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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



**"The greatest of all
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leadership"**

DEAR PARENTS

What is leadership? It is an age old question that is more difficult to define than one might think.

There are many models or styles that academics propose such as: democratic, autocratic, laissez-faire, strategic, transformational, transactional, coach-style and bureaucratic to name but a few. Even within these somewhat arbitrary titles there are layers of increasing complexity and nuance. The traditional model of leadership is to 'enhance the thriving of the company'.

However we are not a business and we prefer to model servant leadership which is about serving, not the company, but those within it. It is the Catholic way. The greatest of all leaders is Christ and he is our true model of servant leadership and made the ultimate sacrifice for us, his people, so that we may have life.

I ask our boys 'who do I work for?' and eventually (usually tongue in cheek) someone says 'us' to which I reply 'yes' much to their delight. For in reality I do not work for the Ministry or the Board or the Church, or even you the parents, I work for the young men of Saint John's College. Of course I quickly go on to say to the boys that does not mean that they can order me around and tell me what to do, rather it means that all decisions I make are, in my view, in their best interests, even if they don't like it at that time.

As leaders it is our job to use whatever knowledge, power and influence we have to do the best for the individual boys in our school today. Saint John's is not a great school because of our external success, it is a great school because we put our boys first, and any perceived external success is an outcome of this work.

Having met with the Head Students of 2020 they naturally ask me what their job is, what is it that they do? My reply is that of course they will have roles to play in such things as the year 9 orientation day however it is not what they do, but how they do it. I tell them that their one role is to lead the boys, to be someone they look up to, someone they look at and think 'that could be me one day' and, trust me, that is exactly what goes through a young man's mind.

I am thankful for the staff of Saint John's College, they are a talented and hard working group who are united in doing what is best for our young men. I thank those staff who are leaving this year for their contribution.

As we come to the end of 2019 I hope and pray that you have a restful and blessed Christmas with your families and look forward to 2020 with confidence as we continue this journey together and prepare our young men for life.

God Bless

- Mr Shane Tong, Principal



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CATHOLIC CHARACTER

Once the Seniors leave for NCEA exams, it is time to help the Juniors take up a variety of roles and responsibilities. The 10PE class that helped me set up for the combined House mass did a stellar job and were more than willing to step up to the plate. It is clear to me that we have a number of Special Character boys waiting in the wings for when they may take on the role in an official capacity. And that is what we are about at St John's – preparing young men to step into whatever role may be necessary, giving of themselves and their time generously, and using their gifts and talents for the glory of God and to help those around them.

Each Tuesday we send a couple of our students to the cathedral hall to help set up, serve and clean up the lunches for the hungry and homeless. Every student that has had the opportunity to experience this ministry has found it both eye opening and fulfilling. Mission service is what we must do if we are to call ourselves true Christians. Matthew 5:15 states: "No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house." The service we give to others is what lights up our world with the truth of God's love, mercy and salvation.

On Tuesday 29 October we celebrated our Final whole school mass at the Cathedral with Fr. Richard Laurenson and Fr. Matthew Gibson, both old boys of our school. It was a truly tremendous mass. The boys were exemplary in their singing and conduct. I encourage the community to attend one of our school masses if you have the opportunity. There is no doubt that good music helps make for good liturgy and Mr Barr and his Liturgy group make sure of that. Speaking to different people, both students and the public, it is interesting to hear what facets of the mass they find most impacting. The most common choices are: the music, the readings/prayers of the faithful in different languages and either the whanau students singing or, in particular, the Pasifika boys singing.

We held our Y9 and Y10 retreats this term. These are ½ days of reflection for our Junior students. It is the opportunity for them to slow down, reflect and pray. Thank you to the staff who have helped with this.

A prayer of thanks also needs to be given to God for the recovery of Connor Hotene-Wilson from his very serious accident. I asked for your prayers in the previous Eagle. Connor is now walking with the aid of a crutch and is moving from strength to strength. It was fantastic for all his year group to have him attend the Leaver's dinner held in our school gymnasium.

I would like to thank all our staff for the variety of ways that they, in their own way and often unseen, help maintain and strengthen our charism, pillars and Christian/Catholic special character through the way they interact with each other, with the students, the community, and through their example and words.

The faithfulness of St John's College to the mission entrusted to her by the Church and promoted by our Bishop is made up of millions of tiny building blocks. We add to the structure when we make the right choices and live the mission. We pull out blocks when we fail to do what we should and what is needed. I encourage all of us, staff, students and our community alike, to be builders, to strengthen our St John's family, to grow and flourish as Christ intends, and to be that beacon of light to a world that, quite simply, has chosen to ignore it.

Finally I would like to thank, wish all the best and offer God's blessings to the staff who are leaving us and are acknowledged in this Eagle. You have stepped in to support the college and been fantastic role models of our Special Character. May you be successful and happy in whatever life brings to you next.

God bless.

