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I hope everyone in our school community had a holy, restful and relaxing Easter break. It is great to see the students back in school this term and looking so well presented in their winter uniform. I am very conscious that there are many families struggling financially so if purchasing some items for your son/daughter's uniform is an issue please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss how we might be able to help out.

With regard to uniform, the Board of Trustees has been in discussion with Andersons for Men, our uniform stockist, with respect to making a College blazer available to families for purchase. Again, we were very conscious of making this an affordable option for a high quality garment. Originally it was the Student Council who raised the issue for the Board and after much discussion the Board moved that we provide an option of a blazer for Year 12 and 13 students. After some months of discussion a unisex cut blazer in wool has been provided to our community at an approximate cost of \$225.00 by Andersons. This is not compulsory but an option for families who are interested. When these blazers are available we will let the community know. We will continue to keep a stock of blazers for students who are involved in school activities.

I would like to acknowledge Mr Hepburn and our Prefects for their leadership in hosting the Viard Shield at Cooks Gardens last month. For the first time in our short history we won the Viard Shield for girls, (well done ladies for showing the way), and the boys were second to Hato Paora. More importantly we were great hosts and very accommodating of the visiting teams. Thank you also to all the staff and students who helped run this event.

This term we will be holding a College Mass on a Sunday at St Mary's and I would encourage all of our students and families to make the effort to attend. The date for this Mass has not yet been confirmed but we will get a notice to families when it is confirmed. We also have the Cullinane College Benefit Concert on Friday 5th June starting at 7pm at St Mary's. We learned much from last year and this year's concert will flow quickly and be limited to one and a half hours in duration. I have managed to convince Elena, (violinist for the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra), to spend the day with our musicians and Kapa Haka and she has kindly agreed to play a 15 minute slot. She is an absolute magician with the violin and an absolute treat. Elena has played for royalty and many famous families such as the Getty, Obama and Beckham families, and normally commands tens of thousands in fees. If you google Elena you will find some video clips of her.

I would like to congratulate Alannah Millar on her recent performance at the World Stacking Champs in Canada where she placed 10th in her competition while representing the New Zealand Black Stacks Team. She has promised to do a demonstration at our next Assembly which is something I will be looking forward to.

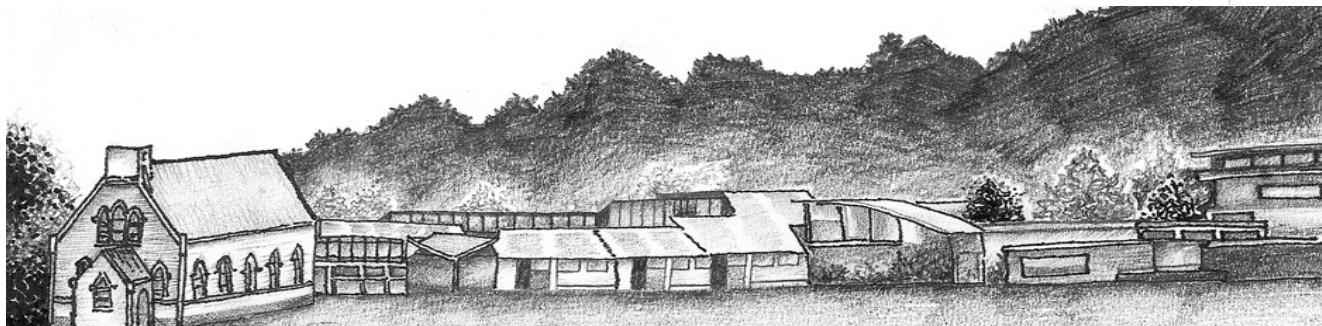
God Bless

K B Shore
Principal



FEATURED THIS ISSUE:

- Survive A Slum
- Message from Bishop Charles
- End of Term Sports Highlights



EASTER RAFFLE WINNERS

Rarotonga Easter Raffle

1st Prize - \$80 Hamper
Phil C of the St John's Club

2nd Prize - \$50 Hamper
Marama Warera

3rd Prize - \$20 Hamper
Val Foster

Y13 Geo Trip Raffle

Reihana Fisher

Thanks to all who bought tickets in both raffles. Your support of our students makes these kinds of extras possible.

- Raffle Organisers

SURVIVE A SLUM

Each year the College hosts Survive A Slum for students to participate in. Survive A Slum consists of sleeping in a box and participating in activities reflecting what poverty stricken people around the world class as jobs every day. A simple meal of rice and a banana was provided and since we stayed overnight we were sponsored through the local community; because the whole idea of this activity is to raise money for Caritas New Zealand and its disaster relief fund.

The money raised for this year's Survive A Slum went to the Philippines and is going to be used to create a fresh water pump for the villagers so the children don't have to walk for miles up the mountain to find a sufficient fresh water supply.

It is a fantastic opportunity available each year that can build your awareness and understanding of what the less fortunate face everyday.

A big thank you goes out to all of the students who participated, you were all very tired on the second day but you remained positive and participated in everything. You all showed great leadership and we hope you will return next year.

Also a big thanks to all of the staff and senior students who made Survive A Slum possible, your successes and the opportunities you provide don't go unnoticed.

Piper Zimmerman



IN THE LEARNING CENTRE

In Term One we welcomed four new Year 9 students: Grace Tichbon, Rebecca McMahon, Azriel Anderson and Olivia Joblin-Alward. They have all settled into Cullinane very well.

