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## DEAR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

AT A RECENT SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING, ONE OF THE WAIKATO ANGLICAN COLLEGE TRUST BOARD REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PANEL MADE A POINT THAT PERSONALLY STRUCK HOME TO ME; THAT THE PARENTS AT THE MEETING COULD BE CONSIDERED AS "VICTIMS" OF THEIR SON'S CONDUCT, GIVEN THE IMPACT THAT HIS DECISION MAKING HAD HAD ON THEM AND THEIR FAMILY.

Parenting in today's society isn't an easy option and certainly parenting teenagers is incredibly challenging. Parents in a St Paul's context come in many forms; the traditional father and mother in the same home; those who solo parent with little input from the other party; those who exercise active shared custody and decision making and may even bring up their son/daughter in a new blended family; and an increasingly growing smaller group, who are grandparents who find themselves having to take responsibility for the upbringing of their grandson/daughter. Additionally challengingly in 2019, many of us often find ourselves parenting, without extended family support.

Regretfully, there isn't really a handbook or effective set of instructions about how to bring up children. We tend to learn on the job – at times by trial and error. Sometimes the errors that we make can have long lasting consequences – if we are too soft and don't provide effective guidelines, it often is difficult to pull things back on track. Probably the best approach is to hold the line and adopt the tougher, more cautious option in parenting. It seems easier to loosen the reins than to

tighten them. In making our decisions, it is surprising how often we find ourselves using at times the same values, language and approach that our parents used with us – if that was effective, then it is useful, but if our upbringing was a little dysfunctional, it does not provide us with the effective platform that we require or in fact, we strive for.

As I've stated in previous Informer articles, parenting in 2019, is harder than it was in 2009; the powerful influence that social media has on our teenagers and the pace of digital change (i.e. we seem to no sooner master one form of technology like Facebook and a new form of communication such as Twitter or Instagram will have taken over as the medium used by youth); the instantaneous access to information, both right, wrong and corrupting (porn, substance abuse, access to information traditionally supplied probably reluctantly and clumsily by parents – such as sex education); the huge pressures on our children to conform to social norms that we probably don't really fully understand; their need to respond promptly to messages or face potential social isolation; anxiety, stress and a lack of resilience in young people (unhappiness



created by idealised depiction of other people's lives; a "more is better" mentality when faced with the 3000 average advertising messages that we are exposed to each day (i.e. radio, television, internet, product placement). While our lives, as a result of both partners increased involvement in the work place, are so much busier than for past generations. Work life has changed dramatically with many of us bringing work home regularly or working long extended hours – often there is the lack of one designated go-to parent in a household. There is effectively a huge generation gap that exists between us and our children. Our teenagers are better able to use technology than we are. As a result, this has a significant impact on our ability to be an authority in their lives. As Dr Shimi Kang has stated, "In some respects we are the most 'outdated' group of parents that have ever existed."

Despite all of this, our teenagers need our guidance and our moral compass more than ever before.

Robert Glazer, Founder and CEO of Acceleration Partners, recently wrote an excellent article on what should be a part of every parenting strategy:

*A few weeks back, I wrote about the “Varsity Blues” scandal in which some very misguided parents were charged with “helping” their children get into elite universities through fraud and bribes.*

*Around that same time, I listened to an almost two-hour long podcast between Tim Ferris and LeBron James. When Ferris asked James about his parenting philosophy and his kids, one of whom is an aspiring basketball player, James said something that really stuck with me:*

**“I don’t want the best for my kids. I want the best out of them”**

*What a great piece of leadership advice – not only for parents, but for anyone who leads. When you want something for someone, it really has more to do with you than them.*

*I’ve seen this more times than I can count on the side-lines of youth sports games. Parents who seem riddled with regret about not being a better athlete when they were younger, attempt to transfer their own lamentations to their child through overzealous “encouragement”.*

*Wanting the best out of someone is more about helping them tap into their innate desires and ambitions and encouraging them. It’s not about passing yours on to them.*

*Shortly after hearing Ferris and James’ podcast episode, someone shared an article with me written by Kobe Bryant (another Hall of Fame basketball player) titled, “A Letter to My Younger Self.” In his article, he distinguishes between investing and giving and explains why he’s such a strong advocate for the former:*

*“You will come to understand that you were taking care of them because it made YOU feel good, it made YOU happy to see*

*them smiling and without a care in the world – and that was extremely selfish of you. While you were feeling satisfied with yourself, you were slowly eating away at their own dreams and ambitions. You were adding material things to their lives, but subtracting the most precious gifts of all: independence and growth.”*

*During my discussion with renowned wealth expert, Garrett Gunderson on the Elevate podcast, he detailed this exact scenario between two of the richest families in American history: the Vanderbilts and the Rockefellers.*

*The Vanderbilt’s approach was to shower their children with money. In turn, they and their children spent it as fast as they received it on houses, cars and failed investments. As such, the family’s wealth was almost wiped out within a generation.*

*The Rockefellers, on the other hand, chose to teach their kids values and used their wealth to invest in their children rather than on material things. To this day, the Rockefeller fortune remains intact. Many of the Rockefeller heirs have gone on to hold very successful leadership roles and the family remains committed to allocating their vast resources to charitable causes, donating over \$50M each year.*

*Leadership is not about what’s important to you or about making you feel better. It’s about the other person; their desires and dreams. And, perhaps most importantly, real leadership is about providing the support so that others can develop skills that will allow them to be independent, not dependent.*

*Think about your approach to leadership, be it as a parent or as a boss. Are you a Vanderbilt or a Rockefeller? A Giver or an Investor? Do you want the best for others or do you want the best out of others?*

#### **Quote of the Week**

*“Leaders don’t create followers, they create more leaders.” Tom Peters*

When we run a business, we operate using a strategic plan to define the direction we want to take the organisation in; when we are looking to buy a house or a new car, we normally prepare a budget to see if

we have the finances to implement that decision; but in parenting, so many of us do things ‘on the run’. What is our plan when our kids try and play one parent off against the other – “but mum says ....?”; when they ask us if they can sleep over at a friend’s house as a 16 years old?; if they can go to a party and take a couple of beers?; ask for a significant amount of money for a personal purchase?; want to have the use of a family car for a social event? What basically are the standard questions that we need to ask in order to be to be correctly informed in such situations?; to appropriately exercise the authority we should as parents, to get the best out of our children? Personally, I would rather bring up my son and daughter as Rockefellers than Vanderbilts. If we are not to become collateral “victims” of our sons and daughters poor decisions, then as parents we need to have clarity and be confident in implementing a very important range of “bottom lines” in our journey to be effective parents.



## CHOIR CAMP AT TIHOI *by Hannah Mayer*

In the first weekend of the holidays, the St Paul's Collegiate School choirs ventured down to Tihoi for their annual three-day camp. Our mission was to learn music, improve the quality and accuracy of sound in the choir, enhance performance, and bond as a team through rehearsals and activities.

Once nearly 60 students were crammed into the bus with all their belongings, we were off, jamming our way through the two and a half hour drive. Upon arriving at Tihoi, the choir dove head first into three hours of rehearsal. All four choirs were voice matched, and begun learning the repertoire, with our sights set for upcoming performances and competitions. In addition to this, we also had sessions concentrating on other skills such as musicianship, language, conducting, quartets and planning our pranks on Mr Carpenter.

With everyone's voices well rested, Day 2 had six hours allocated for rehearsal, with the rest of the day reserved for

eating and breaks. During those long practises, the progress we made was very evident. The language became crisper, the tuning was finer and the focus remained strong despite the ever present temptation of an intense volleyball game. The second day finished with snacks and a few songs sung around the campfire, shielding us from the cold night air.

Near the end of the camp, we were able to experience the great sound and performance that we could create together and enjoy the fruits of our hard work and perseverance. Overall, the camp was a great opportunity for the choir to create memories as well as make monumental progress towards our goal to succeed at the Big Sing competition in June, as well as the tour to Australia in July.

A big thank you must go out to all the teachers and Tihoi staff who hosted us as well as the students themselves who helped make this camp the great success that it was.

