

# Marlborough Boys' College



DECEMBER 2019



*The Year 13 Graduating Class of 2019*



## Final Comments from the Principal

Term 4 has flown by. Congratulations to all prize-winners at our Academic, Arts and Sport Prizegivings.

I enjoyed the Year 13 Leavers Function – this is a chance for us to acknowledge both students and their families. Peter Olliver and Form Teachers provided some memories of 2019 and Ross Anderson from the Old Boys' Association provided some wise thoughts for our young men and welcomed them to the world as a Marlborough Boys' College Old Boy. Our leavers are presented with five years of Old Boys' Association membership. I appreciated the kind words from Head Boy Ben Alexander.

I commend our Year 12 Leaders who attended Prefect Week and undertook community service activities, as well as planning for next year's programme. I wish the 2020 Head Boy, George Glover, his Deputies (Joshua Leota and Jono Poswillo) and the rest of the Prefect team all the best for 2020.

Congratulations to Fiona Mark (staff) and students Patrick Milliken and Liam Keegan who have won Ota Scholarships for our school exchange in January to our sister School Jissen Gakuen in Tokyo.

This will be my last newsletter as Principal of Marlborough Boys' College. I thank all the stakeholders in the school for your support and encouragement. The last 10 years have thrown up a few curve balls – more I think than most principals might expect to face. I will always hold very special memories of MBC and remain very proud to have been its seventh Principal.

Wayne Hegarty



# From the Board

As 2019 comes to an end and we give consideration to what 2020 and beyond may hold in store for us, it also offers the opportunity to reflect on the year that has been.

The College has again strived to meet our performance objectives set at the beginning of each year. This is a continually evolving process that allows us to set, drive and assess the overall vision for Marlborough Boys' College. It is essential that each year builds on the previous year's achievement to ensure we are the best we can be.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our departing Principal Mr Wayne Hegarty and our Board Chair Mr Sturrock Saunders. Both of these fine people have made a significant impression on our College and it is fitting to recognise and appreciate those achievements.

Mr Hegarty has led the school well for 10 years and above all else, has changed the culture of MBC which has had a marked influence on the young men of Marlborough.

Over this time our boys have not only had the opportunity to receive a diverse and varied education, they have also been encouraged to be aware of their wider responsibility to society and the difference they can make by being a well-rounded good Marlborough Man. We are both thankful and fortunate to have had that leadership from Wayne and wish him all the very best in his retirement.

We also farewell our Chair Sturrock Saunders. Sturrock has been a Board member for five years and led the Board as Chair for three. Sturrock is an MBC Old Boy so has a special affiliation with the College. His leadership, integrity and mantra that every decision we make has to be in the best interest of our boys, has meant we remain focused on our core responsibility. He has made a significant difference to the College during his tenure and we thank him and wish him all the very best for the future.

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank our senior leadership team, teaching and support staff, our families and our wider community for everything you do for our boys – it takes a village to raise fabulous people.

To my fellow Board members, thank you for your integrity, courage and expertise to ensure the success of our College, your unending dedication makes a considerable difference.

Merry Christmas to you all, wishing you safe and happy holidays.

Best Wishes

Lynette Rayner



## Dates to Remember

### 2020 TERM DATES

- Term 1 29 January - 9 April
- Term 2 28 April - 3 July
- Term 3 20 July - 25 September
- Term 4 12 October - 9 December

### TERM 1 KEYDATES

Wednesday 29 January

Year 9 Powhiri

Monday 3 February

Year 9 Opaoa BBQ

Tuesday 4 February

Year 10-13 Swimming Sports

Year 9 Waihopai BBQ

Wednesday 5 February

Year 9 Swimming Sports

Year 9 Wairau/Awatere BBQ

10 February - 5 March

Year 9 Nydia Bay Camps

Wednesday 11 March

Year 9-10 Meet the Teachers

25 March

Junior Social

25-27 March

BP Business Challenge Year 11

6 - 30 April

History and Classic Trip

## Happy Retirement Paul

Paul Burrough leaves after nearly 20 years as technician/caretaker. He has been Mr Fixit, who has quietly gone about the various tasks imposed on him. What his colleagues have appreciated most has been his determination to help resolve issues, always with a smile and a quiet joke. Delivering supplies, wiping up vomit, fixing lights, fixing vandalism, whatever problem staff had.... Paul got it sorted.

