



# Marlborough Boys' College

September 2020



'Origins of the Whare Whakairo' by Keelin Bell.



## Comments from the Principal

Firstly, I would like to thank you whole heartedly staff, students, and whanau for a monumental term. The professionalism and commitment to our young men has been outstanding. When I have visited classrooms and workshops it has been uplifting to see the great work and atmosphere. There is a lot of work ahead and I hope the young men taking NCEA subjects take the holiday period to recharge their batteries as well as revision for the vital upcoming external exams.

The Cultural Prize Giving on Tuesday was really rewarding in so many ways and gave me a real boost to finish the term. I would like to say thank you to Sam Baxter and the Arts and Cultural teams for a phenomenal job before and since lock down. It always amazes me the diversity of talent and performance that we have at MBC from Kapa Haka, to jazz and rock bands and Pasifika performance. I would also like to thank the sports coaches and managers for the dedication and commitment to our young man before and since lockdown. It has made an enormous difference to how the school has functioned and the wellbeing of the boys. There have still been some great achievements despite the limited opportunities as detailed later in the newsletter.

There are a few significant days to be mindful of early next term

- Orientation day for year 8's
- Senior prize giving
- Junior conference day
- Taster day
- Connected curriculum days
- NCEA TOD

Jeremy Marshall, Principal



# Obituary - Peter Voss

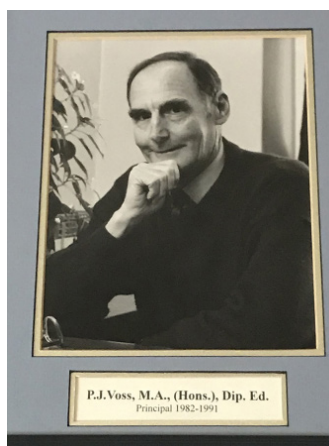
The college wishes to acknowledge the passing of an Old Boy and staff member – Peter Voss

During his time as Principal of MBC, Peter was dedicated to ensuring that all students received a sound education and that by the time they left College they were well prepared for university or their chosen careers. He was deeply concerned about the welfare of the boys, taking a special interest in those who were not as fortunate as others and as a result not achieving their full potential. He worked hard to help these students and their parents to overcome their difficulties.

A special trait was his memory for names and remembering any particular skill or talent each boy had. He followed the boys with great interest and was always delighted with successful outcomes. He was an excellent teacher and he never turned down the opportunity to take an English class when the opportunity arose.

Peter was a very kind, friendly and compassionate man. His even, pleasant temperament made him very easy to work alongside. He laughed readily and if he had any personal problems, no one ever heard about them. He was a sportsman and played tennis well into his senior years. He loved cricket and was very happy to demonstrate the perfect square drive in the office. Chess was his other recreational love and he was always searching for someone who could really challenge him.

Over the years he was Principal, hundreds of boys will have benefited from his leadership of the College. He will be remembered as a good and honest man. He will be missed.



## Term Four Dates

Thursday 22 October  
**Sports Awards Evening**

Friday 30 October  
**Orientation Day**  
**2021 New Enrolments**

Friday 6 November  
**Senior Prizegiving**

6 November - 9 December  
**NZQA Exams**

Friday 27 November  
**Taster Day 2021 New Enrolments**

Wednesday 9 December  
**Junior Academic Prizegiving**

## Former students of Marlborough Boys' College graduating from Victoria University of Wellington

The following list of former pupils have graduated from Victoria University between June 2019 and May 2020. We join with you in acknowledging and celebrating the students' wonderful success.

## Principal's Appointment

Introducing: Mr John Kendal – our new Principal.

Mr Kendal will join us at Marlborough Boys' College at the beginning of the new school year in 2021.

John comes to us from Northland College where he is currently Principal, he has held senior positions at Palmerston North Boys' and Rotorua Boys' prior to his principalship and has a passion for boys' education and Te Reo Māori.

We look forward to Mr Kendal starting with us, and the experience and skills that he brings to MBC will help position the college for a strong future.

Acting Principal Mr Jeremy Marshall will continue in his role until Mr Kendal's arrival and subsequently as Deputy Principal in 2021. The Board of Trustees sincerely thanks Mr Marshall for his ongoing leadership and stewardship of the school.



