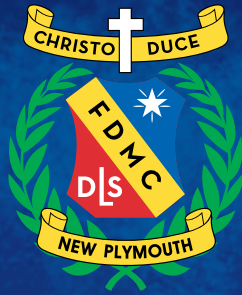


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Keegan Lindsay, Felix Webby, Samuel Johnson

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Mr Tim Stuck (Deputy Principal), Shamus Hurley-Langton,
Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, David Codd, Zac Reid, Cobi McCook,
Mr Martin Chamberlain (Principal)

FRONT ROW:

Thomas Hadley, Benjamin Zeylemaker, Dawson Webber, Matthew O'Connell,
Daniel Chow, Joseph Bernet, George Miles

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Tena Koutou Katoa.

It is the privileged role of all adults who work in this place to educate students for life in Faith, Service and Community and to make our school a place where we share the Good News of Jesus Christ within a Catholic environment in keeping with the spirits of the courageous and persistent Father Francis Douglas and St John Baptist de La Salle.

The adults who work here see great value in the Lasallian exhortation to "touch hearts". Staff new to the school rapidly notice that there is a difference here. It is about relationships and mutual respect - the teacher never raising his/her voice to a student and the student saying thank you after every lesson. This fits in with the wonderful saying, "your students don't care about how much you know until they know how much you care".

We are in the business of helping families to build good College men and in the process we grow to love your sons and we hear often about how much they love being here.

Apart from the warmth of relationships that exists in the place, there are other indicators of our school's success. With parent and community help, our students have raised far more than \$21,000 for Lasallian overseas works, \$3,500 for Caritas and continued to support breakfast in Schools and Foodbank. In addition, all Y10 students have carried out community service and Our Leaders' charity quiz supported the local Retreat centre raising \$2,150.

On the academic front we had the best NCEA results ever, with pass rates of 94.2%, 93.9% and 97.4% at the three levels.

We have maintained a high percentage of students moving on to tertiary studies and staying the distance, while at the same time catering more than we ever have, for students more suited to transition into the workforce and trade training

And yet there is a negative edge to our students' efforts. I don't want to sound anti-immigrant, but too often in our radio or TV news, when an expert is called upon for an update, that person has an accent that is not a local one. Rather than criticise our immigration policies I believe there needs to be a greater hunger for excellence in learning than we see in our students at present. The experts on the TV have worked extremely hard to get where they are and good on them. The fact that our companies have to recruit overseas to get the skills they want too often points to our attitude that "achieved" is enough, whereas "excellence" is only for the few. This is a fatal attitude that could see us becoming dispossessed.

The support of school and hostel Boards and PTA is also an ongoing strength of this school. Harmony, resolve and work ethic are strong in all cases. As a staff, parent and student body we owe much to these three groups. On a personal level, I owe much to the support of Tim Stuck, Melinda Stevenson and Anna Mace on a daily basis and David Leuthart and his Board and Bruce Forrest and his PTA committee.

With the departure of staff, we will once again lose institutional knowledge and the part of their soul that they put into this place. I wish to thank Ross Macnicol, Joan Coles, Ruth Marris, and Jenny Sheriff and express gratitude for the assistance this year of Sally Laing, Aimee Watkins and James List.

It has been our privilege as a staff here at FDMC to have worked with your son. Boys are wonderful creatures and it is a great pleasure to work among them.

To you boys - be thankful for all your caregivers have done to bring you to this day, expect to change the world, look after your mates, keep working hard at developing into a better man, look forward to being a good partner and father, and take Jesus with you as your best friend. In short, be a Good College Man.

As God, Francis Douglas and St John Baptist de La Salle would have us do, let's pick up the baton willingly once again next year...

May we remember how fortunate we are in this community as we approach the magical season celebrating our Saviour's birth. Christo Duce - with Christ as our leader.

St John Baptist de La Salle pray for us.
Live Jesus in our hearts forever.

Martin Chamberlain
Principal



COLLEGE STAFF/ROLES

Senior Leadership Team

Principal..... Martin Chamberlain
Deputy Principal..... Tim Stuck
Deputy Principal..... Melinda Stevenson
Director of Religious StudiesAnna Zsigovits-Mace

Heads of Learning Areas

Arts..... Jane Aitken Connolly
Careers Lauren O'Reilly
English Sally O'Neill
Languages..... Ruth Marris
Mathematics Shintaro Kirkcaldie
Physical Education Matt Lash
Religious Studies..... Anna Zsigovits-Mace
Science..... Colleen Severinsen
Social Sciences..... Ross MacNicol (T1 and beginning T2)
Mark Wales (from T2)
Technology Andy Evans
Intermediate Department Richard Doherty

Teachers- In- Charge

Accounting and Economics Mark Sewter
Agriculture and Horticulture..... Jon Wilcox
Assistant to DRS - Resp. for Y7-10 Religious Ed..... Joan Coles
(T1and beginning T2)
Biology..... Jeanne Marshall
CPP/ STAR /Trades Academy/Gateway..... Lauren O'Reilly
E- Learning/ Timetable..... Martin Dravitzki
Health..... Lana Rowland
Information Technology..... Andy Evans
Junior English (Y9 & 10)..... Renee Woollaston
Junior Mathematics (Y9 & 10)..... John Neeson
Junior Social Studies (Y9 & 10)..... Mark Wales
Maori..... Taare Ruakere
Media Studies..... Pascale Joines
Music..... Tobias Wright

Teaching Staff

Ronie Asi..... Homeroom, Religious Education
Sarah Beckett..... Mathematics, Physical Education, Health
Religious Education, Business Studies
Matt Casey Mathematics
Peter Cayzer Science, Physics
Paula Corlett Homeroom, Religious Education
Scott Crocker Physical Education, Health, Social Studies
Kathryn Curd..... English/Drama
Tina Dalliston English, Economics
Andy Evans..... Wood Technology and Graphics
Guy Fisher Physical Education, Mathematics
Marc Gallagher Homeroom
Christina Hermanns Science, Spanish
Michael Ingram..... Religious Education
Neil Imrie Mathematics
Pascale Joines Religious Education,
Media Studies, English
Bryce Koch Homeroom, Mathematics,
Anna Langford..... Science
Jeanne Marshall Science, Biology, Special Needs
Briana Matthews..... Art, DVC, Business Studies,
Young Enterprise Scheme
Estelle Meyer English, Social Studies,
Information Technology
Joshua Morris Science
Jo Morris-George Literacy
Ruth Morrison MacNicol Social Studies, Special Needs

John Neeson..... Mathematics
Stephen Ritchie Wood, Materials and Metal Technologies
James Rowland..... Physical Education, Health, Mathematics
Lana Rowland..... Physical Education, Health
(Maternity Leave T4)
Jenny Sheriff..... Homeroom, Mathematics
Heta Smith..... DVC
Margie Smith..... ESOL
Peter Smith Mathematics
Rae Sullivan-Brown Mathematics, Religious Education
Nick Taylor..... Science, Biology
Charl van der Heever..... Science
Robyn Wackrow..... English, FPS
Jon Wilcox..... Agriculture and Horticulture

Guidance and Deans

Guidance Counsellor Carol Land
Year 7..... Jenny Sheriff
Year 8..... Ronie Asi
Year 9..... James Rowland
Year 10..... Estelle Meyer
Year 11..... Kathryn Curd
Year 12 Ruth Marris
Year 13..... Pascale Joines

Other Key Responsibilities

Aims Games Coordinator..... Ronie Asi
Arts Co-ordinator..... Jane Aitken Connolly
Basketball Director Andy Cowie
Buses..... Mike Ingram
Careers Advisor..... Jenny Sheriff
Cricket Director Mark Wales
Director of Sport Mark Wales(T1-3)
Nick Taylor (T4)
Football Director..... Christina Hermanns
Gifted and Talented..... Robyn Wackrow
International Student Director..... Margie Smith
Lasallian Facilitator Anna Zsigovits-Mace
Lasallian Outreach Co-ordinator..... Tina Dalliston
Librarians..... Sue Page
Louise Pease
Outdoor Education..... Matt Lash
Principal's Nominee/NZQA Liaison Melinda Stevenson
Retreats and Liturgies Pascale Joines
Rugby Director James Rowland
Sacramental and Prayer Life and Lasallian Youth
Leaders' Co-ordinator..... Anna Zsigovits-Mace
Specialist Classroom Teacher..... Nick Taylor
Special Education Needs Co-ordinator Jeanne Marshall
Sports Co-ordinator Gill Hurley
Supervision Co-ordination and
Administrative Assistance Nick Taylor
Yearbook Jane Aitken Connolly

Administration and Support Staff

Business Manager..... Diana Blair
Archives Linda Crowe
Art and Science Technician Cath Spindler
Careers Assistant, Correspondence Co-ordinator,
Teachers' Aide Christel Chapman
EAP & ELL's Tutor..... Lynda West
Gateway/Clerical Support Karen Maclean
Groundsman Mark Jenkins
Laboratory Technician..... Cath Spindler
Network Technician Bruce Lester
ORS..... Ruth Morrison MacNicol
Pathways Assistant..... Kylie Read
Principal's Personal Assistant..... Maree Fleming

Property Manager..... Rodney Bishop
Receptionist and Financial Assistant Keri-Ann Barnard
Student Centre Manager Marie Cocksedge
Workshop Technician..... Nicholas Taylor
Uniform Shop..... Julie Western Normanton
Teachers' Aides..... Mary Baker
Julia Butler
Christel Chapman
Monica Fenney
Kristel Gillespie
Pam Low
Michelle Stevenson
Denise Watson

Lasalle House Hostel Staff

CEO Martin Chamberlain
Dean of Boarding Heta Smith
Year 9 Hostel Supervisor..... Matt Cursons
Year 10 Hostel Supervisor Mark Walsh
Year 11 Hostel Supervisor..... Mark Walsh
Year 12 Hostel Supervisor..... Andy Cowie
Year 13 Hostel Supervisor..... Heta Smith
GAP Supervisors Felix Wiegand (T1)
Alex Ide (T2 &T3)
Max Ellinghoven
Lars Olschinka (T3&T4)
ICT Supervisor..... Liam O'Neill
Caretaker..... Miles Blair
Groundsman Neville Rowlands

Cleaners..... Suzie Broadfoot
Leah Horo
Head Chef Steve Muir
Second Chef Judy Kobza
Kitchen Hands Julie Johnson
Karyn Pui
Linda Purdie
Laundry Supervisor Marline Tohia
Laundry Assistant..... Sheree Callendar
Matron..... Briar Sutherland
Tuckshop Manager Amy Loveridge
Tuckshop Assistant..... Tracey Fenn (T1&T2)
Amanda Shotter T3&4)

Itinerant Music Staff

Jocelyn Beath
Susan Case
Phillip Cook
Robert Greenfield
Ross Halliday
Mike Harding
Amanda Henry
Stewart Maunder
Juliette Parker
Ken Sole
Robin Wells



College Staff 2017

Back Row: Maree Fleming, Gill Hurley, Pascale Joines, Briar Sutherland, Keri-Ann Barnard, James Rowland, Ronie Asi, Gurpreet Singh, Martin Dravitzki, Andy Cowie, Diana Blair, Marie Cocksedge, Sue Page
5th Row: Margie Smith, Estelle Meyer, Julia Butler, Karen Maclean, Bruce Lester, Kristel Gillespie, Christina Hermanns, Peter Smith, John Neeson, Kathryn Curd, Pam Low, Michelle Stevenson, Rae Sullivan-Brown
4th Row: Linda Purdie, Neville Rowlands, Jon Wilcox, Heta Smith, Sarah Beckett, Lana Rowland, Paula Corlett, Nick Taylor, Rodney Bishop, Max Ellinghoven, Joshua Morris, Tobias Wright, Kylie Read
3rd Row: Felix Wiegand, Taare Ruakere, Scott Crocker, Bryce Koch, Matt Cursons, Marc Gallagher, Mike Ingram, Guy Fisher, Mark Walsh, Mark Wales, Mark Sewter, Peter Cayzer, Matt Casey
2nd Row: Jeanne Marshall, Christel Chapman, Joan Coles, Jennifer Sheriff, Renee Woollaston, Marline Tohia, Suzy Broadfoot, Briana Matthews, Tina Dalliston, Mary Baker, Sally Laing, Robyn Wackrow, Monica Fenney, Ruth Marris
Front Row: Colleen Severinsen, Richard Doherty, Sally O'Neill, Andy Evans, Anna Zsigovits-Mace, Melinda Stevenson, Martin Chamberlain, Tim Stuck, Shintaro Kirkcaldie, Jane Aitken Connolly, Lauren O'Reilly, Matt Lash, Carol Land

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CHAIRPERSON

Our Board of Trustees has an important statutory role I am pleased to have the opportunity of presenting my annual magazine report. A very busy year draws to a close and it's an appropriate time to reflect on the "year that was", to reflect on the achievements of the past year and to add up how our lives have been affected by the events we have lived through, personally and together as a College.

It has been another busy and exciting year for the Board. It was an honour to be re-elected as Board Chair and I personally would like to thank all Board Members for their ongoing support and confidence in me.

We are very fortunate to have Brother Sir Pat Lynch from the De La Salle Brothers on the Board. His wealth of knowledge and experience cannot go unmentioned - thank you.

The role of Board Chair has meant that I have had cause to visit the College on a number of occasions throughout the year, and the aspect which is so apparent is the almost indescribably positive atmosphere within the College environment. That is undoubtedly fostered by the College's special character and the Lasallian ethos which pervades all the activities at the College.

That is positively reflected by the cheerfulness and courtesy of our students and has flowed through the College success in its academic, cultural and sporting activities.

The College can be very proud of the success being achieved on the academic front with results being better than schools of a similar size and decile ranking,

not only in Taranaki but New Zealand. Again while our results are good, there is still plenty of room for improvement. The NCEA structure which encompasses both internal and external components has many good qualities, but on the other side of the ledger, it can lead to a situation whereby the students only strive to "achieve" instead of striving for "excellence".

The College has no greater asset than its staff. What is expected of a member of the Francis Douglas Memorial College staff is more than at many schools, perhaps considerably more. But that is why most people have chosen to work here; that is the kind of people they are. They want to part of something that is better than the ordinary, and they know that such a place is created by the extraordinary efforts of its members. I thank them, and I congratulate them.

This attitude is seen nowhere more in the College than when its staff go the extra mile in reality. This is evident in the quality of teaching and caring that occurs day in and day out, the number of extra classes and many examples of spontaneous assistance that are offered. It is also shown in the breadth and quality of the co-curricular activities that are made possible because of the generosity of staff.

I know many families choose to enroll their sons here because of that. I know that the appreciation that many students show is instrumental in staff going that extra mile.

On the sporting and cultural front, we have had another outstanding year with too many achievements to be acknowledged in this report, but they are evident throughout this magazine. The College continues to grow in strength in its cultural aspects encompassing Music and the Arts.



Board of Trustees

- Left-Right:** Judy Hau (Proprietor's Rep), Sir Brother Patrick Lynch (Proprietor), Kathryn Curd (Staff Rep), Adam Boon (Parent Rep), Bridget Burke (Deputy Chairperson and Parent Rep), Corban Dravitzki (Student Rep), David Leuthart (Chairperson and Proprietor's Rep), Roland Chan (Parent Rep), Martin Chamberlain (Principal), Maree Fleming (Minute Secretary), Diana Blair (Business Manager)
- Absent:** Jack Kirifi (Parent Rep), Gail Riccitelli (Proprietor's Rep), Jocelyn Merwood (Parent Rep)

The mix of talents and abilities are obviously encouraged by the College staff without whom our students' successes would not occur.

The Sports Dinner and Awards night continues to be a fine tradition. This evening continues to grow in status. It is certainly a highlight for many boys and showcases the enormous sporting talent within the school.

This year I attended the Senior Prizegiving for the 10th time. It is truly a testament to the College for the outstanding achievements of our many students. The high standards achieved and the respect the boys show for each other, the College and their parents is second to none - "A Good College Man."

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank Martin, the Senior Management Team, the Teaching Staff, Administration Staff, Grounds Staff and those parents and others who have made 2018 another successful year for the College.

I would like to acknowledge Diana Blair our Business Manager for her effective financial stewardship and our Heads of Departments who so sensibly manage their budgets.

At Francis Douglas Memorial College we are blessed with the support of parents and fundraising work undertaken by the PTA. There are always many more projects than funds available, and the Board is most appreciative of the work put in by all parents and supporters of the College.

The College Board is comprised of a diverse group of proprietors and Parent Representatives, a Teacher Representative, a Student Representative, Business Manager and our excellent Principal. I acknowledge the willingness of Board Members to give up their personal time to attend to the effective governance of the College. A special thank you must go to my Deputy Chair, Bridget Burke, who has worked tirelessly behind the scenes throughout the year. To my fellow Board Members thank you for your dedication, contributions and support.

Finally on behalf of the Board I would like to wish Students, Staff and the Francis Douglas Memorial College Community all the best for the coming year.

It is a privilege to be part of this College which celebrates success but continually seeks ways in which to be better.

David Leuthart
Board of Trustees Chairperson

BOT STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE

Congratulations to Corban Dravitzki who has been elected by his peers to serve on the BOT for the next twelve months as the 2017/2018 representative. Corban replaces Wiremu O'Sullivan who has attended meetings and represented the student body during the 2016/2017 year.

Many thanks to Wiremu for his service and we wish him well for the future.



STUDENT COUNCIL



Student Council

- Back Row:** Felix Webby, Simon Kleinsman, Michael Theron, Xavier Kere-Rako
- Middle Row:** Dominic Coleman, Liam Matthews, Colin Campbell, Ben Leary, Jacob Crawford, Liam Turner, Darryl Smith, Thomas Hadley
- Front Row:** Jake Maclean, Amos Pease, Adam Johnston, Jacob Clement, Sreeram Murugaiyen, Andre Cronin, Nwofor, Max Dowd, George Bish, Ollie Lovell
- Absent:**

PTA

I would just like to let everyone know that our Gala day this year was a fantastic success, achieving a net surplus of \$36,000 on the day. This was due to the efforts of many people, including sponsors and local businesses who donated some wonderful prizes, and students, teachers and parents who gave up their time to come along and help out on the day.

The money raised allowed the College to purchase equipment not already provided by the schools main income stream.

This year we purchased:

- A mini bus at a cost of \$27,000 (50% with hostel = \$54,000)
- Lockers at a cost \$4,000
- Drinking fountains \$3,800
- Coaches jackets \$1,000
- Waka Ama equipment \$5,100
- Additional lockers \$3,500
- Beekeeping equipment \$1,000
- Cooking equipment for Health classes \$1,200

The mid-year raffle was also a big success. A special thank you to Carol Dravitzki who managed the raffle from start to finish - we raised approximately \$9,500. A big thank you too to all of our families and friends for selling that amount of raffle tickets - well done. The total of these combined fundraising efforts for the 2017 calendar year was \$45,000 which was donated to the College proprietors.

A big thank you to Martin and Lauren O'Reilly for making themselves available to the PTA. They both provide a valuable link for our group by keeping us up to date with what's going on at the College.

I would also like to pay a very special thanks to all of our PTA committee members. You have all worked very hard this year and contributed a lot of your time coordinating the Gala Day, helping out at the Swimming Sports, Orientation Evening and at other various PTA activities held throughout the year.



Individual acknowledgement is given to Catherine Donlan (Secretary), Helen Bernet (Treasurer), and Michelle Bent (our Facebook Coordinator).

Helen Bernet will stand down as treasurer at the end of this year. Thanks Helen for your contribution and looking after our financials for the year.

Remember to keep the 24th of March free next year for our annual Gala Day. The Day has never lost its charm and appeal, nor its significance or importance to our community. It is a tradition that spans many generations and in an ever-changing world our local Gala Day remains a constant that brings the whole community together. So come along and enjoy the surprise rides, Face Painting, Market Garden Stalls, Book Sale, Cake Stall, Drown the Clown, quick fire raffle and of course our amazing food court and its many stalls. This is a fantastic community day and social occasion, and a great way of meeting up with other parents, teachers and friends.

If there are any parents out there that you know of who are new to our College community bring them along to one of our PTA meetings. We meet on the first Monday of every month in the College Boardroom at 7.00pm. What's involved? A couple of hours a month - yes that's it. Being involved helping at our PTA fundraising events helps you get to know your boys' teachers better and understand the way the College works and all the problems, challenges and joys they find in their work.

Finally, I would like to say a special thank you to Lauren O'Reilly our departing Teacher Representative and Gala Co-ordinator. Lauren has been a key player coordinating our activities and her contribution over the last couple of years has helped our Gala Day become the success it is today.

I wish you all the very best for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Bruce Forrest
PTA Chairman



STAFF CHANGES

2017 has again seen some changes in the College staffing.

We welcomed new staff members, Peter Cayzer (Physics and Science), Paula Corlett (Year 7 Homeroom Teacher), Kristel Gillespie (Teachers' Aide), Shintaro Kirkcaldie (HOD Mathematics) and Sally Laing (Technology) at the beginning of the year.



Peter Cayzer



Paula Corlett



Kristel Gillespie



Shintaro Kirkcaldie



Sally Laing

In Term Two Ross MacNicol retired at the end of the first week and Joan Coles at the end of the following week. Between them they had given nearly forty years of passionate service to our school. Ross was Head of Social Sciences and Joan was the Head of Junior Religious Studies. Because of their inimitable styles and passion for their craft, Joan and Ross will be remembered by many students present and past, for years to come. We wish them well as they pursue other paths.

With the departure of these two staff members, two part-time staff members were appointed. James List and Aimee Watkins joined the staff in Term Two.

At the end of the 2017 school year we farewelled more staff than usual, due to retirement, travel and repatriation. Ruth Marris departed after 19 years, and had served the Francis Douglas Memorial College community as Teacher in Charge of Languages and Year 12 Dean. Ruth will now have joined her husband Richard, who retired last year, in sunny Nelson and we wish them well in their new home, for planned travel, and a long and happy retirement together.

Neil Imrie is a gifted teacher who is leaving the profession after 13 years with us, and is off to campervan through Europe. No doubt he will be back to regale us with amusing anecdotes concerning his and Renee's travels. Renee Woollaston has a year's leave and we wish them safe travels in 2018.

Jenny Sheriff has taught as a Junior Homeroom teacher and served as the Year 7 Dean in her time at the College. She will also be retiring from teaching. We wish her every happiness in the years ahead.

Jon Wilcox is returning to his home on the other side of the globe to be closer to family. He will have the unusual title of Depute Principal in a school in the Orkney Isles. Jon will be sadly missed as the Agriculture Teacher at the College, and the boys will miss the other passions he relished sharing with them such as skiing and surfing. The Orkney Isles look beautiful with clear seas and bountiful supplies of seafood. No doubt there will be some unpopulated quality breaks to enjoy as well. We wish Jon, Lindsay and family all the best.

Louise Pease has served as Assistant Librarian and is moving on to other opportunities in 2018. She will be sadly missed by Sue (Librarian), the staff and students as she was always helpful and innovative.

Sally Laing and James List have enabled the College to deliver Technology and Social Science programmes this year. We wish them well and thank them for their skills which they contributed in the classroom and wider community at Francis Douglas Memorial College.







FDMC GALA DAY

Our Gala on April 1st turned up trumps once again. Our PTA members, staff, students and parents worked on our behalf to ensure festivities lived up to our famous traditional reputation. Trading takings on the day exceeded \$33,000 and was used to help purchase school equipment. Many thanks to our very generous sponsors. Next year's event is scheduled for 24 March.



DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES

OUR SPECIAL CHARACTER AND CHARISM

We are very blessed to be able to offer our students many opportunities throughout the year to be involved in activities relating to our Catholic Character and our Lasallian Charism. In preparation for leadership roles our Year 12s are given the opportunity to attend a Young Catholic Leaders Camp which is run by the Palmerston North Diocese and takes place in the Pohangina Valley. This week long camp was attended by Dawson Webber, Bodie Butler, Thomas Morgan and Joseph Bernet. On arrival all the students generally congregate in their school groups, looking very awkward but by the time they are picked up they are a cohesive group of friends who spend an inordinate amount of time farewelling each other while their van drivers wait for the fond farewells to finish.

Early January 2017 and our four leaders, Head Boy Matthew O'Connell, Lasallian Youth Captain Daniel Chow, Deputy Head Boy Dawson Webber and Head Boarder Shamus Hurley-Langton were on their way to Collaroy in Sydney for the annual Lasallian Youth Leaders' gathering. Their week was spent bonding with their fellow Lasallians from our Lasallian schools in Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Australia and New Zealand. This camp is a highlight for the Student Leadership Team and they spend some time during the camp planning their strategies for the coming year. It was a pleasure to see the way Matthew, Daniel and Dawson worked together throughout the year in their respective leadership roles.

In February Br Lewis Harwood, the Director of Mission at De La Salle Mangere, made his Final Profession. This was a wonderful occasion and we are truly blessed to have Br Lewis working here in New Zealand. Br Lewis was born and raised in Australia but has been based in Auckland with the Brothers for several years and chose to make his Final Profession in the community he has come to love and cherish. It was a privilege to be present for this auspicious occasion.



Daniel Chow, our Lasallian Youth Captain, initiated a gathering of senior students from our three New Zealand Lasallian Schools interested in being involved in strengthening our Catholic Character and Lasallian Charism within the student body of our respective

schools. This took place in May following the Founder's Day celebration at De La Salle Mangere. We travelled to Auckland on the Thursday, attended De La Salle's Founder's Day celebrations on the Friday, then drove to Rotorua where we were billeted by students at John Paul College. On Saturday morning the students gathered together in the Multi Purpose Centre at John Paul College where they spent the day discussing the Five Core Values of Lasallian Education and how they as Lasallian Leaders could bring these to life in their own schools. It was a very productive day interspersed with fun team building activities. We finally arrived back in New Plymouth late Saturday evening.



O'Shea Shield is a literary competition held every year in the Dioceses of Wellington and Palmerston North. The students participate in a variety of events and are well prepared by the generous staff who give many hours to this event. This year Mrs Sally O'Neill's team of David Codd, Dominic Coleman and Ben Leary won the Religious Questions event and came home with a cup.

Francis Douglas Memorial College moved up the points table to improve on their placing from 2015. Well Done to our Debaters - Tomi Karasawa, Daniel Chow and James Avey, Scripture Reader - Corban Dravitzki, Impromptu Speaker - Caylem Cook, Te Reo Scripture Reader - Titan Cook, Junior Speech - Samuel Hudson, Oratory - Bailey Kuklinski, Drama Team - Bailey Thompson, Dawson Webber, Ethan Webber, Felix Webby and Thomas Hadley and of course our Religious Questions Team.



A very big thank you to the staff who spent time guiding the boys to enable them to compete to the best of their ability - Mr Martin Chamberlain, Mrs Pascale Joines, Mrs Sally O'Neill, Mrs Ruth Marris, Mrs Renée Woollaston, Mrs Joan Coles and Mr Taare Ruakere.

At the end of 2016 we farewelled Mr Peter Costello from Francis Douglas Memorial College and the RE

The Core Values of our Catholic Lasallian School

Faith in the Presence of God
We value the living presence of God in our world.

Inclusive community
We value a united community where diversity is respected, where no one is left out and everyone is accepted so each person can grow.

Respect for All Persons
We value the dignity, worth and gifts of each person.

Quality Education
We value an education that prepares students for life.

Concern for the Poor and Social Justice
We value a sensitivity and response to people who suffer from the effects of poverty and injustice.

St John Baptist de La Salle, pray for us. Live Jesus in our hearts forever.



Department, into his retirement. In May of 2017 Mrs Joan Coles followed him along the same path but neither of them have been sitting in their armchairs watching the world go by. Peter is training to be a Spiritual Director in between his travels around the world and Joan has once again joined Br Bill Firman in South Sudan. We continue to keep them both in our thoughts and prayers. They gave many years of service to a multitude of boys and their families at the College.

Francis Douglas Memorial College is a wonderful environment in which young boys grow up to become young men and then move on into the rest of their lives. Wherever they go they always carry with them the Brotherhood they developed during their time at the College. They learn to be inclusive, to be generous with their time and their possessions, they learn skills and knowledge, they learn to respect themselves and others and finally they learn that no matter where they go or what they experience they are always in the Holy Presence of God. These Five Core Values are the mainstay of life at FDMC and we send our young men off into the world knowing that they are good College Men.

May this Christmas Season be a blessing for you all and your families.

St John Baptist De La Salle Pray for Us
Live Jesus in our Hearts Forever

Anna Zsigovits-Mace
Director of Religious Studies
HoD Religious Studies
Lasallian Facilitator



LASALLIAN SERVICES

It has been another great year of service from the Year 10 community at FDMC. This year small groups of students have volunteered at various organisations each week, continuing our relationships with Riding for Disabled, Waiwhakaiho Hospice Shop, St Vincent De Paul, New Plymouth Foodbank, the Department of Conservation and Marfell Kindergarten. This year we also added the New Plymouth Mountain Bikers' Club to our service rotation.

Our major project this year has been the Purangi Kiwi Reserve, where each Year 10 core class has spent a day helping to establish a wetlands area, as part of the East Taranaki Environment Trust's goal to strengthen the population of the North Island Western Brown Kiwi. This has involved a lot of clearing of trees and shrubs, benching of tracks, and the building and installation of boardwalk. During these visits the students have also helped with other tasks such as fencing, burning green waste, clearing slips and tackling sheep! The experiences have been wide, varied and rich.

Every visit to Purangi has been well-supported by the East Taranaki Environment Trust, who have always had a team of adult volunteers there to help guide the boys in their service tasks. The volunteers have demonstrated great patience with your sons, as they have shown them how to dig post holes, ram posts, hold a hammer, saw wood, cut steps into a track, lop branches and shovel dirt, amongst many other incidental and invaluable little life lessons. I thank them for their patience and willingness to work with us, as well as their conviction to a very worthwhile cause close to the hearts of many New Zealanders.

There are a couple of public walks available at Purangi, so feel free to take your sons to revisit the area and let them show you the impact that they have had on this project.

I look forward to another year of service in 2018 with the new Year 10 cohort, and hope that as your sons move into Year 11, some of them remember how validating it can be to give of your time in service to your community and continue to serve others.

Tina Dalliston
Lasallian Outreach Coordinator

PUBLIC SERVICE

Mr Chamberlain was proud to receive this from Bob Goodyear - President of New Plymouth Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society:

"The New Plymouth Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society organised a stocktake at the Warehouse New Plymouth on Friday 27 and Saturday 28 January and we raised an amazing \$2,248.02 which will go

to fund the Community Meals we are running every Thursday evening in Saint Joseph's Church Hall.

I would personally like to thank Benjamin Zeylemaker, Dawson Webber, Daniel Chow, David Codd, Jarrod Walsh, Matthew O'Connell, Mitchell Pelham and Shamus Hurley-Langton for their contribution in making the event so successful for us. We couldn't have done it without them. They are a fine example of Christian spirit and a credit to your College."

This was another example of our College men being actively involved in the wider community and enacting the Lasallian values of FSC - Faith, Service and Community.

LASALLIAN SERVICE - SHARE THE MISSION

We all live in a bountiful place and it is important that our students are encouraged to reflect on the plight of others and give some of what they have in abundance, so that others' burdens may be eased. Fine examples of such sacrifice are Daniel Wells and William Peters who have devoted all of 2017 to the Lasallian cause becoming 'Share the Mission' volunteers in Australia, along with volunteers from other Lasallian schools who have been placed in Australia, Papua New Guinea or New Zealand.

Daniel is working in a boarding school for indigenous students in Perth, and William is at Oakhill College in Sydney.



Daniel Wells



William Peters

SPARKY THE KIWI

The East Taranaki Environment Trust arranged for Sparky to visit Taranaki with the Centre founder, Robert Webb. ETET offered to bring Sparky to the College as a way to acknowledge the service our Year 10 students have been providing at the Purangi Kiwi Reserve. 10R and 10G helped to clear bush, bench tracks and build sections of board walk, which will be fitted to the tracks in future visits. The other Year 10 classes helped out with similar work in Terms 3 and 4.

Sparky was rescued from a possum trap when he was just two months old. One leg had to be amputated which prevented him from returning to the wild, so he



has remained in the care of the Whangarei Native Bird Recovery Centre Inc.

Students and teachers alike enjoyed this chance to interact with such an iconic aspect of New Zealand's identity and we look forward to the future contributions we can make to the good work being undertaken at Purangi by ETET. MEMORIAL COLLEGE 7 JULY 2017.

Tina Dalliston
Lasallian Services Coordinator

BLOOD DONORS

Our thanks go to the senior students who donated to the New Zealand Blood Service on Wednesday 26 July: Ben Koch, Harry Koch, Josh McLeod, Bradley van Beers, Jesse Gudopp, Diarmaid McCarthy, Dominic Coleman, Dylan Bines, Ethan McLeod, Jackson Hiestand, Jordan Mills, Ollie Lovell, Tom le Fleming and Matt Irvine.

Martin Chamberlain accompanied our students and also donated blood. Based at St Andrews Presbyterian Church, the NZBS campaign ran for four days last



week. On the day that our students donated, FDMC represented approximately 20% of the donations, contributing a total of 17 units of blood. With each unit potentially saving three lives, that's more than 50 people directly affected by the generosity of these students, and many more grateful family and friends.

Thanks again to these students for putting themselves forward for this valuable service.

Tina Dalliston
Lasallian Outreach Coordinator

ANZAC REMEMBRANCE

ANZAC morning was mild and moving. The parade gathered at the cenotaph on Egmont Street as is the tradition. It was good to be joined by our student leaders, two of them in the marching band, as we laid our wreath of remembrance with the other gathered New Plymouth schools, staff and student representatives who were there to support the veterans, families and members of the community as we respectfully remembered the acts of bravery of the men and women who fought in the ANZAC forces. We shall remember them.





MISSION ACTION DAY

MAD day was once again a high point in our school's year. It began with the liturgy to remember Father Francis Vernon Douglas which was then followed by the House Singing Competition which is always hotly contested. Mary Williams and Margaret Hurley judged the performances. Each house had to sing the Hymn to the Founder and then perform their chosen song. With Benildus 'Hooked on a Feeling', La Salle singing Neil Diamond's 'Sweet Caroline', Loreto wondering 'Why does Love do this to Me' and Solomon blasting out 'Hey Baby, Baby' the judges' decisions were not going to be easy. However, timing, accompaniment, tuning and the lack of the aforementioned, came in to play. La Salle had won this event last year and this year had to succumb to a Solomon win which was aided by Sean Mosquera's solo rap, and was well deserved.

Several of the College's musical groups performed at a short showcase before the sponsored walk began to raise funds for Malkhanwala Lasallian school in Pakistan. Reuben Chan opened with his classical guitar playing and this was followed up with 'Fusion' playing two of their competition pieces, the Latin Band 'Suave' entertaining with two songs and the Year 11 class bands playing two David Bowie standards - 'Golden Years' and 'Fashion', before Dylan Bines closed the performance section with his electric guitar.

The fundraising walk followed with the traditional sausage lunch. Mrs Dalliston did extremely well to promote this event and thanks to Mr Heta Smith, the property staff, Art Department and Speedy Signs for the pizza barometer which was used to inspire the students and helped them to visualise the level of sponsorship pledged.



LASALLIAN YOUTH CAPTAIN

Let us remember that we are always in the Holy Presence of God.

Identity. It defines us, it shapes us into the people we want to be. From the moment we entered the College, we were handed a crest which we proudly accepted. With this we claimed part of our identity. That crest bears names and symbols of three outstanding role models and men of character who we can look to for inspiration. Three men who never met but who were motivated by the same thing, God.

"Francis Douglas Memorial College."

Father Francis Vernon Douglas, a local Kiwi bloke who lived in the same time as our grandparents were growing up, was assumed to be killed at the hands of the Japanese because he refused to divulge knowledge shared to him under the confessional vow. His work as a Priest put his life at risk, but it was a risk that he chose. A fairly normal Kiwi man whose life was nothing short of extraordinary - a reminder that we are capable of legendary things.

"DLS"

St John Baptiste de La Salle whose concern for the poor and vulnerable of his society led to the formation of revolutionary schools based on the education of those in most need of it. However, his motivation to do this was not merely based on a feeling- his action stemmed from the belief that 'education gave hope and opportunity for people to lead better lives of dignity and freedom' and also the 'plight of the poor who seemed so "far from salvation" either in this world or the next'.

"Christo Duce": the two words translate as "Christ" and "Leader". Our motto is 'with Christ as our Leader'. The man whom the two others modelled their lives from - Jesus Christ, who, in a historical sense changed the world, but we, as Christians believe he did and was much more.

What better person than Christ to be our leader?

My role this year has been a journey of identity.



Before the school year started, Matt, Dawson, Mr Stuck and I popped across the ditch to meet other student leaders from Lasallian schools in New Zealand, Australia, and Papua New Guinea. A week away in Collaroy, Sydney was a brilliant start to the year, meeting others in similar situations as ourselves and recognising that we were only one part of a larger, global community.

Attending the De La Salle College's Founder's Day was an inspiring experience, with the opportunity to witness how our brother Lasallian school celebrated the life of St John Baptiste de La Salle. From this I learnt that although our celebrations were different, they had the same focus on the life of our founder and both were equally awesome.

The opportunity to attend a Lasallian Youth Leaders' training day at John Paul College, Rotorua, aided in gaining ideas as to how to go about being and leading the LYL group at FDMC. Staying the night billeted with an awesome family, Tomi, Corban and I had an enjoyable experience and this reminded me of the Lasallian spirit of community in which this family would open itself up to a bunch of complete strangers, who wore the most interesting socks...

After a one year break from the Lasallian Youth Leaders being active in the College, it was my hope that this amazing initiative could be reinstated and sustained. Half a minute's speech in a Term 1 assembly granted by Mr Chamberlain, gave me the opportunity to set this goal in motion. In response, a fun-loving and service oriented group of seniors answered the call to form the 20 odd brotherhood of the Lasallian Youth Leaders (LYLs) for 2017. These dedicated lads would give generously of their time and efforts in the service for others, and in fellowship. Meetings every Wednesday during form-time in the Chapel were planned, but, as I learned in Year 11 English, "the best laid plans of mice and men oft go awry" and various meetings and bookings of the Chapel throughout the year meant that many meetings were postponed, or were held outside the Chapel when blessed with good weather.

On the celebration of Founder's Day, the LYLs were presented with their badges in front of the school community. This was a defining moment and it helped us to validate our positions.

At the invitation of Maureen Hook, the deacon of St Chad's, the LYLs were scheduled leaders at the School Holiday Programme at the church during the two weeks of the July school holidays. Their generous donation of time was much appreciated and their contribution was very impressive.

Members of this group were involved in many events throughout the year, including helping at the Special Children's Extravaganza, school services, helping with the Caritas Challenge, fundraising for Kimi Ora and leading at school holiday programmes. For their

outstanding exemplification of the value of service, they must be recognised. Thanks guys for your contribution and being solid lads.