Thanks Paul.



2020 Head Boy  
George Glover



# A Tribute from the Principal's wife Joan



Wayne came into my life just before my 19th birthday. He lived a couple of blocks from our flat. He quickly befriended all of my other flatmates and often called in on his way to and from Canterbury University.

My family closely resembled that of Toulas in My Big Fat Greek Wedding. I was the youngest of six children, had 28 aunts and uncles, 46 cousins and 19 nieces and nephews. A wide selection of multicultural, criminals, self-acclaimed experts, heavy drinkers, mental health sufferers, lots of women with more than enough to say and others.

Wayne survived all of the above and frequently entertained the young nieces and nephews at social events. He was a 'hit'. He has always had a talent with young people. Inspiring some to improve their behaviours, and others to lift their game even higher. Mostly by having a lot of fun. He does it in a calm and caring way which

improves outcomes. He very rarely raises his voice and often chooses one-on-one chats, in a non-conflict setting. There are many success stories I could share in our family, in the sports arenas, the classroom and socially. He has got involved in numerous activities over the years. Productions, social clubs, sports nights, quiz nights, parties, farewells, tributes, field trips, camps, balls, coaching courses, coaching NZ Volleyball, picnics, barbeques, overseas students activities, fundraisers, sporting events, auctions, raffles, and other things leading to improved outcomes for other people – especially in the education setting. He is humble and unpretentious and perseveres when many others would give up.

The Marlborough Boys' College chapter has been a continuation of this man's life.

I have been fortunate enough to share in some of these wonderful experiences and meet some amazing people because of it. I have loved and laughed a lot, cried a little, but mostly appreciated the journey. He has given of his time and talents self willingly. All to improve outcomes for family, friends and young people spanning 40 years. Well done thy good and faithful servant.

You are a keeper.

Love Joan xxx



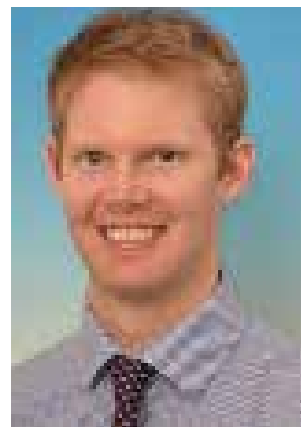
## OLD BOYS' SUCCESS



*Callum Saunders, debut World Cup Keirin Track Cycling, gold medal in Hong Kong*

Big congratulations to staff members Peter and Jenny Olliver. Their son Simon, an ex-pupil of Marlborough Boys' College, is graduating on the 6 December as a Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Orthodontics).

This course of study was limited to only three graduate dentists and Simon was the only New Zealander selected. His excellent academic performance was recognised when he gained his Bachelor of Dental Surgery with Distinction as well as the Leask Medal for the top Third Year Student.



# Farewell from the Head Boy

2019 has been a hugely successful year and I am very thankful for all the help I have received in my role as Head Boy. One of our main focuses as a Prefect team this year was involvement and how we could encourage students to participate in the house events. Throughout the year, our Prefects, along with others, have organised and run different events which incorporate all aspects of our school. The participation in these house events was outstanding and I take my hat off to all those involved.

There have been too many highlights this year for me to possibly list them all. The opportunities I have been given in my role as Head Prefect have allowed me to develop as a leader and transfer this knowledge into my work at school - from the amazing experience of Outward Bound to the ABSNZ Conference in Wellington. To be able to share these experiences with others in similar roles to me meant we could support each other during the year.

A huge thank you and congratulations goes out to our principal of the last decade, Mr Wayne Hegarty. I've seen first-hand how much pride he has in this college and that is a testament to how he has shaped Marlborough Boys' into the successful school we are. All the best for your future adventures and on behalf of the college, we say thank you. Although Mr Hegarty is stepping down from his role at the end of this year, he has left the college in very capable hands. Our current Deputy Principal, Mr Jeremy Marshall will be taking over the position for 2020. I would like to congratulate him on achieving this role and wish him all the best for the coming year.