- Mr Marcel Bormans, Director of Catholic Character



I'd like to make a personal and heartfelt thanks to the following people who help so generously.

Our Special Character team – for making weekly Mass set-up seem effortless when it's not!

Mrs Anita Sopers – for supporting the Young Vinnies BBQs

Frankton Butchery – for donating the BBQ supplies

St Vincent de Paul – for the lunches that feed our hungry boys

Mr John Bull, Mrs Nicola Gelston, and the Young Vinnies – for helping to feed the poor, the hungry and the homeless

Mrs Carolyn Morris and her helpers – for leading the Breakfast Club

Mr Malcolm Barr and the Liturgy Group – for making beautiful music at Mass

Our whānau and Pasifika students – for singing so powerfully at Mass

Fr Richard Laurenson – for his service as our Chaplain

Fr Matthew Gibson – for joining our community

All of our staff – for their example of our Marist pillars



KEY DATES 2020

Office opens before the start of Term 1 on Friday 24 January

TERM 1 (WEEK 1-11)

Tue 28 January	Teacher Only Day
Wed 29 January	Start of Term 1, Y9 Orientation / Y13 Leadership Day
Thu 30 January	Y9 Orientation / ALL Y13 attend in am
Fri 31 January	All Students, Normal Timetable
Thu 6 February	Waitangi Day (Holiday)
Thu 9 April	End of Term 1

TERM 2 (WEEK 12-21)

Tue 28 April	Teacher Only Day
Wed 29 April	Start of Term 2
Mon 1 June	Queen's Birthday (Holiday)
Fri 12 June	Teacher Only Day (Fieldays Friday)
Fri 3 July	End of Term 2

TERM 3 (WEEK 22-31)

Mon 20 July	Teacher Only Day
Tue 21 July	Start of Term 3
Fri 25 September	End of term 3

TERM 4 (WEEK 32-40)

Mon 12 October	Teacher Only Day
Tue 13 October	Start of Term 4
Mon 26 October	Labour Day (Holiday)
Fri 11 December	End of School Year

FINAL MASS

Full school Mass is such a special celebration and not to be missed. We really encourage our whānau to join us at our three masses throughout the year. This year's Final Mass gave thanks for the year that's been and blessed those that are moving on. The Liturgy Music Group leads us beautifully, and the kapa haka and Pasifika hymns are just magic.





GYM BLESSING - KAWANGA WHARE

The fences are down, the contractors have (mostly) departed, and the finishing touches are happening on the new gymnasium complex so it'll be ready for 2020. It's a stunning building, and junior students have already had a tour of their new PE facility. We can't wait to be working in there every day!

Before we moved in, a blessing was performed by kaumatua Mr Rahui Papa. This early morning ritual acknowledges the spirits of the whenua that are present in the building and its materials, and in karakia we asked that the new complex be a safe and pleasant building for all those who share and enter it.

A formal opening event and blessing for the full school will happen in February.

ADP VISITS MILLENNIUM INSTITUTE OF SPORT

On Tuesday 22nd October the Year 10 ADP had the opportunity to travel to The Millennium Institute of Sport, New Zealand's High Performance Sports Centre. Here, they got put through a number of tests that New Zealand's elite athletes go through. This was an eye opener for many of the boys, just to see the frequency and intensity that these athletes train with. During the Wingate test some of our students were able to produce between 750-1150W of power, with 1150W being as high as the tester has seen from a Year 10 student. Ego's were quickly put in check when we were informed members of the NZ track cycling team produce around 2500W. We were lucky enough to see some of the construction going on for the heat room to acclimatise our Olympic team for Tokyo and some of the boys were able to watch Eliza McCartney get put through her paces. A great trip that we look forward to again in 2020.

Mr Tymon Neil, ADP Teacher



EAGLE FAMILY OF SPONSORS

We love putting The Eagle Newsletter together every term, and sharing all the wonderful and wacky happenings here at St John's. And thanks to your feedback, we know you enjoy reading it!

How about becoming one of the Eagle Family of Sponsors? Put your business name in front of our community in each issue, post on our Facebook page each term and feature on our website. Your sponsorship goes towards the printing and delivery costs of the Eagle.

THANK YOU EVERYONE

LEAVERS DINNER

The PTFA surpassed themselves again this year, hosting over 300 students and parents at our Year 13 Leavers Dinner. The gymnasium was transformed into a glamorous dinner venue with a delicious buffet provided by Big River Catering. Andrew Webby, Old Boy and local entrepreneur reminded our boys to dream big. The leavers dinner is a fabulous St John's tradition, where our boys are farewelled with love and affection, and they themselves acknowledge that they're moving on.

Another tradition is that our leavers donate a gift to the College. An impressive new Honours Board will adorn the new gymnasium foyer, courtesy of the 2019 Year 13 group. This Honours Board lists the winners of the Mel Young Sportsman of the Year Trophy, first presented in 2015. The Honours Board remembers Mel Young with this inscription:

In memory of a much loved teacher, sports coach, friend and mentor who devoted 43 years' service to the young men of St John's College. Mel lived a Marist life - teaching boys, not subjects; coaching young men, not sports. Mel gave generously of himself and shaped St John's College by his example. We are richer for having him and we remain blessed by his presence.

