agricultural sector.

Other initiatives supported by Greenlea Foundation Trust include, KidsCan, First Foundation, Enrich+, The Order of St John and the Malvina Major Trust.

Thank you Tony and the Greenlea Foundation Trust for your generous contribution towards encouraging young people to consider a career in the agricultural industry.



Year 13 Ag/Science class visit Greenlea Premier Meats processing plant

IMPRESSIVE RESULTS IN ICAS SCIENCE EXAMINATION

This year, St Paul's had 113 students enter (116 last year) the ICAS Science competition, which is a one-hour multi-choice examination requiring students to use their Science knowledge, reasoning and interpreting skills to determine the answers to 45 resourced based questions

Our students competed across all Year levels (9-13), against over 10,000 students in New Zealand and the Pacific and achieved above the national average in all Year levels.

Over the past four years, St Paul's students have achieved outstanding success. Our students have achieved the honour of **top in the country** and received Gold medals on the following occasions. In 2010, Chang Zhai (Year 12); 2011 – Conor Robson (Year 12) and Chang Zhai (Year 13); and in 2013 – Mark Davis (Year 13).

Eleven students achieved in the **top 10%** with **Distinction** certificates and **three** students achieved in the **top 1%** with **High Distinction** certificates. Forty-six students achieved in the **top 25%** and were recognised with **Credit** certificates.

A full breakdown of results is as follows:

Year 9 Entries from St Paul's: 44

Results: Participation = 16 Merit = 5 Credit = 17 Distinction = 5 High Distinction = 1

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|------------------|------------------|---------|-------|
| Keith Thorburn | Distinction | Top 10% | 34/45 |
| Divakrin Naicker | Distinction | Top 7% | 35/45 |
| Luke Henderson | Distinction | Top 7% | 35/45 |
| Tony Wu | Distinction | Top 5% | 36/45 |
| Lane Tims | Distinction | Top 2% | 38/45 |
| Patrick Dowd | High Distinction | Top 1% | 40/45 |

Year 10 Entries from St Paul's: 16

Results: Participation = 9 Credit = 4 Distinction = 1 High Distinction = 2

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|------------------|------------------|--------|-------|
| Jamie Carlson | Distinction | Top 9% | 33/45 |
| Benjamin Wheeler | High Distinction | Top 1% | 38/45 |
| Daniel Wheeler | High Distinction | Top 1% | 40/45 |

Year 11 Entries from St Paul's: 26

Results: Participation = 12 Merit = 1 Credit = 11 Distinction = 2

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|---------------|-------------|--------|-------|
| Craig Stocker | Distinction | Top 7% | 35/45 |
| Craig Scott | Distinction | Top 5% | 36/45 |

Year 12 Entries from St Paul's: 20

Results: Participation = 4 Merit = 4 Credit = 9 Distinction = 3

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|------------------|-------------|--------|-------|
| Bethany Langton | Distinction | Top 7% | 36/45 |
| Kieran Hitchcock | Distinction | Top 7% | 36/45 |
| Hugo Brown | Distinction | Top 3% | 38/45 |

Year 13 Entries from St Paul's: 7

Results: Participation = 2 Credit = 5

2014 WAIMATHS COMPETITION

The annual Waimaths Mathematics Competition was held at the Hamilton Gardens on Thursday, 14th August from 7.00pm to 8:30 pm. Every Waikato Secondary school could enter one team of three students in three divisions of Year 9, Year 10 and Year 11.

Each team had 45 minutes to try and solve 20 questions. A correct answer on the first attempt scored three points; two points if they got it right the second attempt and one point for a correct answer on the third or subsequent attempts. A "passed" question scored 0 points. The questions for all three Year levels were very challenging.

The Year 11 team consisting of **Craig Scott, Craig Stocker and Yu Feng** tied second after 20 questions and were involved in a play-off for second and third place, which they won. They therefore placed second out of sixteen teams competing at this Year level. This is our best result for quite some time and a good follow up to last year's third placing.

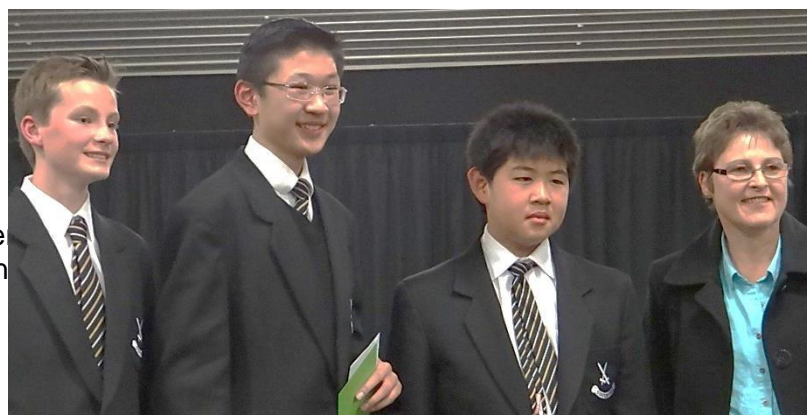




The Year 10 team, consisting of **Benjamin Wheeler, Jordan Wise and Daniel Wheeler**, placed seventh in their division with twenty schools competing.



The Year 9 team consisted of **Patrick Dowd, Tony Wu and Ben Chungsvanich**. They were also involved in a play-off for second and third (shown below left), eventually taking out third place. About 20 teams were competing in this division.



GOOD REPORT MORNING TEA

The following students were nominated by their Housemaster for their excellent mid-year report, to attend a special 'Good Report' morning tea:

| Year 9 | | Year 11 | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Dylan Bartels Thomas Brown Spencer Clayton-Greene Cameron Coull Patrick Dowd Harry Forte Giovanni Glendining TimothyGrigg Joseph Harris Luke Henderson Conor Horrigan Fergus Hunt Alex Johnson Heath Johnson | Samuel McClay Toby McDonald Bevan Muirhead Christian Neethling Thomas Nicholson Ryan Phillips Jonathon Porritt Jack Russell Lane Tims Jack Walters Samuel Weir Dylan Woodhouse Tony Wu | Alastair Blackett Nicholas Chen Amelia Chu Fintan Cooper Tully Dickson Connor Egan Yu Feng Kelly Forde Blair Foster Conor Fuller Jack Glasson Connor Gordon Kenan Grant Jesse Guscott Jade Henley-Smith Amy Kang James Krippner Serena Lim-Strutt Vincent Lu Campbell Massey Oliver Massey | Callum McNaughton Geordie Migo Benjamin Negus Andre Ofsoski Jack Oliver Sahil Patel Campbell Peart Stephen Pitts Craig Scott Oliver Soar Eli Spadoni Craig Stocker Matthew Sweet Katie Trigg Hayden Trow Toby Wallbank Blair Wang Michael Weir Felicity Whale Thomas Wilson Thomas Yarrall |
| Year 12 | | Year 13 | |
| Stefan Andreef James Ashenden Tom Brown Hugo Brown Georgia Burke Josie Butcher Anthony Chilcott-Parker Jack Davies Tobias Dean Benjamin Dobbe Andrew Finlayson Aubrey Fish Reed Fisher Dean George Bethany Griffen Kinneir Groube Bradley Hermesen Matthew Hill Georgia Hogg TimothyHusband-Dravitzki Stephen Joe Jaime King Bethany Langton Zoe Lapwood | Samuel Lockwood-Geck Saladin M'Boge Harini Meiyappan Scott Mitchell Simon Morbey James Morritt Keaton Myburgh Brianna O'Donoghue Poonnasint Pattanakulchai Daniel Sarikaya Daniel Scanlon Jack Schicker Michael Scott Nonthiwat Seehamart Robert Simmons Christopher Swanson Ariki Thomson Michael Torrance Ryan Van Straalen Joshua Voigt Henry Wills Lara Wilson Alexander Winkelmann | Jackson Bovill Rachel Brandt Benjamin Brogden Jessica Chanwai Leon Chiew Benjamin Clark Callum Connell Taylor Deakin Qiwen Fan TimothyFletcher Youngmin Goo Thomas Gordon Jasper Hankins Damon Hayward Chester Hulme Daniel Johnson Micayla Kim Courtland Lee Devon Nolan | Jordan Ogilvy Sahil Patil John Penyas Harry Pickernell Ashleigh Porritt Aditya Sakalkale Sukhjot Sarai Petera Tapsell Kaitlyn Thompson Sean Vartiainen Uday Virmani Emma Walker Zachary Watson Tessa Whale Kate Wilkins Danie Yang Mason Zhou Daniel Zhuang |



ACORN AWARDS & SENIOR SERVICE AWARDS FOR TERM 2

| Level 1 Acorns 10+ | Level 2 Acorn 20+ | Senior Service |
|--|---|---|
| Liam Allen Luke Andrews Chase Beadle Jansen Cao Kwang (Raymond) Chen Zachary Collier-McCabe Cameron Coull Toby Coupar Jarrad Dixon Max Dobbe John Ellis Harry Forte George Fullerton-Smith Timothy Grigg Millar Groube Jesse Hill Brendan Hunt Fergus Hunt Quinlan Ingoe Hassen Kadhem Jasom Khatkar Cameron King Jakob Merson Divakrin Naicker Carl (Christian) Neethling Thomas Nicholson Auke (John) Palmhof Sven Pedersen William Porritt Callum Prosser Shantanu Rawal Edward Sclater Piripi Seaman Tom Seuren Matthew Spence Yutong (David) Su Ethan Taylor Keith Thorburn Jack Walters James Webster Samuel Weir Dylan Woodhouse | Spencer Clayton-Greene Ayden Ellis Gunn Hickmott Conor Horrigan Aidan Lee Samuel McClay Ronin Palaone Jonathon Porritt Jack Russell Charlie Saxton Dallas Taikato Carter Wrathall Tony Wu | Stefan Andreef Jessica Chanwai Tully Dickson Marcus Ground Georgia Hogg Isabel Hulme Timothy Husband-Dravitzki Harini Meiyappan Ashleigh Murray Brianna O'Donoghue Poonnasint Pattanakulchai Natasha Peiris Nonthiwat Seehamart Connor Steer Felicity Whale Tessa Whale Kate Wilkins Josephine Wilson Lara Wilson |

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNISED FOR TOP BOARDING STUDENTS

At the Boarders' end-of-term prizegiving and dinner, held on Thursday, 3rd July, the following students were recognised for their academic performance:

| Level | Clark | Sargood | Williams | Harington |
|-------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 9 | Samuel McClay | Hugo Van Cingel | Lane Tims | |
| 10 | Carne Lincoln | Connor Campbell | Hugo Burt James Mitchell | |
| 11 | Blair Foster | Benjamin Negus | Thomas Wilson | Felicity Whale |
| 12 | Jack Davies | Tom Brown | Hugo Brown | Josie Butcher |
| 13 | Callum Connell | Daniel Zhuang | Petera Tapsell | Tessa Whale Kate Wilkins |



CULTURAL PARTICIPATION

“JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOUR DREAMCOAT” PROVES A GREAT SUCCESS

“The world is a complicated place and there is a lot of discussion between people. The Performing Arts tends to unify people in a way that nothing else can.”

David Rubenstein

A production of the quality of “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat” had the potential to bring our school together; to lift the spirit of St Paul’s at a time when energy levels were flagging at the end of a long winter term; to create a sense of awe and pride in being part of something which is so professional, colourful and entertaining. St Paul’s musical production, in 2014, achieved all of the above and more.

