



**Kia ora tatou.**

It's great to be back into the work this term and I have to say that your sons are looking amazing in the winter uniform. We are also hopefully back being able to use our gym this term. Because of the on-going redevelopment we have not been able to meet regularly as a whole school over term one to celebrate successes or just to be together as a whole community which has not been ideal. I'd like to acknowledge the patience and good-will of our PE staff and sports staff as they've effectively had to manage without their main "classroom" for much of term 1. Once again your sons have been co-operative and good-natured in dealing with inconvenience.

We did manage to celebrate Easter together as a school before the end of the term. Easter sums up what this College is truly about as a Catholic Community. It is about the fact that we aim to offer our boys support and not condemnation when things don't go as well as they should. It's about the firm belief that people can "come back" from failure...that forgiveness should always be available if it's sought. It is about the belief in the absolute dignity and value that each boy has in his own right. It is also about the expectation to not accept mediocrity or "being average" as OK, because no one is that in the sight of Our God.

Easter is a celebration of hope and gratitude. I hope that is what your sons are continuing to experience and learn in this place.

**Nicola Shanahan**

During the holidays a number of our staff and boys attended the funeral of Nicola Shanahan from our Parish. Nicola was also the Assistant Principal at Sts Peter and Paul school and so had taught many of our past and present students during their time there.

As Principal I had the pleasure of working with Nicola on the Parish-schools council over the last couple of years. Those who knew her were witness to how powerful positivity and faith can be to others. Our prayers and support go out to her whanau and the wider whanau of our Parish and school communities.

It was a privilege for our boys to be a part of the haka given to acknowledge her at her funeral.



**Out and about.**

Some of our senior leaders attended the Cullen Breakfast Club and took great delight in meeting Jacinda Adern and Grant Robertson. This was followed up by two of our boys being invited to attend a dinner to welcome the new British High Commissioner.

I have to say how impressed – and a little bit in awe I was, of their adaptability – when I heard that they'd spent the evening "chatting" to the President of the New Zealand Appellate Court, the head of the New Zealand GCSB and our ex-governor general Rt. Hon Sir Anand Satyanand amongst others.

We also welcomed the Brazilian Ambassador to New Zealand with a mihi whakatau as he came to visit our two Brazilian exchange students Gian and Antonio.



It was great also to see a number of our boys at the various ANZAC Day services during the last holidays.



**Finally - Some thanks.**

We said farewell to Mrs Belinda Brown at the end of last term and thanked her for her service to the College.

We Welcome Mr Jonathan Doak as our assistant Head of Mathematics.

We held an evening late last term to thank those of you who have been able to help out with coaching our summer sports teams and on Saturday I was wandering around watching so many of our boys out representing the College in the various winter codes...most coached or managed by you as parents/whanau. I personally really appreciate your support of our boys and the way that you are supporting these teams to not only be successful but to represent us with pride. I also understand that many more of you would love to be able to help out but circumstances don't allow that.

Finally I would like to thank the group of parents who have set up and resourced a fund - "mothers for sons" - specifically to assist us in supplying uniform items to students and families who, for whatever reason, struggle with this. It is a privilege to see the pride on these boys faces when they get to look so amazing.

**Nga mihi**  
**Simon Stack**  
**Principal**

# New York, New York

## New York and Washington Commerce trip

Eighteen students and three staff had the trip of a lifetime over the April holidays when they travelled to New York and Washington DC to witness and experience first-hand the culture, history and technology of the financial and political centres of America.

With eight days in New York and three in Washington DC the trip was a full on adventure with over forty separate activities completed. Though very busy, our stamina mostly held and we have a host of memories and photographs for our future reflection.

New York provided the must see highlights of the Statue of Liberty, Metropolitan Museum Of Art, 9/11 memorial and museum, Empire State Building, a boat cruise to Ellis Island, the United Nations, the art and natural history museums as well as Central Park, "Stomp" - a Broadway show, a Yankee's baseball game, a tour around NBC Studios, and the Rockefeller, and yes of course, filling our suitcases with shopping!

