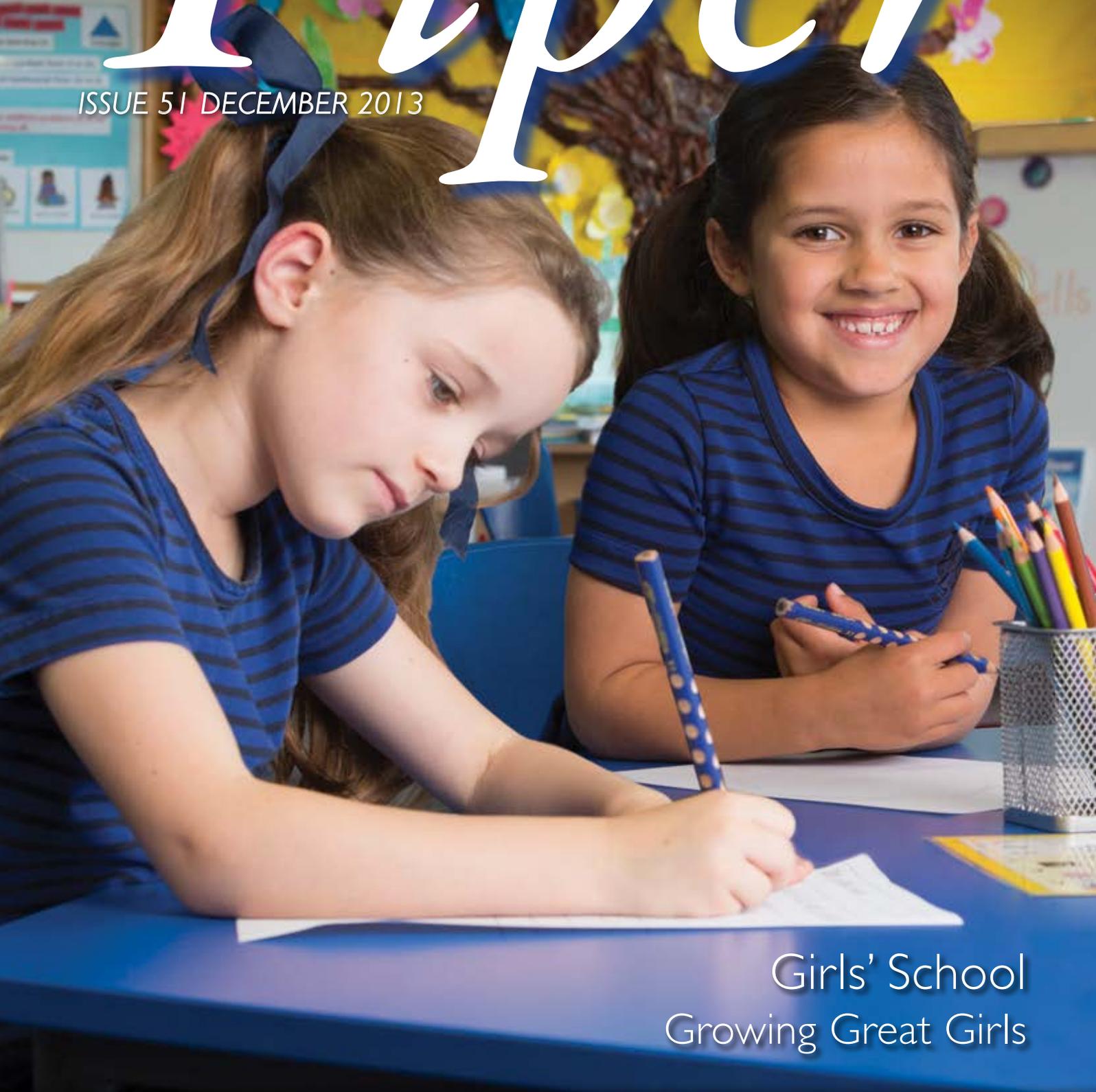


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Reflecting on 2013

What a fantastic year it has been. This year has seen a number of notable achievements by our students across all fields of endeavour and we have much to be proud of.

Each academic year concludes with a number of formal events where different groups from our College community come together to celebrate the year that has been. At the end of October, the Bruce House boarders gathered with invited guests and parents to farewell the Year 13 boarders and give thanks to the staff who care for them while away from home.

In early November, we recognised our sporting elite at our annual Sports Dinner with 500 students, coaches and families in attendance. We also welcomed special guest, Old Collegian, Grant Dalton to assist with the awards. Sports Dinner was followed by Senior School Prizegiving where we acknowledged the success of our top academics. Sarah Bradley was named as IB Dux and Louis Christie as NCEA Dux for 2013. At Middle School Prizegiving on the last day of term, Year 10 student, Haswell Booke, was announced as Dux of the Middle School. These are three remarkable students who have worked hard to achieve these results.

The year concluded with our Year 13 Graduation Dinner. As our 2013 Graduates and their families gathered together for the final time, the evening celebrated this group of outstanding Year 13 students who have spearheaded a year of success for the College. Highlights for me were the wonderful speeches by the House Leaders, particularly the diminutive and formidable House Leader of Hamilton, Mabel Ye; our Deputy Head Boy and Chalmers House Leader, Matthew Lieshout; our Deputy Head Girl, Shaan Bone and of course the usual masterful performance by our Head Girl, Shamika Leleni and Head Boy, Sam Grant.

I was moved by the Reverend David Smith's Chapel service 'An Ending and a Sending' sermon, highlighted by the songs from Grace Sturgess, Manase Latu, Denelle Bhagwandhin and Alex Waimora. The flawless vocal performances of these talented students made this emotional for all of us. This Year 13 group has been perhaps the most rounded and talented in my experience and the credit that they have brought to the College in academic success, cultural excellence and sporting triumphs has been remarkable. Their efforts have placed this College at the very top echelon of New Zealand schools. However, as was often repeated during the graduation evening, the students' development and success is partly attributable to dedicated, inspiring teachers, three of whom were farewelled in December.

Mrs Jan Lorentz, Mr Gordon Fryer and Mr Trevor Whiteman retired as long serving, valued members of the teaching staff at the completion of the 2013 academic year. These individuals have all been such an important part of the team, and I must emphasize that one of the most critical factors of any success of a school is its staff. I would like to take this opportunity once again to thank them for their dedication, professionalism and commitment to our students and to the academic and co-curricular life of the College over the years.

We now look towards 2014, devoted to helping students achieve their goals and reach their full potential. Thank you for your continuing support of this remarkable College.

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Steve Cole

HEAD OF COLLEGE

Farewell to Long Serving Staff

On the final day of Term 4, staff gathered to farewell four remarkable people who collectively have given well over a century of service to Saint Kentigern. Three of the four have worked for four different Headmasters while, Mr Trevor Whiteman, who has been at the College since 1979 has worked for all five College Headmasters and has seen and adapted to many changes in his time.



TREVOR WHITEMAN: 34 YEARS

Mr Whiteman is a consummate professional, whose service has been well appreciated by staff and students alike for 34 years, having commenced in 1979. He has unselfishly given much to the College both in and out of the classroom and has over many years shown a true willingness to be involved in all aspects of College life.

Mr Whiteman has had a number of different roles and responsibilities during his tenure. He has worked in Commerce, Social Studies, Travel and Tourism, and in Student Services. He was Dean of Form 3 and later Dean of Form 5 under our previous Pastoral Care system.

In the co-curricular area Trevor has made a huge contribution to Saint Kentigern. A keen sportsman himself, he sets his sights high – he has even become a very keen cyclist himself and trained hard enough to ride a couple of stages of the Tour de France in the Pyrenees. Mr Whiteman has spent his weekends supporting students of Saint Kentigern College to pursue their interest in sport. He has been involved in coaching and managing senior tennis teams for 19 years and cricket for 6 years.

He was also the manager of the 1st XV for 8 years including the 2001 team which won the 1A competition for the first time in the College's history and was manager of our Tennis teams that have won Auckland and National Titles.

We wish Trevor well in his retirement; he has been an efficient, helpful and reliable member of staff who will be remembered fondly.

A Journey of Reflection

Labyrinths have been around for thousands of years and are often referred to in Greek and Egyptian mythology. Unlike a maze which has a multitude of puzzling paths and can be difficult to navigate, a labyrinth has a single non-branching path which leads to the centre. Generally these are seen as 'sacred space'; they are created for walking a journey of thought, meditation and reflection on life.

Each year to conclude the Year 12 Christian Education course, our own labyrinth is fashioned on the Chapel Lawn. In preparation, the design was regularly mown and carefully manicured by Property Services and as the grass grew longer around it, the motif became more apparent. So did the curious second glances from cars passing by!

Based on the classical labyrinth, which has seven circuits and a cross in the centre, paving stones were placed every 30m of the 783m pathway, each posing a question that the students were asked to reflect upon as they quietly walked through the labyrinth: The gift of work, money, friends, learning, problems, family, joy, a dream, giving, gratitude, time and love.

For example, the Gift of Learning: What is something good you have learned this year? Or, The Gift of Problems: Why might some of life's challenges be seen as gifts? As they walked the course, the students were encouraged to consider if they had found joy in their life, and if their life brought joy to others. Virtues such as joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, self-control, faithfulness and love were all used in contemplation of their practical, servant-hearted focus.

Now in its fifth year, the labyrinth journey of reflection was a good opportunity for the students to take time to walk, to think and to contemplate on their time at Saint Kentigern College, and what they will take with them that will inform and shape their future.



GORDON FRYER: 29 YEARS

Another remarkable, long serving stalwart of our College is Mr Fryer; a truly professional teacher of Physical Education, initially, and in more recent years, a teacher of Science. He has also been a Housemaster at Bruce House and was Dean of Year 10 for 18 years.

Mr Fryer is a remarkable person who shares his passion and enthusiasm for life' willingly with students, particularly for the outdoors.

He has been a real contributor and advocate for Field Centre having just completed his 29th consecutive trip to the mountain – promising to be back to assist at his 30th next year! Indeed, it is his willingness to share his love of tramping and outdoor adventure for which he will most likely be remembered by the students; those in his tramping club calling him 'Papa Goat' and referring to him as a kindly grandfather figure.

His professionalism over many years has been an example to others and we wish him well in his retirement – although knowing Gordon, he is not likely to be slowing down that much!



JAN LORENTZ: 26 YEARS

Mrs Lorentz has graced the College for 26 years. She has been a very popular figure in the College community; always bright and breezy with a real sense of fun. She has been a passionate and very effective teacher of Science and has contributed significantly to the co-curricular. In

particular, she has been a leader in developing Junior Science and has embraced the Middle School concept.

Mrs Lorentz has also been well noted for her contribution to sports at Saint Kentigern. She managed a hockey team from 1991 and a tennis team from 1995. That's 18 years for hockey and 20 years for tennis! Over those years she had proved to be a dedicated manager and we thank her for her special care and commitment to our young sports people as well as her tutor groups and science students.

We wish Jan well as she moves to London with her husband to be with her grandchildren.



ESTELLE ALEXANDER: 27 YEARS

Estelle joined the administration staff in June 1986 in the role of Assistant Bursar to Jack Cormack. Estelle already had a good knowledge of Saint Kentigern as her two sons, Dion and Andrew, were attending the College. In her time she has taken on aspects of the accounts department from debtors and creditors to payroll and accounts payable.

In the last 27 years Estelle has seen three bursars, four Heads and many staff pass through the gates, all receiving assistance from her in some way. Estelle has been a quiet achiever, always getting on earnestly with her job and always willing to help. It is now time for Estelle to hang up her calculator as she embarks on retirement with her husband Don, choosing to locate themselves in a new apartment in Orewa and providing more precious time to spend with their much loved grandchildren.

