



Dear Parents/Caregivers and Whanau

Prizegiving Ceremonies

The Prizegiving Ceremonies to recognise significant academic, special character, cultural and sporting achievements were well attended by parents and extended family members. The commitment and

dedication of students achieving at this high level of excellence are to be congratulated.

Special thanks must go to the students who gave personal reflections on the 2018 year. I acknowledge Alexandria Lazatin and Nathan Chin (Years 7 & 8), Stephen Ju and Sydney Causer (Years 9 & 10), Francesca Adams and Tristan Tualagi (Year 11). Our Head Prefects, Dominic Stolten and Martina Kleis addressed those attending the Senior Prizegiving.

We also heard a variety of talented musical performances from the various Choirs, Concert and Jazz Bands, Kapa Haka Groups and those who performed solo performances. Thank you to Mr Gibbs, Mr Cho, Mr Roberson, Mrs Judd, Mr Arthur and all the Itinerant Staff who support music at the College.

Year 13 Leavers Dinner

The Year 13 Leavers Dinner was again well attended by parents and students, was held at Alexandra Park and it was a truly memorable occasion.

Students, staff and parents were welcomed by Martina Kleis (Head Girl). In my address, the students were acknowledged for the contribution they have made during their time and the parents thanked for their support through the years. I reflected on how far everyone has come in their school journey and offered inspiration and hope for the joys and challenges that lie ahead as the journey in life continues. Mrs Vercoe (Year 13 Dean) made a tribute to the 2018 leavers and Dominic Stolten (Head Boy) gave a valediction speech. The St Francis Assisi Trophy was awarded to Jessica Do.

Staff Departures

In the final weeks of school the following staff were thanked for the contribution each has made to our school community and were wished well for the future:

Jina Cho Raquel Torrejon-Menendez Makayla Samaeli Greg Hoskins Ian Wannamaker Mathematics, moves to Australia Mathematics, moves to the Bay of Islands Years 7 & 8, Overseas Experience Technology, moves to Rosmini College Physical Education, moves to Ponsonby Intermediate

Car Parking

With the Earthworks well underway on the Chapel Road side of the Campus, it has resulted that all staff have to park on the Te Irirangi Drive side of the College. This will continue during 2019 until further notice. It therefore means, a change in arrangements as described below. Please familiarize the new arrangements that are effective from the start of the school year.



December 2018

2019 Start-Up Dates

24 January School Office open (9:00am-1:00pm)

25 January School closed

28 January School closed Auckland Anniversary

29 January School closed (Staff day)

30 January Offices closed (Staff day) Course confirmation for senior students only.

31 January Yr 7 (8.40am – 2.00pm) Yr 11-13 (10.00am – 2.00pm)

1 February Yr 7 - 8 (8.40am - 2.00pm) Yr 9 - 10 (10.00am - 2.00pm)

4 February All Year levels return

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- The Lower Carpark (to the left of the driveway as you enter from Te Irirangi Drive) is ONLY available for staff, any visitors to the college and for parents dropping off or picking up students.
- Students approved to bring vehicles to school may use either the lower field (to the right of the driveway as you enter) or use available parking in Bishop Dunn Place. Please note that there is a time limit on parking in some car areas in Bishop Dunn Place.
- If you are a parent picking-up children that come from Our Lady Star of the Sea or St Marks on the bus/minivan, please tell your child to make their way to the lower carpark where you will pick them up. They will see where other students are waiting for pick-up also. Please DO NOT park outside the Chapel or Bus Stop areas.
- Parents who are parking to collect children from either SMCPS or SMC are to park in the lower carpark.

Finally, on behalf of Warren Brabant and the Board of Trustees, we wish you and your family an enjoyable and restful summer break. We thank you for your support through 2018 and may you and your family be blessed through the festive season.

With Blessings

Louise Moore Principal



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Christmas is when we especially take delight in giving happiness to others. We offer them gifts. We send cards and good wishes. We let sentiment and generosity direct our hearts. The feast that celebrates the birth of Christs speaks of benevolence beyond anything we would imagine. This is why we rejoice.

In a world where most news is bad – floods, wars and all kinds of disasters – the announcement of something beneficial lifts us up and puts a song in out heat. Marriage, the birth of a baby, a new job or any event that gives up hope is good news.

The birth of Jesus in Bethlehem was not a local story like one for a community newspaper now was it for an in-group but was destined to touch the lives of everyone everywhere. It was for worldwide distribution without restrictions.

The first Christmas forever changed the way people would think about God. It cut across assumed notions. It cancelled the need to cower in fear of malign forces or appease and angry God. No longer could God be imagined as a far-off being, untouched by the messiness of human life.

The announcement that the Saviour was born draws all of us to ponder what kind of God is ours who wanted to be so close as to become an infant in a crib. Such divine solidarity takes us by surprise. The first witnesses were astounded. The Wise Men from the East were overjoyed to find the newborn King and returned to their homelands with the news. The shepherds related their experience and "all who heard were astonished" (Lk 2:18).

Through the Child of Bethlehem we discover the tenderness, kindness and compassion of the God who loves us. We cannot keep that secret.