Andrew Inder  
Jack Lankshear  
Jack Porter  
Jack Porter

Jacob Marsh  
Jared Cross  
Joe Wright  
Joseph Potter  
Jozef Polec  
Kieran Shipley  
Louis Rainbird  
Max Bicknell  
Nicholas Martin  
Tasman Richards

William Irwin-Harris

MBA - Master of Business Admin  
BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce  
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LLBHON - Bachelor of Laws with Honours  
MDI - Master of Design Innovation  
BA - Bachelor of Arts  
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BMUSHO - Bachelor of Music with Honours  
BSCHON - Bachelor of Science with Honours



# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

## House and Principal Awards

The Awards are based on those who consistently demonstrate our school values of Respect, Involvement, Pride, and Responsibility.

Principal Award (given out twice a term)

Junior Marlborough Man - Reuben Dempster. He is always considerate and supportive of his peers, respectful in his conduct and motivated in his studies. It has been exciting seeing his development in English and eagerness to represent MBC in rugby, both of which he worked hard at during lockdown.

Senior Marlborough Man – Jack Unwin, Euan Marshall and Jay Geris. These boys set up a tech company called techsupport, which helps and teaches elderly people how to use technology. For example setting up emails, sending photos and staying connected during lockdown.

House Awards (once a fortnight)

Awatere – Lion of the Week went to Louis Pinker-Meihana for helping to win the MBC quiz.

Ōpaoa - Pirate of the fortnight went to Thai Trieu because of his empathy towards others and his contribution and positive attitude toward his classes.

Wairau - Leon Poswillo. For involvement in the house quiz and representing our RIPR values consistently in his behaviour around school.

Waihopai – Keelin Bell. For his involvement in setting up the House art competition and encouraging/supporting others to get involved.



**Wairau - Ethan Patrick & Rico Chen**

Stag of the fortnight - Ethan and Rico were awarded with the stag of the week from their outstanding leadership shown in regards to the Year 8 Introduction Evening.



**Awatere - Lachlan Mackie**

Lion of the fortnight (received the usual paint on the forehead) - represented MBC for Hockey in Nelson. The team won.

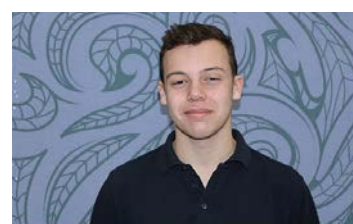


**Ōpaoa - Arlyn Bull**

Pirate of the fortnight - Has been demonstrating outstanding work habits in his technology classes that have led to some very high quality projects being produced. Represented the school brilliantly when called up to 1st XV Rugby team on their trip to Rangiora.



Congratulations to Thomas Loza who was awarded his gold Duke of Edinburgh Award in recognition of four years of determination in learning new skills, completing community service, taking part in physical recreation and completing six expeditions in Kahurangi, Abel Tasman, Nelson Lakes and the Marlborough Sounds. Thomas completed his final task by attending a residential course at the Hillary Outdoors Education Centre in Tongariro National Park.





It has been a difficult year for everyone around the world. Many cultural events were cancelled due to the gathering restrictions, to name a few: Big Sing 2020, Southern Jam 2020 and Production 2020. These interruptions didn't stop our students. Both students and tutors at MBC showed commitment, perseverance and creativity, working as a team to continue to pursue their passion in music and performing arts. The brass students performed at their driveway at the crack of dawn on Anzac Day, Mr Moseley gave brass tuitions via zoom from his campervan during lock down, Mrs Baxter, Mr O'Brien and the performing arts students live streamed their Production on Facebook; the MBC Jazz Combo submitted their recording via the online judging forum. It is testament to the tutor's and students' dedication that this year we had the highest number of entries in the MBC Talent Quest 2020, with five junior vocalists entered in the Novice vocal category.

HoD Music Barbara Song

## Cultural Prizegiving

Premier award winners are:

Ethan Attridge

- David Nightingale Memorial Cup for singing
- Scholarship prize for further singing tuition
- Campbell Trophy for Excellence in Musicianship



Ethan Neal (below) - James Rodgers Trophy for Outstanding contribution to vocal music

## Talent Quest

### Novice Instrumental Solo 1sts

Samuel Hynd – Trumpet

Thomas Clark – Guitar

Andrew Siamani – Piano

### Novice Group Instrumental

Crazy Horses

(Andrew Siamani, Joseph Ruwhiu, Benji Finau, Jevonte Philcox-Fidow)

