

 $\mathbf{W}^{\mathrm{hen\,I}}$  reflect on the 2019 school year, there are three major highlights:

### 1. Outstanding Feedback from the Education Review Office (ERO)

The verbal feedback from the Review affirmed that our girls are articulate, confident and successful, and that they are inclusive and look after each other. ERO noted the positive relationships between the staff and girls, and affirmed the culture of our school. ERO also mentioned the wide variety of academic opportunities through specialists, the many opportunities to experience co-curricular activities, and many opportunities for leadership and service offered to the girls.

The final report will be made available to us early in the new year and we will share more about it then.

### 2. Designing a New Girls' School Our journey designing the new Girls' School has

been and will continue to be an extraordinary collaboration across our Saint Kentigern staff.

Based on the feedback from the girls, parents and staff, we have worked through design plans with the architects to design a truly unique school which will enhance our educational proposition in the future. I look forward to sharing more with you.

### 3. Roll Growth

This year we have had unprecedented roll growth with a 21% increase in the roll from February to November. Based on feedback from new families, the increase seems to be twofold; we have certainty now about the building plans for our new school on the Shore Road Campus, and our ongoing academic and co-curricular success is testament to the strength of our programmes.

Along with these three major highlights, were countless other special moments during the year but these were some of my favourites:

Academic Highlights: We were delighted to see so many girls representing the Girls' School at the Auckland City Science Fair this year with many outstanding results.

**Best Entertainment:** 'The Snow Queen,' our Year 0-6 Production. Lights, camera, action! Wicked laughs, sparkle, sequins and a wonderful hour living in a fantasy world. Our production was a wonderful collaboration amongst staff and the girls in Year 0-6.

**Cultural highlights:** My first viewing of the ShowQuest Dance rehearsal. The girls' portrayal of Rosa Parks and her story during a time of segregation made me cry, the dance was so moving.

**Most personal fun:** The waterslide at Flora MacDonald Day! Girls and staff alike had a wonderful time at our formal assembly celebrating our Scottish heritage, followed by all the fun activities.

Most Meaningful Moment: ANZAC Day Dawn Service with the Boys' School where we stood together as a community to reflect and remember the contribution of those soldiers who gave their lives for us.

**Collaborative Successes:** Completing the detailed designs for the new Specialist Block, in collaboration with staff at the Boys' School.

**New Sports Opportunity:** Establishing a Girls' School ski team who placed first in the Auckland Ski Champs!

**Successes Unseen:** The Service trips - what we don't see is the setup work that goes on behind the scenes. Thank you to staff, girls and parents who went over and above in preparation, collecting the goods, fundraising, organising and putting together materials to take to Vanuatu and Fiji. And another thank you to our student leaders who have sustained our Students' in Prayer initiative, where the girls gather for morning tea each week, to pray and support each other.

**Student Led Initiative:** The newly formed girls' Rock Band called 'Random Strand' who performed at the Saint Kentigern College Rock Showcase. This was a great example of one student's dream and her perseverance to get other students organised to create music together.

**Best moment of belonging:** Watching the House leaders as it was announced that Cargill narrowly beat Wishart for the House Athletics Relay cup this year; a wonderful moment of leadership, belonging, friendship and competition.

**Looking forward to 2020:** In March next year, we celebrate 10 years together at the Girls' School. This will be a wonderful occasion for us to reacquaint and connect again. I look forward to many former students and staff joining us for the celebratory events!

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Juliet Small Girls' School Principal

GIRLS' SCHOOL



### Saint Kentigern Girls' School 10 Year Birthday Celebration in 2020



n March 2020, we will celebrate 10 years of Saint Kentigern Girls' School with a number of birthday events. We are very excited to be hosting the birthday celebration. I am looking forward to catching up with the girls and their families againthere are so many wonderful memories and good times to share together. We do hope that you can join us to mark the occasion.

### Ms Juliet Small

Principal - Saint Kentigern Girls' School

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### **Event Schedule**

### Thursday 12 March 2020

### Past & Current Staff Cocktail Function

Time: 6:00pm to 8:30pm

Venue: Winger Maserati, Newmarket

The Saint Kentigern Trust Board welcomes past and current staff to an informal cocktail evening to open the celebrations.