Thank you Year 13s - it's been fun having you lead the College this year and we'll miss you. Go well, and don't be strangers!



SJC FOUNDATION TRADES SCHOLARSHIPS

'Giving back' or 'Paying Forward' is a powerful response for Old Boys or parents to acknowledge how St John's has shaped and supported their lives, or the lives of their sons. Many in our community feel a warm affection for St John's, we want it to continue to prosper, and we want the best for the next wave of Catholic students.

Brothers Mike and Brendan Beadle, along with business partner and old St John's College school mate Geoff Day, have a special interest in students heading directly into the trades force. They know this is an expensive time, with work clothing, protective gear, tools and course costs all coming fast once a job offer is received. Through their business Safety and Apparel, they've established a trades scholarship fund, which has made donations to multiple students this year to help out with those costs.

"It's so important to get great people into trades work and we want to encourage young lads to see it as a career path out of school" explains Mike Beadle. "It's a privilege to help them take those first steps, and make those first few months a bit easier on the pocket."

The St John's College Foundation runs the scholarship and is keen to grow its scholarships arm. If your business or family is thinking about how to make a donation or establish a scholarship for a particular purpose, then please make contact. Start with Vicki Fabling in the College Office, who can refer you onto one of the Trustees 07 856 7091 or bmanager@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz

2020 STUDENT LEADERS

Congratulations to our 2020 Leadership team who have been recognised as great examples of Marist men. These leaders give generously of their time and talents to our College community - thank you men for standing up and showing our younger men what a strong St John's man looks like.

Head Boy	Finn Lally
Deputy Head Boys	Dyrel Lumiwes and Dan Coles
Special Character	Rainald Valondo and John Paca
Maori	Manaia Jones and Matariki Hodges-Mataira
Pasifika	Reupena Tyrell
Academic Leader	Kian Bennett
Arts	Guantian Chen and Brendan Boyd
International	Bill Wang
Sport	Akiva McBirney-Griffin and Adam Satincliffe
Marcellin	Isaac Seiuli and Devyn Sheehan
Pompallier	Max Field and Vinnie Hermann
Chanel	Sam Kelly and Conor Tierney
Roncalli	Antony Sllich and Christvie Kadiya

EVOLOCITY NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

After the Waikato Regional competition, St John's College team, the Trike, was selected to participate in the Evolocity Nationals held in the Waikato on Sunday 24 November 2019.

54 vehicles were entered from 34 schools, ranging from Christchurch to Northland. The Trike was entered in the 350 Watt Cart Section, participating in four sections: the drag race, the economy run, the street circuit and the gymkhana, winning three out of the four sections.

They were also awarded best design for the Cart Section as well as overall Top Team for Best Performance across all events.

Steve Andrew was also awarded the Chris Swallow Award for Outstanding Contribution to Evolocity

This was an outstanding effort and showed that St John's College Technology Department is a leader in this field. The design of the Trike was innovative and as the results show, set the standards for years to come.

Congratulations to Thomas Illott, Bailey McLean, Leon Jobe, Matt Garnett and Steve Andrew.





RONCALLI CHAMPIONS 2019

House Points wound up as follows:

EVENT	CHANEL	MARCELLIN	POMPALLIER	RONCALLI
Year 9 Song Competition (CMO)	4	8	8	10
Athletics Sports	40	60	100	80
Term 1 Attendance	4	6	10	8
Swimming Sports	30	45	75	60
Term 1 PB4L (Marist Merits)	4	10	8	6
Haka Competition	40	20	30	50
Cross Country	30	20	40	50
Term 2 Attendance	4	6	8	10
Te Wiki o te Reo Maori	16	8	12	20
Term 3 Attendance	6	4	8	10
Term 3 PB4L points (Marist Merits)				
TOTAL	178	185	301	304
POSITION	4	3	2	1

CRUICKSHANK - NEW YORK BOUND

These are just some of the many faces of Daniel Cruickshank. Year 11 St John's College lad by day, Daniel transforms into a singing, dancing and acting dynamo outside of school.

Since the age of 9, Daniel has performed in 17 shows, with musicals being his absolute favourite genre. Starring in 13 The Musical and joining the ensemble in We Will Rock You this year, Daniel also turned his hand to directing on Annie Junior. "That was so rewarding to understand the creative work behind our performances" says Daniel. "I directed my own scene and had input around performance and choreography along with set and costume design."

And now he's off to New York, Atlanta and LA for the summer break, with 30 other young performers in the Kiwi All Stars troupe. "We'll go to 2 Broadway shows, Moulin Rouge and Frozen while we're there, but I'll also try to get tickets to Lion King and Dear Evan Hansen too". He'll attend workshops at Disney and at Universal Studios, and the troupe will also perform in America. Daniel's been preparing to rehearsal videos and is looking forward to getting together with his fellow Kiwi All Stars to pull it all together on the road.