The highlights were the mixing with actual American people, Wall Street trading simulation, touring the famous studios of NBC, ten pin bowling, riding the subway, the skyscrapers, navigating the streets and eating a wider variety of food than we could ever dream about in NZ. Washington DC saw us visit the Pentagon, presidential monuments, WW2 memorials as well as several famous museums including the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum.

Special thanks to Fiona from Travel to Learn who helped organise the scheduled activities. She did an amazing job to make everything run so smoothly. An exceptional thank you to the trip leader Mr Philip Carew, who put countless hours into organising the trips finances and did a superb job of keeping everyone back home up-to-date via Social Media, Ms Kristen Gibb 'Navigator' who worked superbly to plan our journeys using the Subway and Miss Calcinaï who was magnificent at keeping her cool and assisting the boys at every stage of their adventure and acted as an amazing 'maternal' camp mum.

Finally a huge thank you to all the sponsors: Pak 'n' Save Lower Hutt, Mitre10 Mega Petone, Hutt City Council, John O'Sullivan, Mitchell Davies Chartered, Blackler Smith & Co Accountants, Miles Lambourn Business Works Chartered Accountants Ltd, Reids Family Law, Viv d'Or Law, Kerry O'Brien Lawyer, Louise Sziranyi | Partner | Thomas Dewar Sziranyi Letts, Peter J Morahan, Paul May Law, Don and Penny Phillips and parents who all helped and supported to make the trip possible.



## New York con't ...



**PB4L**

The **Positive Behaviour for Learning** team have been thrilled with the success of the PB4L application which has seen all staff able to recognise students for their positive behaviour in a quick and easy system. Such recognition of everyday expectations encourages other students to do the same and highlights that the majority of students are doing the right thing. It also gives teachers the excuse to catch students behaving positively.

In Term 1, a total of 3774 recognitions were given to 609 students by 46 members of staff. As expected, 77% of these were in the classroom. The majority of recognitions were associated with students' love of others and the encouragement and assistance they gave to others. 9CE achieved the most recognitions as a tutor class.

The PB4L team continues to prepare materials teachers can use in their teaching of behaviour. The review of behavioural data which informs future areas of need and focus will start to be a core part of the team's role. If you have any stories about the impact PB4L has had for your son, we would love to hear about them. Please email [mhorner@sbc.school.nz](mailto:mhorner@sbc.school.nz) or [mcorcoran@sbc.school.nz](mailto:mcorcoran@sbc.school.nz)

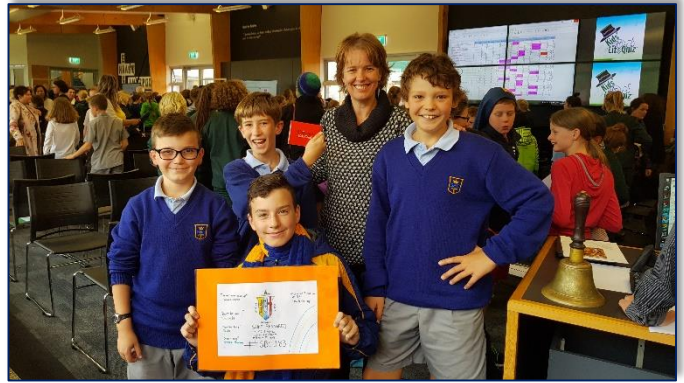
## Year 9 Reading Support Programme

A new Year 9 reading support programme, Aroā Pānui Whakatere Akoranga, has kicked off this week. It will run for 20 school weeks through terms 2 and 3. The aim of the programme is to support a group of Year 9 boys to accelerate their reading progress and help better prepare them to take on NCEA in 2020. The after-school component of the programme will be run by Ms Asquith every Tuesday afternoon in M1 (Marcellin block) from 3.15-4pm. Parents are welcome to visit the class during this time if they have questions about the online reading programme or need support in using the programme at home. Any queries can be emailed to [hasquith@sbc.school.nz](mailto:hasquith@sbc.school.nz)



