



**St Paul's**  
COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

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## DEAR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

WE HAVE JUST COMPLETED A MAGNIFICENT YEAR FOR ST PAUL'S COLLEGIATE SCHOOL AND ITS COMMUNITY, CAPPED OFF BY GOLD MEDALS BY RYAN BALLANTYNE (SHOTPUT) AND JESSICA HOOD (400M) AND THE BRONZE MEDALS ACHIEVED BY JADE HENLEY-SMITH (OVER BOTH THE 100M AND 200M DISTANCE), LANE TIMS (JUNIOR HIGH JUMP) AND OUR 4X100M SENIOR BOYS' RELAY TEAM IN THE NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS' TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AUCKLAND. RYAN THREW A WORLD BEST FOR HIS AGE GROUP IN THE SENIOR BOYS' SHOTPUT AND JADE CONTINUED HER AMAZING RUN OF PODIUM FINISHES IN NATIONAL COMPETITION.

2016 has been one of the best ever for our sporting codes, with our 1st XI cricketers, rowing team, 1st XV and seven's rugby and futsal sides all ranked in the top 15 teams in the country; while our senior boys 100m relay team were ranked third; our boys squash team runners-up nationally; our co-ed squash and 1st XI hockey sides were crowned national champions in their respective premier NZSS competitions.

An impressive eight of our sports people gained selection for elite NZSS sides; an additional dozen were national champions in sports ranging from athletics, kayaking, mountain biking, rowing through to swimming.

On the stage, the light-hearted, highly successful musical classic, Oklahoma, showed the depth and breadth of acting and singing throughout the school; our entry in the 48-Hour Film Festival was the best by a Waikato Secondary School and made the national finals for the first time; our Big Band and orchestra both gained Gold in the regional musical festival, our

Kapa Haka group successfully combined with Waikato Dio and performed impressively at local festivals and events; while three of our senior musicians and singers made NZSS orchestra and choir.

Academically, we enjoyed some of our best success ever. We gained a record-breaking 47 scholarships (eight of which were Outstanding), in the toughest of national secondary school examinations – beating our previous best of 44, set in 2012. When your graduating cohort gain a 98% pass rate in NCEA Level 3 (an amazing 23% above the national average) and 83% gain the demanding tertiary entry qualification (34% above the rate typically achieved by their peers nationally and 19% above the average level of Decile 8-10 students), then you can't help but feel both proud and confident that the academic cornerstone is in great heart.

We have farewelled a number of real icons in the St Paul's community this year, in long-serving staff members Mr Gary Henley-Smith and Mr Chris Wynn,



**Grant Lander**  
HEADMASTER

who departed to take up well-deserved opportunities outside our school. We were incredibly saddened by the passing of teaching legend, Mr Evan McCulloch, earlier in the year. However, we feel that with the new staffing appointments that we have made, that St Paul's and its students will be well served for next year and well into the future.

Our Year 13 Construction class and a group of community builders completed one of the most ambitious capital projects this year – the replacement of the ablutions for the Old School Boarding House, with three wonderful new Mathematics classrooms and resource areas. We now embark on one of the most exciting periods of redevelopment in the School's history, with the building of a new Music facility; expansion of the Clark Boarding House; a new Football and Hockey Pavilion; drama facility and the conversion



and expansion of the Library into a modern Learning Hub. We have been incredibly heartened by the great start for the second stage of our Capital Campaign with \$100,000 of donations already received.

A personal highlight, has been the rise in the profile and work in Mission and Outreach. For a school that prides itself in its promotion of servant leadership, I have been incredibly proud of our student's efforts in the slums of Phnom Penh, in community service groups in the Waikato/ Bay of Plenty and in our local primary schools – Bankwood and Fairfield. The 'Over the Fence Ministry' project caught the imagination of our student body – they gave up repeated lunchtimes to work with little children in our neighbourhood –

organising lunchtime activities and helping out in their classrooms. The spark and enthusiasm that they had for this project was clearly evident in the incredible 'buy in' that we had for the inaugural Twilight Gala, which raised an amazing \$28,000, most of which will go back to assist the kids, in what is, the socially deprived neighbourhood surrounding our school.

The successes of the year came as a direct result of a great team effort. The Waikato Anglican College Trust Board, Parents' Association, Old Collegians, staff and students, all combined effectively to play their crucial part in the highlights from 2016. As parents, we thank you for the tremendous sacrifices that you have undoubtedly had to make to enable

your son(s) and daughter(s) to attend this superb school. Be assured that your commitment is appreciated and valued. You can be very proud of both the individual and collective achievements that we have been able to realise. We hope that you have a most enjoyable and satisfying Christmas break with friends, family and loved ones. Until we meet again, May Our Lord guide over each and every one of us.



**Headmaster**  
Grant Lander

## INTRODUCING NEW SCHOOL DOCTOR, OLD COLLEGIAN, DR MICHAEL OEHLEY



Dr Michael Oehley MBChB (Auck), PGDipTravMed (Otago), MRNZCGP is delighted to be assuming the role of school doctor in 2017. Michael (Hamilton 1997-2001) has a long association with St Paul's dating back to 1994 when he first lived on the school grounds as the son of former staff member John Oehley (1994-2014). As a student Michael was very involved in all facets of school life including sporting, cultural and leadership; and in 2001 he achieved the top grade in New Zealand for Bursary examinations (pre-NCEA Level 3). Since graduating as the most distinguished graduate in

medicine from the University of Auckland in 2007, Michael accumulated five years' experience as an emergency doctor in Outback Australia before returning to Hamilton, where he now practices as a G.P. at Avalon Medical and as a travel medicine specialist at Worldwise Travellers' Health. He is an Honorary Senior Lecturer with the University of Auckland and teaches fifth year medical students the art of general practice. Outside of medicine, Michael has travelled extensively to 54 countries on 6 continents and particularly enjoys going on safari in South Africa (where he was born). Michael has also published three novels for young readers: *The 4 Powers of Daren Saner* (2010), *The Vitality Code* (2012) and *The Gateway to Earth* (2013). He lives in Horotiu with his wife, son, cat and two dogs. If he ever has any free time, he likes to run, play tennis or watch movies.