Senior Prizegiving 2013

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 had received scholarships for tertiary study from leading universities and tertiary institutions. In addition, special prizes were awarded for cultural and service activities along with the top sports awards.

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. This year, the honour was awarded to both the top IB Diploma student, Sarah Bradley and the top NCEA student, Louis Christie.

IB DUX MEDALLIST FOR 2013: SARAH JANE BRADLEY



Sarah is a student of outstanding ability who has achieved significant academic success during her time at Saint Kentigern College.

In 2011, Sarah gained NCEA Level 1 with an Excellence endorsement with a total of 103 credits at Excellence level and was placed first in Year 11. She won the prizes for Geography, Japanese and Science. In 2012,

Sarah entered the International Baccalaureate (IB) programme and won the Year 12 IB prizes for English

and Japanese, and was an Honours List student. This year Sarah has won the prizes for English, Literature and Film Studies.

Sarah will also be sitting Scholarship examinations in History, Geography and Media Studies.

Sarah's co-curricular involvement has been varied and interesting. She is a member of the Premier Debating team and the Tramping Club. She has played football for the College and represented the College at the Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) and the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM).

Sarah is going to study at Victoria University in Wellington where she has won the Excellence Scholarship. She will study Law and Arts with a view to working to improve the lives of women in developing nations.

NCEA DUX MEDALLIST FOR 2013: LOUIS CHRISTIE



Louis is an outstanding scholar who has won numerous academic awards during his time at the College including consistently winning Academic Honours since Year 11.

In Year 11, Louis passed NCEA Level 1 with 124 credits, 61 of which were at Excellence level. In Year 12, Louis was on the Academic Honours list and passed Level 2 NCEA with 133 credits with 107 at Excellence level. He also won the prize for Physics and, as a Year 12 student,

the Year 13 Statistics prize. He also passed Scholarship Statistics with an Outstanding Scholarship. This year Louis studied a Stage One Mathematics paper at the University of Auckland and scored the highest possible grade of A+. Louis has won the 2013 prizes for: Accounting, Economics, Calculus and Physics. Louis is also sitting Scholarship examinations in Statistics, Calculus, Economics, Physics, Chemistry and Geography.

Louis' co-curricular involvement has also been a significant part of his time at the College. He has recently completed his Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award, is a member of the Tramping Club and has played tennis. He attended the New Zealand training camps for both the Mathematics and the Chemistry Olympiad teams, and was a member of the Economics Pursuits team and the Monetary Policy Challenge team that finished second in New Zealand.

Louis is going to study Science and Commerce at the University of Auckland with a view to continuing his studies overseas.



Cultural and Service Special Awards

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. We are proud of the achievements of so many of our students.

At all levels, there are many who strive to achieve their utmost in every endeavour they undertake. Each has a goal, a focus, a sight set on an outcome.

Among the many talented, hardworking individuals, there are also those who set their sights a little higher. Often the true all-rounder, they give their all to every facet of their College life, getting involved in many of the opportunities offered to them, often helping others along the way. The students awarded the special Cultural and Service awards are such students.



THE WAYNE ROBINSON MEMORIAL CUP

Steven Fu

In memory of Old Collegian, Wayne Robinson, this award is in recognition of a Year 12 student who has experienced a difficult time yet is a person of integrity who through his or her achievements and actions has inspired others to contribute to the well-being of the College.



THE FINN FAMILY CUP

Alex Waimora

This is awarded for participation and commitment in academic, cultural, sporting and spiritual facets of College life.



THE HALL MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR SERVICE

Anna Piaggi

This is awarded to our Service Prefect for her contribution during the year as Chair of the Service Council.



THE CLEMENTS FAMILY 'ENDEAVOUR' CUP

Laura Myers

This is awarded for excellence in leadership, academics and sports.



THE ROTARY SENIOR SCHOOL SERVICE AWARD

Sophie Watson

This is awarded to a Senior School student for significant service to others within the College or wider community.



THE WINGFIELD MEDAL

Sarah Inkster

This is awarded to a student who exhibits pluck, endurance or capacity to triumph over tremendous difficulties. Only 5 of these medals have been awarded in the last 20 years.



THE MICHAEL WAGSTAFF MEMORIAL AWARD

Nicholas Williams

This is awarded for academic perseverance and endeavour and goes to a student who has demonstrated outstanding attitude and application, achieving their personal best beyond expectations.



THE RHYS BROOKBANKS MEMORIAL AWARD

Mabel Ye

This is awarded for leadership and service in memory of Rhys who was tragically killed in the collapse of the CTV Building during the 2011 Christchurch earthquake.



THE RICHARD ORSBORN MEMORIAL AWARD

Darryn Ooi

This is awarded to a pupil leaving the College who throughout their schooling has contributed to many school activities, shown high personal standards and has exhibited the qualities inherent in the foundation of the College.



THE KEP-STRANG CUP

Shaan Bone

This cup is awarded for an outstanding contribution to leadership in the life of the College.



THE MICHAEL LONSDALE-COOPER MEMORIAL CUP FOR CITIZENSHIP

Blake Van der Maas

This award goes to a student who has shown integrity, humility and dedication during his time at College.



THE GREG LOMAS MEMORIAL SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Brandon Hoon

This is awarded to a student who has experienced difficulty, hardship or illness and has persevered through it.

Tertiary Scholarships

Each year a significant number of our students are awarded scholarships to assist with their tertiary education at universities and other tertiary institutions both within New Zealand and overseas. At the time of writing, fifteen scholarships have been awarded to provide financial assistance to continue their chosen tertiary studies. This figure generally increases over the summer break as exam results become available.



AUT Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship

Matthew Morrison

This is an award for student achievement and academic excellence at secondary schools in the wider Auckland region. This award provides tuition fees for 4 papers a semester over 3 years.



The Massey University Vice Chancellor's High Achievers Scholarships (Arts and Academic)

Matt Ellwood

Matt is the recipient of two scholarships; the Arts and the Academic Scholarships are worth \$3000 each, a total of \$6000 towards tuition.



The Massey University Vice Chancellor's High Achievers Scholarship (Academic)

George William Young

This scholarship is worth \$3000 towards tuition.



The R S M Prince Accounting Scholarship

Thomas Papesch

This scholarship provides \$4,800 study assistance over four years together with mentoring assistance and opportunities for paid employment during University holidays.



The Russell McVeagh School Leavers' Scholarship and The University of Otago - Maori and Pacific Island Entrance Scholarship

Shamika Leleni

Shamika is the recipient of two scholarships. The Russell McVeagh Scholarship is worth \$1000 for the first year and \$2000 each subsequent year plus mentoring and The University of Otago Scholarship is worth \$1000 for the first year of study.



The University of Auckland Faculty of Business and Economics Entry Level Undergraduate Scholarship

Nacoya Anderson

This scholarship is worth \$2,500 for the first year of study.



The University of Auckland STEAM Scholarship and The University of Auckland George Turner Wilson Music Trust Scholarship

Manase Latu

Manase is the recipient of two scholarships. The STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Architecture & Medical Sciences) Scholarship pays \$1000 towards tuition fees, accommodation or course costs and the Music scholarship is worth \$2500.



The University of Canterbury Emerging Leaders Scholarship

Francesca Elizabeth Wilkinson

This scholarship is worth \$5000 for the first year of study.



The University of Canterbury Emerging Leaders Scholarship The University of Canterbury Engineering High Achievers Award

Jarred During

Jarred is the recipient of two scholarships each worth \$5000.



The Victoria University Excellence Scholarship

Raima Harding

This is worth \$5000 towards tuition fees or accommodation in the first year of study.



The Off the Rack Scholarship

Ashleigh Millington

This is worth \$8000 towards the first year of tertiary study in a design course of her choosing.

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 prize giving.

The official party was piped in by William Eaddy followed by the College Sinfonia, comprising our Middle School musicians, accompanying the National Anthem.

Dr John Kernohan made the address on behalf of the Trust Board reflecting back in this Jubilee year to the establishment of the College 60 years ago. With just a single wooden building in what is now Elliot Quad, the College consisted of just three classrooms for Years 7,8 and 9.

That year there was a total of 92 boys and it is remarkable to think how few facilities they had when compared to today. Over the years we have grown to over 1700 students and boast some of the best secondary school facilities in the country.

Proud parents looked on as the top students in each age group came forward to collect their prizes from two long serving teachers who retire this year – Mrs Jan Lorenz and Mr Gordon Fryer. Dux of the Middle School, Haswell Brooke was a well-deserved recipient after significant grades including completing Year 11 mathematics as a Year 10 student.

At the conclusion of the formalities, Head of Middle School, Mr Duncan McQueen quipped that the bad weather that had plagued the Year 10's at Field Centre had followed them home. Consequently the traditional end of year Beating the Retreat by the Second Pipe Band was moved inside and there was no flag lowering ceremony this year. Our congratulations to all our award winners and especially to Haswell.



DUX OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL



HASWELL BROOKE

Haswell had the honour of being awarded the Dux of Middle School for 2013. He is an outstanding student who has consistently achieved at an Excellence and Excellence Plus level in all his subjects, including Year 11 mathematics in Year 10. Haswell is to be commended for achieving a full year GPA of 395 out of 400 with an average of 98%, exceeding all other students by more than 15 points.

Haswell is an all-rounder who thrives in both the academic and co-curricular environment. In addition to his academic excellence, he is actively involved in the co-curricular life of the College. He has found success through the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award, the Concert Band, Stage Band, Music Production Orchestra, Saxophone Ensemble, Cycling and Duathlon. He achieved Merit in the New Zealand Junior Mathematics Competition, Distinction in the Australian Mathematics Competition and High Distinction in ICAS Science.

Haswell is clearly a highly motivated young man who has demonstrated a real passion to learn, is committed to achieving at the highest possible level and clearly displays our ethos of striving for excellence in all areas of College life. Haswell thoroughly deserves to be Dux of the Middle School for 2013.



THE J.E.H KURURANGI CUP

CAMERON LOW

This cup is awarded to a Year 10 boy who shows all round ability. Cameron has demonstrated great versatility over the course of 2013. He competed in the Auckland Secondary School competition for Cross Country and Triathlon as well as participating in Duathlon and Cycling. Cameron was fully involved in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

and was a Middle School Student Leader in Semester One. Throughout the year he has been active in the Junior Chess, House Choir and took part in the Mathex competition. Cameron has continually shown diligence inside the classroom receiving several mathematics awards and excelling in all areas of the curriculum.



THE BIRCH CUP

EMILY KAREN BRAID

This cup is awarded to a Year 10 girl who shows all round ability. Emily has shown her leadership qualities as a Middle School Leader in Semester One. She is a fine sportswoman who has represented the College in Junior Tennis, Netball and the Premier Touch team. Emily has participated fully in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award and was a keen member of the House Choir. She has consistently

maintained high standards in her academic work through her diligent approach to her studies and has shown commitment to achieving her personal best both inside and outside the classroom.

College Sports Awards



Each year the Sports Department hosts an Awards Dinner to honour our sporting elite. Over 500 people attended this year's dinner to celebrate the achievement of our finest young sportspeople. 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 continue to strive to maintain that competitive edge.

This year we were very pleased to welcome back former student, professional sailor and Managing Director of Emirates Team New Zealand, Mr Grant Dalton to present the awards. Grant was a student at both the Boys' School and the College whose children have also attended Saint Kentigern. Whilst Grant acknowledged that at school he was never quite 'big enough, fast enough or smart enough,' he recalls with pride a cup that he was awarded in



his final year for leadership. Grant has gone on to make a mark in the world of competitive adventure sailing and the America's Cup, fully understanding the leadership required to make a team work as one. This year, a new leadership cup was presented in his honour. We thank him for taking the time to return to College to present the awards.