### Friday 13th March 2020

### School Assembly

Time: 8:45am to 9:15am

Venue: Saint Kentigern Girls' School, Remuera.

Join the girls at formal school assembly for the official welcome and 'cutting of the cake' to celebrate our 10

Year Birthday!



### School Birthday Party

Time: 9:45am to 2:45pm Venue: Saint Kentigern Girls' School, Remuera.

A fun-filled day of activities for the current students at the Saint Kentigern Girls' School campus!





The Girls' School Parents' and Friends are looking forward to joining the Saint Kentigern community, both old and new, to celebrate the 10th birthday of the Girls' School. We acknowledge this is a significant milestone for the school and look forward to supporting the celebration events. It is an exciting time for the Girls' School as we look back on how far we have come, and look ahead towards a promising future.

### **Rebecca Scoones**

Chair of the Parents and Friends

### Friday 13th March 2020

### Past Students Informal Catch Up for under 18s and their mothers

Time: 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Venue: Saint Kentigern Girls' School, Remuera.
This is a fantastic opportunity for past teenage students and their mothers to catch up and reconnect with each other.
Don't miss this special occasion! This is a ticketed event and confirmation details will be provided.

### Saturday 14th March 2020

### Past & Current Saint Kentigern Girls' School Community Cocktail Function

Time: 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Venue: Royal Akarana Yacht Club, Tamaki Drive. A Cocktail Function for the wider community to come together and celebrate the School in an informal setting on Auckland's waterfront. This is a ticketed event and confirmation details will be provided.

### Sunday 15th March 2020

### Past & Current Saint Kentigern Girls' School Community Chapel Service

Time: 11:00am

Venue: St Mary's at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Parnell. A Chapel Service for all, led by Reverend Rueben Hardie.

### Girls' School Prizegiving

Students, their families, guests and teachers filled the Boys' School JC Chalmers Hall for the annual prizegiving. This special occasion is a time to congratulate the students on their academic, sporting and cultural success.

College Piper, Fayth Doherty led staff and invited guests into the Hall before Principal, Ms Juliet Small officially welcomed everyone. Chairman of the Trust Board, Dr John Kernohan spoke about leadership and congratulated the girls on their efforts this year, encouraging them to say 'yes' to every leadership opportunity presented to them.

Head of Saint Kentigern, Mr David Hodge congratulated the staff and students on their fantastic Education Review Office (ERO) report that was carried out this term. Mr Hodge highlighted several comments that the reviewers made, including the unique bond between staff and students, how well-mannered, happy, articulate, confident and positive the girls were, and the endless opportunities to foster service and leadership.

The Junior, Middle and Senior School Academic Awards were presented by the Deputy Chair of the Trust Board, Mrs Rosemary Harris, Boys' School Principal, Mr Peter Cassie and Chief Operating Officer, Mrs Merle Boniface before Ms Small gave her address.

Ms Small spoke about the year in review and the great achievements the girls have made, such as the all new girls' ski team, who placed first in the Auckland Ski Championships and the senior students who participated in ShowQuest and placed first! She also spoke about



the increasing roll growth and the designing of the new Girls' School, and the 10-year celebration in March 2020.



After a humorous drama interlude by Isabella Hughes and Keeley Berkovist, the 'Cultural Awards' were presented by Mr Cassie to students for art, speech, drama and music. Following this, Mr Hodge presented the 'Sports Awards' and acknowledged 'The Sportswoman of the Year'. Amelia Duff.

The final awards for the evening were the 'Special Awards'. These awards were presented by Ms Small to students who have shown outstanding results, resilience, service and leadership throughout the year. Deputy Head Girl, Keeley Berkovits gave thanks before Head Girl, Jamie Chandler gave her final speech, wishing her fellow students, including the 2020 Head Girl, Mikayla Chung and Deputy Head Girl, Sophie Yan the best of luck in the coming year. To conclude the evening, the Performers' Choir sang the blessing.

Congratulations to all the girls who received awards and we wish our Year 8s all the best as they move on to secondary school.