Of returning to St Paul's to serve as the school doctor, Michael has the following to say:

*"I am really looking forward to getting to know everyone and providing a student-centred medical service. I enjoy working with young people and making sure they get medical care that is confidential and respectful of their growing independence. To me, a good doctor is one that listens and does not judge! My door will always be open to students no matter what the problem. See you in 2017."*



# STUDENT LEADERS FOR 2017

We have selected 25 Year 13 students to lead the School in 2017. At the end-of-year prizegiving, it was announced that John Richardson (Head Boy), Jessica Hood (Head Girl), Matthew Jayasuria (Deputy Head Boy) and Kate Littlejohn (Deputy Head Girl) would lead the student body.

They are joined by:

Head of Clark House:	Judd Redmond
Head of Fitchett House:	James Watson-Holmes
Head of Hall House:	Ben Johnson
Head of Hamilton House:	Logan Jarvis
Head of Harington Boarding House:	Phoebe Thompson
Head of Harington Day House:	Emily Dela Rue
Head of Sargood House:	Michael Turnbull
Head of School House:	Sam Cooper
Head of Williams House:	Fergus Burke

## Other key Prefects (portfolios will be allocated early in 2017):

Arthur Rasmussen, Tom Watson, Maggie Powell, Proud Srisa-An, Madison Tims, Kathy Hastie, Emi Ng, Olivia Warlow, Heath Campbell, Hamish Tapp, Lachie Finch, Oliver Saunders



## SECOND HAND UNIFORMS WANTED

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2. All name labels are removed; dry-cleaning tags may remain.
3. The garments have no holes, stains, tears, broken zips, missing buttons or have attracted animal hair.

Used clothing items will be displayed in the School Shop or the second hand uniform room for a period of 12 months and on-sold on your behalf. Any items not sold within the 12-month period will be available for collection, or can be donated to the school.

The School Shop will apply the following commission and handling fee when selling on behalf:

- Blazers 66% of the selling price
- All other items 50% of the selling price

If you would like further information about the sale or purchase of second hand items, please don't hesitate to contact the School Shop staff on 07 957 8841.

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## JUNIOR CORE CLASS PLACINGS

At the Junior Graduation Ceremony, held on Tuesday, 29 November, we recognised overall first, second and third placings in each of the junior core classes. The summary of the top three placings includes:

### Year 9

Subject		BH	RD	AS	HJ	JC	AB
English	1 <sup>st</sup>	Gustav Jooste	Lucas Goodwin	Jack Sturm	Shivam Achary	Tyler Dalton	Reuben Hunt
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	David Koshy	Trey Lincoln	Lucas Taumoepeau	Bryden Vollebregt	William Cowan= Net Boonwipas=	William McNeil
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Caleb Weck	Lachlan Lamont	Ethan Bidois	Jahan Singh= James O'Callaghan=		William Moss
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Andrew Yip	Lucas Goodwin	Jack Sturm	James O'Callaghan	Net Boonwipas	John Zhou
Mathematics	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Caleb Weck	Jeff Lester	Matthew Johnson	Sam Kalma	Jacob Hobbs	Reuben Hunt
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gustav Jooste= David Gough=	Jonathan Chong	Thomas Bayley	Shivam Achary= Ben Scanlon=	Sean Craig	William McNeil
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Gustav Jooste	Trey Lincoln	Charles Leng-Uch	Bryden Vollebregt	Net Boonwipas	Rhys Peterson
Science	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Max Campbell	Lachlan Lamont	Lucas Taumoepeau	Sam Kalma	Hector Munro= Sean Craig=	John Zhou
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Caleb Weck	Lucas Goodwin	Jack Sturm	James O'Callaghan	Joshua Cane	Devon Robinson= Ethan Thompson=
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Caleb Weck	Trey Lincoln	Ethan Bidois	James O'Callaghan	Tyler Dalton	Rhys Peterson
Social Studies	2 <sup>nd</sup>	David Koshy	Hugo Shale	Tom Glenn= Lucas Taumoepeau=	Sam Kalma	Net Boonwipas	Reuban Hunt
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Max Campbell	Lucas Goodwin		Brayden Vollebregt	William Cowan	Devon Robinson