"I just love theatre and performing" he explains. "Music is a great escape, I have fun with friends and being in shows is like joining a bigger family."

So what does the future hold? "Lots more local musical theatre! I'll probably study architecture after school, and keep music and theatre as my hobby and my passion" says Daniel. He's a smart young man - you have a fantastic time in the USA Daniel, and come back with even more energy and pizzazz to share with us!



CASTLE ROCK HEIGHTS

On Thursday 24th October the Year 13 OED classes had their final trip of the year, Rock Climbing at Castle Rock. During the day the boys had to attempt six climbs, with many of the boys being able to successfully complete all six climbs. These climbs ranged between 12-18 on the Ewbank grading system and in wet and windy conditions the boys were certainly tested. This capped off a successful year for the Year 13 programme and we would like to thank Mr Jackways for all the work he has done for our boys this year.





OLD BOYS GOLF

Team West Coast are the winners of the St John's College Old Boys Golf Shield. Another great spring afternoon in late October saw 80+ Old Boys and old friends catch up over a friendly round. Congratulations Aaron Brown, Mark Witherspoon, Christian Morris, and Brett Jowsey!



SJC Old Boys Golf Winners; Team West Coast

SJC BREAKFAST CLUB

Every school morning at 10:55am when the bell rings for Break 1, there's a rush of boys to our Marcellin Champagnat Room. With sponsorship from both Sanitarium and Fonterra, our school is supplied with milk and Weetbix to feed boys who may not have had a good breakfast at home. We often have as many as 25 students who fill their bowls and have a good feed. Boys wash up their own dishes, and head outside in considerably better spirits than when they came in. It's a simple act of service that goes a long way to well-being. St John's has been a part of this for several years now, and for the first time we have been recognised and awarded as a "2019 Highly Commended Breakfast Club" from the Kickstart Breakfast Awards. Special thanks goes to Mrs Carolyn Morris and Mrs Nicola Gelston, and many other teachers over the years who've given up their time to ensure our students aren't hungry.



JERSON NAMED IN NATIONAL U19 TOURNAMENT TEAM

Outstanding skills and consistent play at the National Youth Football Tournament over Labour Weekend earned Jerson Lagos Giraldo a spot in the 15 man Tournament team. This is the pinnacle tournament for NZ's future football stars and Jerson, playing for his club team Melville United, was chosen from over 380 players competing there. Jerson's team had a tough draw, winning 2, losing 2 and drawing 1, including a 2-nil loss to the eventual winners. Awesome work Jerson, and a fantastic honour for St John's to have a player reaching these heights - remember this name, we could be seeing Jerson in action on the international stage one day!



Jerson Lagos Giraldo, U19 tournament team

CHAMPION 7'S TEAM HEADING TO NATIONALS

The St John's College Under 15 7's team played in the Waikato Schools tournament held in October. After making it through pool play undefeated, the team came up against a very determined HBHS team in the Semi Final. The game went right down to the wire, with St John's College defending bravely and holding on to a 21-19 win. In the final the team came up against another HBHS team. After a tough first few minutes the team found their second wind and ran away with the game, winning 28 - 5, a massive effort from the boys. The team now prepares for the National Condor 7's, held in Auckland at the end of Term 4. Here they will be up against the best secondary school under 15 teams from around New Zealand.

Mr Tymon Neil, TIC 7's



U15 Waikato 7's Champions



KEAGAN THOMPSON - PHOENIX BOUND?

You don't turn down an invitation to trial for the Wellington Phoenix Academy, and that's just what 14 year old Keagan Thompson was doing for four days in October. And he must have impressed because they now want him to join their Academy, which is NZ's premier youth football development programme and paves the way for NZ representation and professional contracts. We're still waiting to hear if Keagan's going to move, and while we'd miss him in the blue & gold stripes, we're excited about his prospects.



EAGLES NATIONALS CAMPAIGN

We can't let this year finish without acknowledging our high performing Eagles basketball team. This team won the Waikato competition, won the Central North Island Qualifying tournament and travelled to the National Championships in Palmerston North in the October holidays. St John's has a proud history at Nationals and is one of the few teams to have attended every single tournament since it began.

These are the very best school basketball teams in the country with 9 matches played over 6 days - it's exhausting and absolutely challenges the players to be their very best in every match. Our Eagles played some superb basketball, winning 3 of their 5 pool matches comfortably. The 'one that got away' was a loss by one heart-breaking point to Rangitoto College, which forced them into must win situations against Auckland Grammar and Westlake Boys to reach the top 8 quarterfinals. It wasn't meant to be this year, with the team finishing in 9th place overall (after securing a satisfying 1 point win against Auckland Grammar the second time they met at the tournament).