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## ANNUAL HOUSE SINGING COMPETITION *by Hannah Mayer*

On Friday, 17 May the school held its annual house singing competition. A competition where every house is required to choose and perform a song that fits the theme given by the Arts' portfolio. This year it was decided that the theme would be "songs from the 60's" to match the diamond jubilee of St Paul's as was celebrated earlier this year. House singing gives our cultural students a chance to tap into their talents and passions whilst representing a bit of fun for the rest of the school. A diverse range of songs were chosen to showcase the choral and musical prowess of each individual House. There were highlights during every performance and moments of real flair that each House can be proud of. The placings were as follows: 7th - Sargood, 6th - School, 5th - Hamilton, 4th - Fitchett, 3rd - Clark, 2nd - Williams and taking out the victory this year was Hall House with "Come Together" by The Beatles.

We think it is safe to say that the calibre of the competition has been lifted immensely. That can only be attributed to the huge amount of time and effort put in by every student. Whether that be with costuming, sound, composition or just simply the effort put in during your performance on the day.

A huge thank you must go out to all conductors, musicians and housemasters for working so hard and long to create such a successful afternoon that turned out to be so entertaining. Thank you to the chapel and IT team for their work behind the scenes with the great sound systems and filming. Also to Christopher Penno and Campbell Smith for MCing the event and providing such a smooth running event.

A final thank you and congratulations to every student. Not only those who are comfortable on this stage, but also to everyone who's worst nightmare would be to perform. Standing up here to sing can be very daunting and no matter what your House's overall placing was, you should all be proud of what you were able to achieve.

## BIG BAND GETS SILVER AWARD AT TAURANGA JAZZ FESTIVAL

On 5 April the Big Band set off to Tauranga for the annual Tauranga Jazz Festival. Though it was a familiar competition, the band was excited to be performing in its first competition of the year. The Big Band came away, knowing that they

could perform much better, being awarded a Silver Award from the judges. They came away with suggestions from the judges, giving them plenty to work on before their upcoming competitions, and ultimately the Aspire tour of Australia.

## GOLD AT THE HAWKES BAY FESTIVAL OF BANDS

On Saturday, 18 May, the SPC Big Band and Concert Band traveled to Hastings to perform in the Hawke's Bay Festival of Bands.

The Concert Band performed first of the two groups. The set included Christopher Penno's alto solo "Georgia on My Mind", accompanied by the band. This was a highlight for the audience and received a huge number of compliments after the performance was finished. The band left the stage gleefully, knowing that was the best they could have possibly played. A welcome feeling after a disappointing Bronze the previous week in Matamata. It should be noted that Christopher received the award for 'Best Junior Soloist' (Under 20) for his solo performance.

Big Band was next, after a short break, which had students who play in both rapidly changing instruments and racing

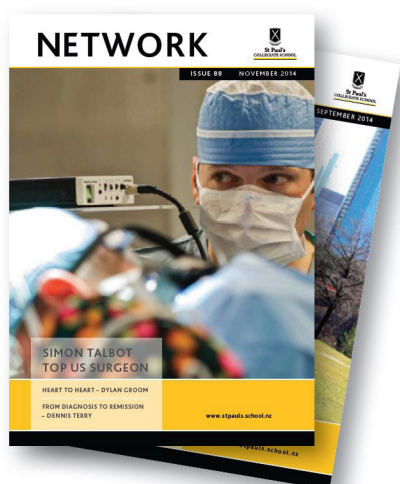
to be ready. The fast-paced set full of classics and more modern Big Band numbers, was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience, and solos from different band members received huge applause. In true Big Band fashion, the performance was polished and precise.

Both Bands received Gold awards, showing they performed at the highest standard on the day. The Concert Band also took home the award for 'Best Performance by a School Band', beating out 10 other groups for the title.

Well done to all who performed, a stunning result!

A huge thank you to Miss Jane Spenceley and Mr Bill Stoneham for their work with these musicians in the weeks leading up to their performance in this competition.

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# SPORTING ENDEAVOURS



## 1st XI CRICKETERS TAKE OUT WAIKATO VALLEY MEN'S TITLE *report of the Two-Day Final*

### DAY 1 - LODGE REAL ESTATE 1ST XI VS CAMBRIDGE MATCH REPORT.

Cambridge won the toss and chose to bat. We started off with the short approach then went to look to get the ball into a more difficult place to score from. Shiv Achary (1/14) knocked over SL Major in the 6th over with Ollie O'Meeghan finishing off the task. Old boy Dillon Kelliher looked good, crushing a few balls through the covers before Campbell Robb (1/33) ripped one through the gate. Another Collegian, Chris Swanson lost his wicket to Jack Collins (2/9) with Curtly Harper taking the catch to possibly change the course of the match. We started to take control of the innings, however, Cambridge fought back with J Bateman (40), and P Tomsett (30) who put together a partnership giving Cambridge something to bowl at.

Cambridge started well knocking over Ollie in the third over. Kuwyn Price (28) and Curtly Harper (17), and Clint Price (21) soaked up a lot of pressure applied by Cambridge. But it was Jack Sturm (56\*) with the help of David Hancock (18\*) who managed to get St Paul's back on track to pick up first innings points. At the close of play, St Paul's were 159/5.

### DAY 2 - LODGE REAL ESTATE 1ST XI VS CAMBRIDGE MATCH REPORT.

Day 2 started with St Paul's with a slight advantage ahead of Cambridge. But Cambridge, as they did with the bat, came back strong taking 5 wickets with St Paul's having a lead of only 30 runs. Cambridge didn't take long to take the lead and pile on 218/6 off 35.0 overs with DJ Kelliher (old boy) scoring a classy 123, and CJ Swanson (old boy) supporting with 49. This meant St Paul's would need to score either 188 or occupy the crease for a few hours. Captain, David Hancock came out with Curtly Harper (40) who did a great job from the front. Blunting the new ball losing David (29) in the 12th over, then Kuwyn Price (10) in the 20th over. Curtly grafted away facing almost 100 balls falling in the 35th over. We lost Jack Collins (10) shortly after with the momentum swinging back to Cambridge. But it was Jack Sturm (20) and the old wise head of Clint Price (27) who held things together before stumps were pulled. This is a great win against a quality set up. The boys should be very proud of the way they have finished their season in winning the men's title.

## CRICKET AWARDS EVENING

On Thursday, 9 May, the Hamilton and Thames Valley Cricket Association Secondary Schools prize-giving event was held in the Gallagher Centre of Excellence. The following St Paul's teams and individuals were honoured for their contribution to the sport:

Year 9 Gold Team were the winners of the Puna Shield for the Year 9 Grade, with the Junior A team in second place. The winning Gold Team consisted of:

Will Voigt-Price (Co-Captain), Jack Sharp (Co-Captain), Blake Finlayson, Liam Rogers, Ben Spring, Guranmol Singh, Remy Groenendijk, Brodie McLaren, Hamish Boyd, Ryan McKie, William Bodle, Joe Stock and Luke Couper.

Year 9 Grade – Top Run Scorer was won by Cooper Greenough (208 runs, 104 average and highest score 81 not out)

### Representative Awards:

- Shivam Achary – Under 17 Hamilton and Northern Districts Representative teams and was awarded the trophy for the Most Improved Player.
- Kuwyn Price – Under 17 Hamilton and Northern Districts Representative teams, as well as being selected for the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Maori team. He was awarded the trophy for the Top Representative Batsman and the trophy for the Top Overall Representative Player for the Season.

## CRICKET CAPS AWARDED

At a full school assembly the following students were awarded their Cricket Caps for their contribution to the 1st XI:

**Ollie O’Meeghan** has gained 48 caps for the Lodge Real Estate Cricket 1st XI. A powerful left-hand batsman, Ollie is strong on the pull shot and his controlled overdrives have laid the foundation for two match-winning performances from Ollie. Scoring 122 not out against arch-rivals Tauranga Boys’ College kicked off a strong start to his time at the top of the order. A few games later, Ollie helped set up a brilliant all-round performance by the 1st XI, with another skillful 120, this time vs Te Awamutu Cricket Club.

The young and talented **Kuwyn Price** has completed a stellar season for the flagship cricket team of St Paul’s Collegiate School. Equally equipped on both his front and back foot, Kuwyn has the tools to play 360 degrees around the field. Sometimes even batting left-handed! Cementing himself at first drop in the batting order, he displayed consistent performance with the bat. Notching up two centuries across the season. With both better than a run a ball. Scoring 102 not out off 86 balls vs Hinuera and 101 not out off 96 balls vs St John’s.