## Year 10

Subject		MH	GL	PC	MH2	GL2	PC2
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Max McLean-Bluck	Jess Allen	Robert Merryweather	Fritz Jooste	Clay Richardson	Steven Wen
<b>English</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aidan Nelson	Edwin Wills	Harrison Stace	Jack Bowick	Miah McDonald= Lewis Candy=	Jack Laycock
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rico D'Anvers	Callum Shepherd Oliver Rasmussen	Isaac West	Elliot Leighton-Slater		Max Roach
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Marcus Li	Harry Johnstone	Harrison Stace= Connor Davis=	Dillon Mulgrew	Lewis Candy	Max Roach
<b>Mathematics</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Henry Mandeno	Jess Allen= Henry Brown=		Leo Ding	Kelvin Noe	Steven Wen= Baljit Singh=
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Max McLean-Bluck		Samuel McNaughton	Jack Morton	Lachie Cowley= Miah McDonald=	
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Marcus Li	Jess Allen	Sam Harcourt	Campbell Smith	Falcon Prout= Stefan Thomson=	Max Roach
<b>Science</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Adam Jefferis	Thomas Griffin	Harrison Stace	Elliot Leighton-Slater		Baljit Singh
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Max McLean-Bluck	Callum Shepherd	Samuel McNaughton	Dillon Mulgrew	Miah McDonald	Angus Wilson
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Henry Mandeno	Edwin Wills	Connor Davis	Gagan Singh	Clay Richardson	Raja Sandhu
<b>Social Studies</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jacob Gibbs	Harry Johnstone	Isaac West	Alex Tod	Miah McDonald	Max Roach
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aaron Taylor	Henry Brown		Ryan Young	Lewis Candy	Baljit Singh



# SPECIAL PRIZES AWARDED AT ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

## St Paul's Collegiate ICT Cup

Awarded to a member of the iTeam who has displayed dedication and commitment to ICT support – JACK GLASSON

## Short Story

Awarded for the most outstanding piece of writing produced by a student during the school year – ZIAN EVITA

## Senior Oratory Prize

Awarded for the most outstanding public speaker in the School student body – ZIAN EVITA

## Beckett Prize for Literature

Awarded to the student who excelled in the study of Literature in Level 3 English – SEBASTIAN ELLICE

## Hawaiki Rising Scholarship

Awarded to Emerging Leaders in Tikanga Māori in Year 11 and 12 – MARCUS KEREOPA and ARIANA HALLEY

## Te Reo Trophy

Awarded to an individual who walks in te a Māori (the Māori world) for cultural wellbeing and who applies themselves to all facets of School life – PIANIKA TAYLOR

## David Harries Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the most outstanding Graphics student in the School, across all levels – MICHAEL WEIR

## St Paul's Graphics and Technology Department and Waikato Master Builders' Award

Awarded to the senior student in the Construction Course who has shown: enthusiasm; teamwork; a great attitude to all aspects of the course; pride in their finished work; and have completed all the theory and practical units to a very high standard – HARRISON NEWDICK

## The Photo Life Studies Graphics Art Award

For excellence in Graphics and Art Design. We acknowledge the generous donation of this prize from Photolife Studios – AMY KANG

## John van Grootel Memorial Trophy

Awarded for outstanding diligence and persistence in the Junior School. This trophy was donated to the School by the Goldsbury family and is dedicated to the memory of staff member, John van Grootel – REUBEN HUNT

## International Relations Prize

Awarded to the student who has contributed most positively to fostering international relations in the School – JAMES FENG

## Kaueranga Plaque

Awarded to the student who has excelled in the area of Practical Science – JAMES FENG

## Mike Powell Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the student who displays the most outstanding craftsmanship in the School, across all levels – REUBEN ANDREWS

## Deloitte Prize

Awarded to the top student in the Business Sciences area who is continuing with his/her student of the Economic Sciences at University – BLAIR FOSTER

## St Paul's Parents' Association Scholarship

Awarded to a Year 12 student who started at St Paul's in the lower band and has now qualified for a full NCEA Level 3 (Achievement Standards) course next year – JOSHUA ANDREW

## St Paul's Award for Year 9 and the Lander Family Trophy

Awarded to the top Year 9 student who has excelled in all areas of School life, academics, sport, culture and leadership – TREY LINCOLN

## St Paul's Award for Year 11 and the Haylett-Petty Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the top academic Year 11 student who has excelled in all areas of school life, academics, sport, culture and leadership. The Haylett-Petty Memorial Trophy was donated to the School by the Oliver family and is dedicated to the memory of former staff member, Paul Haylett-Petty – GENEVIEVE SCOTT-JONES

## St Paul's Award for Year 12 and the John Oehley Cup

Awarded to the top academic Year 12 student who has excelled in all areas of School life, academics, sport, culture and leadership – JESSICA HOOD

## Headmaster's Prizes

Awarded for outstanding service to the School in a wide variety of areas, academics, leadership, sporting, cultural and/or service – each of these students has made an extraordinary contribution to the School in their respective areas

REUBEN ANDREWS  
BLAIR FOSTER  
JACK GLASSON  
CONNOR GORDON  
JADE HENLEY-SMITH  
BEN MCCOLGAN  
TALIA NAMANA  
PIANIKA TAYLOR  
KATIE TRIGG  
MICHAEL WEIR



**BNZ Awards**

Awarded to Year 13 students who have excelled academically and/or in leadership, sport and cultural areas

- ALASTAIR BLACKETT
- TULLY DICKSON
- JAMES KRIPPNER
- CRAIG STOCKER
- TERI WATHEN-SMITH
- TOM YARRALL

**De Jong Trophy**

Awarded to the student who has put in a really consistent effort in all areas of School life. Someone who always gives of their best in everything they do – SEBASTIAN ELLICE

**The Luman Family Trophy**

Awarded in recognition of outstanding leadership both inside and outside of the classroom – FELICITY WHALE

**The Fitchett Trophy**

Awarded to the most outstanding female leader in the School – SERENA LIM-STRUTT

**Andrea Jean Jenkins Cup for the Head Girl**

Awarded to the Head Girl for her outstanding leadership and commitment in all areas of School life – TERI WATHEN-SMITH

