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Easter and the school holidays are fast approaching. Like most organisations the pace of life is hectic and it would be easy to overlook that we are fast approaching what is one of the most important times on the Church Calendar. Easter means hope prevails over despair, Jesus reigns as Lord of Lords and King of Kings; Easter says to us that despite everything to the contrary, his will for us will prevail, love will prevail over hate, justice over injustice and oppression, peace over exploitation and bitterness.

From Monday 7th April through to Wednesday 9th April, the staff from the Pastoral Centre in Palmerston North carried out the three yearly review of Special Character at Cullinane College. They observed classes, met with students, staff, Board members and parents from the College. Thank you to those parents who gave up time to meet with the Bishop's representatives. There is also a parent survey that we would like as many of our parents as possible to complete. Parents should have received a text and a link to find the instructions to access the survey. Unfortunately, the survey format is not as user friendly as we would have hoped for as it is set up from Palmerston North and not controlled by the College.

Just to add to the stress levels of everyone, the Education Review Office was also in on Wednesday 9th April. ERO are doing a random survey of secondary schools to look at how schools cater for the health and well-being of students in their care. I guess we are just lucky to have come up in this random draw. ERO will be writing one of their publications on this topic as a result of their findings across New Zealand.

The NCEA results have finally been published as final for 2013. At last we can celebrate another outstanding year building on the work of 2011 and 2012. Our results across Level 1-3 NCEA are in the range of 89%-95%, so once again our students and staff can reflect on a job well done. The College is also very proud that we are at the front of the queue in terms of comparison with the five secondary schools in Wanganui. Well done everyone! I have attached a summary sheet of our NCEA results in comparison to the Wanganui Schools and the Catholic Colleges we benchmark ourselves against (see page 4).

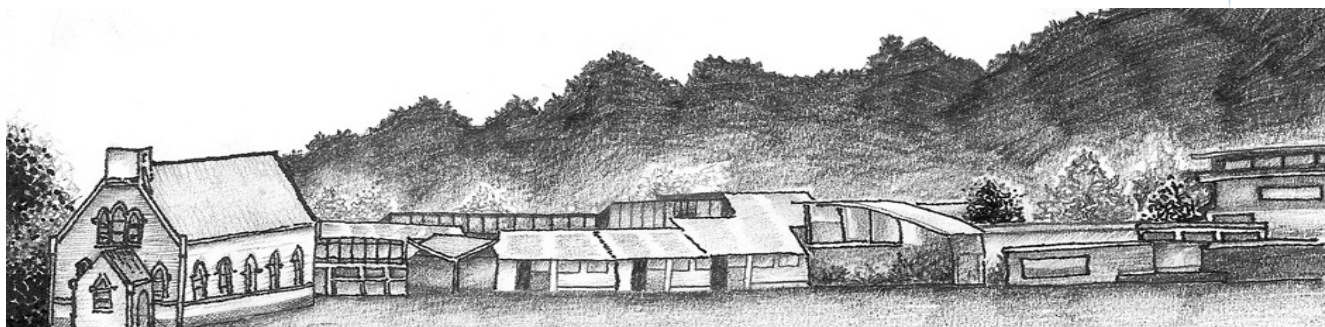
I would like to thank those staff, parents and friends of the community who have supported summer sport in Term One 2014. It has been a very successful time but more importantly, I am proud of our students for upholding our College values while courageously giving their best and competing strongly. Winter sport will start in Term Two and I am pleased to see how many students have indicated their desire to play Netball, Rugby, Hockey, Basketball and Volleyball for the College. We also have a number of students who will play Football for their clubs. The level of participation is a very credible sign of the health of the College.

I wish you all a happy and holy Easter and the students a safe and relaxing holiday.

K B Shore
Principal

FEATURED THIS ISSUE

- Remember Winter Uniform Next Term
- Easter Mass Times
- Survive A Slum
- Winter Sports Notes



Macy Duxfield
Carline Hope
WDC Youth Committee

SPORT

Triathlon
National
Championships-
Gisborne - 6th
Briley Zimmerman

Track & Field
Wanganui
Secondary Schools
Team
Briley Zimmerman
1500m SG
Jordan Reardon
3000m IB
Quinn Tauroa
100m JB

Touch
U17 NZ
Tournament Team
Tariana Turia

NZ Champions -
Wanganui U17
Mixed Team
Hoani Whanarere
Chaeli Manuel
Tariana Turia
Michelle Mischewski

Crossfit
NZ Crossfit
Championships -
16-18 Division-
3rd
Hoani Hopkins

Swimming
Wanganui
Secondary Schools
Championships

Girls U17 100m
Breaststroke -1st
Hannah Burroughs

Boys U16 50m
Freestyle -1st
Judah Malcolm

Girls U17 50m
Freestyle- 1st
Briley Zimmerman

WINTER UNIFORM REMINDER!!