### DUX Edith Li

Edith began her journey with Saint Kentigern in 2018 as a Year 7. In this time, Edith has gone from strength to strength, developing strong communication and organisational skills, as was demonstrated in her leadership role of her House, Wishart.

Edith has continued to show determination and enthusiasm in her academic studies and combined with a mature outlook to her learning, has proven to be a winning combination



this year. She is an enthusiastic student and has made the most of every opportunity that she has been given. One such opportunity was in music where she attained Excellence in Class Music. She is a competent musician, participating energetically in the Orchestra and has enjoyed the Choir.

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### Xarya Knox

Xarya joined our Saint Kentigern community as a Year 0 in 2011 where she quickly demonstrated a quiet determination with a burning ambition to achieve, especially in the academic arena. She is a very kind and thoughtful student and is always willing to help where needed, especially when it comes to the Junior School.

Xarya has immersed herself in school life, participating in a variety of cultural co-curricular activities.



She was an integral member of our Kapa Haka Group, where she was a wonderful role model to her peers, demonstrating leadership and a pride in her heritage. She also confidently and competently led the Student Council Committee, using her initiative to organise many fundraising events.

Xarya is not only an outstanding communicator, winning the Senior Speech Competition but also a studious student.

### Sportswoman of the Year

### Amelia Duff

Amelia is hard-working, competent and an all-round athlete. She has had a successful year in swimming, where she was named the 'Year Group Swimming Champion' and the 'Overall Senior Swimming Champion'. She has performed credibly at both Zone Competitions where Counties Manukau ranked her first in her age group for the 200m backstroke and 100m freestyle. She was also ranked third in the 200m individual medley. Amelia is also a versatile netball, touch rugby and tennis player.

Amelia is recognised as a dedicated and passionate young sportswoman who consistently strives to give her absolute best. She is not only an incredibly talented young lady but is also an incredibly humble and modest young woman and is seen as a true role model among her peers.





The Gaudeamus Cup for making a difference Keeley Berkovits



**Lightfoot Cup for** Citizenship Jamie Chandler



Dr Sandra K Hastie Cup for School Spirit Isabella Hughes



**Junior School Cup** for service to the **Junior School** Xarya Knox



**Preschool Cup for** service to the Preschool Chloe Ira



**Gold Service Award** Chelsea Wijntjes



**Remuera Lion's Citizenship Award** Tiana Gray



**Remuera Lion's Citizenship Award** Catherine Fowler







grounds of Cornwall Park, to celebrate and

beautifully decorated in blue and white colours, setting the scene for a wonderful, family evening.

Principal, Ms Juliet Small welcomed everyone before passing the microphone Representative, Laura Porter. Both Old Collegians congratulated the girls and thanked them for their service, attitude and efforts throughout their time at the Girls' School.

Girls' School Deputy Head Girl, Keeley Berkovits welcomed College Head Girl, Alex Hynds up to speak. Alex, much like the girls, mentioned the nerves of moving into a new chapter and encouraged the Year 8s to not 'fear what could go wrong but to get excited about what could go right.' She said the College is a great place to make new friends, grow, learn new skills, find new hobbies, mature and push new boundaries. Her final tips were to not take life too seriously and to focus on the positives.

Before the main course was served, Chapel Prefect Anamia Rangihaeata welcomed the Year 8 cohort forward to sing the Maori version of 'Hallelujah'. The girls were keenly applauded for their stunning performance!

Guest speaker for the evening was Eliza McCartney. Eliza has represented New vault and was the youngest-ever Olympic medallist. In her speech, Eliza shared some of the major struggles that she has faced in her career thus far and gave the girls tips on how to deal with the stress of life, challenges and failure. She encouraged the girls to be open minded, face challenges head on, put 100% into everything and laugh. She agreed with Alex by saying, 'live in the moment and don't take life too seriously.'

To conclude the evening, Ms Small gave her final words and presented the girls with their leaving gifts. The girls received a Saint Kentigern 'bear', a bracelet with the Saint Kentigern Crest and a sending prayer bookmark. The evening concluded with a slideshow of their time at the Girls' School. Many tears, laughs and smiles were shared before Reverend Reuben Hardie closed the evening with a final blessing.





