**Leggatt Prize and Old Collegians’ Trophy for the Head Boy**

Awarded to the Head Boy for his outstanding leadership and commitment in all areas of School life – TOM YARRALL

**Galatians Trophy**

Awarded to the student who in the opinion of the staff, displays the following qualities: patience; kindness; faithfulness; humility and self-control – a decent young man or woman who has proven to be an excellent and influential citizen by the strength of their character – TULLY DICKSON

**Seavill Cup**

Awarded to the student who has contributed most to the School in a wide variety of activities – RUDI GRACE

**The Evan McCulloch Trophy for Proxime Accessit**

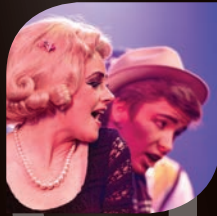
SERENA LIM-STRUTT

**Katrina L Ward Cup for Dux of the School**

FELICITY WHALE







## SENIOR SINGERS SELECTED TO SING AT CARNEGIE HALL

Two of our talented senior singers – Aidan Phillips (Year 12) and Katie Trigg (Year 13) have been selected as finalists for the 2017 High School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall (New York) from 2nd – 6th February 2017.

Recognition as a finalist is the first step toward performing bass with the Honors Concert Choir for Aidan at Carnegie Hall under the direction of renowned conductor, Dr Edith Copley and for Katie to perform second soprano with the Honors Women's Choir under the direction of renowned conductor, Dr Tim Seelig. Finalists representing the USA, Guam, Canada, Australia, Chile, Germany, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Qatar and South Korea will be present at this event.

This prestigious opportunity challenges elite students to perform at their very best. Students rehearse under master conductors and have the opportunity to perform before invited representatives from collegiate and professional music programmes. The finalists will also take in a Broadway Show and visit the Big Apple's most famous landmarks.

This is an outstanding achievement for each of these talented individuals and could potentially be a life-changing opportunity for them both. We wish them every continued success.





## SENIOR SPEECH CONTEST 2016

Our Senior Speech Contest for 2016 took place in the chapel on Tuesday, 18 October during a full school assembly and proved to be a demonstration of outstanding speech-making skills.

Contestants were chosen from Year 13 students who excelled in their NCEA English "Oral Presentation" internal. This assessment activity required that students create and deliver a speech that marks the end of one stage of life, adolescence, and the beginning of another, adulthood. This meant that students researched an inspirational person from history OR contemporary life who has made a remarkable difference in the world in order to link the attributes that they found admirable about that person to their own dreams and/or goals for the future.

Taking the stage were Tully Dickson, Zian Evita, Stephen Pitts and Tom Wilson whose presentations proved that public speaking is alive and thriving within the St Paul's community. Stephen spoke first with a presentation about Steve Jobs, creator of "Apple". His fully memorised speech was informative and polished with clever use of props including an eagerly devoured pizza. Next up was Tom Wilson, who highlighted the positives of Prime Minister, Mr John Key in a humorous and personal manner, referring to the PM's recent visit to St Paul's and its impact on senior students who actually had a chance to converse with the man who up until recently

led our country. Next, Tully treated us all to a relaxed and light-hearted speech about St Paul's very own Mr Andrew Gibbs. He drew hilarious comparisons between himself and his hero and received enthusiastic support and involvement from his student based audience.

But it was Zian's cleverly crafted presentation on the emperor Augustus that really won over the judges and saw her take out 1st place in this year's contest. Zian spoke with confidence and skill on a man who has obviously had a massive impact on the world. Not only was her presentation articulate and polished, her content was full of inspiring gems such as "Life is too short to only think about myself, because it is impossible to be both selfish and happy." and "Maybe what I need is to become someone like the first citizen - a person that loves and cares, finds strength in difficult situations, creates a peace that will not be forgotten."

Congratulations to all contestants on their remarkable speeches which have really lifted the calibre of oral presentations within the school and have offered fellow students an excellent example of what is possible with the right attitude and plenty of practice.

## OTHER CULTURAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Amit Chatrath (Year 12) received a trophy for his performance in the National Bhangra (Dance) competition.
- David Su (Year 11) passed his Trinity College of London, Piano Advanced Certificate.
- Matthew Jayasuria (Year 12) passed with Merit, his Grade 8 of Trinity.
- Recently, Victoria Chanwai received news from the Trinity College, London that she has passed her ATCL (Associate of Trinity College London) Violin Recital Diploma with Distinction. She achieved a total score of 93%, and very favourable comments from the examiner. For the exam, she had to perform a recital of 32-38 minutes, and hand in a written programme, which provided concise notes on each piece, focusing on its context, content and significance. At ATCL level, the standard of performance is equivalent to the performance component

of the first year in a full-time undergraduate course at a conservatoire, university or other higher education institution. Remarkably, Victoria was still only 15 years of age when she sat this exam, so the result is even more outstanding!



# SPORTING ENDEAVOURS



## NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS TRACK AND FIELD AND ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Over two and a half days (2 -4 December 2016) fifteen students from St Paul's Collegiate competed in Waitakere at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Track and Field and Road Championships. By the end of this meeting we had an athlete that had defended his national title and in the process recorded a WORLD BEST, another athlete that had defended her title and six others that had won bronze medals.