## English

2018 Regional Competition of The Kids' Literature Quiz  
For the first time ever, Saint Bernard's College entered in the Kids' Literature Quiz. This quiz is a worldwide quiz that is held in countries such as, the US, Canada, Hong Kong, South Africa, Nigeria and more. The four participants for our team were Thomas Doyle, Jamie MacLean, Finn Gentry and Lewis Collins.  
This year the regional competition was held at Samuel Marsden College. There were 52 teams from all over the region. The quiz had 10 different categories with each category having 10 questions. We got 10 out of 10 for the folktale round and we won the prize for that round. Overall we came 17<sup>th</sup> out of the 52 teams. Ms Edie was really proud of us and we are looking forward to going back next year.  
Written by Jamie MacLean and Lewis Collins  
(12<sup>th</sup> of April 2018)



## Library

### Night of the Riot – Matt Elliott

*'Did you ever do what you thought was the right thing, but ended up getting into big trouble? I did. It was on the night of the riot'*

A true story about a 14 year old boy called Snow. Its May 1915 and Snow is an errand boy for a German butcher in Wanganui. After a German submarine sinks the passenger ship the Lusitania, an angry mob attacks and loots the butchers shop. Snow is seen outside the shop and is accused of being in the riot. Would he do such a thing?.

– Ms Kent

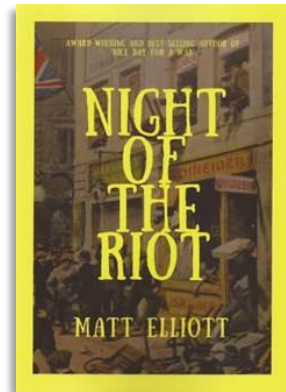
### No internet at home??

Ms Kent in the Library can arrange for you to get a free modem and a 'pay as you go' card to access the internet. This is for any families who have school age children at home but no internet connection. The scheme is called SparkJump and is run in partnership with Hutt City Libraries. Ms Kent can be contacted on 04 5609250 ext879, or via [ekent@sbc.school.nz](mailto:ekent@sbc.school.nz) if you can access the internet from another place.

### Books to listen to....

Listen to books on the way to school or work, doing the gardening, washing the car, while cooking or cleaning... there is a huge range of audio books available from Hutt City Libraries for anyone from age 5- 100 to listen to. Access Hutt City Libraries website and click on the e-pukapuka link to access their range of audio books and e-books. You can download them to a device or stream them from the site. Ms Kent is working with Hutt City Libraries to get some of the English class texts available in audio format for students to listen to. This is handy for students who struggle with the written word, or just want to 'read' that chapter on the school bus, so they are at the right point when they get to class!

## Book of the Month



## Science



**ICAS** - Thank you to all 84 parents who have allowed their son to participate in the 2018 **ICAS Science competition**. Previous papers are available from Mr Higson for practice.

**Science Fair** - All year 7 to 10 are involved in the presentation of a personal investigation into an aspect of science. Yr 7 & 8 complete theirs at home. **Thank you for your patience and persistence in getting your son to complete this task.**

If you have any clean yoghurt containers and they are going out into the recycling bin please consider giving them to the science dept.

**Field trips.** Thank you for allowing your son to participate in these important aspect of your sons learning

## Careers

There are lots of careers related events coming up.

**May 23 morning** - Weltec Open Day: 12PTH and other interested students will be going.

**May 29 6pm** Canterbury University Parents Information Evening – Westpac Stadium.

**May 31<sup>st</sup> all day:** BCITO Construction Tour- 11TCC and some invited students.

**June 7<sup>th</sup>** Alternatives to University Careers expo – Walter Nash Stadium. All Year 11 & Year 12 will be attending. This event is also open to the public on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> 9.30 – 5pm.

The Careers Advisor service is available to all students. Parents are also welcome to contact the office. [jlomax@sbc.school.nz](mailto:jlomax@sbc.school.nz)



# Social Sciences



During term two the Year 10 Social Studies students' have been learning about the significance of the Gallipoli Campaign. The aim was to gain knowledge and an understanding of how the actions of men and women at war have had a significant impact on people's lives. As part of their learning students created a Field of Remembrance to honour those in their community who served and died in World War 1.