The Caritas Challenge was held in the College again after a break in 2016. A small group of senior boys travelled to Palmerston North for the Caritas Justice Leadership day, where the work of Caritas in the Kiribati Islands was discussed and we met other student leaders from schools around the Palmerston North diocese. From this, we held a day of activity rotations for the Year 7 and 8 students in support of Caritas' work in the Kiribati Islands. Over \$800 was raised from this event and the boys did an extraordinary job handling their rotations and ensuring the smooth running of the day.

A big thank you must be expressed for Mrs Mace's and Mrs Dalliston's support. This was a year of transition and massive change, with the previous Lasallian Coordinator, Mr Peter Costello departing. This has meant that Mrs Dalliston has had to step up to fill the vacant position and she has done so commendably. For Mrs Mace's support of the LYL's activities and her continuing contribution to the enhancement of the special Catholic Character of the College, a massive thank you and mention is appropriate.

For the student support in my role, thanks to my long time friend and Prefect David Codd for his work beside me this year and all previous years when I have 'volunteered' him for various events. Thanks must also go to the 2017 Deputy Head Boy, Dawson Webber for his support this year in the organising and delegation of jobs to the LYL's. Thanks guys!

All this is only a small part of a year long journey and that in turn, is only a small part of my seven year life at the College. The special character of the College is summarised in the mission statement of the school:

"Francis Douglas Memorial College exists to educate students for life. It is a place where people share the Good News of Jesus Christ within a Catholic environment and in keeping with the courageous spirit of Father Francis Douglas and the Lasallian tradition."

The prayers we say, the traditions we hold, and the values and attitudes we promote within the College come from this statement. The College often speaks of forming 'men of character'- this is part of educating us for life. It may not be now, it may not be for a long time, but it will be in those days where you ask the big questions that define you in life, searching for identity and meaning.

I stepped into the prestigious role of the Lasallian Youth Captain of the College with great enthusiasm, but with little to no idea of what I was actually to do and what my identity was. The realisation has come to me that I had only needed to look to the courage of Fr Francis Vernon Douglas, the devotion of St John Baptiste de

La Salle, and the perfection of Christ, and try to lead by their values and reflect this in my role.

The uninhibited pride that comes from our crest stems from the pride in the people this school was modelled after. This is part of our unique special character. For this, I am proud and privileged to have been Lasallian Youth Captain of Francis Douglas Memorial College for 2017.

St John Baptist de La Salle- Pray for us
Live Jesus in our hearts- Forever

Daniel Chow
Lasallian Youth Captain

CAMP LA SALLE

The beginning of the October holidays always brings about an air of excitement at Francis Douglas Memorial College as we prepare to join with our two Brother Lasallian Schools for Camp La Salle. This camp is held from the first Sunday to Wednesday catering for approximately 25 Year 7 boys with a further 10 to 15 Year 12 helpers.

Camp this year was hosted by John Paul College in Rotorua and a fabulous time was had by all. The first day was a day of service where we went out to the Tyburn Monastery and moved firewood for the Sisters. This hard work was rewarded with a swim in the Hot Pools before returning to Kearoa Marae for a well deserved dinner.

Day Two was a fun day lugging, visiting historic Rotorua sites and walking through the Redwood Forest. By the time we left the following morning strong bonds of brotherhood had been forged between all those who participated in this camp. This is a wonderful experience which will be repeated next year with a new group of boys and hosted here at Francis Douglas Memorial College.

Anna Zsigovits-Mace



FOUNDER'S DAY

A group of Lasallian Youth Leaders - Daniel Chow, James Avey, Ollie Lovell, Tomi Karasawa, Rory Maxwell, Bailey Kuklinski, Corban Jones and Teagan Wilson, travelled to De La Salle Mangere to join in their Founder's Day celebrations. We spent time in classrooms before celebrating Mass and then being thoroughly entertained at the concert.

At the end of the day the statue of St John Baptist de La Salle was processed through the school to the Chapel. Tomi Karasawa was part of the official carrying party and on arrival Corban and Rory wanted a turn too!

We then travelled to John Paul College in Rotorua where we were treated to their production of "In the Woods."

Saturday morning saw us back at JPC for a workshop on Lasallian Youth Leadership. Twenty students from the three schools spent the day learning about the Five Core Values of our Lasallian Schools and have returned to their respective schools with a new understanding of their roles as Lasallian Youth Leaders, filled with enthusiasm for the rest of the year.

Anna Zsigovits-Mace
Director Religious Studies



JOHN PAUL COLLEGE'S FOUNDER'S DAY

I had the pleasure of travelling with Jeanne Marshall, Matthew O'Connell, Bodie Butler and Keegan Lindsay to Rotorua to attend the John Paul College Founder's Day Mass or JPC Day. We were kindly hosted by students and teachers of the College.

The Founder's day's events consisted of a school Mass celebrated by the Bishop, a dance party, games, Zorb balls, haunted house, sponge and cream pie throwing, 90's themed 'dress ups' and a concert to top it all off! The day was primarily run by the JPC Year 13's and there was a great feel to the celebration.

In addition to sharing the day with the John Paul College community the student leaders from De La Salle Mangere with their Deputy Principal, Dermot English and Brother Adrian were there too. The celebration was extra special as it marked 30 years since John Paul College had been formed from amalgamating Edmund Rice and Mary MacKillop Colleges.

We enjoyed spending time with our sisters and brothers in the Lasallian community here in New Zealand.

Christina Hermanns

LASALLIANS IN AUSTRALIA

During the school holidays, Dominic Coleman, Ben Leary, Ethan Webber, James Avey and Nathaniel Peters set off to Sydney with their teacher Miss Beckett to take part in the 2017 Lasallian Youth Gathering (LYG). Lasallian schools from Australia, Pakistan and New Zealand also attended.

There was an attendance of around 250 students. Upon arrival we checked into the YHA which is located in central Sydney. From there we took the train to Ashfield and walked to De La Salle Ashfield, which is the school where the majority of our events were held. We would repeat this routine for the next four days.

Each day consisted of new activities that would see us mixing with the public and students from other schools with activities such as workshops, speeches and service. We had many workshop options ranging from yoga to group discussions on life after LYG. We listened to speeches from Brothers and youth leaders who talked about their faith journey and what lead them to LYG.

The Youth Leaders then sent us out into the public to help however we could, doing things such as moving furniture out of shipping containers, gardening and helping within the community. We helped out the Disability Organisation in East Hills by spending a day at the park playing a few fun games, spending time and meeting new people.

On the final day of LYG a dinner was held to thank all staff and schools for making the event successful. Some flight delays made the trip home hard work but we were all happy to finally arrive back in Taranaki.

What we took out of this experience was the importance of community in general. We were surprised with the Faith, Service and Community Lasallian approach that each school had which made our College connect with them all. We are hoping to organise some more community focused events here at school, to promote all year levels and staff engagement. We would like to give back to the community with more service opportunities.

We are hoping in the future that all three Lasallian schools from New Zealand - FDMC, John Paul College Rotorua, and De La Salle Mangere, link up and do our own LYG which is exciting.

Nathaniel Peters

LEADERS' FUNDRAISER

It was wonderful to witness our senior students organisation of a quiz to raise funding for the Taranaki Retreat run by Jamie Allen and his wife Suzy. Jamie spoke eloquently of the need for places that can offer good care when people hit a wall with their mental health. Our students chose well in recognising a local need and giving of their time to support it as Good College Men.





INVESTITURE MASS

Our Leadership Dedication Mass on 16 February was once again a pleasant occasion where our chosen student leaders and their proud families felt well supported by a student body that used the occasion to reverently seek God's blessing on our school and its new leaders.

We were grateful for the support of Brothers Sir Patrick Lynch, Sashi Abrar and Adrian Watson who travelled to join us for this occasion at St. Joseph's Church. Our Parish Priest, Father Simon Story, sister school Principal, Paula Wells, and leading students from Sacred Heart Girls' College also lent their support.

HEAD BOY

It is crazy to think that in a matter of hours my journey at Francis Douglas will be over and a new stage of my life will begin. I am excited to think about what the future holds for me and the rest of the Leavers here today. But with this excitement also comes the sadness of having to leave the College. Never again will I get to wear this uniform that I have become so proud of and so proud of what it represents.

Three years ago I was told that if I wanted to be selected for the New Zealand Under 16 Basketball team I would need to change schools and move to Boys' High. It is not until you are faced with the possibility of having to get up and put on a grey shirt each day that you appreciate and value putting on the blue shirt. Even though at the time I really wanted to make the New Zealand team, for me the decision was easy; the sense of belonging and brotherhood that the College offered was much more important.

This sense of belonging and brotherhood stems from our school's unique and strong Lasallian ethos of faith, service and community. It is this special character that makes our school different - it creates a learning environment based on respect and values. The school quickly becomes your extended family and a safe environment to thrive and grow from a boy into a good College man.

Why being a good College man is important, was summed up by an 'old boy,' Richard Shaw, at our Academic Colours assembly earlier this year. Richard said, that any future employer is not necessarily looking for the brightest person, but instead is looking for people with open minds, who can make good decisions and who can think for themselves. So the Lasallian ethos of faith, service and community not only makes us good College men but it also makes us employable men.

A huge thanks to the teachers who encourage the College's special character through promoting success, diligence and most of all brotherhood. Thank you for your patience, passion for teaching, and support.

Our College is an amazing place and is an environment of opportunity and competitiveness, especially when it comes to House competitions. Like every other year the house competitions were as strong as ever, with no one house guaranteed an easy win.

Our first sporting event of the year was swimming sports, which to everyone's surprise, was taken out by Loreto for the first time in seven years due to the passionate leadership of Joe Burnett. Of course congrats must also go to the star of the day, Zac 'humble' Reid for taking out Senior Swimming Champion for his final performance at the College.

Next up was the all important athletics, which came down to the matter of a few points. Even though Zac Reid was out of the water, he still managed to lead La Salle to a well fought victory. As the day of athletics came to a close, a few boys had a "streak" of genius and decided to uphold an almost forgotten tradition.

Although Solomon had a quiet start to the year, Tobias managed to find a spark in the house and we ended up winning the house football and basketball. But even with this mammoth effort, Solomon couldn't quite separate itself from La Salle resulting in a first equal for sporting house of the year.

This year the 1st XI had an outstanding season being the first ever College football team to qualify in the top 16 for Nationals. The boys also came 23rd in the country and 5th in the Taranaki Men's League. Not to mention that the football team also beat rivals Boys' High three times throughout the season. Well done, boys.

The 1st XV has had a year of many highlights. To start the season off, the team had their first ever win against Wellington College. The first traditional match of the year was against Palmy Boys' High where they suffered a close loss causing some strong feelings towards a certain ref. We'll say no more. Later on in the year, the team punched above its weight beating a strong rugby school, St John's Hamilton. And let's not forget the historic comeback against St Peter's Cambridge to win 38-21 after being down 21-0 at halftime.

For the 1st V Basketball team, the season came to a close with two second places in the Men's Premier Reserve grade and the Taranaki Secondary Schools competition. I would personally like to thank Mr.





Cowie for putting up with me for the past 4 years and for putting in countless hours and commitment into College basketball. Mr. Cowie you are a legend.

Culture has always been an important part of this College and our cultural representatives have exceeded expectations this year. Whether it was at O'Shea Shield, Law Mooting or the Musical "Grease", the College spirit was upheld with pride and distinction. The College Shakespeare team pulled out a great performance at the Shakespeare regionals. This performance lead to Cultural Captain Thomas Hadley gaining the award for best actor and being selected for the Young Shakespeare Company which means he will travel to London next year to participate. I must also congratulate David Codd for being awarded Taranaki Young Musician of the year.

When I was first named as Head Boy, I was told countless times that this year would be one of my busiest but one of the most rewarding years of my life. This has truly been the case and I have enjoyed every minute of it. Being a leader has challenged me as a person and taught me some valuable lessons. It has been great to lead this year's Leadership Team and help contribute to this year's leadership charity, Taranaki Retreat. As a team we have managed to raise funds as well as provide service to the retreat by helping build a new 'man cave' for people at the retreat to use. It has been an honour to support and work with this charity which offers a place to talk and be listened to in a nonjudgmental way.

I would like to thank the Leadership Team for their support and would like to make a special thanks to my two right hand men this year, Dawson Webber and Daniel Chow. I would like to thank you both for the constant support and reminders of what I should be doing. These guys have done a lot behind the scenes and are great leaders. I would also like to thank Mr. Stuck for the help and guidance he has given to the Leadership Team.

For four of the years I spent here at the College, the boarding hostel was my second home. To my fellow hostel inmates - my brothers - thanks for the memories and thank you very much to all the hostel staff especially Mr. Heta Smith for creating a home away from home. It is not until you have lived at home with two sisters and my Mum's rules that you truly appreciate the hostel.

On that note I would like to thank my family - Gill and Simon, and my sisters Emma and Caitlin for being my biggest supporters. There is nothing like a dose of sisterly advice to keep you on the straight and narrow. Mum and Dad, although I don't always like to admit it, I couldn't have achieved what I have done without all of your love and encouragement.

To my Nana and Grandad thank you for being there for me. Nana, we appreciate your Meals on Wheels service and for your sewing skills and Grandad, thank you for your endless sense of humour. I am blessed to have such a supportive family. I would also like to mention my Grandma who peacefully passed away on Sunday. She was an amazing woman who had a very strong faith, devoted her life to serving others and somehow managed to effortlessly raise eight children. May she rest in peace.

I would like to give a huge thank you to Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Stuck, Mrs. Stevenson and the rest of the staff for creating this amazing environment of respect that goes beyond being any other average school. They say a school is only as good as its Principal: Mr. Chamberlain, you are a man of integrity, of high standards, and someone who I will respect for the rest of my life. We know that at times your job can be challenging, so we thank you for your resilience, your strength of character and for leading by example. To next year's leaders I wish you well in your year ahead.

Finally to this year's group of Year 13's, it has been an honour to spend the last five years with you all. I know I have made some lifelong friends and have some great memories I will never forget. It is an exciting thought to ponder where each of us will end up, whether it be Felix continuing to dominate the world of Croquet, Daniel and David performing in the big leagues for music or Mason for simply being massive. I am truly going to miss the banter and the overly competitive games of handball: Mozie, 'king', it was never for you, baby. We came, we learnt and now we leave to serve. I wish you all the best of luck in all that you do.

To those students we leave behind, remember school's a privilege and wearing our blue College uniform is an honour. May you all continue to wear it with pride.

Matthew O'Connell
College Head Boy 2017



REFLECTION LEAVERS' MASS

Held in the College Chapel at 9.00am on Thursday 2 November, the Mass was well attended by staff, parents and family, and the graduating Year 13 cohort. Father Simon Story officiated at the Mass and Chris Headey spoke from the student perspective, whilst Byron Reid spoke about the boys' performances and involvement from a parent's perspective. Both speeches were filled with emotion and resonated with us all. It is great to celebrate new beginnings but it is also hard to say farewell, especially when the boys have formed such tight relationships and experienced so much together. Thanks to both of these speakers for their honest sentiments.

Jenny Sheriff gave her speech from a staff perspective. She noted that she had begun her teaching at Francis Douglas Memorial College in the same year as many of these students had arrived in Year 7, and was leaving as they were graduating. Attached is her Leavers' Mass Speech.

Tena ra tatou katoa.

It's my absolute honour and privilege to be asked to speak to you young men today. I say young men for the first time, as I have been guilty of holding on to my visions of each one of you when you were in Year 7 & 8, when you were all sweet young boys, hungry for the knowledge and the experiences of the senior students.

You were so young, so small and so excited to be "College" students. As is the FDMC tradition, you were met at the gates by the College leaders and welcomed to your new community. You wore brand new uniforms, several sizes too large, your backpacks were groaning with the requisites for Year 7 classes, there were fresh haircuts and a number of anxious and teary parents witnessing this milestone in their son's growth. Seven years later, I am looking at young men on the threshold of a brand new adventure. In recent months - uniforms not so crisp and creased, five o'clock shadows have replaced the fresh-faced pre-teens, backpacks are nowhere near as bulging, and you are no longer small and expectant. Many of you are 6 ft tall or more, fit and bulked up, driving cars, working part-time, involved in a myriad of sporting, cultural and service activities and endeavouring to give of your very best academically.



We have a lot in common, you and I. We all started here on the 1st of February, in 2011, and we're all leaving this year. We have a shared history which I'll certainly never forget. I've enjoyed seven years of watching you grow from boys into men; tall, loud men with deep voices, superb manners, and always, always, a willingness to assist in mentoring the junior students. I thank you for your kindness and for your care of the Year 7 students in particular, this year, from the first handshake at the gate to the cheering on in swimming and athletics, and for the encouragement during Vertical Form times each week.

I'm immensely grateful for having had the experience of teaching at Francis Douglas. The students at this school are of exceptional character and talent; they excel in so many areas and they are well-loved by all the staff.

You have been an amazing year group. Your leaders have all been exceptional; I'm sure many more of this group could have been leaders too and I have never envied those who have the arduous task of choosing the Year 13 Leaders. I knew back in 2012 when I taught Future-Problem-Solving and I got to know Felix, Daniel, Thomas and co., that they would be incredibly high achievers and they've all lived up to those expectations. Others have also excelled in their chosen sports or cultural pursuits and it has been thrilling to hear about their achievements - I expect that will go on for many years - hearing about all your achievements in diverse fields.

Being a Dean is a bit like being a mother really - you feel so proud of your students and of course inwardly claim some of the credit for the way they have turned out. Parents, you must be so very proud of your sons!

In closing, I wish for you all: good health, happiness, successful careers and wonderful family lives in your future which lies ahead.

Na reira, ma te Atua koutou e manaaki, e tiaki, mo ake tonu. Kia ora koutou katoa.

Jenny Sheriff
Year 7 Dean





SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

SPECIAL AWARDS

The Hills Family Award for English	Hadley, Thomas
The LA Alexander Trust Award	Dwyer, Jonathan
The Leo Walsh Award for Economics	Webby, Felix
Lasallian Student Captain Trophy	Chow, Daniel
First in Media Studies	Smith, Jayden
Sports Captains Cup	Webby, Felix
Senior Cup for Geography	Church, Caelan
The Gaines Award for Study of Law	Headey, Chris
The Smith Family Award for History	Poles Smith, Sam
The Smith/Drinkwater Shield	Thompson, Bailey
Proxime Accessit 2017	Hadley, Thomas
Senior Cup for Mathematics with Calculus	Webby, Felix
Senior Cup for Statistics	McCook, Cobi
Senior Cup for Physical Education	Webber, Dawson
The Roger French Cup for Photography	Lock, Sam
The Moana Clothing Cup for Design	Lock, Sam
& Visual Communication	Waipoua-Bryers, Taiawhio
Tama Tu Tama Ora Award	O'Sullivan, Wiremu
The Margaret Wright Music Award	
The Daily News Award for Literary Excellence	Hadley, Thomas
The Butterworth Cup for Culture	Hadley, Thomas
The Michael Finnigan Award for Service to the College	Webber, Dawson
The Shell Todd Oil Services for Senior Science	Hadley, Thomas
	Hadley, William
	Miles, George
	Hadley, Thomas
The Wayne Kibby Memorial Cup	
Cultural Captain Cup	
The Margaret Fleming Trophy for Hostel Deputy Boy	Johnson, Samuel
The Butler Family Trophy for Head Boy	O'Connell, Matthew
Dux Award 2017	Webby, Felix
The Br Anthony Hawkins Memorial Trophy	Hurley-Langton, Shamus
The Peter Costello Trophy for Deputy Head Boy	Webber, Dawson
The St Cecelia Cup for Music	Codd, David
The Medicross Award for Biology	Hadley, Thomas
	Webby, Felix
	Chow, Daniel
The Kelly Endowment for Physics	Hadley, Thomas
The Br Bill Firman Cup for Religious Studies	Morgan, Thomas
The Moriarty Cup for Diligence	Dessing, Manuel
Senior Cup for Chemistry	
The Kirk Family Trophy for Technology	Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Isaac
	Chow, Daniel
The Kirifi Cup	Hutchins, Jack
Senior Cup for Painting	Webby, Felix
Sports Captain Cup	Chow, Daniel
Lasallian Student Captain	

ACADEMIC AWARDS YEAR 13

Avey, James	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication
	Diligence in Physics
Back, Patrick	Diligence in Agriculture & Horticulture
	Diligence in Visual Art - Photography
	Diligence in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Business Studies
Bradley, Cooper	Attainment in Physical Education Studies
Butler, Bodie	Diligence in Business Studies
Butler, Callum	Diligence in Correspondence Maths

Cathie, Josh	Attainment in Agriculture & Horticulture
Chapman, Robson	Attainment in Business Studies
Chow, Daniel	Attainment in Chemistry
	Attainment in Mathematics with Calculus
	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Biology
Church, Caelan	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in History
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Religious Studies
Codd, David	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in History
	Diligence in Correspondence Music
Cook, Caylem	Attainment in History
De Guzman, Kyle	Diligence in History
Dessing, Manuel	Diligence in Physics
Diamond, Ethan	Attainment in Business Studies
Dwyer, Jonathan	Attainment in Geography
	Diligence in Economics
	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
Garcia, Samuel	Attainment in Visual Art - Painting
Grayling, Campbell	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
	Attainment in Chemistry
	Attainment in Mathematics with Calculus
	Attainment in Physics
Hurley-Langton, Shamus	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication
	Attainment in Agriculture & Horticulture
Johnson, Samuel	Attainment in Physical Education Studies
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Religious Studies
Kunizaki, Yutaka	Attainment in Visual Art - Painting
	Attainment in Visual Art - Photography
	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
	Attainment in Mathematics - Applied
	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Physics
Miles, George	Diligence in Geography
Milner, Callum	Attainment in Media Studies
	Attainment in English
	Diligence in Visual Art - Photography
Morgan, Thomas	Attainment in Chemistry
	Attainment in Mathematics with Calculus
	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Physics
	Attainment in Biology
	Attainment in Religious Studies
Moriarty, Finbar	Attainment in Agriculture & Horticulture
	Diligence in Geography
O'Connell, Matthew	Attainment in Mathematics with Calculus
	Attainment in Physical Education Studies
	Attainment in Religious Studies
Pelham, Mitchell	Diligence in Geography
	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
Poles Smith, Sam	Attainment in Economics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
Quinn, Oisin	Attainment in Visual Art - Painting
	Attainment in Visual Art - Photography
	Attainment in Correspondence Art History
	Diligence in English
Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Isaac	Diligence in Media Studies
Reid, Zac	Attainment in Physical Education Studies
	Attainment in Religious Studies



Timarac, Aleksandar	Attainment in Geography
Tregoweth, Mitchell	Attainment in Visual Art - Painting
Waipoua-Bryers, Taiawhio	Diligence in Physical Education Studies
Walsh, Jarrod	Attainment in Geography
	Attainment in Physical Education Studies
	Attainment in Religious Studies
Walsiyen, Justin	Attainment in Digital Technology
	Diligence in Mathematics with Calculus
Webber, Dawson	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in History
	Attainment in Mathematics - Applied
	Diligence in Biology
Webby, Felix	Attainment in Chemistry
	Attainment in Physics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
Win, Aaron	Attainment in Mathematics with Calculus
	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Physics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Digital Technology
Zeylemaker, Benjamin	
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Geography
	Diligence in Physics

FIRST IN SUBJECT YEAR 12

Back, Michael	Agriculture/Horticulture
Barnard, David	PE Studies
Batchelor, James	Mathematics - Applied
Carruthers, Devin	Technology - Wood
Dessing, Manuel	Brother Tim Peter Cup - Religious Studies
	Biology
Evans, Tim	Design and Visual Communication
Kuklinski, Bailey	Geography
Leary, Ben	English
McKenzie, Quinn	Te Reo Maori
McLeod, Joshua	Chemistry
McNamara, Michael	Business Studies
Megaw, Samuel	Technology - Engineering
Moore, Malici	Outdoor Education
Murin, Pongpat	Mathematics
Murray, Nikolai	Economics
Sellwood, Jonah	Digital Technology
Silk, Benjamin	Physics
	History
Smith, Jayden	Media Studies
Turner, Liam	Visual Art - Painting
Webber, Ethan	Visual Art Photography
Wilson, Teagan	Accounting

ACADEMIC AWARDS YEAR 12

Allen, Matt	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Geography
	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication
Austin, Jonathan	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Physics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
Barnard, David	Diligence in Business Studies
Batchelor, James	Attainment in Economics
	Attainment in Accounting
Bines, Dylan	Diligence in Music
Blackman, Jack	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Business Studies
Bradley, Ben	Attainment in Physical Education

Brophy, Jarod	Attainment in Religious Studies
Bryan, Christopher	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture
Burnett, Fletcher	Diligence in History
Butler, Callum	Diligence in Agriculture/Horticulture
	Diligence in Visual Art - Painting
	Diligence in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Technology - Wood
Calder, Brodie	Attainment in Physical Education
Coleman, Dominic	Attainment in Physics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Digital Technology
	Diligence in Economics
Conley, Fergus	Diligence in English
Cook, Titan	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
Coombe, Jaron	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Chemistry
Evans, Tim	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication
Farrant, Jacob	Attainment in Visual Art - Painting
	Diligence in Physics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Biology
	Attainment in Technology - Engineering
	Attainment in Technology - Wood
Fleming, George	Attainment in English
	Diligence in Chemistry
Fletcher, Christian	Attainment in Chemistry
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Physics
	Diligence in Biology
	Diligence in ESOL
Fu, Kelvin	Diligence in Agriculture/Horticulture
Geater, Phoenix	Diligence in Visual Art - Painting
Herbert, Brayden	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
	Diligence in Outdoor Education
Heyen, Joel	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Mathematics
	Diligence in Geography
Hodges, Danyon	Attainment in History
Hughes, Luke	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Physics
	Diligence in Technology - Engineering
	Diligence in Outdoor Education
Kettle, Aidyn	Attainment in History
Kibby, Daniel	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Mathematics
Lamb, Zach	Attainment in Technology - Wood
Leary, Ben	Attainment in Biology
	Attainment in Religious Studies
Lovell, Ollie	Attainment in Visual Art - Photography
Maxwell, Rory	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Mathematics
	Diligence in Physics
McDonald, Jacan	Attainment in Technology - Engineering
McLeod, Joshua	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Biology
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Physics
McNamara, Michael	Attainment in Geography
Megaw, Samuel	Attainment in Physics
Meuli, Matthew	Attainment in Physical Education
Morris, Joshua	Attainment in Business Studies
	Diligence in Accounting
Murin, Pongpat	Diligence in ESOL

Murray, Nikolai	Diligence in Mathematics
	Diligence in Physics
	Diligence in Digital Technology
Murray, Pacey	Diligence in Visual Art - Photography
Neilson, Jakob	Attainment in Correspondence German
Harry Newman	Attainment in Religious Studies
O'Brien, Keanu	Diligence in Mathematics - Applied
O'Connor, Ollie	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Physics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Mathematics
Prosser, Cavaghn	Attainment in Physics
Sellwood, Jonah	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Digital Technology
	Attainment in Outdoor Education
	Attainment in Economics
	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Visual Art - Photography
	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Media Studies
	Attainment in Technology - Engineering
	Diligence in Mathematics
Van Beers, Bradley	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication
	Attainment in Business Studies
	Diligence in Visual Art - Photography
	Diligence in Digital Technology
	Attainment in Geography
Vertongen, Jesse	Diligence in English
Webber, Ethan	Diligence in Chemistry
	Diligence in Mathematics
	Attainment in Physical Education
Webber, Tyler	Diligence in History
West, Ben	Attainment in Technology - Engineering
Weston, Mathew	Attainment in Technology - Wood
	Attainment in Mathematics
Wilson, Teagan	Attainment in Physics
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Diligence in ESOL
	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture
	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication

FIRST IN SUBJECT YEAR 11

Barrett, Declan	Visual Arts
Campbell, Colin	Accounting
	Economics
Hadley, William	English
Kere-Rako, Xavier	Te Reo Māori
Kleinsman, Simon	Brother Peter Bray Cup Religious Studies
	Mathematics - First Equal
	Science
	History
	Geography
	Design and Visual Communication
	Physical Education
Matthews, Liam	Mathematics - First Equal
Ropitini, Vince	Music
	Media Studies
Smith, Darrell	

Sybrandy, Jay	Digital Technology
Walton, Liam	Technology Engineering
Ward, Konrad	Materials Technology Wood
	Year 11 Agriculture
ACADEMIC AWARDS YEAR 11	
Adams, Blair	Attainment in Visual Art
Amory, Bertrand	Attainment in History
	Diligence in Digital Technology
	Attainment in English
Barrett, Declan	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Accounting
	Attainment in Music
	Diligence in Science
Borsje, Tomas	Attainment in Mathematics
	Diligence in Correspondence Japanese
Borst, Ethan	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture
	Diligence in Technology - Wood
Brophy, Logan	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture
Brown, Reuben	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Music
Campbell, Colin	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Science
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in History
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture
	Diligence in Geography
	Attainment in Physical Education
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in History
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Digital Technology
	Diligence in Mathematics - Internal
	Diligence in Music
	Diligence in Physical Education
	Diligence in Te Reo Maori
	Attainment in Science
	Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Media Studies
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in History
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Geography
	Attainment in Physical Education
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Science
	Diligence in Science
	Diligence in Physical Education
	Diligence in Physical Education
	Diligence in English
	Diligence in Applied Science
	Diligence in Physical Education
	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture
	Attainment in Science
	Attainment in History
	Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Geography
	Diligence in Physical Education
Haslip, Jayden	Attainment in English
Henderson, Simon	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture
	Attainment in Technology - Engineering
	Diligence in Te Reo Maori
Howell, Isaac	Attainment in Physical Education
Johnsen, Theo	Attainment in Mathematics
Johnson, Samuel	Attainment in Religious Studies





Johnston, Jeremy	Attainment in Religious Studies	Attainment in Economics	
	Attainment in Geography	Attainment in History	
	Diligence in Media Studies	Attainment in Religious Studies	
Jones, Mason	Attainment Mathematics	Attainment in Geography	
	Attainment in Economics	Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Jacob	
	Attainment in Religious Studies	Diligence in Media Studies	
Joyce, Kris	Diligence in Science	Diligence in Mathematics - Internal	
Kere-Rako, Xavier	Attainment in Technology - Engineering	Attainment in Visual Art	
	Attainment in Science	Attainment in Religious Studies	
	Attainment in Mathematics	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication	
	Attainment in Media Studies	Diligence in Science	
Kestle, Jamie	Attainment in Religious Studies	Sarten, Lucas	Attainment in Digital Technology
	Diligence in Accounting	Seed, Ethan	Diligence in Physical Education
	Diligence in Economics	Sisarich, Matthew	Attainment in Technology - Engineering
Kleinsman, Simon	Attainment in English	Skvor, Corey	Attainment in English
	Attainment in Geography		Attainment in Science
Koch, Ben	Diligence in Physical Education		Attainment in Mathematics
Krutz, Jack	Diligence in Physical Education		Attainment in History
Langton, Ethan	Attainment in Accounting		Attainment in Religious Studies
	Attainment in Physcial Education	Skvor, Reece	Attainment in Science
	Attainment in English		Attainment in Mathematics
le Fleming, Tom	Attainment in English		Diligence in English
	Attainment in Mathematics	Smith, Darrell	Attainment in Science
	Attainment in Religious Studies		Attainment in Mathematics
	Attainment in Geography		Attainment in Religious Studies
Lehrke, Henri	Attainment in Visual Art		Attainment in Geography
	Attainment in Religious Studies		Diligence in English
	Attainment in Religious Education	Soffe, Cole	Diligence in Accounting
	Diligence in English	Stewart, Olivier	Attainment in Geography
	Diligence in Design and Visual Communication		Diligence in Mathematics
		Sybrandy, Jay	Attainment in Science
Lichtwark, Bradley	Diligence in Mathematics - Internal		Attainment in Digital Technology
	Diligence in Applied Science		Diligence in Mathematics
Liu, Lewis	Diligence in ESOL	Theron, Michael	Attainment in Science
Lovegrove, James	Attainment in Agriculture/Horticulture		Attainment in Mathematics
	Diligence in English		Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Technology - Wood		Diligence in Economics
Loveridge, Joshua	Diligence in Agriculture/Horticulture	Thomas, Rohan	Attainment in Science
MacLeod, Tahanga	Attainment in Music		Attainment in Mathematics
Mason, Cillian	Diligence in Physical Education		Attainment in Religious Studies
	Diligence in Technology - Engineering	Tsujimoto, Soichiro	Diligence in Accounting
Matthews, Liam	Attainment in Science		Diligence in Mathematics
	Attainment in Visual Art	Turner, Ethan	Attainment in Geography
	Diligence in Geography		Attainment in Physcial Education
McCarthy, Diarmaid	Attainment in Science	Walton, Liam	Diligence in English
	Attainment in Mathematics		Diligence in Science
	Attainment in History		Diligence in Technology - Engineering
	Attainment in Religious Studies	Ward, Konrad	Attainment in Technology - Wood
	Diligence in English		Attainment in Mathematics - Internal
McCook, Blane	Diligence in English		
	Attainment in English		
	Attainment in Science		
	Attainment in Religious Studies		
	Diligence in Geography		
McGrory, Jadeim	Diligence in Design and Visual Communication		
McLeod, Ethan	Attainment in Technology - Engineering		
Moriarty, Ambrose	Diligence in Mathematics		
Morris, Finn	Attainment in Science		
	Attainment in Physcial Education		
	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication		
	Diligence in English		
Mullin, Tyrone	Diligence in Agriculture/Horticulture		
Park, Shinuk	Diligence in ESOL		
Parkinson, Luke	Diligence in Applied Science		
Paynter, Andrew	Attainment in English		

VERTICAL FORM AWARDS

Solomon	Brown, Isaac	13	S1
	Butler, Bodie	13	S2
	Cathie, Josh	13	S7
	Chow, Daniel	13	S4
	Herbert, Bryden	12	S4
	Mosquera, Sean	13	S7
	Sinclair, Jackson	13	S2
	Timarac, Aleksandar	13	S2
	Tregoweth, Mitchell	13	S3
	Quinn, Oisin		S8
	Webby, Felix	13	S3
Loreto	Balsom, Chris	13	L5
	Bernet, Joseph	13	L3
	Cook, Caylem	13	L6

	Headey, Chris	13	L8
	Kuriger, Gerard	13	L5
	Kuriger, Philip	13	L3
	Lock, Sam	13	L4
	McCook, Cobi	13	L4
	Taplin, Rhys	13	L3
	Win, Aaron	13	L3
	Zeylemaker, Benjamin	13	L2
La Salle	Avey, James	13	LS7
	Chapman, Robson	13	LS6
	Codd, David	13	LS6
	Dwyer, Jonathan	13	LS5
	Grayling, Campbell	13	LS5
	Hadley, Thomas	13	LS7
	Lawrence Pacheco, Bryn	13	LS1
	Mills, Jordan	12	LS4
	Milner, Callum	13	LS6
	Morgan, Thomas	13	LS3
	Newell, Jack	13	LS3
	Poles Smith, Sam	13	LS4
	Reid, Zac	13	LS6
	Ritai, Lewis	13	LS7
	Walsh, Jarrod	13	LS1
	Walsiyen, Justin	13	LS7
	Webber, Dawson	13	LS3

Benildus	Church, Caelan	13	B2
	Johnson, Samuel	13	B6
	Morris, Joshua	12	B6
	O'Sullivan, Wiremu	13	B5
	Pelham, Mitchell	13	B3
	Riordan, Samuel	13	B7
	Turner, Liam	12	B2
	Waipoua-Bryers, Taiawhio	13	B8



TE KURA - CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL AWARDS

The College is pleased to announce that the following students received certificates for achievement in subjects studied at Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu - The Correspondence School - at the end of the 2017 school year.

Tomas Borsje	Award for good achievement in NCEA Level 1 Japanese
Oisin Quinn	Award for high achievement in NCEA Level 3 Art History
Francisco Medeiros	Award for good achievement in NCEA Level 3 Spanish
William Hadley	Award for good achievement in NCEA Level 1 Spanish
Jakob Neilson	Award for high achievement in NCEA Level 2 German
Taiawhio Waipoua-Bryers	Certificate for Excellence in Te Reo Māori

2017 COLLEGE GRADUATES

James Avey	Patrick Back
Chris Balsom	Joseph Bernet
Alexander Best	Cooper Bradley
Isaac Brown	Bodie Butler
Dylan Calder	Xander Campbell
Josh Cathie	Robson Chapman
Daniel Chow	Caelan Church
David Codd	Caylem Cook
Joseph Crowe	Ethan Diamond
Jordan Dunn	Jonathan Dwyer
Danial Gallo	Samuel Garcia
Campbell Grayling	Thomas Hadley
James Hall	Chris Headey
Matthew Hooper	Shamus Hurley-Langton
Jack Hutchins	Samuel Johnson
Lachlan Jones	Izaak Karasawa
Yutaka Kunizaki	Gerard Kuriger
Philip Kuriger	Lachie Landreth
Bryn Lawrence Pacheco	Alex Lightbody
Keegan Lindsay	Sam Lock
Cobi McCook	George Miles
Callum Milner	Thomas Morgan
Finbar Moriarty	Sean Mosquera
Jack Newell	Matthew O'Connell
Wiremu O'Sullivan	Mitchell Pelham
Sam Poles Smith	Oisin Quinn
Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens	Zac Reid
Samuel Riordan	Lewis Ritai
Brad Saxton	Liam Scott
Koichi Sei	Jackson Sinclair
Tobias Stark	Rhys Taplin
Liam Thomson	Bailey Thompson,
Aleksandar Timarac	Steven Townes
Mitchell Tregoweth	Taiawhio Waipoua-Bryers
Jarrod Walsh	Justin Walsiyen
Kai Warburton	Dawson Webber
Felix Webby	Aaron Win
Benjamin Zeylemaker	





GRADUATION DINNER

The Graduation Dinner was a fabulous occasion. Our students acquitted themselves as the 'Good College Men' we aspire for them to be, and the parent support all year and at the dinner meant the group finished its journey in a manner it can be proud of.

The speeches, presentations and conversation at the dinner were a moving final curtain-call for this cohort. We wish them well for the next chapters of their lives be it work, training, tertiary education or adventuring or experiencing a 'gap' year.



DUX & PROXIME ACCESSIT

Felix Webby is the Francis Douglas Memorial College Dux for 2017

He is the son of Zane Webby and Lauren O'Reilly from New Plymouth. Felix was the 2017 FDMC Sports Captain.

He gained the following academic awards:

- The Leo Walsh Award for First in Year 13 Economics
- Senior Cup for First in Year 13 Mathematics with Calculus
- The Medicross Award for First equal in Year 13 Biology
- The Utete Cup for senior speech Champion

At the 2017 Taranaki Science and Technology Fair, Felix was the overall winner of the Scientific Journalism Award and received the Massey University Special Prize for demonstrating the best solution to a significant global issue. Felix also gained the WITT Taranaki Science and Technology Scholarship.

Felix gained academic attainment in Year 13 Chemistry, Physics and Religious Studies. He had achieved NCEA Level 3 endorsed with excellence prior to the exams with 63 excellence credits which included 14 in calculus. He also sat a first year University paper in Economics. We wish Felix well for his Scholarship results in February. He sat examinations in Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, English, Physical Education, Economics and Physics.