The obvious highlight in an action packed weekend was the performance of Ryan Ballantyne in defending his Senior Boys shot put title. In the process of dominating the competition with a massive second round "put" of 21.66cm he set a world leading best for the 5 kg shot put and moved to second on the New Zealand ALL TIME list of throwers with this weight. Ryan

moved well past Olympic medallist Tom Walsh, and he will now hold "bragging rights" over him when they train together down in Christchurch, after his shift there to live and train in the New Year. Such was Ryan's dominance, any of his five legal throws would have won the competition. He was also just over three and half metres ahead of second and a whopping seven and a half metres ahead of third. This effort was recognised by the organisers of the meeting by Ryan receiving an Athlete of the Meeting award.

Jess Hood was the other athlete to defend her national title (Senior Girls 400m) and this was quite special also. It had been a tough early season for Jess, but she lifted her performance when it counted. Her excellent racing temperament came to



the fore as she ran a seasons best to hit the front for the first time ten metres from the finish. It was a strong gutsy effort to run down her competition and should give her confidence for the remainder of the season.

Jade Henley-Smith in her final competition representing the school, went out on a positive note with bronze medals in both the 100m and 200m of the Senior Girls competition. This was a great reward for a number of years of hard training. It was a meritorious effort when the calibre of young female sprinters in New Zealand is taken into consideration. Both girl's that finished ahead of Jade represented New Zealand at the World Junior Track and Field Championships.

The other individual medallist from the meeting was Lane Tims who placed a highly commendable third in the Junior Boys high jump. In a relatively even competition, 1.80m proved to be the decisive height, with ten jumpers still in contention. By the time the dust had settled at this height only four jumpers remained. Lane was one of the four and although he didn't succeed at 1.83m he was able to place third, thanks to his first time clearances on all of the previous heights. Lane then backed up this fine effort by placing fifth in the Junior Boys 300m hurdles.

The final group of medallists were the members of the Senior Boys 4 x 100m relay team. This team continued the proud tradition of winning a relay medal in each of the last 12 years at Nationals. The team consisted of Tao Savou, Tom Yarrall, Connor Gordon and Ryan Wilkins. They may not have had the individual speed of some of the other teams, but the slick baton changes and particularly the last one between Connor and Ryan, saw the team earn a well-deserved bronze. Tom and Ryan also competed in individual events with Ryan setting a new personal best in finishing sixth in the final of the Senior Boys 400m and Tom ran well to reach the semi – finals of the highly competitive Senior Boys 100m.

Although not winning medals, a number of the team also

performed exceptionally well. Sarah Parker placed fifth in the Senior Girls javelin and is not far away from again unleashing forty metre throws. The Senior Girls 4 x 100m relay team of Jess, Jade, Teri Wathen-Smith and Maddy Tims ran fantastically to place fifth in their final. This team deserves special praise. They finished half a second outside the medals and with the health issues and injury problems they have faced this was a truly "gutsy" effort. They made the coaches very proud of their performance.

A number of athletes made their first appearance at this level and they are to be commended on their efforts also. Andre Kleuskens in the Senior Boys triple jump came very close to reaching the top eight and thus earning himself three more jumps, but in the end he had to settle for ninth. Ben McColgan (Senior Boys 400m), James Mitchell (Senior Boys 400m) and Mitchell Clark (Year Nine Boys road race) all gained a lot from the experience and in Mitchell's and James' case have the chance to build upon it in 2017 when they return to school. This team represented the school with distinction and continued to bring the "bumblebee" singlet to the fore at a national level.



## HAMILTON SPORTS AWARDS CEREMONY:

Held at the Bill Gallagher Centre (Wintec) on Thursday, 17th November, the Hamilton City Council hosted an awards ceremony to celebrate the administrators, volunteers, coaches and junior sportspeople who contribute to sport in the Hamilton district at a representative level. St Paul's was represented by the following sportspeople:

### Community Coach/Official

- Craig Hardman

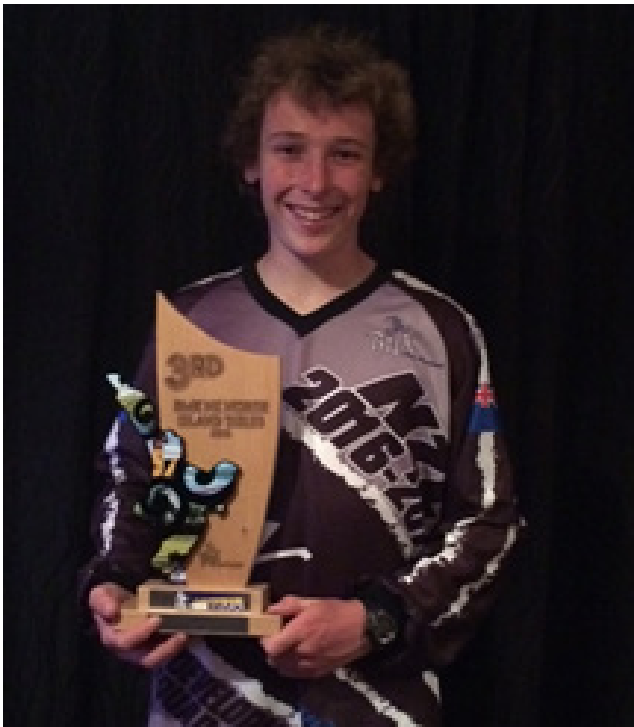
### Junior Sportspeople:

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| • Aaron Humble      | • John Richardson  |
| • Della Neli        | • Joshua Andrew    |
| • Garrick Du Toit   | • Madeleine Gordon |
| • Grace Watson      | • Matthew Sweet    |
| • Jacob Nelson      | • Oliver Soar      |
| • Jade Henley-Smith |                    |





## JUNIOR STUDENT BECOMES A REPRESENTATIVE BMX RIDER



Rico D'Anvers (Year 10) trialled for the Senior Development BMX Squad, where he succeeded in securing himself a position within the team (only two 14 year old boys and two 15 year old boys selected). He will represent New Zealand in January 2017, racing in Nerang (Australia), at the Nerang International BMX meet, in the 15 year old boys' age group.