To all those students who are leaving the college at the end of this year, take the time to thank all those who have helped you along the way. Your journey through Marlborough Boys' has been a successful one and as you move into life outside college, the values you have learnt, will ensure you also have a successful future. Virtutem Doctrina Parat – Learning Prepares for Life. Our schools motto speaks for itself. Everything you have learnt here at Marlborough Boys' College provides you with the experiences to transition into the big wide world.

To my two deputies this year, Lotu Solomona and Jonty Zydenbos, I couldn't have asked for a better team of three. It has been my pleasure to have you by my side throughout this year. To be able to share the workload and collaborate ideas has allowed us to work so well as a team.

We all arrived at college unaware of which path we would take, what we could achieve, or where our college lives would take us. For those who are finishing, you leave Marlborough Boys' knowing who you are. You will always remember your time here at college, and that is something to be treasured and remembered for life. You will always be a Marlborough Man!

Ben Alexander Head Boy, 2019



## 2019 PREFECTS

Back Row: Bradley Thomas, Jack Wilkin, Felix Jackson, Kaleb Donald, Harry Jackson, George Varney, Tristan Taylor

Middle Row: Finlay Gilmour, Connor Reed, Hunter Davies, Samuel Lee, Damien Bolliger, Ben O'Sullivan, Jamie Thomas, Hamish Turner

Front Row: Mr Hegarty (Principal), Samuel Lewis, Jacob Babb, Lotu Solomona (Deputy Head Prefect), Ben Alexander (Head Prefect), Jonty Zydenbos (Deputy Head Prefect), Alexander Gasson, Mr Marshall (Deputy Principal)  
Absent Sam Smith





# Congratulations to our Senior Academic Prize Winners

## YEAR 13 PREMIER AWARDS

Dux Litterarum (Marlborough Lines Award and John Hannington Goulding Memorial Prize)

Damien Bolliger

Proxime Accessit (Marlborough Lines Award and John Hannington Goulding Memorial Prize)

Alexander Gasson

All Round Endeavour (Fulton Cup)

George Varney



*All Round Endeavour winner George Varney, Proxime Accessit Alexander Gasson and Dux Damien Bolliger*

## GENERAL and SERVICE AWARDS

Community Service (Blenheim Round Table Award)

Joshua Leota

Community Service (Inner Wheel Cup)

Kaleb Donald

Head Librarian (Frank Mogridge Prize)

Ethan Neal

PTA Service Award

Olly Lawson

Service to Juniors (Zonta Cup)

Jono Poswillo

Service to Others (Zonta Cup and Prize)

Bronson Skipper

Service within the College (H L Sidaway Trophy)

Tristan Taylor

Special Needs (Stephanie Doole Cup)

Jamie Thomas

Wilderness Park Trophy

Alexander Gasson

M W Girling Memorial Cup

Tyler Whitt

Science Fair (Leos' Science and Technology Cup)

Lotu Solomona

The Maataa Waka Ki Te Tau Ihu Trust Trophy

Juan Pilapil

Don Mills Trophy

Lennox Crowe

Leadership and Public Spirit (Pattie Cup)

George Varney

Leadership within the College (R.S.A. Award)