Two terms of hard work, preparation and rehearsals, all came together for the final week of Term 2 and we feel confident that anyone who viewed it would have come away thinking that it was one of the best productions that St Paul’s Collegiate has put on.

Joseph was a fairly different genre of musical than what we have put on in recent years – with a comical, uplifting, family friendly storyline. Loosely based on a Biblical theme of how eleven brothers fake one of their numbers murder, while selling him to some slave-traders, before they in turn are eventually forced to bow before him to beg for food, after Joseph triumphs before all odds. The famous Bible tale is embellished with songs that illustrate the influence that Jamaican, French music and Elvis Presley all had on writers Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber.

With just under 40 students on stage, three playing with the professional musicians in the band and another 30 helping backstage, with hair, makeup or costuming, set design or lighting, Joseph was a large mammoth undertaking, involving just over ten percent of our student population. Superbly led by Musical Director, Mr Francis Cowan; Director, Mr Nicholas Clothier; and Producer, Ms Andrea Dela Rue, the show’s performances ran incredibly smoothly, repeatedly impressing the full houses that came to watch over the five quality performances over the final week of Term 2. Mrs Leona Robinson did a great job perfecting the challenging choreography seen on stage with a very high standard of dancing and movement evident in each of the performances. Mr Iain Rudkin and Mrs Christine Coates did a wonderful job with the construction, design and decoration of the impressive sets.

Aidan Phillips (Year 10) and Katie Trigg (Year 11) did magnificently as the show’s leads, and their youth shows the depth and breadth of talent within St Paul’s. They were ably supported by Daniel Johnson, Cameron Downey and Jasper Hankins (all Year 13); Geordie Migo (Year 11) and Evie McHugh (Year 13) all who sang and performed impressively in their key scenes in the musical.

Joseph proved a toe-tapping, lively, colourful, energetic production. You could clearly see on the faces of the cast, the enjoyment they got from their involvement in this wonderful, well-known musical.

Taking that famous Shakespearean line “To be or not to be”, our St Paul’s Collegiate students positively embraced the opportunity posed by “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat” and got involved in a musical – a week of singing, dancing and acting, that will produce memories that will last a lifetime. “To be or not to be” is definitely a question that was strongly answered by the quality of the performances and the total commitment of the cast and crew in that final week of Term 2, 2014.

THE FINAL WORD FROM PRODUCER: MR NICHOLAS CLOTHIER

"Well that's another one wrapped up!

We have continued our short history of terrific productions at St Paul's with a series of performances of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat". It is with real pride that I look back at what the students who attend our school have come up with again in time-frames that would startle and concern even an adult production.

Mr Cowan started preparing the students at the beginning of the year in the singing aspects of the show and they were well ahead of the game when I arrived after directing the Shakespearean production.

After an intensive rehearsal period that involved the amazing expertise of our choreographer, Leona Robinson, we came up with a show that, I feel, rivalled our past offerings in terms of audience accessibility and entertainment value.

Ably assisted by the students, teachers and parents behind the scenes, the production team has once again presented a show that the school community can feel justifiably proud of.

Special thanks to Mr Iain Rudkin and Mrs Christine Coates for the wonderful set and as always, Ms Andrea Dela Rue for all of the behind the scenes magic that makes all of this possible.

Onward to the future!"

Three word quotes from students involved in the show

"Truly memorable experience" Kurt Philbin.

"Lots of fun" Jamie Bickford-Smith.

"Joyful, happy, colourful!" Niamh Berridge.

"An awesome experience!" Tully Dickson

"New! Different! Musical" Mirjam Mayer

STRENGTH OF CULTURAL CORNERSTONE EVIDENT AT HOUSE SOLO AND GROUPS FESTIVAL

This year we separated out the House Choir Festival (end of Term 1) and the House Solo and Group items of the Festival (end of Week 2, Term 3) as we felt that holding the three events together dissipated the contribution of our musicians.

Below is the speech given by Cameron Downey on the night:

"Hello and welcome, parents, students, guests and judges to St Paul's inter-House group and solo performances. Unlike the House choir competitions, there is no theme for the solo or group items and Houses are free to choose whichever song they like. All the Houses have worked incredibly hard from the end of last term and for these first hectic two weeks of Term 3. The Houses are all competing for the inter-House trophy and House Music is a vital contributor to the contested House trophy. Hamilton House, the winners from last year will be looking to hold onto their position as champions for another year. We look forward to a great evening of music and we hope that the staff, student parents and special guests enjoy what is becoming one of the highlights of the school year.

We thank all the House members who put hard work in and sacrificed many lunch times to be able to perform at such a high standard today. While the judges are away deliberating,



there are a few thank yous that must be said. Firstly to all the students and House leaders that led the Houses and selected their songs; to the House staff for being supportive and helping out; to the judges, for helping us select our winner for today, and last but not least, to Mrs Flint for organising the event this afternoon. I'm sure the judges will have a tough time finding a winner with the high level of musical talent on show this evening. While we've got some time on our hands I'll use this time to give a brief summary of our judges...

Once all the points had been counted, the final placings are as follows: 7th Sargood, 6th Clark, 4th equal Williams and Hamilton, 3rd Fitchett, 2nd School and 1st place went to Hall House."

COMMENDABLE SHOWING AT WAIKATO ROCKQUEST FINALS

This year we had one entry in the regional finals of the Rockquest competition, 'Drunken Sailor', consisting of Brianna O'Donoghue, Rachel Brandt, Felicity Whale, Tessa Whale, Joshua Voigt; were the opening band on the finals night, on the last day of Term 2, because of the involvement of band members in "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat". Playing first act in the finals wasn't easy, but they performed outstandingly and were just outside the final placings. Impressively, Tessa Whale (Year 13) won the Women's Musicianship Award, just recognition for this talented young performer.

JOHN PENYAS REPRESENTED IN THE NZCT NATIONAL CHAMBER MUSIC SEMI-FINALS

Year 13 student and Deputy Head of School, John Penyas, represented St Paul's at the National semi-finals of the NZCT Chamber Music contest in Christchurch on 2nd August. Only six ensembles were selected from the 500 groups around the country involved in regional finals, for the instrumental performance section. John, playing the piano, led his group, 'Lichnowsky Trio', consisting of a student from Hillcrest High School and another from Hamilton Boys' High School in the final. The contest is viewed as a well-known rite of passage for this country's top musicians, many of whom have gone on to successful musical careers (Pianists Michael Houstoun and John Chen; Violinist Wilma Smith and Ben Smith and composers, John Psathas and Alwyn Westbrooke).

Unfortunately, the trio did not make it through to the final round of competition, but they did acquit themselves very well and represented their region with pride and performed their piece with passion.



AN IMPRESSIVE CELEBRATION OF MUSICAL TALENT

The 'Good Vibrations' concert on 15th August was a magnificent opportunity for us as a School to showcase the wide breadth and depth of musical talent currently present in St Paul's Collegiate School. With well over a hundred of our students performing as part of the Big Band, Blue Grass and Rock Bands; Orchestra; Kapa Haka; Choir or in duets or as soloists, the audiences were 'wowed' by the huge range of and the quality of the performances. It was an amazing evening and we thank all who came to support and to pay tribute to the strength of the School's cultural cornerstone.

Performers in order of appearance were:

Kapa Haka

He Kakano Ahau (waiata)
Director Matua Hamuera Tamihana

[Adam Ballantyne, Kendal Buchanan, Josie Butcher, Heath Campbell, Benjamin Clare, Abigail Helm, Daniel Johnson, Hassen Kadhem, Phoenix Keyte-Williams, Sarah Kosoof, Zoe Lapwood, Elizabeth Main, Tyrell Martin, Matthew Moana, Brielle O'Connor, Wade Paniora, Kerwan Rose, Piripi Seaman, Dallas Taikato, Hinehou Te Ua, Campbell Ware, Carter Wrathall]

Big Band

Brazil by SK Russell and Ary Barroso
Georgia on My Mind by Hoagy Carmichael
River Rat Shuffle by Dean Sorenson and Bruce Pearson
In the Mood by Joe Garland
Director Mr Ian Parsons

[Callan Buchanan, Cameron Coull, Jeremy Doneghue, Bethany Griffen, Aidan Phillips, Jonathan Mayer, Harrison Newdick, Andre Ofoski, Felix Rolls, Robert Simmons, David Su, Tamati Thomson, Lane Tims, Hayden Trow, Joshua Voigt, Jack Walters, Zachary Watson, Felicity Whale, Benjamin Wheeler, Alexander Winkelmann]

Bethany Langton

Don't You Remember by Adele

Jessica Chanwai

Pop violin mix arrangement by Daniel Daris

Harini Meiyappan

Nila Kaigirathu from the movie *Indira* (1995)

Blue Grass Band

Rawhide by Bill Monroe
The Lonesome Moonlight Waltz by Bill Monroe
St Anne's Reel (traditional)
Director Mr Paul Trenwith

[Samuel Forte, Jasper Hankins, Corban O'Connor-Harris, Michael Torrance, Alexander Winkelmann]

The Drunken Sailors

Walk the Plank (original composition)

[Rachel Brandt, Brianna O'Donoghue, Joshua Voigt, Felicity Whale, Tessa Whale]

Aidan Phillips

Close Every Door
from *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat*

Jonathan Mayer

Piano medley (original arrangement)

Briana O'Donoghue

Change by Carrie Underwood

Luz Marina

Pajaro Campana (Paraguayan folk song – harp)
Tessa and Felicity Whale



Concert Orchestra *Simple Gifts* by Frank Ticheli
 Critical Mass by Todd Stalter
 Director Mrs Michelle Flint

[Aidan Phillips, Callan Buchanan, Jessica Chanwai, Christopher Chilcott-Parker, Cameron Coull, Jeremy Doneghue, Cameron Downey, Harry Forte, Conor Fuller, Bethany Griffen, Chester Hulme, Matthew Jayasuria, Daniel Johnson, Micayla Kim, Zoe Lapwood, Oliver Massey, Jonathan Mayer, Mirjam Mayer, Geordie Migo, Harrison Newdick, Briana O'Donoghue, Andre Ofoski, John Penyas, Mrs Amanda Reid, Felix Rolls, Benjamin Russell, Robert Simmons, Mr Duncan Smith, Oliver Soar, Tamati Thomson, Lane Tims Michael Torrance, Hayden Trow, Joshua Voigt, Jack Walters, Zachary Watson, Felicity Whale, Benjamin Wheeler, Daniel Wheeler, Jordan Wise]

Zoe Lapwood *A Change* (original composition)

Jessica Chanwai *Four Seasons: Summer 3rd Movement* by Vivaldi (violin)
 Acc. Dr Greg Neil

Katie Trigg *At Last* by Etta James

St Paul's Collegiate Choir *Ev'ry Time I feel the Spirit* (African-American spiritual)
 Behold, the Tabernacle of God by William Harris
 Highland Cathedral by Michael Korb. Arr. by Francis Cowan
 Director Mr Francis Cowan

[Chase Beadle, Matthew Begbie, Niamh Berridge, James Bickford-Smith, Finnbar Claridge, Jeremy Doneghue, Cameron Downey, Tayla Edwards, Kaenan Ferguson, Conor Fuller, Kamsan Govender, Kenan Grant, Jasper Hankins, Armarni Irwin, Daniel Johnson, Heath Johnson, Zoe Lapwood, Bethany Langton, Jonathan Mayer, Evie McHugh, Harini Meiyappan, Geordie Migo, Suvarn Naidoo, Briana O'Donoghue, Jessica Peart, Aaron Parkinson, Kurt Philbin, Jonathan Phillips, Piripi Seaman, Nonthiwat Seehamart, Hinehou Te Ua, David Tharratt, Arika Thomson, Michael Torrance, Katie Trigg, Sean Vartiainen, Victoria Ware, Felicity Whale, Tessa Whale]

Zoe Lapwood / Katie Trigg *In His Eyes* by Frank Wildhorn
 Acc. Francis Cowan

Clark House Band *Sultans of Swing* by Dire Straits
[Jeremy Doneghue, Matthew Jayasuria, Robert Simmons, Joshua Voigt]

John Penyas *All of Me* by Jon Schmidt (piano)

William Te Tomo *So High* by John Legend

Grand Finale *Stars* from *Les Miserables*
 Cameron Downey, Jasper Hankins, Daniel Johnson

A huge thank you to Mr Peter Gilbert for producing the concert and to Mrs Michelle Flint (Director of Music), Mr Francis Cowan (Director of the Choir), Mr Hamuera Tamihana (Kapa Haka Tutor) and Mr Ian Parsons (Director of Jazz) for their fantastic input over the year, in enthusing our young people to explore their cultural potential.