All of our Premier teams are very grateful for the coaching and management support received this year, and for the hard work of our small basketball committee and Matua Tim as TIC. A huge thank you goes to Hamilton Orthodontics who sponsored these teams with high quality and custom fit mouthguards, keeping our young men's heads (and gorgeous smiles) safe this year!



YR 10 BUSINESS STUDIES TRADE FAIR

If you're lucky, you'll be receiving a Christmas gift purchased from the Yr10 Business Studies Market held in October. Students planned, researched and produced goods that were on sale at the Trade Fair. Much thought and ingenuity went into each product range, with Christmas gift buying being an opportunity that many tapped into. A crowd favourite were the 'Bathroom Bombers' dressed in theme and cleverly moving around the Fair rather than waiting for customers to come to them.



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KUKRI - FOR SPORTS UNIFORM

We've signed an exciting deal with Kukri to supply our sports uniform. Kukri are a global brand and specialist sports apparel manufacturers delivering great quality sports clothing.

Unlike many schools, St John's supplies most of our playing uniforms - that makes sport cheaper for parents and also means our players look like a team on field. This approach works well for some codes, but not so well for others - depending on the particular uniform. As a rule of thumb, we'll supply playing shirts for most codes, and we'll purchase these from Kukri. Other items like shorts and socks are purchased by parents, and you'll buy these from Kukri's retail or online store. More details in Term 1 once stocks arrive.

NZ UNIFORMS

PAYMENT OPTIONS: NZ Uniforms accepts Cash, Eftpos, all major Credit Cards and WINZ payments. UNIFORM CLUB is a great way to save for your Uniform purchases - see website for more details. PARTPAY is now available in our stores to help with financing your purchases. SHOP ONLINE at www.nzuniforms.com

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UNIFORM FAQs

Where do I buy school uniform?

NZ Uniform in Tristram Street is your one stop shop for ALL day to day school uniform, including PE uniform. They do online shopping, run a Uniform Club, have PARTPAY options, and will do specialist fittings for really small or really large students.

Where do I buy sports uniform?

Kukri will have a range of playing shorts and team socks in their retail and online store in Term 1 - rugby, football, hockey, touch and other codes that play in shorts will purchase these from Kukri. Cricket shirts, pants and caps will be purchased direct from Kukri. More details will go out to parents and players in Term 1, giving you ample time to get organised.

Where do I buy a lavalava?

Buy these from Student Services for \$50. A full range of sizes are held there.

Can we buy 2nd Hand Uniform?

Yes, the PTFA runs a 2nd hand 'online' store throughout the year, and will open for drop-in buying from 11am - 2pm on 22 January 2020.

Online purchases at www.stjohns-hamilton.school.nz/Second-Hand-Uniform

2ND HAND UNIFORM

SHOP OPEN
WED 23 JANUARY 11AM - 2PM

Please donate unwanted uniform to the College
Proceeds support students in hardship
2nd Hand Uniform Sales supported by St John's College PTFA





STAFF COMINGS AND GOINGS

We bid a very fond farewell to these staff who are moving onto new choices.

Ms Renée Hutchinson (Head of English)

We have been fortunate to have Ms Renée Hutchinson leading the English and Languages Faculty for the past three years. She has well and truly left her mark on St. John's College as a visionary leader not afraid of change. The English Department corridors are full of inspiration and insight, and a ticket to the Shakespearean Feast is harder to find than a ticket to the Oscars after party! Students in her classes have benefited from current and thought provoking texts and her use of philosophy in her lessons has created some well-rounded young men in the college.

Mr Paul Ardern will replace Renée as Head of English.

Mrs Anita Sopers (Homestay Coordinator International Department)

After 5 years of service Anita is leaving us to pursue other interests. In her time, she has been invaluable to the running of both the International and English Language Departments. Her kindness, generosity and energy have helped enable our International students and EL learners to become successful whilst also maintaining the strong relationships we have with our community. Best of luck Anita.

Mr Jim Wetere (Teaching Assistant)

Jim has been with us for 5 years and is a valued member of the team. He is a wise man, his approach with the boys has been simple, straight forward and effective. We wish him all the best in his well earned retirement.

Mrs Sandra Gordon (Teacher of RE and Social Sciences and who was on a year's leave for 2019)

Sandy joined us in 2008, teaching in both the social sciences and RE faculties. She has been flexible with timetables as a part-timer for a number of years and we appreciate that immensely.

Sandy's worked through a number of challenges whilst on staff and taken a break from the classroom to invest time into their new business - which by all accounts is doing well and hence Sandy is moving on.

Miss Cian Gardner (Drama Teacher)

Cian has been here a year to cover Mandy Hale's maternity leave and has done an absolutely fantastic job, especially as a first year teacher. She is developing as a great drama teacher and it will be sad to see her go, but we hope that some day she will be back!

Mrs Stephanie Landon (Maths)

Stephanie joined us at the start of this year on a fixed term basis - her efforts have been very much appreciated by the Maths department and our students and we are sad to see her go.