## ROWING PRIZE GIVING CELEBRATES SUCCESS

On the evening of Friday, 3 May 2019, the St Paul’s Rowing Club gathered to celebrate the Club’s successes throughout what was a busy 2018/2019 season and to acknowledge those rowers who had made a special contribution:

The following awards were made:

**Les Varney Trophy** – Most Improved Novice Rower:

Logan Spencer

**Coxwains Cup** – Top Coxwain:

Gus Hanham

**Most Conscientious Club Member** – Most contribution from a non-rower:

Fiona Peake, Whetu Te Ua

**Veterans Trophy** – Best support from a rowing member:

Sam Harcourt

**St Paul’s Shield** – Most improved rower in all age groups:

Hetekia Te Ua

**The Nick Winkelmann Trophy** – For perseverance with little reward or success:

Lewis Yetsenga

**School Oar** – Most successful team of the year:

Boys Novice 4+

(Tom Haycock, Luther Yates, Alex Gunn, Campbell Colquhoun, cox Samuel Ward)

**The Boys ERG Trophy** – Highest ERG score by a male in a season:

Seth Peake

**The Girls ERG Trophy** – Highest ERG score by a female in a season:

Alison Mills

**The 1x Trophy** – Best sculler in all grades:

Alison Mills

**Seath Cup** – Best rower in all grades:

Alison Mills

**The Steiner Trophy** – Outstanding leadership from a female rower:

Abby Payne

**Presidents Cup** – Outstanding leadership from a male rower:

Adam Jefferis

## TRANS-TASMAN NETBALL TOURNAMENT HELD AT BALLARAT GRAMMAR

### PREMIER REPORT

In the early hours of the morning, following another successful Harington Fashion Show, our netballers traveled from Hamilton to Auckland to fly to Melbourne, Australia where they encountered not just cold, but freezing weather conditions. They had arrived to play in the Trans-Tasman Netball Quad Tournament against Ballarat Grammar (host school), Pembroke School (Adelaide) and Kristin School (Auckland).

On the first day of competition, the Premier team had a comfortable win against Kristin, and also won their next three games that day. Next day our girls were up against their toughest competition, Ballarat Premier, but the Open A once again came away with a win. Day three saw the girls starting their day with a semi-final against Kristin School, which they won and in the final against the home school of Ballarat Grammar, they fought hard to be able to retain their champion title, with a final score of 33-22 making them the winner for



the Premier grade of the Quad Tournament.

Congratulations to Chloe Davis, Matire Ormsby van-Selm and Chloe Carr Paterson who were selected for the tournament team for the Premier grade.

### DEVELOPMENT TEAM REPORT

The Development team played four outstanding games on the first day of competition, putting everything they had on the courts. The second game, against Pembroke's development team was a testing game for the girls, with St Paul's winning at the start, but then having Pembroke raise their game and increase their score by half-time. In the last quarter the St Paul's girls stepped up, resulting in the girls taking away the forced win. Following this, the girls played two Premier teams, which when you consider the strength of these teams, it was heartening for the girls to have close losses in both of these fixtures.

In the semi-final, the Development team played Pembroke's equivalent and the girls brought their passion for netball out onto the court and it showed with the girls claiming a 32-26 win. The final, against host school, Ballarat Grammar was the hardest game of the tournament for the St Paul's girls, but they fought hard, working alongside one another to show the strength of St Paul's spirit, but unfortunately the girls had a close loss of 23-25.

Congratulations to Greta Simpson, Sara Phee and Caitlin Fladgate who made the tournament team for the Development grade.

The girls from both the Premier and Development teams would like to thank Mrs Helen Bradford, Mrs Marg Landon, Mrs Jackie Lock and Mrs Sonya Noble for organising this amazing tour and for accompanying us to Australia.

## GIRLS' HOCKEY HAS A PLEASING START TO THE WINTER SEASON

In the first week of the recent holidays, the girls' Lugton 1st XI Hockey team began their season attending the inaugural April Girls' Hockey Tournament hosted by St Paul's, with a total of six teams from as far afield as Whanganui, Taupo and Tauranga, along with local teams from Ngatea and Hamilton.

With an early start on Monday morning, the girls won their first game 5-4 against Whanganui High School, with goals to Kaylee Morrison, Ayla Hall, Kate Healy, and Jessica Scatchard who scored two.

On Monday afternoon, the team was up against a much tougher opposition in Bethlehem College, going down 6-0. A positive from this match was the improvement made in the second half, with the half time score 5-0 to Bethlehem, this was a much more organised St Paul's team, with strong defence from Cate Wilson and Darcy Hunter that only conceded one goal in the second half.

A night of team bonding and goal setting got the girls in the right mind-set for both Tuesday games, starting with a solid win in the midday sun against Taupo-nui-a Tia College 6-1 with goals to Ayla, Jessica, Darcy, Kaylee, and Sophie Chisholm who scored a double.

Tuesday afternoon saw us up against Hauraki Plains College, who immediately put St Paul's on the back foot, taking a 3-2 lead into half time. The second half was a much better showing from St Paul's who fought back to win 6-4. Goal scorers: Jessica, Kaylee, Sophie (2) and Darcy (2).

The final game on Wednesday, again in the hot midday sun, saw a somewhat tired team take on Sacred Heart College. St Paul's struggled to execute their game plan in the first half, finding themselves down 3-1 at half time. Again a better second half saw St Paul's hold their own until the last seconds when Sacred Heart added one more to their tally to take the win 4-1.

Overall, for a team with a large number of new players, who had not played together before, the girls can be pleased with their start to the hockey season, coming away from the tournament with some solid wins and skills to improve on, as well as having a great time getting to know each other. A big thank you to manager Ms Elizabeth Pitu and coaches Reiner Vellinga and Ngahuia for making this tournament possible and looking after the girls.





## BOYS' 1st XI HOCKEY ANZAC TOURNAMENT

The 2019 ANZAC tournament saw the St Paul's Collegiate School boys' 1st XI hockey team once again host this competition, where they had a tough schedule playing five games in three days, against some of the best secondary school teams in the North Island. Our team in 2019 is completely new with only five boys having played at this level before. So we used this tournament to try out new combinations and new player positions.

There were two games on the first day and both were fiercely fought contests, but unfortunately, the opposition were stronger. St Paul's Collegiate School lost 4-2 to Hastings Boys' High School. The boys played 42 minutes of great hockey, with an eight minute lapse costing the boys dearly, with the opposition scoring four goals during this time. We made a comeback with two goals scored by Ben Allen and Benedict Scanlon, but unfortunately ran out of time to even the score.

The second game was against Palmerston North Boys' High School, where we lost 3-1. However, there was very little between the teams. St Paul's held their shape and passed the ball well in the final third of the pitch, which resulted in a goal by Benedict Scanlon.

ANZAC day was a stunner, with beautiful weather including being quite warm. The boys played New Plymouth Boys' High School. Once again a fiercely fought game, but our boys gave their all and ran hard, putting four goals into the net, including a hat trick for the Scanlon brothers (Benedict and Thomas) and one from Louis Brown. There was some brilliant defending from the backs and the goalkeepers and some great runs from the midfield. All in all, this was a great game to watch and the boys came away with a well-deserved win 4-3.

In the second game, St Paul's were clearly tired, having exerted a lot of energy in the previous game, and only having a short break between, and being very warm weather, losing 4-0 to Whangarei Boys' High School. The boys worked hard, particularly the midfield and backs, to defend our goal, but

unfortunately we were unable to capitalise on the forward chances that we had. The boys stuck to the game plan and executed this well, so overall the coaches were pleased.

Friday was day three of the tournament and was a little cooler than the previous day. The boys played Napier Boys' High School, which was a tight tussle. The team played well, with it being even for most of the game. NBHS scored in the second half from a penalty corner. We had a chance to even that with a penalty corner in the last minute, but unfortunately it was saved by the opposition.

All in all, it was a good run out for a new team, a great chance to see what talent we have, to try out some new combinations and game plans. We look forward to seeing our new team develop and what the rest of the season brings.