The Sports Dinner is the culmination of the efforts of many people but Director of Sport, Mr Martin Piaggi and Sports Manager, Miss Lynne Scutt deserve our thanks for the huge amount of work it takes to bring this together.



TEAM OF THE YEAR

1ST XI FOOTBALL TEAM

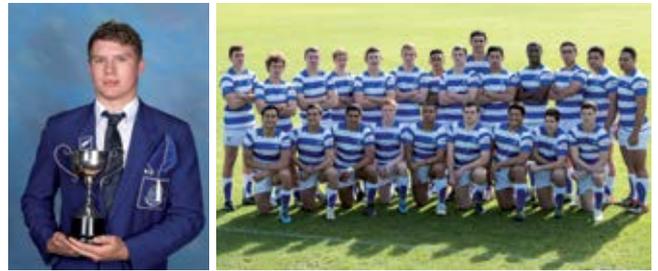
In selecting Team of the Year we consider competitive edge, dedication to training, consistency throughout the season, self-respect, respect of the opposition, respect for team mates, the overwhelming desire to perform as a team and representing the College with pride.

Nominees: Football Boys 1st XI Team, Rugby 1st XV Team, Cycling Girls Premier Team, Tennis Girls Premier Team, Tennis Boys Premier Team

The 1st XI Football team have shown true team dynamics this year. They placed second 2nd in the Auckland Premier Teams Competition and played in the Semi Final in the Auckland Knock Out Cup then went on to win the New Zealand Secondary Schools Football Championship.

2013 1st XI: Alexander Clark, Alex Waimora, Anusheel Singh, Daniel McLean, George Ladoga, Jared Gibbs, Jared Schnell, Jonty Thompson, Matthew Lieshout, Matthew Ridenton, Michael Den Heijer, Nicholas Forrester, Ross McPhie, Samuel Horn, Tinashe Marowa, Thomas Konusi.

Coaches: Mr Mike Ridenton & Mr Jon Dale. Manager: Mr Tom Gordon.



JOHN IRVINE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR

1ST XV RUGBY TEAM

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.

Nominees: Girls Premier Tennis team, Boys' Premier Tennis team, Boys' 1st XI Football team, Girls Senior A Cycling team

In April the 1st XV won the final of the Sanix Youth Tournament in Japan ending a 50 game winning streak by Hartpury College representing the British Lions. Twice during the IA Rugby season they came from behind to beat King's College and progress to the next stage of competition. The epic final of the Auckland IA competition at Eden Park against Auckland Grammar will be remembered by many for a long time, in particular William Raea's last minute game winning kick to secure their 3rd IA title in a row. The team went on to win the Blues franchise final against Westlake Boys' High School and the semi-final of the Top 4 National Competition against Otago Boys' High School. In the National final against Hamilton Boys' High School, our 1st XV were beaten 12-10. This year's 1st XV could not have trained harder or given more. They played this season with the added pressure of protecting an unbeaten record spanning back to July 2011. Every week was a test match as they went 52 matches without defeat. Each player epitomizes what it is to be a Saint Kentigern College sports person.

2013 1st XV: Blake Gibson, Blake Knight, Blake Van Der Mass, Braydon Ennor, Cody Wheeler, Dalton Papalii, Dillon Wihongi, Emmanuel Lamositele, Finlay Christie, Harrison Marks, Jerry Samania, Jethro Felemi, Jonathan Faauli, Joseph Mitai, Matthew Corliss, Matthew Morrison, TJ Faiane, Patrick Herbert, PariPari Osborne-Parkinson, Rupena Patuawa-Parkinson, Samuel Nock, Samuela Taiseni, Sesimani Tupou, Suliasi Vunivalu, Wesley Tameifuna, William Phipps, William Raea, Thomas Sinclair, Oliver McCowan, Jonathan Cato, Farrell Kiel, George Hollingworth, Fa'amanatuga Lafaee..

Coaches: Mr Tai Lavea & Mr Josh Syms. Manager: Mr Jerry Leapepe.

HEADMASTER'S SPORTS AWARDS

The Headmaster's Sports awards are presented to male and female senior students who have played for the College demonstrating commitment and professionalism in their chosen code. They are regarded as 'power houses' making a difference to the performance of their teams.

THE HEADMASTER'S SPECIAL AWARD



JOSIE CLOW

This trophy is given to a senior athlete who stands out for showing pride, leadership and total commitment over a number of years while representing the College. Josie

epitomizes what it is to be a Saint Kentigern College sports person. She has given everything a go and has given her all in everything she has done. When she established that she had a passion for triathlon and cycling, she channelled all her energy into training for these sports. As the Triathlon Captain she has set an example to the younger athletes and as an athlete she has performed with distinction. As a leader within the Girls' Senior A cycling team, she played a major role in the team winning the National title for the second year in a row.

THE HEADMASTER'S SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR



PAIGE HOURIGAN

Paige has made the most of her sporting opportunities since joining the College at the beginning of 2012. She has committed to

a career path in tennis, dedicating all her time to training and playing. In last two years of competition, she has remained unbeaten while playing for the College, helping her team to gain two Auckland and two National titles during her time. She has an un-coachable determination to win! She has played in the Junior Australian Open and a number of WTA events including the ASB classic. Her drive and determination makes her a worthy recipient of this award.

THE HEADMASTER'S SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR



MATTHEW RIDENTON

As an established member of the 1st XI Football Team, Matthew set his sights on winning the Auckland and National Secondary Schools

competitions. Falling short in Auckland, the team rallied and won the Nationals with Matthew playing a pivotal role in the final, as both a goalie and midfielder! He then set his sights on the U17 World Cup and played superbly. He continually impressed with his skill, speed and reading of the game to the point where he was asked to trial for the Phoenix. Since then he has played for New Zealand A against the All Whites, played for the New Zealand U17 team at the World Cup, signed a three year deal with the Phoenix and been named in a 30 man All Whites squad for the next World Cup.

THE JEROME KAINO CUP



TJ FAIANE

The Kaino Cup is presented to a team athlete who 'The team could just not do without.'

TJ has played over 50 games for the 1st XV. As an on-

field leader he showed maturity and professionalism week in and week out. On countless occasions he made covering tackles in desperation to stop tries and he scored a try in the final of the Nationals. He has always been a dedicated trainer and inspired others to match his efforts. On the field he performed at the highest level and was regarded as one of the best players in the 1A competition this year. Since the College season finished, he has played for New Zealand Secondary Schools three times, including captaining the side against Fiji.

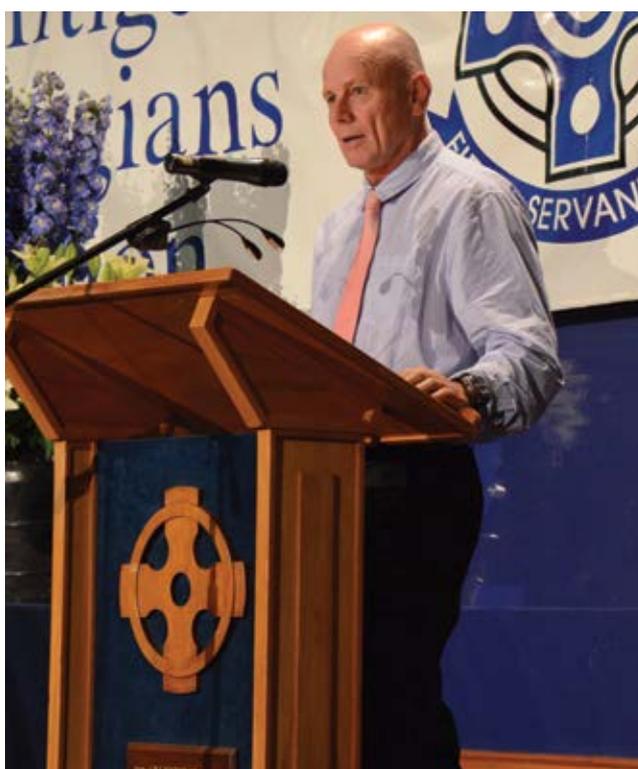
THE GRANT DALTON CUP



MATTHEW LIESHOUT

A new cup this year, presented by Grant in person, this was awarded for leadership, team building and the development of others.

Matthew plays in two premier teams during the winter, both the 1st XI Football team and the 1st XI Hockey team. Both teams play in the premier grade in Auckland and Nationally. Matthew is a fine young man who leads by example and never stops trying no matter what the status of the game. He continually encourages the development of others and is a real team player always adding value to the team environment. He portrays values of the highest order and is destined to be a future leader in the community.



Dux Ludorum



WILLIAM RAEA

The Dux Ludorum is one of the major individual sporting awards 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 rather than someone who has concentrated on just one sport.

Nominees: *Stephanie Campbell, Josie Clow, Kelly Drew, Madeline Evans, Paige Hourigan, Matthew Lieshout Richmond Lum, Lucy Macdonald, Samuel Nock, Matthew Ridenton, William Raea, Maia Jean Watene, Cody Wheeler, Francesca Wilkinson*

William has played in three Premier College teams this year which all qualified for National competition: rugby, touch and basketball. As an individual, he also represented the College at athletics, as he has done every year for the past 7 years. He was a member of the 1st XV Rugby team that won the Sanix World Youth Rugby tournament and the Auckland IA competition – where he will be remembered for ‘that final winning kick!’ He was named in the Auckland U18 Invitational team and is a member of the Auckland Rugby Elite academy. William is the recipient of the Auckland Supporters Club Rugby Scholarship and is a member of the Auckland Sevens Academy.

After the rugby season finished he trained with the College Premier Basketball team and played at the Nationals. William is also in the College Premier Touch Team. He has represented Auckland as an U21 Touch player, represented NZ in the U19 against Australia and has been named in the Men’s Open Squad to prepare for the Touch World Cup.

As Dux Ludorum, William also received a voucher worth over \$900 from Suitme entitling him to a two piece bespoke suit.

THE PHILIP YOLLAND MEMORIAL AWARD YEAR 10 & 11 SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR



AYDEN LAMONT

Nominees:

Ayden Lamont, Connor Brown, Hayden Church, James Fouche, Liam Ward, Matthew Manning.

Ayden is the College Junior

Rower of the Year. As a Year 11 he was a member of U17 IV which won the Auckland title. He was a member of the Premier VIII which placed 3rd at Head of Harbour and was also a member of the Premier VIII which placed 4th at the North Islands and 7th in the Maadi Cup final. Ayden is also an accomplished cyclist and member of the Senior A team who are the Auckland Series champions. The team were 2nd on finals day and 2nd at the North Island championships. As an individual, Ayden is the NZ U17 Road Race Champion, was 2nd in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Individual time trial, 3rd in the hill climb and 1st in the criterium to place 2nd overall.

GIRLS RUNNER UP TO THE DUX LUDORUM



MAIA JEAN WATENE

Maia Jean is an outstanding all-round sportswoman. At the College athletics she was 1st in the 100m, 1st in the 200m

and 1st in the 400m. She is a member of the Senior A Netball team that placed 2nd in Auckland. She was the captain of the Premier Girls Basketball team that placed 5th in Auckland, 3rd at zones and 13th at the Nationals. She received the College Basketball Player of the Year title. She was also selected for the New Zealand Maori Women’s Basketball squad to play in the Oceania tournament.

Maia Jean also plays in the Premier Girls Touch team that placed 1st in Eastern Zone, 2nd in Greater Auckland and is going on to nationals. She was named College Touch Player of the Year. She is a New Zealand representative touch player at U19 level and has been named in the squad for the New Zealand women’s team. Well done Maia Jean!