Liam Keegan

Jontae MacDonald

Ruben Ruwhiu

George Glover

Ben Alexander

## SCHOLARSHIPS and OTHER AWARDS

Nomination for the Dr John Innes Scholarship

Hamish Turner

Nomination for the George Graham Scholarship

Kristoper Godsall

The James d'Auvergne Prize

Lotu Solomona

The M W Girling Memorial Award

Kristopher Godsall

The Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology Scholarship

Kingston Henry

The Old Boys' Association Scholarships

Eric Bolliger

The Te Rangatahi o Wairau Award

Damien Bolliger

The Alan Corskie Scholarship and Trophy

Tristan Taylor

The X-Static Scholarship

Alexander Gasson

The William Paul Hodgson Scholarships

Max Kenny

Daniel Diamond

Jacob Partridge



## YEAR 12 PREMIER AWARDS

The Port Marlborough Awards for Overall Excellence in Year 12

Keelin Bell

Nick Brown

Thomas Loza

Nate Shipley

Joseph Kalan

## YEAR 11 PREMIER AWARDS

The D M Wemyss Memorial Awards for Overall Excellence in Year 11

Jack Flynn

Jay Geris

Jack Guard

Bjarki Thompson

## Level 1 SUBJECT PRIZES

Accounting (WK Advisors & Accountant Prize)  
Agriculture and Horticulture  
Classical Studies  
Design and Graphics  
Digital Technology  
Drama  
Employment Skills  
English  
Economics & Business  
Furniture Making  
General Engineering  
Geography  
History (Jamie Parkin Cup)  
Hospitality  
Mathematics for Calculus  
Mathematics for Statistics  
Media Studies  
Music  
Physical Education (John Oliver Memorial Cup)  
Science (Devine Prize)  
Technology  
Te Reo (Thomas Trophy)  
Visual Arts

Jack Flynn  
William Sutherland  
Jay Geris  
John Wilson  
Liam Keegan  
Bjarki Thompson  
Jake Hovenden  
Jack Flynn  
Jack Flynn  
Eric Null  
Connor Auty  
Eric Null  
Jack Guard  
Jonty Rush  
Jay Geris  
Michael Mason  
Fredrick Duncan  
Bjarki Thompson  
Joshua Whittall  
Euan Marshall  
Ryan Sloper  
Ruben Ruwhiu  
John Wilson

Physical Education (The William Grant Trophy)  
Physics  
Rugby Academy  
Science  
Sport Studies  
Statistics  
Sustainable Marine Science  
Te Reo  
Technology  
Wine Production

Cameron Collins  
Nate Shipley  
Lavengamonu Moli  
William Rose  
Joseph Schreuder  
Joel Pannell  
TJ Floyd  
Jackson Purdie  
Logan Winter  
Tom Lankshear

## Level 2 SUBJECT AWARDS

Accounting (WK Advisors & Accountants Prize)  
Agriculture/Horticulture (Paul Ford Memorial Cup)  
Art - Design  
Art - Painting  
Art - Photography  
Biology  
Business Enterprise  
Calculus  
Career Development  
Chemistry  
Classical Studies  
Construction  
Design & Graphics  
Digital Technology  
Drama  
Economics (ANZ Bank Trophy)  
Electronics  
English  
Furniture Making (TH Barnes Trophy)  
Gateway  
General Engineering (John Cuddon Trophy)  
Geography  
History  
Hospitality  
Mathematics  
Media Studies  
Music  
Outdoor Education

Adi Chowfin  
Andrew Register  
Keelin Bell  
Keelin Bell  
Keelin Bell  
Thomas Loza  
Joshua Leota  
Nate Shipley  
Eric Bekker  
Thomas Loza  
Thomas Loza  
Jayson Buckingham  
Ryan Woodhouse  
Nick Brown  
Joshua Leota  
Thomas Loza  
Nick Brown  
Jack Guard  
Ethan Gander  
Aaron Lambert  
Nate Shipley  
Cameron Collins  
Ryan Woodhouse  
Jayden Bassett  
William Josephs  
Ralf Narvadez  
Ethan Neal  
Joel Lavender

## Level 3 SUBJECT AWARDS

Accounting (WK Advisors & Accountants Prize)  
Agriculture/Horticulture (Young Farmers' Cup)  
Art - Design  
Art - Painting  
Art - Photography  
Art (Nigel Leeming Award)  
Biology (Stratford Prize)  
Business Enterprise  
Chemistry  
Classical Studies (Peter Olliver Award)  
Construction  
Design and Graphics (John Oliver Prize)  
Digital Technology (Guy Tomlinson Memorial Trophy and The NATCOL Design Technology Prize)  
Economics  
English for Speakers of other Languages  
English Literature (Clarkson Prize)  
English Literature (Dr John Innes Memorial Prize)  
English (John Stewart Memorial Prize)  
Commerce (Chamber of Commerce Cup)  
Forestry (Ross MacArthur Trophy)  
Furniture Making  
Geography (Orchard Trophy)  
Historical Research (John Davies Memorial Award)  
History (John Guard Memorial Prize)  
Hospitality  
Mathematics (Daniel Cup)  
Media Studies  
Music  
Outdoor Education  
Physical Education (Richards Cup)  
Physics  
Science (Sir Gordon Bell Prize)  
Science (George Spence Prize)  
Senior Creative Writing (B & G Collins' Prize)  
Sport Studies  
Statistics  
Sustainable Marine Science  
Technology  
Visual Arts (Decorative and Fine Arts Society Award)