The team would like to thank Mr Harper for organising the tournament, the Robb family for opening the coffee cart for two days, the coaches Messrs Matt Rees-Gibbs and Tony Hopping and Mrs Allen for being team 'mum' and manager.





## NATIONAL AGE GROUP SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

From 16-20 April, five St Paul's swimmers competed in the National Age Group Championships. Sam Peoples swam in three events for 14 year olds, gaining personal bests in two of them, with a best finish of 10th in NZ in the 200m butterfly. Tom Griffin swam in seven events with a best result of 11th in the 200m butterfly in the very competitive 17 to 18 year-old age group.

Kaitlyn Sosa swam in eight events. Her best results came in the 200m freestyle where she finished seventh, the 400m freestyle where she finished fifth, and third in the 1500m freestyle gaining a bronze medal in the 17 to 18 year-old age group.

Boston Tordoff had an excellent meet, swimming in seven events, making finals in six of them and recording six personal bests in the process. Boston claimed a silver medal in the 200m breaststroke and a bronze medal in the 100m breaststroke in the 14 year-old category.

Ben Littlejohn swam nine events and recorded five personal best times. Ben won gold in the 17 to 18 year-old 50m butterfly and gold in the 100m butterfly. He also gained a silver medal in the 200m freestyle. At the end of the meet Ben was again named in the New Zealand junior swim team to compete against the Australian states in the Australian State Championships in October 2019.

## HILLARY CHALLENGE TEAM PLACES SIXTH NATIONALLY

On Sunday, 28 April, our Hillary Challenge team joined the eleven best Adventure Racing teams for the National Final of the Hillary Challenge. Completed over five days, this is one of the toughest secondary school events in the country.

Day One and Two saw the team compete in 12 one-hour long challenges which involved running, mountain biking, kayaking, and problem solving, among other aspects of outdoor adventure. These days test the team's fitness, skills and ability to work together. After the first two days of challenges the SPC team impressively were in fourth place.

Day Three and Four are the Expedition days. The competitors load up ~20kg on their packs and have to trek through the bush and mountains to get to as many checkpoints as possible. This year focused on bush navigation, which is extremely challenging. Unfortunately the team took a wrong path and got stuck down a gorge, forcing them to swim out down a river with their heavy packs on. They finished the expedition at the Chateau, having covered over 50km over the two days.

Having endured a tough four days, the teams then had to compete in a 55km multisport race. This began with the teams having to construct a raft and paddle it 6km. With St Paul's amazingly coming off the water third, they were well placed to attack the 11km trail run and go into the 30km mountain bike. Tired and half-injured, the last leg was a grueling 7km run up hills and through streams. The team came in fourth in the multi-sport race, with an impressive time of 5 hours 11 minutes. Although they finished fourth in two of the three events, getting lost in the bush meant overall they finished in sixth place in New Zealand. An amazing effort against teams whose athletes can dedicate themselves solely to the event.

The students in the team were: Caleb Weck, Arna Morris, Miah McDonald, Trey Lincoln, Angus Riordan, Dolce Kissling-Hemsworth, Ayla Hall, and Lucy Farrell (Waikato Diocesan School for Girls).

The team would like to thank Mr Keegan Stewart for supporting them throughout the lead up to the event and for his oversight during the Challenge.

## 1st XV ATTEND PRE-SEASON RUGBY CAMP

St Paul's once again hosted the third Kia Tu Rugby Camp and saw our 1st XV playing PNBHS in their traditional fixture winning 38-17 and regaining the Quadrangular Trophy. Six other 1st XV's attended from Sacred Heart College, Napier Boys' High School, and Palmerston North Boys' High School, Dilworth School, Tauranga Boys' College and Westlake Boys' High School.

Malachi Wrampling, Joel Cox and Lincoln Winter made their

1st XV starting debuts with seven others coming off the bench to achieve this same accolade. Solid set piece and some determined running by Havila Molia, Temple Beauchamp, Charlie Walsh and Henry Brown set up this very good win against a much bigger team.

An early try to PNBHS through early pressure from the kick-off had us down 7 nil. A quality turnover from Joel Cox at the breakdown created our first opportunity in attack. A lineout

drive saw Charlie Walsh the recipient of our first try of the season following great work by the forwards. Converted by team Captain, Tepaea Cook-Savage made it 7 all. PNBHS struck back with a penalty to lead 7-10.

Another attacking lineout and forwards applying pressure saw Henry Brown making a line break then off load to support player Havila Molia who scored untouched to lead at half time 14-10.

Good field position early on gave us the first try of the half following 10+ phases with Matthew Johnson finishing with some great footwork making it 19-10. Having our fair share of position and the ability to keep the ball created a 50m try by Temple Beauchamp showing footwork and speed to complete this great solo effort. Tepaea converted to make it 26-10. Straight from the kick off, the confidence shown through KBA (keep ball alive) saw two great off loads from Lincoln Winter and Nick Karton releasing Lachie Crean for his first touch to run 40m to score and increase our dominance to 31-10. Consistent pressure created an opportunity for Tepaea to dot down and convert our last try. A late try in the last play of game by PNBHS completed a great first up performance by this young group winning convincingly 38-17.

A few injuries from the first game meant a reshuffle and

three other players were potentially making their debut off the bench. Tauranga Boys' College (TBC) started well and applied huge pressure at our breakdown and were physically dominant, getting many turnovers and penalties. An early opportunity for us to attack off the lineout drive was clinical with Campbell Robb scoring to put us ahead 5 nil. TBC applied pressure with direct forward play and our boys struggled to maintain our solid defence, which saw TBC scoring two tries in the first half making it 5-12 at half time.

The second half focus was to compete at the breakdown and maintain possession. Once again our young forwards were exposed to the direct nature of their forwards, with TBC going ahead 24-5 and to our credit we had plenty of opportunities with lineout drives and scrum options hard on their line. However we came up empty handed through some good defence and poor execution. A late try to TBC when we tried to run the ball from behind our own try line made the final score 5-31.

Some great learnings for the whole squad and coaching staff to help in our preparations for the forthcoming CNI season. Big thanks to our trainer Ange Walker, camp manager Mr Wayne Robb and physio Tomas who looked after the boys with recovery, treatment and nutritional needs superbly, as well as to coaches Mr Cody Price and Mr Paul Hodder.

## 1st XV 2019 SEASON BEGINS

### 1st XV vs Cambridge High School – Saturday, 11 May 2019

The St Paul's 1st XV came up against Cambridge High School on Saturday, 11 May, and gave an impressive performance in wet conditions. The theme of the week was for the team to be 'Clinical'. This was shown as the boys started well and got on the score sheet early with a great run resulting in five points from John Hustler, beating defenders left and right. This was followed up by a brilliant box kick from half back Ben Strang that put space in behind the Cambridge defence to free up Captain Tepaea Cook-Savage. The boys were then able to get even more points on the board with tries from Travis Cashmore, Campbell Robb (x2), Tepaea Cook-Savage (x2), Tino Tahitua, Temple Beauchamp (x2), Mattheus Pio, Declan O' Sullivan and John Hustler (x2). This game marked a special occasion for one of the team leaders - Temple Beauchamp, as he has now played 30 times for the 1st XV. Two great run away tries were just a small highlight as to why Temple is such an asset to the squad. Final score 74-7 to St Paul's.

### 1st XV vs Francis Douglas Memorial College – Saturday, 18 May 2019

The CNI season has begun! After a long bus ride down to New Plymouth, the boys in the 1st XV were not ready to give up the Rick Francis Memorial Shield easily. A midday start saw the conditions and the weather perfect for rugby. Both teams initially came out of the gates firing, a tightly contested first

half saw the score at 5-3 after a try from Tepaea Cook-Savage and a penalty kick from Francis Douglas. The second half was no different, starting with the same intensity, Francis Douglas put the boys under the pump when they scored and converted a try early. A few brutal runs from Temple Beauchamp and exciting line breaks from Mattheus Pio and Ben Strang gave the boys confidence. Two further tries late in the match (both scored by Matthew Johnson) gave St Paul's a 15-10 win and saw the Rick Francis Memorial Shield return to Hamilton.