THE BRUCE PALMER MEMORIAL AWARD BOYS RUNNER UP TO THE DUX LUDORUM



CODY WHEELER

Cody was a member of the 1st XV team that won the Sanix World Youth tournament and the Auckland IA competition. He received the Fides Servanda Est

Trophy. Cody also trialed for the Blues region team.

Cody was also this year’s Rowing captain and was a member of the 1st XIII which placed 3rd at the Head of Harbour, 4th at the North Island competition and 7th in the final of the Maadi Cup. He was also a member of the U18 Quad which placed 2nd at the Head of Harbour, 2nd at the North Island competition and 2nd in the Nationals. He was also a member of the U18 Coxed Four which placed 2nd at the Head of Harbour, 2nd at the North Island competition and 2nd at Nationals. Well done Cody!

YEAR 10 & 11 SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR



CHRISTINA OSCAR

Nominees: *Amorangi Malesala, Caitlin Walker, Chanistha Ampomachariya, Christina Oscar, Emma Hanley, Jessica Speight, Grace Wood, Mikayla Harvey.*

Year 11 student, Christina, is three premier sports teams at the College. She is captain of the all-conquering Auckland championship winning Girls Cricket team, a member of the Premier Netball team and the Premier Girls Touch team. She is an Auckland rep touch player and an Auckland rep netball player. She has recently been invited to join a national netball camp.

THE LEYTON MONK AWARD YEAR 9 SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR



BENJAMIN FLEMING

Nominees:

Benjamin Fleming,
Ethan Blight, Fraser
Hamilton, Michael
Wood, George Ellett

Benjamin is the
Junior swimming

champion winning the 33m free, 100m free, 33m backstroke, 33m fly, the 33m breaststroke and the 33m individual medley. He is in the Junior A Waterpolo team as well as the Premier Boys Waterpolo team. He has also played in the U15 New Zealand Water Polo team tour to Australia where the team went undefeated 4/4 games. He is also a valued member of the 5a Rugby team

YEAR 9 SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR



VICTORIA KOLOSE

Nominees:

Mayah Coleman,
Summer-Jean
Motufoua, Tate
McGregor, Victoria
Hockley, Victoria
Kolose, Yasmin
Shakes

Victoria was 3rd in the Junior Girls athletics and set two new College records for the 100 and 200m. Later in the season she won the 200m and the 300m at the Auckland championships setting a new College record in the 300m. She then teamed up with 3 others to win the 4 x 100 metres and set a new College record. As a Year 9 she was selected for the Premier Girls Netball team. This team placed 5th in Auckland and 7th at Upper North Islands. She was named junior Netball Player of the Year. She is also a member of the Premier Girls Touch team that were runners up in Auckland and will go on to the Nationals.

THE SISSONS AWARD YEAR 7 & 8 SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR



DYLAN MCCULLOUGH

Nominees:

Ben
Lowe, Callum Walsh,
Dylan McCullough,
Harry Salvesen,
Josh Harford, Ryan
Church, Sajith
Dhambagolla

Dylan was 3rd overall in the Year 8 swimming championships. In athletics he placed 3rd in the Year 8 800m and won the 1500m. He placed 2nd in the College Cross Country. He has played rugby, football and touch. He was winner of the Auckland and New Zealand Year 8 triathlon championship and also the Auckland and New Zealand Duathlon champion. He was also part of the team that won the New Zealand Tag Triathlon for Year 8. He received both the Alan Reeves Trophy for Year 8 Triathlon and the College award for Triathlete of the Year.

As a cyclist, he placed 4th in the Hill climb, 3rd in the criterion and 4th in the Time Trial to place 3rd overall in the NZSS Cycling Championships for U14 Boys. His Year 7/8 Cycling team are the Auckland Team Time Trial champions and the National Team Time Trial champions.



Seven ASB Awards

The annual ASB College Sport Young Sportsperson of the Year Awards were held at the Ellerslie Convention Centre to honour the best student athletes in Auckland across 32 sanctioned college sports. The top three students in Auckland are selected as finalists in each sport and this year Saint Kentigern College was proud to have 18 finalists. We are delighted that seven of our nominees were named as the overall winners for their sport which confirms our great sporting programme at Saint Kentigern. This is the second year that Francesca Wilkinson, William Raea and Paige Hourigan have received awards. Matthew Ridenton and Maia Jean Watene were unable to attend on the night as Matthew has left for Wellington to start his contract with the Phoenix and Maia Jean was away representing NZ in the Maori Women's Basketball team in Wellington.

The MC for the night was Old Collegian, Jordan Vandermade who hadn't forgotten his Saint Kentigern roots!

WINNERS

Madeline Evans	All Rounder Award
Francesca Wilkinson	Girls' Cricket
Matthew Ridenton	Boys' Football
Blake Gibson	Rugby
Paige Hourigan	Girls' Tennis
William Matheson	Boys' Tennis
William Raea	Boys' Touch

Nominees: Madeline Evans, All Rounder; Francesca Wilkinson, Cricket; Madeline Evans, Distance Running; Matthew Ridenton, Football; Joanna Kim, Golf; Sam Jimmieson, Hockey; Richmond Lum, Hockey; TJ Faiane, Rugby Union; Blake Gibson, Rugby Union; Kelly Drew, Tennis; Paige Hourigan, Tennis; Trent Smith, Tennis; William Matheson, Tennis; Maia Jean Watene, Touch; William Raea, Touch; Josie Clow, Triathlon/Duathlon/Multisport; Madeline Evans, Triathlon/Duathlon/Multisport; Tim Mudford, Triathlon/Duathlon/Multisport. Paige Hourigan, William Raea and Blake Gibson were also finalists for the overall sport person of the year.

YEAR 7 & 8 SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR



NATASHA LEISHMAN

Nominees:

Elizabeth Ellis,
Hannah Williams,
Natasha Leishman,
Olivia Overfield

Natasha was the
Year 8 Girls Athletics
Champion placing

1st in the 1500m, 800m and the high jump, 2nd in the 300m and 3rd in the 200m. She is the current Year 8 Cross Country Champion. She is the captain of the Year 7/8 Girls Cricket team and plays in the Girls Premier Cricket team who are the Auckland champions. She is in the Year 7/8 1st XI Football team and in the Junior A Football team who placed 3rd in the Auckland competition. She is in the U15 College Basketball team and in the 8B Netball team. She is also the Year 7/8 Badminton champion.



Our New Zealand Sporting Representatives

Once, the 'all-round sportsperson' was to be admired for an ability to train and succeed in a number of sports. Nowadays, more and more, our young sportspeople and their coaches are coming to realise that to be truly successful in the sporting arena, especially at representative level, they need to specialise earlier and earlier, often spending many hours in training to the exclusion of other sports or co-curricular activity. To succeed at this level requires skill but it also requires tenacity, a strong work ethic and the resilience to bounce back from failure, learn from the mistakes, work hard to improve and then try again.

In 2013, Saint Kentigern College sport supported 32 students who were New Zealand Representatives for their sport across 15 different sporting codes. Those who represent a sport at National level are awarded Colours and a Silver Fern to wear on their blazer.

The range of sports in which our students have reached New Zealand level is diverse. These are all students who have gained the edge through a strong determination to succeed. For those who have already reached this status as an U14 or U15, their future in the sport looks bright.

The four rugby representatives, T J Faine, Dillon Wihongi, Blake Gibson and Jonathan Faauli have been stalwarts of the 1st XV who set their sights on taking their game further than school boy rugby. With the success of the 1st XV in the Auckland competition, along with the opportunity to play at the World Youth competition in Japan, these boys have had good exposure and have all signed with New Zealand based rugby academies.

Suliasi Vunivalu has been a member of our 1st XV since 2012 and was a power house this season, creating havoc against most opposition. Suliasi has signed a three year professional contract with the Melbourne Storm Rugby League Club. He will play in their U20 team but may be called upon to represent the Melbourne Storm's 9 side team in the inaugural Auckland 9's tournament in February.

Among the four football representatives, Mathew Ridenton has stood out. He said that he originally played the sport for the love of it but realised in recent times that it could be possible to make a career from his talent. At 17, he has signed a professional contract to play football for the Wellington Phoenix, offered after he played for New Zealand A against the Phoenix earlier in the year.

Paige Hourigan has been part of our Girls Premier Tennis team; a team that has won the NZ Secondary School title four years in a row. She has represented New Zealand individually in tennis and has now left College from Year 12 to devote 2014 to pursuing a professional career in her chosen sport. During the summer she will play in the New Zealand age group championships then the New Zealand Resident Open – in which she will try and go one better than runner up – placing she achieved last

year as a 15 year old! She will then play in the New Zealand Open hoping to qualify for the Australian Open and then spend the year chasing WTP points around the world.

Alice Boyd who represents New Zealand at fencing continued her journey towards her dream to become a New Zealand Olympian. Alice won the title of U20 Women's' Foil Champion at the Oceania Senior/ Open Championships in May of 2013. Her overall placing in the Open age group was 3rd. Alice also placed 2nd in the New Zealand Junior Fencing Championships. She narrowly lost the final coming back from a 13-6 deficit to be beaten by a point. She recently added to her list of achievements, winning a gold medal at the Youth Games in Hamilton. She would like to thank the Old Collegians Association for their support.

These students set themselves high goals and are well on their way to achieving them. Following in their footsteps are other determined students who have achieved New Zealand level in baseball, basketball, cheerleading, equestrian, hockey, karate, netball, table tennis, taekwon-do, touch, triathlon and waterpolo. We wish them all well!

Jordan Hosking	NZ U17 Baseball Team
Taylor Simmons	NZ U17 Baseball Team
Leba Korovou	NZ U20 Basketball Team
Hannah Coates	NZ U15 Cheerleading
India Holder	NZ Equestrian Team
Taylah Sowry	NZ Equestrian Team
Alice Boyd	NZ Fencing Team
Michael Den Heijer	NZ U17 Football Team
Matthew Ridenton	NZ U17 Football Team
Nicholas Forrester	NZ U17 Football Team
Jared Gibbs	NZSS U19 Football Team
Richmond Lum	NZ U18 Hockey Team
Samuel Jimmieson	NZ U18 Hockey Team
Edward Barry	NZ 14-15 Karate Team
Amorangi Malesala	NZ U18 Maori Netball Team
Blake Gibson	NZSS Rugby Team
Dillon Wihongi	NZSS Rugby Team
Jonathan Faauli	NZSS Rugby Team
TJ Faiane	NZSS Rugby Team
Mitchell Leong	NZ U18 Taekwon-do Team
Daniel Lowe	NZ U18 Table Tennis Team
Chanistha Ampornachariya	NZ U14 Tennis Team
Lana Popovich	NZ U14 Tennis Team
Paige Hourigan	NZ U16 Federation Cup Tennis Team
Brosnan Meleisea	NZ U15 Touch Team
Maia Jean Watene	NZ U19 Touch Team
Victoria Kolose	NZ U15 Touch Team
William Raea	NZ U19 Touch Team
Matthew McCullough	NZ 16-19 Triathlon Team
Ryan McEwen	NZ U15 Waterpolo Team
Benjamin Fleming	NZ U15 Waterpolo Team

NZ Ranking for Touch Teams

Congratulations to the College Girls' and Boys' Touch teams who played some outstanding games at the NZSS Touch National Championships to finish 2nd and 3rd respectively in New Zealand.

After qualifying earlier in the year at the Auckland Championships, they went on to beat many higher ranked teams at the National Championship held at Bruce Pullman Park in Papakura. The event saw the top 20 girls' and boys' teams in New Zealand competing for three days for the New Zealand Touch trophies.

Thank you to all the parents, friends, staff and Old Collegians who turned up to support both the boys and girls over the weekend.