Jack Winstanley  
Daniel Diamond  
Harry Jackson  
Felix Jackson  
Felix Jackson  
Felix Jackson  
Alexander Gasson  
Damien Bolliger  
Damien Bolliger  
Fergus Greer  
Aaron Lambert  
Felix Jackson  
Bronson Skipper  
Damien Bolliger  
Matthew Garcia  
Eric Bekker  
Danian Bolliger  
Damien Bolliger  
Damien Bolliger  
Jordan Alford  
Aaron Lambert  
Ben Alexander  
Harry Jackson  
Harry Jackson  
Max Kenny  
Damien Bolliger  
Max Kenny  
Jonty Zydenbos  
Jack Wilkin  
Hamish Turner  
Alexander Gasson  
Kaleb Donald  
George Varney  
Alexander Gasson  
David He  
George Varney  
Vincent Li  
Aaron Lambert  
Mitchell Blake



# Sporting Achievements

This term has been another busy one, with boys completing and doing well in Junior and Senior Sevens, Junior Touch Rugby, Junior Volleyball, Junior Waterpolo, and Junior Cricket. The Senior Sevens team for the first time have qualified for the National Condor event in Auckland. We also had the Shooting team, Mountain Biking team and the Cycling Team involved in events during the term 3 holidays – all which went well, highlight was the Mountain Biking team that won National teams event in Dunedin. The Senior Touch team are looking forward to the Nationals in December where the Top 20 schools only have qualified.

Early in the term we held the annual Sportsman of The Year Dinner in which we celebrated the success of our athletes in 2019. It was a great event, made even better by an inspiring speech by Marlborough cycling legend, Craig Harper, who talked about the many different things he achieved and how he mentally prepared for his events.

Congratulations to all the winners on the night.

## MBC Award Major Winners 2019

Sportsman of the year – Lavengamonu Moli (Rugby)

Sports Team of the year – Mountain Biking team

The d'Auvergne Trophy for best all-round sports person - Lotu Solomona.



The d'Auvergne Trophy  
for Best All-round Sports Person

Lotu Solomona -  
Volleyball, Rugby, Rugby Sevens, Athletics



Sportsman of the Year 2019  
Lavengamonu Moli - Rugby



Sports Team of the Year 2019  
Mountain Biking Team

Back row: Paul Molyneux (Manager/Coach), Luke Martella, Cameron Clemett, Jack Wilkes, Jonty Burfoot, Sam Hamilton, Bryn Bradley, Jack Sheridan and Ben Cook

Front row: Ollie Yuen, Owen Bradley, Cameron Anderson, Nate Washer, Liam Nicholls, Will Struthers, Jacob Herd, Tom Morrison

Many teams are well into the planning for next season so make sure you check out the school notices and facebook page for information - <https://www.facebook.com/MarlboroughBoysNews/>. As always we are looking for any help we can get – coaches, managers, sponsors etc to help out our boys. If you can be of any assistance, please email me, [josh.harrison@mbc.school.nz](mailto:josh.harrison@mbc.school.nz)

I would like to take this opportunity firstly to thank all those who helped our boys out this year and secondarily to wish everyone good luck with their summer sporting ventures; we look forward to seeing more in 2020.