Felix also excelled on the sporting front. He is the current Under 21 World Golf Croquet Champion and also gained a Bronze placing in the Open World Championship.

Felix is intending to complete the first year of Health Sciences at Otago University in 2018 with the intention of gaining a place at the University of Otago Medical School in 2019.

Thomas Hadley is our Proxime Accessit for 2017

He is the son of David and Katharine Hadley also of New Plymouth. Thomas was the 2017 FDMC Cultural Captain.

He gained the following academic prizes this year:

- The Hills Family Award for First in Year 13 English
- The Daily News Award for Literary Excellence
- The Shell Todd Oil Services Prize for Senior Science
- The Medicross Award for First Equal in Year 13 Biology
- The Br. Bill Firman Cup for First in Year 13 Religious Studies

- The Butterworth Cup for Culture

Thomas achieved academic attainment in Year 13 Chemistry, Mathematics with Calculus and Physics. He achieved NCEA Level 3 Endorsed with Excellence and had achieved 59 excellence credits prior to sitting the NZQA end of year exams. He sat Scholarship exams in Physics, Biology and English. Thomas studied NCEA Level 3 Chemistry, Physics, English, Mathematics with Calculus, Biology and Religious Studies.

Thomas was also one of seven NZ secondary students who were selected to attend the London International Youth Science Forum in London and the European Organisation for Nuclear Research in Geneva, Switzerland this year.

In addition to this Thomas was selected from the regional Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Contest in Stratford to attend the National Shakespeare Schools' Production in Wellington in October this year. From this he was selected by the Shakespeare Globe Centre New Zealand to travel with the New Zealand contingent in 2018, and to train and perform one of 'the bards' plays at the Globe Theatre in London.

Thomas is also a keen sportsman. He has been involved in our Adventure Racing and Hilary Challenge teams, and this year broke the record for the Taranaki Four Peaks Challenge - (breaking ex-student Shaun Palmer's record) in a time of 9 hours and 45 minutes.

Thomas is planning on studying the first year of a Medical Sciences degree at Otago University in 2018, with the intention of gaining a Bachelor of Sciences (Neuroscience) qualification.

Felix and Thomas both were well deserved recipients of University of Otago Academic Excellence Scholarships. We wish them well.



Pictured are Felix Webby our 2018 Dux (left) and Thomas Hadley our 2018 Proxime Accessit.

JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING

SPECIAL AWARDS

Year 8

Samuel Lewis John Whyte Cup

Year 9

Flynn Barrett Shell Todd Oil Services

Year 10

Samuel Hudson Junior La Sallian Cup
Max Erkes John George Cup
Samuel James Junior Cultural Cup
Hamish McKie Jonathon Milne Cup
Anthony Van Hameren Park City Trophy
Samuel Partridge Junior Literacy Excellence

Jack Sullivan-Ussher
Blake Dowd

Noah Richards
Jack Gilmour

Logan Morgan
Kayde Whitmore
Albie Francis-Alles

Maaka Normanton

Reuben Woodhead

Cooper Goodeve

Zahn McCandlish
Jack Parker Leef
Justin Burnard
Tyler Hoeta

Rian King

Charlie Reddish
Sam Corlett

Andre Cronin-Nwofor

Luke Davey
Cohen McGrory
Benjamin Diplock
Reuben Waayer

Cullann Read
Kahu Capper

Jack Kelsen
Oliver Roberts

Jake Maclean

Fynn Collier

Ashton Dobson

Cohen Forster
Caius Owen
Kayden Parkes
Samuel Taylor

Joseph Green

First in Class - Social Studies
Diligence in English
First in Class - Religious Studies
Diligence in Science
Diligence in Social Studies
Diligence in Physical Education
Diligence in English
First in Class - Physical Education
Diligence in Mathematics
Diligence in Religious Studies
Attainment in English
Diligence in Mathematics
Attainment in Religious Studies
First in Class - Science
First in Class - Social Studies
Diligence in English
Attainment in Social Studies
Diligence in Science
Diligence in Social Studies
Attainment in English
Diligence in Physical Education
First in Class - Science
Attainment in Religious Studies
Attainment in Physical Education
Diligence in Mathematics
Diligence in Religious Studies
Diligence in Social Studies
Diligence in English
Attainment in Social Studies
Diligence in Science
Diligence in Social Studies
Attainment in English
Diligence in Physical Education
First in Class - Science
Attainment in Religious Studies
Attainment in Physical Education
Diligence in Mathematics
Diligence in Physical Education
First in Class - Social Studies
First in Class - Mathematics
Diligence in Mathematics
Diligence in Social Studies
Attainment in English
Attainment in Physical Education
Attainment in Science
First in Class - Science



Cannon Patten	Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in English First in Class - Mathematics Attainment in Physical Education	Soane Filo William Hodge McCarthy Ruakere Bennett	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education	Tai Sadler Jayden Carroll	First in Class - Art First in Class - English Diligence in Science	Fabian Te Huna-Matuku Brayden Meuli Heath Waayer	Diligence in Music Attainment in Physical Education First in Class - Art
Dylan Roylance	Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Religious Studies Attainment in Science	Liam Ellerton-Kelly	Attainment in Science Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Mathematics	Alistair Glennie Jackson Powell	Attainment in English First in Class - English Attainment in Mathematics Attainment in Music		Attainment in English Diligence in Music First in Class - Physical Education
Hayden Boyd Charlie Probyn Jacob Butler	Diligence in English First in Class - English Attainment in Science	Jay Newton Keegan Boon Hamish Gibson Xavier Sofeni	Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Mathematics First in Class - Physical Education		First in Class - Religious Studies Attainment in Science Diligence in Social Studies		Attainment in Religious Studies First in Class - Science First in Class - Social Studies
Taiora Cameron Jeremy Carter James Derby Ethan Davis Jack Scott	Attainment in Science Attainment in English Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Science Attainment in English	Christian Hurlstone	Attainment in English Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in English	Jack Cleland Germaine Grewal	Attainment in Physical Education First in Class - English Diligence in Mathematics First in Class - Music	Mason Emmett Harvey George	Attainment in Music Attainment in English First in Class - Health Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education
Liam Thompson	Diligence in Science Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Physical Education	Dauntaè Langton Jessadha van Hameren Sam Waicere	Diligence in English Diligence in English First in Class - Mathematics		Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Science Attainment in Social Studies		Attainment in Science Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in English
Gabriel Gerente	Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in English	George Bish	Diligence in Religious Studies First in Class - English Diligence in Mathematics	Geoffroy Amory	First in Class - Art Attainment in Music Attainment in Science	Connor Parsons Amos Pease	Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Physical Education Attainment in Art
Martin Glen Jax Morgan	First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Social Studies Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in English		First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Science Attainment in Social Studies	Cameron Dagg	Diligence in Physical Education First in Class - Religious Studies Diligence in Science		Diligence in Science Attainment in Art Attainment in Health
Allan Tom	Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Religious Studies First in Class - English Attainment in Mathematics	Wilson Clegg Luka Marinovich	Diligence in Physical Education Attainment in English Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Religious Studies	Rumaine Grewal Mitchell Hopkirk	Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in Art Diligence in English	Ben Erkes Josh Goble	First in Class - Mathematics Attainment in Music Diligence in Physical Education
ACADEMIC AWARDS YEAR 8		Carl Neilson	Attainment in Science First in Class - Social Studies Diligence in English First in Class - Mathematics	Isaac Doell Alexander Wells	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in Art Diligence in English		First in Class - Physical Education First in Class - Social Studies Diligence in Physical Education
Alex McNamara Zak Mockett	Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in English Diligence in Physical Education	Kieran Cummings Jack Feaver	Attainment in Science Attainment in Physical Education Diligence in English	Max Dowd	First in Class - Health Diligence in Physical Education First in Class - Religious Studies		Attainment in Art Diligence in English Diligence in Health
Anthony Young	First in Class - Mathematics Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in Mathematics	Nathan Theron Josh Cameron	Diligence in Science Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Religious Studies		Attainment in Science First in Class - Social Studies Attainment in English	Louis Baldock Michael Fu	Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Health Attainment in English
Blaze Tutemahurangi	Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in English	Ethan Geater Quinn Thompson Daniel Hunt-Hill	Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Science	Liam Hooper	Diligence in Music Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Science	Joshua Keech Louis Newton	Diligence in English Attainment in Health Attainment in Art
Daniel Roberts	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Religious Studies Attainment in Mathematics	Adam Tilt	First in Class - Social Studies Attainment in Mathematics First in Class - English	Kobe Allen-Raven Tyler Griggs	Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Music		Attainment in English Attainment in Music Attainment in Science
Kieran Sellwood Felix Van Hattum	First in Class - Physical Education Attainment in Science Diligence in Social Studies	Noah Campbell Nathaniel Lagera	Attainment in Science Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Physical Education	Ethan Koning	First in Class - Art Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in Music	Matthew Britz Cooper Ritai Harry Clegg	Diligence in Health Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Art
Kaed Smithson Cameron Witts Maz Wright	Attainment in Social Studies First in Class - Physical Education Diligence in Science	Noah Lash	First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Science First in Class - English	Jack Coombe Jamie Horgan	Diligence in English Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Mathematics	Rhys Price Ignatius Sofeni-Williams Jerome Kumar	Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Physical Education First in Class - English
Corbyn Jensen	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in Mathematics	Reuben Chan	Attainment in Science Attainment in Social Studies Diligence in Physical Education	Isaac Jones Robert Ropitini	Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Social Studies Diligence in Art		Attainment in Health Attainment in Mathematics Attainment in Religious Studies
Jackson Corlett	First in Class - Social Studies Attainment in English Diligence in Physical Education	Neko McDonald		Flynn Barrett	Attainment in English Attainment in Mathematics First in Class - Music		First in Class - Science Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in Art
Samuel Lewis	Attainment in Science Attainment in English Attainment in Religious Studies	Ethan Adams	Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Music First in Class - Physical Education		First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Science First in Class - Social Studies	Thomas Stokes Conor Ebert Jimmy Moffitt	Diligence in Physical Education Attainment in Physical Education Diligence in Health
Conor Eager	Diligence in Social Studies First in Class - Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education		Attainment in Social Studies Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in English	Chase Kretschmar Daimen Lightoller Jared Sampson	Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Social Studies Diligence in Religious Studies	Johnny Ryburn Jacob Forsyth	Attainment in English Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Science
Coby Maxwell	Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in Science Diligence in Social Studies		Attainment in Mathematics Attainment in Physical Education Diligence in English	Luke Crowley Marshall Duffield	Diligence in English Diligence in Health Diligence in Music	Robert Morgan	Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Art Attainment in Mathematics
Thomas Watson	First in Class - Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education Attainment in Religious Studies	Joshua Elder Morgan Mills	Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in English Attainment in Mathematics	Caleb Megchelse	First in Class - Art Attainment in Science		Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Music Attainment in Social Studies
Timothy Kowalewski Gabriel Herlihy Daniel Whitaker	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Science Attainment in English Attainment in Physical Education	Bradley Smith Kaelan Beck	Attainment in Physical Education Diligence in English Diligence in Music Diligence in Art				



Kevin van Loo Oscar Hadley	Diligence in Art First in Class - English First in Class - Mathematics Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Religious Studies First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Science First in Class - Social Studies	Jacob O'Connor	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Music Diligence in Science
ACADEMIC AWARDS YEAR 10			
George Newton	Attainment in Art Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Science	Jack Miller	Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Technology Engineering Attainment in Technology Wood Diligence in Health
Dylan Bint Te Rangi-Matoha Cameron	Attainment in Social Studies First in Class - Music First in Class - Physical Education	Keller Biesiek Vincent Bolton	First in Class - Physical Education First in Class - Sport Studies First in Class - Mathematics
Nathan Robertson	Diligence in English Diligence in Health Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Health	Rahul Rajasingh	Attainment in Science Attainment in Design and Visual Communication Attainment in Economics
Aiden Bocock	First in Class - Physical Education First in Class - English	Jackson Whitmore	Attainment in English First in Class - Physical Education Attainment in Science
Cullen Hurley	Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Religious Studies	Corban Church	First in Class - Mathematics Attainment in Religious Studies
Mehul Killa	First in Class - Mathematics Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Science	Bailey Collier	Diligence in Digital Technologies First in Class - English
Mikas O'Neill-Kirchheiner Mason Taunt	Attainment in Social Studies Diligence in Art Attainment in English First in Class - Mathematics Diligence in Science	Mathew Gower	Diligence in Jaspers Diligence in English Diligence in Sport Studies First in Class - Technology Engineering
Kale Jordan Jackson Thomas Cade Thompson	First in Class - Mathematics Diligence in English Attainment in English Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Religious Studies Attainment in Science	Brooklyn Wang Jakob Erb	Diligence in Music Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Science
Bryn Davison	Diligence in Social Studies Attainment in Art Attainment in English Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Social Studies	Lucas Adams	First in Class - Social Studies Diligence in Health Attainment in Jaspers Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Religious Studies
Joshua Kuriger	First in Class - Music Diligence in Religious Studies	Kiah Croy	Diligence in Digital Technologies Diligence in English
Mathew Linton	Attainment in English Attainment in Mathematics Attainment in Music Attainment in Religious Studies First in Class - Science	Gregor Forrest	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Sport Studies Attainment in Future Problem Solving
Johnathan van der Walt Oliver Edquila Jake Linders	Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in English Attainment in Art Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Science	Jacob Whittle	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in Technology Wood Diligence in Technology Engineering
Cullen Luckin	Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Art	Jacob Hooker Luke Weston	Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Te Reo Māori First in Class - Music Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Social Studies
Michael Fearnley Sreeram Murugaiyen	Attainment in Physical Education Attainment in Health First in Class - Music Diligence in Physical Education Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Science Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Science	Jack Allemann Samuel Hudson	Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Te Reo Māori First in Class - Music Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Social Studies
Josiah Gillespie Jack Meads	Diligence in Mathematics	Ethan Ngatai Morgan Pollard	First in Class - Media Studies Attainment in Science Diligence in English Diligence in Music Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in Science Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Agriculture Diligence in English First in Class - Technology

Jacob Marshall	Engineering Attainment in Technology Wood Attainment in Agriculture Diligence in Design and Visual Communication First in Class - Technology Engineering		Attainment in Jaspers Diligence in Mathematics First in Class - Physical Education First in Class - Religious Studies Diligence in Science Attainment in Technology Engineering
Jacob Mortensen Roy Avery	Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Digital Technologies Diligence in Technology Engineering	Henry Parker JJ Rothman	Diligence in Physical Education Diligence in English Attainment in Technology Engineering
Connor Cook	First in Class - English Attainment in Social Studies First in Class - Agriculture First in Class - Technology Engineering	Seamus Walsh	Diligence in Economics Attainment in English Attainment in Future Problem Solving
Bryn Raine Jacob Clement	First in Class - Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education First in Class - Technology Wood Attainment in Art First in Class - Design and Visual Communication	Will Zhang	Attainment in Mathematics Attainment in Religious Studies Attainment in Science Attainment in Social Studies First in Class - Design and Visual Communication
Masen Ehrhorn	Attainment in Mathematics Diligence in Physical Education First in Class - Digital Technologies Attainment in Science Attainment in Social Studies First in Class - Jaspers Diligence in Mathematics First in Class - Physical Education Diligence in English	Ethan Bouterey	First in Class - Digital Technologies First in Class - Health Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Agriculture Attainment in Health First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Science
Max Erkes	Attainment in Media Studies Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Technology Engineering	Oliver Clennett	Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Agriculture Attainment in Health First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Science Attainment in Social Studies Diligence in Technology Engineering
Brooklyn Vincent	Diligence in English Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Media Studies Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Technology Engineering	Fraser Copeman	Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Agriculture Attainment in Health First in Class - Religious Studies First in Class - Science Attainment in Social Studies Diligence in Technology Engineering
William Franklyn	Diligence in English Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Design and Visual Communication Diligence in Economics Attainment in English Diligence in Mathematics First in Class - Religious Studies Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Physical Education Diligence in Physical Education Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in English	Prezley Murfitt Quinn Scouller	First in Class - Future Problem Solving First in Class - Health Diligence in Mathematics Attainment in Music Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in English Diligence in Technology Engineering
Geordie Vink	Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in Social Studies Diligence in Design and Visual Communication Diligence in Economics Attainment in English Diligence in Mathematics First in Class - Religious Studies Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Physical Education Diligence in Physical Education Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in English	Blake Crawford	First in Class - Technology Wood Attainment in Art Diligence in Health Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in English Diligence in Technology Engineering
Oliver Hall Samuel James	Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Te Reo Māori Attainment in Art Attainment in Design and Visual Communication Diligence in Science Attainment in Agriculture Diligence in Digital Technologies Attainment in Mathematics Attainment in Technology Wood First in Class - Digital Technologies	Jacob Donlon	First in Class - English First in Class - Mathematics Attainment in Physical Education Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Technology Engineering
Wyatt Jones	Attainment in Economics Attainment in English First in Class - Science Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Te Reo Māori Diligence in English	Marino Rennie	First in Class - English Attainment in Future Problem Solving Diligence in Health Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Media Studies Diligence in Physical Education
Carlo Carranza	Attainment in Religious Studies First in Class - Science Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Te Reo Māori Diligence in English	Denzell Sofeni	
Cleve Miller	Attainment in Design and Visual Communication Diligence in English	Conor Attrill-Mundt	
Oliver Silk	Attainment in Future Problem Solving Diligence in Mathematics Diligence in Te Reo Māori First in Class - Music Diligence in Religious Studies Diligence in Social Studies First in Class - Media Studies Attainment in Science Diligence in English Diligence in Music Attainment in Religious Studies Diligence in Science Attainment in Social Studies Attainment in Agriculture Diligence in English First in Class - Technology	Jacob Fletcher	
Hamish McKie			





Max Foreman
Koby Ryan
Fenni Sofeni

Dane Hofmans

Will Johnsen

Adam Johnston
Joshua Titter

Aidan Lovell

Anthony Van Hameren

George Boon
Jamie MacDonell
Jack McCormick
Cory Neilson
Samuel Partridge

Oliver Wright

Nico Sinclair
Nathan Tilt

Hamish Cummings

Jordan Adams
Lachlan Fleming

Pierce Grant
Jericho Henry

Jordan Vertongen
Joel Williams

Tom Hutchins

Jacob Judd

Will Wattanaverachai

Jackson Cathie

First in Class - Religious Studies
Diligence in English
Attainment in Mathematics
Diligence in Jaspers
Diligence in Religious Studies
Attainment in Health
Diligence in Mathematics
Attainment in Physical Education
Attainment in Religious Studies
Diligence in Science
Attainment in Social Studies
Attainment in Science
Attainment in Social Studies
Attainment in Sport Studies
Attainment in Physical Education
Attainment in Sport Studies
First in Class - English
Attainment in Mathematics
Attainment in Physical Education
Diligence in Economics
First in Class - English
Attainment in Future Problem Solving
Attainment in Religious Studies
First in Class - Science
First in Class - Social Studies
Attainment in Health
First in Class - Mathematics
Diligence in Mathematics
Attainment in Technology Wood
Attainment in English
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Diligence in Religious Studies
Diligence in Science
Diligence in Physical Education
Diligence in Digital Technologies
Attainment in Economics
Attainment in English
Attainment in Media Studies
Diligence in Religious Studies
Diligence in Social Studies
Attainment in Spanish
Attainment in Physical Education
Attainment in Design and Visual Communication
Attainment in Technology Wood
Diligence in Digital Technologies
Diligence in Physical Education
Diligence in Religious Studies
First in Class - Spanish
Diligence in Design and Visual Communication
Attainment in Science
Diligence in Technology Wood
Attainment in English
Attainment in Mathematics
Diligence in Physical Education
Attainment in Science
Attainment in Social Studies
First in Class - Agriculture
Attainment in Mathematics
Attainment in Science
Attainment in Social Studies
Attainment in Art
Diligence in Science
Diligence in English

Tane Humphrey

Louis Keig
Riley Lawn-Cliffe

Thomas Whaley

Xavier Keegan

Ryan Manukonga-John

Joseph Wills

Kobe Lucas

Caleb Lawn

Olly Spicer

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE PLATINUM AWARDS

Cian Ammundsen
George Bish
Oliver Cayley
Bryn Davison
Albie Francis-Alles
Cooper Goodeve
Liam Hooper
Noah Lash
Jake Maclean
Hamish McKie
Jackson Powell
Oliver Silk
Cade Thompson
Anthony Van Hameren
Geordie Vink
Thomas Whaley

Diligence in Agriculture
Diligence in Technology
Engineering
Diligence in Digital Technologies
Attainment in Agriculture
Diligence in Mathematics
Diligence in Technology
Engineering
First in Class - Art
Attainment in English
Diligence in Health
Diligence in Mathematics
Attainment in Music
Attainment in Religious Studies
Attainment in Science
First in Class - Social Studies
Attainment in Physical Education
Attainment in Science
Attainment in Technology
Engineering
Diligence in Technology Wood
Attainment in English
First in Class - Religious Studies
Diligence in Science
First in Class - Social Studies
Attainment in Digital Technologies
Attainment in Social Studies
Diligence in Health
Diligence in Mathematics
Attainment in Agriculture
Diligence in Design and Visual Communication
Diligence in English
Attainment in Physical Education
Diligence in Social Studies

Flynn Barrett
Jacob Butler
Reuben Chan
Max Dowd
Harvey George
Oscar Hadley
Mehul Killa
Samuel Lewis
Ryan Manukonga-John
Jax Morgan
Rico Robins
Samuel Taylor
Adam Tilt
Felix Van Hattum
Heath Waayer

RESULTS FROM 2016

RECORD BREAKING NCEA RESULTS IN 2016

Last year's results are the best in recent history and are ahead of last year's record breakers! Comparisons are made here with Decile 8-10 boys' schools (we are a Decile 8) and all NZ boys.

We are very proud of these results and acknowledge the efforts of our students, their teachers and families for hard work, expertise and creating an encouraging academic environment.

Greater focus of staff on individual student needs through learning as enquiry, more focussed form time mentoring, letters home, and an enhanced student resolve to remain in the examination room, have all borne fruit.

SCHOOL LEAVER STATISTICS

The Ministry recently released provisional data on our 2016 school leavers. As an overall summary Mr Chamberlain produced this graph.

Our students numbered:

UE (who also have Levels 3, 2 and 1) = 63

L3 (who also have Levels 2 and 1 but not UE) = 9

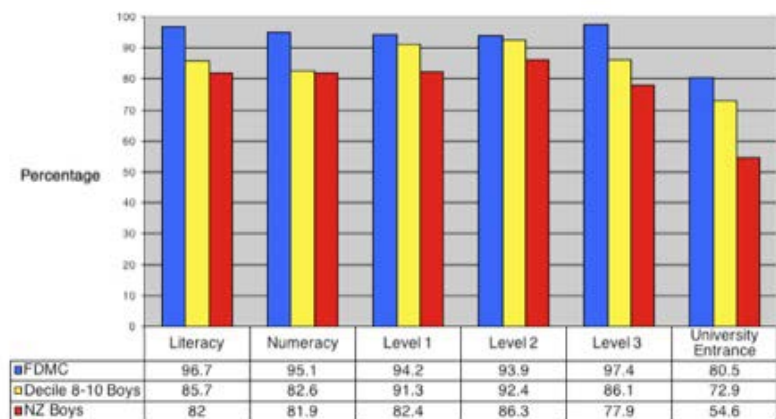
L2 (who also have Level 1 but not L3 or UE) = 40

L1 (who do not have Level 2, 3 or UE) = 9

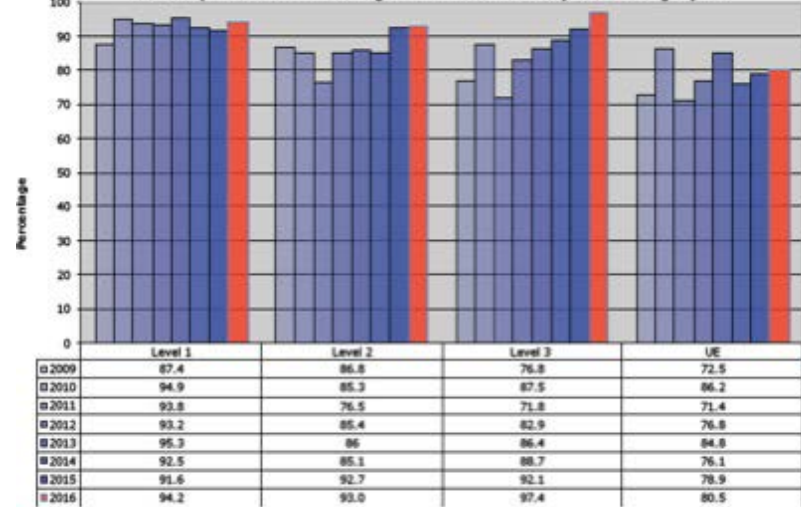
Below Level 1 (who have no qualifications) = 3

The Minister's educational goal is that 85% of 18 year olds have NCEA Level 2. In the case of our leavers, the figure was 90.3% (= 112/124), whereas the national figure stood at 79.5%.

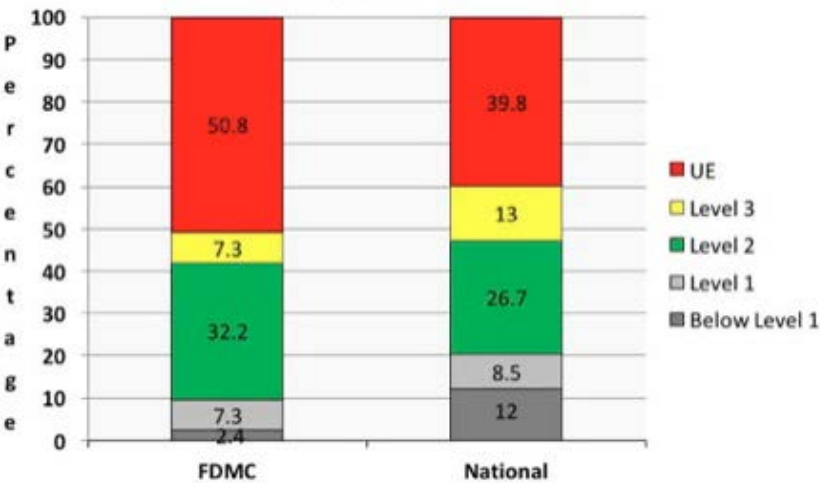
2016 NCEA comparisons for eligible students



NCEA acquisition at FDMC for eligible FDMC students compared over eight years



School leavers from FDMC by highest qualification during 2016 compared to national statistics



UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

Lincoln University

We are pleased to confirm the following Lincoln University graduates from Francis Douglas Memorial College (all conferred on 28 April 2017):

Nathan Clough	Bachelor of Agriculture
Logan Crowley	Bachelor of Commerce (Agriculture)
John Powell	Postgraduate DiP Landscape Arch

Victoria University

It is with pleasure that we enclose a list of your former pupils who have graduated from Victoria University between June 2016 and May 2017. We join with you in acknowledging and celebrating the students' wonderful success.

Alejandro Barrientos	BA - Bachelor of Arts
Patrick Biggs	BAHONS - Bachelor of Arts with Honours
Patrick Biggs	MA - Master of Arts
Joe Bracegirdle	BSCHON - Bachelor of Science with Hons
Shaun Bradley	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce
Shaun Campbell	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce
Ciaran Candy	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce
Benjamin Cathie	BSC - Bachelor of Science
Daniel Churstain	BTM - Bachelor of Tourism Management
Joshua Connolly	BAHONS - Bachelor of Arts with Honours
Brent Harrison	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce
Nicholas Hopkins	BCOM - Bachelor of Commerce
Ciaran King	LLB - Bachelor of Laws
Ciaran King	BA - Bachelor of Arts
David Munro	BSC - Bachelor of Science
Alistair Murray	BAHONS - Bachelor of Arts with Honours
Fraser Walker	BMUS - Bachelor of Music
Fraser Walker	BMUSHO - Bachelor of Music with Honours
Matthew Westbury	MSC - Master of Science
Brock Wills	BSC - Bachelor of Science

TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIPS

We are delighted to announce the following students have been awarded Tertiary Scholarships for 2018:

- Academic Excellence at Otago - Felix Webby, Thomas Hadley, Daniel Chow

- Other Otago Scholarships - Thomas Morgan
- Auckland University - Daniel Chow
- Priscilla Sandys Wunsch Trust - Otago - Caelan Church
- Lincoln University Future Leaders' Programme - Samuel Johnson
- St Vincent de Paul - Samuel Johnson
- Waikato University - Isaac Kneepkens - Chiefs' Super Rugby Scholarship
- Academic Excellence at Victoria - David Codd
- Massey University - Robson Chapman - Massey University Academy of Sport Scholarship, Matthew O'Connell - Vice-Chancellor High Achiever with Distinction (Academic) Scholarship, Matthew O'Connell - Academy of Sport Scholarship, Zac Reid - Academy of Sport Scholarship
- Downer Engineering Cadetship - James Avey

LEADERSHIP TEAM 2018

The following students will have the privilege of being school leaders to their peers next year. Based on our tradition, we know they will work hard to fulfill the positions given to them:

Prefects:	Tomi Karasawa, Bailey Kuklinski, Joshua Morris, Liam Turner and Teagan Wilson
House Captains:	Benildus - Nathaniel Peters La Salle - Jacob Crawford Loreto - Rory Maxwell Solomon - David Barnard
Cultural Captain:	Titan Cook
Sport Captain:	Luke Hughes
Deputy Head Boy:	Ben Leary
Lasallian Captain:	Dominic Coleman
Head Boy:	Daniel Kibby

Hostel leaders are:	
Head Boarder:	Jayden Smith
Deputy Head Boarder:	James Batchelor

Daniel Kibby, Ben Leary and Dominic Coleman are fortunate in that they will be sent to Australia along with Head Boarder, Jayden Smith, for a week in January for deeper training in what it means to be a leader in a Lasallian school.

ACADEMIC COLOURS CEREMONY

Our Colours Assembly was held on Thursday 6 April. We saluted 36 students now in Years 12 and 13, who earned Level 1 and Level 2 Excellence Endorsements in NCEA last year. The threshold for this is 50 Excellence credits. 'Old Boy' Professor Richard Shaw, the Professor in Politics at Massey University and Director of the

external Bachelor of Arts programmes, was the guest speaker.

Four students were awarded Premier awards due to them attaining double that number or more.

Level 2

Daniel Chow (138 Level 2 & 11 Level 3)
Thomas Hadley (120 Level 2 & 8 Level 3)
Thomas Morgan (97 Level 2 & 5 Level 3)
Felix Webby (139 Level 2 & 11 Level 3)

The other recipients were:

Cooper Bradley (53), David Codd (74 Level 2 & 18 Level 3), Matthew O'Connell (83), Sam Poles Smith (58), Zac Reid (70 Level 2 & 4 Level 3), Aleksandar Timarac (52), Taiawhio Waipoua - Bryers (79), Jarrod Walsh (51), Dawson Webber (67), Aaron Winn (66), Manuel Dessing (92 Level 1 & 57 Level 2).

Level 1

Matt Allen (59), Jonathan Austin (60), David Barnard (52), Ben Bradley (56), Dominic Coleman (82), Jacob Crawford (55), Christian Fletcher (54), Luke Hughes (71), Tomi Karasawa (75), Bailey Kuklinski (66), Ben Leary (99), Joshua McLeod (53), Ollie O'Connor (82), Jonah Sellwood (58), Ben Silk (84), Ben Smith (53), Jayden Smith (80), Liam Turner (61), Jesse Vertongen (56) and Teagan Wilson (66).



SERVICE, CULTURE AND SPORTS COLOURS

Service, Culture and Sports Colours were awarded on the morning of Friday 29 September. Year 12 and 13 students had been invited to apply for a Colours Award in any or all of the above categories if they fulfilled the criteria on the application forms and could have this verified by coaches, coordinators and/or staff. All applications were vetted by senior management and then students receiving an award were sent a confirmation letter in the mail.

Sir Brother Patrick Lynch was the guest speaker at the celebration. His long and continued service to Francis

Douglas Memorial College in his role of Lasallian proprietor, and his years of service to education in New Zealand, always mean that he will deliver an informed and thought provoking address. His message of congratulations to the boys also challenged those who weren't gaining 'colours' to strive to attain their personal best and not to be complacent about the opportunities they had available to them.

If your son was in Year 12 in 2017, please encourage him to continue to work toward achieving a Colour Award for excellence in 2018.

The worthy recipients are listed below. We thank them all for the wonderful lead they give to their peers and the joy they must have brought to their hard working parents.

Congratulations to Thomas Hadley for gaining the trifacta - 'Colours' awards for excellence in Sports, Culture and Service.

SPORTS COLOURS :

Matt Allen, Isaac Brown, Caylem Cook, Joseph Crowe, Thomas Hadley, Shamus Hurley-Langton, Samuel Johnson, Lachlan Jones, Tomi Karasawa, Daniel Kibby, Isaac Kneepkens, Bailey Kuklinski, Keegan Lindsay, Rory Maxwell, Cobi McCook, Mathew Meuli, Thomas Morgan, Joshua Morris, Matthew O'Connell, Zac Reid, Lewis Ritai, Brad Saxton, Tobias Stark, Taiawhio Waipoua-Bryers, Dawson Webber, Felix Webby.

CULTURAL COLOURS:

Dylan Bines, Daniel Chow, David Codd, Caylem Cook, Titan Cook, Thomas Hadley, Callum Milner.

SERVICE COLOURS:

James Avey, Patrick Back, Daniel Chow, David Codd, Dominic Coleman, Jacob Crawford, Jordan Dunn, Daniel Gallo, Thomas Hadley, Tomi Karasawa, Daniel Kibby, Bailey Kuklinski, Ben Leary, Ollie Lovell, Dawson Webber, Ethan Webber, Tyler Webber, Felix Webby.

The College hosted a morning tea for the recipients and their supportive parents/caregivers following the awards' ceremony.





CULTURAL CAPTAIN

Wowee! What a year 2017 has been for culture at the College. As I reflect on the sheer amount that College boys have been involved with in the cultural sphere, I am in constant awe at the talent and effort put in towards their cultural involvements. Many people often misunderstand culture at the College as being solely concerned with ethnic diversity at the school. However, culture for us involves a plethora of activities that have become an integral aspect of College life. The various spheres of culture include speech, drama, music, debating as well as ethnic performances. Culture at the College not only provides invaluable experiences for boys wishing to pursue performing arts in the future but gives a fantastic opportunity to many students, to get out of their comfort zone and build their confidence and performing ability, invaluable skills for any career. Shaking the hand of my predecessor, Dominic Jacquemard at prizegiving last year, I knew that I had huge shoes to fill. After being handed the reins by Dominic, I have thoroughly enjoyed steering and being involved with the wide variety of spheres that make up culture at Francis Douglas and have loved watching boys thrive through various involvements in these integral aspects of College life.

Firstly, the world of drama at FDMC. 2017 was the year of the biennial joint production with Sacred Heart Girls' College which this year was Grease! A large number of boys jumped onboard with this amazing opportunity and ended up taking lead roles in the production. Many boys who may not have previously considered getting up on stage, were encouraged to get involved by the influential director, Mrs. Hunneyball, from SHGC. The production served as a great opportunity for these lads to grow as performers and as people in a highly supportive environment. Special mention must be made to those playing the Principal roles from the College. Cast one starred: Caylem Cook - Sonny, Callum Milner - Danny, Bailey Thompson - Doody, Ethan Dombroski - Roger, Finlay Morris - Kenickie. Then cast two was Shyon Noble - Doody, Bailee McLeod - Danny, Jahmaeys Manu - Kenickie, Jerry Johnston - Roger. Also, thanks must be given to Miss Kath Curd for her outstanding effort in coordinating and instructing those boys from FDMC in their involvement.



An able team of young performers represented FDMC at the Shakespeare Globe Centre New Zealand Regional Shakespeare Festival held at Stratford High School. The company comprised of students: Dawson Webber, Felix Webby, Jacob Fletcher, Xavier Kere-Rako, Braeden Schultz, Bailey Thompson and Thomas Hadley. Under the expert tutelage of Mrs. Pascale Joines, the company put together a chilling and thought-provoking performance of the Merchant of Venice. The adjusted play detailed the plight of Shylock the Jew as he struggled through persecution in a Christian dominated, Venetian society. The play was very well received by the audience and judges at the regional competition.

The annual FDMC Speech Finals was another spectacle to behold at the College. The talented orators from both junior and senior schools gave a mixture of informative and hilarious speeches that were very well received. The winning speech was delivered by Felix Webby on what it is to be a "Good College Man" resonated well with the boys. Also taking to our College stage were a multitude of cultural performance groups. The Ugly Shakespeare Company gave an enriching yet amusing performance of The Merchant of Venice and were kind enough to provide a workshop opportunity afterward which was a beneficial experience to the boys who attended. The group from Excel Performing Arts School also took to our stage to give an entertaining and stimulating performance called "Real Talk".

The O'Shea Shield event has always been an integral item on the calendar for culture at the College, this year being no different. An excited and promising group of students traveled to St Bernard's College in Lower Hutt to participate in the various disciplines at this three-day event. Kudos must be handed to the newcomer to the team, Samuel Hudson, for his outstanding score in the Junior Speech section. Bailey Kuklinski (known at O'Shea as MC B.K.) represented the College well delivering a thrilling speech on the line between good and evil. A stellar effort was put in by the debating team consisting of James Avey, Tomi Karasawa and captained by the capable leader, Daniel Chow who delivered a convincing argument responding to the moot: "Human will holds the answer to the environmental issues we face". The drama team handled a complex skit with impressive confidence. Many first time performers developed impressively



with the support of Mrs. Pascale Joines. Caylem Cook showed great confidence delivering his impromptu speech while Titan Cook and Corban Dravitski performed well in scripture reading. The religious questions team consisting of David Codd, Dominic Coleman and Ben Leary were the true champions of the weekend. The team spent hours studying the document "Amoris Laetitia" by Pope Francis, and to reward their hard work, came away with the overall win of the Religious Questions section. Their fantastic result is a testament to the excellent guidance and dedication of Mrs. Sally O'Neill in guiding these boys to their success. The O'Shea trip is always an exciting part of the cultural calendar and the boys involved conducted themselves excellently over the weekend. Friendships were forged and ties were strengthened between New Zealand's special character schools, so proved a great experience for all. Thanks must be given to Mrs. Blair, Mrs. Mace and Mr. Chamberlain for transporting the group down to Wellington and then around the various venues.

Many students in 2017 have excelled in the area of music at the College. The number of musical opportunities is constantly growing within the school giving many the students the chance to develop their skills and knowledge. The FDMC Chamber Trio: "Something Fishy", comprised of myself, William Hadley and our accomplished composer and pianist David Codd competed at the New Plymouth Chamber Music Competition. For the first time ever, to my knowledge, Francis Douglas won the award on the night for "Best Performance of an Original Composition", a testament to the aptitude and hard work of Francis Douglas's musical talent, David Codd. David has also performed solo at many concerts on piano. We now wish David well as he carries on his career in music next year. Daniel Chow has achieved some impressive accolades throughout the year also. Daniel won Junior Euphonium Champion at the Central Districts Competition this year accompanied by David Codd.