Term Two means a change for all students into Formal/Winter Uniform.

This includes a dress shirt, tie and long pants for boys. Please see the uniform list in the school diary for specifics or ring the office if you have any concerns.

Students need to ensure that Formal Uniform is worn properly– shirts tucked in and ties done up properly etc. This is particularly important when students are out in public. Non-regulation jackets, coats, hoodies, and beanies are not to be worn to and from school or while at school. Non-regulation uniform will be confiscated and not returned until the end of the week and parents may be required to come in and get these items from the office.

SURVIVE A SLUM



CAREERS

So far this year, Cullinane College has received visits from Victoria University, Massey University and the Auckland University Whakapike Ake programme. The school has also taken students to the Whanganui Hospital Health Careers Day, thanks to Lianne Kohere. There has been a big push from organisations needing more Maori and Pacific Islanders to work in the Health fields. Unfortunately, many students give up on Maths and Science far too early to have a hope of pursuing these careers. By the time many students realise what area they wish to work in, they have already dropped the key subjects required. This means that students need to put a big focus and effort in Year 10 to ensure they can compete at Year 11.

Our Year 12 students have benefited from the wisdom of Katrina Mayo from Careers NZ and Dallas Hair and Cadena from Youth Services. These students have been introduced to the Careers NZ website and should be able to discuss it knowledgeably with their whanau at home. Check it out at: www.careers.govt.nz

So a very busy start in the Careers and Gateway programmes. It is never too early to start thinking about and planning your career and the steps required to get where you need to go. Make a point this holiday to talk to your students about their plans for life after school.

NOTES N QUOTES

GATEWAY NEWS

Gateway is a transition programme designed to assist students to get ready for the workforce. The programme includes courses that encourage safety in the workplace and give students basic first aid knowledge. One day each week, students are either out on training courses or at work placements.

This term we have had 4 students enrolled in a variety of UCOL courses both here and in Palmerston North. Kacie Warren and Ethan Mead are studying about Hospitality here in Wanganui. Te Hau Te Wake and Marshall Jane are studying mechanical and electrical engineering at Palmerston North. We have seven students out at Taratahi studying Agriculture and ten students studying locally with Ag Challenge. We also have 15 students out on work placements every Wednesday. Cullinane College would like to thank the following businesses for taking the time with our students. We would like to encourage our Cullinane whanau to support these businesses.

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|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| • Paragon Motors | Stepping Stones Pre-school | Land Meat NZ Ltd |
| • Bunning Warehouse | Safe mode Computer Solutions | McCarthy's Transport |
| • Campbell's Motors | Roberts Garage (Fordell) | Riverside Machinery |
| • Briscoes | McAree's farm | PingIT |
| • Wanganui Marine Services | | |

We are still looking for three placements in the fields of building, butchery and beauty care. If you can help, please contact Gaylene Kendrick by email at: gkendrick@cullinane.school.nz

INTER-HOUSE TOUCH

It was another fantastic year for the Inter-House Touch tournament. The Houses competed well and displayed the usual regard for the sporting values of the College. All of the participants are to be congratulated for their competitiveness and their respect of each other and the referees - especially the student referees for the final game. Mr. Syme should also be acknowledged for his efforts in putting the tournament together and stepping out of the referee role in the final game due to his allegiance to one of the competing Houses. In the end the final was so well played that neither team was able to take advantage and the game needed to be called due to time constraints - class was about to begin. As a result, a draw for the championship resulted between Marist and Woods.



LEARNING TO DRIVE...

We have had a group of students doing a theory learner licence course in their own time. These students have been totally interactive with the program and comments from the students are "very informative - helpful - interactive - fun."