PARENTS' ASSOCIATION SENIOR SCHOOL ART COMPETITION

For the second year in a row, the St Paul's Parents' Association sponsored and promoted the Senior School Art Contest. The 2014 theme was '**Acorn to Oak**' – with reference to the initiative in Character Education, to develop young acorns into fine upstanding, strong oaks of the future. With the proliferation of oak trees around the Hamilton campus, the School has often used the symbolism of the Oak tree (i.e. our school shop is known officially as Great Oaks Trading). We had eight entries and these were displayed in the Long Room on Friday, 1st August. Sixty-two people cast their votes for what they felt were the three best pieces of Artwork (i.e. 3 points were allocated to a first placing; 2 points for a second placing and 1 point to a third placing).

Prize winners for 2014 were as follows:

First prize of a Gordon Harris gift card to the value of \$150 went to **Mirjam Mayer**, for her work entitled, "Wonder". In her artist statement, Mirjam used the following quote to describe her work:

Quote: *"Listen to the mustn'ts, child. Listen to the don'ts. Listen to the shouldn'ts, the impossibles, the won'ts. Listen to the never haves, then listen close to me ... Anything can happen, child. Anything can be."* Shel Silverstein



Second prize of a Gordon Harris gift card to the value of \$100 went to **David Tharratt** with his work entitled "Tree Within". David's artist statement read:

"This design of an underground acorn displays its inner potential to grow into an Oak. I created this image out of a base texture then cut out geometric shapes and recoloured them to my liking. I then placed shadows around those shapes to add depth."

Third prize of a Gordon Harris gift card to the value of \$75, went to the 2013 winner, **Jasper Hankins**. Entitled "The Rise of Bang". In describing his work Jasper stated:

"Our future is there for the taking ... So instead of letting life throw you around, be the one to dictate where you go. The contrast between the forest-filled lettering and the sky background shows the limits of what you can achieve. The possibilities are endless."

Special thanks to the Parents' Association for their support of this excellent initiative, which helps give our senior students an opportunity to display their creativity. Thanks also to Mrs Kelly Saunders for her support of this event and her ongoing encouragement of St Paul's students artistic talents.

CULTURAL ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNISED FOR TOP BOARDING STUDENTS

At the Boarders' end-of-term prizegiving and dinner, held on Thursday, 3rd July, the following students were recognised for their cultural performance:

| Level | Clark | Sargood | Williams | Harington |
|-------|----------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| 9 | Harry Forte | Hugo Van Cingel | Dallas Taikato | |
| 10 | Callum Skelton | Benjamin Hunter | John Richardson | |
| 11 | Romke Hoogstra | Finn McDonald | Wip Thawatchaipaisan | Felicity Whale |
| 12 | Joshua Voigt | Alexander Winkelmann | Wade Paniora | Helen McLean |
| 13 | Daniel Ruri | Taylor Deakin | Sean Vartiainen | Tessa Whale |

OTHER CULTURAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Jessica Chanwai enjoyed success and was selected as the 'Performer of Choice' in the string section of the Hamilton Music Competition Society on 5th July. She was awarded first place for the Under 18 years Duet class (with her younger sister, Victoria); the De Lacey Cup for the Best Duet Performance out of all the duet classes; second place for the Under 18 years Duet class (with her younger brother, Matthew); second place for the Violin Recital Class; and third place for the Violin 15 years and over class. At the end of the day, she was also awarded the Hamilton Competitions Society President's Rose Bowl, which is the Adjudicator's Choice for the Performer of Choice in the Competition.

- Waikato Speech Competitions
ChatterBox congratulates the following students for their achievements at the recent Waikato Speech and Drama competitions.

Sam Goodey CUP Senior Scholarship, CUP Sight Reading; 1st Reading, 1st Sight Reading; 2nd Poem, Character – Bilbo Baggins

Taylor Deakin CUP Prepared Speech – 1st place, 1st Impromptu Speech, 2nd Reading

Darius Hasan-Stein 1st Impromptu Speech – mark 99; 2nd Reading, Bible Reading, Story Telling

- Zoe Lapwood recently found out that she was one of the winners in the Lion Foundation Songwriting competition - with over 300 entries, it is one of the biggest field of songwriters for this prestigious event. Zoe, for her efforts won a \$750 recording session in Auckland to enable her to have her composition recorded professionally and also received a Rock Shop voucher.

A multi-talented musician, Zoe recently performed in a Beatles Tribute concert in the Auckland Town Hall, held to celebrate 50 years of the most famous of the band's music.

To celebrate the anniversary of these concerts, Mike Chunn (former Split Enz member) reenacted the experience by bringing together NZ icons such as Jason Kerrison,



Geoffrey Chunn, Peter Ulrich and Tim Finn, to name a few, and have them form their own individual Beatles band.

Zoe was fortunate enough to be a member of the “Mike Chunn Band” and they entertained the crowd with two songs: “Dear Prudence” and “Within You, Without You”. Weekly rehearsals in Auckland began at the start of the term and together with the other performances, the night proved one to remember for both performers and the huge audience.

SPORTING ENDEAVOURS

1ST XV RUGBY TAKE OUT CENTRAL NORTH ISLAND (CNI) COMPETITION

Having finished runners up in the Central North Island 1st XV competition over the past two consecutive seasons, including a narrow 21-25 loss to Francis Douglas in the 2013 final, the St Paul's 1st XV were buoyed by their undefeated record in the Round Robin Preliminary Championship when they faced up to Francis Douglas in Hamilton on Saturday, 16th August.

The competition started off with an easy away win of 52 to 0 against St John's College of Hastings. The team was particularly clinical in the first half of the game. The stand out player on the day was Asipeli Mafuataimi who scored a hat trick.

The following week was a tougher game against Wanganui Collegiate. The game was a home game played during the school day as part of a regular sports exchange. The first half was very close, with St Paul's only managing a single try to take a narrow 5 to 3 lead into the break. In the second half things opened up a lot more. St Paul's were able to find more gaps and inject their positive, fast style of running rugby into the game. Second half tries were scored by Asipeli Mafuataimi, Alex Mitchell, Shneil Singh and Thomas Gordon. Tyrell Martin also converted three of the five tries. The final score was 31 to 15 to St Paul's.

The following week was a tough home game against Lindisfarne College from the Hawkes Bay. The first half was very close, with both teams fairly evenly matched in the forwards and neither managing to dominate territory or possession. Tyrell Martin got St Paul's on the board with two penalties, with Lindisfarne also landing a penalty. At 6 to 3 late in the first half, St Paul's were able to apply some pressure, culminating in a try in the corner by lock Kieran Dale. They went into the break with an 11 to 3 lead. The second half started explosively with captain Thomas Gordon making a clean break from the kick off, busting through several tackles to set Creighton Winiata-Dunster up who then scored under the posts. St Paul's continued to dominate the second half when Samisoni Taukei'aho scored another try. Tom Yarrall later scored the fourth try for the team, securing an important competition bonus point from the game to cap off a great result for the team of 32 to 3.

The boys then headed out to St Peter's for a mid-week clash. St Peter's controlled the game in the first half scoring two tries. St Peter's had a 12 to 3 lead going into the break. St Paul's were a different team in the second half, dominating every facet of the game. After a period of applied pressure Shneil Singh drove over the line for the first try for St Paul's. Then late in the game, with St Paul's still trailing by one point, captain Thomas Gordon gained a crucial turn over. Half back Callum Brown then spotted space behind the St Peter's back line, chipping the ball over for Tom Yarrall to chase through and recover to score the game-winning try. They were made to work hard for a final winning score of 16 to 12.

The following weekend the team made the long drive down to Rathkeale College in Masterton. Rathkeale, having struggled to be competitive this season, were comprehensively

beaten. Highlights again being a hat trick to Asipeli Mafuataimi and two tries to Samisoni Taukei'aho. The final score was 53 to 17.

After nearly a month long break St Paul's headed down to Feilding High School. They are always a strong team and the first half was a real arm wrestle with both teams trading penalty goals. St Paul's were narrowly ahead by 9 to 3 at the break. Mid-way through the second half, Feilding had the momentum of the game and scored a good try from a well-worked lineout drive. They converted the try to lead 13 to 9. Tyrell Martin then kicked a penalty to close the gap to one point. With 15 minutes left in the game, St Paul's forwards took charge close to the line and Gordon Fullerton scored an excellent rumbling try, which was calmly converted by Tyrell. Feilding mounted numerous attacks but St Paul's outstanding defense held on to win 19 to 13.

The final round robin match was against defending champions Francis Douglas Memorial College. With both teams having strong seasons, the game would decide the top qualifier and potentially the location of the final. St Paul's started extremely well with Christopher Fawcett breaking the line to set up Asipeli Mafuataimi who scored under the posts. Soon after, St Paul's were on attack again, this time the forwards attacked the line and Alex Mitchell crashed over for another try. Before the 10 minute mark, Tyrell Martin extended the lead to 15 with a penalty following a yellow card to a Francis Douglas player for a professional foul close to the line. It all seemed a bit easy for a game that was expected to be tight. The yellow card seemed to spur Francis Douglas into action and they defended well to stop St Paul's from scoring again in the first half and even added a penalty to take the score to 15 to 3 at half time. The second half was much tighter with both teams exchanging penalties. Francis Douglas were their own worst enemy throughout the game. They had most of the possession and often got close to the line, only for the last pass to go to ground or into touch. St Paul's were put under a lot of pressure, but their defense was solid and they held on for a well-deserved win. The final score was 24 to 13.

It wasn't until the Wednesday before the semifinal that Feilding High School were confirmed as the fourth qualifier. Two days later they made the trip north to St Paul's. Feilding started well with a strong run from their fullback from half way to open the scoring with an excellent try. St Paul's then kicked into gear with strong running from the forwards providing a solid platform for attack. Gordon Fullerton drove the ball over the line for a well-worked try. Soon after he crossed again for a second try. Samisoni Taukei'aho scored a third try for the team soon after, cementing a solid first half for the team who took a 24 to 5 lead into the half time break. Tyrell Martin also had an excellent half with the boot, converting all three tries and a penalty. St Paul's started the second half well with another penalty from Tyrell and a try from Christopher Fawcett. With the game well under control, Feilding scored two late consolation tries to give the score of 34 to 17 a more respectable look. However, overall it was a very dominant performance from St Paul's.

