



# A brief 'State of the Nation'

It seems appropriate at the end of the 2016 academic year, a year that has heralded considerable change, to give a brief state of the nation through the eyes, fading as they are, of the Head of College.

As you will be aware, earlier this year, I announced my intention to retire in July next year. Over the course of this year, much thought has been given by the Board and senior staff to the decision to restructure the management of Saint Kentigern. The planned appointment of an educator in the role of overall Head of Saint Kentigern, to oversee the activities of each of our schools, is far-sighted. This role will be supported by an experienced Chief Operating Officer with considerable educational experience. The mandate of these two positions is vital to ensure further growth, development and financial security. I fully support this direction to ensure Saint Kentigern continues to flourish.

Academically, the College continues to advance in most areas. Once again, the 2016 results should see the majority of our NCEA students gain their certificates at each Level and we are hoping that the endorsement percentage will also continue to rise. I am pleased to see a growing number of boys and girls opting to study towards the International Baccalaureate Diploma. This alternative qualification not only gives students new opportunities and challenges, but also the teachers who are lucky enough to deliver its curriculum.

The appointment of some of our staff to senior positions in other schools is testament to the high regard in which our academic teachers are held. This means, in return, that intelligent and vibrant teachers are seeking positions with us to gain similar opportunities. This is particularly evident and pleasing in the vital areas of Science, Mathematics, English, Commerce and Technology; subjects which some schools are finding challenging to fill.

Our staff continues to be our greatest asset - but the problems recently highlighted in the media with regard to the increasing cost of living in Auckland,

resulting in many choosing to move to the provinces for a more affordable lifestyle, cannot be ignored in coming years.

One of the College's other great assets is undoubtedly our location and grounds. The development and upkeep of our environment has not only meant a wonderful playground for youngsters to enjoy but is a remarkable marketing tool. One of the major aims of the Trust will be to continue to develop our site with modern, relevant buildings.

The quality of our governance, academic staff, facilities, and opportunities for our students to grow and learn has, among other things, meant unprecedented interest in places at the College. The roll will grow again next year - a desirable situation for any school to be in.

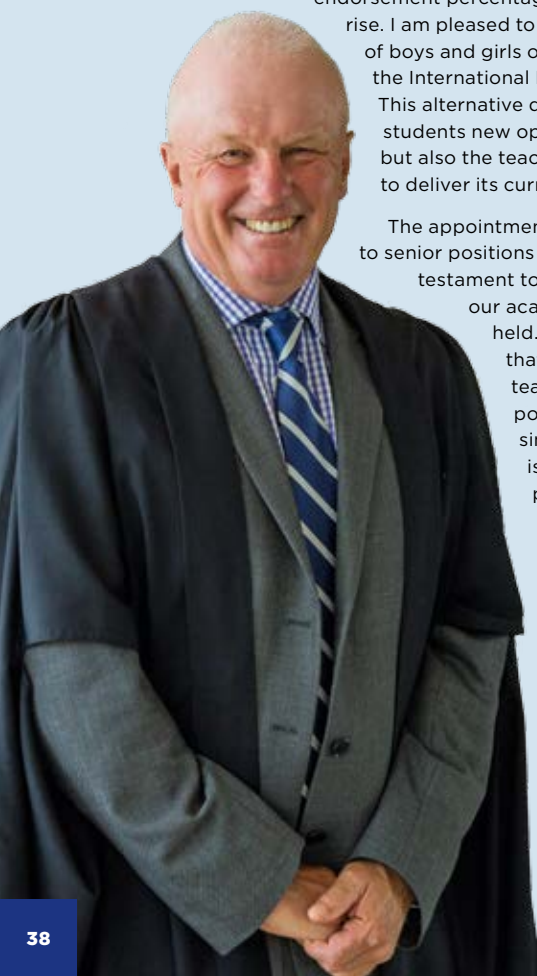
Most families seeking a Saint Kentigern education do so for the all-round experience that we have grown a reputation for providing. The nature of our pastoral care system and rigorous academic opportunities for students of all abilities, are vitally important. Equally important are the Christian family values, so well-portrayed by our Chaplain, Reverend David Smith, and the growing opportunities for students to look beyond themselves and give service to others, both within and beyond our community. Most families also want their youngsters to experience some of the vast variety of co-curricular activities we are able to offer. It is such an important part of a young person's development and the commitment by our staff to be fully involved does set us apart from virtually every other school in the country.

At the time of writing, the future looks very bright for this College. We may face challenges but we also know that wonderful opportunities lie ahead.

As I head towards my retirement, I can honestly say that I have loved almost every moment of my career in education; there has not been one day when I have not wanted to come to school. I do understand that classroom teaching has changed and I am in wonderment of the opportunities that lie ahead with innovative classroom spaces, effective learning intentions and, of course, the use of technology becoming more and more exciting. However, despite all the technological advances, I still strongly believe that the influence an inspired teacher has, using the depth of their knowledge, force of their personality and skill in communicating with youngsters, will always be what young people relate to - and will remember long after they leave the College gates.

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**Mr Steve Cole, Head of College**







# Farewell

## to two Long Serving Members of Staff

At the end of each year, a number of staff leave the College as they move on to new pastures; quite often to a notable promotion. Each year, there are also those who have reached retirement age and, at the end of their working life, leave knowing that it's time to take a rest, also knowing that they leave a job well done. Two stalwarts of the College retired at the end of the year having undertaken remarkable tenures at Saint Kentigern, amassing 70 years of service between them!

### Terry Haffern – 38 Years of Service



Mr Terry Haffern has taught at the College for 38 years since he was appointed as Head of Biology. It is a subject he has taught with flair and passion throughout his time at Saint Kentigern, but his involvement in College life has been so much more, from rugby coaching, to Head of Tennis, football coaching and, in recent years, drama productions.

Mr Haffern has always had a spring in his step! With an endless enthusiasm and zest for life, he has never failed to

seek out new and interesting ways to engage his students. Young at heart, yet wise and experienced in years, he has always been willing to share his ideas and understandings about teaching Biology and how to better engage students. This, combined with his cheerful disposition and 'all knowing smile' has made him not only a wonderful teacher but also a treasured and valued colleague who has a great deal of respect from students and staff alike.

Interestingly, in the early days, Mr Haffern, along with others, was involved in not only teaching but also in 'mucking in' to landscape quadrangles, create ponds and develop the Horticulture area!

There are very few people in a secondary school who would have given such wide and varied service to one organisation over so many years. In addition to his considerable impact in the science department, former students will also remember his passion for the various teams he coached. Current arts students will remember his dedication to the 'backstage crew' for many notable shows.

Still vigorous and very young at heart, no doubt Mr Haffern has many long happy years ahead!

### Val Little – 32 Years of Service



When Mrs Val Little began her tenure in January 1984, there were only three female staff members. In 1986, when she was promoted to HOD of Commerce, she became the first female Head of Department in the history of the College. In another first, she became the first female staff member to attend Field Centre as a walker and not as a cook.

The growth of Commerce during Mrs Little's tenure is a testament to her determination, work and ability.

Commerce is the largest and most successful non-compulsory subject department in the College and she has forged a formidable reputation as an outstanding teacher who would not accept second best from her students.

Mrs Little has also been Teacher in Charge of Student teachers for five years, the Textbook Co-ordinator for eight years and founded the annual Honours Board Dinner. She is one of only two staff to be recognised with the title 'Master Teacher' by the Trust Board.

Mrs Little has also made a valuable contribution to the life of the College. Besides her involvement in both squash and badminton, she managed and organised the Young Enterprise and Accounting Pursuits programmes for many years, with the College team being Auckland Regional Champions in Accounting for six consecutive years. She has also assisted students with preparing their applications for PWC and RSM Prince Scholarships.

Looking back at her career, it is no doubt the achievement of her pupils that gives Mrs Little the greatest sense of accomplishment. The success of her students at both college and university are a source of great pride for her. We wish her well as she moves into her retirement years.



### Principalship for Mrs Tracey Dykstra

We congratulate former Head of Teaching and Learning, Mrs Tracey Dykstra on her appointment as Principal at Senior College within the ACG Group. Mrs Dykstra has been part of the Senior Management Team at the College and is noted as a wonderful educator; this is a very well deserved appointment. Her impact in the academic and general life at our College has been considerable. The staff have really enjoyed working with her over the years and we have been hugely grateful for the innovative approach she has taken to teaching and learning at Saint Kentigern. We will follow her influence beyond the College with much interest.



# Senior School Prizegiving 2016

Senior Prizegiving signalled the end of another notable year in the life of the College as the Saint Kentigern College community gathered in Elliot Hall to congratulate our Year 11, 12 and 13 IB (International Baccalaureate) and NCEA (National Certificate of Educational Achievement) academic prize winners, including those who have received scholarships to continue their education at tertiary level.

As well as our top academic achievers, Senior Prizegiving also recognises our very best sportsmen and women, debaters, actors, dancers and musicians, and those who have given well beyond expectation in Service. At all levels, there are many who strive to achieve their utmost in every endeavour they undertake.

Each student who came across the stage could be rightfully proud of awards that recognised their significant contribution. The afternoon culminated with the announcement of the highest academic honour, the Dux. The honour was awarded to both the top IB Diploma student, Kevin Shen and the top NCEA student, Nicholas Allen. Congratulations to these two deserving students who have worked hard and made the most of every opportunity.

## IB Dux Medallist for 2016

### Kevin Shen



Kevin joined the College in 2012 as a Year 9 student, immediately demonstrating his outstanding academic ability, particularly in the subject of Mathematics.

He is an exceptional mathematician with exemplary skills in this subject. This year, he was placed first in the Senior Division of the Auckland Mathematical Olympiad and gained second place, for the second year running, in the Casio Victoria University Senior Mathematics Competition.

Most significantly, Kevin has been a national representative in the prestigious New Zealand Mathematical Olympiad team for three years, earning an honourable mention at the International Mathematical Olympiad each year.

In 2015, as a Year 12 student, Kevin achieved an NZQA Outstanding Scholars Award after achieving Outstanding Scholarships in Chemistry, Statistics, and Calculus examinations, which are usually taken in Year 13.

Kevin has been a four-time recipient of Academic Colours in the Senior College. In Year 12, he won the IB Diploma Prize for Mathematics and Economics and a 'Top Academic' award. As a result of his academic achievements in Year 12, Kevin was chosen as a member of the 2016 Scholars Group. This year, he is awarded the IB Diploma Prize in Mathematics and a Saint Kentigern Scholarship. He will be sitting NZQA Scholarship examinations in Chemistry, Physics, Statistics, Calculus, Economics.

In addition to his academic success, Kevin has been involved in the co-curricular life of the College as a member of the Premier Chess Team and a Badminton team. He has also participated in the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award.

During his time at the College, Kevin has served others in various capacities: as a College Librarian, a Peer Support Leader, Academic and ESOL Mentor and member of the Environmental group. He has also participated in Presbyterian Support's 'Enliven' programme.

In 2017, in recognition of his exceptional academic ability and extensive involvement in a range of activities, Kevin has been offered a 'Top Achiever Scholarship' from the University of Auckland.

## NCEA Dux Medallist for 2016

### Nicholas Allen



Nicholas, an outstanding scholar with tremendous academic talent, joined the College in 2012 as a Year 9 student.