GIRLS' TEAM 2ND IN NEW ZEALAND

A special thanks to the three Year 13 girls, Sam McVey, Stephanie Campbell and captain, Alex Hutchinson and to the coaches, Mr Lance Watene, Mr Tone Kolose and Mr Pete Samuel, for their encouragement and guidance throughout the year. Students, Maia Jean Watene and Christina Oscar were named in the Girls' Tournament team.

Girls' Team: Alexandra Hutchinson (Captain), Sam McVey, Stephanie Campbell, Maia Jean Watene, Christina Oscar, Verity Bowring, Emily Cran, Maddie Morete, Melissa McNaughton, Xhavinæ Samuel, Brittany Smith, Emily Braid, Tori Kolose, Summer-Jean Motufoua, Tate McGregor.



BOYS' TEAM 3RD IN NEW ZEALAND

Thank you to Mr James Went and Mr Mark Thomas for all the hours they have given to the team. William Raea was named in the Boys' Tournament team.

Boys' Team: William Raea (Captain), Joseph Bradshaw, Jonathan Cato, TJ Faiane, A'Au Leului, Brosnan Meleisea, Samuel Nock, Thomas Konusi, Lloyd David, Rupena Patuawa-Parkinson, Ben Lyford, Tom Sinclair, Joseph Mitai, Patrick Herbert, Emmanuel Lamositele, Logan Fonoti.



Joe Spooner Visit

We were fortunate to have had Old Collegian Joe Spooner, Grinder on Oracle Team USA and winner of the 34th America's Cup, visit Saint Kentigern on his return home to New Zealand. Joe was a past pupil of Saint Kentigern and attended the Boys' School from 1984 to 1985, then moved on to the College in 1986. In 1991, his final year at the College, he was selected as a Prefect and was also a member of the Yachting team.

Joe was a guest speaker at the Middle School assembly where he spoke with true testimony on never giving up in the face of adversity. *'There were many, many factors that led to Oracle winning this event. It wasn't just a fast boat, it was exceptional team work, courage, a reliable boat, a lot of good luck, mental strength, confidence and the list just goes on. But at the end of the day the biggest single thing was that our race team had an ability to always believe in ourselves and never give in.'*

During his school years he kept moving through the sailing ranks of national youth classes and finished his university degree in 1998, starting out as a professional sailor in 1999. In 1996 he was successful in becoming a member of the New Zealand Olympic squad as a training partner in the Finn class at the Atlanta Olympics. He has now has competed in four America's Cups with both Oracle racing and Team New Zealand, winning two of them. He believes you should never give up on your goals because every set back in life can be a step to future success.

Outstanding Achievement Award



Congratulations to Mr Malcolm Cowie, a long serving staff member at the College for 25 years, who has been awarded an outstanding achievement award for services to New Zealand Football by the Auckland Secondary Schools Football Association (ASSFA). The

award was in recognition of Mr Cowie's dedication to football on behalf of all New Zealand secondary schools. Before recently stepping down from the position, Mr Cowie held the executive position of Chairman of the New Zealand Secondary School Football Association (NZSSFA) for 18 years. The Association said that under his leadership and as a result of his vision, the NZSSFA achieved considerable results both on and off the field.

In 2003, under Mr Cowie's leadership, the NZSSFA was accepted as a member of the European based FAIB (Football Associations of International Boards) which represents 20 international football bodies. As well as New Zealand, Canada is the only other body represented by the FAIB outside of Europe. During his tenure, the number of tournaments was cited as having increased from 4 to 8, and from about 70 teams to over 120.

Mr Ian McLaughlan, Secretary of the ASSFA, thanked Mr Cowie for providing many young players with some wonderful opportunities and experiences as a result of his hard work, dedication and passion.



Graduation Dinner

Our Year 13 students came together for one last time to celebrate the end of their College years at a Graduation Dinner held in their honour at the Ellerslie Event Centre. This event was 'the last' of many 'lasts' for these students. It was the last time they dressed in their formals, the last time they gathered together for a chapel service and the last time they joined together in one place to sing 'We are Heirs of Kentigern.'

The evening began with a reflective Graduation Chapel led by Reverend David Smith. Over 750 guests comprising students and their families, along with staff and Trust Board members gathered to hear Reverend Smith's 'An Ending and A Sending' sermon. The Reverend encouraged the students to think about what they had learned in Chapel over the years – their life, community and their place in the world. He said he hoped Chapel had encouraged the students to live a life of integrity, being grateful and thankful, and to think about the power of their words. He hoped that as they leave the safe, nurturing environment of the College, that the values and beliefs instilled in them will prove a strong foundation 'when the winds of change shift.'

In two moments that brought some to tears, Manase Latu and Grace Sturgess flawlessly sang 'The Prayer' which was followed by a moving performance by Alex Waimora, Denelle Bhagwandhin and Manase. Their rendition of 'Forever Young' provided the perfect backdrop for the graduating students to each stand as they were recognised.

The formal graduation took place directly after Chapel with the Chairman of the Trust Board, Dr Bruce Goodfellow joining Head of College, Mr Steve Cole to congratulate the students and offer affirmations.

The guests were piped upstairs to a dinner venue that had been lovingly transformed by the Parents and Friends to reflect the spirit of Saint Kentigern. There were House photos as placemats, house coloured balloons in winning order as centre pieces and chair covers detailed with the Saint Kentigern crest.

In his address to the students, Head of College Mr Cole said, 'There are times in your life when you have to move on and should do so with no

regrets. You are a remarkable and multi-talented group of young men and women, each unique in your own way, who will go on and continue to serve and lead. I ask of you to think of the parents and teachers who have inspired you along your journey, and thank those who have made your Saint Kentigern education possible.' In closing Mr Cole said, 'You are great ambassadors for your family, the College and most of all yourselves. You are the rudder who will ensure that the ethos of Saint Kentigern continues.'

Between courses, Head Boy Sam Grant and Head Girl Sharnika Leleni took the roles of continuity presenters to keep the evening flowing. As always, the House Leaders spoke on behalf of their Houses with humour, passion and a tinge of sadness. All students extended their tremendous thanks to the staff members who provided knowledge, guidance, support and wisdom that will be remembered fondly by the students.

In a poignant address to Mr Cole, Deputy Head Girl, Shaan Bone said, 'You are a brilliant principal and your huge drive and determination to both succeed and also to win has seen Saint Kentigern come so far. You always have your door open to any student who needs to come and chat which has gained you huge respect. Thank you Sir for driving us, inspiring us and caring for us all.'

In wrapping up the evening Sharnika and Sam said that each individual in the graduating class of 2013 had made their own unique imprint on the College. Their final word was a quote from the recently passed former president of South Africa and Nobel Peace Prize winner, Nelson Mandela, 'Sometimes it falls upon a generation to be great. You can be that great generation.'

The evening marked the definitive end to a chapter in each of the lives of the graduating students and the beginning of another. We wish these students and their families well as they end their time with us. We send them on their journey with life lessons learned and the potential to go on and do good things. We will always be interested to hear how their lives progress and look forward to our students keeping in contact and retaining their special ties to the Saint Kentigern community.

Bruce House Dinner



Each November, as the academic year draws to a close, parents, staff and Trust Board members join the boarders at Bruce House to celebrate their achievements and give thanks to those who care for them – their surrogate family members during term time. This is a special evening where the invited guests soon gain an understanding of the strong family bond that pervades the boarding house.

After welcome drinks in the girls' Villa, guests were challenged by the formidable Bruce House Haka before being led to

their table for dinner by the graduating Year 13s. Year 11 student, Joseph Bradshaw, opened the evening with a gentle delivery of the popular song, 'Count on me' by Bruno Mars before Bruce House Head Girl, Emma Appleton, led the House Grace.

As always, the dinner was sumptuous and the dining room lovingly prepared by Shobna and her team from the kitchen. During the course of the evening, we heard from the students about the exceptional role that Shobna plays, not only preparing their meals but also being ready to offer a listening ear and give advice.

In his address, Housemaster, Mr Martin Piaggi, said he felt it was a privilege to share in the daily lives of 112 young people. He said, 'The change and positive maturing a boarder makes in front of my eyes is by far and away the most satisfying and rewarding aspect of the job.' He also gave thanks to Matron, Mrs Rosemary Capill for her on-going care as surrogate mother and to Mrs Suzanne Winthrop for all she has done to make Girls' Boarding 'feel like home.'

Mr Piaggi finished by saying that during his time as Housemaster, he felt that Bruce House had achieved the perfect balance of boys and girls, ages and year levels, as well as a mix of cultures and ethnicity.

Current Bruce House Head Prefects, Alex Waimora and Emma Appleton both came forward to speak in favour of their boarding experience. As a foundation girl boarder, Emma's three years of boarding translated to 550 days and 1650 meals away from home; yet she summed up the experience as outstanding. As did Alex, who said that he had 'lived like a prince' at Bruce House!

Head of College, Mr Steven Cole said that Saint Kentigern can be proud of Bruce House; that over the last three years it has changed for the better with the introduction of girls and younger students to the mix. Mr Piaggi and Mrs Winthrop both finish their tenure at the end of the year with Reverend David Smith, along with his wife Karen, taking on the role of Housemaster next year, and Mrs Juliet Dale taking up Head of Girls' Boarding with her husband, Jon.

The evening concluded with the Bruce House Awards for 2013 and the announcement of next year's Bruce House student leaders - Ridgley Paxton and Gabrielle Faleto'ese before the Year 13's took their guests to the Lodge for after dinner coffee.

BRUCE HOUSE AWARDS 2013

The MacFarlan Award for Head Boy:	Alex Waimora
The MacFarlan Award for Head Girl:	Emma Appleton
The McGuinness Cup for Academic Honours:	Mitchell Hill
The Morgan Cup for Year 11 Academic Achievement:	Trent MacDonald
The Marcroft Cup for Sportsman of the Year:	T J Faiane
The Bruce House Cup for All-Rounder Boy:	Jonathan Faauli
The Norma Cowie Cup for All-Rounder Girl:	Grace Sturgess





Field Centre 2013

For 44 years, the College has run an annual 'Field Centre' in the Tongariro National Park for our students in Year 10, giving them a unique opportunity to gain independence and explore personal strengths in an exciting, spectacular and challenging outdoor environment. This year, over 320 students and staff climbed aboard the buses with their packs loaded, wearing their brand new, borrowed or hired outdoor clothing ready for a week of adventure. The groups left for the mountain over three days and were joined by three professional mountain guides.

Tongariro is unpredictable with no two years in a row ever the same. The mountain environment can be benign one moment and harsh the next and with this in mind, safety on the mountain is about being well prepared. In past years we have had to deal with high winds, rain and snow that can be demoralising at the time but on reflection becomes part of digging deep and building character. Other years, the sun has shone and the mountain has been at its best. It's all about planning and being prepared.

The conditions last year will go down in memory as the year 'the mountain misbehaved' when Mt Tongariro erupted at the very moment the first students arrived. This year provided its own challenges. In a nutshell, the weather was declared to be 'rubbish!' Despite long periods of rain, the students and staff are to be applauded for their fortitude and spirit! The students dug deep, supported each other when spirits flagged, and learned a lot about themselves and others in the process.

The logistics for bringing an EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) trip such as this together are huge and takes months of planning. The students are sorted into 12 Lodge groupings, along with staff who undertake the activities with them, and cooks who stay in the Lodge to prepare the meals. That is, 320 people requiring three meals, snacks and drinks a day whether in the Lodge or out on the mountain. A well-oiled team swings into action. Ms Emma Bishop (Head of Drama) has taken on the responsibility over a number of years for co-ordinating food supplies. The



bulk is pre-purchased in Auckland at New World (we thank the Samuels family for their support with this) 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! This is supplemented by daily deliveries from the local New World 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.

