



## Term 3 – 23 July 2010 - Week 1

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Holiday time spent in Victoria enabled me to observe a number of Australian school children in uniform. They were representative of both prestigious city schools and more diminutive country schools. I returned to Rathkeale confident that, generally speaking, our boys' appearance stands alongside the best of them and I thank them for the way they presented themselves on day one of the new term.

Over the holidays the College welcomed a large group of Japanese staff and students from Yachiyo Shoin, our sister school in Chiba Prefecture on the outskirts of Tokyo. Many people have offered to assist the group in a variety of ways over the course of the three week visit and we thank them for that.

Also over the holiday's, work began on the revamping of the central school quad. Funded largely by the Friends' Association, the new paving laid by Oldfields is looking fantastic. Hopefully it won't be too long before it is completed by lighting, seating and planting. Any groups, families or individuals who may wish to contribute to the project in any way (eg. a memorial seat, tree etc) are encouraged to contact me.

Work also continues in a dramatic way across the campus in Cranleigh House where it really is a case of out with the old and in with the new. It will certainly be unrecognisable when completed at the end of the year.

The Competition House Leaders are firing up for the House Music competition at the end of this Term. New parents and students are warned that this is serious stuff! Huge demands emanate from the preparation for the night and it certainly is not a night to miss. Mark it in your diary now!

Another date for everyone's diary is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August. All past and present staff and Trustees and current parents are invited to the Inaugural Founders' Day Cocktail Party from 5.30pm. Formal invitations will be in the mail shortly.

School Assembly this week enjoyed a truly international flavour. Jonty Blundell, who along with Fern Cheetham, has won a trip to The Hague with the United Nations, spoke about the Model United Nations. Newly arrived staff member, Russell Ogilvie, spoke about Dubai. Yachiyo Shoin staff spoke enthusiastically to the school and we welcomed Justin Els, a Year 11 Exchange Student from Wynberg Boys' High School in South Africa.

Next week is a full one. The Te Reo Maori students will be away in Rotorua at the National Kapa Haka Championships. Many others will be involved in the winter fixture against the boys from Lindisfarne College in Hastings. The games will be followed by afternoon tea and then a social function to which supporters and Old Boys from both schools are invited.

All students will be exposed to the "Last Choice" initiative on Thursday. Focussing on a fatal teenage car crash, this programme has been very well received at other colleges and will be especially relevant to our seniors.

**Grant Harper, Deputy Principal**

***There is no such thing as a great talent without great will power*** *Honore de Balzac*

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### **Year 11-13 School Interviews – 5 & 6 August**

To register with your students subject teachers please go on line using the following link:

[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) code M7ESG. If you encounter any difficulties please call us.

### **Motivational Talks**

During Term III, Year 13 students in Wairarapa schools have been invited to attend a series of presentations by motivational speakers. Through generous funding provided by the Masterton Trust Lands Trust and the activities of the Wairarapa Secondary Schools' Principals Association it has been possible to bring two high profile speakers to the Wairarapa. While a third speaker is being sought the following dates and presenters are set:

August 10<sup>th</sup> **Barabara Kendall** (NZ Board Sailor, Olympic and World Champion and four time NZ Sports Woman of the Year)  
August 16<sup>th</sup> **Kevin Biggar** (Trans-Atlantic Rower, Adventurer, Author and Strategy Consultant) There is no doubt that these speakers will engage, entertain and motivate our Year 13 students and I expect that all will want to attend.

### **Football Results**

22 July 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs St Pats – Def by St Pats  
3 July U15 v HVHS – Won 3-2

### **Rugby Results**

22 July 2<sup>nd</sup> XV vs Wai.Coll.

### **Hockey Results**

2 July 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs HVHS Won 4 – 2  
20 July Renegades vs Wai.Coll.4<sup>th</sup> CI Lost 2 – 4  
Rams vs Crux Lost 0 – 1  
2<sup>nd</sup> XI vs Hatch Boys Won 9 – 2  
Pioneers vs Rabbitohs Lost 2 – 7

### **Football Programme**

23 July 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs Wellington Coll. At Well.Coll.11.00 am  
2<sup>nd</sup> XI vs Wai.Coll. Soc. 2 At Wai.Coll. 9.00 am  
3<sup>rd</sup> XI vs Kuranui At Top Field 9.00 am  
U-15 vs Kapiti At Common 10.45 am  
Jun B vs Makoura Cancelled 9.00 am  
Jun C vs Wai.Coll. Gold At Wai.Coll. 10.30 am

### **Rugby Programme**

23 July 1<sup>st</sup> XV vs Waiopahu College In Levin 12.30 pm  
2<sup>nd</sup> XV vs BYE  
Colts vs Wai.Coll. Blue At Rathkeale 10.00 am  
Whites vs Chanel Coll.2<sup>nd</sup> XV At Chanel 10.00 am

### **Hockey Programme**

22 July 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs Rongatai At NHS 6.40 pm  
27 July Renegades vs Rams t Clareville 4.00 pm  
Crux vs Wai.Coll.4<sup>th</sup> XI At Clareville 5.15 pm  
28 July Pioneers vs 2<sup>nd</sup> XI At Clareville 5.05 pm  
Rabbitohs vs Hobbs Mob At Clareville 5.15 pm

### **Lindisfarne Visit**

<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>Junior Hockey (Clareville)</b>
<b>11.15 am</b>	<b>Colts Rugby and Under 15 Football</b>
<b>12.00 pm</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> XV Rugby</b>
<b>12.30 pm</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> XI Hockey (Clareville)</b>
<b>1.00 pm</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> XI Football and 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby</b>
<b>1.00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch + Aftermatch Function for Junior teams</b>
<b>3.15 pm</b>	<b>Aftermatch Function for Senior teams</b>
<b>4.00 pm</b>	<b>Old Boys' Function for parents and old boys in the Senior College Centre</b>

### **Fold**

A short Play by Jo Randerson presented by Rathkeale & St Matthews Yr12 Drama students held at The Wesley Wing, Aratoi, Monday 26 July at 7pm Rated R16