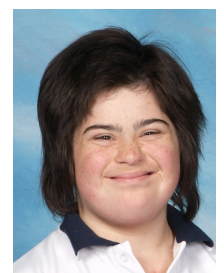
We continue to be a busy class focusing on social skills, inclusion, numeracy and literacy. Our Year 10 and up students started a Hospitality/Chef course one day a week at Arahunga Base School last term. They produced a wonderful morning tea for the Cullinane staff. This term the cooking focus is on preparing light lunches. In May we have a trip to Wellington to see the ANZAC exhibition at Te Papa.



Rebecca



Azriel



Grace

NOTES N' QUOTES

UP N' COMING EVENTS

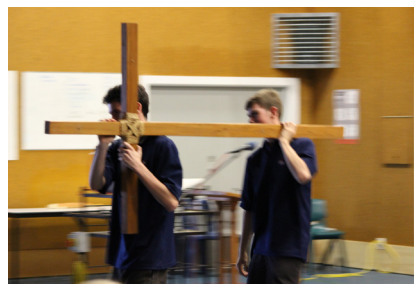
GODS ZONE



I am writing to thank everyone for the marvellous participation at our Mass launching the unified single parish of Wanganui. The War Memorial Hall was packed giving a vibrant sign of a faith community united in strength, focused on mission, and engaged with the wider society. The large number of school families present – stirring the *ia* or current – of your *iwi whakapono* (faith community) confirmed a growing sense that our parish gives purpose to our lives and is the place to which we all belong. To those of you who might feel distanced from the Church, may I say to you: no-one is excluded from God's family for the well of God's heart never runs dry. Our three Churches remain: Holy Family, St Anne's, St Mary's, with marae chapels at Kaiwhaiki and up the river. They are yours. And united, they now form one parish strong in its current of faith hope and charity, nourishing our hearts and minds and bringing comfort to those most in need. Kia kaha and may you and your families be especially blessed this coming Easter.

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EASTER LITURGY



TE HERE ATAAMAI

The year has started well with several new students at Year 9 who have opted for Te Reo Maori. Department staff were involved in the Year 9 Journey Programme in Term One at Parikino marae with an awesome stay enjoyed by all students.

The Kapahaka team begin their training programme on Sunday, 26 April with our first noho. There are big numbers of students that have a vested interest in joining the team this year. This term from 25 -26 June is the regional Manukorero and Paerangatahi events that will be held at the Hawera TSB stadium. This is the pinnacle event for secondary schools in Taranaki and Whanganui and we will be aiming to achieve the same success of previous years in both events. Both competitions are qualifiers for National representation so all the schools will be highly competitive.

A big thank you to all those parents and caregivers who attended the recent Whanau Support hui held at Te Here Ataamai. There was good positive discussion and it was pleasing to see such a huge turnout. More information regarding future hui will be advertised in later newsletters. Finally, if any whanau are interested in becoming a school board member to support the board in advocating on Maori kaupapa please contact me at school to discuss further.

Nga mihi.

Matua Kamaka Manuel
HOD Maori

MAY

Saturday 2nd -
Sunday 3rd
O'Shea Shield
St Patrick's
College -
Wellington

Tuesday 5th
Palmerston North
Careers Expo

Wednesday 6th
-Thursday 7th
Red Shield Appeal

Wednesday 6th
Y9 Museum Trip

Sunday 10th -
Tuesday 12th
Y13 Geo Trip

Sunday 17th-
Tuesday 19th
Y11 Geo Trip

Tuesday 26th
Cullinane Day

Friday 29th
Teacher Only Day

JUNE

Tuesday 2nd
Open Evening

Friday 5th
Benefit Concert
Elena at the school

May 5
Cullinane Cross
Country

May 21
WSS Cross Country

Watch the
College
Website and
the Cullinane
Sports FB Page
for further
updates

SIGHTS FROM THE AON MAADI CUP 2015



Cullinane's best finish for the week was Shannah Andrews and Stephenie Weston. They were able to finish 5th in their C Final for the Girls' U15 Double. This ranks them 21st in the country. The rest of the squad had a good run but came up against some very stiff competition and were unable to achieve the results they were hoping to gain. Well done to you all.

NOTABLE TERM 1 SPORTS RESULTS

Viard Shield

This year's Viard Shield, the major Athletic event between four of the North Island's Catholic schools, was taken out by the Cullinane Girls team and saw our Boys finish second behind Hato Paora. On the Girls' side of things, the meet saw our girls side gain 12 first place finishes and a number of second and thirds to power them to the win over St Peter's College. Notables in this major win were Ella Duxfield and Briley Zimmerman who set 5 new Cullinane records for their events. Among these results is Briley setting a new Viard record for the 3000m with a time of 10m 52s. On the Boys' side, the College was able to power to a strong second place finish with 14 first place finishes and Jourdan Downing setting a new Cullinane record in the Junior Boys 200m with a time of 25.79s.

There were many other fantastic finishes in both track and field, too numerous to individually mention here. A full list of the top finishers will be placed on the College website. This is a fantastic result for our students and they should all be congratulated no matter where they finished.

Regional Touch Championships

On March 28th, the College's Touch team competed in the Regional tournament and were able to have an undefeated run during the round-robin portion. Unfortunately they were unable to defeat Wanganui High School in the final and had to settle for a second place finish. Not a bad result as Cullinane still qualifies for the National Tournament later this year.

THE LAST WORD

Class Photos and Sibling Photos Now Available

PhotoLife Studios have sent out the ONline Ordering Key Slips so that families can now order their photos using the online ordering system. The Key Slips will be distributed in Form Class. Families wishing to order photos through a mail order system can have an ordering envelope picked up from the College office.

VERY IMPORTANT FOR ONLINE ORDERING:

THE DEADLINE FOR FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES ON THE 25TH OF MAY THIS YEAR.

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