Achieving Academic Colours in every senior year, Nicholas has also won the Latin Prize three years in a row and in 2015 gained a 'Top Academic' award. As a result of his academic performance, he was chosen to be a member of the Year 13 Scholars Group and will be sitting NZQA Scholarship Examinations in Latin, Statistics and English. This

year, he is also awarded the Goldson Prize for Chemistry and a Saint Kentigern Scholarship.

During his time at the College, Nicholas has made a considerable contribution to the Arts as both a crew member for College musical productions and a member of the Kentoris Choir, which this year won a Gold Award at the National Big Sing Finale. He has also been a Model United Nations representative, a member of the Rock Climbing club and the Silver and Steel group. Nicholas has represented the College in Football and has been a member of the Premier Yachting squad.

In addition to his varied and extensive co-curricular involvement, Nicholas has served others at the College as a Peer Support Leader, Academic Mentor and member of the Environmental Group.

In 2017, Nicholas intends to study Law and Science at the University of Auckland.



# Middle School Prizegiving

On the final day of the College year, the Sports Centre was packed to capacity as family, friends and special invited guests gathered with our students in Years 7-10 to celebrate their academic, sporting and cultural successes at the Middle School Prizegiving.

The official party of College leaders, Trust Board members and teaching staff were piped in by Jack Frewin, followed by the College Sinfonia, comprising our Middle School musicians, accompanying the National Anthem.

In recognition of excellence, effort, diligence and achievement, the top students in each age group came forward to collect their prizes from Trust Board members, Dr Bruce Goodfellow and Mr Alan Burton,

with Head of Middle School, Mr McQueen, and Head of College, Mr Steve Cole awarding the 'special' prizes in each age group.

Special cups were awarded to Maddison Clarke for the 'All-Round' girl and Benjamin Shepherd as the 'All-Round' boy. These two students have been fully committed to all aspects of College life. The top honours of the morning went to Isobel Merrie as Dux of the Middle School, a student who has attained significant academic achievement.

At the conclusion of the formalities, the Second Pipe Band finished the year in our traditional manner by 'Beating the Retreat' from the bridge.

Our congratulations to all our award winners and especially to Isobel!

## Dux of the Middle School Isobel Merrie

Isobel Merrie has the honour of being awarded the Dux of Middle School for 2016. Isobel has consistently achieved Excellence or Excellence Plus in her subjects. She has had outstanding results for both Year 11 Cambridge Mathematics and Year 11 Music in Year 10 and has been commended for her Latin, Social Studies and Spanish success.

As an all-rounder, she has excelled this year both academically and in her co-curricular activities. She has found success in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award; Middle School Production Cast and Chorus for 'Joseph and the Technicolour Dream Coat'; is a member of Kentoris Choir which placed first at this year's Big Sing competition and rows for the U15. Isobel's leadership skills have been demonstrated through her role as a Middle School Student Leader.

Isobel is a fine leader and Daughter of Kentigern with a commitment to strive to achieve at the highest level. Her ability to immerse herself with a passion in all areas of learning is a testament to her maturity.



## The J.E.H Kururangi Cup

For the Year 10 Boy showing All Round Ability

### Benjamin Shepherd



Benjamin demonstrates all the attributes of a well-rounded student and has shown a great capacity to embrace all the College has to offer. His discipline and determination towards his studies have led to excellent grades across all his subjects including outstanding results in Year 10 English and Year 11 Cambridge Mathematics. His leadership skills have been demonstrated through his role as a Middle School Leader.

Benjamin has shown substantial co-curricular commitments this year including: Middle School Scholars Group, Theatresports, Basketball U15B, Rugby U14, Cross Country AKSS Mixed, Athletics Eastern Zone, Debating Junior Premier Two, Tennis Junior A2 and the Year 10 Mathex Team.

He has also participated in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.

## The Birch Cup

For the Year 10 Girl showing All Round Ability

### Maddison Clarke



Maddison strives for excellence in an impressive range of academic, sports and cultural endeavours.

She is a well-rounded and successful student largely due to her perseverance, hard work and dedication to every challenge she sets her sight on. She has had outstanding results in Year 10 English and Year 10 Social Studies, attaining Excellence +. Her leadership skills have been demonstrated through her role as a Middle School Leader.

Maddison has also had substantial co-curricular commitments including: AKSS Aquathon, AKSS Cross Country, AKSS Duathlon, AKSS Swimming, Junior Cycling, Open Water Swimming, Middle School Production Cast and Chorus for 'Joseph and the Technicolour Dream Coat' and Wearable Arts Show Designer. She has also participated in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.







# 38 Tertiary Scholarships Awarded!

The College is thrilled that by Senior School Prizegiving, 28 of our graduating students had already been awarded 37 significant tertiary scholarships, providing them with financial assistance for their chosen tertiary studies. In some instances, these provide a very substantial sum and these students can be very proud of their achievement. Other students can be equally proud to have been offered more than one scholarship, opening up choice as to where they continue their education.

Each year the number of scholarships awarded usually increases over the summer break as exam results become available; in particular for those seeking scholarships from universities in the Northern Hemisphere.

Congratulations to the following students on their achievements!



## THE UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND

University of Auckland - George Turner Wilson Music Trust Scholarships	Emily Young	\$2,500 for first year only
University of Auckland - Scholarship from Faculty of Business & Economics	Thomas Morton	\$3,000 for first year
University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship	Has Brooke	\$20,000 paid in first year
University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship	Katherine Chang	\$20,000 paid in first year
University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship	Greer Hunter	\$20,000 paid in first year
University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship	Kevin Shen	\$20,000 paid in first year
University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship	Samantha Louie	\$20,000 paid in first year

## THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Aimee Blake	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Sophie Clarkson	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Greer Hunter	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Spencer Johnstone	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Emily Peart	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Caitlin Walker	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Nicola Williams	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship	Jonathan Lee	\$6,000 for first year only
University of Otago New Frontiers Scholarship	Ella Mayhew	\$2,500 for first year only
University of Otago New Frontiers Scholarship	Harriet Carter	\$2,500 for first year only
University of Otago New Frontiers Scholarship	Zach Tucker	\$2,500 for first year only
University of Otago Vice-Chancellor's Entrance Scholarship	Greer Hunter	\$4,000 for first year only
University of Otago Vice-Chancellor's Entrance Scholarship	Jonathan Lee	\$4,000 for first year only
University of Otago Vice-Chancellor's Entrance Scholarship	Spencer Johnstone	\$4,000 for first year only

# Saint Kentigern Scholarships

Each year at Senior School Prizegiving, the College awards special Saint Kentigern Scholarships to our highest achieving scholars in recognition of their academic achievement. This year, seven scholarships were awarded to be put towards further study.

Kevin Shen and Nicholas Allen, our IB Diploma Dux and NCEA Dux, each received \$3000. Dominic Devlin, Kurt Hawkins, Haswell Brooke, Connor Mattson and Henry Mellsop each received \$1000.

These students have applied themselves fully to their academic studies whilst at College and we wish each of them the very best as they move on to their tertiary studies.



## VICTORIA UNIVERSITY

Victoria Excellence Scholarships	Alexandra Gordon	\$5,000 for first year
Victoria Excellence Scholarships	Jonathan Lee	\$5,000 for first year
Victoria Excellence Scholarships	Oliver O'Rourke	\$5,000 for first year
Victoria Excellence Scholarships	Ainsley Foster	\$5,000 for first year
Victoria Achiever Scholarship	Sophie Clarkson	\$5,000 for first year

## THE UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY

UC College of Business and Law Award for Excellence.	Matthew Wong-Kam	\$5,000 per annum for three years
UC Engineering Top Scholars Award	Has Brooke	\$5,000 per annum for two years
UC Go Canterbury Scholarship	Liam Braithwaite	\$5,000 towards accommodation for first year
UC Go Canterbury Scholarship	Andrew Glover	\$5,000 towards accommodation for first year
UC Go Canterbury Scholarship	Hamish Glover	\$5,000 towards accommodation for first year
UC Go Canterbury Scholarship	Richard Salwey	\$5,000 towards accommodation for first year

## UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

Sir Edmund Hillary Scholarship	Sydney Fraser	\$10,000 per annum
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## AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY (AUT)

AUT Vice-Chancellor's Significant Student Scholarships	Jonathan Lee	\$6,500 per annum
AUT Vice-Chancellor's Significant Student Scholarships (pending)	Sydney Fraser	\$6,500 per annum
Holcim Scholarship	Caitlin Walker	\$2,000 per annum and paid holiday work
RSM New Zealand Accounting Scholarship	Ryan McEwen	\$1,200 per annum

## INTERNATIONAL

Winthrop University, USA Tennis Scholarship	Connor Williamson	70% of all fees per annum
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## Year 13 Graduation Chapel and Dinner



The Year 13 leavers came together for one last time at their Graduation Dinner. It was the last time they would wear their school uniform, the last time they joined in worship and the Prayer of Saint Kentigern, and the last time they would follow a lone Piper as one.

Over 900 guests comprising students and their families, along with staff and Trust Board members gathered on the top floor of the Ellerslie Convention Centre for Reverend David Smith's Graduation Chapel – an ending and sending. Before Chapel began, the audience was treated to a moving duet by Sam Elliot and Isaac Samuels.

Reverend Smith reflected on all that he hoped the students had learned in Chapel. He said, 'I hope at Chapel you were challenged to think about life and love and community. And at the very least, that you were encouraged to be open to the possibility that there's more to life than meets the eye.' Reverend Smith encouraged the graduates to go forth with all their strength 'and then some'. 'Three words,' he said, 'that can transform our lives.'

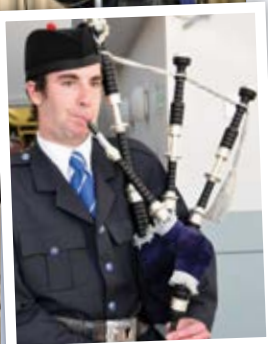
Directly after the Chapel Service, the audience were again treated to a very powerful and moving solo by Emily Young, who sang 'Forever Young'. The Heads of Houses then called each student up to receive their Diplomas and to be congratulated by Dr Bruce Goodfellow, Chairman of the Trust Board and Mr Steve Cole, Head of College. They then went on to receive their testimonials from Mrs Suzanne Winthrop, Head of Senior School.

Upon completion of the formal graduation, the procession was led by Piper, James Milner to the dinner venue. From there, the evening was free of formality to enjoy dinner.

Following dinner, Head Boy, Edward Barry and Head Girl, Sydney Fraser addressed the audience. Sydney thanked Mr Cole on behalf of the Class of 2016. She said, 'Even though our final week was a tad crazy, It's the high expectations that you place on us, that enables is to succeed in all areas of life, so thank you.'

As always, the House leaders spoke on behalf of their Houses. Each mentioned how it has been a privilege to lead their House and they offered thanks to their teachers, fellow students, parents and Heads of Houses.

We wish all these students and their families well as they end their time with us.







## Bruce House Dinner

Reverend David Smith, Housemaster at Bruce House reminds us each year that the boarders are a special community within the College; a family - a very special whanau - which others may not really 'get' until they belong.

Parents of the Year 13 graduates, staff and Trust Board members joined the boarders at Bruce House early in Term 4 to celebrate their achievements and give thanks to those who care for them - their surrogate family members during term time. This was a special evening where the invited guests soon gained an understanding of the very strong family bond that pervades the boarding house.

Year 13 student, Te Ahiwaru Cirikidaveta led fellow boarders in a highly charged House Haka before the guests were escorted to their table.