Josh Harrison, Teacher in Charge of Sports



# CULTURAL PRIZEGIVING

Arts Performer of the Year: Jonty Zydenbos  
 Arts Performance Group of the Year: Young Frankenstein  
 Cast, Crew and Orchestra  
 Arts Performance Technician of the Year: Jamie Thomas  
 David Nightingale Scholarship for continued Singing  
 Tuition: Vinnie Gray  
 Campbell Trophy for Excellence in Musicianship:  
 Joseph Wegener  
 James Rodgers' Cup for Outstanding Contribution to  
 Vocal Music: Ethan Attridge  
 MBC Warriors Trophy for Leadership and Contribution to  
 Pasifika Performing Arts: Lavengamonu Moli  
 MBC Trophy for Leadership and Contribution to Kapa  
 Haka: Jontae MacDonald  
 MBC Trophy for Leadership and Contribution to Theatrical  
 Arts: Vinnie Gray  
 MBC Trophy for Leadership and Contribution to the Music:  
 Samuel Lee  
 Lindsay Martin Memorial Cup for Best Senior  
 Instrumental Soloist: Samuel Lee



*Drama Skit - Sam Lewis and Vinnie Gray*



*Pasifika Band*

Proud to deliver

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S  
INTERNATIONAL AWARD



*From left: Ollie Mandeno, Bill Welbourn, Euan Marshall, Fred Vavasour and Jack Unwin*

Five year 11 Duke of Edinburgh Award participants completed the first of two expeditions as part of their Silver Award in the ranges near Kaikoura over Marlborough Anniversary weekend. Three days were spent exploring the visibly earthquake damaged Kōwhai River Valley and the snow-capped Mount Fyffe.

## OTA SCHOLARSHIPS



*Patrick Milliken and Liam Keegan, OTA Scholarships recipients Wayne Hegarty and Fiona Mark, OTA Staff Recipient*

In January 2020, the OTA Scholars and Fiona Mark are travelling to Jissen Gakuen, where the boys will be immersed in school life at our sister school in Japan.



# Tuia 250

E kore au e ngaro, he kākano ahau i ruia mai i Rangiātea,  
Tihei Mauri Ora!

In November this year I had the fantastic opportunity to be a part of the Tuia 250 commemorations, voyaging on the Tahitian waka hourua (double-hulled voyaging canoe) Fa'afaite. Along with a few other Marlburians, Paora Mackie, Suzie Tawaka, Azzah Johnson, Caroline Cornelius, Utuku Thompson and I travelled to Russell on Sunday the 10th and enjoyed a last few barista made coffees before our departure the following morning.

The following morning we were picked up and driven by van to Rāwhiti Marae - on our descent into the bay we got our first glimpse of the waka that were to be our homes for the next 12 days. It was a beautiful sight to see two traditional waka hourua sitting in the bay in front of the wharenuī and hearing the many tui and kererū in the trees. After a short mihi whakatau and safety briefing we had lunch together and had a chance to ask questions and get to know our waka crew before departure.

We were put into crews of four for our watch shifts and realised that there was going to be a lot of 'on the job' training, which is probably the fastest way to learn! The Fa'afaite is an extremely well made waka, every bit of space is put to use for storage, sleeping or fishing! We had a dedicated cook onboard who whipped up delicious kai for us – until she was stricken with sea sickness! There was a very strong whānau feeling onboard and everyone did their best to support each other. For me, this is at the heart of Tuia 250 – people getting together, making connections and sharing knowledge. I was amazed by the knowledge of the navigators Moeata and Titaua who could see things that we would have never noticed. The whole crew were amazing people – it was especially meaningful for me, having Tahitian ancestry and being able to connect with whānau from the islands. They were all so willing to share their knowledge, and were making the most of every moment. Smiling, laughing & singing were also important parts of the job!

The pōwhiri at Meretoto was a highlight – it was great to see Wayne, some of our students and community members out there. It was actually quite an emotional experience after the journey. Seeing all of these people was a real reminder as to why my whānau and I now call Wairau our home. The next day sailing into Waitohi amongst over 130 boats was awe inspiring, and seeing our boys performing the haka made me proud. Most importantly seeing my girls who I missed so much waiting on the shore was a joyous feeling!

Ngā mihi to the board, senior leadership, Whaea Helen and my partner Sarah, who all made it possible for me to go on this once in a lifetime journey and meet amazing people including my Fa'afaite family who I am immensely indebted to for welcoming onboard and into their extended whānau.

Ben Christian





# MBC Year 9 Cricket Tournament Results



The boys had an excellent tournament in Dunedin with three days of good cricket. Thanks must go to Assistant Coach, Mr Thornley, who was influential in improving the fielding. Thanks also to parents and supporters. Special thanks to Paradise Oysters and Mitre 10 Mega for sponsoring the team.