Lyn the tutor has supported all the students in a very caring manner. All students have taken part and been very enthusiastic in their learning. We now have 10 students very capable of completing their Learner Licence and have all the required information to drive safely on our roads.

Up n Coming Events

MAY

Monday 5th
1st Day of Term 2

Friday-Sunday
16th- 18th
O'Shea Shield

Tuesday 20th
Careers Expo

Wednesday 28th
Team Photos

JUNE

Tuesday 3rd
Open Evening

Friday 6th
Cullinane Day

Thursday-
Friday 26th-27th
Manukorero &
Paerangatahi

Saturday 28th
School Ball

Monday-
Tuesday 30th-1st
July
Family Day
Interviews

2013 NCEA Results Summary Participation Based Results incl Maori
 Summary of Participation performance against a selection of Catholic Schools in the Palmerston North/Wellington
 Dioceses

	Cullinane College Wanganui Decile 3	St Johns Hastings Decile 5	St Peters College PN Decile 7	Catherine's College Wellington Decile 6	St Patricks College Silverstream Decile 9	Garin College Nelson Decile 8
NCEA L1	95.1%	73.4%	79.7%	98.0%	77.9%	84.5%
NCEA L2	89.5%	86.1%	87.7%	91.3%	92.3%	87.2%
NCEA L3	88.9%	76.4%	73.1%	87.5%	81.4%	72.4%

Cullinane College academic performance against the other Wanganui Secondary Schools in the City.

	WCC		WGC		Cullinane		WHS		Collegiate	
	All	Maori	All	Maori	All	Maori	All	Maori	All	Maori
NCEA 1	50.0%	46.7%	96.3%	96.3%	95.1%	96.9%	86.3%	76.4%	93.8%	77.8%
NCEA 2	58.5%	45.5%	95.5%	90.0%	89.5%	75.0%	93.0%	94.0%	97.3%	100.0%
NCEA 3	75.8%	71.4%	76.9%	66.7%	88.9%	100%	84.3%	75.0%	84.7%	80.0%

NOTES N QUOTES

**EASTER MASSES AROUND
THE PARISH**

GOD'S ZONE

The second half of this term has flown by. Senior classes have almost completed their first Achievement Standards for the year and I have been tremendously impressed with the quality of the work I have seen to date. Junior classes should also be working on assessments.

Our Caritas Student Leadership team planned two activities as part of this year's Caritas Challenge. The first was a 'no technology' day. Students were encouraged to do without their cell phones and other devices for the duration of the school day. Staff had to do without their laptops and were unable to do any photocopying. Everyone seemed to get on board with the idea. Well done especially to Mr Reynolds and Mr Dodds who taught computing without actually being on the computers! The second activity was Survive A Slum. Twenty four students spent a night sleeping in a cardboard box on the netball courts. The evening meal consisted of some rice and half a banana; breakfast was non-existent. Other students assisted with the planning and running of activities. This year, students decided to run Adoration for the evening liturgy. It was a first for many and was truly uplifting. A common theme, as students reflected on their experience, was a greater appreciation for what they have and a desire to not take it for granted.

On April 6th, Cullinane students led the ministries at the 6pm Youth Mass at St Mary's. We had wonderful feedback, especially about the uplifting music.

During Week 9 of the term, Emma O'Connor and Ethan Mead were on Young Marist Neighbours and spent time in the Uruweras. We look forward to hearing about their experiences now that they have returned to school.

Our O'Shea Shield team is busy preparing for next term's competition. This year the event will be hosted by St John's College in Hastings.

In this final week of term we will be celebrating the most important events in the Catholic Calendar. We will be taking the van to Palmerston North for the Mass of the Oils on the Tuesday of Holy Week. We will end our term with an Easter Liturgy on Holy Thursday.

We all get tired at the end of a busy term. I hope students take the opportunity to refresh themselves over the two week break. I also hope that families reflect on the significance of Easter and I encourage families to attend the services available in the Parishes over Holy Week. The timetable for Good Friday and Easter weekend is elsewhere in this newsletter.

God Bless
Helen Dougherty (DRS)

DEANS TEAM SAYS...

As Deans of Cullinane College, our main focus is the life and wellbeing of our students; creating everyday a safe environment, encouraging a positive attitude towards school and running character building assemblies. Our passion is to develop teenagers who think of others. Community building is another important focus for our team of deans. We encourage our students to respect each other, appreciate one another and grow in a safe, nurturing environment.