At Labour weekend, Rico competed in the North Island BMX Titles held at the Cambridge BMX track, where he achieved a third place in the 15 year old boys' age group.

Even more impressive is that these BMX results have been achieved while Rico has been attending the Tihoi Venture School, so he has not ridden his bike much, but the participation in considerable physical activity through his outdoor experience, has been a huge benefit for competing.

Rico was re-awarded Junior Colours for BMX in recognition of his successes.

## NATIONAL CONDORS SEVENS RUGBY REPORT

The National Condors Sevens was held for the first time at Sacred Heart College with 32 teams from around the country participating. All of these teams had qualified from their regional tournaments, so these were the top teams in the country. Fine weather held out for the two day event and plenty of spectators came along to watch the approximately 400 talented players on show.

On the Saturday, the 'Open teams' began their event with pool matches held on Saturday and finals on Sunday. St Paul's drew Otago Boys, Western Heights, and Hamilton Boys' High School in their pool.

- St Paul's won 36-0 vs Western Heights College
- St Paul's won 32-12 vs Otago Boys High School
- St Paul's won 43-14 vs Sacred Heart College
- St Paul's lost 21-14 to Hamilton Boys' High School (eventual winners)
- This placed St Paul's in the Plate Round.
- Quarter Final – St Paul's lost 17-21 vs St John's College

- Consolation Plate Semi-Final – St Paul's won 24-5 v St Peter's (Gore)
- Consolation Plate Final – St Paul's lost 21-17 vs New Plymouth Boys' High School

St Paul's finished an impressive 13th at the Condor National Sevens. (A big improvement on last year's 24th place.) The boys went down to eventual champions Hamilton Boys' High School, 21-14 in pool play. The loss meant they contested the Plate against the other losing quarter finalists St John's (Hamilton) and then New Plymouth Boys' High School in the Plate Final. The boys played six times over the two days, winning four matches and finishing 13th out of 32 teams. Special mention to the organisers, participating schools and supporters who were all impressed with how the tournament was run and we thought the location was superb! Sacred Heart has hosting rights to the tournament for the next two years.

## BRIAN PERRY REGIONAL SPORTS AWARDS NOMINATIONS:

Following on from the Awards Ceremony mentioned above, St Paul's was advised that the following have been named as finalists for the Brian Perry Regional Sports Awards which will be held in January 2017 – we wish all of them every success:

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| • Community Coach            | Craig Hardman                            |
| • Secondary Sportswoman      | Jade Henley-Smith (Athletics)            |
| • Secondary Sportsman        | Reuben Andrews (Hockey)                  |
| • Secondary Team of the Year | St Paul's Collegiate 1st XI Boys' Hockey |

## OLD COLLEGIAN, CHRIS WOOD, CATCHES UP WITH HIS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACH



Long-standing staff member and football coach, Mr Michael Groom, accompanied by two of his sons, Josh and Dylan (Hall House 2006-2010) attended the 125th Anniversary of New Zealand football on Wednesday, 9th November in Auckland. Mr Groom's attendance, as an ex All White, was primarily to spend time with Steve Sumner, but an added bonus was when he and Dylan were able to catch up with Chris Wood (School House 2004-2008). Chris was in New Zealand to prepare with the NZ squad for the World Cup qualifier against New Caledonia that took place the following Saturday. Mr Groom stated that he was "so impressed with Chris when we met, and during the evening he conducted himself with the dignity to be expected of the All-Whites captain: he was a model of cordiality, humility and dignity. He spoke at the event with assurance and aplomb. He is an outstanding ambassador for the school and New Zealand football". New Zealand beat New Caledonia and started their qualifying campaign with the desired result. Mr Groom was at the game, and what was really impressive was not only Chris's outstanding performance and leadership on the pitch, but after the game he spent a long time talking to the youngsters who were in attendance and signing autographs. He stated, "It was wonderful to watch the way he did all this with such distinction". Chris epitomises what St Paul's Collegiate School hopes to see our young people achieve on the world stage as they move through their life journey and is an Old Collegian of whom we are immensely proud.

## OTHER SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS:

- Lwamba Chileshe selected for a new initiative by NZ Squash, which is focussing on the 2017 World Individuals (U19) to be held in Tauranga. It involves six training camps in Auckland over the next few months, with the aim of being one of those selected to participate in the tournament.
- Temwa Chileshe selected for the NZ Elite Junior (Squash) Squad, which is the same squad his older brother, Lwamba was selected for last year. This squad is working towards the World Juniors in 2018. Temwa will need to participate in a number of camps in Auckland from January through to March 2017, and compulsory tournaments in Oamaru, Whangarei, Christchurch and Cambridge.





## MISSION AND OUTREACH TRIP TO CAMBODIA



Address by Emi Ng on 30 November, to full school assembly thanking students for their support of the mission and outreach trip to Cambodia.

In three days time we will be leaving New Zealand and heading to Phnom Penh, the capital city of Cambodia, for two weeks. As you all know, our main goal in going over to Cambodia is to try to assist and help bring some positive change to these people's lives in whatever way we can. And as part of our efforts to achieve this, we have been raising money for these people in need.