Mr Stu Edwards (Guitar Tutor)

A host of our more talented guitarists have been tutored by Stu Edwards at St John's College over the past 10 years. Sadly, Stu is finishing up to accommodate more students in his private studio next year. We have been very lucky to have Stu in our midst, and he can take much of the credit for our strong guitar programme and bands. Thank you Stu for sharing your talent and experience with us, and we wish you well.

AND WE WELCOME

Mrs Lynley Keightley (Librarian)

Within days of Mrs Keightley starting, we had the loveliest feedback from students about how friendly and welcoming she was! Lynley joins us from Cambridge High's library and is delighted to be joining a faith school as well as having her very own Library to manage.

Mrs Charity Upoko-Winchcombe (Receptionist)

Mrs Upoko-Winchcombe will work mornings in our busy office, supporting our other Receptionist Mrs Tracy Windleborn. Charity has loads of administrative and finance experience and also worked to support Pasifika students while at Otago University. We're very lucky to have her, please make her welcome.

HARD WORK STUDYING TOURISM

The Year 13 Tourism class had a great day (despite the weather) sampling the delights of Rotorua at the end of Term 3.



SUMMER SCIENCE CAMPS

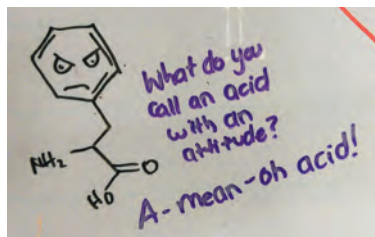
ROTARY NATIONAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FORUM 2020

Andre Bouma, our top Year 12 Science student whose ambition is to be an aeronautical engineer, was awarded a Rotary Scholarship to attend the Science Technology Forum for two weeks at Auckland University from 11-25th January 2020. Andre will be one of a group of 180 students who were made up of some of the best science students in New Zealand.

These students during the daily modules and lectures are exposed to the Biological Sciences, Biological Engineering, Chemistry, Electronic/Robotics, Physics, Psychology, Geological Sciences and Astronomy for two weeks. Andre is bound to enjoy this all tremendously along with of course, the huge social side when he will be boarding at University Hall.

HANDS ON SCIENCE - OTAGO UNIVERSITY

Two other science students Matariki Hodges-MacDonald and Josery Rereiti will attend the Hands on Science summer school in Dunedin's Otago University at the same time, having respectively won Māori and Pasifika Scholarships to attend. Enjoy the experience!





SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Congratulations to the following students whose hard work has earned them scholarships to attend University next year.

Joshua Frires-Carroll	Te Paewai o Te Rangi: The University of Waikato Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement; University of Auckland Māori Academic Excellence Scholarship
Jiaming Li	Te Paewai o Te Rangi: The University of Waikato Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement
Anthony Perera	Te Paewai o Te Rangi: The University of Waikato Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement; University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship; University of Auckland Top Achievers Scholarship
Jackson Neale	Te Paewai o Te Rangi: The University of Waikato Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement
Chase Hennessey	The University of Waikato Sir Edmund Hillary Scholarship
Nathaniel Hopkins	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship
Keenan Sanders	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship
Thomas Illott	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship; David Johnstone Charitable Trust Scholarship
Kevin O'Hara	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship
Damien Peers	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship
Matthew Roach	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship; David Johnstone Charitable Trust Scholarship
Lucas Willcock	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship
Conor Wilson	The University of Waikato Ko Te Tangata Scholarship
Dominic Beaton	University of Otago Academic Excellence
Eric Leiataua	University of Otago Pacific People's Scholarship
Kees Mortleman	University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship; Victoria University Tangiwai Scholarship
George Downey	University of Auckland Business and Economics Scholarship
Sebastian Manning	University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship
Daunte Tamaki	Wintec David Johnstone Charitable Trust Scholarship
Sebastian Tuisamoa	University of Otago Pacific People's Scholarship
Seshan Weeraratne	University of Otago Vice Chancellor's Scholarship; University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship
Jack Gibson	Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award