Preschool gathered to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. The annual Carol Service brings together our community for an evening of service, carols, reflection and celebration. This year's theme was 'Joy,' and the importance of spreading joy and cherishing joyful moments.

The Girls' School Kapa Haka Group opened with a beautiful Karanga led by students, Anamia Rangihaeata and Tiana Gray, followed by the Waiata Powiri - 'Silent Night'.

Once seated, Principal, Ms Juliet Small thanked everyone for attending and made special mention of the Preschool who were excited to be taking part in the service for another year

Reverend Reuben Hardie gave the call for worship and everyone joined together to sing the carol, 'Joy to the World'. Year 5 and 6 students, Daliah Shin and Jeanna Ho gave the first readings, followed by Year 4 student, Olivia Hunter-Thodey and Year 7 student, Karenpreet Kaur, before the Performers Choir sang the well-known, 'A Joyful Song' by M Lightfoot.

Every year, it is a tradition that the Head Girl and her mother present a reading. This year, Jamie Chandler and her mother, Kara shared their words of encouragement before everyone stood to sing 'Away in a Manger', as the Preschool made their way to the stage to perform the 'Joy Song'.

Following the Preschool, the girls had prepared gifts for the Dingwall Trust which they presented as the whole school performed 'Midnight', by M & H Johnson.

Reverend Hardie addressed the congregation while unwrapping a mound of strawberries! He invited three students up to demonstrate how we can share joy in even the littlest things, like indulging yourself in the taste of strawberries! Reverend Hardie spoke about the joy of Christmas and how important it is to cherish the 'strawberry moments' - the joyful moments with your family and friends.

This year, we had a special solo performance by Year 13 College student, Christina Middlebeek-Harrison. Christina performed 'O Little Town of Bethlehem' as the junior students made their way down the aisle to create a nativity scene at the front of the church.

The congregation stood again to sing 'O Holy Night' and the Performers Choir followed with the 'Saint Kentigern Girls' School Blessing' as the Year 8 Leavers' Candles were presented to the Year 8 students by Ms Small and Deputy Principal, Mrs Jill Wahlstrom.

Reverend Hardie finished with a final blessing. This was a touching moment for the girls and their families as their time at the School has come to an end. To finish the evening, the congregation sang, 'O Come All Ye Faithful' as the girls processed out of the Cathedral ahead of our guests.





















### Vanuatu – I'll Never Forget

With thanks to student reporters, Tiana Gray and Charlie Gundy

once again, the Girls' School joined forces with the Boys' School to travel to Vanuatu to offer service at the beginning of Octoer. The girls rolled up their sleeves to take on the shared building and painting projects at Etas Presbyterian School and Macses Presbyterian School in Port Vila. The students installed playgrounds donated by Auckland City Council and painted their classrooms. They also distributed clothes, shoes and hygiene packs to the students, their families and the community, as well as distributing over 500 bras to the women.

The team also installed three outdoor tables and chairs at the main Presbyterian church and renovated three apartments at Sutherland House - a residence operated by the Presbyterian Church for international mission and service workers

The girls soon learned the art of mixing cement, painting and digging, as well as taking every opportunity to play with or read to the local children. It is these connections and friendships made between our students and the students of Vanuatu which makes these trips so special.

Year 8 girls reported on their experience:

**Tiana Gray:** The Vanuatu Service trip was an experience I'll never forget – it has taught me a tremendous amount about life. I noticed how little the children had, although this never bothered them because they always wore a big bright smile. Playing games with the children and handing out clothing was really humbling. Building the playgrounds was a tough job but the work paid off once we were able to see their reactions. I also loved painting the children's and teachers' faces. This has made me realise to never take things for granted and I am grateful for everything I have. I am extremely thankful to have been a part of the service trip team.

Charlie Gundy: The Vanuatu Service Trip was an eye-opening experience and really helped me see how happy these people are even when they have so little. I learned that a lot of these kids don't have basic things like toothbrushes, undies, clean water and clothes that don't have rips in them. This made me realise that we are so fortunate here in New Zealand. My favourite part of this trip was giving the hygiene packs to the little kids because they don't have these basic needs. When we finished the playground, it was really exciting to see them all running, playing and smiling. This is a week I will never forget.