The final would be played against Francis Douglas, the defending champions from 2013, but this time the final was to be played in Hamilton. St Paul's started well, applying pressure, taking good kicking options and with some strong running from the forwards. St Paul's capitalized from this pressure with Tyrell Martin slotting two early penalties. Francis Douglas struck back with some excellent back play, overcoming St Paul's defense, to score a well-worked try. St Paul's continued to play their hard style of physical rugby, the pressure eventually turning into more points when Tom Yarrall crossed for an impressive try, stepping through the fleeting tackles of Francis Douglas players. Hard hitting forward Shneil Singh also barged over the line for a try before the break. St Paul's had a 20 to 7 half time lead but were turning to face a strong wind in the second half.

The second half started well for St Paul's with some excellent line breaks from inside backs Christopher Facwett and Asipeli Mafuataimi which kept the pressure on Francis Douglas.



Samisoni scored two tries within a few minutes and St Paul's looked to have the game wrapped up. Francis Douglas battered the St Paul's line for an extended period with St Paul's showing excellent character in defense. Eventually Francis Douglas crossed for a try. However, St Paul's finished strongly and were unlucky not to score again. They won the Central North Island Competition final 32 to 14.

It is a very well deserved title for St Paul's who went through the entire competition unbeaten. Top try scorers were Asipeli Mafuataimi with eight, Samisoni Taukei'aho with seven and Tom Yarrall with six. Tyrell Martin had an excellent season with the boot, landing 98 points in the nine games.

Captain Thomas Gordon had an outstanding season. He led from the front, making hard hitting tackles, gaining regular turn over ball and always threatening with the ball in hand. In the tight stuff he was well backed up by outstanding forwards Trent Collingwood and Shneil Singh, both dangerous with the ball in hand. All three players were also the concrete which held the defensive line together. In the backline Christopher Fawcett was the linchpin, running the backs with great precision. His kicking choices and running options often put the team on the front foot. It was fantastic to see a number of Year 11 students featuring regularly this season. Connor Gordon played every game at blindside flanker, Tom Yarrall played every game on the wing and both had outstanding seasons. Jackson Morgan, Connor Collins and Callum Brown all regularly featured in the team.

Obvious stand out players for the season were Samisoni Taukei'aho and Asipeli Mafuataimi. The two Tongan boys proved they are outstanding players, both on the score sheet, through their work ethic and by their commitment to the team. Another highlight of the season was the all-Sargood front row of Samisoni Taukei'aho, Gordon Fullerton and Alex Mitchell, who were a dominant force up front and regularly crossed the line, totaling 12 tries between them throughout the competition.

Squad:

- Alex Mitchell
- Samisoni Taukei'aho
- Sam Rush
- Creighton Winiata-Dunster
- Gordon Fullerton
- Kieran Dale
- Jackson Morgan
- Ben Brogden
- Shneil Singh
- Connor Gordon
- Thomas Gordon
- Trent Collingwood
- Callum Brown
- Christopher Fawcett
- Blake Wilson
- Asipeli Mafuataimi
- Dillon Kelliher
- Tom Yarrall
- Tyrell Martin
- Connor Collins
- Sal M'Boge
- Arjun Singh



St Paul's 1st XV win the 2014 CNI 1st XV Rugby Competition

Results:

- 07/06/2014 vs St John's College: Win 52-0
- 11/06/2014 vs Wanganui Collegiate School: Win 31 - 15
- 21/06/2014 vs Lindisfarne College: Win 32 - 3
- 24/06/2014 vs St Peter's Cambridge: Win 16 -12
- 28/06/2014 vs Rathkeale College: Win 53 - 17
- 26/07/2014 vs Feilding High School: Win 19 - 13
- 02/08/2014 vs Francis Douglas Memorial College: Win 24-13
- 09/08/2014 vs Semi Final: Feilding High School: Win 34-17
- 16/08/2014 vs Final: Francis Douglas Memorial College: Win 32-14

HEDGEHOGS AND PORCUPINES MATCH UP IN WAIKATO SECONDARY SCHOOL WEIGHT GRADE FINALS

2014 was the first time for a few years that St Paul's had fielded a team in the Under 65Kg division and we were fortunate to have the services of some older and highly skilled players in the squad.

In pre-season fixtures, we easily accounted for the Hamilton Boys' High School 'B' side (24-0), Cambridge High School (17-0) and St Peter's School (29-12) and the signs looked good for an encouraging season.

In the first of our round robin pool games, we enjoyed a comfortable 61-7 win over Hamilton Boys' High School 'B' team; squeaking home 22-19 over Te Awamutu College (having led with just 20 minutes to go). In our match against Hamilton Boys' High School 'A' side, the wheels fell off, with a number of key players absent, we lost 7-36, before getting back on track in an emphatic manner, defeating the previously unbeaten St John's College side 15-0 in a powerful forward display. At the end of Term 2, we lost five of our key Year 10 players to the Tihoi Venture School: Quinn Bowie, Mathew Caskie, Matthew Fisher, Andrew Kleuskens, Thomas Watson and gained Michael Turnbull and Joshua Grindlay, whom were part of Intake One.

Term 3 saw the side put together a magical performance in defeating St Peter's by an emphatic 72-0 score line. A gritty 31-12 victory over Cambridge High School followed and then we were into the semi-finals. Finishing top of the pool, we had the luxury of a home game and narrowly defeated Hamilton Boys' High School 'B' side 10-0. So, in the final, again at home, we met their 'A' side and a chance to atone for a dreadful earlier performance. In a tight final, St Paul's led from the start and then lifted their performance in the final quarter to obtain a comfortable 34-19 victory – the first win in the U65Kg division for over 28 years. The side won the Jono Gibbs Trophy, with player of the final being hard tackling, James Wilkins.

The forwards had a strong season with Matthew Bailey, Matthew Stewart, Harrison Moss, Bailey Read and Hamish Te Whare always making yardage with the ball in hand. Hugh Jackson proved athletic and a crucial influence at line-out time; while Year 9 students Thomas Nicholson and Keith Thorburn showed with their strength and commitment that they will be players to watch in the future.

In the backs, Brad Hermsen (half back) and Seb Ellice (first five) directed play well, with Seb's elusive step difficult for oppositions to manage. James Wilkins and Seton Mason developed an excellent understanding and combination in the mid-field. While on the wing, Michael Walker, Andrew Kleuskens and Adam Collins showed real pace, strength and regularly featured on the scoreboard.



Overall, we had a great season and we want to thank Mr Defyd Williams (backs) and Mr Grant Lander (forwards) for coaching the side; while Captain, Hamish Te Whare, led by example, always willing to put his body on the line and proving an inspirational influence on the team's impressive performance over the season.

2014 U65Kg squad:

Matthew Bailey, Quinn Bowie, Mathew Caskie, Jack Davies, Seb Ellice, Qiwen Fan, Matthew Fisher, Joshua Grindlay, Brad Hermsen, Hugh Jackson, Angus Kelly, Andrew Kleuskens, Seton Mason, Harrison Moss, Thomas Nicholson, Aidan O'Connor, Bailey Read, Matthew Stewart, Campbell Stuart, Hamish Te Whare, Keith Thorburn, Michael Turnbull, Michael Walker, Thomas Watson, Alex Winkelmann, James Wilkins.



PITU QUAD SUCCESS FOR 1ST XI BOYS HOCKEY

This tournament was held on the 16th/17th August and is a crucial part of the 1st XI Boys' Hockey team's preparation for Rankin Cup. St Paul's hosted Westlake Boys' High School, Tauranga Boys' College and New Plymouth Boys' High School in the annual quad tournament.

On Saturday morning, St Paul's played New Plymouth in a fast and free flowing game. The boys showed great fight, to come back from being behind twice, to claim a 5-3 win.

The second game was played against a confident hard running Tauranga Boys' College team, who were allowed into the game through a sloppy and disappointing first half. Our poor start allowed them to lead 1-0 at the half time break. After the break St Paul's began to play better Hockey and were able to get around some physical Tauranga Boys' College defense to end the game with a 2-1 win.

The last of the games was played against a fast and skillful Westlake side which has never been beaten by a St Paul's 1st XI. The first half required a huge defensive effort from St Paul's as Westlake launched many threatening attacks. St Paul's managed to repel Westlake in the first half, but soon after the start of the second half, Westlake managed to break the

deadlock and lead 1-0. The game became more open and St Paul's managed to level the score at 1-1. In the last five minutes, St Paul's managed to score again to lead Westlake 2-1 at full time.

This third victory made St Paul's the outright winner of the tournament and entitled them to claim the Pitu trophy for 2014.

NZ SECONDARY SCHOOLS' SQUASH CHAMPS

From 8th-10th August two teams from St Paul's competed in the National Secondary Schools' Squash Championships in Nelson.

The A team consisting of Hugo Brown, Hunter Johnson, Jack Schicker, Sam Lockwood-Geck and Sam Wilson were seeded 21 out of 28 teams. In round one we caused the biggest upset of the tournament against 12th seeded Marlborough Boys', winning this very intense encounter 3-2. Jack Schicker and Sam Wilson scored the initial wins whilst Sam Lockwood-Geck played the tie deciding final match in pressure cooker conditions. Sam saved three match points to finally win a gut busting match to the rapturous support of both St Paul's teams watching. This win set up a game with the fifth seeded Palmerston North Boys' High A team. This time our team was unable to continue with their giant killing run going down 5-0.

Next up we faced the 13th seeded Takapuna Grammar team. There were some very close games but unfortunately we could not repeat the feat of the first round going down 5-0. Our next game was against Nelson College. There was a lot of local support for the 16th seeded team and another hard fought match was played with us coming out on top with a 3-2 victory through good wins by Hunter Johnson, Sam Lockwood-Geck and Sam Wilson. This then set up our final game against the 15th seeded Pukekohe High School team in a playoff for 13th and 14th place. Sam Wilson scored an excellent win with the result at 4-1 loss to Pukekohe and our team finishing in 14th place – seven positions higher than our seeding.

The B team consisting of Kieran Hitchcock, James Morritt, Joshua McLaughlin, Hugh Jackson and Joshua McClay were seeded 24 out of 28 teams. Our first game was against a very tough 9th seeded Napier Boys' High team where we lost 5-0. Next up we played the 25th seeded Hawera High team where we won 3-2 through Joshua McLaughlin, Hugh Jackson and Joshua McClay.

We then caused a big upset beating 17th seeded Gisborne Boys' with outstanding wins again to Joshua McLaughlin, Hugh Jackson and Joshua McClay. This then set up a game against the Marlborough Boys' team who were defeated by our A team in the first round. Although Marlborough won 4-1 Hugh Jackson produced a gutsy win over a much higher graded opponent.

The playoff of 19th and 20th was against the 18th seeded Palmerston North High B team and if not for the fact that we had an injured player in James Morritt the 3/2 score line could easily have been reversed. Hugh Jackson and Joshua McClay again scored wins, with the B team finishing a very credible 20th – four positions above their seeding.

It was a fantastic effort from both teams and a lot of fun was had by all. We thank Mr Brendon Woodhead who has done a wonderful job in lifting the profile of Squash as a sport at St Paul's, and Mr Garth Littlejohn who has helped coordinate the growing number of Squash players in our School and who also travelled to Nelson to give our students the opportunity of participating in a National competition.