MAORI AND PASIFIKA AWARDS

Aiden Payne-Isaacs	<i>Te Pitomata o Tānerore taong</i> Award for Most Improved Performer in Kapa Haka
Ata Nao	<i>Gugumatua ena ka ni vuli</i> Award for Most Improved Performer in the Pasifika Group
Paneere Waitai	<i>Nga Mahi a Tanerore, a Hinerehi</i> Award for the Most Outstanding Performer in Kapa Haka
Salesi Salesi	<i>Katoangaii foaki pale faiva fakamafana</i> Award for the Most Outstanding Performer in the Pasifika Group
Sebastian Tuisamoa	<i>Metera Li'ao</i> Award for Presence
Daunte Tamaki	<i>He Kanohi Kitea</i> Award for Presence
Michael Robin	<i>Kaporangi</i> Award for Academic Commitment
Reupena Maka-Tyrell	<i>Aua Le Fiu</i> Award for Academic Commitment
Tevita Vaea	<i>Tama O Aiga I Galuega Faatino</i> Award for Performance
Xavier Mihaere	<i>He Tohu Kairangi</i> Award for Performance
Kamho Baniko	<i>Koe tokotaha malohi koe mo tuimalohi</i> Award for demonstrating our Marist Pillar
Jacob Te Rangi	<i>Ngākau Pono</i> Award for demonstrating our Marist Pillars
Chase Hennessey	<i>Māhuri Tōtara</i> Award for Leadership
Eric Leiataua	<i>Tupua Tamasese</i> Award for Leadership
Tawera Marsh	<i>Te Wairua o Hato Hoani</i> Award for Spirit
Reupena Maka Tyrell	<i>Joe Tuvuki Memorial Award</i> Award for Spirit



PRIME MINISTER'S AWARD - JACK GIBSON

Jack Gibson, Yr 12, was presented with the Prime Minister's Vocational Award at our Senior Prizegiving. This is a hugely prestigious award carrying a \$2,000 prize that Jack can use for anything he wants! Jack has been highly focused this year and made the most of the opportunities Gateway's work placement and work training courses offered, excelling in the Sport and Leisure area.

"Jack is a natural leader, with the ability to communicate well with people of all ages and cultures" says Mrs Ange Daysh, Gateway Coordinator.

"I know Jack has a fabulous future ahead of him, no matter what he decides to do.

He has earned the respect of not only myself, but the staff and students at St John's College and we feel that this nomination is truly well deserved."

Year 11 take note - there's a PM Vocational Excellence Award up for grabs in every school. Why not make sure it's you next year?



SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

A highlight of our school Calendar is the Senior Prizegiving event. Mr Tong made the point in his speech that all these prizewinners earned their awards as the result of hard work through the year. Special congratulations to Sebastian Manning, Proxime Accessit, and Dominic Beaton, Dux for their achievements as our very top academic students in 2019. It has been a pleasure to teach these men and to watch their own talent and determination produce such outstanding results.

Tiernan Sanders	<i>The Principal's Award for Year 11</i>
Hayden Neale	<i>Year 11 Top Scholar</i>
Dyrel Lumiwes	<i>The Principal's Award for Year 12</i>
Guantian Chen	<i>Year 12 Top Scholar - John Fabling Cup</i>
Daunte Tamaki	<i>Special Award: Brother Remegius Cup for Generosity and Service</i>
Kees Mortleman	<i>Colin Smith Memorial Cup for Leadership</i>
Kevin O'Hara	<i>Special Award: David Williams Memorial Trophy for Exemplifying The Spirit of St John's</i>
Damien Peers	<i>Special Award: Jason Carroll Memorial Trophy for Success through Adversity</i>
Kevin O'Hara	<i>Special Award: Marist Brothers' Award for Service to Liturgy in the Marist Spirit</i>
Dwayne Carvalho	<i>Special Award: Marist Brothers' Award for Service to Liturgy in the Marist Spirit</i>
Austin Knipe	<i>Top Māori Scholar - Whaia te iti Kahurangi; The Māori Academic Excellence Award</i>
Taebo Taraora	<i>SJC Cup for Top Pacific Scholar</i>
Te Aorere Eru	<i>The College Māori Award - The Te Hiringa Award</i>
Sebastian Manning	<i>Special Award: Proxime Accessit to the Dux; Proxime Accessit Cup</i>
Kees Mortleman	<i>Special Award: The Principal's Award for Year 13 - The D'Souza Trophy</i>
Dominic Beaton	<i>Special Award: College DUX for 2019 - The D'Souza Cup</i>



JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING

We're also very proud of our Junior Prize winners. Timing of the Eagle means we can't display photos of our top junior students, but we have listed top achievers here.

YEAR 9 CURRICULUM AWARDS

Macs Skinner (9MSFA)	<i>Top of Year 9 Art</i>
Jonathan Langley (9RTSA)	<i>Top of Year 9 Digital Technologies</i>
Harrison Holden (9RHKA)	<i>Top of Year 9 Social Studies</i>
Reilly Benefield (9PLMY)	<i>Top of Year 9 Spanish</i>

YEAR 9 TOP OF CLASS AWARDS

Cole Claxton (9PKJA)	<i>Top of Class 9AN</i>
Samuel Cartmill (9MAHR)	<i>Top of Class 9BA Cole Claxton (9PKJA)</i>
Luka Hendrikse (9RMAN)	<i>Top of Class 9JO Top of Year 9 Technology</i>
Rico Thompson (9PHMI)	<i>Top of Class 9LU</i>
Rhys McLeod-Dunn (9RHKA)	<i>Top of Class 9MA</i>
Max Johnson (9CSCU)	<i>Top of Class 9SI</i>
Paolo Dela Torre (9CSCU)	<i>Top of Class 9TH Top of Year 9 Religious Education</i>





JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING CONT.