We would just like to say a massive thank you to everyone for all your support, helping us as we try to achieve this goal. Thank you for participating in the mufti day, for buying the trinkets and the food from our sausage sizzle and bake sales. Because of your support and the generous donations from local businesses, we have successfully fundraised an overall total of \$6,000 dollars. This money has allowed us to buy: school bags, stationery supplies, sports equipment, towels, books and a mobile educational tuk tuk, which we will be taking over with us.

As part of another initiative, we will be starting a ukulele programme for the younger children in the Cambodian slums - giving them the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. In addition to the school supplies, we will also be taking over numerous ukuleles, tuners and music to kick-start our initiative. This has been made possible by the support of Shearers Music Store and the wider Hamilton community.

Because of all these donations, we will be able to make a positive difference in the education of these Cambodian children and we will be able to assist the organisation Flame's work in trying to break the cycle of poverty in countries like Cambodia, still affected by their dark history, scarred with war and genocide. This trip looks to be an incredible and eye-opening experience. We as a group are really excited. This is all possible because of the help and support you have given us. So, from both us and from the people of Cambodia, we would like to say a massive thank you. We really appreciate it.





## CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR HAMILTON REFUGEE ORIENTATION CENTRE *by Genevieve Scott-Jones*

On Thursday, 24 November members of the Year 11 service programme ran a Christmas party for the students involved in the Refugee Orientation Centre Trust's after school homework programme. Forty children attended, ageing from five to twelve, from a variety of different schools around the Hamilton area.

The St Paul's students organised multiple events for the kids, including pin the nose on the Reindeer and a 'decorate your own picture frame' stall, as well as many more party games. A highlight of the afternoon was the arrival of Santa, played by history teacher Mr Defyd Williams, to meet the children and take photos in our very own Santa's grotto.

The Christmas party came about after we had been volunteering at the homework programme throughout the year. The purpose of the Year 11 service programme is to build relationships with charities in the Waikato area and this Christmas party was an excellent way to acknowledge the positive relationship we have built with the Refugee Orientation Centre Trust. The Trust works with families of refugees in Hamilton - supporting them through their day to day lives and giving them a community to be a part of. Thirteen students from St Paul's volunteered on Thursday, helping to make the afternoon incredibly enjoyable for the

children. We would like to extend our thanks to Mr Chris Grace of New World Te Rapa for providing vast quantities of food for the event and thanks too to Fairfield Intermediate School for letting us hold the party in one of their classrooms.

Students involved:

Victoria Chanwai, Sarah Jackson, Sophie Egan, Katie Begbie, Maddy Gordon, Siobhan Read, Matthew Winefield, Heath Johnson, Alice Emeny, Bella Heskett, Cameron Coull, Patchara Jirapanyayut, Kaenan Ferguson and Genevieve Scott-Jones



## CHAPLAIN'S COMMENT *by Reverend James Stephenson*



There have been some positive things to reflect on at the chaplaincy of St Paul's for 2016.

The first and, arguably, the most significant has been the introduction of a powerful service programme. The 'Over the Fence' ministry has been of huge benefit to our students and those at Fairfield and Bankwood Primary Schools. For our students, they have gained perspective, had happy experiences and grown in character through their service. The primary students have loved the visits of the 'big' students and been helped in their reading, writing, sports days and even trips to Tihoi. Barriers have been broken down and strong relationships are forming in our

community. We are indebted to the primary schools who allow us to serve. The Prime Minister has recognised the project in parliament and awarded Serena Lim-Strutt, who was the student leader, the New Zealand Youth of the Year Award for 'Giving Back'. Serena and Rudi Grace presented to the Archbishop, Bishop, and the Waikato and Taranaki Synod to rich acclaim. Our School has understood the theology of mission and put it into action. The 'Over the Fence' project will be relaunched with new student leaders at the start of 2017 and, by being led by the primary schools, hopes to go from strength to strength. In addition to this, the Year 11 service programme has gathered momentum over the year and finished brilliantly with, the student organised, refugee Christmas party. The pinnacle of the service drive is the overseas trip - this year it is to Cambodia which is where some students are as I write.

The second notable positive, has been the themes running through the chapel services. The students get to vote on the theme for each term in a unique way! The hope is that, through the students being able to choose, they are empowered and might have a fraction

more buy in! Maybe not successful for all students, but worth a try! The Christian message is portrayed through these humanitarian themes. Recently, two ex St Paul's students got married and the congregation was predominantly from St Paul's. The Bride and Groom were so thankful for their time in chapel and spoke eloquently on how their character and spirituality had grown during their time at St Paul's and that it was this that set them up for their lives - I should have invited them in to speak! Each service does not need to have huge impact, but over time a message can seep in that permeates the soul and nurtures the spirit.

With the themes in chapel, the service programme and opportunities such as the bi-weekly youth group, the Christian, humanitarian and global perspective of the school is heading in the right direction.

Have a great Christmas.

With Love, Rev, James Stephenson.