The photos from 'the mountain' this year show that it was pretty damp! Despite the rain the students were smiling and most activities ran to schedule or were quickly reworked to accommodate the weather. The long experience and outdoor expertise of our staff in planning for Field Centre is well noted. This year Mr Gordon Fryer, who now retires, clocked up his 29th Field Centre. Remarkable as that is, he was eclipsed by Mr Chris Duncan who completed his 30th Field Centre!



MY FIELD CENTRE EXPERIENCE:

Kurt Hawkins

I went into Field Centre with mixed feelings; on one hand, I wasn't very excited for the physical or organisational effort that was going to be required, yet I had heard non-stop praises about it from many people who had been there, so I expected the unexpected and started Field Centre cautiously optimistic. My lodge, Snowline, started our Field Centre journey with the three day tramp, which turned out a lot different than what I'd seen on any Duke of Ed tramp, from the vistas to the things we had to do; it was a truly unique and rewarding experience.

After the tramp (and several scones and muffins made by our cook, Mrs Hardy) we got right into the next couple of day's activities - white water rafting and sliding down Mt Ruapehu on pack liners being particular highlights of the whole experience. Field Centre was challenging and at times uncomfortable but the memories forged on the Plateau with my fellow lodge members and leaders will stay with me forever. I come back from Field Centre physically and mentally stronger, and a better person for it.

MY FIELD CENTRE EXPERIENCE:

Emily Peart

Field Centre was a truly an amazing experience and possibly the ultimate highlight of 2013. Field Centre, I am not going to lie, was, if anything, challenging. We were tested both physically and mentally. Not only did we have to push our bodies to the limit whilst tramping, running and kayaking but it also challenged our mental strength, pushing most of us out of our comfort zone. Our patience was often tested when we realized the people we were tramping with all had different needs and capabilities.

Despite all the difficulties we faced over the eight days, the rewards for our hard work were incredible. I have walked away from Field Centre with new friends and a new sense of appreciation. In my lodge group, I got to know many people who I would not normally talk to and at the same time, managed to strengthen current relationships. As for my newfound 'sense of appreciation,' Field Centre made us appreciate the smallest of things that most of us take for granted. I returned home to my parents as a different child.

Field Centre, and everything that comes with it, is absolutely an experience of a lifetime and I am thankful to every staff member associated with the organisation. Without these special people, we would not have this wonderful opportunity, which I will remember fondly for years to come.



The Duke of Edinburgh Experience

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award has had record numbers of students participating in the scheme at the College this year. There are over 130 students at Bronze level, 74 at Silver and 54 at Gold; a level which is demanding and expects excellence to achieve.

In August, we celebrated at Government House with the first ever Gold award ceremony to be held for a single school in the history of the Award in New Zealand, as there were so many of our own students on that occasion. There were 26 graduating gold awardees representing Saint Kentigern College along with friends and family.

In writing their profile for the College Yearbook, the students who have been involved with the scheme speak fondly of the impact it has had on their lives, taking on the outdoors and a significant element of service.

Year 13 student, Andrew Lyndsey reports:

'Amazing, exciting, hard, painful, once in a life time, friendships, strong bonds and memories.'

These are some of the words to describe the Duke of Edinburgh experience. It all started back in 2010 with Bronze which had a large group of Year 10 's who had no idea of the outdoor world as we now know it. This group over time has become smaller and stronger. This scheme has opened my eyes to the beauty of New Zealand and how well we have it. It has taught me key life skills like how to set up a campsite, bush safety /survival and also how to be safe on the water. I believe without this scheme I would not be the person that I am today. The Duke of Edinburgh Award is unique with the different criteria sections that have to be accomplished to the highest level in order to gain the award. Because of these high standards, I believe that this award has set me apart from the vast majority of the people when it comes to applying for future endeavours. This is why I thoroughly encourage anybody and everybody to do it. Just take a chance; you don't know where it could take you and you just might like it!



Youth to Everest

As part of the Duke of Edinburgh Gold, trainees have a requirement to fulfil a 'residential project.' Some take the opportunity to truly challenge themselves. This year, two of our students, Cordelia Oh and Alexis Ross, travelled to Nepal.



Year 13 student, Cordelia reports:

'Hey I'm going to Mt. Everest in the holidays.'
'Lol funny.'

None of my friends believed me when I said I would be trekking the Himalayas. I know, it did sound utterly crazy. Spending a fortnight with a group of 20 strangers far away from home,

in a country I have never been to was about to become my reality and I started to feel butterflies in my stomach. After packing and repacking my 15kg kitbag, I was finally ready for a once in a lifetime experience. And only 24 hours later, I found myself in Kathmandu, feeling initially bewildered.

Nepal was a country filled with surprises. No traffic lights, streets bombarded with garbage, stinky smell, nothing like New Zealand. And this was only the start of everything. I soon realized that this was a paradise; at least there was a proper flushable toilet and a comfortable bed! In total, we spent nine days trekking. We went through towns and villages, ate local food in the local style and learned some Nepali on the way to our destination. I made new friends along the trip, irrespective of age, gender and the language barrier. Our Sherpa guide, Tashe, and the porters who carried our bags eventually became our best friends on the trip.

The nine days we spent on the Himalayas were undeniably challenging. There was no clean toilet most of the time; all we got was an awkwardly dug pit filled with faeces of heavens-knows-who, and the worst part of this rather disgusting story is that we only had a green leaf to wipe our... you know what I mean!

But, I saw every little challenge changing me over the time. I eventually learned how to deal with what first seemed like a first world problem. Every hill that I climbed seemed like an impossible mission from the bottom, but when I reached the top, I found myself stronger, healthier, and more confident of my abilities. We supported and encouraged one another and gave a big push from the back when a friend was struggling. The songs we sang, the silly games we played, the meals we had together, the stories we shared – these memories will never be forgotten.

For any of you who are considering going on this trip, I'd definitely say 'Yes, go for it.' You get to meet new people, experience a unique culture, and trek one of the most amazing places on Earth, so why not?





Isabella in Tanzania

This year, two of our students were fortunate to be selected to represent New Zealand at international World Vision events. Year 13 student, Letitia Puni was selected as a World Vision Youth Ambassador and was due to visit Bangladesh in December but political unrest has moved her trip to Malawi in January and we look forward to hearing about her travels on her return. Meanwhile, Year 9 student, Isabella Denholm, has returned invigorated from an amazing trip to Tanzania.

Both girls have a long history of giving service and being involved with the World Vision 40 Hour Famine fundraising appeals and were delighted to have been given this amazing opportunity to represent New Zealand and see the work that World Vision undertakes in developing countries.

ISABELLA REPORTS::

In November, I had the privilege of attending the World Vision (WV) International Triennial Council in Arusha, Tanzania as the WV New Zealand Youth Representative. The theme of the Council was youth engagement and I joined 35 other youth representatives from all around the world to learn and contribute at Council. The 12 days spent there was an amazing, life changing and memorable experience – and one I will never forget!

The overall trip was divided into three phases: Firstly, we visited a WV area development project to see the work of WV firsthand and meet some of the families and communities impacted by the assistance of WV New Zealand. Secondly, we were involved in a youth preparatory workshop where all the youth representatives prepared their presentations and shared their stories. And thirdly, we participated in the actual Triennial Council where we learnt and shared our country presentations with all the WV CEOs and board directors.

Magugu Area development Project (ADP)

The first few days in Tanzania were spent at the Magugu ADP. This ADP has been supported by WV NZ and we were able to see firsthand where donor money goes to! We started by visiting the Maasai women.

Everywhere we looked; our eyes were filled with the bright, joyful colours of the ladies dresses and necklaces as they jumped up and down doing the traditional Maasai dance. We then visited 'Sophia' who works as a hairdresser, funded by a WV Microfinance project. It was amazing to see how Microfinance had impacted her life.

The following day we were invited to the opening of a big World Vision project; a large water pipe through the community which meant that the people now had close and constant access to fresh water. It was inspiring to hear the stories about how the water project had made an impact on the lives of so many people in these villages – many of these people live on only \$1-2 dollars a day.

Youth Preparatory Workshop

The next part of our trip was spent at the youth preparatory workshop where we met 35 other youth representatives from 32 different countries. We spent time with each other learning about one another's stories, family, school, communities and lives! It was inspiring to hear everyone's stories and what it was like back in their home country. It was interesting seeing the needs amongst youth of other countries compared to those in NZ. Many youth had to face challenges such as poverty, disease, no education and the impact of war etc. We have such different issues facing youth here in NZ – and I realized how lucky we are!!

Triennial Council

The last part of our journey was the actual Triennial Council where over 300 WV Directors and board members met to discuss the WV strategy for the next three years and hear what youth, like me, had to say about youth engagement! Every morning we attended meetings and learnt about the work of World Vision; what they have achieved over the last three years - and what they intend to do for the years ahead. It was amazing to hear just how much World Vision was doing to help and I was inspired by what they are planning to still do.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to go to Tanzania with World Vision. It was such an amazing experience and a real eye opener. I will never forget the experiences I had and the people I met. I have friends from 30 different countries and will always remember their stories and courage. It was a truly inspiring trip and of course I now hope to go again someday!

Home Centre

With the exams over and Senior School students gone, and Year 10 away at Field Centre, the last few days of the academic year for students in Years 7-9 were given over to a range of activities to challenge them physically, mentally and creatively, along with offering elements of service and the opportunity to forge strong bonds within tutor groups and house groupings.

Year 7 took on a decathlon along with a range of homeroom based activities whilst Years 8 and 9 faced challenges both on and off campus with Year 9 also giving service out in the community.

From cyber safety workshops to African drumming, the cerebral and physical fitness of Mathex, swinging through the trees at Woodhill, scaling Rangitoto, orienteering, rocket testing, brain tabloids to consider new problem solving methods, movie making, constructing a card board city, creating a newspaper chair strong enough to sit on and the tallest construction possible from dry spaghetti to the fun and fitness of Top Town and tournament day challenges, the Middle School students were kept busy with a range of meaningful activities.

Service plays an important part for all students at Saint Kentigern. The students in Year 8 had their eyes opened as they were joined by World Vision advocates who directed them into simulations intended to enlighten them to the plight of others. Recently returned from a World Vision youth mission to Tanzania, Year 9 student, Isabella Denholm, also spoke about all she had witnessed first hand.

Closer to home, our Year 9's experienced their first taste of giving service to local, low decile primary schools we give assistance to. Helping the teachers and students in the classroom and playground prepared the way for the regular visits they will make next year as Year 10 students.

The willingness of our students to dive head first into all activities throughout the week was a pleasure to see and the relationships built and support given within their tutor groups was a delight.





Creating a Cardboard City

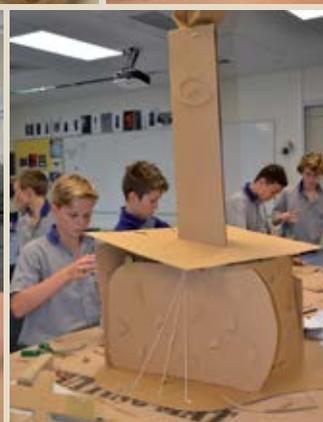
This year, the most talked about activity at Home Centre has been the 'mystery' art intensive taking place in the Jack Paine Centre.

The students had been given the word, 'contour' as an idea starter. The creativity that emerged from a flat sheet of corrugated card over the course of a single day was quite remarkable. So addictive was the task that a number of students carried on right through their break times, so determined were they to see their ideas come to fruition. From true to life, replica buildings to wildly imaginative 'Seuss' type structures, the city landscape took form. The verdict from the students was the day was 'awesome!'