# STEAMing through Antarctica With thanks to Middle School Dean, Miss Gina Hemmingsen

Creating learning experiences that engage our students in solving both challenging and authentic problems is important at the Girls' School.

every term, the curriculum is woven through one of the school values so that our students build meaningful connections situated in real world contexts. This is epitomised in our 'Design Time' sessions, which is one of the highlights of our girls' learning journey in the Middle School, as it allows the students to embrace the technological age through innovation, problem solving and collaboration.

During 'Design Time,' the Middle School is organised into groups to provide an opportunity for the girls to develop their creative and technological skills and explore four different kinds of technological problems. The school value, 'Excellence' was at the centre of our curriculum for the term, and the learning context was set in Antarctica - in the early days of exploration as Amundsen, Scott and Shackleton raced to be the first to reach the South Pole. Not all of them met with success. The girls investigated how thorough preparation, endurance and persistence contributed to their quest to achieve their goals. Learning in science helped the girls to understand the ways in which the harsh, desert of ice in Antarctica posed a challenge for the explorers. However, 'Design Time' presented teachers and students with an opportunity to put their creative thinking caps on and begin to solve some of the many problems that explorers face in Antarctica.



Settling on a floating ice continent can be a perilous business. To survive the Minecraft version of Antarctica, each group of girls was required to research and 'build' a Minecraft shelter which would keep 'them' safe from the harsh, cold winds of Antarctica. Survival depended on sound research. Once completed the students had to evaluate which shelter and materials might be the most effective and justify their choices in a presentation to the class.

Used in an educational setting, games such as Minecraft enables students to explore a context outside of their everyday experience and develop their ability to think strategically, setting up contingencies for a variety of possible outcomes. While using Minecraft enabled the girls to develop their skills in coding through picture codes, it was also an ideal way to test their learning in social science, and provided opportunities for students to develop the ability to be resourceful and learn how to collaborate with others.

### Food Technology

There's nothing like a lovely warm meal on a cold winter's day. Never was this truer than preparing for a culinary expedition in Antarctica. The learning focus of this unit was to create a nutritious and sustaining meal that could be eaten in a cold climate. The girls were given a 'Masterchef mystery box' with which to create a meal to technology has changed in the last ten years, is that it has become a lot more about process of design creation and less about recreating a carbon copy cook. While students were introduced to cooking techniques and 'base recipes,' they were encouraged to innovate and create their own dish.





### Stop Motion Animation

While learning about how animals adapt over time to survive in hot and cold climates, the girls were tasked to show how 'Alice the Camel' could adapt from a life in the desert to living in the freezing temperatures of Antarctica. In order to guide 'Alice' through the adaption phase, the girls worked in groups to investigate what features would enable animals to survive in the desert, and what was required to survive in Antarctica. The technological challenge was to show the metamorphosis of 'Alicel' through stop motion animation - a series of photos with incremental changes stitched together to create a movie. The process required taking many photos of the still-life models in order to stitch a scene together, reflect on their work and edit carefully to create the effect of seamless movement, which was a painstaking process!











### **Edison Cars**

Moving on the ice can be a slippery slope, requiring innovation and scientific thinking just to stay upright. In groups, the girls were given the problem of creating a vehicle that could move on ice. They researched the kinds of vehicles that were used in Antarctica and explored how friction could be enhanced to keep vehicles from sliding on the ice.

Following this, each group was supplied a robotic 'Edison' car. Their first task was to learn how to make it move through coding. Initially using bar codes to programme the Edison, the girls progressed to scratch programming, which is a simple coding language designed for children. The key learning in this unit was writing code and testing each segment of code to ensure that their Edison car went where it was supposed to go, requiring the skills of creativity, collaboration and innovation. After that, the girls were able to build on to their Edison with Lego to generate the friction needed for their car to move on ice. Then came the finale, an Edison car race on ice with a touch of roller derby about it! A few collisions, cheering and some wee accidents on the way!























### Sleeping with Sharks

Our Year 4 Girls' School students embarked on an adventure to Kelly Tarlton's Sea Life Aquarium as part of their Social Science studies. This was not the typical visit that visitors to Auckland enjoy the girls arrived after the daytime crowds had gone, carrying pillows and sleeping bags ready for a sleepover with the sharks!