### 1st XV vs Lindisfarne College – Saturday, 25 May 2019

The 1st XV made the trip down to Lindisfarne College in Hastings. The sunny weather that was provided made for excellent conditions for the boys to play their style of footy. With Ben Strang opening the match with a great try, saw the boy's confidence boosted early. Captain, Tepaea Cook-Savage crossed the line just before halftime, making the score 14-12. In the second half, the boys were put under real pressure from Lindisfarne's strong attack. With Lindisfarne in front, with two minutes to go, the boys had to pull on some real ticker, after a clutch full field sequence, Havila Molia got us over the line. A huge congratulations to John Hustler and Henry Brown on their 20th cap game. Final score was 21-19 to St Paul's. Man of the Match – Ben Strang.

# ANNUAL SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

The week leading up to the annual School Cross-Country was one of the driest we've had for some years, with there being no concerns about postponement or ground conditions. Despite a foggy start to the day, the weather soon cleared and it was perfect Cross-Country weather, with firm ground underfoot.

A big thank you to Caroline Kolver, Jack Collins, Rico D'Anvers and Tepaea Cook-Savage for their help in setting up the course, along with Mr Paul Wilson and to the same team for one of the quickest pack-ups ever.

On the day, the competition was strong, with some excellent running on show. The individual placings are:

Junior Boys	Intermediate Boys	Girls	Senior Boys
Matthew d'Hotman de Villiers St Pol	Oliver Larcombe	Darcy Hunter	Angus Riordan
Jeremiah Pereira	Ben Strang	Amelia Hunt	Trey Lincoln
Logan Spencer	Jae Broomfield	Libby Deadman	Caleb Weck

## House Placings:

### Kirby Cup:

This is the championship cup, for the House with the most points scored from runners in the top 30 in each division.

7th place : School; 6th place : Hall; 5th place : Hamilton; 4th place : Sargood; 3rd place : Fitchett; 2nd place : Williams; 1st place (and winner of the Kirby Cup) : Clark House.

### The Overall House Competition – Non-Championship Race:

This is the total of the results of runners who take part, and are not in the top 30 placings. So those who run, and complete the race get points for their House. The more runners that take part, the better your mean score. So the Houses with the highest participation rates are the Houses which did the best.

7th place : Hall; 6th place : School; 4th equal : Fitchett and Hamilton; 3rd place : Clark; 2nd : Sargood; 1st place : Williams House

When combining the results from the Championship and Non-Championship events, the final placings for the inter-House competition are:

7th place : School; 6th place : Hall; 5th place : Hamilton; 4th place : Fitchett; 3rd place : Sargood; 2nd place : Clark; 1st place : Williams House

# WAIBOP CROSS COUNTRY

On Thursday, 6 June, beneath cloudy skies, but with relatively mild weather, the first few races of the WAIBOP Cross Country Championships were run in light drizzle. St Paul's Year 9 boys ran well for their first taste of regional competition, all three placing in the top 30.

- Jerry Pereira 20th
- Jack Thomas 21st
- Daniel Knox 29th

In the Under 16 age group, Isaac Reay and Sam Peoples stepped up to the longer distance of 4km and both placed in the top 40.

At that point, the torrential rain hit and the wind picked up, with the chill factor coming into play. The deteriorating conditions meant that the organisers decided to run the senior races together.

- Arna Morris ran a strong race, completing the 4km in very good time and placing 17th in the senior girls.
- Angus Riordan (Year 12) and Oliver Larcombe (Year 11) ran strongly in the first two laps, but the front bunch began to pull away in the final two laps. Both boys can be extremely proud of their final positions though, finishing the 6km race in 9th (Angus) and 10th (Oliver) places.
- Dean Stewart and Nathan Ingham completed the St Paul's contingent in 24th and 25th place respectively.

The St Paul's senior boys' team came third overall in the three-person team event. The team consisted of Angus Riordan, Oliver Larcombe and Nathan Ingham.

# LINDISFARNE COLLEGE EXCHANGE

## U55kg Rugby

The game for the U55kg Rugby boys took place on the main rugby field at Lindisfarne College and started well for St Paul's with an early try to Ryker Yearbury after a mistake by the Lindisfarne backline, dropping the ball deep in their half. SPC continued to play well into the wind, carrying the ball strongly. Ngakau Benseman and Man of the Match, Andy Irvine, scored good tries out wide. At half time, SPC were leading 26-7.

Andy scored again immediately after half time, to take the score to 33-7. Lindisfarne fought back well to score two tries, with our defence well-tested during this time.

Late tries to Ngakau and Harry Chittick took the score to 45-19 (final score and a good win for SPC). Hunter Doull and Michael Robinson kicked well, converting five of the seven tries.

## Colts Hockey

St Paul's Colts Hockey were very excited to play on one of the international stadium's in the country. The game was played in quarters, with St Paul's starting with a hiss and a roar. After the first quarter, the score was 4-0. Two quiet quarters in the middle showed a little bit of rustiness for our Tihoi boys, with the score at 5-0 with a quarter left to play. After a re-visit on what we wanted to achieve, the boys rolled up their sleeves

and got stuck in, with the final score being 10-0. Ben Allen (4), Sam Lints (5) and Thomas Scanlon (1) were our goal scorers on the day, with the Player of the Day being shared by Cameron Hopping and Sam Lints.

## Colts Football

One of the highlights for the St Paul's Football Colts A boys is the exchange with Lindisfarne College. There was a good mix of experience in the team and it was pleasing to see the Year 10s step up and make their presence known against a solid Lindisfarne team. With a new combination of players, St Paul's took some time connecting their plays and having to defend against Lindisfarne. We were down 1-0 at half time. In the second half, the team looked more composed and started playing the football they enjoy, to draw the game 1-1. Lindisfarne continued their pressuring our defence, exploiting their big man up front to eventually run away with a few goals. Despite the hard-fought final ten minutes, St Paul's Colts weren't able to capitalise and lost 4-1. A brave performance and positive signs where the team was willing to risk conceding in order to play attacking football. Player of the Day was Boston Scott for leading at the back with some fantastic saves.

## OTHER SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS:

- After going through very intensive trials run by Rowing NZ, the following St Paul's past and current students have been selected for New Zealand crews:  
Grace Watson (2018 graduate) was selected into the NZ U23 Women's team representing the nation at the World Champs in Sarasota, USA. Grace has been awarded a scholarship to attend Washington State University.  
Alison Mills (Year 13) selected to represent New Zealand at the World Junior Championships to be held in Tokyo, Japan, rowing in the Women's Coxless Four.
- Kaya Yokoyama has been selected as a Libero (defensive specialist) for the Waikato Women's U21 Provincial team who will travel to Wellington to play in the New Zealand Provincial Volleyball Champs in early June.
- At the Waikato Secondary Schools Swim meet, Ben Littlejohn broke the Waikato record for the 50m Senior Boys Butterfly with a time of 25.45 and Thomas Griffin broke the Waikato record for the 100m Senior Boys Butterfly with a time of 59.21.
- Darcy Hunter has been selected for the 2019 U18 Midland's Women's Hockey team.
- The following members of the Open A Netball team have made representative honours for the 2019 season:  
Abby Payne – Eastern Waikato Under 19 team  
Chloe Davis – Hamilton City Under 17A team
- Matire Ormsby van-Selm – Hamilton City Under 17A team  
Lily Carr Paterson – Hamilton City Under 17B team  
Chloe Carr Paterson – Hamilton City Under 17B team  
Awatea Gudgeon – Hamilton City Under 15A team
- Recent graduates of St Paul's, Lwamba (Hamilton 2015 – 2017) and Temwa (Hamilton 2015 – 2018) Chileshe, have since arriving in Hamilton, played their squash at Lugton Park Squash Club, and three years ago the Club entered the Cousin's Shield for the first time ever. This is the tournament for the top club teams in the country, and is the most prestigious trophy they can compete for. They came 5th or 6th that year and 3rd in 2018. This year, they were seeded 1st and were the only team to have four A1 players in their team of five. They played against Hutt City in the final, and came out on top 3-2 with some tight battles. Temwa won his game 12-10 in the 5th, which turned out to be the decider, so the games were pretty close. Both brothers were then named in the New Zealand Senior Men's Training Squad, from which four players will be chosen to play at the World Champs in Boston in December. With Lwamba heading overseas next year, it's possibly the last time they will play together as part of Lugton Park, so it was a fitting way to end their time together.