This year Bruce House has been home to 119 young people - the largest cohort to date. Following dinner, Reverend Smith said he particularly enjoys the 'every-day stuff' 'up at the House' - hearing the boarders' laughter, observing the camaraderie, hearing their stories and celebrating their successes. He has immense pride and 'aroha' for his 'extended family.' 'As I look at you, I see myriad characters. Each one of you is your own person, yet each one of you is part of something bigger than yourselves. You can be proud of yourself for who you are, for what you do and for all that you contribute to the fabric of the College.'

Current Bruce House Head Prefects, Alfie Robertson and Iris Lee both came forward to speak with passion about their boarding experience. They have both been excellent role models to the younger students and epitomise all that is good in such a community. Both have only been boarders for two years and whilst they acknowledged that they might not have done the 'hard yards,' they had both come to know the sense of belonging and family within the House. They paid tribute to their fellow boarders and the many staff who care for them amongst the duty, nursing and catering staff.

The evening concluded with Head of College, Mr Steve Cole presenting the Bruce House Awards for 2016 followed by the announcement of next year's Bruce House student leaders: Head Girl, Lisa Miyaura, Head Boy, Harrison Taylor and their deputies, Ty Stevens and Louis Poot.

### Bruce House Awards 2016

**The MacFarlan Award for Head Boy:**

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**The McGuiness Cup for Academic Honours:**

**The Morgan Cup for Year 11 Academic Achievement:**

**The Bruce House Cup for All-Rounder Boy:**

**The Norma Cowie Cup for All-Rounder Girl:**

**The Marcroft Cup for Sportsperson of the Year:**

Alfie Robertson

Iris Lee

Alfie Robertson

Rafe Macdonald

Finn Linton

Lyla Tapusoa

Mererangi Paul





# Middle School Solo Music Competition

## OVERALL SOLO MUSIC WINNER

Adam Perry on Piano Accordion



After the ongoing success of the Senior School Solo Music Competition, it was finally time to celebrate our talented younger musicians. For the first time, the Middle School held its own Solo Music Competition in Term 4, treating the audience to some fantastic performances, including wind, voice, strings and piano pieces, with some 'jaw-dropping' moments.

The competition was open to any Middle School student who was Grade 3 or higher on their instrument. After a series of auditions, the competition put each of the 14 finalists in the spotlight, under the watch of our two guest judges for the evening: Senior Lecturer in Music Education Graham McPhail and Rachael Brand, who has recently finished as Director of Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra.

As the winners were announced, the students waited nervously to hear their names called. Adjudicator, Graham McPhail, said the standard of musicianship was incredibly high given the age of the students. Both adjudicators were in complete agreement on the winners for each of the sections, with one clearly standing out as overall winner. Year 9 student, Adam Perry, was the inaugural recipient of the overall Middle School Solo Music Award, after impressing the judges with his incredible Piano Accordion performance, Hungarian Dance No 5 by Johannes Brahms.

## STRING WINNER - Celina Tsui



### String Finalists

Sophia Chiang and Charlie Edmonds

## VOICE WINNER - Venice Qin



### Voice Finalists

Sarah Liu, Elsdon Yong and Emma King

## WIND WINNER - Adam Perry



### Wind Finalists

David Liu and Libby Lightfoot

## PIANO WINNER - Daniel Huang



### Piano Finalists

Olivia Chiang, Jesse Niu, Catherine Chang and Yu Dian Dong

# Middle School Drama Club

We all know the traditional tales of the Three Little Pigs, Little Red Riding Hood, and Cinderella, right? We also know that Roald Dahl put his own spin on them when he wrote his 'Revolting Rhymes' - yes? So when the College Middle School Drama Club chose the tales, read the rhymes and then wrote their own version, we knew to expect the unexpected! Absolutely!

These might have started out as the fairy tales we knew from our childhood but once Years 7-10 had finished with them, new takes on morality emerged! Cinderella's Prince Charming proved anything but with his social ineptness, whilst Cinderella turned out to be not so squeaky clean, having been responsible for her father's untimely end. Little Red Riding Hood saw high school cliques emerge where the Wolf's entourage may not have been so bad after all. And where did that full-on food fight come from?

When the Three Little Pigs set off a trade war between NZ owned Mitre 10 and Australian owned Bunnings, it was inevitable the huffing and puffing would take a new turn. Whoever knew the poor Wolf simply had hay fever and couldn't track down any anti-histamine? She really didn't intend to blow down all those houses!

The Middle School Drama Club meets after school once a week. Unlike our auditioned drama groups, the club is for students who simply want to try something new, give it a go and get involved.





# Performer of the Year

## Emily Young



‘Celebrating the Arts’ was an opportunity to reflect back on the year to recognise our many talented performing artists across all disciplines, giving some the opportunity to perform before presenting the 2016 Cultural Awards, culminating in naming the 2016 Performer of the Year. This award recognises a student whose achievements as a performer in his or her chosen field have been exceptional during 2016. In a College with so many talented young people who excel in a wide range of artistic endeavours, the selection of an overall Performer of the Year was not an easy decision to make.

Emily Young was named for her remarkable commitment to the Arts Programme at the College. Her outstanding ability spans cello performance, voice, musicals and theatre. While this award is determined solely on the applicants’ achievements in 2016, it would be remiss not mention some of her previous successes.

As a cellist, Emily has excelled since taking the principal cello seat in the College Symphony Orchestra as a Year 10 and subsequently leading the section for four years during which time the orchestra received two KBB Music Festival Gold Awards. In 2015, Emily was a member of the New Zealand Secondary School’s Symphony Orchestra.

Emily has discovered her true passion is ‘voice.’ As choir leader and a section leader of both Kentoris and Musettes, she has demonstrated the highest levels of leadership that we can expect from our students. Kentoris won Best Mixed Choir at the Auckland Regional Big Sing and a Gold Award at the National Finale in Dunedin this year. Emily has also been a solo music finalist for four years. This year Emily was awarded the George Turner Wilson Music Trust Scholarship to study voice at University as a Year 13. Emily was also selected for the New Zealand Secondary Students’ choir which toured Canada earlier this year.

On stage Emily has had roles in both the Musical and Drama Productions. Perhaps one of the pivotal achievements for Emily in 2016 was her masterful portrayal of Mrs Lovett in Sweeney Todd. Her exceptional delivery of one of the most challenging roles in Musical Theatre was without question a performance highlight of hers for 2016.

# Talent Winners

Congratulations to the winners of our own home grown talent show – SKC’s Got Talent. Winner for the evening was Lively Nili who sang an Alan Stone number, ‘This bed I made,’ while playing guitar, winning him the title and a trophy. The judges commended Lively for his ability to connect with the audience. Second place went to Year 10 student, Matthew Turner singing Adele’s ‘Someone like you,’ accompanying himself on ukulele. Third place went to bubbly Year 9 tap dancer, Izzy Fox.

## Winners:

1st	Lively Nili	Vocals and Guitar
2nd	Matthew Turner	Vocals and Ukulele
3rd	Isabelle Fox	Tap Dance



## One Final Song

At an afternoon of choral singing at St Matthews-in-the-City hosted by the Boys’ School, guest singers at the concert were the Year 13 graduating members of the gold-award winning College choir, Kentoris. These are all students who are confident in their abilities to sing and who have relished every opportunity to perform over the years - in a range of settings from outside Farmers at the Pakuranga Plaza to Carnegie Hall in New York!

Some of these students have been singing together for five years – indeed, a number of the boys, who transitioned from the Boys’ School, have sung together for over a decade! This was a particularly poignant moment for this group who were singing together for the last time. They welcomed the opportunity for one final song.





# The Rise of Culinary Design



With thanks to 'JPC' staff, Ms Demelza Round and Ms Susanna Pattison

Whether it's a meal in a fine restaurant, a quick bite at a café, conversation around the breakfast table or a simple takeaway coffee, eating is at the very core of human existence. Anyone who has watched one of the plethora of cooking shows on television, snapped a photo of their meal to 'eat and tweet,' dropped into an artisan food market or stopped by a growing number of specialty food trucks and 'pop up' cafes, will be aware that interest in food has gone beyond simple sustenance; the preparation and presentation of food has taken a new, dynamic direction.

Exciting menus, beautifully presented food, superb flavours and textures, surprising ingredients - and commercial possibilities. They are here to excite us.

It is only a generation since the weekly food shop was spread between the green grocer, butcher, baker and dairy, with a home vegetable garden both a necessity and a source of pride. Now supermarket shelves are teeming with consumables from every corner of the world - each tin, can and packet requiring food industry professionals to bring them from concept to table. New Zealand's 'pot of tea' is all but forgotten as another entire industry has grown up around the consumption of coffee, with New Zealand taking the art of 'flat white' to the world!

But there is another change afoot. Many consumers now have an intense interest in the origin of the ingredients they are eating, how they are produced, the nutritional and health value as well as the practices that are used in kitchens, especially around sustainability. Food consumption is coming full circle with the emphasis back on eating fresh and limiting packaging.

Extensive media exposure and the huge increase in dining choice has led to a growing interest in career opportunities within the culinary and wider hospitality industry, as well as the more scientific side of food development.

Since the Jack Paine Art and Technology Centre first opened 14 years ago, many changes to the curriculum have taken place but none more so than in recent times as the 'JPC' reviews its practice and responds to our changing world. In times past, 'cooking' as a subject may have been seen as the domain of the less able student but that has long since changed. The corner of the JPC reserved for Food Technology is an area where food, art, technology and science intersect. Overarching this is the aim that design and 'design thinking' should be front and centre of Food Technology education.

In this world of 'disruption' and unprecedented technological advances, there is a growing need to ensure our students are resourceful and resilient when they leave school, ready for a future-







unknown. It is no longer enough to just know; tomorrow's work force needs to be able to apply their knowledge. If we are to move forward as a nation of creative and critical problem solvers, design has to be a valued part of our culture. That means investing in education that promotes problem-solving through 'designerly' thinking, risk taking and intelligent failure – exactly what Food Technology offers those who take it on.

The JPC is well-resourced but is currently working towards industry-standard facilities for teaching Food Technology. The Centre is also fortunate to have a teaching staff with fantastic industry connections and a passion for developing the best in their students. Whether students select to take Food Technology in their senior years with a clear goal in mind or simply as an area of interest to supplement their other studies, over the course of any one year, there are multiple opportunities for the students to put their learning into practice. From long-term product development for the CREST Food Challenge, to coming to understand the commercial application of preparing specialist food items for mass production at the French Artisan Market, designing artful patisserie for a cake auction, or learning about the business, technical and service aspects of barista-made coffee through our own Blue Brew coffee cart, opportunities abound.

On a recent visit to Masu Restaurant at Sky City to study the art of plating Japanese food, our students reacquainted with Old Collegian, Alex Southwick who is completing his first year of the SkyCity apprentice chef programme. Alex was a most successful Food Technology student who was keen to pursue his love of cooking. The apprenticeship has been a challenging, yet hugely rewarding undertaking for Alex who is thoroughly enjoying his place of work. (Read more about Alex in the Old Collegians section.)



Preparing students to excel in the highly competitive culinary industry goes far beyond teaching how to create the final product that appears on a plate. This multi-faceted subject is so much more than the 'cooking class' of old. In the Senior School, NCEA Levels 1-3 Food Technology is a demanding course structured to scaffold the learning and pressures that students can expect to experience during tertiary study. They are expected to approach briefs with critical and original thinking, leaving the course with an extensive portfolio and basic industrial experience.