The stay focused on the two main themes - the preservation of animals at risk in our oceans and the exploration and challenges of life in Antarctica.

On arrival, endless questions were asked as tales were told and the girls were given a glimpse into what it would be like to be a scientist living in the Antarctic and the valuable research they do as part of a global understanding of the health of planet earth. The students were surprised to discover the Antarctic can reach -90 degrees and that humans must stay inside if it is lower than -50 degrees, and that the winds can blow in excess 300kmh.

Following their discussion on all things Antarctic, the girls explored the aquarium where they visited the penguins, fed the fish and prepared fishy artwork to scan into a large animated art display. After supper, the girls got ready for bed – beneath the shark tank where they slept for the night! Tucked up in their sleeping bags, the girls watched as the creatures swam overhead –a most relaxing way to fall asleep!

Throughout the year, the girls had looked closely at global warming and pollution, and how this effects sea levels, earth and our animals. They also investigated life in Antarctica and researched how animals adapt to the cold, as well as the properties of ice and how the windy, desert-like climate of the frozen continent of Antarctica posed unique challenges for early explorers.

Staying overnight at Kelly Tarlton's put their classroom learnings into an authentic context. The girls saw how the organisation works to save animals and how they are looking after endangered turtles. They were also able to walk through Captain Scott's hut and reflect on the challenges he faced.

The girls had a fantastic time and we thank the staff and parents who assisted overnight to make this learning encounter possible.



### **Hamilton** Wins Athletics

Split into three separate events, the Girls' School students competed for House points and podium places at this year's Athletics. The Year 7 and 8 students joined the College students earlier in this year. Great results were achieved and students, Cleo Hancock (Year 7) and Cilla Fa'afua (Year 8) were named the 2019 Senior School Champions.

The Year 4 to 6 girls also held their athletics at the College and although the weather proved 'challenging' on their event day, the girls performed outstandingly and collected fast times, big jumps and long throw records. A special mention for Year 4 student, Amelia Hardie who claimed first place in five of her events (100m, 200m, 800m, long jump and discus) and to Year 5 and Year 6 students, Brooke Rowntree and Emily Cornaga who placed first in all their running events (100m, 200m, 800m).

Later in term 4, the Year 0 to 3 students, along with the support of their House Prefects spent their Athletics Day at the Boys' School. It was a great day, the sun was shining and, in the end, Jayda-Belle Gonzalez-Smith, Alyssa Wray, Elsa Taylor and Kasey Wray were named the Junior School Champions.

Well done to all the students who participated and to Hamilton who gained the overall most House points followed by Wishart, Chalmers and Cargill







YEAR O CHAMPIONS





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2ND WISHART
3RD CHALMERS
4TH CARGILL



















### SOUTH EASTERN ZONE ATHLETIC RESULTS

TEAR / GIRLS				
100m	1st	Sienna Moyle		
200m	1st	Sienna Moyle		
200m	3rd	Cleo Hancock		
Relay	3rd	Sienna Moyle (GS)		
		Cleo Hancock (GS)		
		Zaina Liang (SKC)		
		Frankie Wingate (SKC)		
Long Jump	3rd	Cleo Hancock		
Shot Put	1st	Nora Caffery		
Shot Put	3rd	Levonah Motuliki		
Discus	2nd	Nora Caffery		
YEAR 8 GIRLS				
Discus	3rd	Cilla Fa'afua		
REMUERA ZONE ATHLETIC RESULTS				

YEAR 5 GIRLS					
Ball Throw	1st	Sofia Ellis			
YEAR 6 GIRLS					
60m	2nd	Emily Cornaga			
100m	2nd	Emily Cornaga			
INTER ZONE ATHLETIC RESULTS					
YEAR 7 GIRLS					
200m	3rd	Sienna Moyle			
Shot Put	3rd	Nora Caffery			
YEAR 8 GIRLS					
Long Jump	1st	Katelyn Quay-Chin			