May God give you the joy of Christmas always.

Fr. Kevin Murphy, SM



2018 PRIZEGIVING

JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING

Outstanding Scholar Award - Year 7 Kaitlin Eustaquio Alicia McGivern

Benjamin Botting Lucas Cooper So Hee Kwon Sophie Cranwell Cyprus Causer Tiana McNamee

Outstanding Scholar Award Year 8

Hyejin Park Alexandria Lazatin Sofia Olan Einstein Siao Anais Bebelman Callista Prom Sofia Dela Cruz Alanna Santoso Sophia Nelson James Karl Quintin Wong

Intermediate Sportswoman of the Year Casey Lototau

Intermediate Sportsman of the Year Gabriel Lesoa

> Ali Afakasi Award for 2018 Quintin Wong

Paul Daley Outstanding Scholar in Literacy Award James Karl

Paul Daley Award for the Outstanding Scholar in Numeracy Alanna Santoso

> Lions' Service to Community Award Alanna Santoso



Year 9 Outstanding Scholar Awards

Claudia Mistar Lavinia Shaba Andrew Botting Hannah Dangatan Thomas George Hayley Clark Joseph George Camilla Isip Ethan Rogacion Ethan Siao Greta Taruc

Year 10 Outstanding Scholar Awards

Bryan Park Jenna Aspeling Marcellin Chan Mow Minju Kim Alfonso Dela Cruz

Year 10 Outstanding Scholar Awards

Francesca Malveda Nathan Pereira Ann Del Rosario Norris Chan Gemma Holt Kevin Zeng

Sportswoman of the Year Award Gemma Holt

Sportsman of the Year Award Callum McRae

Cultural Trophy for Girls Jenna Aspeling

Cultural Trophy for Boys Felix Cheng

St. Catherine Trophy for Academic Excellence Minju Kim

The Navigator Award Nathan Pereira





SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

Navigator Trophy Martina Kleis

St Catherine Trophy for Academic Excellence - Year 13 Dux Elizabeth Ralph-Smith

> Year 13 Proxime Accesit Alex Venn-Brown

St Catherine Trophy for Academic Excellence Year 12 Breanna Jury

St Catherine Trophy for Academic Excellence Year 11 Jolin Chen

> Community Service Angelika Bilbao

Cultural Award – Girls Helen Pahulu

Cultural Award – Boys Cameron Carter-Chan

Sportsman of the year Thomas Wood

Sportswoman of the year Mikayla Dance

Nicky McHugh Physical Education Award Jack Reidy

> Catherine Cooney Award Alex Venn-Brown

Delvin Godinet Award Alex McAleer

Sports person of the year - Year 11 Clive Luna

Friends of the College Award Tracey Monaghan





Overall top scholars - Year 11

Sahil Singh Chloe Capati Jolin Chen Thea Garcia Jade Faulkner Andrea Jurgens Gina Scaggiante

Overall top scholars Year 12

Sophia Bebelman Breanna Jury Zoe Chou Grace Sih Emma Sim-Smith Ben Wang Patricia Dela Cruz Mia Gilchrist Bo Min Cho Danica Loulie-Wijtenburg Samantha Mebius Year 13 Natalie Franich **Rachel Hendricks** Martina Kleis Sarah Tan Angelika Bilbao Kate Gaabucayan Elizabeth Ralph-Smith Alex Venn-Brown Manvis Wong Hayley Kevern



COMMENCEMENT DATES FOR 2019

Thursday Friday Monday Tuesday	24 January 25 January 28 January 29 January	School Office open: 9:00am-1:00pm School closed School closed – Auckland Anniversary School closed – Staff day
Wednesday	30 January	Offices closed – Staff day Course confirmation in the auditorium for senior students only.Seniors (yrs 11-13) are required to confirm timetables and options; uniform not required. Year 11 – 10:00am Year 12 – 10:30am Year 13 – 11:00am
Thursday	31 January	Yr 7 students8.40am – 2.00pmYr 11-13 students10.00am – 2.00pmStudents to attend in full uniformBuses will not be operating
Friday	1 February	Yr 7 – 8 students 8.40am – 2.00pm Yr 9 – 10 students 10.00am – 2.00pm Students to attend in full uniform Buses will not be operating
Monday	4 February	Full School – <u>All Year levels return</u> Report by 8.40am for normal school day School uniform required 3.15pm finish, school buses will operate
Tuesday	5 February	Full School – All Year levels Report by 8.40am for normal school day School uniform required 3.15pm finish, school buses will operate
Wednesday	6 February	School closed – Waitangi Day
Thursday Friday	7 February 8 Friday	Full School – All Year levels Report by 8.40am for normal school day School uniform required 3.15pm finish, school buses will operate

Check the school website for the school uniform shop operating hours.

New school uniforms can be purchased from **Elizabeth Michael Uniforms**, 4 Bond St, Grey Lynn, Auckland. (ph) 09-358 1680

All workbooks and stationery packs are available online at <u>www.myschool.co.nz</u>

All art kits will be available for purchase from Gordon Harris at <u>www.gordonharris.co.nz/category/4178-sancta-maria-</u> <u>college</u>