1ST XI HOCKEY SIDE NARROWLY LOSE WAIKATO SECONDARY SCHOOLS' FINAL

In the final of the provinces 1st XI Secondary School Competition St Paul's played Hamilton Boys' High School in an exciting, tense, tight match played in appalling weather conditions.

Both teams started tentatively with a number of passing errors dominating the first ten minutes. Hamilton Boys' scored the first goal through defending players failing to keep with their man. However, we came back strongly with Daniel Scanlon scoring two outstanding goals to lead 2-1 at half time.

In the second half we continued to attack the opposition goal, but unfortunately without managing to score. Hamilton Boys' took their opportunities from three strokes, scoring two goals – the final stroke awarded after normal time.

Our boys were bitterly disappointed in the result after having dominated the game. Some unusual refereeing decisions took control of the game, which negated our dominance and created opportunities for the opposition.

Final score 3-2 win to Hamilton Boys'.

WAIKATO INTER-SCHOOLS CHESS TOURNAMENT

This year's event was held on 27th July at Southwell organised by Mr Gary Judkins and his wife, with assistance from Hamilton Chess Club. Winners of the primary, intermediate and secondary division's teams of four players qualify for the National tournament.

Our teams did well gaining a second and a fourth placing in the secondary division.

Playing for our first team was Daniel Davis, Daniel Zhuang, Craig Scott and Michail Andreef. Daniel Davis is to be congratulated for winning all of his games on board one with Daniel Zhuang and Craig Scott losing just one game each. Michail played strongly losing one game and drawing one game.

Our second team consisted of Year 10 students Darius Hasan-Stein, Daniel Wheeler, Benjamin Wheeler and William Morrow. All boys competed well considering their attendance at Tihoi during Intake One.

1ST XI BOYS FOOTBALLERS PERFORM IMPRESSIVELY IN PREMIER LEAGUE COMPETITION

Our 1st XI Boys' Football side made a great start to their season qualifying for both the National Secondary Schools' Soccer tournament in Napier, and finishing comfortable runners-up in the local provincial Waikato Secondary Schools' Premier League Championships.

Playing seven games, our top boys' soccer side won five games, losing only to Hamilton Boys' High School in their fixtures against the eight top schools in the region. Hamilton Boys' took out the league championship with St Paul's second, the Hamilton Boys' High School 2nd XI third and St Peter's School in fourth place.

Top goal scorers were Luke Goodwin (9), Waikato Ball (7) and John Penyas (6).

Our St Paul's side progressed to a round robin competition with the top four sides, winning our first fixtures against St Peter's and Hamilton Boys' High School 2nd XI before playing Hamilton Boys' 1st team in the final round to decide the ultimate Waikato Champions for 2014.

NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

This annual event sees up to 1,000 athletes competing across six races. It has been the proving ground for future Olympic champions and medalists including Hamish Carter, Nick Willis and Bevan Docherty. This year's competition was held in Palmerston North.

The organisers set a fair course but it became tougher as the day wore on as underfoot conditions became heavier and muddier and the wind grew stronger. We had a team of eight attend with all but one being new to the event. Fields of 150 plus were the norm on the day and although we didn't have anyone finish inside the top twenty this year, all of our runners gave their best and learned a great deal from the experience.

The first to compete were Patrick Dowd and Spencer Clayton-Greene in the Year 9 boys' race over a distance of 3km. The race was run at a fast pace with Patrick, the first of the two to finish, in a placing of 67th in a field of 170, with Spencer in 106th.

Seb Ellice then raced over 4km in the Junior Boys' race. Seb gained the top individual placing on the day with a gutsy effort to finish 51st in a field of 160 starters.

For the first time in the history of the school we had a senior girls team complete. The teams competition require three runners to score and scoring is determined by placings. Felicity Whale, Ciara Gyde, Josie Butcher and Meg Skilton made up the team, with the best three placings to count. The girls raced over 4km and by the time they started the wind was really up and the mud on the course had taken over! The best place getter was Felicity in 53rd followed closely by Josie in 60th and Ciara in 91st. Meg, although unwell, showed plenty of courage to start and do her best for the team, but unfortunately had to withdraw after 2.5km. The team placed 15th, but showed plenty of promise, as a fit and healthy Meg could easily have seen the team place in the top six in New Zealand, which will be the goal for 2015.

The last runner to compete was Jack Davies in the senior boys 6km. The distance is basically twice that of our school cross country and is run at a fast pace. There were 190 starters and Jack, after an injury hampered preparation, ran well to place 94th.

Mr Holmes was very impressed with the attitude and effort of the runners and is looking forward to a successful event next year when he hopes to take this group and other keen runners to Dunedin.

PODIUM FINISHES AT WAIKATO / BAY OF PLENTY CROSS-COUNTRY

This is an event that is usually held in Term 2 but which had been postponed to Week 2 in Term 3 due to poor weather conditions flooding the course. The postponement saw the event moved to Hamilton Gardens with a challenging course set.

We had 11 students competing across five races. The first to compete were the junior boys' racing over 3km with Patrick Dowd and Spencer Clayton-Greene representing the school. Patrick ran well and finished strongly to place 11th, with Spencer placing 32nd in a field of 51 runners.

Felicity Whale ran next in the intermediate girls' age group. Felicity ran positively and placed 11th which is an outstanding effort from someone new to the sport.

The intermediate boys' race saw a team made up of Jack Davies, Seb Ellice, Cole Lucas and Ryan Wilkins running extremely well to place 2nd in the teams' competition. Jack Davies led



the way with the highest individual placing of the day in 5th and closely followed by Seb in 6th, Cole in 7th and Ryan in 10th.

Ciara Gyde was our sole representative in the senior girls' race over 4km and she showed great determination to place 9th.

The final race of the day saw Hamish Black, James Wilkins and Charles Christey line up in the senior boys' event over 6km. These three athletes performed superbly to win the senior boys' teams title convincingly with Hamish placing 6th, James 8th and Charles 9th.

SILVER MEDAL IN WAIKATO / BAY OF PLENTY INDIVIDUALS DUATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Tuesday, 5th August we had three students participate in this regional endurance event. The fields for each race were relatively small but strong. The event was held at the Karapiro Domain and fortunately the weather was mild and dry with very little wind.

Matthew Bond competed in the Under 14 event. His race consisted of three legs: a 2.5km run; a 12km bike ride; and a 2.5km run. Matthew finished his race in a time of 46 minutes and placed 11th.

Hayden Trow competed in the Under 16 age group event. His race consisted of a 3.5km run, a 15km bike leg and finished with a 3.5km run. Competing in his first Duathlon, Hayden finished in 57 minutes 34 seconds and placed 5th.

Adam McCarthy competed in the Under 19 age group. The Under 19s raced over the same distances as the Under 16s. Adam raced consistently throughout and had efficient, fast transitions. Despite his best efforts he was unable to close the narrow gap between himself and the competitor in first place. Adam completed his race in 42 minutes 52 seconds, finishing in 2nd place and claiming the silver medal.

1ST XV RUGBY CAPS

The following boys have completed the 20 game criteria for consideration for selection for a 1st XV Rugby cap.

SHNEIL SINGH – Shneil has had an impressive season this year and has grown as a player and a leader. Some of the attributes that characterise his game are having a lethal step, speed and power. This helps him to be an exceptional carrier of the ball. He is also a very accurate and devastating tackler. Shneil is a seventy minute player whose passion and dedication optimise the quintessential team man that he is. Shneil's hard work has paid off recently being selected for the Chief's U18 camp.

TRENT COLLINGWOOD – Trent is a senior leader in the 1st XV this year. He is an extremely tough and uncompromising player and this has led to him being a formidable foe for most opposition players. He is superb with ball in hand and is very aggressive at the cleanout and defense. Trent never misses training and is a perfect role model for any 1st XV forward. Trent has been unlucky with rep selections this year but he will not let this affect his desire to win a championship for the school.

SAMISONI TAUKEI' AHO – Soni is really starting to develop into a top class front row forward. He is also developing into a fine senior leader within the team and has valuable input both on and off the field. Soni also does a lot of work behind the scenes helping with the U14s when needed. This work often goes unnoticed but is certainly appreciated. Soni is a mobile front rower with electric speed. He is a good scrummager and is very aggressive in all aspects of play. Soni is a superb thrower in lineout play and often initiates innovations

that help us to win good ball. Soni was recently named Player of the Chief's Camp which is a prestigious honour.

THOMAS GORDON – Thomas is the Captain of the 1st XV and has proved to be a man committed to the cause. He is a no nonsense leader and demands excellence from his players and coaches. He is very physical with ball in hand and a very accurate tackler. Like a good number 7 should be; he is strong over the ball and usually wins a number of turnovers in each game. Thomas has earned the respect of his peers and coaches and was recently selected for the Chief's Camp.

CHRISTOPHER FAWCETT – Christopher has been the permanent number 10 for the 1st XV over the past two seasons. Christopher comes from an excellent rugby pedigree with his Dad, Kit Fawcett, playing for the 1st XV for St Paul's, Waikato and the All Blacks. Christopher's older brother Josh also wore the number 10 jersey for the school between 2010 and 2011. Christopher made his debut last year, making thirteen appearances in total for the season. Christopher never seems flustered and calmly goes about his work directing the team around the field. Known for his strong passing, elusive running and acceleration, which has seen him score a number of excellent tries. Christopher was made famous last year by the YouTube clip "smashed him bro" where the clip of him being smashed received 250,000 hits in a week and has now nearly a million hits on YouTube. With experience from last year's campaign behind him and confidence from a strong cricket season, Christopher is a key leader in the 2014 team and his experience will be vital come finals time.

ASIPALI MAFUATAIMI – Asipali joined the St Paul's 1st XV in 2013 and demonstrated early on, as a Year 11 student, that he has a bright rugby future ahead of him. His natural ability to use space and read play makes him a key player this season. Courageous on defense and a willing runner, Asipali is always looking for attacking opportunities. Last year his season was cruelly cut short when he suffered a badly broken arm against Francis Douglas. With injury behind him and an excellent pre-season, he is having another strong season and is currently one of our top scoring backs.

ARJUN SINGH – Arjun is a tall athletic back with a balanced skill set that has seen him play anywhere in the backline from first five to fullback. A strong ball carrier, excellent communicator and organiser of the backline, Arjun's long range goal kicking has accumulated valuable points over the past two years. In 2013 Arjun was the season's highest points' scorer. A dedicated trainer and a great team man, Arjun deserves his 1st XV Rugby cap.

OPEN A NETBALL CAPS

KATE WILKINS - Kate has been part of the Open A Netball team for three years. She has played in excess of 50 games meeting the cap criteria. Kate has a committed and determined approach to training and goes the extra mile to ensure she is prepared for every game. This year Kate is co-captain of the team. Her captaincy ability has developed throughout the year and now she not only leads by example but encourages the team to reach their potential.

MEG SKILTON – Meg has been part of the Open A Netball team for three years. She has played in excess of 50 games meeting the cap criteria for Netball. Meg is a utility player as she has the skill set required to play a variety of positions. Her calm headed nature is an asset in the ever pressurised shooting circle. As a senior member of the Netball team Meg has proved a real team player and a valuable asset for our premier Netball side.

1ST XI HOCKEY CAPS

JOHNATHAN BLOOR - Congratulations to Johnathan Bloor who has achieved 50 caps for the 1st XI Hockey Side. Johnathan is a fast, explosive forward with a tireless work ethic. Johnathan made the Waikato U18's this year who finished a creditable 4th at Nationals. Johnathan has also given service back to Hockey through umpiring and coaching of the junior teams.