## CHAPLAIN'S COMMENT *by Reverend Peter Rickman*

*Jesus said: "I am the light of the world"*

Kia Ora Koutou

Many of us have heard the story that happened allegedly 20 or so years ago.

The North Atlantic fleet of the American Navy was on exercises near the Irish coast. In the communications room, a small blip was seen on the radar screen. A radio signal was sent out to the unidentified vessel asking it to alter its course 15 degrees west immediately. The unidentified vessel replied in a delightful Irish tone: "No, you move!"

A call was placed to the bridge of the USS Missouri and then one of the officers made a similar radio call requesting that the unidentified vessel change its course. Again the unidentified vessel replied in the negative and told the officer that he should be the one to move. Eventually, the captain himself took control of the radio and advised the vessel that if it were to not move immediately, he would be forced to protect his fleet and open fire. After a pause, that voice from the unidentified vessel said: "Captain this is the lighthouse mate, you move!"

When I spoke to the school community at the Founders Day service on the 26th of May I shared this story in the context of the role and position that a school like St Paul's Collegiate School holds in our community, country and the world today. We are called to be a lighthouse and we are the lighthouse keepers.

Lighthouses keep people safe with radiating beams of light piercing the darkness with a message of go that way or come this way. Their light guides and guards people, regardless of their background, race, culture or creed, away from the dangers that lurk under the surface. They shine in the darkness so that people can find safe passage home. The light they emit guards, directs, warns and encourages the traveller to reach their desired destination safely.

Our school, and schools like us, perform this role for generations of young people year after year.

At the Anglican Schools Conference in Timaru at the end of May, there was a significant focus on the art of storytelling to not only remind us of our history, but also to lead us to morality. It was discussed and commented upon that where

once we could appeal to tradition as a source of authority many now do not. Where once we could appeal to scripture and even reason as a source of authority many now do not. Today's trend is for experience itself to become one of our sole sources of authority: "if it feels good, it must be right?"

Of course, as a school community, we would challenge that position theologically, intellectually and practically. The Anglican church particularly has a long distinguished history of responding to life's big questions and debates by drawing upon the combined wisdom and authority of tradition, scripture and reason.

In the darkness of our world, we are called to the role of the lighthouse. To be custodians of the light, to ensure that light shines into the lives minds and hearts of our students. To avoid the pitfalls of indoctrination, we have to always be about education, education and education!

Taking up this role also means we may find ourselves at times in some very isolated places. Lighthouses never stand together but alone. Someone commented last week that our schools may perhaps soon fulfil the role that the monastic communities of the dark ages once did: keeping the lights of faith and its values burning when they have gone out in other places.

Such thinking will see us as places that do take a stand, as we do on many occasions; communities who have drawn lines in the sand and still told the values of tradition, scripture and reason.

Of course, not all change is bad, some change is progressive and liberating and absolutely necessary.

However, some change needs to be challenged and the role we have as a lighthouse adds another dimension to these debates.

The light of faith has many positive attributes. St Paul referred to them as the fruits of the spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control

Like that little Irish Lighthouse did all those years ago, sometimes we are called to shine out into the darkness and say we shall not be moved...

Shine well brothers and sisters  
Arohanui



## ANZAC CHAPEL SERVICE SPEECH *by 2018 graduate, Dylan Woodhouse*

My name is Dylan Woodhouse and I attended St Paul's between 2014 and 2018, and throughout the great war of my secondary school education, I attended a great many chapel services. Of those many services, the ones I remember are those in which our school community gathered to discuss something of significance to us all. This service today is one of those, for every one of us is here because of the sacrifice of the men and women who came before us and the events in which they took part; that shaped the modern world. I am here to talk about the Great War, one of those events.

World War I was the realisation of total war; globe-spanning empires were mobilized; all manner of people came and sacrificed all in a war far from home. This drew ordinary people into the most extraordinary of circumstances. In the panorama of the Great War, we see the very best and worst of humanity emerge, comradeship and heroism took place alongside wholesale slaughter on an industrial scale. The bloody toll that World War I took was made possible through technology that advanced swiftly beneath the spurs of necessity. Yet, despite the advances made in the art of war, killing in the trenches was reduced to brutal, medieval terms. "The carnival of hell," as German soldier R. Baumgartner called it.

Yet, the Great War brought out the best as well as the worst, while we became more adept at killing, strides were made in medical science, healing those wounds and allowing disfigured veterans to live more normal lives. The First World War was less a war of hate than the Second, there was compassion between the trenches. Moments of humanity shined through the poisonous clouds of the conflict, even after New Zealand's darkest day, the 12th of October 1917. The attack on Bellevue Spur, where the New Zealanders were, "asked to do the impossible," as then Prime Minister William Massey said, was a disastrous action in the disastrous Passchendaele campaign. That saw more Kiwis die in a single day than any other battle in this nation's young history, with a great many more dying of wounds they suffered during that doomed charge. The following day, a truce was called to allow the New Zealanders to retrieve their wounded, with the Germans holding fire. It

took many stretcher bearers to retrieve only one wounded man in the mud. AJ Cummings wrote that, "Every yard of that features slab of landscape held the menace of death." Over the course of the futile campaign at Passchendaele and in Flanders, 5000 New Zealanders died, a greater loss than the sum of the previous actions in France and Gallipoli. It was the centennial of this event in 2017 that my friends and I won the honour of attending, following a Ministry of Education competition, funded by the Passchendaele Society.

In Flanders it is hard to escape the memory of the Great War for its history is recorded in much of what you can see along the Menin road. One can pass in minutes, what took years of courageous struggle. All around are battlefields, bunkers and of course the dead. As common as cattle in New Zealand, the cemeteries of the Great War flank the roads in Belgium. Farmers still use barbed wire hooks from the war as fencing, locals display collections of unearthed shells, a bookshop had, as all bookshops should, a Vickers machine gun in the window. The dead are also still being found in Flanders fields. Despite this, there is more than tragedy in Flanders, the humanity again shines through in places such as the welcoming Talbot House, where soldiers gathered between battles, or the press of the hilarious trench mag that guaranteed to cure you of optimism, the *Wipers Times*. In Flanders the best and worst of humanity, are ever present. The village of Messines is the site of a Christmas truce and a major NZ victory in 1917. It is also where a Kiwi hero, Samuel Frickleton won his Victoria Cross taking a German machine gun post at the church, the same church where a villain, a young Corporal named Adolf Hitler, was taken when he was wounded in the early years of the war. Outside that church is a map of New Zealand on Belgium's earth—that along with the New Zealanders buried in it—stands as a testament to the courage of this small nation and the impression it made upon the World during the Great War. The Belgians are a lovely people and they are especially welcoming of New Zealanders - it is a shame that they see so few. For Passchendaele and the Western Front are not so widely remembered in this country. While even today, the Belgians remember that Kiwis came from the uttermost ends of the earth to fight for their freedom.

# ANZAC CHAPEL SERVICE SPEECH

*The Reverend Keith Elliott V.C*

*Presented by Mrs Lee Elliott, ESOL Teacher*

With the theme of today's service embracing a range and era of battles, from a personal perspective, I have had three generations taking part. My Great Grandfather in the NZ Land Wars; my Grandfather in World War One at the Battle of the Somme and my father serving in the Pacific, during World War Two.

Engari, kei te tu ahau i tenei ra ki te whakahono i tetahi tangata toa a toku matua a Keith Elliott.

However, I stand here today to honour a very brave man, my Uncle, Keith Elliott V.C.

On 15 July 1942 Sergeant Keith Elliott No 6571 22nd Battalion, led his platoon in attack under heavy machine gun and mortar fire at Ruweisat Ridge in the western desert, North Africa. Although wounded in the chest, Keith hearing of an Officer badly wounded and needing assistance, he and four men went to his rescue. While searching for the officer they came under fire from a machine gun post, as Keith led a bayonet charge over open ground. This eventually resulted in capturing four machine gun posts and an anti-tank gun. In all, fifty prisoners were captured. In spite of his wounds, he reformed his platoon and handed over his prisoners, now numbering 130. His Commanding Officer said that for Sergeant Elliott to have been able to bring out so many men under such dire circumstances showed amazing quick appreciation of the situation and outstanding qualities of leadership.