1st	Jayda-Belle Gonzalez- Smith	СН				
2nd	Evie Reynolds	СН				
3rd=	Kayla Richardson	СН				
3rd=	Sue Yoon	НА				
3rd=	Victoria Huang	СН				
YEAR 1 CHAMPIONS						
1st	Alyssa Wray	НА				
2nd	Eknoor Kaur	WI				
3rd	Darci Barnes	CA				
YEAR 2 CHAMPIONS						
1st	Elsa Taylor	WI				
2nd	Lulu Lang	CA				
3rd=	Bella Boyd	CA				
3rd=	Tiffany Wang	НА				
YEAR 3 CH	AMPIONS					
1st	Kasey Wray	НА				
2nd	Eve van Aalst	СН				
3rd	Sadie Fitness	CA				
YEAR 4 CHAMPIONS						
1st	Amelia Hardie	WI				
2nd =	Lulu Fairbairn	CA				
2nd =	Queenie Lang	CA				
YEAR 5 CHAMPIONS						
1st	Laura Koeman	CA				
2nd	Brooke Rowntree	CA				
3rd	Bianca Ivanova	WI				
YEAR 6 CHAMPIONS						
1st	Emma Scholtz	НА				
2nd	Emily Cornaga	НА				
3rd	Louise Beaumont	НА				
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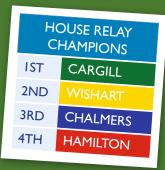
### House Relays

n a blaze of summer sunshine, the Girls' School joined the Boys' School at Shore Road for the annual House Relay event. It was a fantastic morning of

running, cheering and chanting as the relay teams took their marks and got set to go, ready with the baton at the handover mark!

With all the points tallied, Cargill stood on top of the podium for the Girls' School. Well done to all our runners – including the game parents who picked up the baton to compete!

Our sincere thanks to parent, Andrew Cornaga from Photosport for sharing his photos.







### NZ Selection

The Girls' School Touch Rugby Team had fantastic year winning many games, including the South Eastern Zone Touch Tournament. This was a great achievement for the girls as it was the first time that a Saint Kentigern team has won the tournament for this age group – with special thanks to their coach Lance Watane. Players, Levonah Motuliki and Tiana Gray had

a particularly good year as they were selected for the New Zealand Touch Team. Both Levonah and Tiana will travel with the team to compete in New Zealand and overseas! Well done girls!





### Skiing Success

Congratulations to our Girls' School Ski team who placed first overall in the Auckland Primary School Ski Champs at Snow Planet. Pieter Spencer, Lily Loutit, Harper Buchanan, Bella Brady, Stella Catchpole, Maya Zurflueh, Charlotte Horne and Lucy Taylor all competed in the Giant Slalom Course and had three timed runs. Based on their times, they were able to collect the trophy and claim the regional title. Pieter and Lucy also participated in the mini rail jam. Well done girls!









### Grandparents' Day

Grandparents' Day is the special day on the calendar when the students are given the opportunity to show their loved ones around the school.

On arrival, the grandparents were welcomed by Deputy Principal, Mrs Jill Wahlstrom and Head Girl, Jamie Chandler, before the Kapa Haka group, led by Year 8 students, Xarya Knox and Levonah Motuliki performed. The group opened with a prayer followed by E te Hokowhitu - Tuini Ngawai and Kia Tau - The Benediction. The girls performed with great poise and displayed great technique and skills when it came to the poi.

Principal, Ms Juliet Small spoke about the important role that grandparents play in the development of a child, stating the 'Grandparents, like heroes, are as necessary to a child's growth as vitamins.' Ms Small thanked the grandparents from visiting before handing the stage over to the school orchestra to entertain before Year 5 students, Gemma Berkovits and Jeanna Ho, performed a well-polished scene from Cinderella, and the choir sang 'The Wind' by New Zealand Composer, David Hamilton.

After the formalities, the Prefects led the grandparents to the classrooms to meet their granddaughters. It was great to see the interactions between the generations and the looks on the grandparents' faces as they attempted to navigate the latest technology gadgets in the Senior School STEAM classrooms. The library book sale was popular once again with excited girls buzzing around to choose a book, taking a moment to read it together with their grandparents.

The successful morning concluded with a shared morning tea in the hall. We thank the Parents and Friends for their assistance with this and to the visiting grandparents for coming along to share a special morning at school.