Moving away from FDMC involvement in the classical music sphere, students preferring more modern genres were able to take part in Smokefree Rockquest. Dylan Bines put in an impressive performance with his group "Hungry Violets", reaching the regional finals stage. The group came third place and won the crowd favourite award. Mr. Greenslade has also put a great deal of work into music at the College, training up our school concert band "Fusion". The group performed admirably in the annual Waikato Band Competition, this year picking up a Bronze. As a young band, we can expect great things to come as these talented young performers mature as a group.

The quality and diversity of music at the College this year has constantly amazed me. Kudos must be given to Mr. Tobias Wright and Mrs. Jane Connolly for their tireless work put in developing the music scene at the College. There is a wealth of upcoming talented students from younger year groups who will

undoubtedly continue their hard work in music and excel in the future.

The diversity of cultures at FDMC is a wonderful aspect of our school which we are proud to represent. A successful venture this year was our International Week. The year 13 leaders put on a culturally themed mufti day that saw many students proudly representing their backgrounds in some vibrant costume. Also, students participated in an international themed quiz in the library. A multicultural lunch on Friday was a big hit for the students as they were able to delve into the cuisine of another culture, with noodles, curries and sushi on offer. Thanks to Mrs. Margie Smith for coming up with many ideas which made this week a success.

Writing this report, I have been blown away when I look back at all the wonderful things going on in our College with culture. The diversity of involvements is something really special about our College environment. The experiences that so many young people gain from being involved in performing and getting out of their comfort zone are immensely valuable. It has been an absolute pleasure to do what I can in directing culture at the College. I have loved getting to know so many talented young students involved in culture throughout the school. As I hand over the reins to my successor, I wish you well in your endeavors and hope you gain as much inspiration and enjoyment from the role as I have. Thank you.

Thomas Hadley
Cultural Captain 2017



SPORTS CAPTAIN

"Ah yes, good morning College."

2017 was yet another massive year of sport with the College. The College has always had a reputation for punching above our weight and we certainly maintained this in 2017. Sport has always been an integral part of College life and the lessons learned through participating will stay with students for life. These values, such as teamwork, dedication and sportsmanship were exhibited by everyone who pulled on a College uniform throughout the year and I would congratulate my fellow students for maintaining the culture.

Before looking at any particular results it is important to acknowledge that sport at the College could not occur without the hard work of certain individuals. Firstly, I would like to thank departing Head of Sport Mr. Wales, who carried out his role with great diligence and passion. The effort he has given to behind the scenes organisational jobs is incredible and I wish him all the best in his new role as Head of Social Science. Similarly, Mrs. Hurley deserves recognition as she has made a massive contribution to sport in her role as Sports coordinator, scheduling innumerable TSSSA events amongst other things. Finally, on behalf of all the students who participated in sport, I would like to thank the coaches, referees, and parents that enable sport to happen. Francis Douglas has an insane 50% of staff participating in sport in some capacity and this speaks to the attitude around sport we see at the College. Without these people giving up their time for our boys, sport could simply not exist in the way it does.

Sporting success is never difficult to find at the College, with our boys excelling in a diverse range of sports. While we can hardly make it through any public occasion without mentioning our All Blacks, who continue to do us proud on the world stage, it is important to recognise the less renown sporting codes that excelled, in particular, this year. While I may be slightly biased towards these codes due to my own interest in the immensely popular sport of Golf Croquet, the achievements this year by the cross country motocross team, golf team are truly

remarkable. I feel lucky to be a part of a school with such an enriched sporting culture, that promotes boys achieving their goals, no matter the sport.

The Cross Country Motocross team had an outstanding year, winning the Motorcycle NZ North Island and New Zealand (U17) junior teams titles. The team made up of Adam and Joshua Loveridge and Connor Atrill - Mundt trained, traveled and rode their way over 4 difficult national cross country courses in the North and South Island. These results culminated in them winning the prestigious team of the year trophy at the FDMC Sportsman Dinner. As well as the fine team effort, Adam Loveridge was the overall winner of the 0-250cc 12-16 years old class.

The FDMC golf squad of Matt Allen, Louis Baldock, Joshua Elder, Josh Morris and Corbin Dravitzki became the first FDMC team to compete in the New Zealand Age Group Championships after winning the Taranaki Secondary School Championship for the first time in 30 years. Captain, Josh Morris was the sole player to make the cut on the final day of the championships and he tied 59th in the under 19s and 20th in the under 17s.

Both these teams contain young talent and will undoubtedly grow and improve throughout their remaining years at the College and I am excited to see what the future holds for them.

Some of the more traditional sporting codes also saw great success this year. Under the fantastic leadership of Dawson Webber, they performed well in their interschool matches winning 3 out of 5 losing only to St. Bernard's and St Peter's Cambridge. In their qualifying matches, the team beat both Palmerston North Boys High and New Plymouth Boys High and qualified first in the region for the National tournament. This is the first time the Football First XI has achieved this level of qualification (top 16 in the country) and they eventually placed 23rd in the Lotto NZ Premiership (best 32 teams in the country).

1st XI cricket had a good year in the Taranaki Premier competition. One stand out performer in the premier competition was left arm orthodox bowler Jono Brosnahan who spun his way to a brilliant 4 wicket bag and secured his spot in the competitions 'dream team' The 1st XI also managed to win the majority of the traditional matches played.

During the year 6 members of the FDMC 1st XI took part in the Taranaki Wanderers tour of England. This tour proved to be very successful as many of the school's players put in strong performances and tested their skills in different conditions. 13 games were played on the tour, with the side winning 8 of them.

The pride of the College, the 1st XV, produced some remarkable wins in a challenging season. The season started off with the school's first ever win over Wellington College. The first traditional of the year was

a close 25-22 controversial loss to Palmy Boys which started a lot of hatred towards referee Max O'leary. The boys had another win over strong rugby school St Johns Hamilton 15-10. We then won our first two Central North Island games against Wanganui and then a historic come from behind win against St Peter's College Cambridge, after being behind 21-0 at half time the boys scored 38 unanswered points to win 38-21. Following a loss to St Paul's the boys went on a 3 game winning streak beating Lindisfarne, Te Aute, and St Bernards. The boys then had two big wins 59-5 and 83-7 over St John's and Rathkeale before losing their final game of the season to a strong Fielding side.

The final two teams I would like to mention are the true embodiment of College spirit. The FDMCmen social basketball team had yet another dominant year, proving that they are without a doubt, the best social basketball team in College history. Their season finished with them taking out the league on the back of a huge performance from Mr. 4th Quarter, Mitchell Pelham. The Year 13 social football team showed similar dominance, and the boys managed to overcome some great adversity and lack of hydration to win their league without breaking a sweat. Heart and soul of the team, Kai Warburton, and College leader George Miles must be commended for their courageous effort during the course of the year.

In addition to these team achievements, many boys also performed outstandingly in individual sports. Zac Reid again was the very deserving winner of the sportsman of the year award. As one of his mates I have a slight sense of the immense time he dedicates to his sports of swimming and surf life-saving and I have nothing but admiration him. Zac's titles are too numerous to list but I will attempt to present a snapshot of his most notable wins this year. He represented NZ at the Commonwealth Youth Games at the Bahamas in July this year and gained two Gold medals in the 1500 m freestyle and 4 x 200 freestyle mixed relay. Zac is the current NZ record holder for the 17yrs boys 800 m freestyle, beating Danyon Loader's previous record. Zac gained a silver medal at the NZ Open swimming championships in the 800 m and bronze in the 200m, 400m and 1500m freestyle events. Zac also achieved honours at the National Age group championships, gaining a gold medal in the 1500 m and silver medal

in the 200 and 400 m freestyle events. He has excelled in Surf Lifesaving and has been named captain of the NZ Surf Lifesaving Junior Black Fins to compete in the international Surf Lifesaving event to be held in December this year.

Our head boy, Matthew O'Connell, was another to represent the College with great distinction on the international stage. Matthew was a member of the New Zealand Under 18 basketball team which traveled to Guam in July this year and gained second place, meaning they have qualified for the Asia Pacific Championships to be held in January next year. Mathew also represented NZ in the Nike Asia Pacific competition in China in June this year. It was a privilege to play alongside Matthew this year in the Senior A and it only seemed fitting that the basketball season finished with him having his iconic number 6 jersey retired by an emotional Mr. Cowie.

Other notable performances included Thomas Hadley's 4 peaks record-breaking run, my own victory at the Under 21 Golf Croquet World Champs not to mention the Kneepkens brothers, Isaac and Jacob who both have bright futures in rugby/rugby league.

One final individual, I would like to mention is Cobi McCook, one of the most genuine College men you will ever meet. Cobi has been involved in many sports throughout his time here at FDMC including Rowing, Rugby and Rugby League. This year Cobi was the recipient of the "Contribution to Sport" prize for his generous coaching and refereeing. Cobi truly represents the unselfish attitude that we like to foster here at FDMC and I applaud him for his time here.

I realise that I have but scratched the surface with these results, but there is simply too much success to write about and I would be doing the athletes a disservice to skim over their various accolades.

I would like to finish on a personal note. It has been an absolute honour to be the sports captain of FDMC. Since coming here in Year 7 I have participated in more sports teams than I would care to count and I am grateful to FDMC for providing me with these opportunities. The friendships I have made through sport, and the lessons I have learned are invaluable and I would encourage all future students to get involved in sport in some way. And to those who do play sport, always remember the wise words of our College sporting hero.

"Ah well, win some lose some"- Zac Reid 2017

Felix Webby
Sports Captain 2017



SPORTS DINNER

The annual Sportsman's Dinner was held on the 27th September in the Grand Ballroom at the Plymouth International Hotel.

It was a great night enjoyed by all that attended and is a real celebration of sport at the College. The dinner aims to acknowledge and reward those students at Francis Douglas who have represented the College with distinction, both on and off the sports field.

Sport is a key component of school life at the College. We are consistently getting recognition at an national level with various sports and always "punch above our weight" against larger schools. This can be put down to our students having such a huge involvement in sport across a large number of codes. Our student participation in sport has remained above 75% for many years now which is among some of the highest figures in Taranaki and New Zealand.

The "Fair-Play Award" was given to 1st XV member Liam Thomson who even though he suffered a major injury at the start of the rugby season continued to support the team to the best of his abilities as a chief organiser, water boy and motivational speaker.

"Team of the Year" was awarded to the Golf Team who progressed to the national secondary school tournament for the first time in College history. This meant we now have a national ranking of 15th in NZ.

"Contribution to College Sport" was awarded to Cobi McCook who has shown an amazing dedication to a wide range of sports but specifically Rowing, Rugby League and Rugby where he coached, managed and competed for the College over a number of years.

Lastly, the overall "Sportsman of the Year" was awarded to Zac Reid for his exceptional swimming achievements. Zac broke many Taranaki and NZ records and was also selected to compete for New Zealand in the Youth Commonwealth Games. He earned two Gold medals at the Youth Games and shows real promise as a swimmer. Zac was also named captain of the Junior Black fins and will compete in the international surf lifesaving event held in Mt Maunganui this December.

Thanks to everyone who attended the dinner and we look forward to hosting another enjoyable night in 2018.

SPORTS AWARDS 2017

Inter House Trophies 2017

Swimming TP Winter Cup
Athletics William Butler Memorial Cup
Cross Country
Football Powell Trophy
Rugby M S Walsh Trophy

Loreto
La Salle
La Salle
Solomon
Benildus

Basketball Miles Benton Trophy
Champion Sporting House Rowland Cup
Solomon and La Salle

Individual Trophies 2017

Athletics - L F Walsh Challenge Cup
Senior Champion - Matthew O'Connell

Basketball - Siffleet Family Trophy
Rookie of the Year - Mitchell Pelham

Basketball - Crowley Family Cup
Most Outstanding Team Player - Riley Putt

Basketball - Dobson Trophy
Best Defense Player - Ethan Langton

Basketball - Dennis Toon Trophy
Most Improved Player - Andrew Kere-Rako

Basketball - Kent Mori Cup
Senior A Captain - Matthew O'Connell

Basketball - Andy Cowie Trophy
Most Valuable Player - Caleb Ludlow

Basketball - Joseph Riordan Trophy
Most Outstanding College Basketballer
Matthew O'Connell (3rd year running)

Badminton - FDMC Badminton Trophy
Outstanding Badminton Player - Shinuk Park

Cricket - D'ath Family Trophy
Most Valuable Bowler - Robson Chapman

Cricket - Kirk Family Trophy
Most Valuable Batsman - Finbar Moriarty

Cricket - Fleming Trophy
Most Improved Player - Sean Mosquera

Cricket - Bolstad Trophy
Most Valuable Player - Matt Allen

Cricket - Peter Stachurski Cup
Most Promising Player in First XI - Jonty Hughes

Cricket - Br Peter Smyth Trophy
Contribution to Cricket - Finbar Moriarty

Cycling - George Wharehoka Cup
Outstanding Senior Cyclist - Henri Lehrke

Cross Country - Br Tim Trophy
Champion - Thomas Hadley

Golf - Barrett Family Cup
Golf Open Champion - Joshua Morris

Hockey - Landrigan Cup
Captain 1st XI - Samuel Johnson & Thomas Morgan

Solomon

Hockey - Br Tim Trophy
Development as a Player - Samuel Johnson (Y 11)

Hockey - Bedford Trophy
Most Valuable Contribution to Hockey
Samuel Johnson (Y 13)

Hockey - King Trophy
Team Award - Thomas Morgan

Football - Crow Cup
Outstanding First Season in 1st XI - Colin Campbell

Football - FDMC Football Cup
For Most Improved Player - Jacob Crawford

Football - Hall Cup
For Outstanding Contribution to Football
Dawson Webber

Football - FDMC Soccer Trophy
Player of the Year - Liam Scott

Football - Hareb Cup
1st XI Players Player - Daniel Kibby

Rowing
Most Outstanding Performance - Cobi McCook

Rugby - Keinzley Cup
Outstanding First Season in 1st XV - Nathaniel Peters

Rugby - Michael James Milham Trophy
Sportsmanship - Joshua Hopkins

Rugby - John George Cup
Most Points in the Season - Jackson Sinclair

Rugby - Crawford Cup
Most Valuable Player
Jacob Ratumaitavuki - Kneepkens

Rugby - Kane Paltridge Memorial Trophy
Outstanding Player - Isaac Ratumaitavuki - Kneepkens

Rugby League - Wackrow Trophy
Greatest Contribution to Rugby League
Dylan Wheatley

Rugby League
Most Courageous Player - Lachlan Jones

Sailing - Port Taranaki Trophy
Junior Sailor of the Year - Oliver Clennett

Sailing - Fitzroy Yachts Trophy
Senior Sailor of the Year - Anthony van Hameren

Skiing - Lynskey Cup
Fastest Skier - Not awarded this year

Skiing - Neeson Family Trophy
Most Improved Skier - Jack Cleland

Squash - Charteris Cup
Best Squash Player - Lachlan Greensill

Squash - Hurley Family Trophy
Most Improved Player - Jack Newell

Surfing - Simon Deken Trophy
Best Surfer - Aleksandar Timarac

Swimming - Quintas Challenge Cup
Senior Champion - Zac Reid

Tennis - Moore Cup
Senior Champion - Caleb Fleming

Waka Ama - Toa Waka Ama Trophy
Contribution to Waka Ama - Xavier Kere - Rako

Contribution to College Sport - Cobi McCook
Team of the Year - Senior Golf Team
Sportsman of the Year - Zac Reid
Outstanding Act of Fair Play - Liam Thomson



HOUSE REPORTS

BENILDUS HOUSE

2017 has been a rollercoaster ride for the mighty Benildus, full of many highs and lows. This year has really helped me in creating and developing personal bonds with the younger students and has also helped with my leadership skills. It has been truly an honour to lead the 'green machine' for 2017. Coming into school as a small Year 7 student it was always my dream to one day take over the role of house leader but I didn't actually think it would be possible. I never thought that in the future it would be me running around frantically trying to organise the Juniors into House Athletics and swimming races but I am very grateful to have had this opportunity. The friendships and memories I take away from my years at the College will stay with me and will be cherished forever.

Unfortunately, Benildus came in at fourth place in the overall standings but like the typical Benildus men we are, we kept fighting throughout the year and finished the year on a high. The way the boys stood up from Year 7 to 13 offering help in every field made me feel proud to lead such a fine group of students. I would like to commend my fellow Benildus Year 13's for assisting me along my journey and really helping steer the ship over the course of the year. I would like to thank in particular Shamus Hurley-Langton, Sam Johnson, Patrick Back and Keegan Lindsay for assisting me thoroughly throughout the year. Other thanks go out to all the Benildus teachers who have all played key roles in house events and assisting when needed. Whether it be a good rark up by Mr. V, a motivational speech from Mr. Rowland or Mr. Wright helping out with the instruments and house Haka and all the work behind the scenes, I truly thank you for all your help.

The boys 'kick started' the year as always, with a valiant effort in the pool. The chants were flowing, the banter was high and the signs around the pool were... inappropriate! We went into the house competition in third place after a decent preliminary performance from some of the juniors. We had to punch well above our weight being the smallest house by far in terms of numbers. Participation was at an all time high and we seemed to be tracking along quite nicely. After lunch, Loreto and La Salle started to pull away using their extra students to advantage. Unable to match these houses, we ended up finishing in the respectable placing of third. A highlight of swimming sports and also the whole year was the relay at the end where we showed true house spirit and had everyone on the edge of the pool encouraging the swimmers.

After a good old Mr. V 'tune up' coming after Swimming Sports, the lads were eager to get into athletics! As usual Benildus seemed to do very well in the preliminary events and were sitting in a comfortable 2nd place heading into Athletics Day. Full of confidence the boys managed to hold onto that



second place for the morning but again the numbers in Loreto and La Salle proved to be too much for us to keep up with. Unfortunately we were also let down by the dwindling participation from some of the senior boys and although winning 4 out of the 6 age group relays as well as the all age house relay, we finished in a competitive 4th place.

Our next mission was House Haka which traditionally was Benildus' best chance for success. With huge help from Year 13 student Taiawhio Waipoua-Bryers, we were able to really nail down the actions as well as the words. Not only this but Tai helped us learn what the Haka was actually saying and the meanings behind the words. This really helped the boys in understanding the foundation behind the Haka and really showed in the finished result. The boys were really open and keen to learn and paid good attention during practices. On the day, the boys lived up to expectations and delivered a high quality good paced Haka. They showed good passion and viciousness in the Haka. Unfortunately the judges thought otherwise and tipped Loreto as the better house leaving us in 2nd place. The pill was tough to swallow and like many of the other houses we all thought Loreto was the worst. The robberies continued again into the next house event: House Singing.

After a second place finish in the Haka, the boys were fired up and ready to hit the high notes. After much deliberation we decided to go with the all time classic of "Hooked on a Feeling" by Blue Suede. This song we felt was easy enough for the boys to sing and well known enough for the judges to sing along too. The boys flew through practice and were really well behaved. After a couple of outbursts from Jacob Whittle the boys were buzzing and ready to go. On the day we were scheduled to perform last. After a lacklustre performance from Loreto first up, we had complete confidence we weren't going to come last. Next was Solomon with an interesting rendition of "Hey Baby". Although the title of the event was house singing, the tune was more like a chant but a Sean Mosquera solo seemed to give them hope. After that was probably the most memorable performance of all. La Salle got on stage and did a humorous performance of "Sweet Caroline". After that shambles came the mighty Benildus. We sang with pride and passion and really nailed down the lyrics. A gutsy performance again saw



us take 2nd place missing out on 1st by only a single point. Mr. Fisher described the event as 'a complete robbery'.

Benildus traditionally have not been known for their outstanding sporting achievements but this year had a few gutsy performances in House Football, Basketball and Rugby. The lads started the sporting leg with House Football. Unable to field a team on the first day we sent out a few requests and pitched a team of 9 the next day. Not having one 1st or 2nd XI player in our team we were already on the back foot against a 1st XI studded La Salle. The boys fell to an early slump and were down 5-0 at oranges. After an inspirational talk from yours truly, the lads dug deep and scored some absolute 'screamers' leveling the game up 5 all with a minute to go. In the last play of the game, a lucky header off a well placed cross saw La Salle pick up 3rd place just pipping us at the final hurdle.

The Benildus last minute losing curse continued into House Basketball. After a silly draw fixture, Benildus and Solomon were placed in the first semi final. The reason this was silly is that our two houses were the best basketball houses and would've made for an incredible final. Solomon had a stacked team with NZ international player Matt O'Connell leading from the front. From the 'get go' the lads were into it. The defense was aggressive, the shots were heavily contested and the crowd was as vocal as ever. After a few eyebrow raising calls from Andy (O'Connell) Cowie, we were down by 15 points at halftime. We knew we could win this as we were still only in first gear. After a few big 3's from Ethan Langton, the boys evened the score with just the last minute to go. Again the scores were locked and with 1 second to go on the clock, Matthew O'Connell hit a beyond half court 'Hail Mary' and cheesed his way to a Solomon buzzer beater win. This pill was especially tough to swallow as the score bench stopped the clock in a game which was supposed to be a running clock. Solomon then went on to the final and cleaned up La Salle by 30 points.

The last event was House Rugby. The build up for this was like a World Cup. Benildus having only four 1st XV players and only a handful of other rugby players was seen as 'the easy beats' of the competition with a lot of teams requesting to play us first. We were scheduled

to face La Salle first up who had a good side. Benildus for the first time in years, were actually able to field a team and even had a few subs. We had to get a couple of boys from Year 10 to play which again highlighted the commitment and pride the boys have to play for the 'green machine'. After a hard fought game in testing conditions, we made a quick meal of La Salle beating them by 3 tries. Next up was Solomon in the final event of the year. Solomon had won the House Rugby competition for the past 5 years and were hot favourites to go all the way this year. Their side was stacked with 1st and 2nd XV players but that didn't let our boys bow their heads. The conditions for the game were terrible: rain, wind and flooded grounds set the scene for a battle of the ages. The game started with a hiss and roar. Sean Mosquera was absolutely sacked off the first kick off a site which aroused the crowd. The game continued with plenty of drop balls in testing conditions. With about 2 minutes to go, a cross kick from Shamus Hurley-Langton set Year 10 Jacob Bamber up for the first try of the game. After that the boys were up 5-0 with only a few seconds to go. The boys had to defend their line for the remaining few seconds and a clutch tackle saw Benildus pick up. With the concluding whistle the boys leaped in the air, a moment I will remember for ever. Hand shakes, hugs and laughter filled the air and concluded with Benildus on a high.

I would like to wish all the best to next year's College leaders and in particular Nathaniel Peters who will lead Benildus in 2018. All the best bro', and may you embrace the role and cherish your final year at the College as it will fly by quickly. It has been a huge honour to lead the green machine and to be able to challenge myself and create life long bonds with other students at the College. Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, over and out! Green Machine Baby.

Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens
Benildus House Leader

LA SALLE HOUSE

When I arrived at the College in 2011, I wasn't that happy about being put into the yellow house. This was largely due to the fact that we were constantly near the bottom of the scoreboard and having to compete in the dominant era of Solomon.

However good things come to those who wait, and during my last three years in the College, La Salle has become a force to be reckoned with! Following in the footsteps of famous house leaders Cole Hareb and Nathan Cousins Lapworth, I had some enormous shoes to fill, especially being top house for two years running. So after being given the privilege to lead the yellow house this year, I am extremely pleased to be able to say that we have taken out second place in overall house points and tied for the top sporting house of 2017.



The first event of the year and arguably one of the biggest events on the school house competition calendar is the Swimming Sports. The boys, all back from their summer break, were all geared up and excited to give the mighty yellow house a good start to the year. At the end of preliminaries, La Salle stood near the top of the points table with special efforts going to our junior boys pulling through, especially Cullann Read swimming out of his skin in the intermediate races. Once the big day came around, we were sitting comfortably on points, looking to better the previous year's third place finish. With a good turn out for the house, all the boys swam as many races as they could and put in a courageous effort, aiming for the win in every race they competed. However La Salle just couldn't quite take the lead with Loreto taking the big W. Big ups to our 'All Age Relay' coming a close second to Solomon. Age champions were Cullann in Year 7 and myself in Year 13.

Next on the sporting events calendar, was the Athletic Sports' competition where we got to see the strength and speed that the College has to showcase. Looking to give the heavily populated Loreto a run for its money and take out the most athletic house, the La Salle leaders provided a huge influence to help rally the house for the big day. A massive turn out by the mighty yellow machine ensured a big day of competing ahead. Straight out of the gates speedsters Kahu Capper and Zach Bradford showed their pace and dominated their respective Year 7 and 8 age groups. These two, by the end of the day, had obliterated their competitors and became the champions in their age groups. By midday the results were showing La Salle perched in a tight second, just behind Loreto but well clear of the other two trailing houses. To knock the blue brigade off their top spot, La Salle required someone to step up and dominate the scene. That man was Denzell Sofeni (a vital contributor in all the relays and in the close win over Loreto), screaming past the other boys in his year with dominant middle distance running. Denzell took out the Intermediate B division while brother Xavier claimed second in Year 8 and Josh Hopkins the silver in Intermediate A. I am very proud of La Salle for taking out Athletics - well done boys!

Cross-country was the next competition on the house sports roster, despite being delayed due to flooding on the original day. So a week later, with the course still

looking wet and muddy, the senior boys looked to start the day off well. It was Thomas Hadley who took the field by storm absolutely annihilating the competition and taking out a very comfortable win. I managed to hang on to second place holding off the croquet master, Felix Webby. The La Salle intermediates and junior boys carried on the dominance of the yellow machine with Jacob Crawford and Bryn Kearton taking out first and second places respectively, putting big points up on the scoreboard. The Hadley's carried on their success out on the muddy course with Thomas' younger brothers, Oscar and William, gaining second place in both their age groups. With a good all round performance from the lads in yellow, we secured a big win beating the three other houses comfortably with nearest rival Solomon almost 400 points shy. A special thanks to Mr. Lash for providing yet another perfect and challenging course for the boys of the College.

First up on the House Competition cultural events competition was the house Haka. In past years La Salle has been seen as top dog when it came to this display of culture. Looking to stay true to this title we set out to defend our win from last year. However we could not prevail and fell short of our goal. Some controversial decisions from judges saw us being placed third behind Benildus and Loreto. However a 'shout out' must be made to Lewis 'Matua' Ritai who was congratulated by the judges on his powerful lead role and outstanding delivery.

The next cultural event was House Singing and just like Haka, we were the defending champions. Contrary to last years format, it was decided by staff that we could continue with the old tradition of picking a song to sing and then singing the school hymn. After much debate with the other La Salle Year 13's we decided on 'Sweet Caroline' as our song. There were some disagreements on the chosen song but we trooped through. After solid practices with some much needed coaching from star singer David Codd, we were as ready as we would ever be. On the day the lads all turned up and began to bust out the Neil Diamond classic. However after hitting the first chorus, we were thwarted by the heavenly sounds of Harry Foreman on the microphone. Nearing the end of the song we knew we would have to give our all for the College Hymn. Unfortunately due



to a little bit of miscommunication, technical difficulties and some fast paced singing we were, as David would say, "bloody atrocious". A cheeky fourth has never hurt anybody and a big congrats. to Solomon for taking out the win with a big solo from Mozzy.

Nearing the end of the year we headed into the three final House sporting events of the year. First up was the basketball which for some was the biggest event of the year. For our first game we were up against the stacked house of Loreto with arguably the smallest baller the school has ever seen in Joseph Bernet. However with some dominant displays of athleticism and rebounding from Sam Poles-Smith and clutch plays from the rookie George Kerr, La Salle pulled through with a victory. Heading into the final there was a cloud of uncertainty as we were definitely the underdogs with Solomon packing huge talent in Matthew O'Connell and Felix Webby. With some Senior A talent of our own in Riley Putt and Brodie Calder, we tried our very best to secure the big W. But the force of a NZ superstar was too much and our men fell short taking a well deserved second. Big thanks to George Miles, our MVP, for his outstanding two way playing. Moving on to Football: I was very excited as we packed a whole lot of First Eleven superstars like the Webber trio and True Foot. But the chemistry just wasn't there on the day and a sub-par effort from Ben Leary meant a 2-1 loss was in the books. But everyone has those games and in the playoff for 3rd and 4th, the lads all dug deep to try and seal a win. Leary shook himself off and played outstandingly to assist the side to a 5-4 win over a very competitive Benildus side. Then came House Rugby which was a tough battle against a strong Benildus side and their talented young players. With most of the Year 13's in La Salle more interested in handball than rugby, I managed to get a team together of Year 11 and 12's which actually made a respectable team. Heading into battle with a lot of young 1st XV talent and the odd Year 13 veteran, we came up with an early try to Ben Bradley. But with some controversial refereeing by Mr. Crocker and unforced errors from the lads we again fell short. The playoff for 3rd and 4th was played in appalling conditions with rain bucketing down making the field very slippery. The boys just couldn't get it right on the day and unfortunately lost.

It has been a real privilege leading the mighty yellow machine to a rather successful year in 2017. Being able to lead my fellow La Salle peers has been an awesome experience and I look forward to seeing who will be steering the ship next year. I am extremely proud of the house pulling through and tying with Solomon for top sporting houses of 2017 and also finishing second overall on the points table. I have had an amazing time at the College and the yellow house has always been there for me and I am glad to be part of its history as Zac 'Sharkbait' Reid. To the future leaders of our vibrant house - do La Salle proud and keep up its winning ways. To my fellow Year 13's, it has been a pleasure growing up with you lads and I look forward to seeing what the future brings for us all.

And just remember, even though there are only twelve keys, aim for the thirteenth!

Zac Reid
La Salle House Captain 2017

LORETO HOUSE

Coming into school as a 25kg and 4 foot tall tiny Year Seven, I could not have even begun to imagine that leading my mighty Loreto house would ever become a reality. The fact was that it seemed so far fetched in my eyes, with the likes of predecessors such as Jordie Barrett and Satch Pryor to name but a few.

After coming third last year I knew there was only one option: we had to improve for the year of 2017! I have always known that there has been lots of pride in our four houses, and there was going to be stiff competition for us to bring the wins home!

The year kicked off with the first event, which was the swimming. This is an event that we had not won since 2010 and Loreto was never strong in this after the great Loreto Olympic swimmer Dylan Dunlop-Barrett graced the pool! Luckily enough this year we had up and coming swimmers, such as Troy Ryan, Robert Ropitini and the Meuli and Corlett brothers who all contributed with solid performances in the preliminary races. With the strong participation of the young ones, we managed to get through to a bold finish in the relays and an eventual win. This couldn't have been done without the force of students such as Mason Porteous, Liam Thompson, Cobi McCook and co., who had great influence in getting the juniors into the pool no matter what!

Athletics Day came around in no time. Again this is where our participation really came through. We thought we could do well with a good mix of boys entered in every age group. With the speed of Chris "Lambo" Balsom and Caylem McCook, these guys were strong in the 100 metre finals. We were unlucky to come second to a great effort from La Salle.

The Cross Country came around soon after and in many boys' minds, this was the event that they dreaded! With



decent conditions there was less chance for sliding the hills. This came as a disappointment to many as for this event, it is usually the more mud the better! It was close, but we didn't get the win on the day!

Next was the House Haka which was a chance for the house to excel in the cultural arena. Credit goes to the Diamond brothers for their solid effort up the front, gaining some crucial points. We were the only house to not wear shirts, which gave us an edge in terms of hearing the slaps on bodies, and also displayed the red rosy chests! This created a win from a great effort! Credit must be given to the other houses who all were very strong this year.

Singing came along and it is fair to say that Loreto did not excel, although it was a beautiful rendition of the Exponents song, 'Why does Love do this to me?'. Full credit goes to Solomon's Sean Mosquera who was able to rap a great solo to deliver Solomon's win.

Basketball was an event where we were without big name players, or anyone who had played basketball for that matter! We managed to pull away strongly in last place, however without players who stepped up such as Ethan Diamond (who got a half court shot from out of nowhere to the amazement of everyone watching), we could have done worse on the scoreboard!

House Rugby is the event where it is seen to be okay to eye gouge and give a cheeky jab to your mates as lenient referees Mr. Rowland and Mr. Crocker turn a blind eye to any ruckus created. Throughout history there have been big names come through Loreto such as Crowley, Barrett, Wooldridge and Frenley, so it was up to us to continue their tradition of doing well in this event. It was a hard first loss to Solomon who stretched us wide due to players such as Tobias Stark threatening the line at all stages. Then came La Salle in the second game where we were graced with torrential rain which made the field extremely slippery underfoot with bare feet. However, this suited our forward pack and super star winger Josh Loveridge, managed to pick up a triple. We came a solid third in this event.

House Football was next and with players such as Daniel Kibby and Joe Crowe, we were lucky enough to pick up a solid second. This was helped by Isaac and Benildus not turning up for our first match.



With our two big event wins and other strong placings, we managed to take out the win for the whole year, but credit goes to the other houses who didn't start off as well at the beginning of the year and managed to catch up and put pressure on Loreto.

I would especially like to thank all the Year 13 boys in Loreto for the endless support that they gave me throughout the whole year. We were a great team. Also big 'ups' to Mr. Ruakere who always helped me out and stirred the boys up. The ongoing Loreto chants and 'Kibby' song will stick with me forever.

It was truly an honour to lead the boys in blue this year. Good luck to Rory Maxwell and the boys for next year. May the good form continue into 2018 so that the proud Loreto legacy will live on.

Joe Bernet
Loreto House Captain 2017

SOLOMON HOUSE

2017 has been an interesting year for the "red army" as we've had some highlights as well as some lows. To have been given the opportunity to lead this mighty house has been an absolute honour and I am proud to say that I got to lead it. Coming in as a pretty shy Year 9 boarder, I would never have pictured myself to be the guy at house events running around after all the juniors trying to organise them and dealing with all of the chaos that comes with being a house leader.

When I was in Year 9, Solomon was the house to be in as it was the most dominant house and we'd win almost everything. Unfortunately this year with some results that didn't quite swing our way, we weren't able to get there in the end: however we did put up a good fight. I'd just like to take this opportunity to say a massive thanks to all Year 13 Solomon boys who have helped out wherever they could on sports' days and events. Without you boys it would've been a pretty big job! Also, I'd like to thank all the boys in the "red army" for putting up a good fight this year, and for never giving up when the times got tough.

As usual, we kicked the year off with our first big event, Swimming Sports. Prelims. were up first and with a few no shows, it was not looking good for the boys in red, so we entered Swimming Sports' Day on the back foot as we were way behind Loreto and Benildus. The boys in red soldiered on anyway and gave it a good crack but at the end of the day, they couldn't quite pull through as we were so far behind to start off with and because of that, we unfortunately came 4th. Even though the result didn't swing our way we did have some outstanding efforts by individuals. Congratulations go to Seniors Oisin Quinn, Aleksandar Timarac, Intermediate-Olly Spicer, and Jack Feaver and Ethan Lobb in the Juniors.

Athletics was the second big event. This was the one we really needed to get up for as this was going to



determine how our year was going to go. With a lack of participation and a few poor performances, we were unable to gain a victory and settled for third. There were some outstanding results in the senior sectors so credit to you guys for giving it your all.

Cross-country was a sector that I knew the boys would do well in as we have some outstanding runners in our house. The boys really put in effort for this event and the house was rewarded with a second. The boys did well in all year groups for this event.

The Haka was up next and the boys were fizzing. On the day, all four houses put in outstanding efforts and it would've been a hard one to judge. I honestly couldn't tell if we were going to come first or last, but unfortunately we came in at 4th place and the boys were absolutely gutted. Big ups to Jacko for leading the Haka with so much mana and pride.

Caritas was great this year for Solomon. With some very kind and generous people in our house, we were able to smash the other houses with our donations and secure first place for Caritas. Good job lads.

With the lack of performances earlier on in the year, we really needed to knock out singing. We were singing 'Hey Baby' as this was a song with easy lyrics to learn but was still upbeat and fun. On the day, 'Mossy the rapper' came in and kicked the boys off and we were off to the start we were wanting. With the energy levels high and the boys singing beautifully we were able to pull away with the win. This really gave the boys a boost for the upcoming events of football, basketball and rugby.

Basketball was up first and with the stars of Matt O'Connell and Felix Webby, we were destined to win. After playing off against the other houses, we made it to the final as we knew we would. We were playing Benildus and it was pretty even and was a good game: it was getting close towards the end and there was three seconds left and Matt O'Connell saved the day by lobbing the biggest fluke shot of his NBA career from halfway, winning us the game. This gave us a great boost for the next event which was Football.

With some 1st XI players, we went into football feeling very confident. First up we had La Salle and with some

outstanding efforts from Sean Mosquera, Liam Scott and Felix Webby, we were able to come away with a win. The boys then went into the final against Loreto quite confidently as we knew we could dominate the boys in blue. We ended up gathering first place overall.

It was time for rugby and we were needing to win this for the sports cup. Solomon had a strong starting line up. Loreto was first up to face the wrath of the red army. It was an easy win with Sean Mosquera scoring a 'hat-trick'. We went in to face Benildus in the finals. They were about to call the game off as it was raining torrentially and the fields were more like swimming pools. However all of us boys were desperately wanting to see who the best team was. This was a very close game. Mossy went on to score by kicking it along the ground from halfway all the way to the try line. However, with some terrible refereeing by James Rowland (AKA "beetle juice") it was apparently dead although the whole crowd watching said it was in! Because of this poor judgment, the boys in red had been beaten by one try! Unfortunately we had to settle for second place when really we should've won. But I guess as the old saying goes, 'Ya win some, ya lose some,' and that was just the reality that we had to face.

By getting these fantastic results it meant we won the Sports Cup in the end. However, we had to do this thing called 'sharing' with La Salle as they too got the same number of points that we did.

It's been an up and down year for the lads in red but we managed to hold on and pull through well. Although we didn't come outright first I am still very proud and honoured to say that I have lead this victorious house. Thank you to everyone who has helped me this year through the good times and not so good times. It's been a blast and I've enjoyed every moment of it.

I would also like to wish next year's Solomon House Captain the best of luck: make sure to take charge and lead from the front.

Tobias Stark
Solomon House Captain 2017





HEAD BOARDER

2017 has been a very memorable year for the boys in La Salle House. Not only is the hostel saying goodbye to another lot of Year 13's, but it is also important to acknowledge how important it was to welcome the new Year 9 boys into the hostel and to have had the pleasure to get to know and watch them develop and find comfort in their surroundings. It was also great to be alongside them as we coached them for Boarders' Cup. I hope we grew as coaches as much as they did as players. We are all very proud of their performance against a strong Boys' High team. The boys truly 'emptied the tank' and put in a strong performance, staying competitive the whole game through.

As per usual the Hostel House Competition was mildly competitive this year, however not much has changed with Hawke House showing that consistency is key and adding to their previous years of dominance. This year Hawke House are leading with second placed Foley only 92 points behind them. With only one house competition to be tallied up, that being charity, the leader board is unlikely to change. All house competitions this year were done in good spirit and the boys sure had a lot of fun throughout the competitions, and we all grew closer in our houses.