Like all subjects in the Jack Paine Centre, Food Technology teaches students how to solve diverse problems through the synthesis of all other learning areas. Most importantly, they gain experience in the core skills necessary in any modern workplace such as intelligent failure, risk taking and the ability to work collaboratively. And let's not forget – their food is great!

Most recently, the Year 10 students were tasked with devising a menu 'with constraints'. Each took on a 'primary stakeholder' whose diet, whether chosen or required, posed some limitations on the choice of ingredients. Working in small groups, the students followed a conceptual design process, creating a menu and preparing a meal for their client. Working within the dietary constraints, each group was also given a key ingredient on which to base the meal, with an added focus on sustainability and seasonality. From those favouring macrobiotics and food pyramids to LCHF, sugar-free, flexitarians, weight-loss hopefuls and those who ate 'raw', each was presented with a fantastic three course meal!

In recent years, our students have gone on to study Food Technology at tertiary level. In 2015, Keegan Chessum was one of a pair who won gold at the Auckland Regional CREST Food Challenge. Now studying at AUT, he says that taking part in CREST gave him clarity. 'After spending months working on the Challenge, developing a product from an initial brief to the final prototype, I realised I could see myself doing this for the rest of my life. CREST built up my passion for food and the sciences, and gave me a drive that is still running full steam a year later!'





# Six-Year Winning Streak in Accounting!

The Accounting team from the College has won the annual CETA (Commerce and Economics Teachers Association) Pursuits Competition for a record sixth consecutive year; an outstanding result! In the past twelve years, Saint Kentigern has won the cup seven times – our nearest rival being Westlake Boys who won it twice in earlier years.

The competition is open to schools from around the greater Auckland region and includes seven rounds of challenging questions to find the supreme champions. Saint Kentigern entered both an accounting and an economics team with the economics team also doing well, finishing in second place. It was a close call for the winning accounting team, however, who faced a tie-breaker with Elim College in the final!

The students found it an excellent way to prepare for their examinations and thoroughly enjoyed this testing yet entertaining evening.

**Accounting Pursuits team:** Matthew Kelly, Spencer Johnstone, Nicholas Vyle, Matthew Wong-Kam, Ryan McEwan (Captain).

**Economics Pursuits team:** Kevin Shen, Henry Sung, Bill Yang



## Accounting Scholarship



Congratulations to Ryan McEwan who is this year's recipient of the RSM New Zealand Accounting Scholarship. For the past 30 years, RSM has offered Saint Kentigern a scholarship to award to a promising accounting student to continue his/her studies. The offer also includes the chance of an internship during the holidays to help students further their knowledge. We are grateful to RSM for this long-standing partnership to assist Saint Kentigern students with their studies. More can be read about this in the Old Collegians section.



# National Engineering Science Win!

A College team with a love of mathematics, biology, chemistry and physics has been awarded the top prize in the University of Auckland's annual competition, 'New Zealand's Next Top Engineering Scientist'. Our congratulations to the team of Year 13 International Baccalaureate students, Cameron Low, Kevin Shen, James Hansen and Henry Mellsop who were awarded \$6000 in prize money!

Run by the Department of Engineering Science, the competition is hotly contested, pitting hundreds of teams from across the country against each other and the clock as they try to solve a challenging problem and write a scientific report within a nine hour time frame. This year, the challenging question put to the students was 'What is the fastest, humanly possible time for the Olympic 100m freestyle event?'

Teams from all over the country worked simultaneously in groups of four to break the problem into sections and model each of the stages using mathematics. They had nine hours to complete a report and submit it digitally. When the dust settled, the students used their physics skills to deduce that 44.05 seconds would be the world 100m record that could never be beaten.

Our College team had a critical edge, as the extended essay that Henry Mellsop had written towards part of his IB programme had required him to extensively study the power output of athletes earlier this year. James Hansen brought his competitive swimming

experience to the team. This knowledge, combined with the mathematical ability of these top students, honed by the IB Higher Level mathematics and physics courses, allowed them to produce the winning submission.

In addition to their prize money, the students are also guaranteed paid summer internships at Orion Health, or Fisher & Paykel Healthcare or the University of Auckland should they choose to study at the Department of Engineering Science in future. Well done boys!





# Shadow a Leader

Shadow a Leader is an exciting initiative organised by the Faculty of Business, Economics and Law at Auckland University of Technology. Now into its fourth year, following the success of a pilot in 2012 and significant growth of the initiative since then, 2016 Shadow a Leader took place in July during National Leadership Week. Its focus is to support the work that the Sir Peter Blake Trust and Leadership New Zealand undertake to develop future leaders of New Zealand.

Leaders from a range of business backgrounds offered the opportunity for selected Year 13 students to shadow them for a day to see what a the course of a working day entails and what it takes to succeed in a business endeavour. Thomas Morton and James Brown, who have exhibited business leadership potential, were selected to take advantage of this opportunity.

Thomas reported that, 'It was a really great day, never a dull moment. Along with 75 of AUT's own Business and Law students, were 75 very fortunate Auckland secondary school students, along with 75 of New Zealand's most recognised business leaders. The range of speakers organised was really impressive and they all spoke about the underlying positive hope for the future and stressed that business and innovation will become a huge driving force going forward.



James shadowed Mr Dave Wilson, Director of Cisci Systems New Zealand, and Thomas, Mr Brett Marsh, Chief Executive Officer of Spectrum Care Trust. We spent the whole day, mostly in the company offices, learning from our assigned business leaders and experiencing first-hand what business in New Zealand had to offer. It was an incredible opportunity to see behind the closed doors of some of New Zealand's most innovative

companies and speak to the people that had made them. Spending just one day with a business leader has completely changed my outlook on university and work in the future. The Saint Kentigern College Commerce Department has a strong relationship with AUT and their Business School and I would recommend that if students were offered this opportunity, they take it in order to have a better understanding of what business in New Zealand has to offer.'



## Crest Food Challenge

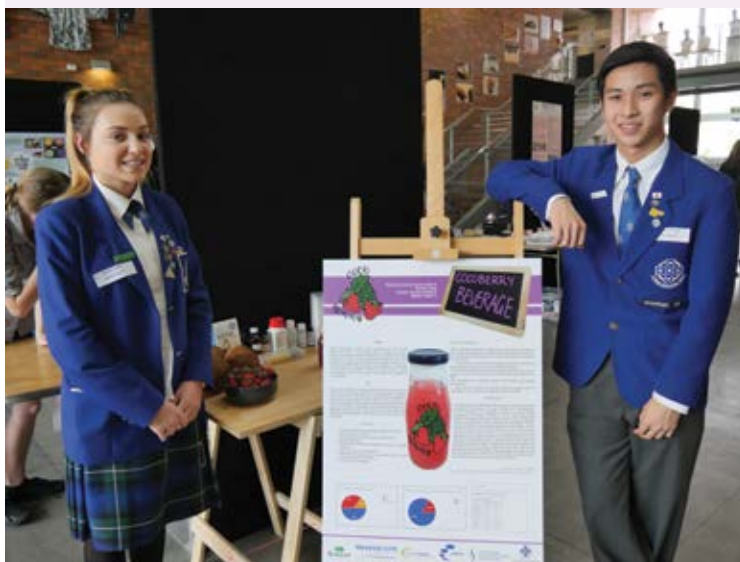
Congratulations to the Food Technology team comprising Maximillian Ballard, Ryan McEwen and Sophie Rees who were placed second in the Upper North Island CREST Student Product Development Challenge, hosted by the College at the end of Term 3.

Jointly run by the New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology, and the Royal Society of New Zealand, the Challenge gives teams of senior secondary school students the opportunity to explore creative solutions to practical, food science and technology problems while working with food industry mentors to develop an innovative new food product. The experience exposes students to the work done by scientists, technologists and engineers in NZ's food industry and raises the profile of a career in the industry.

This year, the College had two teams competing in the Challenge Final which saw 14 teams from 7 schools presenting their work to a judging panel. Each team provided samples of their product and was interviewed by panels of industry experts on their development process.

Both Saint Kentigern teams were mentored by Old Collegian, Neala Ye who works for Frucor Beverage as a product development technologist. Both teams were given briefs from Frucor to develop beverages targeted at the 14 to 18 year old market.

Second placed Team Hydro Melon (Maximillian Ballard, Ryan McEwen and Sophie Rees) developed a 'natural' sports beverage whilst the Highly Commended Team Coco-Berry (Aimee Hollis and Harrison Young) worked towards a 'better for your teeth' beverage.





# SCHOGM

With thanks to student reporter, Alex Gordon

Earlier this year, six College students travelled to Wellington to take part in the annual, national Student Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (SCHOGM). The event is part of Commonwealth Youth New Zealand's efforts to immerse young people in the issues of our world. Hosted in the halls of the Parliament's Beehive, students from around New Zealand took on the roles of either Head of Government or Foreign Minister of a Commonwealth member state. After learning all there was of diplomacy and the issues within their designated countries, two days of fierce debate began. Topics ranged from the refugee crisis and climate change, to international terrorism and good governance within the Commonwealth.

Jono Lee and Lanlie Zheng represented the country of Bangladesh, while Jess Hunt and Kurt Hawkins took on the challenging role of acting for Singapore, while Alex Gordon was paired with a Wellington student in representing the Republic of the Maldives. Sam Tait played an integral role as part of the Media delegation, who made the delegates accountable by questioning them further on comments made during debate.

Throughout the two days, students were also given opportunities to step away from their role as a country delegate and hear presentations of the work by various organisations. These included Amnesty International, the Department of the Interior, as well as a settled refugee

who had set up a foundation for teenage refugees within New Zealand. Being offered the opportunity to interact with such a variety of knowledgeable people all focused on bettering international diplomacy and human rights saw a new level of awareness invested in debates, as delegates were able to relate information first hand to their points of view.

The first night of the conference concluded with a special event; a dinner for delegates hosted in the Beehive Ballroom. This event hosted New Zealand's most recent recipient of the Queen's Young Leader Award. Brad Olsen was inspirational in the telling of his story, and motivated many students to think on how they, themselves, are able to become active within their own communities.

The second day of the conference saw events similar to that of the day before, though with a reserved visit to watch the MP's of New Zealand in the debate chamber. At the conclusion, delegates were presented with certificates of participation from MP Peter Dunn and congratulated for the effort put into embodying the role of each of their Commonwealth nations.

Overall, the 2016 SCHOGM was a truly inspiring event that allowed students to get a taste of international diplomacy and relations, as well as meet other young people with the same passion to make a difference as a generation.



## The Science of 'Magic'

### The IB Group 4 Project

With thanks to Physics teacher, Mr Hamish Wilde

As part of the International Baccalaureate programme, Year 12 students are required to undertake around ten hours of cross-discipline scientific research called the Group 4 Project. The theme this year was 'Magic,' with students doing research on a topic of their choice that spans two or more sciences. Most chose to investigate the most effective way to perform some sort of stage trick, allowing them to practise their research and analysis skills while having some fun presenting the tricks to each other at the end. These skills will be vital to student success in their Internal Assessments for each of their IB science courses.

Group topics chosen this year included investigating how the amount of smoke given off by 'smoke fizzers' depended upon the mix of reactants used, how chemical concentrations

influenced classic favourites such as model volcano reactions or 'elephant toothpaste' tricks. Other groups investigated how to set paper US dollar bills on fire without damaging the notes themselves. (An initial experiment with a New Zealand plastic \$5 note was much less successful!). One group performed a trick where glass can be smashed by an audience member then reformed by a special solution, taking advantage of material science to fool the eye of the observer.