All classes contributed to a service and took time to reflect that the crosses represented the 18,200 New Zealanders who died in WW1.



On Monday 26 March the year 8 Social Studies classes had a full day trip into Wellington to visit two nationally significant institutes; Te Papa to see 'The Scale of Our War Exhibition' and 'The Great War Exhibition' at Pukeahu National War Memorial Park.



# Languages

## Japan Trip 2019

In April next year a group of Japanese language students will be travelling to Japan for a 2 week language and cultural experience. We are also really lucky to have been accepted for a homestay experience with Joetsu High School who we stayed with in 2016. Joetsu is a beautiful part of the country and we hope we can arrive in time for their Cherry Blossom season (fingers crossed).

We have a group of hard working parents working on our fundraising committee and I would like to thank them for the work they have already done.

- We recently had a very enjoyable and entertaining Movie Evening watching the latest Avengers movie at the Lighthouse Cinema. A great night was had by all.
- We are currently selling Whitakers Chocolate bars at \$2 each. If you are interested in a bar or 2 or a box of bars please contact me at the email address below.

If you are aware of any fundraising activities that our group could get involved in please contact me on [mcorcoran@sbc.school.nz](mailto:mcorcoran@sbc.school.nz) – all ideas are welcome.

## Upcoming events Māori community calendar - 2018

### Term Two:

- 🕒 **25 May** - Ngā Manu Kōrero Speech Competition –Hutt Valley High School.
- 🕒 **29 June** Y9-Y12 Te reo Māori students to Korounui Marae, Stokes Valley for workshops.
- 🕒 **30 June to 22 July** - Matariki - the Maori New Year
- 🕒 **2 July – 6 July** - Primary-Secondary Schools Poly festival at Walter Nash Centre
- 🕒 **3 July** Y7-Y8 Kapa haka group will perform.
- 🕒 **6 July** Y9-Y13 Kapa haka group will perform on Friday.

### Ngā Manu Kōrero Regional Speech Finals

This year's Ngā Manu Kōrero regional speech finals is at Hutt Valley High School on Friday 25 May. Gabriel Bush (11UI) will be representing St Bernard's College in the Senior English section of the competition. Last year he made it through to the National finals in the Junior English section of the competition. We wish him all the very best on the day.

### Te reo Māori Language Student trip to Korounui marae

On the last day of term one, 26 of our young men, myself, and two parent helpers went to Korounui Marae in Stokes Valley for a genuine Māori experience.

We had an outstanding time and the boys' thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The boys were engaged the whole day and most enjoyed getting their faces tattooed with the moko stencil. They all enjoyed the hāngi, steam pudding, and fried-bread lunch.

The boys had the opportunity to learn mau rakau moves, perfect the school haka, and learn more about their personal pepeha. The marae complemented our boy's on their exemplary behaviour; and say they're looking forward to our next visit at the end of the term.

I'm looking to bring them back to the marae on the second to last Friday of term two. I have noticed, a fair percentage of our boys don't get this kind of exposure to things Māori from parents/caregivers.

Mr Williams

# Head Boy Report

Chanel

Ignatius

Marcellin

Pompallier

Term one already done and dusted! A term filled with a great many things.

I have seen through my years at St Bernard's college many successes. Many victories. Many proud boys, ecstatic with the triumph of completing something they worked hard to achieve. This success requires work, and work requires motivation. Sometimes we all need extra to motivate ourselves if we are going to stick at things.

School can be hard work...particularly when the work itself gets hard and the days get colder. Sometimes we can also get trapped into the "same-old same old" way of doing things...just coming to school simply because you have to. You can be at school with body but not mind. We would like to put in place some ideas to make school an even greater place.