This year we brought in new things like 'buddy study' within houses on Thursday nights so that some of the junior boys could get to know the senior boys as we helped each other with our studies. We also brought in a new concept of a food committee so that that we can have a closer relationship between the boys and the kitchen. This worked alongside the pre-existing residential committee. Both are made up of representatives from each year level and I would just like to thank them all for the time they have given up to keep the hostel ticking over smoothly.

This year we are saying goodbye to another group of boys that I have been very privileged to get to know over the years. We all came together from all over the province, island and even the world as strangers but we are truly going to leave as brothers. The memories we have made will never be forgotten and we will always cherish the time we have spent in La Salle House.

We of course can not forget about the supervisors who have been the ones that have taken good care of us over the years (sometimes at very early hours of the night/morning) to deal to our mischief. We all would like to take this opportunity to thank them as well.

Overall this year has been one to remember and it has really flown by very quickly. All of our best wishes go to the boys moving up a year and into leadership roles in 2018. As Year 13's we are all looking forward to watching you boys grow up into fine young 'College men' as we find our way in the workforce or some of us go on to further our studies.

Another big thank you to everyone that has helped put this year together for the hostel and made it a year to remember.

Shamus Hurley-Langton
Head Boarder 2017

HOSTEL REPORT

CEO:	Martin Chamberlain
Business Manager:	Diana Blair
House Parents:	Heta & Margie Smith
House Supervisors:	Heta Smith Y13 Andy Cowie Y12 Mark Walsh Y11 and Y10 Matt Cursons Y9
Matron:	Briar Sutherland
Chefs:	Steve Muir, Judy Kobza
GAP Tutor:	Max Ellinghoven Alex Ide Terms 2 & 3 Lars Olschinka Terms 3 & 4
ICT Supervisor:	Liam O'Neill
House Keeping:	Suzy Broadfoot Leah Horo Karen Puh Sharee Callander
Kitchen:	Aimee Loveridge Linda Purdie Julie Johnson Amanda Shotter Shirley Fenton Marline Tohia
Laundry:	Shamus Hurley-Langton
Head Boarder:	Sam Johnson
Deputy Head Boarder:	Patrick Back
Head of Foley House:	Sam Johnson
Head of Peter House:	Shamus Hurley-Langton
Head of Hawke House:	Jonathan Dwyer
Head of Watson House:	Ethan Diamond
Head of Thompson House:	Brad Saxton
Head of Firman House:	
La Salle House Board:	Steven Poole (Chairperson) Kevin Barrett Peter McBreen Grant Gopperth Sir Brother Pat Lynch

Kia maumahara tatou, kei roto tatou, I te aroaro tapu o te Atua

Remember that we are always in the holy presence of God.

As the 2017 year quickly comes to an end, time has come to reflect on how it has gone. In January we started with 32 new Year 9, one new Year 10 and four new Year 11 boys. We also welcomed three International boys from Japan, Korea and Thailand. Our House roll jumped from 111 in 2016 to 125 this year. This was a very pleasant surprise as the dairy and





oil industries had taken a dip in the past two years so this was an indication that our local economy was back on the up. It also indicated the value and confidence that parents had in our hostel by wanting to send their sons to board at LaSalle house

Our new year actually started in November 2016 with the new Year 9 boys coming in for a sleep over. This night always proves to be very successful, as it gives the new boys the opportunity to experience sleeping in the dorm, eating hostel food, playing games and meeting their hostel mates. This helps to break down the anxieties which can happen over the holidays prior to start of term.

Staff

This year we have had a number of staff changes. The most significant being Mrs Barbara Fox who retired after 48 years' service to the College. We also farewelled Gurpreet Singh Year 10 Supervisor at the end of term two. Gurpreet had worked for the hostel for three years and was leaving to take up a career in Business Management. In the kitchen we farewelled Tracey Fenn also at the end of Term Two who was looking forward to her impending retirement. In her place we welcomed Shirley Fenton and Amanda Shotter.

Gap Tutors

In January Max Ellinghoven joined us for the start of his GAP year. In Term Two we said good bye to Felix Wiegand who left to start his paramedic training. In his place we had Alex Ide a fifth year medical student who was taking a break before completing his final year of training. Alex enjoyed his time with us that much that he opted to spend another term which we were delighted with. Also in Term Three we welcomed another new GAP Lars Olschinka who will be with us till July 2018. Overall we have been blessed with the calibre of our Gap Tutors this year. They get on well with the boys and staff, are hard-working and willing to help whenever needed.

At the start of term the school leaders were welcomed by the College in an Investiture Mass. Representing the hostel were Shamus Hurley-Langton Head Boarder and Sam Johnson Deputy Head Boarder.

In the hostel the following had leadership positions:

- Head of Foley House: Patrick Back
- Head of Peter House: Sam Johnson
- Head of Hawke House: Shamus Hurley-Langton
- Head of Watson House: Jonathan Dwyer
- Head of Thompson House: Ethan Diamond
- Head of Firman House: Brad Saxton

The Year 13 group have continued the legacy started back in 2013. The "big brother "concept is alive and well due to their efforts with the younger boys and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for making 2017 a good year. I wish them well for their future endeavours and hope that they keep in touch with the hostel and the college.

To Head Boarder Shamus Hurley-Langton and Deputy Head Boarder Sam Johnson: Thank you for the enthusiasm and commitment you have brought to the job.

House Competition

The House structure is really starting to bear fruit, since its implementation in 2013. The older boys have certainly taken on the role of big brothers and there is a genuine feeling of family in the hostel. House liturgies are going from strength to strength and we now have the individual Houses doing full hostel liturgies. There is also an understanding that the responsibility for preparing liturgies will be passed down through each level so that there is a seamless transition when the leadership changes each year. 2017 was also the first time we tried studying in House groups (Buddy Study). For the majority of the boys it was beneficial, however there was a little negativity from some of the Year 13 boys. I am sure that this will change as the boys get used to it and realize the benefits that can be gained from it.

The overall results of the house competition:

Hawke	Foley	Thompson	
240	347	208	Athletics
805	645	585	Swimming
79	58	63	Haka
140	124	112	Music
790	726	445	Charity
2054	1900	1413	Total
1st	2nd	3rd	
Firman	Peter	Watson	
135	167	105	Swimming
520	330	510	Athletics
83	58	49	Haka
160	156	100	Music
474	574	438	Charity
1372	1285	1202	Total
4th	5th	6th	

Winners of the Barbara "Foxy" Fox Trophy for the top House in 2017 goes to Hawke HOUSE - House captain Shamus Hurley-Langton

House Leaders for 2018

- Vinnie Bestall
- Luke Hughes
- Cameron McDonald
- Ben Smith

Head Boarder: Jayden Smith
Deputy Head Boarder: James Batchelor

Congratulations to these young men. I am confident that they have the skill set to lead our hostel successfully in 2018 and look forward to working closely with them through the year.

Academics

Academically we are maintaining a high standard with the following hostel boys acknowledged at the senior prize giving.

Senior Prizegiving

Congratulations to the following boys:

Attainment and Diligence Awards

Year 11
Blair Adams, Ethan Borst, Jaide Coombes, Josh Corrigan, Daniel Ford, Jeremy Gopperth, Tom leFleming, Brad Lichtwark, Lewis Liu, Josh Loveridge, Jay Sybrandy, Liam Matthews, Ethan McLeod, Ambrose Moriarty, Shinuk Park.

Year 12
James Batchelor, Brodie Calder, Kelvin Fu, Luke Hughes, Josh Morris, Pongpat Murin, Shay Smith Luond, Ben Smith, Jayden Smith, Sunny Wong, Keegan Wrght

Year 13
Paddy Back, Josh Cathie, Ethan Diamond, Jonathan Dwyer, Campbell Grayling, Shamus Hurley-Langton, Finbar Moriarty, Mitchell Tregoweth

First in Subject

Year 11
Liam Matthews PE
Darrell Smith Media, Digital Tech
Jay Sybrandy Metal Tech

Year 12
Michael Back Ag / Hort
James Batchelor Maths applied
Devin Carruthers Tech
Malici Moore Outdoor Ed
Pongpat Murin Maths
Jayden Smith Media Studies

Special Awards

Jayden Smith 1st in Media Studies
Jonathan Dwyer L. A Alexander Cup 1st in AG
Sam Johnson Margaret Fleming Cup
Shamus Hurley-Langton Br Anthony Hawkins Cup

Summary

As we finish the 2017 school year, I would like to take this opportunity to personally acknowledge the staff in LaSalle House for making it a home away from home for our boys. To Andy, Mark, Matt, our hard-working hostel supervisors, thank you for your efforts this year. Thank you also to Max Ellinghoven and Lars Olschinka our GAP tutors. To our Matron Briar Sutherland, thank you for the wonderful care you give the boys on a day by day basis. To Steve, Judy, Linda, Julie, Shirley, Aimee, Amanda, our fantastic kitchen team thank you for all the "yummy" meals you have prepared over the year. To Suzy, Leah, Karen and Sharee our dedicated and hard-working house - keeping staff thank you for your efforts this year. It is always a pleasure to come



back to the hostels after you have been through. To Marline our hardworking and unsung hero out the back in the laundry, thank you for the mountain of washing that you plough through every week. The boys always look good when they put on a freshly laundered uniform. To our ICT supervisor Liam O'Neill , thank you for all the support you have given to the boys this year. To Martin, Diana, and the Hostel Board thank you for your support, guidance and encouragement. Finally, to Margie, thank you for your hard work and support over the year. The boys certainly appreciate your input and the motherly touch you add to the running of the hostel.

As Dean of Boarding I am privileged to work with such a group of dedicated people. Good teamwork is essential to the smooth running of the hostel and I certainly feel that we have that in our community, so I leave you with the following quote:

"Unity is strength. When there is teamwork and collaboration wonderful things can be achieved." Henry Ford

So we pray
Father we pray for the spirit of cooperation and eagerness to contribute to the needs of the whole body so that your church is built not just with sweat, bricks and mortar but with love, care and teamwork. Therefore, we go forth in unity and purpose as we do our part in building each other up in the various natural gifts and learned skills you have given us. We strive for unity in faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God. Amen

St John Baptist de La Salle - Pray for us
Live Jesus in our hearts - forever
Nga mihi nui

Heta Smith
Dean of Boarding
LaSalle House





LaSalle House

- Back Row:** Fraser Copeman, Logan Mitchell, Kale Jordan, Daimen Lightoller, Caleb Lawn, Isaac Jones
- 7th Row:** Luke Crowley, Bradley Smith, Thomas Stokes, Corban Oakes, Conor Attrill-Mundt, Ben Hughes, Adam Loveridge, Daniel Tofts, Max McLeod, Cullen Hurley, Blake Christie, Oliver Hall, Alexander Gilling, Marcus Lupton, Joshua Loveridge
- 6th Row:** Ethan Costello, Blake Crawford, Jacob Hooker, Thomas Bestall, Joshua Corrigan, Shinuk Park, Mathew Gower, Jeremy Gopperth, Malici Moore, Jordan Gray, James Batchelor, Bryn Raine, Elias Mataitini, Lewis Liu, Jay Sybrandy, Jordan Adams
- 5th Row:** Kade Saxton, Pongpat Murin, Joshua Keech, Aidyn Wright, Darrell Smith, Matthew Picard, Ambrose Moriarty, Ren Shimada, Kyle Fleming, Jack Potroz, Lachlan Rhodes, Troy Ryan, Jack Miller, Nicholas Westraad, Liam Matthews, Cleve Miller
- 4th Row:** Ethan McLeod, Victor Broome, Jayden Smith, Samuel Starsmore, Lachlan Fleming, Corban Mau, Nico Sinclair, Cillian Mason, Jaide Coombes, Bradley Lichtwark, Kobe Sinclair, Ethan Borst, Brodie Calder, Max Erkes, Caleb Hammersley, Vinnie Bestall
- 3rd Row:** Mr Matt Cursons (Supervisor), Mr Max Ellinghoven (GAP Tutor), Michael Back, Benjamin Smith, Seth Diamond, Blair Adams, Abraham Mataitini, Kady Luke, Keegan Wright, Shay Smith-Luond, Joshua Morris, Riley Putt, Scott Jury, Luke Hughes, Ethan Langton, Tom le Fleming, Mr Mark Walsh (Supervisor), Mr Felix Wiegand (GAP Tutor)
- 2nd Row:** Riley McDonald, Jack Meads, John Grayling, Joseph Snowden, Riley Fowler, Gareth Duffy, Jackson Cathie, Masen Ehrhorn, Kaelan Beck, Aidan Law, Mitchell Hopkirk, Ben Erkes, Jack Ford, Daniel Ford, Joshua Kuriger, Nathan Robertson, Morgan Mills, Austin Borst, Mr Gurpreet Singh (Supervisor)
- Front Row:** Yutaka Kunizaki, Finbar Moriarty, Mitchell Tregoweth, Rhys Taplin, Josh Cathie, Brad Saxton, Mrs Briar Sutherland (Matron), Shamus Hurley-Langton (Head Boarder), Mr Martin Chamberlain (Principal), Mr Heta Smith (Dean of Boarding), Mrs Margie Smith (Supervisor), Samuel Johnson (Deputy Head Boarder), Jonathan Dwyer, Patrick Back, Ethan Diamond, Jackson Sinclair, Campbell Grayling, Dylan Calder, Mr Andy Cowie (Supervisor)



La Salle House Staff

- Back Row:** Gurpreet Singh (Supervisor), Tracey Fenn (Kitchen), Judy Kobza (2nd Chef)
- 2nd Row:** Neville Rowlands (Groundsmen), Felix Wiegand (GAP Tutor), Matt Cursons (Supervisor), Mark Walsh (Supervisor), Max Ellinghoven (GAP Tutor), Linda Purdie (Kitchen)
- Front Row:** Suzy Broadfoot (Housekeeping), Briar Sutherland (Matron), Martin Chamberlain (Principal), Heta Smith (Dean of Boarding), Margie Smith (Supervisor), Andy Cowie (Supervisor), Marline Tohia (Laundry)

Peter House

- Back Row:** Daniel Ford, Mitchell Hopkirk, Luke Crowley, Oliver Hall, Joshua Loveridge, Joshua Kuriger, Jack Meads
- 2nd Row:** Lewis Liu, Jordan Adams, Blake Crawford, Darrell Smith, Joshua Corrigan, Bradley Smith, Mr Andy Cowie (Supervisor)
- Front Row:** Matthew Picard, Rhys Taplin, Joshua Morris, Samuel Johnson (House Captain), Riley Putt, Michael Back, Brodie Calder



Watson House

- Back Row:** Fraser Copeman, Cleve Miller, Mathew Gower, Jordan Gray, Ethan Costello
- 2nd Row:** Joshua Keech, Cillian Mason, Bradley Lichtwark, Jaide Coombes, Kade Saxton, Max McLeod, Mr Heta Smith (Dean of Boarding)
- Front Row:** Malici Moore, Shinuk Park, Finbar Moriarty, Jonathan Dwyer (House Captain), Victor Broome, Samuel Starsmore, Lachlan Rhodes



Thompson House

- Back Row:** Riley McDonald, Riley Fowler, Masen Ehrhorn, Conor Attrill-Mundt, Kale Jordan, Nathan Robertson, Joseph Snowden
- 2nd Row:** Blake Christie, Jack Miller, Abraham Mataitini, Shay Smith-Luond, Blair Adams, Aidyn Wright, Mr Mark Walsh (Supervisor)
- Front Row:** Tom le Fleming, Josh Cathie, Mitchell Tregoweth, Ethan Diamond (House Captain), Jackson Sinclair, Kyle Fleming, Caleb Hammersley





Foley House

- Back Row:** John Grayling, Kaelan Beck, Caleb Lawn, Cullen Hurley, Logan Mitchell, Jackson Cathie, Ben Erkes
- 2nd Row:** Daniel Tofts, Nicholas Westraad, Scott Jury, Benjamin Smith, Jay Sybrandy, Adam Loveridge, Mr Matt Cursons (Supervisor)
- Front Row:** Lachlan Fleming, Ethan McLeod, Luke Hughes, Patrick Back (House Captain), Yutaka Kunizaki, Vinnie Bestall, Troy Ryan



Firman House

- Back Row:** Jack Ford, Isaac Jones, Corban Oakes, Alexander Gilling, Marcus Lupton, Aidan Law, Austin Borst
- 2nd Row:** Bryn Raine, Corban Mau, Seth Diamond, Keegan Wright, Pongpat Murin, Thomas Bestall, Mr Gurpreet Singh (Supervisor)
- Front Row:** Ethan Borst, Kobe Sinclair, Ethan Langton, Brad Saxton (House Captain), Campbell Grayling, Jayden Smith, Nico Sinclair



Hawke House

- Back Row:** Gareth Duffy, Thomas Stokes, Ben Hughes, Daimen Lightoller, Morgan Mills
- 2nd Row:** Mr Max Ellinghoven (GAP Tutor), Jacob Hooker, Elias Mataitini, Ambrose Moriarty, Liam Matthews, Jeremy Goppert, Mr Felix Wiegand (GAP Tutor)
- Front Row:** Ren Shimada, Jack Potroz, Kady Luke, Shamus Hurley-Langton (House Captain), Dylan Calder, James Batchelor, Max Erkes

ENGLISH

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR:

The Students:

- Thomas Hadley – Best Actor for Sheilah Winn Shakespeare and selected to attend The Globe in 2018.
- Active participation in the O'Shea Shield Competition and Ben Leary, Dominic Coleman and David Codd winning the prestigious Religious Questions Cup
- Speech Finals
- Year 9 Reading Initiative
- Participation in writing competitions at a local, provincial and national level.

THE DEPARTMENT:

- The decision to offer "Opt In/Opt Out Standards at NCEA with the a view to "less is more".
- Continued success with Level 2 English being optional
- A commitment to continuing the revised Junior Programme in 2018
- On-going commitment to Inquiry Learning
- A robust appraisal process
- Scholarship class
- A professional, committed and highly motivated English Department

I am indebted to Ms. Woollaston (TIC Junior English), Ms. Kurd, Mrs. Wackrow, Mrs. Marris. Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Dalliston and Mrs. Joines for all that they do for the students and for their ongoing support and advice.

We wish Mrs. Marris every happiness in her new home on the South Island and we thank her for her years of sterling service. Best wishes to Ms. Woollaston who will spend 2018 touring the world.



Sheilah Winn Shakespeare

- Back Row:** Jacob Fletcher, David Codd, Braeden Schultz, Pascale Joines
- Front Row:** Felix Webby, Thomas Hadley, Xavier Kere-Rako



O'Shea Shield

- Back Row:** Tomi Karasawa, Titan Cook, Caylem Cook, David Codd, Felix Webby, James Avey, Anna Zsigovits-Mace
- Front Row:** Dominic Coleman, Thomas Hadley, Bailey Kuklinski, Daniel Chow, Ben Leary, Ethan Webber, Dawson Webber, Corban Dravitzki

SPEECH FINALS

The Speech Finals, organized by the English Department, were held in the College Gym on the afternoon of 20/6/17. The boys were competing for the Utete Family Cup that is awarded to the best speakers in the three categories. The College has a reputation for its public speaking and this year's finalists certainly lived up to all expectations. The competition was ably adjudicated by Mrs. Sue Page, Mrs. Tina Dalliston and Mrs. Pascale Joines. The audience was supportive and affirming of the speakers. The standard was extremely impressive and the judges were really tested.

The winners, who were congratulated and presented with certificates were:

Intermediate: Gabriel Gervente
Junior: Germaine Grewal
Senior: Felix Webby

Sally O'Neill
(HOD English)

MATHEMATICS

ICAS MATHEMATICS EXAMS

ICAS exams involve approximately 1 million students over 6,000 schools in the Australasia, Pacific, Asia, Middle East, USA, and South Africa regions.

This year we registered our top two streams from the Year 9 and Year 10 classes as well as any seniors who volunteered. This made up a group of 104 students. Eleven students gained a Merit and 17 students gained a Credit award.

Congratulations to Thomas Morgan and Oscar Hadley for gaining distinction which puts them in the top 10% of students.

Special congratulations go to Rahul Rajasingh for gaining High Distinction which puts him in the top 1% of competitors.

John Neeson
TIC Junior Mathematics

METHANEX MATHS SPECTACULAR

It was a very busy time for the Mathematics Department at FDMC in August organising the Methanex Maths Spectacular Quiz.

This year we had a couple of outstanding results in the categories at Year 9, with Oscar Hadley winning the individual project section, while Germaine and Rumaine Grewal took out the group project section.

In the quizzes, we had 2 teams entered at each year level. For the Year 7 quiz, our teams finished 2nd and 6th out of 22 teams competing. Our Year 8 teams finished 4th and 6th out of 22 teams, and at Year 9 our teams finished 3rd and 6th out of 16 teams. The Year 10's finished 3rd and 11th out of 16 teams.

The Mathematics Department would like to congratulate all students who took part in both the categories and the quizzes, and would like to thank the 24 senior students who assisted with marking and being 'runners' on the night.

Shintaro Kirkcaldie
HOD Mathematics



SCIENCE

Late in Term One there were two Science events that a number of our intermediate students were involved in. The first was the Science Roadshow. This was attended by eleven Year 7 students who had worked hard and demonstrated their passion for Science through the early part of the year. They got to watch two live shows and played with a huge range of interactive science and technology exhibits. These included riding on a hovercraft, using metal detectors and thermal imaging cameras. They all thoroughly enjoyed their morning out and broadened their knowledge of Science and Technology.

The second event was the EPro8 Challenge. This was held one evening at Devon Intermediate. This is a competition that requires teams of four to solve engineering problems and score points using a range of equipment such as lasers, motors, wheels, as well as metal rods and joiners for construction.

We had a large number of students apply to take part but we were only able to take two teams of four. The members were selected based on a number of criteria including having demonstrated an interest in Science and their ability to be a team player.

Our teams competed against others school from around the region. While we didn't win, all the boys worked very hard for the full two and a half hours and were exhausted by the end. The event sparked a real interest in engineering and technology amongst the boys.

Team Kea consisted of Quinn Thompson, Josh Cameron, George Bish and Cameron Witts. Team Kahu was made up of Fletcher Smith, Blaze Tutemahurangi, Julyan Balicao and Ethan Geater.

Joshua Morris
Teacher of Science

YEAR 10 SCIENCE

Mrs Hermanns' Year 10G Science class as part of the Year 10 Reproduction unit, had a visit from Elizabeth Plant, who shared about her work as a pharmacist. She also brought in fertility kits which included: an ovulation test, a pregnancy test, a sperm concentration test and an ovulation thermometer. The boys enjoyed the opportunity to get their hands on the tests and see how they worked.

YEAR 11 SCIENCE

Mrs Hermanns' Year 11 Science students along with the help of Mrs Gillespie have been busy fermenting and preserving in Science class. Why? To discover how microorganisms play a role in food preservation and production.

The class has made a ginger beer, yoghurt, kombucha, sauerkraut, a sourdough starter and plum jam. They also used their sourdough to bake bread. This has given the class a new appreciation for bacteria and fungi.

As there are no official food technology classes at the College these boys have had the opportunity to learn to follow a recipe, chop, measure, stir, boil, etc. It's been a hands-on way of learning about microorganisms.

SCIENCE FAIR

Well done to the many students who had success at the 2017 Taranaki Science and Technology Fair. Special

Congratulations to William and Thomas Hadley who were awarded Overall First in Fair for their project "Bee Keepers" Pest: Solution to Pollution", and to Xavier Kere-Rako and Simon Kleinsman who were awarded Runner-Up in Fair with their project "Medical Science - What a Headache!".

Many students were awarded Special Prizes as well as prizes for each individual category of exhibit. Well done to everyone. This was our most successful year yet at the Science Fair. Thanks too to the Science teachers who supported the students with their projects.

The full list of prize winners is:

Conor Atrill-Mundt

- First Prize Scientific Journalism Year 10

Flynn Barrett & Kevin van Loo

- 3rd Year 9 Scientific Investigation "Is grey the new blue?"
- MetOcean Solutions Ltd prize for the best project related to Ocean Science
- Massey University Year 9 & 10 Special Award for demonstrating the best solution to a significant global issue.
- Curious Minds prize for the best research idea in Science and Technology that is relevant to the Local Community

Kieran Cummings

- Year 8 Water Rocket Challenge First Prize (Equal)

Max Dowd

- Second Prize (Equal) Scientific Journalism, Year 9

Jordan Dunn

- "Speak up!" Merit Scientific Investigation, Years 11-13

Jacob Forsyth & Jack Fogarty

- Second Prize Scientific Investigation, Year 9
- MetOcean Solutions Ltd prize for the best project related to Ocean Science

Josh Goble

- Merit Advertising Poster, Year 9

Germaine Grewal & Rumaine Grewal

- "What bread are we fed?" Yarrow's Bakery Employees Charitable Trust Prize

Oscar Hadley

- "Slug battle with a Heineken bottle" Merit Scientific Investigation, Year 9
- Second Prize Photographic Section, Year 9

Thomas Hadley

- Merit Photographic Section, Years 11-13

William Hadley & Thomas Hadley

- "Beekeeper's pest: Solution to Pollution?" First

Prize Scientific Investigation, Years 11-13

- Dow AgroSciences Tertiary Scholarship
- Taranaki Regional Council prize for the best project demonstrating some aspect of environmental science
- Massey University Years 11-13 Special Award for demonstrating the best solution to a significant global issue
- Best in Fair and WITT Trophy
- STOS Sustainable Development Tertiary Scholarship
- LogiCamms Trophy for the Best Project in Years 11-13

William Hadley

- Merit Photographic Competition Years 11-13

Daniel Hunt Hill

- Merit Water Rocket Challenge Yr 8

Xavier Kere-Rako & Simon Kleinsman

- Investigation "Medical Science -What a headache!" Second Years 11-13 Scientific Investigation Massey University Years 11 - 13 Special Award for demonstrating the best solution to a significant global issue
- Science & Technology Fair Committee Tertiary Scholarship
- Tamarind Scholarship
- Runner up in Fair and Dow Agro-Sciences Trophy
- University of Otago "Hands On Science" Prize for the "Best Application of Scientific Method" from Years 11or 12

Sammy Lewis

- Year 8 Scientific Investigation "Gladwrap v Reusable packaging for School packed lunches" NZ Statistical Association Prize for the best statistics-related exhibit

Caleb Megchelse & Jayden Carroll

- "Saving the world is child's play" Third Prize Technological Development, Years 9 & 10. Massey University Special Award for demonstrating the best solution to a significant global issue

Robert Morgan

- "Collateral damage" First Prize Scientific Investigation, Year 9
- Curious Minds prize for the best research idea in Science and Technology that is relevant to the Local Community
- DairyNZ prize for Agricultural projects

Sreeram Murugaiyen

- Second Prize (Equal) Scientific Journalism, Year 9

Jade O'Neill-Kirchheiner

- First Prize Year 9 Observational Drawing

Jackson Powell

- First Prize Year 9 Scientific Journalism

Tai Sadler

- Second Prize Advertising Poster, Year 9

Felix Webby

- "Palaemon's pH plight" Merit Scientific Investigation, Years 11-13
- Taranaki Regional Council prize for the best project demonstrating some aspect of environmental science
- Science & Technology Fair Committee Tertiary Scholarship
- First Prize Scientific Journalism, Years 11-13

Alex Wells

- Third Prize Advertising Poster, Year 9



Alton Gondipon, Simon Kleinsman, William Hadley, Xavier Kere-Rako

AN AMAZING ADVENTURE - THOMAS HADLEY

Year 13 student Thomas Hadley had the amazing opportunity to travel to London for the London International Youth Science Forum. Along with nine other New Zealanders he attended two weeks of lectures and scientific visits at Imperial College London. There, he did plenty of exploring in the city and engaged, sharing ideas, with students from all around the world. On one of the free days at the forum, Thomas was able to meet up with old boy, Professor Michael Kelly. After being put in touch by Mrs Chapman, Professor Kelly was able to take Thomas up 'the Shard', the tallest building in London and showed him many of the sights.

The following week, Thomas attended CERN, the Large Hadron Collider in Switzerland and was able to do some sightseeing with other students in Paris along the way.

He thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience, gathering plenty of inspiration for a career in Science. He highly recommends the trip to other students.

For any information on this and other opportunities in Science, look on the Royal Society of New Zealand website.

SCIENCE COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding results in two prestigious Science Competitions.

Australian Big Science Competition

Year 8	Jackson Corlett - High Distinction
Year 9	Robert Morgan - Distinction
Year 10	Rahul Rajasingh - Distinction
Year 11	Declan Barrett - Distinction Xavier Kere-Rako - Distinction Michael Theron - Distinction Simon Kleinsman - Credit Cameron Vanner - Credit

Otago Senior Science Quiz 2017

Year 12	Manuel Dessing - Distinction \$50 prize
Year 13	Daniel Chow - Merit

Well done!

**Colleen Severinsen
HOD Science**



BEE KEEPING

Beekeeping continues to grow at the College. This season we ran four hives, each hive managed by a group of 4 students.

After a wet and windy summer in 2016/2017, the colonies were in poor condition with limited stores and required extensive feeding. These colonies have since recovered and are building up well for the season ahead. With any luck more favourable late summer weather will result in a great honey flow in the 2017/2018 season.

A couple of our more experienced beekeepers, Tom le Fleming and Ethan Borst have developed great systems for queen rearing and are putting their new skills to good use in creating commercial grade queens. They are currently working towards NCEA level 2 credits in Apiculture. The boys have been involved in splitting hives, requeening, feeding and general apiary work with local beekeepers Bryon Bluett (Eltham Apiaries) and Francis Proffit (Regional Disease Inspector AP2).

**Charl van der Heever
Science and Physics Teacher**



Bee Keepers

Back Row:	Ethan Borst, Ethan Langton, Tom Le Fleming, Ethan Ngatai, Lachlan Fleming, Mr Charl van der Heever
Front Row:	Corban Church, Matthew Gower, Thomas Bestall, Patrick Butler, Jay Sybrandy, Corban Dravitzki, William Hadley

BIOLOGY

YEAR 13 BIOLOGY

As part of learning about the Level 3 Achievement The Year 13 Biology class studied Plant and Animal Responses to the External Environment, which would be examined externally, in Term 1. For their first internal assessment, the students investigated shrimp responses in this context. The class visited the rock platform at Kawaroa Park on Wednesday 8 February to become familiar with the intertidal shrimp in its natural habitat. Jeanne Marshall and Michelle Stevenson accompanied the students on the trip. The class returned with buckets of sea water and shrimp to conduct various experiments on shrimps' responses to light, temperature, salinity, density etc.

Term 2 saw the students learn about Homeostatic Control Systems to regulate the Internal Environment of an organism. The students learnt about the importance of maintaining a stable internal environment and then applied their knowledge to the context of the 'Coast to Coast' race. Thereafter they were assessed internally and applied their learning to the context of the 'Wanaka Challenge' which is held annually in the South Island. The boys related well to the iron man challenges.

This was followed with studying Evolutionary Processes leading to Speciation and Trends in Human Evolution in the latter part of Term 2 and in Term 3.

On the 29th of June Alton Gondipon visited the Year 13 Biology class to talk to the students about his experiences at university and his future aspirations. In the same week Polaiu'amea Kirifi also visited FDMC and shared with the class about what it is like to be at university in the first year.

James Cunningham, Deputy CEO of the Pacific International Hotel Management School in Bell Block, visited the class on Wednesday 27 September, to present a workshop on 'Thinking Skills' for the scholarship students. It was stimulating and inspired learners to think 'outside the box' and to build 'pyramids'!

Highlights of the year were the Year 13 Biology students' outstanding achievements this year:

Daniel Chow is congratulated for achieving Merit in the Otago Senior Science Quiz 2017.

Jordan Dunn is congratulated for achieving Merit for his Scientific Investigation Years 11-13, called "Speak up!" at the Science Fair.

Felix Webby was awarded First Prize for his journalism article on 'Should New Zealand become involved in the Space Industry?' in the Science Fair. The judge said that Felix's journalism was of the best he had judged. Felix's article was published in the Daily News on Saturday 12 August. He also continued with additional investigations

on the shrimps' responses to acidification of the ocean. His Science Fair presentation titled "Palaemon's pH plight" was awarded a Merit for Scientific Investigation Years 11-13, as well as the Science & Technology Fair's Committee, Tertiary Scholarship.

Thomas Hadley, together with his brother William in Year 11, was awarded first prize for their Scientific Investigation Years 11-13 Science Fair entry titled "Beekeeper's pest: Solution to Pollution?" They were also awarded with the Dow AgroSciences Tertiary Scholarship, the Taranaki Regional Council prize for the best project demonstrating some aspect of environmental science, the Massey University Years 11 - 13 Special Award for demonstrating the best solution to a significant global issue, the STOS Sustainable Development Tertiary Scholarship, the LogiCamms Trophy for the Best Project in Years 11 - 13 and the Best in Fair and WITT Trophy. Beside that Thomas had the amazing opportunity to travel to London for the London International Youth Science Forum in August.

Felix Webby and Thomas Hadley were awarded the Medicross Award for First Equal for Biology this year.

Daniel Chow, Thomas Hadley, Thomas Morgan and Felix Webby sat Scholarship exams in Biology this Year. We wish them well.

Jeanne Marshall
Teacher of Biology

GEOGRAPHY

YEAR 13 GEOGRAPHY TRIP

As part of learning about the Level 3 Achievement Standard- "Demonstrate an understanding of how a cultural process shapes geographic environments" the Year 13 Geography classes visited the major tourist destination of Rotorua to study Tourism Development.

The students visited several major attractions such as the Agrodome, Agroventures, Rotorua Museum, Skyline Gondola and the Luge. Each site had keynote speakers who gave detailed evidence regarding their attraction and the size and scale of tourism in Rotorua.

The students were then able to sample the attractions themselves. They especially enjoyed the adrenaline pumping "Swoop" at Agroventures and raced each other like rally car drivers on the Luge.

The field trip was thoroughly enjoyed by the students and they gained valuable first-hand knowledge of how tourism operates in a specific NZ destination.

Mark Wales
HOD Social Sciences

AGRICULTURE

YEAR 13 AGRICULTURAL FIELD TRIP TO HAWKES BAY

On Tuesday 27th June Mr. Wilcox took the Year 13 Agricultural and Horticultural Science class to Hawkes Bay for a residential field trip. First stop on Wednesday, was at the Silver Fern lamb processing plant in Takapau. 4000 lambs were being butchered and processed that day. Students witnessed important quality control procedures, which are a critical factor they need to know about for the external achievement standards.

Next stop was a sheep and beef farm where students met and talked to a previous Farmer of the Year about running his farm business. On Thursday the students visited the National Horticulture Field Days Event where they were given careers advice from people involved in the Horticulture Industry. That afternoon we visited Eastern Institute of Technology who took us out to the Gimbal Gravels where the world class Wineries are found. Students were given a lesson on soils and how to prune vines.



The last day we visited a kiwifruit farm where students were given a great insight into this booming industry. Lastly we visited an Apple Pack house, and again investigated the quality requirements and control, which is an integral part of their external examinations.

The students gained a great insight to the Hawkes Bay region and how big the Horticultural industry is within New Zealand.

Jon Wilcox
TIC Agriculture

FDMC WINS THE TARANAKI SCHOOLS FARM SAFETY COMPETITION

On Friday 4 August, the annual ACC Taranaki Schools' Farm Safety competition took place on the College farm. Representing the College were Samuel Johnson, Finbar Moriarty, Patrick Back and Jonathan Dwyer. They were competing against Waitara High, New Plymouth Boys', Hawera High, New Plymouth Girls' and Inglewood High.

There were six practical challenges including Fire Arms, Tractor Driving, Quad Bikes, Fire Safety, Mental Health for Farm Workers and Managing Livestock.

It was a closely run affair, with Waitara High having a slight advantage going into the final Quiz event. However, our boys performed strongly and persevered to outperform the other teams and win the overall event. Well-done boys.

Jon Wilcox
TIC Agriculture



MAORI

MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

In the library we embraced this year's Te Wiki O Te Reo Maori, Maori Language Week, by promoting the use of Maori Language in our everyday conversations. Apart from a library display, which includes tips on correct pronunciation of phrases and place names, we have been enjoying creating cut-out whares and a te reo Maori quiz at lunchtime run by "quiz master" Taare Ruakare.

Louise Pease and Sue Page
Librarians

PARIHAKA

It was special to be part of history on 9 June when several staff members and students gathered, along with many hundreds of others, to witness the Crown's apology. It was delivered by Attorney General Chris Finlayson for the many atrocities that occurred in 1881 and following years and to announce the government's resolve to work with the trustees to improve facilities at Parihaka so that it can become a hub for future cultural understanding.

MANU KORERO SPEECH COMPETITION AND PAERANGATAHI KAPA HAKA COMPETITION

Early on a Thursday morning a group of 10 FDMC students left for Ratana Pa where the Manu Korero regional speech competition was being held. Taiwhio Waipoua-Bryers spoke for our school. He did exceptionally well coming 2nd in the impromptu Te Reo



Maori section and 4th in the prepared Te Reo Maori section. He came 4th over all and we are so proud of his achievement. Well done Taiawhio. Kei runga rawa atu koe e tama!

The following day we went to Jubilee Stadium in Whanganui for the Paerangatahi Kapa haka Competition. We performed along side our sister school Sacred Heart. With only 7 weeks' practice the group did extremely well. Well done to the boys who performed and we hope to see a larger group of boys in the future.

Taare Ruakere
TIC Maori

2017 BEAMS TRIP TO AUCKLAND

At the BEAMS course in Auckland we were greeted by other schools and the instructors with claps, and then we went straight into a game to get to know new people. We were put into groups according to our wristband colours. I was in Team Green. We moved around various faculties including Architecture, Engineering, Medicine, Business and Science.

My first activity was Business and we had to form groups with people from different schools and answer different questions. You had to say the best answer to improve things and we won money for the correct answer. Then we had an Engineering challenge and we had to somehow move bundled popsicle sticks from one side of the room to the other without touching them. We had a budget of \$15 million and we had to buy items to help us move the popsicle sticks and made creations to do so.

Next, my group went to the Medicine activity and we tested people's reflexes as well as testing for a pulse. We also found out how many courses you have to take to become a Doctor. For our Science activity we got to go on a computer and used a programme to move a robot towards an object.

Architecture was my last activity and we had to create a structure using a lot of paper. At the end of the day we all gathered and thanked the instructors.

I enjoyed that day and I learnt lots about aspects of careers within Science, Engineering, Medicine, Business and Architecture. The one I enjoyed the most was Medicine. The BEAMS trip helped me to learn about what subjects I should take for future careers.