The students also learnt that not all tricks are successful, with some tricks failing to live up to expectations! Some opted to don safety gear and investigate 'whoosh bottle' effects or how much energy from a fuel can be absorbed by water without putting the fire out, making for low temperature burning that buskers and stage performers use the world over to





# Art Awards Finalists

The artistic ability of four of our students, Amber Bray, Year 13; Anna McKee, Year 12; Georgia Knox, Year 12; and Elise Hinomoto, Year 12 was recognised at the Wallace Secondary School Art Awards, which reward and celebrate emerging artistic talent in New Zealand.

Organised by the Wallace Arts Trust, this is a nationwide competition which attracted over 300 entries this year. The girls were amongst only 37 finalists chosen to exhibit their work at the historic Pah Homestead gallery. Congratulations to the girls on their outstanding work.



perform impressive tricks. Finally, one group just wanted to figure out the best way to suck eggs through a tiny hole into a bottle!

The usage of computers, smartphones and laser thermometers has transformed the experiments possible at secondary college level, allowing students to be inspired and dream of taking up a career in one of the sciences.

## Top marks in Maths Competition!

During the year, 130 College students from Years 9 to 11 entered The University of Otago Junior Mathematics Competition; an event held annually by the university. The competition attracts over 10,000 entries from 250 participating schools each year with the students facing five questions on the paper with an hour to complete them all.

We are delighted to report that Andrew Chen placed 1st in the Year 11 competition with Year 9 student, Grace Chang in 2nd place in her age group. Steven Cho (Year 10), Eric Li (Year 10), Callum Lee (Year 11) and Yunfan Yu (Year 11) also won prizes for being ranked in the top 30 in the country.





# Field Centre

## A Rite of Passage



As six buses and seven mini-buses pulled in to College to load 350 students, 66 staff and their 416 backpacks, daypacks, sleeping bags, tramping boots, wet weather gear, polypropylene undies, fleece tops, beanies, a change of socks and the all-important 416 toothbrushes, you begin to get an idea of the logistics involved in getting the whole of Year 10 'down the mountain' for their annual 'Field Centre'!

Field Centre is an amazing experience for Year 10, which takes months of careful, prior planning. The students are sorted into 13 Lodge groupings, along with staff who undertake the activities with them, and cooks who stay in the Lodge to prepare the meals. Another ten mountain 'professionals' are also engaged. That is, 426 people needing to be organised into activities, and requiring three meals, snacks and drinks a day whether in the Lodge or out on the mountain.

A well-oiled team swings into action to co-ordinate food supplies. The figures are definitely noteworthy! It's not until you see the shopping list that you start to fully appreciate the true scale of the undertaking: 4,666 loaves of bread, wraps and assorted buns, 252 litres of fresh milk to get the week started, backed up with 57kg (yes kilos!) of milk powder and 33kgs of Milo! 265 boxes of cereal, with a further 40kg of rolled oats to set them up for a day's activity. 84kg of flour, 104 kg of sugar, 50kg of jam, 20 litres of honey, 27 jars of

peanut butter and 431 packets of biscuits to ensure there's something tasty on return. And 7kg of coffee for the staff!

The bulk is pre-purchased and driven to the mountain where it is offloaded in the central car park and then carried box by box up to the Lodges – the students' first chore on arrival! The initial supplies are supplemented by daily deliveries from the local supermarket in Ohakune.

The equipment required for the overnight tramps is also another huge logistical undertaking. A tent is little use without its tent poles when you're six hours hike from civilisation! Likewise, leaving your wet weather jacket back at the Lodge could spell disaster. Tents, sleeping bags, cooking equipment, food, water, spare clothing, first aid supplies, maps and, um...spades for essential business, all have to be distributed, checked, checked again and carried. That's 105 tents with, 210 poles, 1890 tent pegs, 120 stoves and the, um, 14 spades to do the right thing!

By the time the week comes to a close, the students will have chomped through a mountain of food to give them the energy needed for at least 60 km of walking each – that's close to 25,000km collectively!







Back in the Lodges there are the 4300 metres of Glad Wrap, 1200 Snap Lock bags, 27 litres of washing up liquid, 140 Chux cloths, 28 cans of fly spray, 1400 disposable gloves, 2,592 toilet rolls and the 105 large rubbish bags to aid clean up at the end.

As Field Centre approaches each year, our students voice trepidation about what lies ahead; questioning whether they have the stamina to face the physical challenges of tramping, rafting and camping in difficult terrain; challenges that include the Tongariro Crossing and a three day tramp.... we'll come back to that...

The weather can be fickle on the mountain and sadly this year, it proved fickle in the extreme! Whilst the first group arrived in sunshine, it was quickly followed by rain, snow, blizzards, gale force winds and fog, adding a unique set of challenges as the daily programme was revisited to 'work around' the weather patterns. So extreme was the weather that some activities were deemed too dangerous to undertake under the circumstances. Only four of the thirteen Lodge groups were able to complete the Tongariro crossing and none completed the Summit Walk to the Crater Lake of Ruapehu. The usual three day tramps were scaled back to limit the nights under canvas when the weather conditions became unsafe.

Safety on the mountain is about being well prepared and with Field Centre now in its 47th year, there's been plenty of time to fine tune for all eventualities - as shown in 2013 when the mountain blew its top! Wet, cold, windy weather can be demoralising when your outer clothing is wet, your pack is heavy and you still have a long, uphill climb ahead of you - yet it's amazing how students and staff dig deep. The revised programme this year still took our students out in some challenging conditions that served to raise the awareness of being prepared and adapting to rapidly changing conditions in the outdoors. It was heartening to see our students support each other when spirits flagged, learning a lot about themselves and others in the process.

As each activity is ticked off, the students gain a growing sense of self and achievement. Field Centre is a unique opportunity to gain independence and explore personal strengths in an exciting, spectacular and challenging outdoor environment. - it's a shame that for most of the week, the weather was so closed in, the students couldn't see the vistas. This year certainly came with its own set of challenges, but we have seen this kind of weather pattern before. With the 'rite of passage' complete, the students returned bursting with stories to tell and will undoubtedly still recall Field Centre as one of the highlights of their time at the College.







# Home Centre



At the end of the academic year, when exams are over and the Year 10 students have left for Field Centre, Years 7-9 enjoy a series of rewarding activities that include physical and mental challenges, along with an element of service to others.

The Year 7 Decathlon, challenged the younger students in fun-filled afternoons of sport whilst also being mentally taxed in academic activities which included quizzes and project work. Each activity earned points towards prizes at the end.

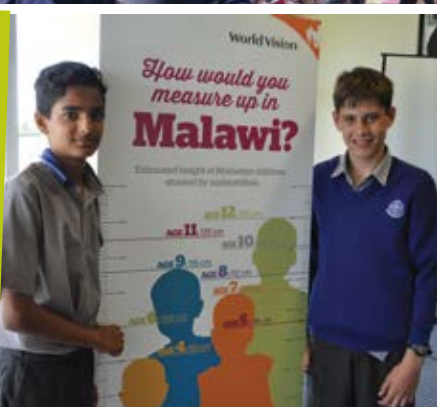
The Year 8 Challenge Week saw the students mountain biking in Woodhill Forest, embarking on a treasure hunt at the Auckland Museum, creating a 'Cardboard City,' learning more about World Vision and what they can do to help, undertaking a water safety programme and participating in an all-day 'Top Town' event.

During Home Centre, the Year 9 students gave service to local schools and rest homes, explored the 'physics' of Angry Birds, made Marvellous Machines inspired by Da Vinci, conjured up 'Brain Food' in the kitchen, took on team building challenges and visited the zoo.

One of the ongoing activities for the Year 8 students is the creation of a Cardboard City based on an original idea inspired by 'Caine's Arcade,' built by nine-year-old American, Caine Monroy who spent his summer vacation building an elaborate DIY cardboard game arcade. The students were instructed to 'think outside the box,' to make 'structures' rather than houses, and to come up with original ideas based on a word their class had been given. These words included arched, segmented, tall, blocks, connected, curved and stepped. From there, the Year 8 students constructed the Cardboard City from corrugated card, packing tape and large roll of white cotton string.





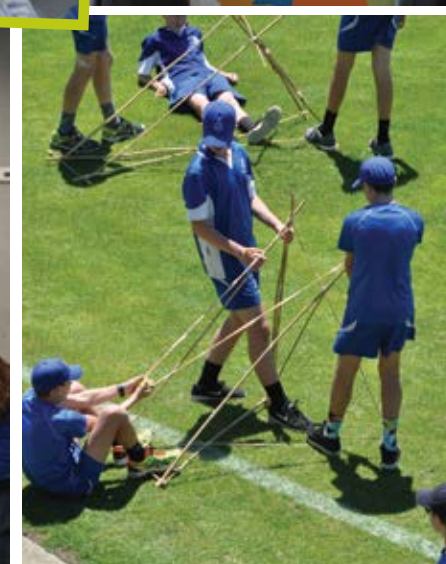


During the Year 9 Home Centre, the students experienced giving service to local, low decile primary schools, by helping paint their playground, getting involved in a garden to table programme and helping assist students with new technology. They also assisted with gardening at local rest homes, helped to wrap Christmas presents, put up decorations, mingled with residents and assisted to record life stories.

A new activity introduced this year was Marvellous Machines; an integrated design challenge based on Leonardo da Vinci's machine and automata design. Students competed in their tutor groups to design and make a machine based on a selected word such as; swing, sail, vibrate and oscillate, using a box of mystery items. Prizes were awarded to each group that managed to present a finished and functioning machine that met the given specifications, alongside a scale model and branding of the machine.

Each tutor group had to work together to fulfil the requirements for each area. The areas included project management, construction and engineering, textile fabrication, 3D sculpting (digital and physical), design and visual communication and food technology. The students assigned to the kitchen were working on a slightly different project; to design and make a 'brain bar' ready for the final presentation of the finished outcomes.

Head of Technology, Ms Demelza Round said overall the students did really well. She said, 'Some of the thinking and decision making staff saw in action was impressive, as was the combination, logical and lateral thinking demonstrated by all tutor groups. As an exercise designed to test the resilience, communication and design thinking of each tutor group it is safe to say all students should be proud of the efforts and they now certainly deserve a holiday!'





# The College Sporting Year in Review

with thanks to Head of Sport, Mr Martin Piaggi

The girls' and boys' Premier **Tennis** teams both made the Auckland Championship final with the boys winning and the girls managing runners up. The girls placed 2nd nationally and the boys are National Champions. Saint Kentigern was the only college to have a boys' team, a girls' team and a mixed team at the Nationals. The mixed team placed runner up. The intermediate boys team also won the Auckland title as did the junior boys and junior girls. The intermediate girls placed 3rd. The AIMS tennis team won overall. Daniel Perrson won the North Island Intermediate Boys Open Championship and was 2nd in the doubles with James McPherson. Ella Simmons also achieved well, placing 2nd in the Girls' Doubles.

The highlight of the **Athletics** season was the senior boys' 4 x 400m relay team who not only won Champion of Champions but broke the long standing Auckland athletics school record and went on to win silver at Nationals. The intermediate girls' 4 x 100m relay team also won Eastern Zone and greater Auckland gold and went on to win silver at Nationals. Matthew Manning and Lisa Putt also won national individual medals.