He was awarded the Victoria Cross for his actions on Ruweisat Ridge on 15 July 1942 in the western Desert Egypt. To win the Victoria Cross a person has to first have demonstrated valour for an act of bravery at great risk to their life. Secondly, this had to have taken place in the presence of the enemy.

For the purpose of this occasion I would like to move away from the horrors of battle, but instead to consider the man and what influences had been in his life to prepare him for dealing with such an alien situation.

Keith wrote: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: fear God and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man." Ecclesiastes 12:13

Keith Elliott was always very much his own man and had a strong faith. He told me that in the desert in the evenings he would have prayers with his men and always stressed the need to fight honourably.

Early in his life he showed his ability to make decisions quickly and to carry them out. When the dental nurse came in the

mobile clinic to his school, Keith flew into action, scaled the tallest pine tree in the school and remained there until the so called 'murder house' had left!

Keith became a pupil at his much loved Feilding High School and a member of the school's 1st XV. He was always impressed by the school motto. "kia toa, kia ngakau nui" meaning have courage, be strong and of good heart. He carried this motto with him and shared it with the men in the desert within his platoon. He used his love of rugby as an example as the greatest teacher for sportsmanship. He described rugby being like a battle with two sides, one against the other and sometimes you are up and then you are down, but never give up! Keith gifted his Victoria Cross to Feilding High School, where it stayed for many years, but now permanently resides in the war museum at Waiouru.

He wrote a letter to the students of the school, which reveals much about his philosophy. It reads in part: *I always remember being told by a certain person there was a job for you in the world – go out and find it and make a good job of it. Our job has come in a very different line than any of us ever expected, but if we can make a job of this, your future will come in the occupation you are now training for and some of you may perhaps kick a goal from your try and bring honour to the school in a better way than I – in a time of sanity. However, there are things that will face you all – hardships that must be overcome and if this war can bring about peace evermore, it will be worth the waste and destruction it is causing.*

Following the war, Keith became ordained as an Anglican Priest and was able to continue his desire, carrying on the battle to always help those in need. He was the Vicar at several churches in the Manawatu and Rangitikei. Later working for the Maori Mission based at Putiki Church Whanganui and then City Missioner for Wellington. During his time as Vicar at All Saints Church in Palmerston North, he found it difficult to visit his parishioners in outlying areas so he asked the Bishop for a parish car. This was declined. However, Keith in is inimitable way chose to try again, so rode his bicycle up the aisle of the church and parked it next to the pulpit then delivering an appropriate sermon. Yes, he got the car!

In later years, he raised funds for building a recreational centre for under privileged teenagers in Wellington City by walking successfully from North Cape to Invercargill along with a contingent from his Parish as support crew.

Keith was never just a long distance relative known only by a photograph on a wall, but very much part of all our lives. In later years, when ordained as an Anglican priest, he married us



all, baptised the babies and buried those who passed away.

Auspiciously, Keith Elliott was born on April 25th, ANZAC Day 1916 which was the year ANZAC was first celebrated in New Zealand.

The one battle Keith didn't win was that of cancer. He died on 17 October 1989. He was buried with full military honours and

at the request of the family two students from Feilding High School were honorary pallbearers.

In concluding I leave you with a quote from Martin Luther King:

*"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in times of comfort and convenience but where he stands in times of challenge and controversy."*

## SCHOOL HOUSE CHAPEL SERVICE

Sunday 5 May

READINGS:	MATTHEUS PIO NEVADA VAOFANUA LIAM WAIDE
PRAYER:	DANIEL RICKMAN
SERMON:	LUCAS GOODWIN

### Theme: The Acceptance of Others

Not everyone thinks the way you think, knows the things you know, believes the things you believe or acts the way you act. It's not our differences that divide us, it's our inability to recognise and accept those differences. With a population of over seven billion, all with different beliefs, there is more to life than just ourselves. If deep down, we all strive for the same things; happiness, peace, success; then why is it that we're all so conflicted? Do we gain more from confrontation and isolation, or from realisation and acceptance?

Israel Folau, a high-profile Australian rugby star with a strong connection to his religion. By virtue of his status, Israel has a massive influence, but it's how he uses that influence that has cast him under the spotlight. On two separate occasions, Israel Folau has shared his views and passed his religious judgement on social media. One such confusing view was that although he says he loves and respects all people, he doesn't accept gay marriage. Folau also says that those living in sin — for example; homosexuals, fornicators, atheists — will all end up in Hell unless they repent and turn to God. Where must the line be drawn between free speech and hate speech?

Folau's social media is the perfect example of the adage "Just because you can, doesn't mean you should." Whilst he's well within his right to express his religious faith, I believe it should never have been done to the detriment of others. Israel Folau can choose to love and accept others, even if he doesn't agree with them. The Bible states that we shouldn't be concerned about what another person is doing, but rather we should be concerned about our own actions as each of us will give an account of himself to God. It's a case of living your values versus preaching them. We need to tolerate others when they have different opinions on an issue, as we ourselves are not in charge of them; their choices and beliefs about themselves are ultimately theirs alone.

As a nation, New Zealand is renowned for its friendliness,

safety and acceptance of other cultures. But up until the 15th of March of this year, the world had never seen what our reaction was to modern-day terrorism on our soil. Regarded as one of New Zealand's darkest days, the Christchurch mosque attacks left 51 dead and another 49 injured. This left the world wondering: how would New Zealand act in the face of such tragedy? We didn't react with hostility. We didn't withdraw ourselves and build walls between us. Instead of building walls, we, as a country, built bridges and embraced the Islamic faith. Over 20,000 people attended the call-to-prayer the week after the attacks, including All Black Sonny Bill Williams. In contrast to Israel Folau, Sonny Bill Williams has illustrated his faith positively and hasn't brought his beliefs in Islam under a negative spotlight. As both an All Black and a Muslim, Sonny Bill's use of his platform has been massive. His attendance at the Christchurch memorial, as a proud Muslim and a proud New Zealander, showed hope in the face of a great sadness. We too, can unconsciously judge others by their religion, without even realizing that we're judging them. Most of us aren't consciously aware of what Islam truly is at its heart and as a collective, we might have all painted Muslims with the same brush, whether we've known it or not. We shouldn't just accept or reject others based on their faith and what they believe in. We can show others what acceptance is when we treat others how we want to be treated. If we put up walls instead of opening up to others, it leads to mistrust with one another, regardless of religion and it sows the seeds for extremists to act upon. Metaphorically, the global knowledge and understanding of Islam is the light that can get rid of the darkness of terrorism.

In a society where only an incredibly small group of peoples' opinions are valued, how can there be acceptance? How can that small group somehow manage to represent the entirety of a nation? From a political standpoint, this group can take a number of names; despotism, a monarchy, a dictatorship. But regardless of its name, it appears that the word of the group is final and all other ideas and alternate viewpoints are rejected. These types of ideologies can lead to massive amounts of suffering, and can completely stop the healthy progression of a society. It isn't difficult to find examples of where horrible evils were committed due to a leader's failure to accept others. Queen Mary and the English Monarchy, whose failure to accept Protestantism in England led to the deaths of hundreds



of Protestants. Adolf Hitler, whose hatred towards Judaism was so strong that it led to one of the greatest genocidal events in modern history: the Holocaust. Contrast this with Jacinda Ardern; after an attack that could've divided the Muslim community from the rest of New Zealand, Jacinda made it her mission to beg, to plead for unity.

Sometimes the hardest demand on a person is to accept responsibility after a mistake. Jacinda set down the guidelines for how Kiwis must act and behave; not towards Muslims, but

to our fellow brothers and sisters, because they, like all of us, are New Zealand.

I want to finish this sermon with a short excerpt from Jacinda Ardern's speech at the Christchurch memorial: "We have heard the stories of those impacted by this terrorist attack... stories of those who had made New Zealand their home... who sought a better life for themselves or their families. These stories... now form part of our collective memories. They will remain with us forever. They are us."