Jordan Vertongen
Year 10

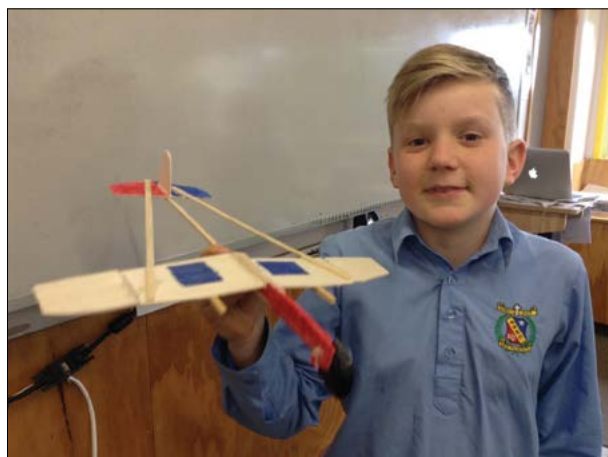
TECHNOLOGY

2017 has been a year of change and improvement in the Technology Department.

We started the year with a new Head of Department, a job that I have grown to love over the past year. In addition the team was joined by Sally Laing. Sally brought a wealth of experience in metal fabrication and is a jewellery designer by training, so added a new dimension to the projects we are able to offer.

Early on in the year we identified that the subject was growing in popularity and that we did not have the facilities to offer as much practical experience as we wanted to. To that end the Technology staff, on a very limited budget, have completely converted our old Graphics classroom into a Junior workshop. Benches were made by recycling the old tables from the Library and many hours were spent building tool racks and fitting vices and other equipment. This, of course meant that Graphics had to be re-located and again one of the rooms was converted for that purpose which included building storage, adding a wall and putting up white boards.

In the engineering room we wanted to give more boys the chance to learn brazing and welding so brand new, heavy-duty benches were built as well as adding extra, new gas lines. Again almost all of this was done in-house at weekends to save as much money as possible.



We are very proud of what has been achieved and I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank, Steve Ritchie, Heta Smith, Briana Matthews and Sally Laing for the work that they have done.

We feel that the boys have been given great opportunities this year and it is a real pleasure to see them taking advantage of those and producing a wide range of outcomes such as lolly dispenser, candle-sticks, passive speakers, wind-vanes, totes, drift trikes, stools, tables, mini motorbikes, Adirondack chairs and much more. The quality of work from the boys has never been better and we keep looking for projects that keep the subject relevant and inspiring.

With that in mind we hope to purchase a 3D Printer for 2018 and have also made a new permanent appointment in Mr Anton Berndt who brings with him lots of experience from the world of museum exhibit design among other skills.

In 2018 'Coding' becomes a compulsory subject for school students and we are well placed to face this challenge with both myself and Melinda Stevenson having wide experience in the field. The addition of 'Chromebooks' to the department has meant we have the ability to offer not only courses in word processing, presentation and spreadsheets but also programming with the use of Scratch and Python. In the senior years, boys were given the chance to design their own version of Facebook as well as get into some complicated programming challenges.

While 2017 has been a challenge, the Technology Department has met it full on and goes into 2018 excited about offering the students of the College a wide range of inspiring opportunities. The feedback we get tells us that they love the subject, and we will work hard to make sure that stays the case. We offer an open invitation to any of you who would like to come in and see what we are doing: just contact me via email.

Andy Evans
HOD Technology

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Physical Education Department carried on where they had left off in 2016, continuing to support students in developing their potential in the physical and sporting realms.

As always, Term One was full on, with Swimming Sports and Athletics Day, which were won respectively by Loreto and La Salle.

The inclusion of a Sports' Performance class in Year 10 to help with the popularity of the Jaspers class, means many more students have had extra sporting opportunities.

In Junior PE, the students have enjoyed a wide variety of sporting contexts to develop skills, with the highlights including a long swimming programme, learning gymnastics' routines and with the excellent weather in Term 4, having plenty of development in softball and touch rugby.

Senior PE classes once again enjoyed a variety of topics that included training for a triathlon, weight programmes, basketball tournaments, grid iron sessions, and leadership development through teaching younger students.

The great outdoors was used to provide meaningful contexts to examine risk and safety management and included tramping and snowboarding for the Year 13's at Whakapapa and a week at TOPEC for the Year 12's as they explored caves and went rafting.

Staffing wise, we farewelled Mrs Rowland at the end of Term 3. She has taken a year's maternity leave and has had a second daughter, Marlee Rose Rowland.

Matt Lash
HOD Physical Education and Outdoor Education

YEAR 10 SNOW TRIP TO RAINBOW SKI FIELD

In Term Three, Week 3, 26 Year 10 students took on the challenge of spending a week in the South Island, sampling the finest ski fields that the Nelson region could offer.

After a smooth ferry crossing and relatively quick trip to St. Arnaud, which was to be our base for the week, the boys were enthralled with fascinating local history stories from our host, Richard. He also said that that in 'good snow' years, the snow could be a metre deep at the lodge, unfortunately 2017 was not one of the 'good snow' years.

Monday arrived quickly and with it came a picturesque drive up the mountain where we were greeted to a 25 cm snow base at Rainbow Ski Field. The weather was a bluebird day and the lads' enthusiasm was peaking- all



26 threw themselves into their lessons with great vigour, ensuring that their learning curve was accelerated and they could progress to the more challenging terrain without any drama whatsoever.

The ski field was a great set up. It had a beautiful bowl with a large T-Bar piercing the middle, which would have allowed a multitude of options had there been a decent snow base. But the snow machines had done a great job to allow plenty of snow on the main trails. A wander into the tempting off-piste terrain more often than not resulted in some fancy channels being carved into the base of one's snowboard by a partially submerged chunk of greywacke!

By the end of Day Two, all the boys were carving it up from the top to the bottom of the field with runs of speed, style and control. Well, definitely with speed! Style was a more subjective debate!

Wednesday saw the arrival of rain and forced the field closed, so a day trip to Nelson was the call. In Nelson the team went to see 'Dunkirk' at the movies which was a powerful story from WW2 that reminded us all of the horrors of world war.

The forecast for Thursday was not looking flash for Rainbow, so the decision was made to head further south to Mount Lyford - a small club field close to Kaikoura.

The set up at Lyford was more of a family feel, with a good range of terrain for the group to get busy exploring. Plenty of good riding resulted from this with highlights including being surrounded by the mighty Southern Alps in all directions and seeing the first hand effects of the recent Kaikoura earthquake.

Friday was our travel home day and again saw us on the ferry without any swell. After a short drive we were back home, a little tired perhaps, but full of rich new experiences, mountain skills and the camaraderie that comes from spending a week together in the South Island!

Massive thanks to our camp mum, Michelle Cathie, teachers Scott Crocker and Matt Lash, and the superb trip organiser, Jon Wilcox.

YEAR 12 OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMP

The Year 12 class completed a mountain camp on Mt Taranaki this year. The class tramped into the Waingongoro Hut on the Dawson Falls side of the mountain and travelled/ navigated their way all around the ski field/ Wilkies Pool areas.

Highlights were a fresh dip in the pools for a few hardy lads, gourmet cooking with gas stoves, and experiencing first hand what minus five wind chill feels like at altitude!

All in all, it was a successful introduction into outdoor tramping and camping in a mountain environment.

Huge thanks to our expert guides, Nev Wells and Kevin Hosking. The class then followed this up rafting our local rivers with TSB TOPEC.

YEAR 12 TOPEC

Once again our Year 12 Physical Education Studies and Outdoor Education class enjoyed an action packed time at TOPEC. The Outdoor Education class took part in a rafting assessment on the Waitara river and also camped overnight in tents with the zero degrees temperature having no effect on the group morale!

Mr Fisher's PE class attended for the whole week and as well as the rafting, they also took part in an Adventure Based Learning module and experienced an awesome days caving near Mahoenui.

Thanks to the great instructors and staff at TOPEC. Not only was the weather perfect, the food was filling and the activities were a good range of well managed "risk and challenge"



YEAR 12 FINAL OUTDOOR EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

This class completed their final assessment for the year at Mount Ruapehu. The trip involved tramping and camping in the Tongariro National Park where the tramp was completed in challenging wet and cold conditions! The camping was in tents and after a wet

first day, the boys survived the night and woke to a glorious Friday.

This bluebird day was spent on Whakapapa Ski field where the class all learned to snowboard- education outside of the classroom at its finest! Ren Shimada, our Japanese student, had an awesome last trip, picking up snowboarding with ease. We wish him all the best for his future.

YEAR 13 PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Year 13 PE classes participated in the annual "Safety Management" assessment trip to the Tongariro National Park. The purpose of the trip was to provide a practical context to analyse the issues around risk management.

The first activity was a day tramp to the Tama Lakes area, which would have provided spectacular views had it not been for increasingly strong wind, rain, cloud and a generous cover of snow in places. The boys were well equipped for such weather and the only hazard encountered were the snowballs they sent flying along the way. The spa pool at our hotel in the National Park village was a welcome relief to warm up after a good mountain experience.

The next day saw the tramping boots replaced by snowboard boots as the group took on the challenge of Turoa Ski Field. With beautiful weather and no crowds, the boys soon got into their work and picked up the hang of skiing and snowboarding with ease. Sean "I AM doing pizza" Mosquera led the early morning charge in the Alpine Meadow and soon graduated to the High Noon express. Many other first timers were also riding top to bottom by the end of the day.

The trip overall was a valuable learning experience for the classes. Of particular importance was the difference that weather can play in winter time in an alpine environment and the importance of being correctly prepared in the great outdoors.

Matt Lash
HOD Physical Education and Outdoor Education



GIFTED & TALENTED

My aim for the Gifted and Talented Programme at Francis Douglas Memorial College is always to be inclusive rather than exclusive. This means I strive to include as many students in as many diverse extension activities as possible, in order to extend their thinking skills and understanding. However, my main rationale is to enable our 'gifted and talented' students to realise their full potential as individuals by identifying them and ensuring that they receive appropriate support and programmes which meet their individual needs.

I believe our top academic students deserve an acceleration class. At present I do a lot of enrichment. This is also great and allows the students to choose the areas in which they want to extend themselves. However, time becomes a problem when they also need to attend classes, do homework, participate in hobbies or sports and often have part-time jobs as well.

I have put together a Level 1 course for 2018 which includes 20 NCEA Level 2 Credits. These come under Education for Sustainability and Senior Social Studies, and are a mix of internal and external assessments. This will truly extend our 'gifted' boys and give them valuable literacy credits for university.

FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVING

I am determined to develop and extend Future Problem Solving at Francis Douglas Memorial College and am delighted that Jo Morris-George has continued to coach. Sue Page, our Librarian, has also spent her free time coaching a team of vibrant Year 9's.

At the time of writing this report 28 boys from Years 9, 10 and 11 had just sat the final exam (called the Qualifying Problem in FPS speak) and we await results to see if any of the 7 teams have made the National Competition.

Simultaneously I have 3 groups doing Community Problem Solving (CPS). In this division where the problem needs to come from our own community and involve local people. In teams of up to 9 we research areas of concern, document possible solutions and come up with an action plan which is then executed over one or two years. This suits boys who have a developed sense of social justice, a good heart and want to DO something concrete about the problems in our own backyard.

CPS is still part of the worldwide competition. New Zealand teams have done well in this category over the last 3 years, possibly due to our practical can-do streak. CPS ties in beautifully with our La Sallian core value of helping others. Boys learn to work in teams to achieve a common goal that benefits our own place/people.



Future Problem Solving

Back Row: Connor Cook, Oliver Wright, Ethan Ngatai, Thomas Whaley
3rd Row: Caleb Megchelse, Max McFetridge, Gregor Forrest, Samuel Partridge, Ryan Manukonga-John, Hamish Cummings, Seamus Walsh,
2nd Row: Josiah Gillespie, Rahul Rajasingh, Jackson Powell, Vince Ropitini, Colin Campbell, Heath Waayer, Anthony Van Hameren, Jacob Fletcher, Finlay McGrath, Robyn Wackrow
Front Row: Amos Pease, Harvey George, Fraser Copeman, Keller Biesiek, Adam Johnstone, Corban Church, Quinn Scouller, Samuel James, Max Dowd

I have a:
 Year 10 team trying to preserve and increase the Little Blue Penguin colonies in North Taranaki

Year 10 team attempting to build a pop up playground at Marfell

Year 12 team combined with SHGHS doing riparian planting on the FDMC farm and hoping to build hen houses and farm organic eggs.

Clearly this is the sustainable, ethical, morally sound education our boys deserve.

The very exciting news is that the group doing the Little Blue Penguin project have qualified to represent New Zealand at the International Finals in Wisconsin, USA next July.

GLOBAL YOUTH LEADERS CONFERENCE

Several students showed initial interest in this Conference but I believe the cost and the social and political climate in America were barriers to attending. For the first time in 14 years FDMC did not participate, however, I have had two boys approach me regarding attending in 2018.

This conference is for gifted students from around the globe. It is run like a United Nations meeting whereby students represent a given country. FDMC students qualify for nomination through their scholastic merit, by achieving NCEA Level One endorsed with Excellence, and demonstrating leadership ability. Other extremely important factors are that they must be absolutely trustworthy and sensible as they travel without the accompaniment of an adult. They are under strict instructions to keep in contact frequently (hourly!) until they are safely under the care of GYLC personnel.

ROBOTICS

I am delighted to report that the Robotics Club has had a very important success on our journey to greatness! In their very first scrimmage (robotics speak for competition) Josiah Gillespie and Joseph Green have won the final for FDMC Vex Robotics. This was the robotics equivalent of a Central Districts sports tournament played with 29 other teams. It was opened by the AsiaPac VEX representative. There were 29 teams from around the Central North Island representing their schools and clubs.

We have been fortunate to have Aaron Pollard tutoring the boys after school on Tuesdays again this year. He is an extremely effective educator and has diverse groups of boys working on a wide range of technology. We are very proud of the boys. Aaron's comment about the boys was, "But better than winning they worked really hard and had a great attitude all the day, modifying their Robot and collaborating with their Alliance Partners."

Through the Gifted and Talented programme we can offer this opportunity and buy the very expensive kit required so that outstanding boys like Josiah and Jacob can take part in this extension. It is really pleasing to note the excellent standard of co-operation and behaviour from the boys.

The old artroom hums with activity from engaged students every Tuesday afternoon from 3.15pm until 4.45. This group has grown expeditiously and I now have a waiting list of interested students.

We have purchased two new robots and components to modify them so are well equipped.

Vex Robotics is run through the Massey University Technology Faculty. Scrimmages are held regularly throughout the North Island. The idea is to compete against other schools but also to work collaboratively with them to achieve a certain result. The boys



Robotics

Back Row: Sreeram Murrugaiyen, Josiah Gillespie, Caleb Megchelse, Andre Cronin-Nwofor, Mrs Robyn Wackrow
Front Row: Cohen Foster, Justin So, Cian Scannell, Kieran Sellwood, Joseph Green, Luke Davey

are thoroughly enjoying the chance to build and programme our robots to perform certain tasks such as build a wall. Who knows, they could end up designing the AI that builds the houses of the future.

CODING

Due to the growing expertise of the students who started with Robotics we have split the group into two. The seniors from Year 10 to 13 now do Coding on Thursdays after school. This is only possible due to the generosity of Aaron Pollard. I cannot emphasise enough how fortunate we are to have someone who can teach Coding at this level and is willing to do so for a pittance. Coding and Robotics are the subjects of the future, and the Gifted and Talented programme at FDMC is keeping the future of our students firmly in mind by ensuring our boys are able to have this education.

LAW MOOTING

This national competition is run by the Law Faculty of Waikato University and is equivalent to their second year Law Course. Fortunately we once again had the expertise and dedication of Caroline McLorinan from the firm of Auld, Brewer, Mazengarb and McEwen to continue extending our top students to take on a real High Court case and represent either the appellant or the defence team.

After many weeks of researching, practising and honing their courtroom manner, two teams from FDMC entered the Taranaki competition. This was held in the New Plymouth District Court. The moots are held around the country, videoed, then moderated against each other. The top eight teams are chosen for the semi finals. Sadly we did not make the top eight this year. Again the boys worked hard and Caroline gave generously of her time. The on-going problem of too many activities and too little school time to complete them could again be solved by an afternoon dedicated to extra curricular events.



Law Mooting

Left - Right: Titan Cook, Daniel Chow, Caylem Cook, Finlay McGrath, Mrs Robyn Wackrow

UNITED NATIONS DAY

Thirteen Years 9 and 10 students attended the Mini United Nations day at NPGHS. They were each given a country to research. The topic was Children in War.

BRAINBEE CHALLENGE

Grateful thanks must go to Jeanne Marshall who organises our top Science students to compete in the Brain Bee Challenge run by the Brain Research Trust of Auckland University.

The first round of the quiz is held annually during Brain Awareness Week in March. The test was conducted online during school hours. The preparation for the quiz involved learning about Neuroscience, the anatomy and the working of nervous system together with related aspects such as how we learn, what happens when we sleep, brain dysfunction, the effect of drugs, stress, ageing and more.

The students who got through to the second round were flown to Auckland and spent the day at the Faculty of Medical and Health Science of the University of Auckland. They participated as individuals and in a team event of the challenge, together with approximately 160 students from all over the North Island. They visited the Human Tissue Collection, saw an MRI scan in operation and learnt how the brain interprets light and movement. The students also had the opportunity to talk to neuroscientists from the faculty.

The students were richly rewarded for their efforts in preparing for the challenge with all the experiences gained on the day. They represented the College well and we are proud of them.



MATHS EXTENSIONS

Thank goodness for retired teachers who can't quite let go! Graeme Mustchin has taken weekly lessons for Scholarship Maths enabling these boys to sit scholarship exams in October.

LATIN

Again thanks to Graeme Mustchin and his passion, we began Latin lessons for any interested boys. Several boys are hoping to do an NCEA Level One assessment through the Correspondence School next year. Graeme has pledged to tutor them once a week so I will be keeping him to that! This opportunity is open to any student who is willing to learn basic Latin as an extra subject. At times these classes which are student driven, are evolving in to etymology. Great education happening here!

ROUND UP

2017 has been another busy and varied year for the Gifted and Talented Programme. Maths extensions and Latin have been added to our repertoire. Innovative learning experiences have been made available to many motivated students. I am always looking for new ideas and invite students or parents to tell me of opportunities they would like to see included in the programme. It is important to spread the Gifted and Talented net as wide as possible, to involve a high number of students whilst at the same time minimising disruptions to regular classes.

Where possible the programmes have been run after school, at lunchtimes or in my non-contact periods. However, there is a limit to how much time is available outside of scheduled class time. We are making progress, as we have a Year 10 option for Future Problem Solving now and hopefully this will extend to a Year 11 Level 2 accelerated class next year. Community Problem Solving has also been added to our repertoire and I can see this growing as more boys want to do something tangible to make a difference in our community.

The NAGS say we must give gifted and talented students extension opportunities.

Let's do it!
Let's go 'fly a kite' with our gifted boys!
Let's help them 'soar to the highest height!'

Looking Forward ...

I have managed to complete some Professional Development on working with Gifted and Talented Pacific Island and Maori students but would relish the opportunity to do further research and have the time to implement the strategy. I believe this is incredibly important as different cultures view giftedness in different ways and we must value this diversity. One of my goals is to find and deliver extension opportunities for boys from minority ethnicities.

There is also considerable research being done on how to teach 2E students. These are students who have two or more exceptional facets to their educational requirements. For example they may have autism but also be gifted in music. Obviously this is highly complex and each individual has different strengths and needs. Another goal is to also introduce individual programmes that extend these students in their high interest/ability areas. For this I believe we will need to tap into the expertise that may be available in our community.

Robyn Wackrow Gifted & Talented Coordinator



Latin

Left - Right: Te Rangi-Matoha Cameron, Sreeram Murugaiyen, Vince Ropitini
Absent: Tobias Wright (Teacher)



NISSP Globe winner

Left - Right: Thomas Hadley

THE ARTS

We continue to be awed by the skills and talents of our students at Francis Douglas Memorial College. Often the College calendar seems to be filled to overflowing with sports fixtures, games and competitions at 'home' and 'away' (sometimes overseas for the College's top sportsmen), academic demands and cultural opportunities all seemingly fighting for their 'pound of flesh'. This is not to mention student part-time employment and the necessity for the boys to have the space to rest, relax and spend valuable time with friends and family.

Somehow in this frenetic milieu, many of our Arts' students continue to excel on the cultural front and well beyond. The old adage of 'ask a busy person if you want something done' rings true. Yes, there has been some of the procrastination that Thomas Morgan alluded to in his Year 13 Report, but there have also been some stunning time-management skills and discipline evident. I have loved having 1st XV players and those from other sporting codes in the Year 13 painting and photography classes, although their absenteeism at times was challenging. Our aim of providing our students with a holistic education has been highly evident.

THE TRIUMVIRATE

Our 2017 Cultural Captain broke records such as the 'Taranaki Four Peaks Challenge', won a science scholarship to go to LIYSF, competed in Adventure Racing, gained College Colours in all codes, performed as a flute soloist with the Taranaki Orchestra and sat his flute ATCL, wowed the Judges with his performance at the Sheilah Winn Shakespeare competition and after performing in Wellington was selected to go the UK next year to perform at the Globe Theatre with the NZ Young Shakespeare contingent. Over the two weeks in London, he will participate in twelve rehearsals taken by a Globe Director in scenes from one of Shakespeare's plays before performing to a live audience on the Globe stage ...and the list continues! Thomas Hadley is a remarkable young man; we have been blessed to have him as our Cultural Captain and have appreciated his efforts to keep culture alive in the College.

There are also other students in the Year 13 cohort that have been strong cultural ambassadors and have given years of service to the Arts. The senior management's decision to appoint Thomas as our Captain would have been difficult, as David Codd and Daniel Chow were both formidable candidates. Daniel continued to be an active member of the Fusion Concert Band, performed with the Taranaki Orchestra, and whilst being the College's 2017 Lasallian Leader competed with the Devon Hotel NP Brass Band in the Central Districts Competition in New Plymouth against competitors from Wanganui, Feilding, Levin and districts, Palmerston North and Napier. He won two 1st

placings in Under 19 Slow Melody and Air Vairie. Daniel also gained his Trinity Grade 7 Euphonium qualification with distinction this year and retains his New Zealand title of U19 Euphonium Champion which he first won in 2016.

David Codd has quietly 'saved our bacon' on several occasions! He has been a generous accompanist for Masses, liturgies and College celebrations in a quiet and unassuming manner. He thankfully plays the 'National Anthem' and 'Hymn to the Founder' at a moment's notice... we will truly miss this! Daniel, David and Thomas have represented the College at the O'Shea Catholic Schools' Competitions in drama, debating or in the religious questions team, and have all taken part in Chamber Music Competitions, the Waikato Band Competitions and a host of other musical roles. David is a highly gifted musician who has practiced long and hard, and since beginning his lessons with Harry Brown 5 years ago has made remarkable progress- but more on that to follow!

This year at the Chamber Music Competition, 'Something Fishy' - the trio of David (piano), Thomas Hadley (flute) and William Hadley (clarinet), performed David's original composition - Cottage by the River. He won best composition for this piece.

David, Thomas and Daniel have all had a phenomenal year. Thomas and David both played stunning repertoires at the Taranaki Young Musician of the Year Competition. The audience was wowed and couldn't pick the winner. The adjudicator awarded Thomas the runner-up and David the win. Both of their chosen programmes were diverse, played with sensitivity and emotion, and it was a proud moment to see both students on the podium, well supported by Daniel.

The final musical competition for the year was the Muriel May Scholarship on 11 December. Old boy Dominic Jacquemard had won this in 2016 and this year Daniel (euphonium) and David (piano) were competing against Emma McNab (flute) and Ronan Avery (violin) for the title and \$10,000 prize. Whilst David Bremner the adjudicator was deliberating, Dominic Jacquemard wheeled out his marimba (three metres of metal barred keyboard) and thrilled everyone with his amazing spatial judgement and skills with four mallets in two hands all moving independently. It was great to see another totally unassuming ex-College virtuoso perform again. After complimentary remarks for all musicians, David Bremner announced David Codd the Muriel May winner for 2017. Daniel Chow was the first to congratulate him! What a fantastic finale to this trio's Year 13 year at the College. We wish them well for their studies at Auckland University, School of Music-Victoria University and Otago University in 2018 and know that they will accomplish great things.

THE ARTS

At Francis Douglas we delivered drama programmes to Year 7, Years 9 and 10 students. With insufficient numbers to run senior classes it was not surprising that several students involved themselves in the New Plymouth Operatic production of 'Mary Poppins' as cast or crew.

We are thankful to the New Plymouth Operatic Society for providing us with the Schools' Opportunity again this year. 20 students and staff attended the behind the scenes look at costuming, choreography and 'Q and A' session as well as backstage, lighting and effects on Wednesday 23 July in the school holidays. Mary Poppins Director Andy Spindler, and cast members : Mary Poppins - Bryony Williams, Bert - Simon Cannell and George Banks - Jeff Poole, generously answered our questions and provided an insight in to their personal performance tips.

After a short dinner break it was time to watch the show- and what a show it was with Mary Poppins 'flying' in and out and the chimney sweep, Bert, walking up the walls and across the ceiling. The rotating staging worked without a glitch, and it was great to see everything we had seen earlier in the day being operational. We also spied David Codd in his role of percussionist in the band 'pit' working hard.

We are also very appreciative of Marie Hunneyball, Raeleen Luckin and Raewyn Hunter providing an opportunity to our boys bi-annually in what has become known as the SHGC/FDMC production. This has enabled some of the senior students to gain NCEA Drama performance credits they otherwise would not have been able to earn. This year's show was 'Grease'.

To quote Kath Curd - "Our boys can be so proud of what they have achieved. Watching the growth of confidence in all of the boys has been awesome! Seeing the day-



Grease Production

Back Row: Liam James, David Codd, Titan Cook
Middle Row: James Avey, Sreeram Murugaiyen, Caylem Cook, Xavier Kere-Rako, Callum Milner, Braeden Schultz, Jane Aitken Connolly
Front Row: Robert Ropitini, William Hadley, Te Rangi-Matoha Cameron, Dylan Bines, Thomas Whaley, Anthony van Hameren, Jeremy Johnston, Samuel James
Absent: Kath Curd (Teacher), Tobias Wright (Teacher)

after-day smiling positivity of Liam James has been awesome! Witnessing the geeky antics of Xavier Kere-Rako and Sam James as Eugene has been awesome! Seeing all of our boys developing as actors, musicians, friends and leaders has been awesome! So, yeah, it's been awesome!

Boys - you and musical theatre, 'Go together, Like rama lama lama ka dinga da dinga dong.' This show will be remembered forever as 'shoo-bop sha wadda wadda yippity boom de boom."

Cast:

Baylee MacLeod, Callum Milner, Finlay Morris, Jahmaey's Manu, Shyon Noble, Bailey Thompson, Jeremy Johnston, Ethan Dombroski, Xavier Kere-Rako, Sam James, Braeden Schultz, Alex Lightbody, Liam James, Reuben Woodhead.

Band:

Te Rangi Cameron, David Codd, Anthony Van Hameren, Thomas Whaley, Dylan Bines, Sreeram Murugaiyen, William Hadley, Robert Ropitini, Tobias Wright, Jane Aitken Connolly.

Back Stage:

James Avey, Kath Curd

At the time of going to print- Congratulations to Marie Hunneyball who begins at Spotswood College in 2018. A sincere thank you from all of us at FDMC for being inclusive and enabling our boys to perform in the bi-annual performances you directed at SHGC. For many of our Arts' students these performances will be some of their richest memories. We wish you every success in your new role.

VISUAL ART

This has been delivered to all Intermediate students and Year 9's as a core module, and to Year 10 and above as an optional subject. I have been supported by the skills of Briana Matthews and Sally Laing in delivering the visual art programmes. We are always inspired by the skills of many of our students and the level of creativity within the school. At times we lose some of our most proficient art students because they choose to follow a science or mathematical pathway. With many universities internationally and nationally now encouraging Medical and Science students to study an arts paper, we hope that we can encourage some of our high achievers to value this subject and continue with it too.

Congratulations to our First in Subject winners at all levels.

Year 11

Year 12 Painting

Year 12 Photography

Year 13 Painting

Year 13 Photography

Declan Barrett,

LiamTurner

Ethan Webber

Jack Hutchins

Sam Lock

Year 12 student, Liam Turner also had success this year with his entry in the Brother Design Stars competition. His entry entitled 'Steal the Show' was inspired by Paolo Sebastian's 2016 Autumn/ Winter Collection and he became of three finalists in the New Zealand wide competition. The design incorporated a '50's style skirt with a split in the side which made it less of a formal gown. It included a bodice of translucent tulle fabric, holographic glitter and glued leaf like shapes as modesty elements. In Liam's words he wanted this dress to overshadow everything else, and hoped that people would look at it in awe and say, "Wow, that dress is like...wow!"

Thanks to the parents and staff that came and viewed our portfolio displays this year. It is always a huge relief to have the 'boards' completed for their Wellington submission dates. Your positive feedback helps make it all worthwhile at the time when students and staff are totally exhausted.

It was a sad farewell to many of the Year 13 group. Several had studied art since Year 9 as an optional subject, and as a group had a diverse range of skills and interests. International student Yutaka Kunizaki had gained excellence for his portfolio submissions in 2015 and 2016 in painting and photography and as a boarder used to spend most days after school in the Art Dept. Because of this his presence will be hugely missed. We wish him well for admission to University in Tokyo and with his studies in the years' ahead. Our other Year 13 practitioners have huge talent, and I encourage them to believe in themselves and to follow their dreams. Congratulations to Oisín Quinn who will begin his Fine Art studies at Elam next year, and to many of the others who are headed to Massey Victoria's campus to study art/design programmes. For those taking a well earned 'gap' year, please keep your shutters clicking and your sketchbooks busy.

MUSIC

The usual commitments appeared in the musical diary again this year. We were represented at the Taranaki Rockquest Finals by Raven and a combined group from NPGHS and FDMC called the Hungry Violets. We would like to encourage more of our students to take advantage of this competition as it provides a supportive performance opportunity for bands - and we have plenty of able musicians learning their trade from our TIC Music, Tobias Wright and our crew of Itinerant Teachers - Jocelyn Beath, Susan Case, Phillip Cook, Robert Greenfield, Ross Halliday, Mike Harding, Amanda Henry, Stewart Maunder, Juliette Parker, Ken Sole and Robin Wells.

We remain indebted to our Itinerant staff for their work with the boys for individual, group and class lessons. Many opportunities such as the Youth Orchestra, Chamber Music Competitions, Schools' Jazz Day etc., are enabled and supported by their skills and loyalty to our Itinerant Music programme. We sadly farewelled



Fusion Concert Band

Back Row: Thomas Whaley, Ethan Langton, David Codd, Titan Cook, Daniel Chow, Jane Aitken Connolly
Front Row: Sreeram Murugaiyen, Thomas Hadley, Wiremu O'Sullivan, Jonah Sellwood, Ryan Manukonga-John, Anthony van Hameren, William Hadley
Absent: Tobias Wright (Teacher), Robert Greenfield (Teacher), Joshua Corrigan, Samuel Hudson



Jazz Band

Left - Right: Anthony van Hameren, Dylan Bines, Titan Cook, Jonah Sellwood
Absent: Tobias Wright (Teacher), Robin Wells (Teacher), Samuel Hudson



Chamber Music Band - Something Fishy

Left - Right: Thomas Hadley, David Codd, William Hadley





Rockquest Contestants

Left - Right: Dylan Bines, Wiremu O'Sullivan

Mike Harding at our end of year luncheon. Mike's in-class support has helped with the delivery of our Year 9 core module for several years. He has also taught and inspired many guitarists in his lengthy service at Francis Douglas Memorial College. We wish him well for his retirement and the flexibility to now pursue some of his own dreams.

There are several of our senior stalwarts leaving this year, and we are thankful for the support of Wiremu O'Sullivan who has played bass guitar for Fusion. We are blessed to have a group of younger boys with similar passion and performance skills. Some of the boys are NCEA Levels 1 and 2 Music students and ply their skills at every opportunity available. We are grateful for their support. Jonah Sellwood has worked hard on his composition this past year as a Year 12 student and has been the pianist for several of our assemblies, liturgies and Masses. He also plays piano/keys in the Concert and Jazz bands. Titan Cook, a fellow Year 12 student, has been our drummer and percussionist, but has Joshua Corrigan as his up and coming understudy. Dylan Bines is our passionate electric lead guitarist and we look forward to his input as a Year 13 in 2018.

Mr Wright, has well oiled groups of Years 10's and Year 11's who have performed individually and as groups at prize-givings and other College functions. When students are provided with lessons through the Itinerant Music programme or learn Music as a subject, there is an expectation that they will serve the College with their skills. Thomas Whaley plays clarinet and is also a mainstay for musical performance groups such as Fusion and the Grease band. Anthony van Hameren is another solid performer who features on soprano and alto saxophone, plays piano, and has a love for Jazz. Anthony plays in the joint FDMC/SHGC Concert band as well as the Jazz combo and Latin group - Suave. He was a leading performer in the Grease performance band and is always featured in the winning lineup at the New Plymouth Competitions. Samuel Hudson is another of our talented boys. Samuel achieved two 2nd places in the Under 15 Slow Melody and Air Vairie (1 and 2 points respectively behind the winner from

Palmerston North) at the Brass Band competition. He is a valued member of the College Jazz combo, and plays an ever increasing range of instruments! William Hadley is another young clarinetist who performed at the Chamber Music competitions alongside brother Thomas and David Codd, winning the New Zealand composition title with David's composition. William also plays in the College concert band.

Some of the younger performers such as Sreeram Murugaiyen have competed in the Chamber Music contest for several years now. This year he competed as part of the 'Mozart Trio'. He plays flute in 'Fusion' and was a member of the Grease band. Reuben Chan is a stunning musician. Not only proficient on flute and violin, he is an expert classical guitarist. Reuben has performed at our MAD celebration for the past two years and has mesmerized the audience on both occasions. He is also an active member of Fusion.

Ethan Langton is a more recent member of the College Concert Band, but as can be seen from this incomplete line-up of musicians and up and coming stars, the College is in good heart to continue fine performances in the future.

None of this would be possible without the hard work of Mr Tobias Wright, who pulls it all together. A passionate musician, he has encouraged and supported the boys in their wide range of endeavours this year. Teacher, performer, sound technician, roadie... his skillset continues to grow! We are grateful for his skills and enthusiasm.

Thomas Hadley has encapsulated many of the Arts opportunities in his Report as Cultural Captain. I will round out my Arts overview with a collection of images which reinforce the variety and depth of opportunity at Francis Douglas Memorial College.

Many thanks to Tobias, Briana, Sally, Kath, Pascale, Renee, Sally and all staff who support the Arts - Visual Art, Music and Drama, opportunities at the College. Also thanks to the Careers Staff who make STAR funding available for some of our students to attend holiday courses such as the Yoobee Design and Animation and other art related programmes.

Congratulations to Titan Cook who wears the mantle of College Cultural Captain in 2018.

Finally, heartfelt thanks to parents and students who are prepared to invest in the arts, 'put themselves out there' in performances, and at times to not take themselves too seriously whilst always striving to attain their best in all cultural pursuits.

May we continue to 'break a leg' and represent the College with pride and passion.

Jane Aitken Connolly
HOD Arts

LIBRARY

A new layout, new shelving, funky furniture, displays and events are just some of the things that have kept the library humming throughout the year.

Over Term One and Two the non-fiction and working area of the library was transformed by brand new shelving, which enabled us to move our collection off the walls and house it in bays, making it easier to browse.

Our old large tables were replaced with smaller, moveable tables that means the library's layout can be changed quickly depending on the needs of those using it. Circular tables with benches and modern green and grey couches and ottomans have further transformed the flexibility and appeal of this space.

These changes and the completion of sorting the books in the fiction area by genre that took place in 2016 have been our major focus. This has made our fiction area easier for the students to browse and find books of interest to them.

Changes in the physical space will continue into 2018, as the refurbishment of the former stack room will be completed. This will provide a bright and functional break-out area for those students needing a quiet place to work and a space for groups to use for filming using the large green screen.

2017 got off to a bright start with the entry of our Year 8 team of four students - Daniel Whitaker, Jackson Corlett, Thomas Watson and Liam Ellerton-Kelly, into the Taranaki/ Whanganui heats of the 'Kids Literature Quiz'. This was the first time for some years that the school had entered a team. These students did a fantastic job of answering tricky literature questions over several hours. They narrowly missed out on winning the heats. Watch out 2018!

The library is a great place for students to learn and share, and this was demonstrated in several of our "lightning talks" held over the lunchtime where students were invited to share with others their experiences or achievements. Thomas Hadley told the boys how he came to be the fastest person to complete the "Four Peaks Challenge" earlier in the year. Jordan Dunn had his audience in awe with his stories about working as a volunteer firefighter and demonstrated climbing into his weighty fire fighting suit.

International Week was held in the middle of year and was a wonderful display of the many cultures that make up our school community. The highlight was a demonstration by the team from Sushi Ninja on the art of making sushi. The boys enjoyed the taste tests at the end!

Matariki/Puanga was marked in the library with a

display and huge wall hanging, and Māori Language Week was observed with a Kahoot quiz led by Quiz Master, Mr Ruakere.

As summer beckons, endless weeks to relax and read are just around the corner.... so time for our Summer Reading Programme! Each boy received their own "goodie bag" filled with some treats and wonderful summer reading.

Louise Pease and Sue Page
College Librarians



Jordan Dunn explaining the complexities of wearing a firefighting suit.



Students get to try out their sushi making skills.



YOUNG ENTERPRISE SCHEME

The The Young Enterprise Scheme is a programme that allows students the opportunity to start their own company and working with students to develop a product and follow it through to market. The students determine how successful the product will be based on how much time and effort they put into the programme. This year we had a large number of students taking part with 28 students in the Year 12 class and 18 in Year 13, making up 11 companies with varying ideas.

2017 Companies

Mr. Casey's College Phone Case - with the aim of creating a reminder of the College that you can always carry with you

Speedz - Stylish eyewear endorsed by Patrick Gower Kuriger Plaques - A recycled rimu plaque with the College crest CNC routed to be used as a gift or memento of the College.

JJL - A website Fuelstop, with the aim of creating transparent and up to date fuel prices and related tips to ensure that you are getting the best deal.

Joe 'n' Co. - Recycled Rimu side tables perfect for furnishing your home.

Wheelbite Designs - Skate T-Shirts with an emphasis to "Have the Nerve".

Luxury Lumber - Small side tables handcrafted from tree rounds.

S.A.Z. - 'Students Against Sickness' is a T-shirt company with a focus on helping families struggling with kidney failure.

Immersion Prints - Hydro dipped phone cases which ensures that your phone will never look boring.

Dawn Cases - Phone cases with an integrated solar panel to ensure that your phone gets the extra battery juice it needs to stay alive.

In March the students attended the annual 'E-Day' armed with ideas to pitch to local business people in

the hope of gaining some wisdom from their years of experience. Miranda, the YES Regional Coordinator, ensured that once again this was an extremely successful event. The morning session was focused on developing an innovative idea, with the afternoon session involving students and business people discussing the ideas in a 'speed dating' scenario. Our students all left with a final idea that they would be able to develop and progress throughout the year.