YEAR 9 PILLAR AWARD (SIMPLICITY)

Josh Barnett (RHKA)	Alex Keogh (RTSA)
Reilly Benefield (PLMY)	Halen King (CSCU)
Samuel Cartmill (MAHR)	Jonathan Langley (RTSA)
David Castillo (CABO)	Caleb Leslie (RJGE)
Kyle Chandrasekera (RMAN)	Matthew MacClure (MSFA)
Cole Claxton (PKJA)	Jack McGrail (CABO)
Nick De Vries (PHMI)	Cayden McLean (PKJA)
Ben Deason (MNGL)	Sam McQuilkin (RJGE)
Paolo Dela Torre (CSCU)	Xavier Mihaere (RDHU)
Jack Duff (MKFR)	Conall O'Toole (RSWO)
Desmond Faalupega (PDLY)	Christian Pearson (RSWO)
Sean Farrell (RHKA)	Mikae Rangihika (RDHU)
Jack Fraser-Jones (MSTS)	Leith Sargeant (PHMI)
Alex Griffin (CABO)	Edmund Shum (PLMY)
Luka Hendrikse (RMAN)	Mohnish Singh (PBGR)
Harrison Holden (RHKA)	Charlie Squire (PLMY)
Matthew Jeremiah (MANE)	Rico Thompson (PHMI)
Max Johnson (CSCU)	Tevita Vaea (CGSO)
Matthew Jordan (PKJA)	Quinn Wilson (RJGE)

YEAR 10 CURRICULUM AWARDS

Declan Warren (10RFGR)	Top of Year 10 Art
Lachlan Kay (10CGSO)	Top of Year 10 Athlete Development Programme
Liam Farrell (10RJMU)	Top of Year 10 Business Studies Top of Year 10 English Top of Year 10 Mathematics Top of Year 10 Spanish
Samuel Rili (10MBMA)	Top of Y10 Design & Visual Communication (SJC Cup)
Marllone Villegas (10RSWO)	Top of Year 10 Digital Technologies
Pinliang Lin (10CCPA)	DEE Publications Cup for Junior English Language
Joshua Joseph (10PLMY)	Top of Year 10 Food Technology Top of Year 10 Technology
Brooklyn Epere (10RDHU)	Top of Year 10 Māori
John Baunton-Browne (10MANE)	Top of Year 10 Music
Jacob Koolen (10RJMU)	Top of Year 10 Science

YEAR 10 TOP OF CLASS AWARDS

Ethan Ferdinands (10PBGR)	Top of Class 10J
Caleb Fernandes (10PHPR)	Top of Class 10K Top of Year 10 Religious Education
George Singers-Rutz (10MSFA)	Top of Class 10L
Flynn Beetham (10RHKA)	Top of Class 10M Top of Year 10 Physical Education & Health
Benjamin Sole (10MBMA)	Top of Class 10R
Zane Andrew (10MANE)	Top of Class 10S

YEAR 10 PILLAR AWARD (SIMPLICITY)

John Baunton-Browne (MANE)	Finn Leong (MKFR)
Flynn Beetham (RHKA)	Zack Morgan (PHMI)
Jakub Dowd (CMMC)	Ryan Roche (PHMI)
Ethan Ferdinands (PBGR)	George Singers-Rutz (MSFA)
Caleb Fernandes (PHPR)	Ashton Thomas (MANE)
Jayden Fernandes (MSFA)	Jaron Trenberth (RJMU)
Rohan Gosai (MNGL)	Connor Ward (MSFA)
Joshua Hernandez (RTSA)	

SPECIAL AWARDS

Sidney Sole (9MSTS)	SJC Cup for Excellence in Scientific Drawing
Xavier Mihaere (9RDHU)	Tama Tū Tama Ora Award for Junior Māori Top of Year 9 Athlete Development Programme Top of Year 9 Drama Top of Year 9 Māori (Te Kakano Award)
Kyle Chandrasekera (9RMAN)	SJC Performing Arts Cup, Top of Year 9 Design & Visual Communication
Benjamin Seiuli (10MSFA)	Junior Instrumental Music
Declan Warren (10RFGR)	Junior Singing Cup
Ryan Roche (10PHMI)	SJC Cup for Year 10 Oratory Best Junior Speaker
Danuson Nga-Sit (10RSWO)	SJC Cup for Service to the Junior School
Alex Keogh (9RTSA)	Year 9 The Principal's Award Year 9 Oratory Award
Christian Pearson (9RSWO)	Top Scholar - Year 9 Top of Class 9PE Top of Year 9 English Top of Year 9 Mathematics Top of Year 9 Physical Education & Health Top of Year 9 Science Top of Year 9 Music
Alistair Sequeira (10RSWO)	Top Scholar - Year 10 Year 10 The Principal's Award Top of Year 10 Social Studies Top of Class 10P Woodd Cup for Literary Excellence



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