CONOR SHALLOE - Congratulations to Conor Shalloe who has achieved 50 caps for the 1st XI. Conor is a versatile player who has the ability to play in several different positions. Conor's work ethic both on and off the field are exceptional. This hard working attitude paid off as he was selected for the Waikato U18's who finished a creditable 4th at Nationals. Conor has also given service back to Hockey through umpiring and coaching of the junior teams.

MAKS WYNDHAM-SMITH - Congratulations to Maks who has achieved 50 caps for the 1st XI. Maks is an agile, nippy striker who shows great determination on the field. His goal scoring ability and player elimination has improved this year to make him a lethal striker. Maks was selected for the Counties U18 side who finished 3rd at Nationals.

POSITIVE CHALLENGES AWAIT OUR ROWERS FOR THE 2014 / 2015 SEASON

The Rowing Club is about to embark on an exciting season. We have recently had many new students join our Novice programme, both senior girls and boys as well as two eights worth of Year 9s (16 young men). The successful senior rowers from last season have already commenced training in preparation for the Head of the Waikato Secondary School's race on 13th and 14th September. This year we are very excited to have been invited to enter not only a Boys Eight but also a Girls Eight. The boys and girls races are a curtain raiser to The Great Race between Waikato University, Cambridge University (UK) and this year Harvard University also.

We are pleased to announce that the Rowing Club Captains for the 2014/2015 season will be Zoe Lapwood and Henry Wills, who will be ably supported by their Vice Captains, Zoe Smith and Thomas Hislop. Congratulations to these senior students on their crucial appointment as student leaders of our Rowing Club for the upcoming season.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNISED FOR TOP BOARDING STUDENTS

At the Boarders' end-of-term prizegiving and dinner, held on Thursday, 3rd July, the following students were recognised for their sporting performance:

| Level | Clark | Sargood | Williams | Harington |
|-------|---------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 9 | Luka Bensemen | Liam Allen | Daniel Johnson | |
| 10 | Judd Redmond | George Dyer | Trent Davis | |
| 11 | Connor Gordon | Thomas Yarrall | Jackson Morgan | Kelly Forde Talia Namana |
| 12 | Simon Morbey | Samisoni Taukei'aho | Asipeli Mafuataimi | Olivia Street |
| 13 | Thomas Gordon | Benjamin Brogden | Trent Collingwood | Eliza Larkman |

OTHER SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

HOCKEY REPRESENTATIVES

An indication of the strong depth and breadth of hockey players in the school was the numbers recently selected for regional or provincial representative honours:

- Midlands Under 21: Simon Morbey.
- Midlands Under 18: Daniel Scanlon.
- Waikato Under 18: Reuben Andrews; Jonathan Bloor; Simon Morbey Daniel Sarikaya; Conor Shalloe.
- Waikato Under 18: Zoe Lapwood.
- Waikato Under 15 (A): Richard Bloor; Bennet Groube; Bevan Muirhead; Callum Prosser; Shantanu Rawal; Felix Rolls; Ben Sarikaya.
- Waikato Under 15 (A): Renee Saunders
- Waikato Under 15 (Development): Aidan Lee; Lane Tims.

One of the highlights of the hockey season was Daniel Scanlon's selection for the wider squad for the New Zealand Under 18 Tiger Turf team. The Junior Black Sticks and Future Black Sticks programme identifies players who, as well as performing impressively in national competitions, may progress onto international competition. Daniel was one of 28 players (i.e. seven of whom were from the Midlands region) who the selectors believe has real potential as a hockey player. Alec Wilson was also selected for the same squad in 2013.

RUGBY REPRESENTATIVES

Five of our 1st XV players were invited to the Harlequins Camp in the July holidays for consideration for the representative team; Asipeli Mafuataimi, Alex Mitchell, Thomas Gordon, Ben Brogden and Blake Wilson.

Samisoni Taukei'aho was part of the Chiefs Camp in the July holidays together with Christopher Fawcett, Thomas Gordon and Shneil Singh. Soni was named Forward of the Camp and was presented with his playing jersey. This is a tremendous achievement considering he is a Year 12 student. Soni has also received a nomination from the Chiefs to be selected in the New Zealand Secondary School's side. This side will be named following the top four knockout tournament in early September.

Jessica Crow (Year 12) was recently selected for the Waikato Girls' Under 18 Rugby squad.

FUTSAL REPRESENTATIVES

We had eight students and an Old Collegian participate in the New Zealand Futsal National Junior Festival from 9-13 July in Wellington. Representing the WAIBOP Under 19 team were John Penyas, Sam Masterson, Ben Bowden, Matthew Collier and Old Collegian Daniel Goodwin. This side took out the national title with John Penyas named Most Valuable Player of the Tournament.

The WAIBOP Girls' Under 19 side including Hannah Lockwood-Geck, Renee Piggott and Libby Main finished third overall. While WAIBOP Under 16 side, with Harry Porritt in the side, was placed fifth.

HAMILTON AND NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS SHOOTING COMPETITIONS

These were held on consecutive days at the end of Term 2 at the Waikato Gun Club.

Day one saw a number of sound individual performances. In the single rise event Max Mitchell-Clifford and Liam Dow both shot 19/20. Max continued his good form by shooting a

57/60 and a 10/10 in the points and single barrel events. Max's overall score for the day was 86/90 placing him in 5th position.

The weather conditions for day two changed considerably providing all the shooters with variable and challenging circumstances. As a consequence of this our scores fell away and the end result was a little disappointing. The day two competition proved to be a good learning curve for the younger shooters and I am sure they will take the experience and build on it to improve their skills for the future.

OPEN A NETBALL SIDE

On Wednesday, 6th August our Open A Netball side competed in a combined points tournament in Auckland. This was a great opportunity to practice playing some of the teams we will face at UNISS. In our first game against Botany Downs we drew 15-15, while in the second game against Kristin we won 11-8. We lost our third game against Lynfield 15-10, when we weren't able to adjust to some interesting umpire calls. In our final game we played Auckland Girls' Grammar, a traditionally very strong netball school. We competed well in phases but dropped our heads quickly when possession didn't go our way. Overall the tournament was a great opportunity to trial different combinations and it gave us confidence that we are building encouragingly for the Upper North Island tournament.

CHESS

Michail Andreef and Daniel Davis in June competed in the Waikato Open Chess Tournament. With a strong field of 37 New Zealand Chess Federation players the games could last for up to four hours. Michail won one game and drew another. Daniel did extremely well, beating a player whose rating was 5.4 points higher and finishing the tournament on 2.5 points and winning the William Lynn trophy for the best Under 18 player.

NORTH ISLAND AMATEUR BOXING

Rory McGregor recently won the Open Under 75kg grade of the North Island Amateur Boxing Championships. Reaching the final of this weight division, Rory won all three rounds to win by a unanimous decision and become the outright winner of the "Golden Gloves" title in the division. This is the second time in three years that Rory has won this title.

SURF LIFESAVING

Isaac van der Vossen (Year 12) received three awards at the Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club annual prizegiving. Isaac received the Rookie Lifeguard of the Year Award, Lifeguard with the Most Patrol Hours in a Season (180 volunteer hours), and a Youth Scholarship from the DV Bryant Trust to attend a seven day leadership summit course run by OPC during the Christmas holidays. Over last summer Isaac directly helped save three swimmers from drowning. We are very proud of his achievements and of his willingness to 'give back' to the community in which we live in.

GOLF CROQUET

Hemi McLaren-Mellars has been selected to play for New Zealand at the World Golf Croquet U21 and World Open competitions to be held in February 2015.

New Zealand will be hosting the World competition in 2015, so Hemi will have home advantage as he has played on both the Canterbury (U21) and Bay of Plenty (Worlds) grounds.

Hemi has also been selected once again for the NZ Croquet U21 Development Squad who will compete over three days in December 2014.

CHRISTIAN DIMENSION

SERVICE OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

Before the whole School community, on 10th August, six students put themselves forward for Baptism, Confirmation and Re-affirmation.

The service was officiated by The Right Reverend Dr Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop of Waikato, and for her it was her first opportunity to be involved in a School Confirmation ceremony.

Candidates for Baptism: Matthew Bond
 Cameron King
 David Tharratt
 Teri Wathen-Smith

Candidate for Confirmation: Zoe Lapwood

Candidate for Reaffirmation: Ciara Gyde

CLARK HOUSE SERMON – SUNDAY, 29TH JUNE

Prayers: Sam Fullerton-Smith
Readings: Seton Mason
Sermon: Jointly delivered by Jack Davies and Simon Morbey

Theme: Grandparents

Jack Davies

Grandparents are like cricket. I realise how everyone in this Chapel loves cricket and I realise how much everyone here loves long sermons so Simon and I have combined the two.

No, although many of you don't appreciate the great game, the reason we are making this comparison is because cricket shares the same qualities as grandparents; tradition, patience, wisdom and generosity.

Tradition - Why did 90,000 people pack into the MCG on Boxing Day to watch the Ashes test? Compare this to a T20 game where only say 10,000 show up. What's the difference? - Tradition.

Now many people criticise test cricket for being boring and say the fact that it goes on for five days is completely unnecessary, but there is so much history that comes along with the game. Think of the Ashes, this rivalry that is shared between England and Australia; it's intriguing because so many players have played in this traditional series, which makes victory so desirable and therefore makes it entertaining to watch.

It is this tradition that separates test cricket from many other sports and it is what separates grandparents from other people; our grandparents have carried our family names through so much history, giving their lives power.

We know that the lessons they teach us hold value because they have faced these problems over the many years of their lives. For example: the second world war and the trauma associated with losing loved ones; the fear of losing your home to a Japanese invasion; things like the share market crash of 1987; the problem of adapting to new technology; but most importantly, coping with the dismay and utter disappointment, which occurred on February 1st 1981, the underarm incident where we lost to Australia.

Tolerance - If I told any of you that you were coming to watch a game of cricket, I'm sure many of you would groan and complain and say that it's boring. With our lives so busy these days, we constantly need to be occupied and entertained. Even when I was writing this sermon I was listening to music to prevent getting bored.

But this is what separates grandparents from the rest, that feeling of contentment and the appreciation for the little things. Grandparents appreciate things like sitting down and watching a session of cricket or reading a paper. It is what separates the generations and makes our grandparents so special. They respect the importance of small things and they are good at enjoying the aspects of life that many of us ignore.

Both of my grandmothers have shown this tolerance towards me throughout my childhood. My grandma, Marjorie is a perfect example of this tolerance; I remember forcing her to take me for walks to the beach each day that I was with her. She was so patient with me because I'd count every number of every letterbox and jump three times on every judder bar along the way even if this meant taking a few detours down side streets. This not only shows that I had autistic tendencies when I was a kid, but it also shows the tolerance that only a grandparent could show, the ability to prioritise moments like these.

Now imagine you're at the crease, 99 runs under the belt, just one more run to get to the coveted milestone of 100. Think of the feeling... Now having a personal high score of about 10, I will pass onto someone who has more experience of this feeling than I do.

Simon Morbey

Wisdom - I believe one of the reasons Grandparents are often so kind is because they've seen so many conflicts in their lives and have realised that sometimes conserving peace is more important than fighting or arguing. So many of us are constantly trying to protect this image of ourselves that we've developed, that we do anything to avoid the feeling of embarrassment, whether it means passing the blame onto another person or making excuses.