NZCT (National) Junior Cricket competition:

Beat Waimea College – MBC 320 for 5 (Tim Petrie 104, Luke Pannell 102) v Waimea 93 all out. Beat Nelson College – Nelson College 74 all out v MBC 76 for 2 - through to semi-finals of Canterbury stage of the competition.

Tour to Dunedin:

Lost to Christchurch Boys' High School by 4 runs. CBHS 92 for 9 from 40 overs. MBC all out 88. Beat Christ's College by 6 wickets – Christ's 93 all out v MBC 96 for 6 in 20.2 overs.

Beat Shirley Boys' High School by 9 wickets – Shirley 92 for 9 v MBC 93 for 1 in 18.2 overs

The MBC Year 9 programme is now over for 2019 and we now look forward to the semi-final of the NZCT competition in 2020.

Matt Clark, Coach of Year 9 Cricket



*Back row: Mr M Clark (Coach), Luke Pannell, Finn Pickens, Ollie Kennedy, Aiden Conroy, Josh Alexander, Flynn Hawtin, Carter Aitken, Mr R. Thornley (Coach)*

*Front row: Nicholas Jackson, Fergus Dodson, George Burton, Tim Petrie (Captain), Griffin Carter*

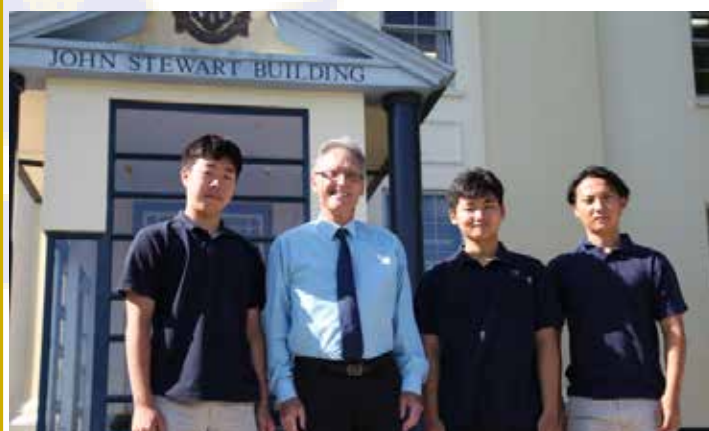


*Luke Pannell coming off the field having scored 102 v Waimea College*



During this past year we have once again hosted International students from our sister school in Tokyo Japan, and short and long stay International students from Germany, China, Korea, Thailand and Japan, including exchange students from France and Austria. For the duration of their stay, the boys lived with homestay families and staff in our school community. The teachers travelling with some of the groups mentioned the impressive degree to which their students had formed bonds with their host families. This was evident in the tears shed when saying goodbye as the students departed at different times during the year. We are grateful for the effort and initiative shown by our host families to engage with their host sons; they go above and beyond to communicate and connect with these young men despite the language barrier. They also provided adventurous experiences such as beach and boat trips, fishing, hiking and hot pools! Our Kiwi host brothers and class buddies have been amazing! They took their responsibilities incredibly seriously. They showed leadership and kindness, making sure the International students knew where to go and what to do during class time. And also, how to have fun! A large part of the international students' enjoyment of their time here is also the time spent in class. We look forward to hosting more students in 2020.

A grateful thank you to the homestay families this year.



*Sena Hattori, Wayne Hegarty (Principal), Narimasa Nagata and Shinji Mikame*



*From Left: Andy Yan, Oliver Price, Josh Zheng, Ashton Dollimore, Max Cheng, Finn Pickens, Tyler Ball, Fred Peng and Wayne Hegarty*



# LIBRARY NEWS



The library has had another great year in 2019. Over the course of the year we've had an influx of new books with the continued expansion of the fiction area, and every month there's always something new for everyone to read. As in other years, the library has been popular as a quiet place for students to relax and enjoy their lunch breaks by reading, taking advantage of the day loans, or playing the various board games we now have available.