**Rowing** had a good summer programme culminating as always at the National Regatta this year in Twizel. The boys had three crews in the final of the U17 VIII with the 1st crew securing gold. We had two crews in the Maadi Cup final including the whole of the U17 VIII. The U17 boys' coxed IV were North Island Champions and runners up at Nationals. The girls' U18 lightweight coxed four were North Island Champions and placed 2nd at Nationals. The girls' U18 VIII also made the final at the Nationals.

The boys' 1st XI **Cricket** team lost only one game while securing a place in the prestigious Gillette Cup competition where they finished runners up. Once again, Saint Kentigern has been proudly engraved on the H R Marrayatt Cup as Auckland 1 Day Champions. The girls' 1st XI managed a credible 3rd place in the Auckland competition.

The boys' **Waterpolo** team had an outstanding National tournament making it through to the final. The premier girls' team, after struggling in the Auckland competition, secured a win in the National 2nd division.

The girls' Premier **Cycling** team had an outstanding year winning the Auckland series, finals day and recorded the season's fastest time. They also won the North Island Team Time Trial. The senior boys' team managed 3rd place in the Auckland series while the junior boys placed 2nd in Auckland, 2nd at North Islands and 4th at Nationals. The junior girls' were 3rd in the series and 3rd at Finals day and 4th at Nationals. The Year 7 / 8 girls placed 2nd at the North Island's and won the Nationals. The girls' Year 7/8 team are National Champions.

The College also boasts two exceptional **Mountain Bikers** in Blake Ross and Josh Oxenham. Blake dominated his opposition accumulating the maximum number of points across the 3 events, achieving 180 points in the Nationals. Josh Oxenham was more steady, accumulating 156 points in his age group. Both boys won the Overall MTB Champion title. Blake is the U15 NZSS MTB Overall Champion for 2016 and Josh is the U17 NZSS MTB Overall Champion for 2016.

The girls' 1st XI **Football** team were 2nd in Auckland, 2nd in their knock out competition and 3rd at the Nationals. The boys' 1st XI Football team were runners up in the Auckland league, runners up at Nationals but

winners of the Knock Out Cup for the first time in the College's history. Seven of our boys' football teams placed 2nd in their competitions with the 15A team winning their Championship and placing runners up in the Knockout Cup.

No fewer than six of our **Basketball** teams placed in the top three of the Counties Manukau competition with 4 teams actually winning their grade. The girls' Premier Basketball struggled in the weekly competition but placed a credible 4th at the regional tournament.

The **Golf** team are Auckland Champions winning the NZ Qualifying Event. The girls' touch team are number 1 in Auckland. The boys' Junior Squash team were 2nd in their grade and the Premier Boys' team placed 3rd in Division 2. In fencing, the College team placed 3rd in the sabre and 3rd in the Auckland Secondary Schools Women's Event.

The girls' 1st XI **Hockey** team placed 3rd in Auckland and 3rd in the Super City competition. The boys' 1st XI hockey team placed 4th in the Auckland competition and 6th in the Super City with an up and coming side.

There was a very strong showing from our **Netball** programme. The 9A's were 3rd overall and the 10A's won their competition. The Year 7/8 team placed 3rd at AIMS. The Premier Netball team won the Auckland Final in as good a game of netball as you could ever witness. The result was reversed at the Upper North Island Tournament and Saint Kentigern were runners up. The pressure came on at Nationals and the same two sides met in the final and in a show of mental and physical strength, for the first time in Saint Kentigern history, we were crowned National Netball Champions.

In **Rugby**, five of the twelve teams made it to the semi-finals with the 5A and the U15's both winning through to the final. Both teams fought hard but came up short. The 1st XV lost in the 2nd and 3rd rounds of the competition and then went on to record eight straight wins and earn themselves a home semi-final. They were the only team to beat the eventual National Champion team but they weren't clinical enough in the semi-final to make it through to Eden Park and the final.

In 2016, we recognise 33 students who have represented their country competing in an international event in their chosen sport. We recognise 18 students who receive Sports Colours for being ranked in the top 3 individually in their sport or making an U18 or older age group national team. We celebrate our second world champion and world record holder in Connor Brown. Connor travelled to Aigle, Switzerland where the New Zealand 4k Pursuit Team won the Junior World Championship in world record time. Sydney Fraser (Head Girl) and Mererangi Paul have both signed professional contracts to play ANZ netball in 2017 and Maddy Park has secured a professional cycling contract in the USA. A number of students will take up a sporting scholarship in the USA including Vilisi Tavui, Sophie Stewart-Hobbs, Shaylee Syme and Conor Williamson. We also have boys who have signed with provincial rugby sides and a number will pursue football scholarships or contracts.

Sport continues to offer pathways for boys and girls and not just with playing. Sport also remains a vehicle to learn so many life lessons. In 2017 we aim to continue to inspire students enough so that they pursue their sporting interests and learn and grow, readying them for life beyond Saint Kentigern College.





# College Sports Awards

In a sporting year which featured Auckland, national and world titles, there was much to celebrate at this year's Sports Dinner!

We welcomed back Old Collegian, Mathew Ridenton to present the prizes. After leaving College, Mathew took up a professional contract with the Wellington Phoenix. He has now played 31 games for the Phoenix and has three full International caps for the All Whites. Mathew is justifiably proud of his achievements and is thankful for the pathway created during his College years.

Our sports programme is deservedly one of the most diverse and successful in New Zealand and our players, coaches and managers can be proud of the efforts they have made to maintain that competitive edge, while inspiring our students to strive for their personal best in all they do.



## Dux Ludorum

### Mererangi Paul



*The Dux Ludorum is the major individual sporting award of the year and is awarded to the most outstanding sports person, girl or boy. The winner is generally an all-round sports person who has represented the College at a number of sports.*

Mererangi is a true all-rounder. She was 3rd overall senior girl in the College athletics, at Eastern Zones, she was part of the 4x100m relay team that set a new Saint Kentigern record. She is a member of the Premier Touch team and was a member of the team last year when they won the National title. She is the Senior Touch player of the year for 2016. She is a member of the Premier Girls' Netball team who are Auckland and National champions. She was named in the Tournament team at Nationals and as Player of the Tournament for Upper North

Islands. She played in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Netball team and has been named in the New Zealand Open Women's Touch team. She has signed a professional netball contract to play for the Sky City Northern Mystics in next year's National competition.

**Nominees:** Madeleine Park, Year 13; Cameron Low, Year 13; Victoria Kolose, Year 12; Edward Barry, Year 13; Luke Johnson, Year 13; Viona Silao, Year 12; Connor Brown, Year 13; Ryan McEwen, Year 13; Luke Paanakker, Year 12; Finnley Allen, Year 13; Daniel Whitburn, Year 12; Mererangi Paul, Year 13; Ethan Blight, Year 12; Sophie Stewart Hobbs, Year 13; George Ellett, Year 12; Summer-Jean Motufoua, Year 12; Anna Wilkinson, Year 12; Sydney Fraser, Year 13.

## Boys runner-up to The Dux Ludorum

### The Bruce Palmer Award

### Cameron Low



Cameron placed 2nd in the College senior boys athletics and at Eastern Zones and Greater Auckland athletics, he placed 3rd in the 3000m. At the North Island Athletics he also placed 3rd and set a new Saint Kentigern College record. He placed 2nd at the College cross country and at the Auckland cross country he placed 7th and his 3 person team placed 3rd. He is the Auckland

senior boys Duathlon champion. He is a member of the Saint Kentigern Table tennis team which placed 3rd in Auckland.

He is a member of the Auckland Secondary Schools cross country team which placed 3rd at Nationals.

He placed 4th in the U20 Oceania cross country. He was 3rd in the U20 Auckland secondary schools road race. He is the New Zealand U20 Duathlon champion.

## Girls runner-up to The Dux Ludorum

### Tori Kolose



Tori was 1st in the senior girls 200m at the College athletics and placed 2nd in the 100m and 2nd in the 200m at the Eastern Zone athletics.

She was also a member of the 4x100m relay team which set a new College record. At the Auckland athletics she placed 3rd in the 100m and 2nd in the 200m. She

is captain of the Premier Girls' Touch team. This team are Auckland champions.

She is also a member of the Premier Netball team. This team is the Auckland and National championship winning team. She was named in the National Tournament team. She was named in the New Zealand Women's Touch team and captain of the Aotearoa Secondary Schools Touch team.







## Headmaster's Awards

These awards go to students who have played for the College demonstrating commitment and professionalism in their chosen code. The recipients are power houses within their premier teams and made a difference every week to the performance of the team.

**Ryan McEwan, Ella Mayhew, Emily Braid, Shaylee Syme, Dylan Morris, Jessica Speight, Liam Williams, Sandeep Patel, Tanielu Tele'a**

### Jerome Kaino Cup

**Reuben Clarke**

The Kaino Cup is presented to a team athlete who 'the team could just not do without.' Reuben has been the best goal keeper in secondary school football for 2016. On numerous occasions he saved goals that no-one else could have saved to keep Saint Kentigern in the game. He was also a leader in marshalling the defence.



### Grant Dalton Leadership Cup

**Lizzy Mudford**

This cup is awarded to a leader who builds a team around them and demonstrates leadership qualities by helping others within the team to develop their skills. Lizzy has epitomized what it means to lead a Premier side. As captain of the girls' Premier Cycling team, she led by example, working tirelessly to motivate her team.



### John Irvine Outstanding Performance of the Year

**Connor Brown**

This award is given to a team or individual who has achieved at the highest level and gained the results reflective of their dedication, determination and desire to succeed. Connor is our second world champion and world record holder. As a 17 year old, he travelled to Aigle Switzerland with the Junior Men's 4km Track Pursuit team. In an outstanding final they beat the crack Danish team to not only win gold but set a new world record.



### Team of the Year

**Premier Netball team**

After beating Mt Albert Grammar (MAGS) in the Auckland Championships, then losing to them at the Upper North Islands, the pressure was on at the Nationals when our girls faced MAGS again. With two of our key players down, our girls stepped up and by the slimmest of margins made a first for Saint Kentigern netball – a National title.

**Nominees:** Athletics 4 x 400m Boys Relay; Cricket Boys 1st XI; Cycling Premier Girls; Football Boys 1st XI, Football Girls 1st XI, Netball Premier; Rowing Boys U17 8+; Tennis Boys Premier; Tennis Girls Premier; Touch Girls Premier; Waterpolo Boys Premier.





## The Sissons Award Year 7 & 8 Sportsman of the Year



### Harry Lowe

**Nominees:** Bailey Liu, Year 7; Daniel Persson, Year 8; Ben Connell, Year 8; Jacob Spring, Year 8; Harry Lowe, Year 8.

Harry was the Year 8 Boys' Swimming Champion, Year 8 Boys' Athletic Champion, was 3rd in the Year 8 Boys' Cross Country, a member of the College 13A Football team and also played in the U13 College Knock Out Cup team. He was captain of the Year 7/8 1st XI team and the AIMS team and also captain of the Year 7/8 1st XI Cricket team. Outside College he was awarded AUCC Bradman Cup for the most runs scored across all junior grades (Y5 - U18) for the season. He scored 640 runs and broke the club record for the number of 50's in a season. He was also selected in the Auckland Football Talent Centre.