After attending 'E-Day' it was time for the boys to get down to business. With the Business Card Competition and the Business Plans both due at the end of the term they had plenty of work to get through. Students had to work collaboratively to form the plans outlining what their company would achieve throughout the year and this tested group dynamics. It became clear to the boys that everyone needed to pull their weight if they were to continue to get along for the rest of the year. All of the boys completed the Business Plans and the feedback from the judges, BDO Accountants, was very helpful.

The next big event was turning the written documents into interesting oral presentations which would be pitched to a group of judges. With the help of Sam Bennett from 'Speaking Made Easy' the boys set about crafting an engaging presentation. The boys worked hard and all presented very well put together presentations at the oral heats but unfortunately the other companies were too good and we didn't make it through to the finals where companies competed for large cash prizes.

The boys didn't let this get them down though. They wanted to come back better and stronger in the next competition, the Trade Fair. For this the students set about setting up a stall in Centre City over a weekend in June. Unfortunately it was a lovely sunny day so customer numbers were low but the boys set about going out along the walkway, handing out flyers, trying to draw customers into Centre City to check out their products. They all worked hard and set up great stalls with fantastic signs, flyers and product displays. From this, companies were selected to attend the Taranaki Chamber of Commerce Showcase with S.A.Z. representing our school.

Around this time we also had students applying for an opportunity to represent Taranaki at a separate

Young Enterprise event in Auckland. Enterprise in Action is organised through the Young Enterprise Trust and gathers students from all around the country. They spend the weekend in groups, mentored by top international businesses working towards setting up a hypothetical business with a global focus. The winning team wins an international trip to a global business destination where they compete in a similar competition and network with the biggest and best international companies. A number of students applied with Patrick Back being selected to represent us. He had an amazing weekend and learned a lot from the experience.

Companies then had time to focus on really making their products successful. They put their focus into production and marketing, with most companies making good sales during Term 3. Before long the year had disappeared and it was time to attend the Taranaki Regional Awards. This is a great event where the students are recognised for their hard work and success throughout the year. We came away with a handful of prizes that the boys were very proud of.

Awards

Best Customer Service Award - Mr Casey's
Best Business Card Runner Up - Wheelbite Designs
Top Sales and Marketing Award - Wheelbite Designs

This year has seen some of our most successful companies in terms of production and sales. While we may not have received a lot of awards, I think every single student should be proud of what they have learnt and accomplished this year. Some people will go their entire lives without owning and running their own company and these boys have already given it a go. I'm sure no matter what each of the students go on to do with their lives, they will always carry with them some aspect of what they have learnt this year.

We hope to continue achieving great things within the programme here at Francis Douglas Memorial College and wish all of the companies next year the best of luck!

Briana Matthews and Sarah Beckett
Business Studies Teachers

important to consider your career as a life long journey rather than a destination.'

'The Future of Work - Careers NZ'

We work with our students to develop their Career Management competences - developing self-awareness, exploring opportunities, deciding and acting, managing change and transition - that will stand them in good stead for their future pathways.

Each year the number of new opportunities continue to grow. As well as STAR, Te Kura, Gateway, Trades Academy, Work Experience, Vocational Pathways, CPP, the students also had the opportunity to take part in EE2E, 3 Plus 2 and Dual Pathways.

A new initiative the Careers Department introduced this year was:

YEAR 10 WORK EXPLORATION

During Week 3 in Term 3 we had 68 boys undertake work experience and another 34 attended cooking/hospitality courses provided by Taranaki Feats, Britains Lifelong Choices and PIHMS.

The object of the exercise was to give the boys a taste of a real work situation. We invited feedback from the students, parents/caregivers and employers, and comments received were positive towards the experience. A big thank you to the parents/caregivers who organised work experience for their sons. Also the businesses that supported us:

Department of Conservation, Egmont Property & Inspection Services, St Joseph's School, Cooks Honda, Toko Pest Control, Hockly Partnership, Meco Engineering, Bell Block School, Tanya Campbell, Puke Farms, Frankley School, Frontrunner, Caves Plant Nursery, Mark & Stephanie Copeman, EIDNZ, Cameron Wilson Builders, Taranaki Veterinary Centre- Stratford, Woodleigh School, Screen Art, Armstrong Fleming, Powerco, Barry Kilpatrick's Dairy Farm, Sean Puttock Builder, Eftpos Specialists, Broadspectrum, Pukeiti, SM & SM Hooker, Revivem Autos, Powerco, Contract Resources Limited, Opus International Consultants,

CAREERS

'The Changing World of Work'

There is no doubt that the landscape of work has changed during the past 20 years. Globalisation, demographic shifts and technological advances are some factors that have created a highly competitive rapidly changing work environment.

Because the structure of work is always changing it's





Park Dairy, Complete Interiors Limited, Judd Opticians, Dads n Lads, Crown Kiwi Enterprises Ltd, New Plymouth Construction, Eltham Veterinary, Stevensons Calf Rearing, Merit Cars Strandon, G J Sole Transport Ltd, J & N Builders, Reliable Property Maintenance, Flashclad Workshop, David Lee, St Joseph's School, Fonterra, Opunake & Coastal News, T G Engineering, MacTorque, Gregs Building Services, NZ Farmers Livestock, Geth Evans, Hydraulink Taranaki Ltd, About Image, Wade Smith, The Store, James Wakeman, 2 Dollar Things, McFarlane Motors, Valve Maintenance NZ, J W Plumbing, Best 4 Less, Logicamms NZ Limited

Comments from the boys:

"I enjoyed cooking because I didn't know how easy it was, now I do cooking at home."
 "One thing I liked was learning how to use the barista machine."
 "It was cool to see a different and new side to art as I didn't know much about screen printing."
 "The biggest lesson I learnt was patience as well as empathy."
 "Being outdoors and having hands-on work."
 "Free lunch on Friday."
 "The experience of working with younger kids."
 "I learnt how to put up a fence."
 "Learnt how to teach someone without talking down to them."

THE ACCELERATOR PROGRAMME

The Accelerator Programme was for senior students who wished to discover more about a profession or area of business and commerce. Once linked with a business, the students met with their business mentors one hour a week for nine weeks, at the business premises. It was there that the students had the opportunity to learn about the business, its market, its people and what it takes to succeed.

The five FDMC Year 13 students involved in the programme this year were:

- Jonathan Dwyer - JRI Insurance
- Patrick Back - MediaWorks
- Oisin Quinn - Len Lye Art Centre
- Sam Lock - Chillaxing
- Sam Poles Smith - Westpac

THE YEAR 10 CAREERS MODULE PROGRAMME

All Year 10 classes take part in the Year 10 Careers Module. The boys explore the comprehensive CareersNZ website and complete Careers Quest, a 78-question quiz, which gives them a list of occupations which could suit them. They are then able to explore these in detail. They also develop a simple skills-based CV, research careers which appeal to them and listen to various speakers, e.g. Marc Heu from the New Zealand Defence Forces, Andrew Whiteford from PIHMS and Wendy Robinson, the BCITO liaison person.

NZ DEFENCE FORCES INFORMATION EVENING TERM 2

Thirteen boys attended this evening - most with their parents. Information was presented on the NZ Army, the Navy and Air Force. This was followed up with school visits during Term 3 whereby boys could have one-on-one times with Marc Heu, the NZDF Recruitment Officer.

SKY CITY BRAND DAY AT PIHMS TERM 2

Four of our top Economics and Accounting students attended this whereby they won a group commerce competition over other secondary schools represented there. They were: James Batchelor, Ben Smith, George Fleming and Fergus Conley.

THE WHAKATIPURANGA WHY ORA PROGRAMME

The objective of the Why Ora (Why Health?) programme is to increase the employment of Maori within the health sector. The target is for another 500 Maori to be employed in all aspects of health, from orderlies and cleaners to surgeons and specialists. 23 senior FDMC boys have participated in the programme this year. The boys have attended workshops at Taranaki Base Hospital and a whanau evening was held with visiting speakers from the universities, Ministry of Education and the TDHB.

YEARS 9 AND 10 WHY ORA PUTAIAO EXPO

The TDHB Why Ora staff organised a Science Exposure programme for 38 Years 9 and 10 Maori students. This was extremely successful at engaging the students and relating the subject of science and its application in the world of work. Putaiao was run with the support of Massey University and the Western Institute of Technology (WITT). Transport to the racecourse was provided to ensure all Year 9 and 10 Maori students had the opportunity to attend the expo. Students were rotated around six different stations covering different aspects of the three core sciences - Chemistry, Physics and Biology.

YEAR 11 CAREER CONVERSATIONS

Career conversations/goal-setting with the Year 11 students have been ongoing throughout the year. These include the provision of career or tertiary sector information and discussions about subjects needed for particular courses and careers. They are intended to be motivational, career-planning sessions and are proving to be very valuable, particularly for boys who have no idea what they want to do in the future and/or need goals to work towards.

UNIVERSITY LIAISON VISITS

During Terms 1 and 2 each of the eight Universities has presented an information session for Year 13 students

in the library. There was also a combined university planning course for 2018 for the Year 13 students, which was well attended by approximately half of all Year 13 students.

CAREERS EXPO AT TSB STADIUM

The annual Careers Expo was attended by all Years 9-12 students on Monday 14 August, from 12:00 -1.00pm. This year the Expo was clearly set out in each of the Vocational Pathways and there was a huge variety of stands for the students to investigate.

GATEWAY 2017

Gateway opens a new pathway for students from school to the world of work. It is a partnership between the student, the employer and Francis Douglas Memorial College. It is a great opportunity to blend school study with workplace learning and experience. Gateway helps with the transition from school to work and is designed to prepare students for a meaningful pathway to employment. Learning is assessed in the workplace, counting towards national qualifications relevant to their chosen trade/career.

Benefits for Students

- Apply skills and knowledge to the workplace
- Gain insights into working life
- Gain skills in specific industry areas

This year 45 Gateway students undertook a variety of work experience in industries such as Automotive, Building, Electrical, Engineering, Graphics & Design, Hospitality, Joinery, Plumbing, Painting & Decorating, Retail, Sport & Recreation.

This year we had four students nominated for the ETC 'Gateway to Industry Award'. Liam Scott - Taranaki Electrical Services; Mason Porteous - TEL; Kyle Fleming - Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd, and Vinnie Bestall - Pace Engineering Ltd. The Gateway nominees should be very proud of their achievements.

On the night Mason was one of four winners who shared this award. It was a privilege to work closely with Gateway businesses, students and their families.



2017 has been another successful year for our Gateway students. To date we have 11 apprenticeships (8 Building, 1 Plumbing, 1 Automotive and 1 Electrical), with several other students following up opportunities that we are hoping will lead to apprenticeships in the near future. Other students are either returning to school, have full-time employment (but not an apprenticeship) or will be attending a full-time course next year.

Thank you to all the people and business that have supported us, without business support our Gateway Work Experience and positive outcomes would not be the same. Please support these people and businesses that support our students.

Aaron Jane, Anytime Fitness, A Splash of Colour, Barry Daniels & Sons, Bell Building, Briscoes, Bowick Automotive, Café Lahar, Cast Iron Services, Cavalier Homes, Chris Bell Construction, Classic Carpets, Climate, Cervus Equipment Stratford, Claas Harvest Centre, Clem Electrical, Copestake Gas & Plumbing, Custom Construction Limited, Diesel & Turbocharger Services, Daniels & Sons Painters, D R Gray Limited, Duncan Murray Painter & Decorator, End Electrical, Field Torque, Fitzroy Engineering, Gardiner Plumbing, Garner Holdings, Gareth Collins Building Limited, Gas and Plumbing, Gough Cat, Guize Mens & Womans Clothing, Glen Turner, Gusto Restaurant Café & Bar, Jack Carrington Construction, Jason Reid Builders, Jones & Sandford, KCL Engineering, Kingsroy Electrical, L A Homes, Latitude Homes, Livingstone Building, Locals Café, Mason Appliances, Murray Crocker Builders, Nathan Whittle Building Ltd, Neil Barnes Builders Ltd, Newton Gordge Joinery Ltd, NPDC, NPE Tech, Operatic Costume Hire, PACE Engineering, Paul Jones Construction, PD Plumbing, Pet Essentials, Pepper Construction Limited, Plumbtech, Plyline, Prestige Kitchens, Primary Painting Limited, Quintin Oakes Builders Limited, Rampage Fitness, Razz Print & Design, Rebel Sport, RJ Eager, Sean Puttock Builders Limited, Steve Whitaker, Street & Cook Construction, Taranaki Refrigeration, Terry Clegg Builders, TEL, Taranaki Electrical Services Ltd, Timberco, Velocity Skateboards, Westside Grille, Warehouse Stationery.

Gateway students comments:

"The Gateway Programme has been the ideal way to help me make a decision on what my career will be. I have learnt heaps by doing the job hands on. I have also learnt about working with others and being part of a team."

"I was nervous first starting out however I now have the confidence to go into the work force and get qualified in my trade. I am excited about what my future holds."

"Each time I've gone to my Gateway Work Experience I've learnt something new; such as something to do with measuring, welding, overhead cranes, different types of steel, health and safety, it all helps."



"I think doing Gateway this year has really benefitted my career for the future, not only because I was able to get a feel for the industry and learn new skills but it has also lead to the possibility of a job and if not, a very good reference for my CV."

"One of the good things about doing Gateway Work Experience is the amount of skills I was able to learn in such a short period of time because of the great mentors I had around me."

SECONDARY TERTIARY PROGRAMMES - TRADES ACADEMY

In Trades Academy students go to WITT one day a week over three terms and gain NCEA credits. The learning takes place in a practical and hands-on environment using industry standard equipment and technology relevant to the students chosen career path. Students develop the foundation skills needed to progress to further study opportunities or move directly into employment.

In 2017 we had 19 students who attended the following courses:

Automotive	3
Cookery	2
Electrical	7
Fitness	1
Hairdressing	1
Restaurant Service	2
Welding	3

This year at the Trades Academy end of year prizegiving there were plenty of successes celebrated with four of our students getting an award in each category.

Ollie Lovell
Electrical - Top Student Award

Ben Fitzgibbon
Welding and Fabrication - Top Student Award

Jesse Gudopp
Cookery - Top Student Award

Jaron Coombe
Most Improved Automotive Award



3 + 2

3 + 2 is a Government initiative designed for students who have gained NCEA Level 2 and are enrolled in Year 13. Students in 3 + 2 work towards NCEA Level 3 as well as gaining a Level 3 tertiary qualification by attending WITT two days a week. Our students attended the following courses:

Food & Beverage	7
Digital Media & Design	2
Fitness	1

EE2E (Engineering Education to Employment)

This year we had six Year 13 students enrolled in EE2E studying one morning a week in Terms 1 - 3 to complete one of the 9 papers of the New Zealand Diploma in Engineering (NZDE). This also provides them with 8 NCEA credits at Level 3. EE2E is designed for students who are competent in Physics and Maths, and who are considering a Diploma or Degree in Engineering.

This year Ben Zeylemaker was awarded top EE2E student at their end of year presentation.

STAR

STAR is a roll based (on senior school) fund that enables us to provide non-conventional courses for students. The objectives of STAR are to:

- provide flexible funding for courses which will better respond to students' needs, motivate them to achieve, and facilitate their smooth transition to further education, training or employment.
- support students to explore career pathways and help them make informed decisions about their schooling and future work or study.

It is invaluable particularly in designing individual courses and putting students at the centre of decision making. It enables students to do a range of courses outside of school either by distance learning or through a course with other educational providers.

In 2017 STAR funding was used for Agriculture, Automotive, Barista, Carpentry, Chainsaw, Communication Skills, Electrical, First Aid, Fitness, Forklift, Health and Safety, Health Science, Horticulture, Hospitality, Recreation and Sport, Tourism. We also have had three students doing Canterbury of University Level 1 papers - one Mathematics, and two Economics.

CPP 2017

The Career Pathways Programme (CPP) is a full time programme designed for senior students outside of the conventional school curriculum. The programme targets students who may wish to go on to further training, or work, during or at the end of the school year. It is designed to give students a chance to gain knowledge, skills and experiences for transition to



tertiary learning or the work place.

We started this year with the largest ever number of students in CPP and then Matthew Hooper heard that it was going to be such a great group that he re-enrolled at school, bringing our total to 25. The CPP class of 2017 was:

Jonathon Brosnahan, Dylan Calder, Ethan Dombroski, Corban Garner, Teagan Harvey, Matthew Hooper, Max Keig, Alex Lightbody, Bayley Lightbody, Baylee MacLeod, Jahmaey's Manu, Finlay Morris, Shyon Noble, Mason Porteous, Brad Saxton, Caleb Schuler, Liam Scott, Dylan Simpson, Te Maia Tamati-King, Bailey Thompson, Liam Thomson, Mitchel Walker, Bailey Wensor, Dylan Wheatley, Kaylim Zimmerman.

We farewelled Teagan Harvey early in the year as he left to take up a building apprenticeship. He was followed by Kaylim Zimmerman, Mitchel Walker and Caleb Schuler during or at the end of Term 2. Te Maia Tamati-King also left us to travel to China with his family. Jonathon Brosnahan followed soon after, to take up a building apprenticeship and then finally Corban Garner took on a full-time job in joinery immediately after Tournament Week, where he was outstanding as a goalie for the 1st XI. The remainder of the CPP stayed on until the end of Term 3 with many attending prizegiving and the graduation dinner.

As always, a big thank you to the CPP teachers

English	Mrs Wackrow
Mathematics	Mr Kirkcaldie
Self-Management/Pathways	Ms O'Reilly
Religious Studies	Mr Chamberlain
PE	Mr Wright, Mr van der Heever, Mr Crocker

Alongside their two days at school our students attended courses at WITT and G & H Training as well as undertaking a wide range of Gateway/Work Experience placements which for many of them has turned into employment.

I was very proud to attend the 'Grease' production and see so many CPP students involved. Some impressive talent was on display by our students and the production was outstanding.

Congratulations to Brad Saxton for being awarded Sports Colours. The following students also picked up awards at the Sports Dinner - Liam Scott - FDMC Soccer Trophy for Player of the Year, Dylan Wheatley - Wackrow Family Trophy for Greatest Contribution to Rugby League, Liam Thomson - Outstanding Act of Fair Play Award

At the Senior Prizegiving, Bailey Thompson was awarded the Smith/Drinkwater Trophy for Drama.

It has been a very interesting year with a diverse group of personalities. I enjoyed working alongside you



and your families (some who ended up on my speed dial!). I look forward to hearing about your successes and hope that you will look back on your time in the 'C-DUB' class of 2017 with fond memories.

Keep in touch!

CONCLUSION

Andy Cowie continues to provide invaluable support with his willingness to help out with transport throughout the year and this is very much appreciated. Without this support it would be very difficult for us to ensure our students were able to access opportunities to attend their courses and activities.

At the end of this year we will farewell Jenny Sherif from the Department after three years as our Careers Adviser. We thank her for the contributions she has made over this time. She has worked with our students as they began their journey with us as Year 7's or 9's and has supported them in their pathways throughout their time at school. We wish her all the best for the future.

Lauren O'Reilly
HOD Careers

LEARNING SUPPORT

The Learning Support Department at Francis Douglas Memorial College continues to provide assistance and adapted programmes / learning environments to support students with specific learning difficulties.

The school goal of 2017 has been to improve students' engagement and learning outcomes. In the Learning Support Department, our goal has been to improve students' engagement and learning outcomes by providing

- in class teacher aide support to individual at risk students,
- teacher aide support in the lower ability classes,
- Special Assessment Conditions during assessment to students.

The Department strives to meet the requirement of the Ministry of Education to include all students to enable them to access the curriculum in a range of settings. Inclusive education is where all students are engaged and achieve through being present, are participating, learning and belonging. It means valuing all students in all aspects of school life and removing barriers to presence, participation, and achievement.

The school's Special Character goal for 2017 has been to produce evidence of integration of the 5 Core Values both inside and outside the classroom. In accordance with concern for the poor we have endeavoured to enable students with specific learning difficulties to achieve; we have sought to have an inclusive community where all persons are welcomed and respected, irrespective of ability; and have strived to give the students the best quality education they can attain to in a Catholic/Lasallian ethos reflecting faith in the presence of God.

In our practice, we promote an understanding and respect for all cultures and recognise the unique position of Maori as the tangata whenua in the College and in Aotearoa/ New Zealand.

As in past years the ORS funded students receive the highest level of support according to funding received specifically to address their individual student needs.

We enrol some students in Te Kura-the Correspondence School, in order to adapt the curriculum to their individual needs in Mathematics, Science and Supported Learning.

Literacy Instruction is provided to students in Years 7 and 9 in consultation with the English and Intermediate Departments who identify students with reading difficulties.

The Learning Support staff continue to receive professional development to support students with specific learning difficulties in class.

Application is made to NZQA for Special Assessment Conditions (SACs) for students in NCEA Levels 1 - 3. Students who qualify for SACs are provided with SACs during assessment.

Teacher Aide assistance is provided for in class support

to individual students, and to groups of students with dyslexia and other SLD's in the lower ability/internally assessed classes in English, Mathematics, Science, Pathway, Technology and Agriculture.

Students who qualify for readers and/or writers, extra time and separate accommodation during NCEA assessments, are given reader and/or writer assistance throughout the year when doing assessments.

With the large number of students qualifying for SACs, it remains difficult at times to meet the demand. Priority is given to senior students doing internal NCEA assessments. Students in Years 9 and 10 with specific learning difficulties are provided with SACs for some of their common tests and in the end-of-year exams. Evidence of improved results with reader writer support is kept to support applications for Special Assessment Conditions in NCEA Levels 1 - 3. Michelle Stevenson is responsible for organising the roster for reader and/or writers for students during assessments through the year and during exams.

2017 has been unusual in that FDMC has had no migrant or refugee English Language Learners (ELLs) eligible for Ministry funding, or identified as needing support.

Some of our students competed in the Special Olympics Taranaki Secondary School Athletics at the TET Stadium on Thursday 16 March. They had a great day with Julia Butler who accompanied them. Our boys received certificates for competing in their 3 activities. Callum Butler gained a 2nd place in the 100m run and Cameron Uhlenberg a 2nd in the standing long jump. In Term 2 and Term 3, Julia Butler accompanied students to the Special Olympics Taranaki Secondary Bocce Events at the TSB Stadium, New Plymouth. They won the second division. The Special Olympics events provide the students with wonderful opportunities for enrichment, building confidence and achievement.

We were sad to lose Catrin Scott and Gurpreet Singh as Teachers Aides at the end of 2016. Both Catrin and Gurpreet have left to pursue future careers and we wish them well. Kristel Gillespie and Denise Watson have filled the vacancies created by their departure and we have been delighted with the service they are rendering at present.

Cameron Uhlenberg left school at the end of Term 3. We are thrilled with his success in gaining employment and wish him well for his future.

I believe we are achieving the goals for 2017 and meeting the Ministry of Education requirement to include all students, enabling them to access the curriculum, to be engaged and achieve through being present, participating, learning and belonging.

Jeanne Marshall
SENCO Coordinator

LANGUAGES

SPANISH REPORT

We started the year off by welcoming Ramiro and Iñaki from Colegio de la Salle, Buenos Aires. Thanks to the Ropitini Family and the Habib family for opening their homes to host these exchange students for their 3 week stay. While these boys visited, they were able to speak to the Spanish classes. These boys loved visiting Francis Douglas as they come from a massive city and are not used to having large fields and outdoor areas at their school. Later in Term 1, Vince Ropitini and Riley Habib were lucky to go to Buenos Aires to do a reciprocal visit. While there the boys enjoyed trying Argentinian food, seeing the city sites and going to a Lasallian school. This is the fourth year of this annual Lasallian exchange which involved two year 11 boys.

The Year 10 Spanish students went to visit Spotswood College for the Ugly Fashion Show in Term 2. The boys enjoyed choosing their weird outfits, writing and memorising their speeches and delivering them on the day. The students also learnt about Spanish and Mexican cuisine and were able to prepare several dishes including: paella, Spanish omelette, churros and burritos. Thanks to the hostel for allowing the boys use the kitchen. At the end of the Module, the boys created their own Mexican piñatas.

The Year 9 Spanish classes have enjoyed having input into the content of their eight week Spanish modules. 9W was especially creative and translated the script that they had collaboratively written in Drama into Spanish and performed it for their peers. A couple of classes chose to put into practice the vocabulary for food that they have learnt and set up their own Mexican restaurant. Year 9 classes made sugar skulls which are a typical Mexican treat made to celebrate 'Día de los Muertos' or All Saints Day. An altar was set up in the library with candles, skulls and other decorations.

Spanish continues to be an exciting language to learn at the College.
¡Viva el Español!

Señora Hermanns
Spanish Teacher



INTERNATIONAL

During the course of the year, the International students joined others from various schools in the region in a range of activities. We had a Big Bus Trip for the students to visit the mountain, the beach and a farm. We also had Fish and Chips at the beach with homestays, plus a meal out at Gengys. Meeting the Mayor with all the regional International students was a special occasion for all who attended. These events have helped the students to get to know others who are new to the region and provided a chance to socialize. We hope to continue this with more events scheduled each year.

During the July holidays, the few boys who didn't travel to home countries went on an excursion to Waitomo and Rainbow's End with Mr and Mrs Smith. A great time was had by all. During the September holidays we visited Tawhiti Museum, teaming up with SHGC International students. Once again, it was a pleasure to show the students another aspect of our country.

Term three was a busy one in the International Department with three new students plus a group visit. Once again, we had a visit from Dongguan Middle School in China involving 5 boys at FDMC and 5 girls from Dongguan at SHGC. These boys and girls had a very good experience and were grateful to their buddies in Year 10 for making it a memorable time.

International Week was celebrated in Week 5 of Term Three and was enjoyed by the whole school. As well as several cultural events and visitors, International lunch on the Friday concluded the week. The intention of International Week was strengthening cultural and ethnic diversity. Once again, the school can continue to feel enriched by the experience recognising the core values of our Catholic Lasallian school which include and reflect the values of cultural diversity.



International Students

Back Row: Aidan Law, Lewis Liu, Pongpat Murin, Ren Shimada, Shinuk Park, Soichiro Tsujimoto
Front Row: Koichi Sei, Mr Martin Chamberlain (Principal), Mrs Margie Smith (International Students Director), Yutaka Kunizaki, Kevin Wu



During the year, most International students joined in sports and activities in their chosen fields such as swimming club, soccer, badminton, basketball, archery, pool and rock climbing. Congratulations to Shinuk Park for winning the Taranaki Under 17 Championship for badminton.

Congratulations to Yutaka Kunizaki and Koichi Sei who graduated this year. Yutaka was at FDMC for five years and Koichi was here for four. Yutaka's mum and brother attended graduation and the dinner which made it very special. Both boys are returning to Japan for university. We wish them the best of luck for the future.

Margie Smith
International Students Director

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Margie Smith travelled to China as part of her International Student Director role. Recently, Sacred Heart Girls' College joined forces with us in marketing for international fee paying students with Margie covering the operation in both schools. That way we are able to accommodate international families across both genders.

FDMC is into its sixth year of operation and SHGC rekindled its programme three years ago. Apart from bringing international diversity into our communities, the International programme generates valuable funding for both schools.

International education is New Zealand's fifth biggest export industry and the second biggest services sector. It was provisionally worth \$3.1 billion for the 2015 calendar year and it's growing so quickly it looks set to be the fourth biggest, overtaking timber at \$3.52 billion.

We currently have 12 international students from a number of Asian countries. They are well integrated and accepted. After Margie's busy ten days in China, working in several cities and visiting existing students' families, there should be some more to join them in 2018.



International Student Khun Lersumitkul from Thailand is our youngest International student. He is here for two weeks to have a Kiwi experience and participate in Year 7 classes. Christina Hermanns and her family are homestay hosts for Khun.

Margie Smith
International Students Director

INTERNATIONAL WEEK 2017

International Week was held in the College as a time of celebrating and appreciating cultural diversity within our school community.

During the week students were entertained with cultural music by school musicians and Mr Jack Kirifi from our local community, came and spoke to the Year 10 class on his perspective of being Samoan and

coaching rugby. Students from Germany, Japan and China also visited junior classes as guest speakers for question and answer times about their home country; sharing their knowledge and talking not only about the differences but also the similarities.

Several events were held in the library. Mrs Hermanns had interested students making iconic building models, there was a quiz on car logos from around the world and 'Guess the Comics' origins.

One event which also proved to be very popular was the sushi making demonstration by Ken and Sonya, the Sushi Ninja owners. Boys could also have a go at making sushi themselves and there was a chance to answer questions to win a slice of sushi. I'm sure we'll aim to have this again next year.

The hostel dining room also got into the theme with a variety of food on different days having Italian, Greek, Mexican, USA and Hungarian meals and International students read a prayer in their own language each day.

Another popular event for all juniors was experiencing sport from different countries which were taught by the senior students. The students made the most of the fine weather during the week.

Students from Dongguan Middle School in China were a highlight at assembly on the Friday presenting their school dance and thanking their Year 10 buddies, who did an outstanding job of looking after them at school during their one month stay. The boys also visited a junior class and taught them their Chinese song.

Friday was the climax to a great week. Students wore mufti with a cultural theme and the boys could buy Japanese, Indian, Chinese and pizzas at lunchtime while listening to Spanish music being played in the quad by a school band under the guidance of Mr Tobias Wright and accompanied by Mrs Christina Hermanns.

Margie Smith
International Students Director

MISHIMA GROUP

We enjoyed hosting the boys and their chaperones from the Mishima Youth Delegation. Kenshiro Miyazaki stayed with Oliver Clennett (Year 10) and Toshihide Iwatsuki was with Kobe Allen-Raven (Year 9).

The boys were lucky to be involved in various activities- Toshihide going to camp up the mountain with the Year 9's and Kenshiro going to the Year 10 retreat and did service work at the Purangi kiwi shelter.

We hope they had fun being part of our New Zealand culture for a week.

Ruth Marris
TIC Languages

CROSS COUNTRY

JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY

In true FDMC Cross Country fashion, the Year 7 and 8 race was completed in between showers, with plenty of mud, and those challenging farm hills. The longer lap with increased farm land proved popular with the boys, who all ran well and enjoyed finishing down the home straight in front of the cheering grandstand.

Thanks goes out to the Year 13 PE marshals, and to Max Erkes in Year 10, who superbly guided the Juniors around the course.

Well done to our 2017 champions - Albie Francis-Allen from Year 7 and Jack Feaver from Year 8.

Results:	
Year 7	Year 8
1. Albie Francis- Alles	1. Jack Feaver
2. Finn Collier	2. Thomas Watson
3. Lucas Connelly	3. Tim Kowaleski
4. Kahu Capper	4. Keegan Boon
5. Charlie Johnson	5. Zach Bradford
6. Cullann Read	6. Felix Van Hattum
7. Samuel Taylor	7. Maz Wright
8. Allen Tom	8. Deacon Cawley
9. Kade Mockett	9. Samuel Lewis
10. Zack Johnson	10. Tane Cameron



SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY

The FDMC Senior Cross Country was scheduled for Thursday 18th May. Years 9 - 13 students ran in the afternoon with the seniors beginning at 1:40pm, Intermediate A & B started at 2:05pm and the Juniors started at 2:30pm.

It was worth postponing till the sun shone. Our students participated happily this week and those for whom it is a serious sport, shone also. The Cross Country was held in glorious sunshine with all Year 9 - 13 students treated to a brand new course. With the old hill now sold, a new course was cut that involved far more of the farm, ensuring the boy's cardiovascular systems were well tested on the bigger hills!

Well done to overall house winners, La Salle and to individual champions, Thomas Hadley, Jacob Crawford, Max Erkes and Luke Weston. A special mention must go to the younger Hadley brothers - William and Oscar, who both placed second in their respective divisions.

Results:	
Senior	
1st	Thomas Hadley LS
2nd	Zac Reid LS
3rd	Felix Webby S
4th	Matthew Weston B
5th	Bodie Butler S

Intermediate A	
1st	Jacob Crawford LS
2nd	Bryn Kearton LS
3rd	Finn Morris B
4th	Liam Walton L
5th	Theo Johnsen LS

Intermediate B	
1st	Max Erkes L
2nd	William Hadley LS
3rd	Henry Parker L
4th	Henri Lehrke S
5th	Jackson Whitmore B

Junior	
1st	Luke Weston B
2nd	Oscar Hadley LS
3rd	Ollie Gooch S
4th	Marcus Lupton LS
5th	Geordie Vink L

House Points	
La Salle	1701
Solomon	1330
Loreto	1092
Benildus	1034

Matt Lash
HOD Physical Education & Outdoor Ed.



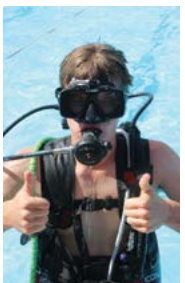


SWIMMING SPORTS

This was held on Friday 24 February and was well supported by parents and caregivers. The seniors presented in their usual array of colourful costumes, and the Houses continued the tradition of banter, signage and fierce competition.

Overall House Results

1st	Loreto	2268
2nd	La Salle	1876
3rd	Benildus	1601
4th	Solomon	1571



SWIMMING SPORTS

SENIOR

1st	Zac Reid	La Salle
2nd	Oisin Quinn	Solomon
3rd	Aleksander Timarac	Solomon

INT. A

1st	Troy Ryan	Loreto
2nd	Matthew Meuli	Loreto
3rd	Theo Johnsen	La Salle

INT. B

1st	Olly Spicer	Solomon
2nd	Max Erks	Loreto
3rd	Jamie Kestle	Benildus

JUNIOR

1st	Jack Cleland	Benildus
2nd	Brayden Meuli	Loreto
3rd	Morgan Mills	Benildus

YEAR 8

1st	Jackson Corlett	Loreto
2nd	Jack Feaver	Solomon
3rd	Ethan Lobb	Solomon

YEAR 7

1st	Cullann Read	La Salle
2nd =	Albie Francis-Alles	Loreto
2nd =	Harrison Whiting	Benildus





ATHLETIC SPORTS

Friday 10 March was not ideal in terms of weather but our students' spirit carried them through. Once again, the levels of participation and enthusiasm were contagious and impressive.

Overall House Results

1st	La Salle	1673
2nd	Loreto	1599
3rd	Solomon	1461
4th	Benildus	1421



ATHLETIC SPORTS

SENIOR

1st	Matthew O'Connell
2nd	Caylem Cook
3rd	Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens

INT. A

1st	Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens
2nd	Joshua Hopkins
3rd	Titan Cook

INT. B

1st	Denzell Sofeni
2nd	Max Erkes
3rd	Xavier Kere-Rako

JUNIOR

1st	Aiden Bocock
2nd	Adam Loveridge
3rd	Isaac Doell

YEAR 8

1st	Zach Bradford
2nd	Xavier Sofeni
3rd	Jack Feaver

YEAR 7

1st	Kahu Capper
2nd	Albie Francis- Alles
3rd	Wayne Icaro



RUGBY

1ST XV RUGBY

On behalf of the school, the players, the management and the parents, thank you to everyone who has both financially and physically supported the team in 2017.

There has been an intense programme of 20 games of which 11 were won and 90 tries were scored. The main goal for the season was to make the Central North Island playoffs which went down to the very last clash of the season against Feilding High School which was eventually lost 13-26.

This meant the team finished 5th and were just outside the big schools, Wesley College, the eventual winners, Feilding, St Paul's Hamilton and St Peter's Cambridge. The team did defeat St Peter's in a cracker of a game and won against all the others; Wanganui Collegiate, Lindisfarne, Te Aute, St John's Hastings, and Rathkeale. The annual clash against New Plymouth Boys' High School was lost following two tough games in less than a week but there was a victory over Wellington College and a last minute loss to Palmerston North Boys' High School that demonstrated this team had the potential to perform at a high level and indeed played some entertaining rugby throughout the season.

There was at least one try scored in every game and only once did the team not register double figures. During the year the players voted after each game on

their 'Player of the Day' and at the end of the season first-five Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens was a clear winner, followed by fullback Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, with loose forward Shamus Hurley-Langton in 3rd spot.

Josh Hopkins and Nathaniel Peters, both loose forwards, were the leading players in winning the 'Hammer Award' for the best tacklers in each game, whilst winger Chris Balsom most often won the 'Diamond Award' for best support play.

Isaac Ratamaitavuki-Kneepkens scored the most tries (16), followed by Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens (10). Chris Balsom (8) and Nathaniel Peters (7). An average of 4.5 tries per game was certainly one of the season highlights.

Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Shamus Hurley-Langton and halfback Jackson Sinclair were invited to attend the Chiefs Secondary Schools' camp and Isaac is now included in an extended squad from which the NZ Secondary Schools' teams will be selected. With 10 of the squad of 26 in their last season, the 2018 team is in the healthy position of having a core of regular starters from 2017 in their make-up.

Already a power and strength programme twice a week has been introduced for those who wish to partake (they are all encouraged to do so) and a pre-season trip to the South Island is in the planning stages.



Rugby - 1st XV

- Back Row:** Dylan Calder, Nathaniel Peters, Jordan Roylance, Shay Smith-Luond, Luke Hughes, Ben Smith, Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Ethan Diamond
Middle Row: Mr James Rowland (Manager), Mr Shane McDonald (Coach), Jeremy Gopperth, Ethan Seed, Mairenga Laapo, Harry Foreman, Jacan McDonald, Cobi McCook, Connor Mitchell, Joshua Hopkins, Lorenzo Taylor, Mr Ross Sinclair (Manager), Liam Thomson (Student Manager)
Front Row: Jackson Sinclair, Chris Balsom, Tobias Stark, Chris Bryan, Mason Porteous (Captain), Brad Saxton (Captain), Robson Chapman, Lachlan Jones, Shamus Hurley-Langton, Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens
Absent: Mr Ian Snook (Coach)

Shane McDonald (Head Coach)
Ian Snook (Assistant Coach)
James Rowland (Manager)
Ross Sinclair (Assistant Manager, Assistant Coach, Chief Water Boy)

All Blacks

What fabulous news it has been to have five former students in All Black squads this year. Rikki Riccitelli was the latest call-up to join the illustrious company of Liam Coltman and the prodigious Barrett troika. Well done to all of you fine College men.

All Blacks Come to Town

A small number of boys were lucky enough to be invited to Energy City Ford to meet All Blacks Lima Sopoaga, Joe Moody and Nathan Harris on the Friday before the test match against Argentina. The boys were also treated to a surprise visit by their hero and College old boy, Jordie Barrett.

Thanks to Russell and Stewart Dempster at Energy Ford for giving them this opportunity to meet their idols and also being major supporters and sponsors of College sport. We were also lucky enough to have Kieran Reid call into the College.

Mark Wales
Director of Sport



Rugby - 2nd XV

- Back Row:** Kayden Luke, Keegan Wright, Jack Spicer
Middle Row: Mr Mark Walsh (Manager), Mason Jones, Benjamin Smith, Abraham Matitini, Matthew Picard, Joe Bernet, Mr Martin Dravitzki (Coach)
Front Row: Jayden Smith, Bodie Butler, Michael Back, Callum Grayling, Finn Hosking, Rikki Sofeni, Liam Matthews
Absent: Mr Riley McGregor (Coach)

YEAR 7 & 8 RUGBY

The Year 7 and 8 1st XV rugby team have completed a great season with a victory over Highlands Intermediate to win the Barrett Family Shield, a highly coveted prize in Taranaki Intermediate School Rugby.