During the term one holidays, we have been organising some lunchtime activities. During lunchtime there will be sports running for those who are keen to be active and indoor activities for those who prefer warmth. The sports will be running in different two-week blocks. The first week will be a fun week. Absolutely anyone is free to join in on these weeks and have a good time. The next week will be tournament week. Each house will create a team for the sport running and have a playoff for prizes at the end. House points will be up for grabs for those who show 'Love of God, Love of Self and Love of Others'. At the same time there will be indoor activities running. Each lunchtime students (and teachers) are welcome to come along and try out whatever is running. Posters will be placed around the school to show the boys what is happening.

Our main focus is to try and include as many people as possible. When the boys wake up tired in the morning they can think of the fun lunchtimes at school and look forward to coming even more than they do now. Not only will this help with motivation but it will also increase friendship groups. In our school of 660 there are many more people to meet and this is a great way to do it. This will kick off in week 3 of term two.

Huge thanks to Mr Logan who is making this all possible. I know this term will be as good as last term, if not better.

Daniel Goldsworthy – Head Boy

## Music

### Happy NZ Music Month at SBC!!



We are excitedly looking forward to the Wellington Heats of the Smokefree Rockquest where **Aldre's Dairy** will play. It features two SBC students and two HVHS students who rehearse together weekly and performed together at Waterbourne over Easter weekend (see pictures). Three of them played together at Smokefree Rockquest as Year 10 students so it is awesome to see how their music and performance has developed and progressed. Come to Sacred Heart College on Saturday 19 May to support them and other local student bands. See <http://smokefreerockquest.co.nz> for more details.

Other musical events coming up include;

- Junior Music Tour, Week 5, Friday 1 June
- NCEA Music Performance, Week 8, Tuesday 19 June
- Celebration of the Arts, Week 9, Wednesday 27 June, Little Theatre, Lower Hutt
- Pop-up concert featuring students who have music lessons here at SBC
- Week 10, Friday 6 July, Periods 1 and 2.

Watch notices and emails for further details!!

M Horner

## Drama

On Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May, a group of senior students were lucky enough to attend the premiere Wellington performance of the Auckland Theatre Company production of 'Still Life with Chickens' by D.F. Mamea.

The show was largely a solo piece performed by Goretta Chadwick (one half of the Pani and Pani comic duo). She was joined by a puppet operated chicken (by skilled actor Haanz Fa'avae-Jackson).

The boys were charmed by the work of both Chadwick and Fa'avae-Jackson which was for many of them a first foray into the world of live New Zealand Theatre. The boys conducted themselves with utmost integrity and were so moved by the piece that they performed a rousing waiata as a thank you to both performers and the director Fasitua Aмосa.



## RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

St Bernard's and Sacred Heart Colleges are combining for the RCIA programme in 2018. Your son will get the opportunity to grow in their faith, receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist and Reconciliation), make new friends and become more connected to our Catholic community. The programme is fun, engaging and will be run by the Religious Studies teams of St Bernard's and Sacred Heart College. **If you are interested, please attend the information session here at the college on Thursday the 31<sup>st</sup> of May at 6pm or contact me at [jboon@sbc.school.nz](mailto:jboon@sbc.school.nz).**



## Sports

### Swimming

Swimming Championships Results 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018

YEAR	NAME	HOUSE
<b>7</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Isaac McGUINNESS George LIVINGSTONE	Marcellin Chanel
<b>8</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sam KILDUFF Reuben KILGARIFF	Marcellin Pompallier
<b>Junior</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gerald CABAUATAN Nic ENGLAND	Pompallier Pompallier
<b>Youth</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kaelin NGUYEN Colton LONGSTAFF	Pompallier Ignatius
<b>Intermediate</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paddy ROBERTS Jamahl Te WIKI MU	Pompallier Pompallier
<b>Senior</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ignacio MENACHO Jack CHARLETON	Chanel Ignatius

### Swimming House Championship

<b>Pompallier</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>318</b>
<b>Ignatius</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>189</b>
<b>Marcellin</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>170</b>
<b>Chanel</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>101</b>

### Cross Country

St Bernard's College competed in the U16 division of the College Sport Wellington - Scottish Cross Country Relay held at Karori Park on Wednesday 9 May. The team consisting of Cameron Forsyth, Max McGuinness, Nathaniel Graham, Joshua Patterson, Robert Patterson and Joshua Allen finished a creditable 5th in the event. This bodes well for next year's event as all the team are eligible for U16 division again.