Year 8 student, Hannah Williams reports: 'We had been told nothing about what we were doing in our 'Art Intensive' apart from being told that we were going to love it. When we arrived in the JPC, the floor

was covered in red tape which outlined streets and roads. After being ushered to sit down, we were told that we were to make a 'brown city.' Puzzled, everyone listened closely. We were to make giant buildings purely out of cardboard, tape and string. There was to be no other colour apart from brown, which meant that detail was key. After pairing up, we hastily got to work. With cardboard flying around the room, music pounding in our ears and ideas bursting out of our brains, our structures began to take form. By the end of the day, although our fingers, brains and vocals chords were sore, our buildings were complete.

Finally, we placed our intricate structures on the floor. It was such an achievement to really see the city take shape. No matter how well they turned out, everyone enjoyed their day, and were thoroughly proud of their creation.'



This idea was inspired by 'Caine's Arcade.' Caine Monroy, a nine year old American spent his summer vacation building an elaborate DIY cardboard game arcade inside his dad's used auto parts store and asked people to play. The entire summer went by and Caine had yet to have a single customer, until one day a filmmaker named Nirvan Mullick stopped to buy a door handle for his car and became Caine's first customer.

What happened next was magic as the world of social media brought customers in their droves. The response was to launch a global movement 'to foster imagination and creativity in kids everywhere!' To date, Mullick's film clip has received over 7 million hits! <http://cainesarcade.com/>



Celebrating the Arts

It was a perfect evening for an outdoor celebration of the Arts in its many forms at the College early in Term 4. Held between the outdoor setting of the Senior School Plaza and the Year 13 Common Room, the adjacent indoor/outdoor venue worked well for a night of relaxed and informal entertainment.

Guests were directed to the venue through the MacFarlan Centre to view two artworks that have recently been installed as part of the on-going College 60th Jubilee celebrations: Ray Haydon's hanging sculpture, 'Air', gifted by the Parents and Friends Association, and an oil painting, 'Upward Reflection' by former 2011 Head Girl, Tessa Meyer. (See page 61.)

As guests assembled, the Jazz Band played out in the Plaza while Senior School artwork was on display in the 'Red Zone' – the Year 12 Common Room, named for its red furniture.

The evening opened inside with a viewing of an impressive time lapse video taken over the course of a weekend as Haydon's sculpture was assembled and then raised into place, hanging high above the Main Reception in the MacFarlan Centre. Mr Haydon was invited forward and explained that the inspiration for the work had come from a visit to the ballet seeing dancers with ribbons. Chairperson of the College Parents and Friends, Mrs Pippa Styles, formally handed over Haydon's sculpture to the College.

Before the guests moved back outside for the next stage of the evening's entertainment, Head of College, Mr Cole, stepped forward in praise of a very fine group of Performing Arts students who have responded well to his challenge to 'continually raise the bar' in seeking excellence in all they do. He reaffirmed the importance of the Arts within the College.

Arts Prefects, Manase Latu and Kirsten Wong took on the role of MCs for the evening first introducing the 'Leavers' Octet' - eight senior members of Kentoris who are about to graduate. The Plaza proved to be the perfect amphitheatre for their rendition of Minoi Minoi written by Christopher Marshall.

The winner of this year's SKC's Got Talent, very accomplished jazz dancer, Jasmine Mexted, danced beautifully, having adapted her routine for concrete! Jasmine's talent shone through having recently been selected to represent Auckland at the National Young Performer Awards in Invercargill earlier this month.

Tate Steele, Cameron Teare, Mitchell Fissenden, Carlos Webster were next to demonstrate the unique talents that placed them 2nd in the Greater Auckland Premier Theatresports Competition. Set the challenge by the audience to perform a fairy tale – Cinderella – in a minute, first

'neutrally', then Film Noir style and followed as a musical performance, the result was hilarious!

Senior members of the Pipes and Drums paraded in but the drum beat was not one we were familiar with. It was both a surprise and a delight when they opened with Queen's 'We will rock you!' This was followed by more traditional Scottish numbers before noted Highland Dancer, Sarah McQueen came forward to perform the Highland Fling accompanied by Andre Mason on the pipes. Sarah also attended the National Young Performers Awards and will travel to Germany in January with the National Highland Dance Company.

Last to perform was the ever-popular Manase Latu, well known for his rich tenor voice. Along with Choral Director, Mr Lachlan Craig, they superbly performed Bizet's 'Pearl Fishers' Duet'

Moving back inside to sit in the colourful Year 13 common room, the audience viewed 'Road Trip' by Tom Arnott, Mitchell Glenn-Campbell and Andrew Lockhart, the winning film from the annual Media Studies film awards, The Kents 2013.

The evening concluded with the presentation of the new Arts badges. The former Colours and Honours system has been reviewed and the new awards recognise a high level of attainment and a significant commitment to the Arts. Music and Drama students, both performers and back stage crew, were recognised and awarded the new badges. The Concert Band pipped Kentoris for the title of Best Music group of the year. 2013 Senior Theatresports Champions (Mike Hickmott, Ben Reidstra and Jake Latham) also received their award.

In finishing, Mr Duncan McQueen announced two exciting initiatives for next year. In Term 1, the Parents and Friends will host an Art Challenge to be held over a weekend, to generate a piece of art, with the theme only to be announced at the start of the challenge. Secondly, next year, for the first time, there will be a significant new award, 'Performer of the Year 2014.'

New Zealand Aria Competition

Despite the meteoric rise of our choral and singing programmes, no one could have predicted the success achieved by College singers at the New Zealand Aria Competition held in Rotorua during the first weekend in November. This is the first time that the College has entered singers to compete at this level.

The Waiariki Institute of Technology New Zealand Aria competition is one of Australasia's most prestigious singing competitions. The event, in its current format, has been held annually for the past 13 years and has offered life-changing opportunities to entrants and launched the careers of some fine young singers.

The event is the largest competition of its kind in the country and its fame has spread throughout Australasia's world of opera. It attracts aspiring opera stars who pit themselves against some of Australasia's best young singers. The opportunity this engenders, along with the attractive prize money, contribute to the winning performers' further development in this demanding art. Entrants often go on to take part in major productions both in New Zealand and overseas.

Over the years, the competition has generated such a widespread reputation that it attracts a high calibre of entrants, judges and conductors. The impact is enhanced by the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra.

Within our own community, Manase Latu has become a superstar but at this weekend he took on New Zealand and put together three stunning performances to claim 2nd place in the U18 category. A day later, in a field of 20, including several university students, he presented four beautiful performances and claimed 2nd place in the Under 21 category.

Manase was also singled out by both judges for his exceptional potential and was awarded the NZ Aria Most Promising Singer U21 Years.

The other outstanding overall performances came from Year 12 student, Jamie Hofer who placed 3rd in the U18 category and Sid Chand, Year 9, who won the U16 category. Liam Braithwaite, Year 10 and Aaron Leng, Year 11 also won 1st prizes in various individual classes.

Each age group offers 4 categories and the aggregate points (NZ Aria age group winner) for each category is determined by the first 3 of those categories. In all, 8 students finished the weekend with a total of 20 placings and 9 commended awards:



13 AND UNDER 16

Own Selection

Liam Braithwaite 1st
Aaron Leng 2nd
Sid Chand 3rd

Light Entertainment

Sid Chand 1st

Folk or Traditional

Sid Chand 2nd
Aaron Leng 3rd

Oratorio or Sacred Song

Aaron Leng 1st
Sid Chand 2nd
Liam Braithwaite 3rd

Aggregate: Under 16 NZ Aria Champion

Shiddrath Chand 1st

16 AND UNDER 18

Own Selection

Manase Latu 3rd

Light Entertainment

Manase Latu 2nd
Jamie Hofer 3rd

Folk or Traditional

Manase Latu 1st

Oratorio or Sacred Song

Lili Taylor 2nd

Aggregate Under 18 NZ Aria Champion

Manase Latu 2nd
Jamie Hofer 3rd

16 AND UNDER 21

Lieder or Art Song

Manase Latu 1st

Oratorio or Sacred Song

Manase Latu 3rd

Aggregate Under 21 Aria

Manase Latu 2nd

NZ Aria Award Most Promising Singer U21

Manase Latu

Success at Showdown Awards

The talent, commitment and dedication of the College performing arts staff were recognised at the annual Showdown Awards. This year's College productions, West Side Story and The Crucible both won a well-deserved set of results.

The Senior School musical, West Side Story was announced as winner of 'Outstanding Musical' along with Year 13 student Findlay Murray for the 'Best Supporting male in a Musical' in the role of Action. The Crucible also gained two awards with Production Technician, Mr Glen Mortensen, picking up 'Best Lighting Design' and Year 13 student, Ben Elias, achieving 'Best Supporting Male actor in a Play' for his performance as Judge Danforth.

Presented at SkyCity Theatre, and run by the Auckland Community Theatre Trust, the night is the culmination of the organisation's mammoth task of watching dozens of Auckland Secondary School drama and musical productions in order to determine the most outstanding students and staff in a variety of categories. Both West Side Story and The Crucible were nominated by the judging team for a total of 19 awards in both acting and technical categories.



Feedback from the ceremony was that our productions were two of the stand-out performances of the year, combining tight stage-craft with talent and passion to make for great theatre. The performances, both dramatically and musically, that were drawn from the students were said to be rich in both technique and emotion.

Congratulations to the students, Mr Ross Gerritsen, Head of Music and Ms Emma Bishop, Head of Drama who richly deserve these accolades.



Students Research Brain

As part of the College's Enhanced Learning programme, a group of our top Year 10 'gifted and talented' science students visited the Centre for Brain Research at the University of Auckland. The Centre forms a unique partnership between scientists, doctors and the community whose aim is to work together in the laboratory, clinic, whanau and community to provide a brighter and better future for people and families living with brain disease. The College has developed an on-going link with the Centre.

Students were very fortunate to hear from renowned neuroscientist and Director of the CBR, Professor Richard Faull who gave them a real insight into brain function, brain pathology and the breakthroughs the team have made in stem cell research.

Students toured around the laboratories seeing scientists at work and spent some time in the Medical Learning library which houses the largest collection of preserved brain specimens in New Zealand and is not generally open to the public.

Student, Samantha Louie commented that, 'It has opened my eyes to the complexity of a human brain. I now get a sense of where biology and medicine fit in the real world.'

College students will have the subsequent opportunity to compete in the Brain Bee Challenge in 2014. This competition requires students to be well versed in the neuroscience of the brain to pit themselves against other top science students throughout the country for an opportunity to represent New Zealand at international level.



Bioethics Roadshow

The philosophical concepts of personal responsibility were discussed at this year's Bioethics Roadshow, held at Auckland Girls Grammar. A group of twenty Year 9 and 10 students attended the day long road show as part of the Gifted and Talented programme at the College.

Leading researchers and professors from the University of Otago posed questions and covered content on animal ethics and consumerism through lectures, live drama and student debates. Year 9 students Tasma Fulford and Erin Meek, presented the summary of one of their group debates to the whole auditorium in a court style role play. It was a thought provoking and interesting day.

Erin Meek reports: 'The bioethics symposium was a fantastic opportunity and a great day. The speakers presented some extremely challenging issues and real-life problems that made us wonder about our own morals and the morals of others. The interactive activities brought out the lawyers in all of us as we fought to get our point across and Tasma and I even got the chance to present our opinion in a mock court case to the audience. Some of the subjects discussed were; a human's responsibility to protect animals, commitment to another human being, a 'who is in the right?' scenario and workplace conditions in third world countries. Many new questions were raised as students discovered about ethically wrong decisions made and shocking conditions overseas. Every student who was lucky enough to attend this intriguing and educational roadshow learnt a great deal, and came away with a greater appreciation of the human impact on animals, the environment and society.'