I know my grandma is a peacekeeper, and I'm sure it is a common theme amongst many grandparents. They appreciate that sometimes being nice needs to take priority and that sometimes giving up an unnecessary argument or admitting a mistake can benefit everyone in the long run. The relationship between this and cricket is when you are being relentlessly sledged - sometime keeping your mouth shut and not saying anything is the greatest retaliation. As in cricket, it is qualities like this that are the reason we associate wisdom with grandparents; they have seen so many problems in their lives and know the ways to deal with these problems.

Generosity - is one of the many virtues that the our grandparents hold, for some members of this School it is this virtue in their grandparents that allows them to attend this School, the generosity of grandparents to fork out large sums of their hard earned money to see their grandchildren attain a quality education.



The generosity isn't always a large scale or monetary thing. It could be having us to stay for a weekend or pulling out the jar of jellybeans for a treat. You may be thinking what on earth cricket has to do with generosity; well we were thinking the same thing. They're two relatively unrelated topics...

However we did find out that in 2004 when the Tsunami occurred in Sri Lanka, the ICC put on an appeal match, which raised a total of \$17m for the appeal. Just like this appeal match, grandparents know the perfect place and time to make the generous donations to improve the lives of those who they love or those who are in need.

Imagine watching a modern day test match at Lords, the tension is building on day five. An Ashes test match is on the line, that desire not to lose a wicket or the desire to break a partnership, is shared and enhanced by the emotion and memories that have taken place on that very ground for the past 132 years fighting for that coveted prize. This is the same feeling I get when I think about my grandparents.

Like Lords, they have been witness to so much joy, grief, elation, suffering; have had to be patient, have had to be strong. It is these qualities that we see in our grandparents and it's what makes them different and special.

MOTIVATIONAL MID-WEEK SERMON PRESENTED BY JESSICA CHANWAI, HEAD GIRL

Theme: **Rise, Grind and Shine**

The motivational speech of Farrah Gray on the Nike ad that we have just viewed is evidence of the attitude we should take on board every day. The mind of one that "rises, grinds and shines". The perseverance, determination and drive to succeed or make a difference in other's lives. I believe these are important attributes we should all strive for, both now and in the future. As we approach the business end of the year with exams, tournament week, music festivals and concerts, and the very much competitive leadership roles for next year, I hope that you implement these three words – rise, grind and shine, to whatever situation you are in, because trust me, nothing comes good without working your butt off, grinding through the pain and never giving up.

Now, I had my own personal experience to test my attitude of "never giving up" and rising and grinding, just last year.

As some of you may know, I'm usually not one to tell people about my aspirations and thoughts, just in case they don't end up being as good as you hoped. However, I can tell you now that as soon as I walked through those front gates outside Hukanui Road, I knew that being a Prefect was a goal I had in mind. Because of this, I threw everything I had into school life, took up all the opportunities offered and just went all out. One of the highlights was being selected into the Open A Netball team. I was the newbie and there were lots of other girls that could have made the cut. The majority of the girls in the team were Year 13's and I was rightly scared out of my skin. To say the least, they were very opinionated and controlling of how they wanted to run the show on the court. It was tough trying to compete for a position and spot on the court when you had more experienced girls in the team. In fact, in one game it actually got to the point where the Centre never passed me the ball. Only persistence, determination and the attitude of never giving up was the only way to go, to be able to stand my ground and make myself known. The first few weeks was a chance for me to find my feet and build my stamina, both mentally and physically. The season started off and I wasn't getting much game time, which was expected, but it didn't bother me at all, as I was still learning the ropes with this team. Attending every morning and afternoon training, every game Monday and Saturday, could only make me better. Giving up wasn't an



option. The first tests of this never give up attitude arose in a game I vividly remember. It was a cold, blustery, overcast day. Our team had one sub – and you guessed it, that sub was me. The co-coach said to me, “Jess, don’t worry, I will put you on, you will get game time”. And I believed her, took her word for it. I was more mentally and physically prepared than I felt I had ever been. The game started and the first quarter went by. Quarter time break, no changes. Second quarter flew by. Half time break, no changes. Third quarter played. Three quarter time break, no changes. That was it. No changes, no game time. It was hard, to say the least. I struggled for the next few weeks and wasn’t even sure if I was good enough for the team anymore. However, I was determined not to give up. I just had to train harder, work harder and be better. Bottom line. The more I grinded through those hard times, the more it made me tougher and stronger. The more I never gave up, the more stamina I had against the other girls. I knew that eventually, after all this pain, I would reap the rewards and I did. Towards the end of the season, getting put in the starting line-up before Tina for a few games was very rewarding. Although I probably got the least amount of game time out of everyone that season, I was mentally stronger which is something no-one can teach. Looking back, it opened my eyes and showed me that never giving up can get you anywhere.

For many of you, this may be the case as you make top teams, rep teams or even New Zealand teams. But never give up, it only gets better. This attitude of grinding, rising and shining has been imprinted into me since a very young age and I give credit to my dad for this. For those of you that may know him, he’s always a laugh, but when it comes to crunch time, his signature line to me is always, “short term pain = long term gain”.

I believe that many of you in this Chapel could use a bit of this attitude right now. For the seniors, the sometimes dreaded benchmark exams is just around the corner and will be right at your doorstep before you know it. Like me, I’m sure many of you haven’t even looked at the work you learnt in the first few weeks of Term 1, but now is the time to knuckle down. It is never too late. In particular, to the Year 13s, go for it and work harder than you have ever done, as these exams are ultimately your platform for your future. To my Year 12s, likewise with the Year 13s, you managed to get a taste of NCEA last year, so you know what you are in for. Now is the time to put in everything you have into benchmarks. Just as importantly, those looking for leadership opportunities next year, go for it. Put yourself out there and even if you think you haven’t made the right decisions in the past, move on, make amends, but never give up. Mistakes can only make you work harder for what you believe in and want. To the Year 11s, the newbies to NCEA and benchmarks, grind through the learning and you will pull through. To the Year 10s, never give up no matter the situation, and build on the life lessons you have learnt at Tihoi. And the Year 9s, now is the time to establish good habits for the rest of your high school years, especially never giving up.

Remember what you do now will make it easier later, especially when it comes to crunch time. Reaping the rewards of your hard work makes it a million times better, if you know you’ve put in the hard work, sacrifice and grinding it out. Aim high, go for your dreams, goals and aspirations, but never give up. It’s not whether you get knocked down, it’s whether you get back up. This is a story of grinding through the toughness. Grinding through the obstacles, the highs and lows. Grinding and ultimately rising. The attitude of never giving up and staying true to yourself to reach the top. And as Muhammad Ali said, “Don’t quit. Suffer now and live the rest of your life like a champion.” So rise, grind and shine.



Building Resilience

“We are like clay jars in which this treasure is stored. The real power comes from God and not from us. We often suffer, but we are never crushed. Even when we don't know what to do, we never give up. In times of trouble, God is with us, and when we are knocked down, we get up again.”

2 Corinthians 4: 7-8

“That which does not kill us makes us stronger.”

Friedrich Nietzsche



When I first started preparing for my sermon on resilience, for some reason I thought of a Toyota Hilux. Now that might seem like a strange image; however, if you are a Top Gear fan, you might know where I am going with this. A few years back, the hosts of Top Gear wanted to see just how tough a Toyota Hilux is, so they put it through some horrendous ordeals, including drowning, ramming into buildings and a tree, hitting it with a wrecking ball, dropping a caravan on it, and setting it ablaze. In one final attempt to destroy the Hilux, they placed it atop a 10 storey building that was set for demolition. After each ordeal, one of the hosts would hop into the cab, turn the key and the Hilux would start!

There are many other classic images used to describe resilience: a flower growing out of a crack in the pavement, bouncing Tigger, or the energizer bunny (it just keeps going and going and going). All these images are based on the concept that resilience is about being able to survive—and thrive—under the most difficult of circumstances. Resilience is one of the most powerful human characteristics. It often underpins the virtues and values shown by those we respect most. When I think of resilience, a person that comes to mind is Chaeli Mycroft. Chaeli is a young woman from South Africa that was born with cerebral palsy and is confined to a wheelchair. However, she has never seen her disability as a burden. Instead, she has viewed it as an opportunity for her to be an advocate for all those with disabilities.

When Chaeli was nine years old, she and her friends began raising money so that she could buy a motorised wheelchair. From that day ‘the Chaeli Campaign’ was born. It is a foundation with the purpose of raising awareness and encouraging communities to embrace people with disabilities. Since its foundation in 2004, The Chaeli Campaign has helped more than 10,000 disabled children receive equipment, physical therapy and more.¹ In recent years, Chaeli has won the World of Children Award and the International Children's Peace Prize. Chaeli has not only chosen to ‘survive’ but to thrive! Her resilience has become an inspiration for thousands of others with disabilities.

¹ <http://www.napcp.org.za/content/michaela-chaeli-mycroft-chaeli-campaign>

Yet we are left with the question of where this unique and special quality comes from. Why are some people able to survive and thrive through suffering and hardship, while others do not? Some may argue that resilience comes through the support of friends and family. Others may suggest that it is something that is 'hardwired'. Perhaps it is both.

Personally, I believe resilience can come from a third source. In his letter to the people of Corinth, Paul talks about us being clay jars filled with treasure. In other words, we human beings are fragile creatures, yet when we allow God to be a part of our lives we are filled with a power and strength that is unwavering. Paul reminds us that whatever hardship, or sorrow, or tragedy may befall us, God is there to uphold, strengthen and encourage us.

The truth is that all of us at some time will feel like the Toyota Hilux from Top Gear. As Paul says, we may suffer, we may get pushed down, and we may lose our way sometimes, BUT we are never crushed, never defeated, and we never give up. Why? Because we have Christ who walks with us every step of the way. Christ never gives up on us so we never give up on ourselves. That, my friends, is resilience!

The challenge for us is to recognise that that we have the strength within us to preserve; that we have the support of friends and family who will be there for us in times of need. Most importantly we have the abiding presence of God who resides in us to keep us strong, to give us courage, and urges us to persevere. Furthermore, as we build our resilience, we can be a source of strength for those around us. Like Chaeli Mycroft, we can plant the seed of resilience in others by the way we help and support those in hardship, need or distress.

We are treasures in clay jars. We may seem fragile at times, but each of us carries an inner strength that means we can withstand any suffering, any hardship. And like the Toyota Hilux, when we turn the key, the engine will rumble, the wheels turn, and we begin to move. With the steadfast presence of a God who loves and cherishes us, we not only survive, but we thrive!

SPECIAL CHARACTER

TIHOI – THE JEWEL IN THE CROWN

Mountain Biking into Outdoor Activity Rotation

Intake two 2014 are the first Tihoi intake to do an outdoor rotation activity of mountain biking. To date, the mountain bikes have been used in the fitness programme and for final expeditions. With the development of many trails around the lake and close to Tihoi the boys are completing two and a half days riding. The Great Lake Trails are developing around Lake Taupo. The Outdoor Programme based itself in the Waihaha area. On Wednesday afternoon the boys did some local riding around Tihoi; getting use to their bike, the gears and hill riding. On Thursday the group biked on the Waihaha trail that winds its way down to Lake Taupo. This is 17km of varied riding and requires a return trip – a long and tiring day. On the Friday students cycled the Waihaha track from the road bridge towards the lake. This is a 14km ride and takes in some beautiful views of the Waihaha river, waterfalls, farmlands and the lake area. The boys enjoyed the riding with many feeling sore after the three-day intensive programme.