### Elisa Wins Prestigious Competition

Year 7 student, Elisa Wu has been playing the flute since she was eight years old and dedicates around an hour and a half a day to practice. Her hard work and efforts paid off with a win in the Junior Section at this year's American Protégé International Woodwind and Brass Competition – which is a massive achievement as she was one of the youngest competitors.

Elisa entered the competition online after performing at Carnegie Hall in New York earlier in the year. She was inspired by her sister who had also competed. To enter the competition, Elisa recorded herself playing 'W. A. Mozart- Rondo in D major, KV Ahn. 184' accompanied by Juan Kim on piano and sent it to the judges in America. Elisa said she was thrilled when she discovered that she had won her section and had been invited back to the Carnegie Hall, New York to play in April next year. 'I am excited to go back and play in front of a live audience. It will be a great opportunity for me to gain more experience and exposure.'

Elisa has also played the violin since she was five and started playing the viola this year - she hopes to enter the same competition next year in these two categories. Well done Elisa! What a great achievement - we wish you the best of luck!





### Saint Kentigern Girls' School Parents And Friends

t is with great pleasure that I update the community on the Girls' School Parents and Friends achievements this year.

At our AGM in March, there was no change in our committee with office holders content to remain in their roles. The committee is made up of myself, Rebecca Scoones as Chairperson, Gretchen Weightman as Deputy Chairperson, Dee Wakelin as Secretary, Julie Bolton as Treasurer and Paul Whitford as Parent Liaison.

I am so thankful for the efforts of our committee and the dedication and support they show to our community. We are also lucky to have consistent parent attendance and support at our meetings. Without this wider Parents and Friends support, we would not be able to provide the many events and fundraising/friend raising initiatives that the families in our community enjoy.

The main events we have organised this year were the Girls' School picnic, the Father Daughter Breakfast, the Mother Daughter High Tea, the school disco, and support for Flora MacDonald Day.

The school picnic is always a well-attended event at the start of the school year that sees families mingling with fellow classmates, and staff. Those that attended enjoyed the evening and were filled with enthusiasm for an exciting school year ahead.

The Father Daughter Breakfast and the Mother Daughter High Tea were both held at Ellerslie Event Centre and once again these were very well attended. We had speakers at each event that included a police dog training specialist at the High Tea educating the girls' and their mothers on the training of NZ Police dogs. The Breakfast speaker was Phil Somerville who leads the Eat Less Plastic campaign. Both of these speakers were excellent and kept everyone engaged and at times amazed.

The school disco is always a highlight for the girls' and this year's disco had a 'Welcome to the jungle' theme. It was a great night and everyone, parents and staff included, had a fabulous time.

It has been encouraging for us to be able to give back to the Girls' School over the year. This has included two new water bubbler fountains to replace old ones, and an action-packed inflatable obstacle course and water slides for Flora MacDonald Day. We also provided new games and toys for the Junior School classes to use on wet days.



We have concentrated very much on friend raising events this year rather than specific fundraisers, however, our next fundraising initiative is selling sustainable and reusable shopping bags and cooler bags with Saint Kentigern branding which we hope all campuses will take advantage of.

Our monthly meetings have continued to be busy and well attended with strong support for the Girls' School. I want to thank all the parents that have offered help, time, and support to our events. I have often been amazed by the sense of community and support within the school from the school staff and parent community. It has been a privilege to take an active role in the Girls' School Parents and Friends this year to support the Saint Kentigern community.

Rebecca Scoones
Chairperson

### Saint Kentigern Jute Bag

### Shopping Bag, Bottle Bag, Insulated Bag

Saint Kentigern Girls' School Parents and Friends are 'doing their bit for the environment!' Determined to eliminate plastic waste, they are pleased to to offer Saint Kentigern branded jute shopping bags as a fundraiser.

Three styles of bags are available - a Shopping Bag, a Four Bottle Bag and an Insulated Bag - all made with high quality materials and featuring the Saint Kentigern logo. All funds raised from the sale of the bags will support the Girls' School.

The bags are available to purchase from the website www.saintkentigernbags.com



Bottle Bag \$14.99



Insulated Bag \$14.99



Shopping Bag \$8.99

Overseas postage options are available for those with family overseas.