## Year 7 & 8 Sportswoman of the Year

### Sophie Spencer

**Nominees:** Neve Webster, Year 7; Nakoia Ashford, Year 7; Sophie Spencer, Year 8; Ava McKenzie, Year 8; Mia Harries, Year 8.

Sophie came 2nd overall in the Year 8 Saint Kentigern Girls' Swimming, winning the 33m Back, 33m Breast, coming 2nd in the 100m Free and 3rd in the 33m Free and the 33m Fly. She won the College Year 8 Girls' Cross Country and is the NZSS Open Water Swimming U12 Girls' Champion, the AKSS Aquathon U14 Girls' Champion and the NZSS Aquathon U12 Girls' Champion. She is also the NZSS Triathlon U12 Girls' Champion, the AKSS Duathlon Year 7/8 Girls' Champion and the NZSS Duathlon U12 Girls' Champion.



## The Leyton Monk Award Year 9 Sportsman of the Year



### Will Bason

**Nominees:** Dylan Muggleston, Year 9; Tom Downs, Year 9; Jaylen Rodwell, Year 9; Will Bason, Year 9; Logan Cowie, Year 9.

Will is the College Junior Boys' Swimming Champion, winning the 33m Back, 100m Free, 33m Fly, 33m Breast, 33m Free and placing 2nd in the 200m Free and Medley. He is also the NZSS U13 Boys' Open Water Swimming Champion, a member of the Rugby U15 team and Waterpolo Senior B Boys' team. Outside College he plays waterpolo for Marist and he was in the U14 Auckland East Representative team.

## Year 9 Sportswoman of the Year

### Cecile Velghe

**Nominees:** Dawn Boxer, Year 9; Emma Hannan, Year 9; Ling Kong, Year 9; Grace Chang, Year 9; Lilly Ellis, Year 9; Cecile Velghe, Year 9; Zara Smith, Year 9.

Cecile is the College Junior Girls' Athletics Champion, winning the 100m, 200m, 300m, Long Jump and Shot Put. At the Eastern Zone she won 100m, 200m, 300m and Long Jump and at the Greater Auckland she won the 200m and the 300m. She is a member of the Junior A Touch team and the Premier Girls' Touch team, while also being Captain of the 9A Mystics Netball team.



## The Philip Yolland Memorial Award for the Junior Sportsman Years 10 & 11



### Dylan McCullough

**Nominees:** Callum Walsh, Year 11; Cameron Church, Year 10; Ben Lowe, Year 10; Dylan McCullough, Year 11; Ryan Church, Year 11.

Dylan won the Intermediate Boys' 1500m at the Eastern Zone Athletics and placed second in the Intermediate Boys' 1500m at the Auckland Athletics. He is the Auckland Intermediate Boys' Triathlon Champion, the New Zealand U16 Boys' Triathlon Champion and the Auckland Intermediate Boys' Aquathon Champion. He is also the New Zealand U16 Boys' Aquathon Champion, the Auckland Intermediate Boys' Duathlon Champion and the New Zealand U16 Boys' Duathlon Champion. He is the College Intermediate Boys' Cross Country Champion and a member of the Junior A Cycling team. This team placed second overall in the Auckland series, second on Finals day and second at the North Island Cycling Championship.

## Year 10 & 11 Sportswoman of the Year

### Tayla Earle

**Nominees:** Jaymie Kolose, Year 10; Mahina Paul, Year 11; Annabelle Waterworth, Year 10; Tayla Earle, Year 11; Elise Conway, Year 11; Maddy Clarke, Year 11; Lisa Putt, Year 10; Kayla Robertson-Tekii, Year 10.

Tayla is a member of Premier Girls' Touch team which won the Eastern Zone and the Greater Auckland Zone and have qualified for the Nationals. She is also a member of the Premier Girls' Netball team. This team won the Auckland Championship and the New Zealand National Netball Championship and placed runners up in the Upper North Island tournament. Tayla was named in the tournament team for both the upper North Island and the Nationals. She is an Auckland U17 Netball Representative, a member the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Netball team and was also an U18 New Zealand Touch team trialist.







## Premier Cricket 2nd Best in New Zealand!

After qualifying earlier in the year, the boys' 1st XI travelled to the New Zealand Secondary Schools One Day Cricket Championship in Christchurch, quietly confident after beating an Auckland U19 team and the Auckland Cavaliers team in warm up matches.

This was the culmination of a watershed year for Saint Kentigern College cricket. With a new indoor training facility that opened at the end of 2015, and the arrival of a new full time coach, Ben Williams, the whole of the cricket programme has been revitalised and reenergised. From the Junior grades right through to the 1st XI, there has been real signs of cricketing talent development.

It was the 1st XI's win in the Hal Marryatt Cup in Term 1 that earned the team the right to represent Auckland and Saint Kentigern College at the National 1st XI One Day Championship. This was the first time the College had been to this tournament in 25 years!

On Day 1, the team batted beautifully against Hutt International Boys' School to post 296 for 6 with Sandeep Patel scoring 83 and Conor Ansell scoring 78. Apart from a patch in the middle of the 2nd innings, Saint Kentigern took regular wickets and, in the end, won comfortably taking Hutt International all out for 198 in the 40th over. An excellent start to the tournament!

On Day 2, the match up was with Christchurch Boys' High School. This was tipped to be the match-up of the tournament and it lived up to the expectation. Christchurch batted first and scored 243 for 8, batting out their 50 overs. After losing Conor Ansell early, Jimmy Webb and Sandeep Patel steadied the ship before Jimmy was run out. Finn Allen came to the crease and demonstrated why he is not only in the New Zealand U19 team but tipped to have a real future as a professional cricket player! He scored 110 runs on the way to a likely victory while wickets fell around him at regular intervals. When we lost our 9th wicket, the stage was set for 4 runs to win with 1 wicket in hand and 2 overs to play. Jono Low scored a single. Finn had to take the lead. But this was not a 'Boys' Own' fairy tale ending - well not for Saint Kentigern anyway! Finn was caught at backward point and Christchurch Boys were on their way to winning the tournament.

On Day 3, we played Hamilton Boys. Hamilton batted first and scored 168 all out in the 47th over. Both Sandeep and Conor carried their bats through the innings, Sandeep finishing with 104 and Conor scoring 50. The win was achieved in the 27th over and made the loss to Christchurch even harder than at the time.

Thursday saw consistent drizzle and low cloud through to about 1.30 in the afternoon and resulted in no play for any of the teams.

On Day 5, we played Otago Boys. Batting first, the boys were disappointed with their effort. Conor scored a very good 50



steadying the ship and setting a platform. With the next 3 batsman not troubling the scorers much, it was up to Matt Soroka to lead us to a total we could defend. Matt finished on 47 and Otago Boys were chasing 223 to win. They were well on track when our bowlers struggled to settle on line and length. That was until Angus Anderson took the ball. He bowled as a Year 13 should playing his last game for the College. Fired up, he took 4 for 36 off his 10 overs. Otago Boys were all out for 180 in the 42nd over.

Unfortunately Christchurch Boys also had 3 more wins and we had to settle for being the second best 1st XI cricket team in New Zealand.

The National Secondary Schools tournament was the best run tournament we attended this year. The format was brilliant and the facilities were first class. The organisation, including the team liaison people and the quality international standard umpires, gave the tournament real credibility and prestige. This was a fantastic opportunity for our boys to play against the best teams in the country and there was a lot to learn.

At the College Sport Young Sports Person of the Year Awards, Sandeep Patel won the Cricketer of the Year for his consistently strong performance. It was also a proud moment at the Auckland Secondary Schools Cricket Prizegiving when the 1st XI was awarded the Premier Spirit of Cricket Award for their sportsmanship. The Colts team won the John O'Connor Trophy for winning their grade and Olivia Dodd was named Premier Girls' Wicket Keeper of the Year. Our Premier Cricket coaching staff, Mr Ben Williams and Mr Greg Haines were both named as Coaches of the Year, testament to the fantastic work the pair has undertaken this year to lift the level of play at the College across all grades but especially at Premier level.



# Premier Netball National Champions!



After beating Mt Albert Grammar (MAGS) at the Auckland Championships, then losing to them in the Upper North Island Championships, tensions were running high at the National competition in Wellington during the October school holidays!

With comfortable wins during pool play, the team then hit a very fired up Wellington East in a match which went to extra time with our girls winning by just 2 points! They followed up with another win against Manukura, a strong side from Palmerston North, which set them up for a rematch against MAGS in the final.

In a repeat of last year's grand final, the pressure was really on in front of a packed and noisy stadium. With star shooter, Sydney Fraser out of the tournament through an earlier injury, it was a blow when Mererangi Paul was also sidelined through injury on the morning of the game.

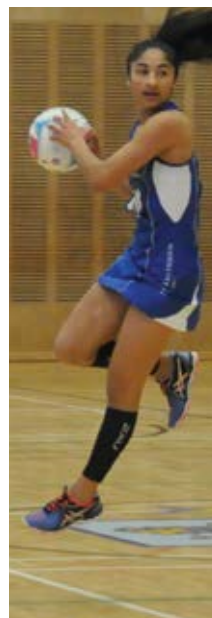
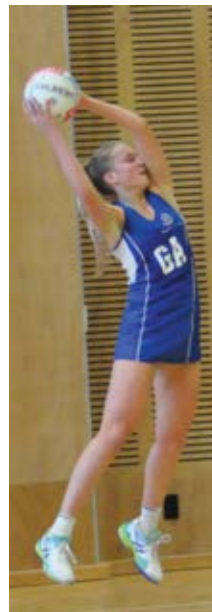
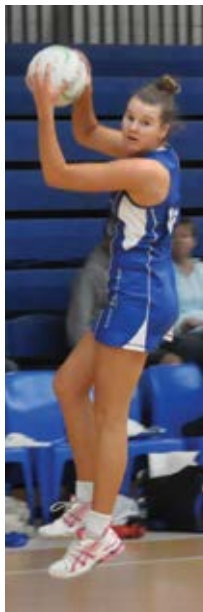
At quarter time, the lead was held by Saint Kentigern by three goals. By half time, MAGS had fought back with a four goal lead taking the score to 21-17. A strong third quarter propelled our girls forward by a single goal, paving the way for a tough mental and physical battle in the fourth quarter.

With four minutes to play in the final quarter and the crowd roaring in support, our girls were in front by four goals. As the clock wound down, Saint Kentigern held the slimmest of margins – one goal – as MAGS tried valiantly to draw level in the final minutes.

When the final whistle blew, the jubilation was clear! Saint Kentigern were the winners of the 2016 NZ Secondary Schools Netball Champs, 35-34; a first for the College!

Mererangi Paul (based on earlier play), Tayla Earle, Ashleigh Garner and Tori Kolose were all named in the Tournament team.

**Team:** Mererangi Paul, Mahina Paul, Victoria Kolose, Hannah Ward, Viona Silao, Lauren Pickett, Vilisi Tavui, Tayla Earle, Ashleigh Garner, Kayla Robertson-Tekii, Jaymie Kolose, Georgia Ropati



## Third Consecutive Win for Touch Juniors

The Junior Girls Touch team, captained by Gemma Laverick and Jaymie Kolose, pulled out all the stops to secure a Saint Kentigern win at the Auckland Zone Championships for the third consecutive year!

The competition is the culmination of the junior competition that runs during Term 4 for Year 9 and 10 students. Our girls were tested at every match throughout the competition. A tough quarter-final against Rangitoto (4-3) led them into the semi-finals against local foes, Howick College. This was a comfortable win of 7-1 leading them into a final against Auckland Girls' Grammar School (AGGS).