## SARGOOD HOUSE CHAPEL SERVICE

*Sunday 19 May*

OPENING RESPONSES:	MAIAH MCDONALD
READINGS:	DAVID HANCOCK
PRAYERS:	HUNTER SINGH
CLOSING RESPONSES:	SCOTT ZHOU
SERMON:	WRITTEN BY SAM COX PRESENTED BY SAM AND HAVILA MOLIA

### Theme: Brotherhood

Brotherhood - if you google this word, the results will say: "An association or community of people linked by a common interest". However, the word means so much more than that set of eleven words. To us in Sargood, this word is the backbone of our community. We treat this word with great respect and when it is said, it is not treated lightly. There is a sense of mana to the word. We believe that there are four key components to Brotherhood: kindness, integrity, accountability for your actions, and having each other's backs. Even though in the past the word Brotherhood may have meant something different in our House, we have decided to make a change, and there is no better way to talk about it than in a chapel sermon.

"Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible" - The 14th Dalai Lama. Kindness is one of, if not the most important, values in the four cornerstones of Brotherhood. As a House we strive to be kind to anyone and everyone that we interact with. Just a smile can mean the world to people or as we heard in this very room on Thursday morning, being kind to a stranger may change their lives forever. As Mark Twain said, "Kindness makes the world go round" and it truly does. Just by wearing the colour pink on Thursday and putting a few bucks into that bucket helped people all around our country. Just remember a smile and a wave can go a long way to making someone's life great. Cornerstone One: A smile goes a long way.

As C.S. Lewis once said, "Integrity is doing the right thing when nobody's watching." Integrity is another key pillar of Brotherhood. The quote by C.S. Lewis really sums up the meaning of integrity. We should all show integrity, whether it is in the classroom when your teacher has walked out to grab something or when you and your mates are in the dorm. We should be doing the right thing. We are not saying that we can't have fun, but we need to do the right thing especially

when no one is watching or when it is an important time. A great example of the word integrity is when two Sargood Year 11 boys, Brad and Hunter, saw that Mrs Clarke was under pressure at the tuck shop so they decided to go and help her out by taking other students orders. These boys displayed what integrity truly means and helped other people in our community out. Cornerstone Two: Do the right thing.

Having someone's back is huge when you are in a large community like we are. It is a crucial part of Brotherhood and it helps when we can rely on each other to help people out through the hard times and we should be able to do the same for them. As many of you will know, early this year, a boy from Matamata tragically lost his life. Multiple boys from Sargood and the entire school community were greatly affected by this loss. However, everyone stepped up and helped out those affected. Five days after this incident, New Zealand experienced its first ever major terror attack. Yet again, as a community, we stepped up to the mark and helped our countries Muslim community by collecting money for the victims of the attacks and people going down to the mosque down the road to show their support of the victims whose lives were lost in this tragic event. Over these two times we showed the true meaning of Brotherhood and had each other's back. Cornerstone Three: Have someone's back.

At the end of the day we are accountable to ourselves - our success is a result of what we do. We need to be accountable in not only the bad times when we make mistakes, but also the good times when we do good in our community. As a Brotherhood, we need to own our actions. If a group or community does something good, they should own it and be proud of what they do. However, they also have to own what they have done when the group stuffs up, people involved need to own up for their actions and take their consequences for their actions on the chin. An example of this would be when Jake Alloway won the NZ under 16 Speed water skiing champs - he is accountable for this by owning this title like the true champion he is, he still wears the event hoodie even to this day. On the other side of the spectrum a once Year 12 boy smashed a window whilst trying to show off his soccer skills. But he was accountable for his actions and owned up to it straight away. Cornerstone Four: Own what you do.

# CHARACTER

**SPECIAL CHARACTER**



## TIHOI – LEARNING THE JOY OF RUNNING

Intake one 2019 are into Week 16 and on Friday, 24 May the boys completed the 14km Cross-Country race. This is competed on undulating bush tracks and is a tough challenge for anyone. Usually the run is completed on a large loop track to and from the Tihoi campus, but due to logging in the forest, we are currently running the Waihaha Great Lake trail. This beautiful single track run has stunning views out to Lake Taupo, then follows the Waihaha River to the carpark off SHWY32. The 14km race is the final build up to the personal challenge of the half marathon – Tihoi boys take on the half marathon as a personal challenge on the day before graduation from the programme.

Running is a part of daily life at Tihoi. Humans evolved to run, so it is something every one of us can do and it is relatively inexpensive. In our busy lives, running is time efficient – the minute you step out the door the exercise begins. The Tihoi

running programme is progressive, with the boys beginning with 3 – 4km runs, three times per week and building up to regular hour long training sessions. The benefits of running are well documented; improving physical and mental health! Having the time to go for a run in the bush, on a regular basis, is a privilege at Tihoi that the staff appreciate and the boys learn to appreciate.

After a busy school day, going for a run gives us time to think and process the day. It makes us happier, even if getting out there is a struggle at first. It is a joy to watch the boys gain in fitness, self-esteem and to experience the physical and mental benefits of running. Intake One 2019 are setting their sights on the half marathon – to be run on Friday, 14 June. The huge majority of students are determined to complete this challenge and hopefully they will continue to include running as part of their lives on return to the Hamilton campus.



# 2019 APYLC CONVENTION HELD IN JAKARTA

by Ayla Hall

你好, Halo, こんにちは, 여보세요, li-hó or hello.  
Halo dari Indonesia, hello from Indonesia.

From 7-14 April 2019, Amelia Hunt, Charlie Jackson, Ollie O'Meeghan, Hugo Shale, Ben Littlejohn and I (Ayla Hall) along with Mr Littlejohn represented St Paul's and New Zealand at the Asia Pacific Young Leaders Convention (APYLC) hosted by BINUS School Serpong in Jakarta, Indonesia.

We were joined by delegates from China, South Korea, Japan, Australia, Taiwan, Indonesia and Singapore. The convention opened with an opening ceremony and each country presented an introduction to ourselves, our school and our country. The theme of 'Embracing Unity, Valuing Diversity' was introduced to the convention and we learned we would apply contrast as our learning mechanism.

We were split into groups of approximately one delegate from each country. Each group was assigned a topic of a sensitive issue that Indonesia is currently facing. For the following days we would study, share and explore the topics of education, economy, human rights, urban planning, environment and technology; making contrasts within Jakarta and Indonesia and with our home countries. Each group had different excursions led by various local organisations ranging from schools of different social-economic levels, visiting landfills, refugee centres and house building sites. Student's eyes were opened by the poverty and a system that cannot provide the basics of an education for every child. Students were able to teach a little English, help children with projects and spend some time building homes for example. The experience was heart wrenching and we felt very privileged; so very privileged; by the opportunities we have at St Paul's and in general. My fellow delegates shared their different experience and knowledge from their countries. When we contrasted what we know of New Zealand's education system, we felt we should be both proud and grateful for what we have.

On the third day of the convention we all bonded with a scavenger hunt in the beautiful botanical gardens. As Kiwis, we were not used to the heat and we finished hot and exhausted, but having had lots of fun. After a well needed sleep, we found ourselves on the last day of the convention experience. We shared more about our countries with cultural booths. Ours of course featured such things as a buzzy bee, pineapple lumps, an All Blacks jersey, and some great posters from Tourism New Zealand, we think we did our bit to promote travel to New Zealand while we were there!

The cultural dances or skits came next and we managed to intimidate our fellow delegates with the School haka. The final part of the day, before the closing ceremony, was a presentation by each topic group. This was our chance to bring our learnings together and to reflect on four days of amazing experiences, of looking at some of the issues facing Indonesia and hearing about other countries' issues and thinking about the different issues New Zealand faces. We were left with thoughts on how things can be different, how we can share and work together and our perspectives on the world we live in have been developed. In four days we built friendships, discovered differences and similarities and experienced multinational teamwork. It has been a huge learning curve and an experience which we will all remember. We were all challenged to keep developing our leadership skills, to think about the way we live, how we share the planet and how we can cooperate to address the contrasts we see, to become leaders for a future world that is the best it can be.

This was a really special trip and we would like say a huge thank you to Mr Littlejohn ("Mr Garth") for accompanying us and helping us to prepare in the weeks leading up to our departure and also to Mr Lander for allowing us this unique opportunity.