Baristas in the Making!

In a new venture for the Food Technology curriculum this year, the Year 10 student have taken part in a junior barista course on how to make coffee. The students had hands on training from west Auckland company, Mt Atkinson Coffee in producing the perfect cup.

The café style hot drinks have been made and sold at lunchtimes from the student's coffee cart 'No Pressure' in the Jack Paine Centre. For \$2.00 a coffee, that's a great deal for a daily caffeine fix and about half the normal retail price! You may have also seen their coffee cart at College events this year including The Kents film awards and Jazz Café.

As a result of many lunch hours grinding, tapping, frothing and pouring, the Year 10 pupils raised nearly \$1,000.00 dollars to donate to their charity of choice, Arusha Children's Effort. This was started by the Duncan family, parents of current and past College students. Based in Arusha, Tanzania it works to get children out of unstable homes and off the streets into school. Mrs Duncan was presented with the donation from the students at a Middle School assembly.

The students have thoroughly enjoyed trying their hand as 'professional' baristas. They said the most fun was creating the patterns in the milk, and the hardest part has been getting the texture of the milk - 'silky, like wet paint' - just right.



Thank You Tessa

Head Girl from 2011, Tessa Meyer is well remembered for the enormous contribution she made to the College as a student. She was a true all-rounder who excelled at her chosen sport, was an outstanding public speaker and an exceptional young artist. It is her talent as an artist that has left the biggest legacy.

Tessa was commissioned during the College 60th Jubilee celebrations this year to produce an artwork for the new MacFarlan Centre. Working in oil on canvas, Tessa's remarkable piece of work, 'Upward Contemplation' has now been installed, depicting a young student gazing upwards at the Chapel.

Tessa said the painting was created from the foundation of two influential ideas. While it serves as a tribute to the Chapel, one of the College's most iconic buildings and the cornerstone of the our community, it also draws on the geometric architecture and modern style of the new MacFarlan Centre in which it is displayed. 'The combination of the College's history and its future is an important element in this milestone year.'

New Sculpture

Visitors to the College MacFarlan Centre are now greeted by a new abstract art sculpture seemingly floating in the air above the main reception. 'Air' by Parnell-based artist, Ray Haydon was commissioned by the Saint Kentigern College Parents & Friends Association for the College 60th Jubilee this year. The concept for the sculpture is based on the pathways traced by the movement of a ribbon through air. It is an exploration of fluidity and organic movement inspired by one of the oldest forms of dance, ballet. 'The sculpture was inspired by the ballet called 'Red' which had red ribbons floating around the ballerinas, so the original idea was to reproduce this effect,' says the sculptor, Parnell-based Ray Haydon.

This graceful, continuous movement may be read as a metaphor for life paths, aspirations and journeys. It can also be seen as a representation of the College's teaching and learning environment as the students are beginning and extending their journeys into the world.



The Art of Food



As part of the Creative Enrichment Programme at the College, there was an opportunity for Middle School Food Technology students to be involved in a week long 'Art of Food' unit held in the Jack Paine Centre. This entailed the creation of a Christmas dessert buffet,

beginning with a table of empty cake stands and culminating in a full spread of tasty, decorated Christmas fare by the end of the week.

New food technology teacher, Mrs Susanna Pattison, who also runs the City Cake Company, facilitated the production of sweet cakes and small goods around the Christmas theme, with the help of working professionals in the industry. Kozue Yamanoto, head chef of the City Cake Company, Leighanne Sangiorino, pastry chef and Jocelyn Janon, professional food photographer have all been hands on during the week. This was a superb opportunity for our students to see the work of experts in the food industry.

The students not only watched but also had the chance to follow suit creating their own tasty, iced works of art. They soon discovered that what had looked so simple – using an icing bag – was much trickier than it first appeared requiring a steady hand. Shortbread, meringues,



gingerbread, fudge, chocolate decorations and specialty cakes all came to fruition over the week. One of the products to that drew most attention was a gingerbread Saint Kentigern chapel!

Jocelen, the photographer, also spoke to the students about food styling for photography and the associated art of bringing a website together.

At the end of the week, the staff were invited to admire the desserts created during the course of the week – and to dig in and enjoy alongside the students! We give thanks to our special visitors who worked alongside the students to share their knowledge.



Workshop on Waiheke

As overall winners of this year's Year 7&8 Wearable Arts competition, Year 8 students, Bianca Connell and Amy Savory, were lucky enough to be offered a workshop with Waiheke-based artist, Ann Skelly. Ann is a full time artist who has entered eleven of her own garments into the World of Wearable Arts (WOW) Show and has been successful with nine of them.

Bianca and Amy travelled to Waiheke to meet Ann where their first task was to scour the beach for anything interesting to use as inspiration.

The girls report:

'We were given a small bag and we started collecting odd shaped and strange textured objects. Some of the objects we found were clumps of oyster shells, strange looking shells, bits of wood, seaweed, rocks, moss and many other objects. We then headed back to Ann's home.

For our next task, we were to unpack one of Ann's WOW garments. The garment was made of shells, flower tubes and plastic bags. We were to read the instructions given and to put the garment together. Ann came down and was pleased to see that we had done it with no mistakes!

After this achievement, we were able to experiment with the objects that we collected at the beach. We were given varnish, PVA glue, glitter paint and glitter. We found that if we put some PVA glue or varnish on the delicate white seaweed it became less fragile and didn't fall apart each time we handled it.

After lunch we were shown around Ann's amazing house and were privileged to be invited to try on some of her WOW garments from the past couple of years. Each costume was completely different. There was a sandwich called 'A lunch on the run,' a story book called 'Spellbound,' a garment made of foam pieces called 'Lady Bacilli Cocci' and a garment made of shells, plastic and flower tubes called 'Mistress Cristatella.' We had many laughs and heaps of fun while trying on Ann's amazing creations.

Before we knew it, our time with Ann had come to an end. We didn't want to leave as we had a heap of fun. Our thanks to Year 8 teacher, Mrs Slade, for organising this fantastic day for us and especially to Ann Skelly for inviting us to the island and making our day absolutely amazing!



Our Butterfly Gardens



With thanks to Mrs Xanthe-Jane Noble,
TIC NZ Monarch Trust

Listening to students in assembly talk passionately about 'leaving a legacy' I wondered what we could achieve in our educational arena that would incorporate a love of butterflies and their desperate plight in the world today. Something that might make a difference.

We have created a 'Butterfly Garden' at the College this year – with a five year plan to gain certification from the NZ Monarch Trust. There are some wonderful species here in New Zealand and with a 95% decline in monarch butterfly numbers, we all need to take action!

So far, the students have cleared and planted over 100 swan plants, of four different varieties, and Parents and Friends have supported us so that we can interplant with nectar producing flowers. Signs have been made and created by students, to provide an outdoor learning environment for visiting classes, and Japanese students have made origami butterflies while our Librarian has created a website and supplied beautiful books.

Duke of Ed students have become citizen scientists, tagging butterflies and weeding the garden beds in their lunch hours, as part of their service to others. Big containers have appeared in the staffroom for collecting coffee grounds and the technology department have begun making planters and benches from timber supplied by a local merchant.

With College displays, Environmental Day, competitions and fund raising activities all planned, we hope to make a difference, raise awareness and encourage students to get involved in the National Research Project concerning monarchs in NZ! We even have three 'Caterpillar Castles' in the Science Lab and 100 swan plants being grown to give to students to take home next year. The Butterfly Gardens are here to stay...It's been a busy year and my thanks go to everyone who has helped and contributed!



Grandparents' Day

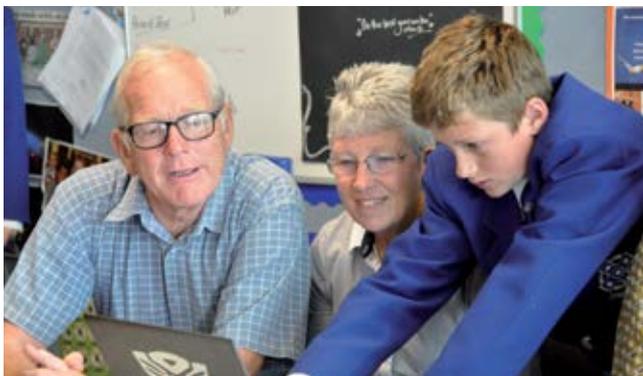
In recognising the very special relationship our students have with their grandparents, we invited the grandparents of our Year 7 & 8 to visit the College to gain an insight into their grandchildren's education and learning environment. Our students' grandparents offer them not only love, support and guidance, but also connect them to the values, stories and histories of their families and communities.

On arrival, our special guests enjoyed morning tea in the Sports Lounge, and were welcomed to the College by the Head of Middle School, Mr Duncan McQueen. Mr McQueen thanked the almost 300 visitors for coming along and pointed out some had come from as far afield as Queensland and Dunedin. This was followed by a welcoming from the Head of College, Mr Steve Cole. Mr Cole explained that in today's modern and changing world, the moral compass role that grandparents provide our young ones is becoming more and more important within the family unit.

After the morning tea, the Middle School students were all waiting excitedly to collect their grandparents, or their 'adopted' grandparents, for the day to escort them back to their classrooms to enjoy the rest of the morning together reflecting and sharing.

In conclusion of the morning, the visitors were given a personal tour of the College and were then welcomed to the Middle School Assembly.

Thank you to all grandparents who came from near and far, and for your support to your grandchildren, families and the College.



College Parents and Friends Association

It is with pleasure that I present this report on behalf of my team. We have had a very satisfying year with several big donations to the College and a full programme of support.

We started the year with the two big welcome functions for the parents at Year 7 and Year 9 levels. We thank the Trust Board for their continued support of these. After these events, we were busy with the Jubilee weekend dinner, and many other occasions over the year where we were able to provide refreshments for College events, from Open Days to graduations. We all particularly enjoyed being part of the 60th Jubilee Dinner and congratulate the College on this milestone.

Our committee meetings have been attended by a good group of core members and the executive committee has worked well together over the year. I am pleased to tell you that our current treasurer, David Courtney has expressed an interest in taking over the Chairperson role from me and we have agreed to gradually hand over the role over the coming year. He was voted Deputy Chair at our recent meeting, taking over from Tracey Goldstine who will remain as Social Convenor. All the other committee will remain in place with the exception of Heather Skelton who stands down as her last child leaves the College. We wish her well and thank her for all her hard efforts as PR convenor and in particular for her role in the OLE start-up. David will take over some of her role, and we have someone in mind to take on the website interface, as well as his Treasurer role.

The Saints Cafe has settled into a good routine now and making a consistent profit. We thank the Trust Board again for the opportunity to manage this facility. Amanda Selvadurai has had a busy year getting this running smoothly and sorting staffing. Huge thanks are due to Amanda for her time and effort on this time-consuming role.

Another big job is performed by Claire Russell with the Functions role. We now have a team of three working on this which has made it more manageable; we welcome Libby and Kath to this busy team. And to round off our executive team we have Desirée Jenkins-Allright who keeps all things secretarial ticking over despite her busy commitments - thanks Dee for your lovely smile!

We have been able to make some significant donations along with our regular contributions to the travelling students. Our gift of a Jubilee sculpture installed in the main reception has been very well received. We are particularly glad that this can be enjoyed by our many stakeholders including the staff, Trust, parents, visitors and of course students.

We were also happy to contribute to the finishing of the Learning Commons outdoor space, as well as some shade sails for the tennis courts area. We made a large donation for Leavers' Bibles and smaller ones for Kayaks and Cycling Helmets.

We end the year with a healthy cash balance to start our gifting for next year, and an enthusiastic committee ready to support the College.

Pippa Styles

Chairperson, Saint Kentigern College Parents and Friends