Some of the expectations for our students are to present themselves in a respectful manner that reflects self-discipline, citizenship, courtesy and an eagerness to learn. In order for us to provide a safe and controlled environment at our College, it is very important that we have the cooperation of all students, parents and staff. We are happy to be contacted by our parents and caregivers to discuss their child's school life. Also, it is important that our students conduct themselves in ways that will not unsettle the educational environment by behaving in a positive manner.

3 John 1:4 "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth".

Lida Penn-Reina for the Deans Team 2014

STUDENT COUNCIL 2014

Congratulations to the following students who were elected to the Student Council for this year:

Yr 9: Ben Young, Leah Paikea; Yr 10: Macy Duxfield, Kanui Tapa; Yr 11: Claire Hicks, Heath King;
Yr 12: Kacie Warren, Ben Hussey; Yr 13: Georgia Hobman, Bradley O'Leary

Well done to you all and we look forward to the great decisions you will be making this year.

ST MARY'S CHURCH

**Good Friday-
Liturgy 3pm**

**Easter Vigil
7pm**

**Easter Sunday
9am**

No 6pm Mass

ST ANNE'S CHURCH

**Good Friday-
Part of Walk
of the Cross
starting from
St James'
Church,
Wanganui East**

**Easter Sunday
No Mass**

HOLY FAMILY

**Good Friday-
Stations of the
Cross 2:30pm;
Passion 3pm**

**Easter Vigil
7:30pm**

**Easter Sunday
8:30am**

May 13

Inter-House Cross
Country

May 21

WSS Cross Country

May 24

North Island
Secondary Schools
Swimming

**House
Competition
Totals**

Woods	643
Columba	584
Mannix	530
Marist	523

SPORTS SHORTS

Our school is committed to offering all our students opportunities to participate in a range of individual and team sports.

Sports on offer: Teacher in charge

Badminton	Mrs Davis	Cricket	Mr Shore, Mr Syme
Equestrian	Mr Shore	Gymsport	Miss Edmonds
Hockey	Mrs Sleyer / Mrs Foster	Netball	Sra Penn-Reina
Rugby	Mr Hepburn	Squash	Mr Hepburn
Multisport	Mr Hepburn	Athletics	Mr Hepburn / Mr Rauhina
Rowing	Mr Daignault	Basketball	Mr Rauhina
Volleyball	Mr Rauhina	Touch	Mr Hepburn
Cross Country	Mr Hepburn	Swimming	Mr Rauhina
Ki O Rahi	Mr Hepburn		

Our school is involved with Sport Wanganui and various sports associations; this extends and develops the opportunities in a variety of sporting clubs for our students.
Please email our Sports Coordinator Mr Rauhina, vrauhina@cullinane.school.nz with any enquiries.

Registrations for Sports

If a student would like to play an organised sport and represent the College, they will need to register for their chosen sport with the Sports Department (Mr Hepburn - Head of Sport, Mr Rauhina - Sport Coordinator). Students must pay attention to daily notices, to hear about signing up for a sport, and training schedules or check noticeboards around the school.

Sports Fees

All sporting activities are self-funding (Sports Fee). These fees go towards National and Regional sporting levies and affiliation, competition entry fee, transport as required, uniform maintenance or replacement, sports equipment, training venue costs, administrative costs. (GST is also included in fees.) All sporting fees are required to be paid in full prior to the sporting code commencing.

MIXED TOUCH REGIONALS

Cullinane Mixed Touch Team placed 2nd at the Secondary School Regionals on March 30.

The team has now qualified for the National Secondary School Touch Championships in Papakura, Dec 12-14.



WANGANUI CRICKET AWARDS 2014



Raemon Teki won best batsman for the U13 Wanganui team and most valuable player.

Adam Boulton was best batsman for the U15 Wanganui team and most valuable player.

Kyra Garret won most improved player for the Wanganui Woman's team.

Brett Cameron took best batsman for the U17 Wanganui team and most valuable player.

CULLINANE RUGBY FUNDRAISER

RICH COMPOST BAGS FOR SALE \$5 per bag. All proceeds go to Cullinane College Rugby.
Contact Mr Hepburn to order: hhepburn@cullinane.school.nz or phone 3490105.

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