### Open Instrumental Solo 1sts

Jack Banks – Cornet

Bryn Bradley – Piano

### Open Group

Jazz Combo (Sean Goodall-Cromarty, Joseph Wegener, Bryn Bradley, Samuel Bugler, Bjarki Thompson)

### Novice Vocal Solo

Ben Rodger

### Open Vocal Solo

Daniel Diamond – 1st

Leon Kendall – 2nd

William Sabiston & Ethan Attridge 3rd =

### Open Vocal Group

William Sabiston, Ethan Attridge, Ethan Neal, Daniel Diamond

### Original Open Composition

Jack Fransen, Troy Batchelor

### Open Performance

Project Cactus



Jazz Combo - **MBC Group of the year**

Hamish Sandall - **MBC Technician of the year**

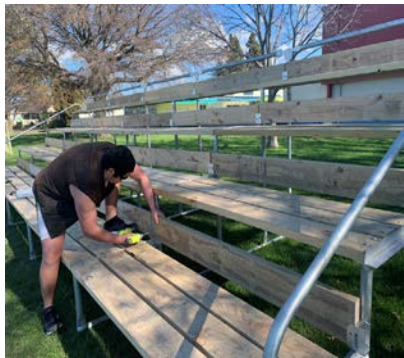
Leon Kendall - **MBC Performer of the year**

William Sabiston - **Leadership in Theatrical Arts**

Jacob Kemp - **Leadership in Kapa Haka**

Joshua Leota - **Leadership in Pasifika Performing Arts**







# Tuia ngā Kōrero

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

It has been a busy term for the Māori Department at Marlborough Boys' with some great mahi in partnership with local iwi. The Te Waharoa class, and seniors from the Te Reo Māori class have been focussing on local history, learning about some of the early ancestors of Te Wairau - many of whom are connected to our students through whakapapa. Dr. Peter Meihana (Rangitāne ki Wairau, Ngāti Kuia, Ngāti Rarua, Ngāti Mamoe, Ngāi Tahu, Ngāti Toa, Ngāti Apa ki te rā tō) has been instrumental in making this happen, with the support of Massey University and Te Runanga o Rangitāne. A particular highlight of our mahi was the trip to Tōtaranui (Queen Charlotte Sound) with Blenheim Dive Centre where the boys learnt about their ancestors Pūrākau, Pakiwaitara & Whakapapa, followed by some Kaimoana. gathering.



OED 300 Trip to Mt Fyffe

Ben Theyers, Tom Sloan, Finlay Hobbs, Max Morriss, Alex Bulfin, Jed Washer and Joel Lavender.



Kawin Boonset, our remaining fulltime International student from Thailand with his completed WWK010 project which he is very proud of.

## NZ School of Winegrowing



2020 has been a very interesting year, even with lockdown happening. The students have been experimenting with different yeast and techniques and their wine is now bottled and ready to be cellared. Along with making their own wine, students then set about designing the packaging and labelling to go with it. One bottle of their wine will be stored for future students to see.

Since the beginning of the year MBC and NMIT have set about working together to set-up a collaboration between the two institutions. Students head out every Thursday morning for three hours to NMIT and complete a mix of theory and practical work in the cellar and classroom, and attend off site visits to wineries and vineyards. This term's visits have included Vinlink, Spy Valley and Te Whare Ra. Lecturers Ngarita Warden and Hayley Hawkins bring a wealth of knowledge to the classroom when teaching our students from MBC.

Students have been continuing their placements at various wineries, vineyards and wine laboratories this term with some of our students at Indevin and Clos Henri. It has been a busy year so far and one to remember we look forward to the coming months and the start of new season growth for the 2021 vintage.



Left: Year 11 Students pressing their red



Final game of the season MBC 1st XV won 31-21 against Waimea Combined at Waimea.



# CAREERS AND TRANSITION

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2021

### GATEWAY

The Gateway programme in 2020 has been the most successful since it was first started. We have more students leaving at the end of the year to go to meaningful employment, and in many cases apprenticeships, than ever before. The Careers and Transition Faculty are considering increasing the number of places available for students in 2021. In order to see if the demand is there, we would like students to register their interest before the end of term 3. To do this they need to pick up a Gateway Form from the Careers Office. Students who are returning to the programme also need to fill out a new application form. What is most pleasing is that students are also gaining credits. Our average number of credits over the students enrolled this year, is 26 NCEA credits.