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## INTAKE 2016/2 MAJOR PRIZE WINNERS

### **MORTIMER PRIZE FOR MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT**

Angus Orsler

Most Outstanding Student nominations

Harry Coxhead, Adam Jefferis, Angus Orsler

### **MURRAY HARINGTON CUP FOR MOST IMPROVED STUDENT**

Finn Holmes

Most Improved Student nominations

Finn Holmes, Callum Shepherd, Max Watson and Isaac West

**DIRECTOR'S AWARDS** - Henry Mandeno, Harrison Stage, Rico D'Anvers, Max McLean-Bluck, Jack Wharton

**FURMINGER AWARD** - (Respect shown to staff and other students) Tom Davidson

**COULTER SETTLEMENT CUP** - (representing and upholding the virtues project ideals) Harry Coxhead

**SHAW TROPHY FOR BUSH CRAFT** - Harry Johnstone

**COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ENVIRONMENT AWARD** -  
Jack Deane

**CROSS COUNTRY CUP** - Angus Orsler

**EXPEDITION AWARDS** - for all round excellence on expedition.

**WHITE WATER KAYAK:** Henry Brown and Blair Wells

**MOUNTAIN BIKE:** Adam Jefferis and Sam McNaughton

**SEA KAYAK:** Callum Shepherd and Te Waiti Rawiri

**ROCK CLIMBING :** Angus Orsler and Sam Harcourt

**ALPINE:** Nick Karton and Connor Davis

### **MOST VALUED HOUSE MEMBERS**

**JOCKS** - George Wilson; **POLLYS** - Sam Harcourt; **MORTZ** - Adam Jefferis ; **MOLLYS** - Henry Brown, **VILLA** - Tom Davidson; **GILLS** - Angus Orsler; **FRANKS** - Harry Coxhead; **PURPLE** - Rico D'Anvers





**ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE** - Henry Mandeno - Math and Social Studies; Adam Jefferis - English, Math; Sam Ogilvy - English, Math; Angus Orsler - Science and Social Studies; Max McLean-Bluck - Science and Social Studies; Harry Coxhead - Science

**Tihoi Masterchef Award** - Adam Jefferis

**Chef's Awards** - Jack Deane, George Hayward, Finn Holmes, Nick Karton, Angus Orsler, Blair Wells, Alex Zhong

**Luder Trophy: WINNING HOUSE** - Gill's house - David Hancock, Gus Hanham, Finn Holmes, Angus Orsler, Max McLean-Bluck, Pon Thanachanan, Isaac West



## JUNIOR STUDENTS RECEIVE ACORN AWARDS FOR TERM FOUR

*The following junior students received their Acorn Awards at a special morning tea held late in Term 4, to recognise their academic, sporting, cultural and service contributions:*

### Level One

Sean Anson	Gustav Jooste	James O'Callaghan
Ethan Bidois	Samuel Kalma	Charles Oliver
Jack Caldwell	Strantz Kendall	Rhys Peterson
Maxwell Campbell	Benjamin Kimpton	Cody Pierce
Li Kun Cao	David Koshy	Vikram Rajan
Jonathan Chong	Timon Lamb	Devon Robinson
Lachlan Coleman	Charles Leng-Uch	Primo Singh
William Cowan	Lucas Mark	Lucas Taumoepeau
Harrison Cullen	Thomas McAdams	Lachlan Townsend
Tyler Dalton	Nikolai McCabe	Caleb Weck
Thomas Dela Rue	Mark McCluskey	Dion Xue
Jai Fitzwalter	Fergus McDonald	Andrew Yip
Wes Hitchcock	Sebastian Morgans	

### Level Two

Joshua Cane	Adrian Kennedy	William Moss
Thomas Glenn	Trey Lincoln	Benedict Scanlon
Reuben Hunt	William McNeil	Jack Sturm



# LEAVERS' DINNER CELEBRATES FAMILIES WITH LONGSTANDING ASSOCIATION WITH ST PAUL'S

At the Leavers' Dinner on Wednesday, 30th November, we recognised that for many families, 2016 marks an end to their longstanding association with St Paul's. For a number of these families, they have had three or more of their sons/daughters attend our School. Those families, who we are aware of, who have lengthy associations and years of loyal commitment, that are leaving the School in 2016 are as follows:

## Gordon Family:

Thomas Gordon	2010 – 2014
Connor Gordon	2012 – 2016
Drew Gordon	2012 – 2016
Jack Gordon	2012 – 2016

While only covering seven consecutive years within the School, the Gordon family have effectively had 20 years worth of commitment over this time – an amazing undertaking!

<b>Kenna Family:</b>	2008 – 2016	9 consecutive years, 15 years of commitment
Daniel Kenna	2008 – 2012	
William Kenna	2010 – 2014	
James Kenna	2012 – 2016	

<b>Berridge Family:</b>	2009 – 2016	8 consecutive years, 12 years of commitment
Ezra Berridge	2009 – 2014	
Otis Berridge	2011 – 2015	
Niamh Berridge	2014 – 2016	

<b>Wilkins Family:</b>	2011 – 2016	6 consecutive years, 12 years of commitment
James Wilkins	2011 – 2015	
Kate Wilkins	2012 – 2013	
Ryan Wilkins	2012 – 2016	

Special mention was made of two long-serving St Paul's Collegiate School families:

## Blackett Family:

Three sons attended, each for five years:

Alex Blackett	1997 – 2001
Ben Blackett	2002 – 2006
Alastair Blackett	2012 – 2016

And their late father, Geoff Blackett was a Foundation Student of the School from 1959 – 1961, as well as a long-standing member of the Parents' Association and past Board member while his elder sons were attending St Paul's.

## Henley-Smith Family:

Three children attended:

Stephanie Henley-Smith	2009 – 2010
Sean Henley-Smith	2009 – 2013
Jade Henley-Smith	2014 – 2016

While their father, Gary Henley-Smith was a long-serving staff member, athletics/rugby coach and Housemaster (both day and boarding) and mum, Suzanne, took on the role of Matron of the Boarding House for a number of years – a real family affair!