We have had numerous events in the library such as the Rugby World Cup quiz and multiple visiting authors such as the poet laureate Selina Marsh. In September, we started up a weekly Kahoot competition where competitors can compete for a prize of Aratikas and self-gratification (mostly Aratikas). With a wide range of topics, every week ushers in something new and unique for students to enjoy. We hope to continue this weekly event into the coming years as long as students continue to be interested. Quiz on!

Something we have worked hard on this year has been day loans. Since the start of this year we have increased efficiency on day loan distribution, which means that laptops will almost always be available for students who need them during class.

Thanks to our hard working librarians James Laws, Nick Brown, Jarrod McNamara, Ethan Neal, Jack Malin, Liam Keegan, Cameron McKenzie, Jack Uren, Bravo Obetaia, Jaymes Peter and especially Eric Bekker and Tana Connor-McClean who will be leaving us this year after three years of service.

Lastly, a massive thanks to the wonderful Mrs Coleman for dealing with our antics, helping us run the ship, and keeping the library from spontaneously combusting.

Here's to a great 2020!

The 2019 Senior Librarian Team



*Back Row – Jarrod McNamara, Eric Bekker, Ethan Neal, Jaymes Peter, Cameron McKenzie*

*Front Row – James Laws, Mrs Carey Coleman, Jack Malin, Liam Keegan*

*Absent – Tana Connor-McClean, Jack Uren, Bravo Obetaia, Joe Slape, Nick Brown*

## YEAR 10 CAMPS 2019

This year saw two camps based at Rotoiti Outdoor Education Centre at St Arnaud. The Winter Camp had a large group of overseas students attend and they not only had a great time, but also added much to the camp itself, being fully integrated into the year 10 student groups.

As always, we had unplanned events and bumps and scrapes. Night swimming attracted a few hardy souls with everyone enjoying the event. Overnight camps saw snow, rain and fine, clear nights, with the boys experiencing a mountain environment in all its glory.

Summer Camp included two new activities; raft building and racing, also crate box stacking. Both were a hit and the latter a hilarious, fun and bruising experience.

Through camp and other influences, we saw a number of boys start to change direction in their life. This was especially apparent in the weeks following camp. Yes, the outdoors is a positive in this and maybe as much so, is the break from social media, being connected 24/7 and gaming.

Our staff were terrific; fully involved and worked long hours, as is needed to make these camps successful. This, along with the instructors and centre staff and the brilliantly refurbished lodge, made for two productive and satisfying weeks.

Student Quote of the camps "I learned I can do things I thought I could not do."

Rod McCloy, Camp Co-ordinator



# 2020 Commencement Arrangements and Start Dates

## Monday 20 January

MBC Office and Finance Office re-open 8.30am – 4.00pm

## Thursday 23 January

MBC Hall course confirmation - students with gaps in their timetable will receive an email asking them to attend the course confirmation.

Year 12 9.00am - 10.00am

Year 13 10.30am - 11.30am

## Monday 27 January and Tuesday 28 January

Any new students in Year 9 - 13 who have not already enrolled, please report to College Office at 10.00am to complete enrolment.

SCHOOL BUSES WILL OPERATE AT NORMAL TIMES FROM WEDNESDAY 29 JANUARY

## Wednesday 29 January Years 9 and 13 attend

Year 9 and any other students new to the College, assemble at Francis Street east gate/front field for Powhiri (Hall if wet).

8.50am – 10.30am Powhiri

For new staff, Year 9, and other students new to the College. Family/caregivers welcome to attend. Year 9 programme finishes 3.15pm

Returning Year 13 students assemble in quad by hall.

Year 13 programme finishes 1.00pm unless involved with Year 9 programme

## Thursday 30 January 8.50 am (no late start) Full school attendance, Years 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13

8.50am ALL students go directly to Form Time.

### PTA UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Monday 20 January 11am – 2.30pm

Wednesday 22 January 2.30pm – 6pm

Thursday 23 January 2.30pm – 6pm

Friday 24 January 11am – 2.30pm

Saturday 25 January 10am – 3pm

Monday 27 January 11am – 2.30pm

The shop is closed over the holidays except for the above dates

Term time hours to be informed in early January 2020

Layby collection only Tuesday 21 January

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