The centre is preparing for the arrival of a new classroom in November. The Year 13 Construction class has been working on this project all year and the Tihoi staff are excited to have the new classroom arriving late in the year. Some gardens have had to be removed to make way for the new building which will be situated where the old ablutions block was. The



ablutions block is to be removed. The new classroom will be state of art with large teaching spaces, wireless internet and sliding doors looking towards the Pureora Forest. Over the next five years it is intended to replace all the classrooms at Tihoi.

Tihoi is hosting the NZOIA (New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association) conference here in September. This conference will welcome 200 outdoor specialists and instructors to our centre for five days. The conference is held annually, alternating with the North and South Island for the venue. Last year the conference was at Outward Bound.



BOARDING CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

| Level | Clark | Sargood | Williams | Harington |
|-------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 9 | Alex Johnson | Spencer Clayton-Greene | Jack Walters | |
| 10 | Robert Morbey | Liam Tyndall | Connor Edwards | |
| 11 | Jesse Guscott | Callum McNaughton | Hunter Johnson | Tayla Edwards |
| 12 | Marcus Ground | Gordon Fullerton | Kerwan Rose | Ashleigh Murray |
| 13 | Jeremy Doneghue | Hamish Te Whare | Thomas Harsant | Roxanne Dow |

JUNIOR SERVICE PROGRAMME

As part of our “Growing Young Men of Character” programme we are going to get all of the Year 9 students to become involved in a Community Service Project. The aim is to have the students involved in class groups or as one large group, at least three times a year.



The Community Project we are going to get the students involved in this year, and we hope for many years to come, is the Gully Restoration Programme at Donny Park. We have chosen Donny Park as it is close to the school, which helps mitigate transport problems, and is a Park that is on our backdoor.

Hamilton's gully systems, of which Donny Park is one, have lots of important functions and values. They contain significant areas of native vegetation and provide important green pathways for wildlife. They are used for a variety of outdoor activities and are important for their scenic values. The gullies also have a cultural significance for Waikato iwi and contain heritage sites of historical and cultural importance. The gully streams are an essential part of Hamilton's drainage network, channelling water from urban areas to the Waikato River. The quality of water within these streams is particularly important to the health of residents, wildlife and the food chain.

Restoring and replanting Hamilton's gullies is a long term process that will take many years to achieve. However, as many Hamiltonians have already found, ecological restoration is an enjoyable pastime. There are a number of groups throughout the city already attempting to repair our neglected gully systems.

We believe that St Paul's students should become part of one of those groups and as a result will help really make a difference to one of Hamilton's many neglected treasures and the ecology of our city.

The plan is to take the students down to Donny Park, probably two classes at a time, and spend 1 ½ hours helping the Community planting Coordinator, Gerard Kelly, with the restoration programme that is already under way. Each student should be involved at least three times during the year. Students will be supervised by the Parks staff from the Hamilton City Council and staff from St Paul's.

DAY COMMUNITY GETS BEHIND NJOMBE FUNDRAISER

We had a magnificent level of support from the Day students for the campaign to raise money for a classroom for the new Njombe International Academy, in Tanzania.

Day boys and girls were challenged to raise a target figure of \$40 each, by undertaking two hours of work in their community.

Impressively, a significant number of students raised more than this. The following is a list of students who raised more than \$50:

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| Tully Dickson | \$100 | Shay Dickson | \$100 |
| Thomas Elliott | \$125 | Mason Zhou | \$ 80 |
| Michael Weir | \$ 70 | Victoria Ware | \$ 50 |
| Christopher Chilcott-Parker | \$ 50 | Amrit Rai | \$ 50 |
| Fergus Hunt | \$ 60 | Conor Shalloe | \$ 50 |

Amongst the Day Houses, we collectively raised the following totals:

- Fitchett: \$1,480
- Hall: \$1,490
- Hamilton: \$2,000
- Harington: \$1,405
- School: \$1,755

For a total raised by our Day students of \$8,130.



Our total as a School was \$18,000, which is very close to the \$22,000 needed to build one classroom in Tanzania. The exercise has proved a very uplifting, unifying and positive process for our School community.

ST PAUL'S RECOGNISED WITH SANITARIUM SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

World Vision recently notified us, that as a School, we would be awarded a Sanitarium Senior Scholarship Award, as a result of raising \$5100 for the 2014 40 Hour Famine.

Zoe Lapwood (Year 12), who alone, raised an impressive \$2,000 for the 40 Hour Famine, was chosen to represent St Paul's at the Scholarship week in Auckland (i.e. 29th September – 2nd October), in the upcoming holiday break.

Zoe will join 29 other Year 12 and 13 students from around New Zealand in a four-day programme aimed at educating and inspiring those who are already World Vision advocates. The four-day programme includes international simulator activities, guest speakers, panel discussions and leadership training. There is a focus on social justice issues, leadership and communication skills.

We would also like to recognise here the tremendous efforts of our Head Girl, Jessica Chanwai, in raising close to \$2,000 for the 2014 World Vision 40 Hour Famine – a fantastic individual effort.

ST PAUL'S CONSTRUCTION CLASS 2014 PROJECT

This year, students of the St Paul's Construction class are in the process of completing a brand new, purpose-built, transportable classroom for our own Tihoi Venture School. Unlike a normal classroom though, it also includes four toilets; a wheelchair access shower; a unisex shower; and associated wash basins. There is also a laundry and large storage area. Perhaps the most impressive aspect is the quality of the fittings and building materials that are contained within the design itself. The majority of the fittings are all stainless steel, including the external batten nails on the outside. Eade Building Consultants have factored in a lower pitch, shadow clad roof angle to comply with transport regulations, whilst still maintaining a 2.88 metre ceiling height. Fully insulated walls and ceiling, along with treated ply flooring and walls, add to the internal integrity of the structure.

Seven Year 13 boys and two Year 12 boys have formed the St Paul's Construction Class, taking on the build of this specialised classroom. The boys have worked as a building team would on a construction site, from the hours of 8am – 4pm every Tuesday and Thursday, along with several Mondays during their holiday breaks to keep the project on target. During these hours, students have learnt practical building skills which will give them a better understanding of work life outside of school.

Each boy purchased a new set of tools and an apron from Thomsons ITM that they could take home at the end of the school year. When they were not on-site, the boys worked through the BCITO (Building and Construction Industry Training Organisation) workbooks, completing a number of industry related unit standards that contribute directly to a building apprenticeship. The boys are currently manufacturing two large hexagonal picnic tables for Fairfield Intermediate School to finish off the year during their regular Construction class lessons. This in itself proposed an additional challenge, with the need to research the appropriate ergonomics to factor into their table designs for 11 – 15 year old children.

Building the classroom from scratch was a project completed by the Year 12 and 13 boys under the watchful eye and mentoring of building experts within the industry. These experts are made up of St Paul's Old Collegians, the School's current and past parents and local companies. Without the tremendous support of these companies and individuals who have



generously given time, labour, product and supplies to this project this valuable programme would not be possible.

Special thanks to the following supporters of the St Paul's Construction class project:

- Thomsons ITM Hamilton
- Brewer Joinery Ltd
- Central Rent-a-Fence
- Central Scaffolding – Geoff Hines
- Eade Building Consultants
- Gavin Loye Plumbing
- Les Harrison Transport
- Livingstone Brothers Builders
- Richard Hull Builders
- Urbo Homes – Martin Dobbe
- IT Fusion - Paul Cameron
- The Floor Store
- Owen Barlow Roofing
- Waikato Electrical – Tangi Glassie
- Waikato Master Builders
- Tranda Construction Ltd – Trent Andrew
- The House Movers – Dean and Jo Namana



The School would like to continue offering this construction programme beyond 2014. If you are in the building industry and would like to contribute in any way, we would be grateful to hear from you. We require qualified builders to volunteer one day every four or five weeks to mentor and supervise up to six boys in the Construction class while they build the project. If you can help, please contact our resident school builder and project manager, Mr Gavin Jakes on 021 127 5216.



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RETURNING INTENTIONS FOR 2015



As we are in the process of finalising enrolments for 2015, we ask that any parents of an existing student from Year 9 through to Year 12, whose son/daughter is definitely leaving at the end of 2014 to **notify the Headmaster in writing by September 2014**. If you are uncertain about your child's returning intentions, you must notify the School no later than 1st October 2014. Any family not giving the required written, term's notice, will unfortunately be charged Term One fees for 2015.

STUDENT ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

St Paul's has a legal responsibility to ensure that all absences are 'explained'. This means that if your son/daughter is unable to attend school on any particular day, we would appreciate it if the parents of Day students would ring the School Office on the day of your teenager's absence. Students should bring a note explaining their absence to their Housemaster when they next return to School.

If your son/daughter has an appointment during the day, they need a note to verify this and must sign the 'gate book' in the main office Reception area.

To take a student out of school for more than a couple of days requires the advance approval of the Headmaster (which should be gained earlier, rather than later, wherever possible).

Such leave is probably not a major problem in Years 9 and 10, but for senior students (Years 11-13), they have a heavy programme of internal assessment for which set deadlines must be met. St Paul's Collegiate administers NCEA on behalf of NZQA. If a student misses an internal assessment, there may not be a re-assessment opportunity. We understand that special family occasions (i.e. weddings, tertiary graduation, death in a family), may necessitate leave from School. We also understand that those involved in activities such as farming, have limited opportunities during the year to get away. We just ask that reasonable prior notice is given, (i.e. at least a month before the absence), so that we can best cater for any major assessment requirements your son/daughter may have.

STUDENT USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE

A reminder that all students bringing a motor vehicle to and from school are required to gain permission from the Deputy Headmaster. St Paul's students are under the School's jurisdiction from the time they leave home to the time they return home from school. Once they have been granted permission, they must display their St Paul's car permit in the car window. Prior permission must be given by both sets of parents and the School, before passengers can be carried. Drivers must have a full license to carry passengers. Student motor vehicles can only be used at the start and the end of the school day. Abuse of car use will result in the withdrawal of permission for a student to use their motor vehicle to get to and from school. Serious breaches of the School's bylaws can result in significant disciplinary action.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

As a School, we have had a great past couple of months and a particularly productive and successful start to the third term. There have been many high points, but the impressive musical production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat", the great performance of our 1st XV in the Central North Island competition and the positive manner in which all of our students have embraced the Njombe School fundraiser, have been a few of the highlights.

We are close to a start in the Williams House redevelopment. We will definitely complete Stage One of the project (i.e. the new addition which includes the new Year 9 and Year 13 dormitories, a new Deputy Housemaster's residence and a Tutor's flat). The extent of how much further we can progress in modernizing accommodation for our Year 10 and 11 students will really depend on the success of the Capital Fundraising Campaign.

On a personal note, the past few months have been a challenging time for Judith, myself and our three children. In the April holidays, we lost Judith's father, John, to cancer. While in the July holiday, my father, Ron, did not survive an operation and hospitalization to remove a large tumor in his stomach. Both fathers have been very unwell over the year and in many



respects their passing was a blessing, as they were proud men, who, in the end, did not have any significant quality of life. But regardless of how much warning one gets, the loss of a parent is a very challenging and traumatic event in one's life.

Please accept this message as a personal thank you to so many of you that sent Judith and myself cards and emails of support. We really appreciated the messages of condolence. It made us appreciate that we are working and living amongst people who care. The kindness you showed was and will continue to be invaluable as we go through the healing phase after our losses. Thank you.



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