From the start, AGGS had the girls on the run! With 4 minutes to go, the score was 8-7, however, our defence stood their ground and combined with good yards, maintained our lead to win! Well done girls!





# Six 'YSPOTY' Awards for College Students

## College Sports - Young Sportsperson of the Year Awards

The annual College Sport Young Sportsperson of the Year Awards were held at Eden Park, to honour the best student athletes in Auckland across the 32 sanctioned college sports. The top three students from throughout Auckland, are selected as finalists in each sport, culminating in an overall sports person of the year. This year, the College was proud to have 20 of our students selected as finalists with five of them going on to be named as winners. Talented Year 13 sportswoman, Mererangi Paul, won both the Netball and Touch (Girls) categories.

To receive an invite to these awards is an honour as it means the student has been noted during the season as one of the top three players in their chosen sport from every secondary school in the Greater Auckland Area.

Over 600 people attended the event and it was a proud moment for the students, their families and the College when the winners were announced. At the end of the night, out of all the winners of each sport, finalists are named for overall Sports Person of the Year. It was great to have two of our students, Mererangi (Netball and Touch) and Connor Brown (Cycling) named as finalists. Diocesan and Westlake Boys were the eventual winners, for rowing and multiport respectively.

Congratulations to all the students selected as finalists, a fitting end to a fantastic year of sport at Saint Kentigern.

### WINNERS

<b>Cricket</b>	Sandeep Patel
<b>Cycling (Boys)</b>	Connor Brown
<b>Cycling (Girls)</b>	Madeleine Park
<b>Netball</b>	Mererangi Paul
<b>Touch (Girls)</b>	Mererangi Paul
<b>Waterpolo (Boys)</b>	Dominic Rankin-Chitar

### OVERALL FINALISTS

Connor Brown  
Mererangi Paul

### FINALISTS

All Rounder-Tori Kolose, Cricket-Rae Allright, Cricket- Sandeep Patel, Cycling-Connor Brown, Cycling-Madeleine Park, Football- Hannah Blake, Football- Luke Johnson, Football- Liam Williams, Golf-Erik Jorgensen, Golf-Andrew Meng, Multisport-Anna Wilkinson, Multisport-Daniel Whitburn, Multisport-Dylan McCullough, Netball- Sydney Fraser, Netball-Mererangi Paul, Rowing-Ethan Blight, Tennis-Heve Kelley, Tennis-Shaylee Syme, Tennis- Lana Popovich, Touch- Mererangi Paul, Touch- Tori Kolose, Waterpolo-Dominic Rankin-Chitar.



## Medals at Athletics Nationals

Well done to the team of College athletes who qualified to take part at the New Zealand Secondary Schools National Athletics competition held in Waitekere over three hot and sunny days last weekend.

Good results in the preliminary rounds saw a number of both Junior and Senior competitors advance through to the final day of competition with 10 of our athletes gaining podium places.

Matthew Manning won gold in the Senior Boys 1500m and, with fellow Senior Boys' 4 x 100m relay team members, Mitchell Gibson, Dominic Devlin and Ben Paanakker, added silver to the tally.

Lisa Putt was a silver medallist in the Girls' Triple Jump, also winning silver in the Junior Girls' 4 x 100m relay along with team members Jaymie Kolose, Elise Conway and Cecile Velghe.

Congratulations to these students, a fantastic way to finish the year!

**GOLD MEDAL:** Matthew Manning  
Senior Boys 1500m

**SILVER MEDAL:** Lisa Putt  
Junior Girls Triple Jump

**SILVER MEDAL:** Senior Boys  
4 X 400m Relay Team

**SILVER MEDAL:** Junior Girls  
4 X 100m Relay Team

### TOP 5 RESULTS:

**George Koslov** 4th Junior Boys 200m Final,  
5th Junior Boys 100m Final

**Lisa Putt** 4th Junior Girls Long Jump

**Mayah Coleman** 4th Senior Girls Javelin and  
Discus

**Dominic Devlin** 4th Senior Boys 400m Final







## Gold Medal for Young Cyclists!

In the New Zealand Road Cycling Championships held in Palmerston North, the Year 7 & 8 Girls team comprising Sophie deVries, Chloe Cox, Finn Bilsborough and Sophie Spencer won gold in the Time Trials. Sophie Spencer also won the NZSS U13 Girls' Road Race and placed 2nd in the Points race. Well done girls on fantastic cycling results!



## Mr Cowie Honoured

Mr Malcolm Cowie is long time stalwart on the staff at Saint Kentigern. Generations of boys knew him as their PE teacher, football coach and Housemaster at Bruce House. More recently, the girls have also benefitted from his extensive experience as a coach.

At this year's Annual General Meeting of New Zealand Secondary Schools Football, Mr Cowie's enormous voluntary contribution to secondary school football was acknowledged by being awarded an inaugural Life Membership. This recognises his contribution over 30 years to the provision of the best possible opportunities in football for secondary school students.

His experience includes 28 years coaching football at Saint Kentigern; coaching NZSS representative teams from 1988 to 2007 including tours of Australia, Europe and Korea; serving as Chairman of the NZSS Football National Executive for 18 years and taking on the role of Patron after stepping down as Chairman; and has been instrumental in developing representative programmes for U15 and U19 players including the organisation of a number of international tours worldwide.

Mr Cowie's positive attitude, enthusiasm – and broad Scottish accent! – are legendary. He is well deserving of this acknowledgement.

## Daniel Wins North Island Finals

Intermediate-age players from all over the North Island competed in the Intermediate School Tennis finals at the Waikato Tennis Centre in Term 4. After two long, hot days of matches, Year 8 College student, Daniel Persson won the Intermediate Boys Open Championship.

It was a big effort from Daniel in an important event and now he will go on to play the winner of the South Island competition.

Also, great results from Year 7 student, James McPherson, who came 5th in the Boys' Singles and paired with Daniel to place 2nd in the Boys' doubles. Year 8 student, Ella Simmons also achieved well, placing 2nd in the Girls' Doubles and 6th in the Girls' Singles.

This follows on from the outstanding results at the AIMS Games earlier this year. Daniel, alongside Year 7 students, Joey Huang and Caleb Mattison won Team Gold, while Daniel and James won Doubles Gold.







## College Welcomes Grandparents!

If you have an umbrella you won't need it! That old adage almost proved true when early-morning downpours sent staff scurrying to collect umbrellas in anticipation of over 350 grandparents onsite during Term 4! Thankfully the skies cleared and the campus was on display in brilliant sunshine by the time our guests arrived.

It's an eagerly awaited highlight of the Middle School calendar, when the Year 7 and 8 students invite their grandparents to see their place of learning. Our visitors travelled from far and wide to witness their grandchildren's education in action. Usually welcomed to the Sports Centre Lounge, the current renovations to the Sport Centre moved the arrivals to the more spacious Year 12/13 common rooms, where they enjoyed a morning tea provided by the Parents and Friends, with support from the Year 10 Middle School student leaders.

The grandparents were officially welcomed by the Head of Middle School, Mr Duncan McQueen, and the Head of College, Mr Steve Cole. Mr Cole quipped that this morning's guests were without doubt the best behaved group he's spoken to in the senior common room! A grandparent himself, he identified with our visitors. He said that while many facets of education have changed over generations, having an inspiring and caring teacher remains the most important factor in a child's success in the classroom. He thanked the guests for their

commitment to their grandchildren and for coming to observe a slice of their daily lives at Saint Kentigern.

When it was time for the students and their special guests to meet, the wide smiles and tight embraces showed the bond between the generations! The grandparents were escorted to the Elizabeth MacFarlan Centre where each class had planned a presentation and a quiz to grill the older generation. A tour of the campus showed the grandparents where the students attend chapel and our other landmarks before reconvening in the Sports Centre for the Middle School assembly. The Middle School Pipes and Drums played as everyone took their seats, and there were also performances from dance classes, the Middle School Sinfonia and the Maori and Pasifika Cultural Group. A large number of performing arts participants received badges to recognise their commitment to one or more disciplines, and it was extra special for the students to have their grandparents on hand to see this acknowledgment.

Grandparents play a very special part in the lives of our students, offering not only love, support and moral guidance but, in many cases, also offering the financial resource to ensure their grandchildren have the very best education available to them. Thank you to all grandparents who came from near and far for your support to your grandchildren, families and the College.





# College Parents & Friends



The Saint Kentigern College Parents & Friends have had another successful year in 2016. I wish to extend my thanks to our Executive team who have again given their time and effort in supporting the College. I also wish to thank the parents who have worked in Saints Café and the lunch bar, and who have helped at the many College functions at which the P&F provide refreshments.

The work that the P&F does in support of students and staff plays an important part in the operation of the College. I acknowledge the thanks for this support expressed to the P&F by the teaching staff and the Trust Board.

## Saints Café and Lunch Bar

Management of Saints Café and the lunch bar remains one of our most vital functions. We appreciate our arrangement with the Trust Board that allows the P&F to apply profits towards the support of students and staff. Both facilities are operating at a good level and we constantly monitor prices and margins for the best results.

Having parents help out in Saints Café and the lunch bar avoids us needing to ask our parents to fundraise in more traditional ways. If each family were to provide one parent to assist just once a term then we would have easily enough helpers. We now offer parents who help in Saints Café or the lunch bar a \$5.00 voucher as a small thank you, to be redeemed by the parent or their student in either Saints Café or the lunch bar. Parents should contact Trish at [skc\\_pfadmin@saintkentigern.com](mailto:skc_pfadmin@saintkentigern.com) if interested in helping out or simply have a question.

We have investigated an online lunch ordering system for Middle School students so as to greatly reduce the waiting times and congestion at the lunch bar. I am hopeful that the online ordering system will be running in the first term of next year. We are also drafting plans for renovations to the lunch bar to enable more efficient service as well as making the area more appealing.

## Information and Social Evenings for Parents

This year there has been some new initiatives such as changing our community meetings to an information and social evening format. We have speakers on topics of interest to parents from both College staff and outside experts. For example, in October we funded a presentation on parenting young adults by recognised and experienced speaker, Yvonne Godfrey.

## Families in crisis

In keeping with the College's desire to support families experiencing an extreme crisis, we have introduced Lunch Vouchers that can be given to the students of these families for use in either the Saints Café or the lunch bar. We see this as a small but practical way of supporting a College family in a time of great stress.

## Funds Provided to Students and Staff

This year we have provided approximately \$50,000 to support a variety of travelling cultural and sporting groups and to buy equipment for various teaching and co-curricular activities. This amount is less than in previous years, however, we have been able to satisfy every request for funds that has met our criteria. From next year we plan to increase our standard maximum support from \$1,500 to \$1,800 per travelling group.

## Asian Parents Social Group

This group continues to grow, providing an opportunity for Asian parents with limited English to meet, socialise and hear speakers on a variety of subjects concerning the College. P&F Executive member, Ms Jessie Liu convenes this group, providing translation into Mandarin at the meetings so parents obtain information that they may otherwise miss. Subjects of interest to parents have included: opportunities for students in the Sports and Music departments and the understanding of academic reports.

## Executive Committee personnel

Our long-serving secretary Mrs Desiree Jenkins-Allright has retired as her younger child finishes Year 13 this year. Mrs Jenkins-Allright has made an outstanding contribution to the P&F and the wider College, and I am very grateful to her.

David Courtney, Chairman