### Rugby



#### **1<sup>st</sup> XV Jersey Presentation Evening**

On Wednesday 2 May the 1<sup>st</sup> XV jersey presentation was held in the school staffroom. This is an evening where each individual jersey comes along to present their sponsored jersey to the 23 players who play the first grading game. Thank you to the sponsors of the jerseys for their continued support of rugby and sport at St Bernard's College. We wish the 1<sup>st</sup> XV well in their quest to make Premier 1 for 2018.



### Football



Congratulations to Kaelin Nguyen on his selection in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Under 15 football team. Kaelin was one of 18 students selected out of 34 top talented football students from High Schools and Colleges around New Zealand. Kaelin will be representing New Zealand Under 15's and St Bernard's College touring Malaysia from 7<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

### Fencing

Jacob Horne and Will Johnson competed in the New Zealand U15 and U17 fencing championship during the recent school holidays. Jacob came 2<sup>nd</sup> in U15 foil and Will came 2<sup>nd</sup> U17 sabre. Congratulations to both Jacob and Will on their success.

## Term Dates

<b>Term 1</b>	30 January to 13 April
<b>Term 2</b>	30 April to 6 July
<b>Term 3</b>	23 July – 28 September
<b>Term 4</b>	15 October to 11 December

## Our Community

### PFS – Parents, Friends & Supporters

The PFS meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7.30pm in the school staffroom and we would love to have you join us.

It is a great way to get to meet other parents and get first-hand knowledge of school happenings.

**AGM 7- 7.30pm Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018, SBC Staffroom.**

Please contact Felicity (Fliss) Hislop for more details

Email: [fliss.john@xtra.co.nz](mailto:fliss.john@xtra.co.nz)

Phone: 021-369-748

### PFS Movie Fundraiser

#### Oceans Eight

11 June 6pm

Contact Amy Campbell 021 623 763 or

Emma O'Sullivan 027 436 6202

To purchase tickets



## Calendar Alerts

### May

**12&13**

**16**

**18**

**22**

**23**

**25**

**26**

**June**

**1**

**4**

**5**

**7**

**11**

O'Shea Shield Weekend

Yr 12 & 13 X-roads trip

Mufti Day – Pink Anti bullying

SBC Cross Country

**Early finish 12:15**

**Early finish 1:15**

**SBC OPEN DAY**

Junior music tour

**Queens Birthday**

**Teacher Only Day**

PFS AGM

PFS Movie Fundraiser

Full school calendar is available at [www.sbc.school.nz](http://www.sbc.school.nz)

## Uniform Shop

*(please note new hours)* **Thursday 3pm – 6pm**

Check out our new online ordering [www.sbc.school.nz](http://www.sbc.school.nz)

2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform is now sold at the college Uniform Shop during opening hours

We would still really appreciate any donations of quality second hand uniform, please drop off to the main office.

## Nurse Consultation

### FREE

Nurse's consultation at St Bernard's College, see the office to make an appointment with a nurse from VIBE.

Free appointments with a doctor are available at the VIBE Clinic. They can be made through the nurse, or directly with VIBE:

Vibe:566-0525

## Reminders

### Leaving School During School Hours

If your son needs to leave school during the day please follow these steps.

- Send him with a note explaining why he is leaving
- He needs to get that signed by his dean
- Bring the note to the office when he is leaving.
- Sign out.

### Payment Of School Charges

The school prefers all school charges to be paid directly to our bank account: ASB Queensgate 12-3142-0164653-00.

Please include your son's first name and surname, in the reference fields. Receipts are issued for all payments and given to students in class.

**If you are facing financial difficulties please contact The Business Manager.**

### Contact Details

It is very important that we are able to contact you, especially in case of an emergency. Please make sure we have your current contact information.

### E-mail

As most of our information is now sent by email.

Please check your settings to make sure we are a trusted sender.

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