Of interest this year has been the variety of placements. We have our usual number of builders, plumbers, electricians, refrigeration technicians and students who are farming, but this year has been different. One student is working for a funeral director, another is at a school as a teaching assistant, one student is assisting a sports coach and one a paua diver. Students are not limited by choosing these roles. The aim of the programme is to match the student's wishes with an employer.

Norwood Branch Manager (Trent) congratulates MBC Gateway student, Jake Hovenden, on achieving one of eight National apprenticeships. Jake recently left school to pursue a career in the mechanical industry.



### TRADES ACADEMY

The enrolments for Trades Academy in 2021 are now open. Trades courses are held every Thursday at NMIT. Students go one day per week for the term where they have both theory and practical work. In order to be part of this, students must pick up an enrolment form. Places are limited and there is competition between the three colleges for these places. To get more information, please get your son to pick up a brochure from the Careers Office.

### University in 2021 or 2022



Course planning will be taking place in term 4. Students will at that time have decided about which tertiary institution they intend to study at and have arranged accommodation. Our course planning is individualised or in small groups. Parents are also invited. What we need is an indication of what your son wants to study and where he intends to study for this degree. Gap students should book in for these meetings as well so that they know in advance how to enrol and where to get information.

The Universities are coming on the following days:

- Lincoln University 17 September from 11am
- Canterbury 13 October from 11am
- Victoria 13 October from 10am
- Otago 15 October from 10 am

If students in Year 12 are interested in talking with one of the Liaison Officers, I could make a private appointment. Please contact me at [gail.fletcher@mbc.school.nz](mailto:gail.fletcher@mbc.school.nz) or [jared.bell@mbc.school.nz](mailto:jared.bell@mbc.school.nz).

### Job Vacancies

See Mrs Fletcher or Mr Baker in Careers

Summer Holiday work available in a vineyard for three senior students, no experience needed but employees need to be reliable and hard working.

### Apprenticeships

Three employers have contacted the school with opportunities in building, engineering and autoglass repair.

### SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

#### Timeline for Mid-term Elections

Close Main Roll	Wednesday 7 October 2020
Call for Nominations by	Friday 9 October 2020
Nominations close	Friday 4 November 2020
ELECTION DAY	Wednesday 2 December 2020
Board Takes Office	Wednesday 9 December 2020



# SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

## Hockey First XI

The Marlborough Boys' College First XI attended the South Island Secondary Schools Championship Tournament in Nelson. After starting strong in pool play with wins over the Timaru Boys Second XI, Nayland College and Garin College the boys qualified top of their pool going into the semi finals. With a convincing win over Garin College in the semi, it gave MBC the momentum going into the final against the Timaru Boys Second XI. Starting well in the final was crucial and the boys were 1-0 up at half time. Two more goals in the second half made sure of the result and the boys won the gold medal with a solid 3-0 win.

The boys also attended the Top of the South Hockey Tournament in August where the boys had early wins against Waimea College and Nayland College before facing Nelson College in the final. A hard fought 2-2 draw was enough to claim the gold medal and win the tournament for the first time since 2015.



## Daemyn Ireland

Daemyn attended the Hyeon Mu NZ Open tournament in Christchurch.

Daemyn fought and won three great fights to place first in his division. He competed in Poomsae (patterns) too, but was unplaced. Daemyn was awarded the trophy for Best Male Colour Belt of the tournament in Kyorugi.



## Karlos Gemmell

Karlos Gemmell competed at the South Island Novice Boxing Champs in August, successfully winning the South Island Junior under 70kg division.



## 2020/21 Rowing at Marlborough Boys' College

It is that time of year again and as the winter codes start to finish, the summer codes start. The members of the Marlborough Boys' Rowing Club have recently started their training to prepare for the regattas they will be involved with this year. Unfortunately, their last season was affected by the outbreak of COVID 19. Resulting in the cancellation of the Maadi Cup (the New Zealand Secondary Schools Rowing Regatta) which meant that the main event of their seasons training and regattas was not able to be completed.

The hunger to prepare and reach the heights they sought last season will be more pronounced this season. We wish them luck and good fortune for the coming season.

If you or your son are interested in being involved in rowing at Marlborough Boys' College, please contact [hayden.mahoney@mbc.school.nz](mailto:hayden.mahoney@mbc.school.nz).