During the season under the coaching expertise of Tim Stuck and Laurence Corlett the team has beaten St Peter's School in Cambridge, Huntley School in Marton and Devon Intermediate. The team had a loss earlier in the year against Highlands Intermediate, so they knew the final was going to be tough. They were extremely proud to be playing on the 'Number One' field at Yarrow Stadium and to have FDMC old boy and All Black, Jordie Barrett as their water boy.

The first half saw FDMC dominate possession and territory, scoring some brilliant individual and team tries. The half time score had FDMC leading 43-7. The College boys had to dig deep in the second half as Highlands made a spirited come back but thankfully the College held on to win 56-49.

The talent on display in the final, and winning the Barrett Family Shield bodes well for the future of rugby at FDMC - watch out for some of these young players in the years ahead!

Paula Corlett
Years 7 & 8 1st XV Manager



Rugby - 3rd XV

Back Row: Fletcher Burnett, Devin Carruthers, Jacob Farrant, Blair Adams, Samuel Megaw, Ben Limmer, Harry Newman
Middle Row: Aidyn Kettle, Lachlan Rhodes, Cameron Shearman, Theo Johnsen, Blane McCook, Patrick Butler, Corbyn Sole, Blake Carr, Mr Matt Casey (Coach)
Front Row: Matthew Sisarich, Fergus Conley, Ethan Turner, Seth Diamond, Vinnie Bestall, Cole Soffe, James Lovegrove, Kaden Adamson



Rugby - Under 12 Yellow

Back Row: Dauntaé Langton, Lenny Chapman, Hendrix Leigh, Thomas Larkin
Middle Row: Sammy Lewis, Connor McLean, Mitchell Turner, Mason Scott, Zac Stolte
Front Row: Kayde Whitmore, Jack Scott, Jake Maclean, Martin Glen, Maaka Normanton, Noah Lash, Stanley Simpson



Rugby - Under 15A

Back Row: Blake Crawford, Joshua Titter, Te Rangikatuta Tuuta-Thompson, Jacob Bamber, Monaro Bennett-Ruakere, Saki Waicere
Middle Row: Adam Loveridge, Blake Christie, Amedeo Ventresca, Jakob Erb, Blake Mitchell, Kade Saxton, Te Rangi-Matoha Cameron, Scott Crocker (Coach)
Front Row: Logan Mitchell, Fenni Sofeni, Ben Hughes, Denzell Sofeni (Captain), Joshua Loveridge, Corban Oakes, Cullen Luckin



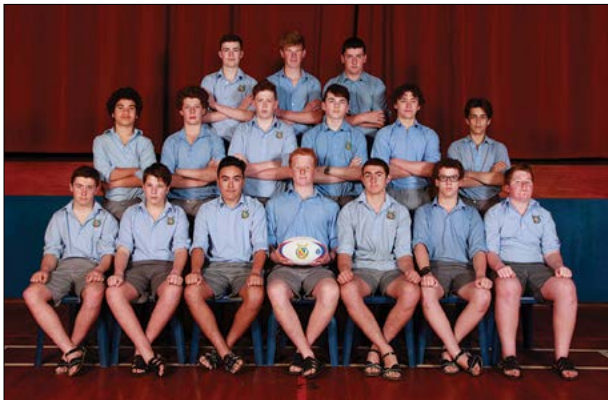
Rugby - Under 12 Blue

Back Row: Wilson Clegg, Ariki Pullen, Deakin Cawley, Dylan Roylance, Jack Gilmour, Noah Richards,
Front Row: McKay Moore, Sam Corlett, Aston Hughes, Kade Mockett, Zak Johnson, Joe Douglas, Harrison Whiting



Rugby - Under 13

Back Row: Caius Owen, Neko McDonald, McCarthy Ruakere-Bennett, Sean Fleming, Ignatius Sofeni-Williams
Middle Row: Jackson Corlett, Cooper Werder, Jacob Brightwell, Zak Mockett, Joshua Cameron, Taane-te-aio Cameron, Soane Filo
Front Row: Thomas Watson, Jimmy Moffitt, Sam Waicere, Xavier Sofeni (Captain), Jack Feaver, Keegan Boon, Quinn Thompson
Absent: Taiera Cameron, Fletcher Smith



Rugby - Under 15B

Back Row: Caleb Hammersley, Travis Iremonger, Campbell Lusk
Middle Row: Isaiah Kirifi, Matthew Gower, Aidyn Wright, Victor Broome, Max Foreman, Jericho Murray
Front Row: Marcus Lupton, Daniel Prendiville, Jayden Ruakere, Lachlan Fleming (Captain), Jack Miller, Bryn Davison, Oliver Hall
Absent: Chris Hall (Coach)



Rugby - 63kg Red

Back Row: Rhys Price, Jackson Whitmore, Joshua Read
Middle Row: Kobe Lucas, Caleb Lawn, Thomas Stokes, Max McLeod, Jacob Clement, Kobe Gavin
Front Row: Jack Meads, Riley Fowler, Robert Ropitini, Joshua Keech, George Boon, Luke Crowley, Harry Clegg, Nathan Robertson



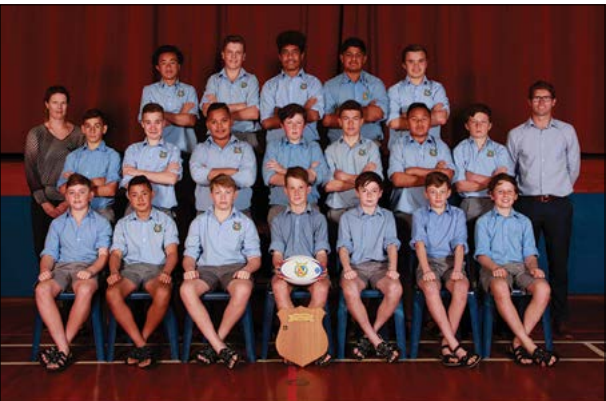
Rugby - Junior Sevens

Back Row: Saki Waicere, Joshua Titter, Jacob Bamber, Monaro Ruakere, Kade Saxton, Scott Crocker (Coach)
Front Row: Amedeo Ventresca, Te Rangi-Matoha Cameron, Ben Hughes, Denzell Sofeni (Captain), Blake Crawford, Blake Mitchell, Cullen Luckin



Rugby - 63kg Green

Back Row: Kale Jordan, Vincent Bolton, Nico Sinclair, Geoffroy Amory, Michael Duncan
Middle Row: Caleb Clark, Damien Lightoller, Izeka Carmichael, Jack Cleland, Jordan Adams, Olly Spicer, Dane Hofmans
Front Row: John Grayling, Gareth Duffy, Jack Ford, Jacob Whittle, Jamie Horgan, Jake Linders, Joseph Snowden



Rugby - Year 7/8 1st XV

Back Row: Taane-te-aio Cameron, Neko McDonald, Xavier Sofeni, McCarthy Ruakere Bennett, Zak Mockett
Middle Row: Mrs Paula Corlett, Jack Feaver, Cooper Werder, Caius Owen, Josh Cameron, Charlie Johnson, Soane Filo, Jackson Corlett, Mr Tim Stuck
Front Row: Aston Hughes, Maaka Normanton, Martin Glen, Ethan Lobb, Keegan Boon, Thomas Watson, Noah Lash
Absent: Fletcher Smith (Captain), Quintin Sofeni, Alex Roberts, Jax Morgan, Sam Waicere

RIPPA RUGBY

The first TSSSA event took place in the first week back. 71 students competed at the Rippa Rugby Champs held at Rugby Park. Our boys were competitive and showed outstanding skills with three teams making it through to the semi finals, but unfortunately they did not push through to the finals.

There was some outstanding advice and encouragement from our Year 11 boys who coached at this event.





Quick Rip Rugby

Back Row: Blake Mitchell, Student Coaches: Denzell Sofeni, Mairenga Laapo, Bryn Kearton, Jacob Kneepkens, Riley Putt, Cameron McDonald, Matthew Picard, Cameron Shearman
Fourth Row: Jacob Whittle, Jordan Adams, Monaro Bennett-Ruakere, Joseph Wills, Jacob Bamber, Vinnie Bolton, Prezley Murfitt, Jayden Thomas, Joshua Keech
Third Row: Ben Hughes, Adam Loveridge, Rhys Price, Izekeiel Hunt, Jayden Ruakere, Kade Saxton, Max McLeod, Cullen Hurley, Luke Crowley, Dane Hoffman
Second Row: Mason Ehrhorn, Jack Cleland, George Boon, Jericho Henry, Logan Mitchell, Corban Oakes, Thomas Stokes, Marcus Lupton, Daimen Lightoller, Koby Lucas, Fenni Sofeni, Koby Gavin
Front Row: Ethan Coward, Riley McDonald, Robert Ropitini, Jake Linders, John Grayling, Jack Meads, Cullen Luckin, Jamie Horgan, Nathan Robertson, Josh Goble, Riley Fowler, Jimmy Moffitt

RUGBY LEAGUE

RUGBY LEAGUE 1ST XIII

There was great excitement in the gym in February when the Rugby League World Cup was carefully taken from its bombproof box for our FD League players and enthusiasts to see. Only those wearing Michael Jackson look-a-like gloves were allowed to touch the cup as it is a tad delicate due to having been stolen, found in a ditch years later and carefully restored.

Sadly it is currently held by Australia but I am convinced that it will be ours by the end of this year! World Cup games are held in November in Hamilton, Auckland and Christchurch.

The boys queued for photos and answered questions to win prizes. My thanks to NZRL for including us in their busy schedule.

Our 1st XIII are trained every Wednesday after school to attempt to win a cup of our own in the Isaac Luke Tournament. Finishing first or second qualifies them to go to the Secondary School Rugby League Nationals in September. We are aiming to make it for the 4th year in a row. All boys are welcome to play.

ISAAC LUKE TOURNAMENT

Those magnificent young men in the FDMC 1st XIII

Rugby League team have done it again! For the fourth year in a row we have qualified to play in the NZ Secondary Schools' Rugby League Tournament. This is held in Auckland from 4-8 Sept.

The Isaac Luke Cup which is the qualifying competition for Central Districts' schools was held on Saturday at Whanganui.

After a bit of a wobbly start we found our rhythm, helped by calm, positive leadership from co-captains Dylan Wheatley and Cobi McCook, and won our first game against Waiopahu College 20-12. Finn Hosking and Callum Grayling scored a try each off some solid forward work and Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens ran through the opposition twice to score. It was great to have the boys with league experience supporting those fairly new to the game. The attitude of both teams was brilliant and showed the innate integrity of the players. Our second game saw us beaten by Manukura 48-10. Jacob and Cobi scored a try each. Enough said!

Our third and final game was against Tai Wananga Tu Toa which we won. Again the camaraderie and positive attitude from both teams were outstanding. This was schoolboy league at its finest despite being the decider for participation at Nationals. The highlight

was my "FDMC Man of the Tournament" Lachlan Jones and his 3 successive tries in which he battled through numerous defenders, followed by a nonchalant attempt to convert his third try, much to the amusement of his teammates..It sailed over. Lachlan was swamped by fans!

As always there are unsung heroines behind success. The team and I are grateful to Michelle Stevenson and Gill Hurley who gave up their Saturday to organise and account for boys and their gear (Kadyn Luke), both lost and found.

New Zealand Secondary Schools National Tournament

This was held in Auckland from 4-8 September. It was exciting to see the boys challenge their opposition with the College Haka. The games were intense contests but as always at Nationals discipline and safety of players were paramount.

We played a game every day for the 5 days so the boys were well hardened by Friday. A few boys were clambering gingerly in and out of the van but thankfully we sustained no major injuries. Our results were very good with wins over Papakura High School, Nae Nae College and Tai Wananga and narrow losses to Onehunga High School and Haeata Community Campus who were overall winners of this division.

The three year veterans of the National Tournament for 2017 were Dylan Wheatley and Dylan Calder. All the

boys played positive, passionate league and were often complimented by the officials for their demeanour on and off the field.

The recipient of the Wackrow Cup for Contribution to Rugby League was Dylan Wheatley and Most Courageous Player Trophy went to Lachlan Jones. I am inclined to agree with the boys when they say " this is the best week of the year!"

Bring on next year!

Robyn Wackrow Rugby League Coordinator

Rugby League Warrior Brothers!

I am simply delighted. The dream of having a FDMC Rugby League boy playing in the NRL (particularly for the Warriors!) edges ever closer.

Sunday last saw Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens and his younger brother Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens take the field for the Warriors Invitational Under 18 and Under 16 teams respectively. Both boys played positive, intelligent games looking for and taking opportunities as they arose. Isaac scored two tries and converted one.

Isaac is the captain of the 1st XIII team this year. Jacob had his first game in the FDMC red league jersey this year. Along with big brother Eli, this means all 3 boys have played league for the College. A huge thanks to



Rugby League - 1st XIII

Back Row: Lachlan Rhodes, Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Jordan Roynance, Brad Saxton, Kadyn Luke
Middle Row: Lachlan Jones, Dylan Calder, Ben Smith, Abraham Mataitini, Seth Diamond, Chris Balsom, Joshua Hopkins, Robyn Wackrow (Coach)
Front Row: Ethan Diamond, Mairenga Laapo, Finn Hosking, Dylan Wheatley (Captain), Cobi McCook (Captain), Christopher Bryan, Denzell Sofeni, Rikki Sofeni

their mother Patty who is a great supporter of her boys, the FDMC league teams and helper at games.

But wait there is more exciting news...Jacob has signed a contract for the next three years with the Parramatta Eels. This means trips over to train this year and 6 months honing his skills in the Eels team environment next year.

The first question coaches get asked when boys are being considered by clubs is... "We will improve his skill/fitness on the field but tell me what is he like off the field? For both these boys the answer is "men of integrity".

Congratulations to you both.

Robyn Wackrow
Rugby League Coordinator

YEAR 9 AND 10 LEAGUE REPORT

Six years. Six long years I have waited to have FDMC engraved on the Jack Knuckey Shield as the champions of Year 9/10 Taranaki Rugby League. And these marvellous boys made it happen!

In their brand new jerseys they proved they didn't just look great: they were also seriously talented rugby league players. Jonathan Fidow ran practices at school and used all his experience and expertise to teach the boys attacking plays and defence patterns. Thanks Jonathan!

We were unbeaten through pool play against Stratford (43 to 4) and Opunake (33 to 4) which meant we faced Waitara in the semi final. Waitara was tougher opposition, however, we came out winners again 26 to 6.

All our boys were busting to play but with a large squad of 18, hard decisions had to be made. I was given a



stern word from our dedicated trainer for the day, Liam Penn."Stop being so soft Miss and make the call." Thanks Liam!

I am grateful to those boys who didn't get all the game time they wanted for their gracious acceptance of being subs or standing down. Their positive support of their team-mates proves they are already following the FDMC Rugby League mantra of being "Men of Integrity".

Into the final and it's game on: against NPBHS who were last year's winners. Our three leaders Mairenga Laapo, Rikki Sofeni and Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens stepped up and led the team around them, through them and over them. It was a brilliant display of fast, exciting league and our defence was clinical.

Throughout the day we gained 141 points for runaway tries; end-to-end tries; through-the-hands-to-the-winger-tries; up-the-middle-forward-tries; step-the-marker-and-scoot-tries; fend-and-fall-over the-line tries and conversions!

Jacob Ratumaitavuki- Kneepkens received the Player of the Tournament Award. He thoroughly deserved it.

Final score FDMC 39 to NPBHS 0. Happy with that!

Ms Robyn Wackrow
Rugby League Coordinator



Rugby League - Year 7 and 8

Back Row: Taiora Cameron, Caius Owen, Xavier Sofeni, Jacob Brightwell, Taane-te-aio Cameron
Middle Row: Mairenga Laapo, Ethan Lobb, Quintin Sofeni, Soane Filo, Cooper Werder, Jackson Corlett, Martin Glen, Rikki Sofeni
Front Row: Fenni Sofeni, Cullann Read, Thomas Watson, Arik Pullen, McCarthy Ruakere-Bennett (Captain), Kahu Capper, Quinn Thompson, Fletcher Smith, Mrs Wackrow



Rugby League - Year 9 and 10

Back Row: Mairenga Laapo, Ignatius Sofeni, Jayden Ruakere, Joshua Titter, Jacob Bamber, Monaro Bennett-Ruakere, Max Foreman, Blake Mitchell, Rikki Sofeni
Front Row: Logan Mitchell, Saki Waicere, Jacob Whittle, Fenni Sofeni (Captain), Denzell Sofeni, Blake Crawford, Jericho Henry, Dane Hofmans

FOOTBALL

This has been a great year for Football! We had almost 200 players on the fields Tuesday afternoons and Saturday mornings. The support from parents and community members was outstanding! Without parent volunteer coaches and managers, we would not have the success that we do on the field. Thanks to you all!

We are extremely lucky to have the support of our sponsors: Tony and Betty McGreal of Challenge 4 Square Waitara who are sponsoring the Development Programme, FDMC 1st XI Football team and specialist goalkeeper training. Mike and Lynette Childs of New Style Homes are the 2nd XI sponsor. Thanks also to David Jane, our Club Based Referee who gave up his Saturday afternoons to oversee our youth matches. The teams wouldn't have come together without the work of our Development Coach, Symon Buffoni and teachers: Ronie Asi, Shintaro Kirkaldie and Josh Morris.

We had three teams go away for Tournaments this year: NZSS Lotto Premier Boys' Football Tournament in Napier - 1st XI, NZSS 2nd XI Tournament - 2nd XI, AIMS Games - AIMS Games Football team.

Football Awards: 1st XI

Crow Cup for Outstanding First Season in the 1st XI - Colin Campbell

FDMC Football Cup for Most Improved Player - Jacob Crawford
Hall Cup for Outstanding Contribution to Football - Dawson Webber
FDMC Soccer trophy for Player of the Year - Liam Scott
Hareb Cup for 1st XI Players' Player - Daniel Kibby

2nd XI

Most Valuable Player - Charlie Waite
Most Improved - Cameron Vanner
Players' Player - Tom Conway

Year 13 Social

Most Valuable Player - Kai Warburton
Most Improved - Felix Webby
Players' Player - George Miles

Year 12 Social

Most Valuable Player - Manuel Dessing
Most Improved - Ollie O'Connor
Players' Player - Dominic Coleman

Year 11 Social

Most Valuable Player - Michael Theron
Most Improved - Daniel Ford
Players' Player - Tyler Godfrey

U15 United

Most Valuable Player - Jackson Powell
Most Improved - Chueapong Wattanaverachai
Players' Player - Chueapong Wattanaverachai



Football - FDMC Challenge 4 Square Waitara 1st XI

Back Row: Corbin Richardson, Sean Mosquera, Jonathan Dwyer
Middle Row: Andrew Moore (Coach) Daniel Kibby, Jacob Crawford, Joseph Crowe, Benjamin Leary, Alec Kozenov, Symon Buffoni (Coach)
Front Row: Henry Parker, Isaac Brown, Collin Campbell, Dawson Webber (Captain), Jamie Kestle, Tyler Webber, Ethan Webber
Absent: Corban Garner, Jordan Gray, Liam Scott



Outstanding Goalkeepers - Fabian Te Huna Matauku and Ezekiel Dizon

U15 Colts

Most Valuable Player - Henry Parker
Most Improved - Mehul Killa
Players' Player - Jacob Mortensen
Top Scorer - Gregor Forrest
Team Player - Aiden Bocock

U15 Jets

Most Valuable Player - Josh Goble
Most Improved - Tane Humphrey
Players' Player - Jacob Donlon
Hard-Working & Hard-Running - Matthew Hoogeboom

Year 8 Blues

Most Valuable Player - Albie Francis-Alles
Most Improved - Benjamin Hooker
Players' Player - Adam Tilt
Team Player - Zach Bradford

Year 8 Reds

Most Valuable Player - Daniel Whitaker
Most Improved - Luca Heyen
Players' Player - Kieran Cummings

Year 7 Gold

Most Valuable Player - Fynn Collier
Most Improved - Hayden Boyd
Players' Player - Allan Tom

Year 7 Green

Most Valuable Player - Cohen Forster
Most Improved - Charlie Reddish
Players' Player - Reuben Waayer

The following FDMC players were selected to Taranaki Representative Football teams:

U11

Flynn Collier Lucas Connelly

U12

Abbie Francis-Alles Felix van Hattum
Maui Wano

U13

Kobe Allen-Raven Josh Goble
Leo Taylor Daniel Whitaker

U14

Oliver Clennett Ollie Gooch
Jacob Judd Hamish McKie
Cade Thompson Joseph Wills

U15/16

Colin Campbell Jacob Crawford
Jamie Kestle Alec Kosenof
Henry Parker Vince Ropitini
Oskar Wano Ethan Webber

Christina Hermanns
Football Coordinator



Football - FDMC New Style Homes 2nd XI

Back Row: Bertrand Amory, Tom Conway, Jakob Neilson, Cavaghn Prosser, Symon Buffoni (Coach)
Front Row: Simon Henderson, Andrew Paynter, Ethan Webber, Charlie Waite, Vince Ropitini, Cameron Vanner
Absent: Caylem Cook, Jonathan Dwyer, Alec Kosenov, Ben Leary, Crichton Parker (Coach)

FDMC WAITARA CHALLENGE FOUR SQUARE 1ST XI

The FDMC Waitara Challenge Four Square 1st XI, led by Dawson Webber had a very up and down time during their campaign in the Taranaki Premiership in the 2017 season.

The boys started the season off strongly in the first round of the competition. There were many great moments including capturing the win against cross-town rivals, New Plymouth Boys' High School in the first time they met in the year, beating them 2-1.

They also placed well in the table for the most part of the first round, where at one point the team was in third place on goal difference. There were very strong performances from a number of players in this early part of the season with the older boys setting the bar at a high standard, as well as the younger guys stepping up and performing as well. The weather was extremely unpredictable during this time and the team definitely faced challenges when they were forced to play in some horrendous conditions. Pitches were also a big factor and although at this time of the year the fields were still in good condition, the team was once put in a position to play on a field with grass so long that it reached their shins.

The boys were given a slight mid-season break during the Term 2 holidays due to the weather forcing games to be postponed and the coaches' decision to give them some time off. They came back in the next term all charged up, and with a loss of 'mojo' it took the team a couple weeks to get back to game fitness.

The 1st XI had a lot of games in Term Three, not only with the Premiership but also mid-week school exchanges on top of that. The boys faced some tough opponents in some even tougher conditions in the second round. Teams that had been beaten in the first round came out determined to get the 3 points above us in the second round. It was a hard time taking more defeats than experienced in the first round, however the boys were determined to keep their team chemistry up in their build up to Nationals.

Then things started to look up as the team gained momentum in the final matches of the season with a hard fought 1-1 draw with Woodleigh who they had



beaten in the first round. Woodleigh were amping to take points from the College and with the last game of the season, just before heading away to National tournament the team beat NPBHS 1st XI 3-0 in an outstanding team performance with three great goals from Dawson Webber, Sean Mosquera and Jacob Crawford.

Overall it was a great season and although the team placed 5th out of the 10 teams in the league, they definitely became a better side for it. I need to make mention of Joe Crowe who was the top goal scorer for the 1st XI in the regular season.

Also to everyone else in the team who really stepped up this year, this was a great way to send off the Year 13's.

Jacob Crawford
1st XI Football

NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

The FDMC 1st XI Football team travelled across to Napier on the 3rd of September to compete in the National Secondary Schools' Football tournament. The boys started the week on Monday losing both of their fixtures, 3-0 to St Thomas Canterbury Boys' and narrowly losing 1-0 to Hutt International Boys'. Tuesday saw the team score their first goal of the tournament,. However, they went down 3-1 to Rangitoto College.

In the afternoon the boys played off against Palmerston North Boys' High School, in a playoff game that would decide whether they went into the 17th to 24th playoff position or to the 25th to 32nd playoff positions. Palmerston North struck early in the game and kept the lead until late into the second half when the College scored the goal which would lead the teams straight



into penalties. Thanks to the work of Corban Garner who saved three penalties in the shootout, the boys won the game 3-1 on penalties which put them in the 17th to 24th finishing category.

On Wednesday the boys played against Westlake Boys' High School and unfortunately went down 3-1. Thursday saw the boys once again lose narrowly, going down 2-1 to Avondale College. On the last day of the tournament, the boys faced cross-town rivals New Plymouth Boys' High school for the 5th time this year. The game was a very close and was an intense match which saw both sides score a goal each. This once again saw the College tied at fulltime and going to a penalty shoot out to decide the winner. The College won on penalties 3-2 and finished overall in 23rd place out of 32 teams.

Thanks to Andrew Moore and Symon Buffoni for coaching the team and Nicola Crawford for managing and being the 'camp mum'.

Tyler Webber 1st XI Football

1ST XI QUALIFICATION

The Francis Douglas Memorial College 1st XI had a reasonably successful year when it came to their inter-school matches. Not only did the College play in their traditional sports exchanges but they also played in a number of national qualifying matches and national warm up matches.

In the annual exchange with St Bernard's, Lower Hutt and St John's Hastings, the boys had a mixed bag with a 3-2 loss to St Bernard's and a 6-1 win against St John's. The 1st XI started their campaign in qualifying for the National Secondary Schools' Tournament (which has thirty two teams involved) by facing Palmerston North Boys' High. The game was a tightly contested match, but the only difference was a well scored header by Sean Mosquera which clinched a 1-0 win for the College.

The second game of the qualifying matches saw the College play in the annual exchange with cross-town rivals, New Plymouth Boys' High. It was the most anticipated game of the season, and for sure the game lived up to the high expectations with a 3-3 draw as the result. The third and last qualifier was against Hawera High School. The boys knew that they had to win by eight goals in this last match if they wanted to qualify top in the group for nationals. With this in the back of the lads' heads, they came out firing with a quality display. The First eleven pulled it off with a 12-1 win resulting in the team qualifying for the Top 16 in the national tournament, something that has never happened in the College's footballing history before.

Daniel Kibby 1st XI Football



Football - Junior Development Squad

Back Row: Ben Price, Andrew Paynter, Bertrand Armory, Gregor Forrest, Jacob Mortensen, Symon Buffoni (Coach)
Front Row: Oliver Clennett, Cameron Vanner, Hamish McKie, Charlie Waite, Vince Ropitini, Simon Henderson, Jacob Judd, Cade Thompson
Absent: Tanishq Badoni, Tane Humphrey, Alec Kosenov, Morgan Mills, Henry Parker, Cavaghn Prosser, Rahul Rajasingh, Joseph Wills



Football - Intermediate Development Squad

Back Row: Kieran Cummings, Liam Ellerton-Kelly, Felix van Hattum, Symon Buffoni (Coach)
Front Row: Finn Collier, Tate Petersen, Louis Buffoni, Albie Francis-Alles, Reuben Woodhead, Blaze Tutemahurangi, Benjamin Hooker
Absent: Zach Bradford, Zahn McCandlish, Joel van Beers, Terry van Hattum (Coach)



Football - Year 7 Gold

Back Row: Andrew Paynter (Coach), Reuben Woodhead, Ashton Dobson, Andre Cronin-Nwofor, Rian King, Ronie Asi (Year 7 & 8 Coordinator)
Front Row: Joel Gordon, Finn Collier, Cannon Patten, Hayden Boyd, Justin So, Tom Allan, Jacob Butler
Absent: Zahn McCandish, Jeremy Carter, Steven Collier (Coach)



Football - Year 7 Green

Back Row: Jarrod Walsh (Coach), Ryan Jury, Ethan Wells, Clayton Williams, Charlie Reddish, Gabriel Gerente, Ben Zeylemaker (Coach)
Front Row: Kayden Parkes, Liam Thompson, Reuben Waayer, Wayne Icaro, Tyler Hoeta, Ethan Davis, Cohen Forster
Absent: Lukas Moore



Football - Year 8 Reds

Back Row: Gabriel Herlihy, Noah Campbell, Luka Heyen,
Middle Row: Kieran Cummings, Daniel Whittaker, Liam Ellerton-Kelly, Ben Hardiman, Oscar Ekdahl, Ronie Asi (Year 7 & 8 Coordinator)
Front Row: Blaze Tutemahurangi, Caleb James, Oliver Cayley, Felix Van Hattum, Louis Buffoni, Tate Peterson, Lucas Sowman
Coaches: Simon Cayley & Simon Whittaker



Football - Year 12 Social

Back Row: Conall Fisher, Jesse Gudopp, Titan Cook, Joel Heyen, Liam James, Joshua McLeod, Tegan Wilson, Finn Shaw
Front Row: Dominic Coleman, Manuel Dessing, Jarod Brophy, Tomi Karasawa, Rory Maxwell, Jordan Mills, Ollie O'Connor, Benjamin Fitzgibbon
Absent: Tyler Te Huna-Matuku, Sharon Fisher (Coach)



Football - Year 8 Blues

Back Row: Albie Francis-Alles, Nathan Theron, Kevin Wu, Adam Tilt, Trey Smillie-Mattock, Ronie Asi (Year 7 & 8 Coordinator)
Front Row: Ben Hooker, Ethan Geater, Zach Bradford, Maui Wano, Kaed Smithson, Leo Taylor, Elijah Blundell
Absent: Luka Marinovich, Nik Marinovich (Coach)



Football - Year 11 Social

Back Row: Logan Holdsworth, Riley Blair, Michael Theron, Declan Barrett, Reuben Brown
Front Row: Aedan McQuoid, Diarmard McCarthy, Jonty Hughes, Joshua Orr, Nicholas Westraad, Soichiro Tsujimoto, Daniel Ford
Absent: Caleb Fleming, Keegan Steere, Tyler Godfrey



Football - Year 13 Social

Back Row: Joseph Crowe (Coach), Felix Webby, Samuel Riordan, Sam Poles Smith, Mitchell Pelham, Xander Campbell
Front Row: George Miles, Jarrod Walsh, Benjamin Zeylemaker, Kai Warburton, Jack Newell, Simon Kleinsman, Bryn Lawrence Pacheco



Football - U15 Jets

Back Row: Isaac Doell, Jordan Vertongen, Thomas Whaley, Heath Waayer, Shintaro Kirkcaldie (TIC)
Front Row: Jacob Judd, Kobe Allen-Raven, Tane Humphrey, Hamish McKie, Onno Dessing, Ollie Gooch, Oliver Clennett
Absent: Andrew Clennett (Coach), Jacob Donlon, Josh Goble, Matthew Hoogeboom, Morgan Mills



Football - U15 Colts

Back Row: Jacob Mortensen, Curtis Naughton, Cleve Miller, Shintaro Kirkcaldie (TIC)
Front Row: John Pat O'Mahony, Aiden Bock, Ben Price, Gregor Forrest, Anthony Van Hameren, Mehul Killa, Cade Thompson
Absent: Bruce Forrest (Coach), Andrew Price (Coach), Tanishq Badoni, Oscar Hadley, Henry Parker, Joseph Wills



Football - U15 United

Back Row: Jackson Powell, Louis Keig, Johnny Ryburn, Oliver Wright, Chueapong Wattanaverachai, Fabian Te Huna-Matuku
Front Row: Kyle Woodhead, Sam Godfrey, Hamish Cummings, Ezekiel Dizon, Harvey George, Rahul Rajasingh, Ethan Costello
Absent: Mark Woodhead (Coach), Jack Allemann, Roy Avery

BASKETBALL

Welcome to the FDMC 'Cardinals' Basketball Season of 2017. What a fabulous season the 25 teams that proudly wore the College colours, had. Teams competed in competitions ranging from NPBA Year 7 and 8, NPBA Secondary Schools Junior and Senior Boys, Taranaki Secondary Schools Junior and Senior Boys to NPBA Mens. Of these 25 teams representing the College from Year 7 to the Senior 'A', 19 qualified for playoffs with 14 advancing to semifinals and 7 into the 'Final' of their respective competition. Of the 7, only 3 teams were crowned Champions. Throughout the season these teams were coached, mentored and supported by Parents, older siblings, senior students, Old Boys and a self confessed 'Hoop-a-holic'.

FDMC 'Cardinals' Basketball now proudly portrays each team from Year 7 to our mighty Senior 'A'.

Year 7 FDMC ANKLEBREAKERS
Coach: Mr Nick Taylor

With the 5 shortest boys in the school on the team, it was always going to be a challenging year. However, through hard work at trainings and sheer tenacity the boys played some good basketball to be seeded in Division 1 of the NPBA Year 7 Competition. The best game of the season was against the FDMC Shimmys where we only lost by 4 points after being well beaten in our first encounter. The team's highlight of the season was the closely fought victory over the FDMC Blazers. Our strength was our positive attitude. Congratulations, boys.

Best Team Player	Martin Glen
Most Improved Player	Sam Corlett
Best Defense Player	Sam Taylor
Most Valuable Player	Damian Titter

Year 7 FDMC BENCH WARMERS
Game Manager: Mr Trent Parkes

They had a really good season with the team qualifying for the semi-finals in the NPBA Year 7 Division 2 Competition. The boys played with excellent spirit against a bigger Highland's team which ended our season. This was an excellent group of boys with a good showing of basketball skills. May their hunger to excel and continue throughout their time at FDMC.

Best Team Player	Taiora Cameron
Most Improved Player	Jack Southern
Best Defense Player	Cooper Goodeve
Most Valuable Player	Aston Hughes

Year 7 FDMC BLAZERS
Game Manager: Mrs Michelle Cronin

The Blazers started the season strongly, winning a good number of games which gave them the promotion to the NPBA Year 7 Division 1 competition. During the competition rounds the team continued to play well winning some games and losing others. With a notable

last round close loss (which placed them just outside qualifying for semifinals), we look forward to seeing these players grow into the game of basketball and represent the College in the senior teams.

Best Team Player	Kayde Whitmore
Most Improved Player	Dylan Roylance
Best Defense Player	Kade Mockett
Most Valuable Player	Andre Cronin-Nwofor

Year 7 FDMC SHIMMYS
Game Manager: Mrs Renee Owen

'Shimmys' had a very good start to the season. Even though playing numbers varied throughout the season the boys played well enough to secure 3rd place in the NPBA Year 7 Division 1 Competition and narrowly lost their semifinal to a very big and competitive Puketapu School team. The boys were a pleasure to coach as they had very good listening skills and played for each other. The future looks good for the College.

Best Team Player	Jaz Morgan
Most Improved Player	Tyler Hoeta
Best Defense Player	Koen Breman
Most Valuable Player	Caius Owen

Year 8 (A) FDMC YOUNG CARDS
Coach: Mrs Julie Neilson

The 'Young Cards' started the season early with the plan of attending the 'Aims Games' in Tauranga during September. Through hard work, juggling practices

and playing other sports, the team the boys grew in confidence throughout the season. We pieced together, I believe, some very good results. 'Runners Up' in the NPBA Year 8 Division 1 competition, 3rd placing at the Hawera Junior tournament, 5th at the Kaitao Tournament in Rotorua and 30th out of 67 teams at the Aims Games. The build up to, and then the experience of the Aims Games was fantastic for boys of such a young age.

A huge thank you to all the wonderful helpers throughout the season and at the Aims Games. Many organized hands make light work. THANK YOU to our very generous sponsors. Embracing the team in the manner they did made the season easy for all. Sponsors - The Devon Hotel, Teller Young, Westpac, Shane MacDonald, Nicholsons and PGG Wrightsons.

Best Team Player	Neko MacDonald
Most Improved Player	Ben Hardiman
Best Defense Player	Sean Fleming
Most Valuable Player	Keegan Boon

Year 8 FDMC COAST 45ERS
Coach: Mrs Rochelle Adams

At the start of the season the team had some work to do on the basic fundamentals - ball handling and shooting. As the season progressed so did their skills and their belief in each other. This gave opportunity to teach them game scenarios like breaking a press and pass and cut. Playing in the NPBA Year 8 Division 2



Basketball - Senior A Runners Up - NPBA Mens Premier Reserve Competition and Basketball Taranaki Secondary Schools League - 'A' Division

Back Row: Rory Maxwell, Corban Jones, Riley Putt, Mitchell Pelham, Jayden Haslip, Andy Cowie (Coach)
Front Row: Caleb Ludlow, Felix Webby, Matthew O'Connell (Capt.), Brodie Calder, Ethan Langton
Absent: Andrew Kere-Rako, Bryn Kearton



competition suited the team and with their teamwork they made the semifinals.

A big thank you to the boys that turned up regularly to practices. This showed in your basketball development.

Best Team Player	Caleb James
Most Improved Player	Jay Newton
Best Defense Player	Thomas Larkin
Most Valuable Players	Ciaran Adams and Zac Mockett

Year 8 FDMC DAREDEVILS

Coach: Mr Marc Gallagher

After losing all our games in the grading rounds we were placed in the NPBA Year 8 Division 2 Competition. This suited the boys and with them practicing hard at developing their skills they soon were very competitive. So much so, that the team qualified for the semifinals and into the big game, the FINAL. What a game! The lead changed many times and with the whistle going signaling that an infringement had occurred, the scores were tied - 31 all. The infringement was us fouling the other team in the act of shooting. Their player had 2 free throws. Missing the 1st, I thought great we'll go in to overtime. Alas he was successful with the second. The boys were gutted, yet displayed great College pride by congratulating Manukorihi on their win.

Best Team Player	Liam Ellerton-Kelly
Most Improved Player	Taidhg Hosking

Best Defense Player	Daniel Whittaker
Most Valuable Player	Maz Wright

NPBA Secondary Schools Competition

The College continued to be well represented in the local association, NPBA Secondary Schools Competition - with 7 Junior (Yrs 9/10) and 7 Senior (Yrs 11-13) teams. With both Junior and Senior Competitions having big team numbers the respective competitions were split into 'PLATE' (Bottom 8 teams) and 'CHAMPIONSHIP' (Top 8 teams) playoffs. Playoffs involved - Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Final of each.

Afrostars and Bricklayers were in the Junior Championship playoffs and Blazers-9, Boarders-1, Boarders-2, Hotshots and Mixtures in the Junior Plate playoffs. Coast45ers (Snr), Men, Seals and 69ers featured in the Senior Championship playoffs and Brooms, Heros and Wolves, in the Senior Plate playoffs.

We weren't successful in the Junior Championship division but we had success in the Junior Plate division with the Blazers-9 crowned winners. We gained success in both the Senior Boys' Championship and Plate divisions, with the Men and Wolves winning their respective Finals.

The four senior teams - Men, Walruses, 69ers, and LTB qualified for the Quarter Finals of the NPBA Secondary Schools' Senior Competition with the 69ers advancing to the Semifinals.



Basketball - Senior A Runners Up - Basketball Taranaki Secondary Schools League - Junior Boys A Division

Back Row:	Vincent Bolton, Lucas Adams, Rochelle Adams (Manager)
Front Row:	Oliver Edquila, Xavier Keegan, Caleb Hammersley (Captain), Corban Mau, Marino Rennie.
Absent:	Samuel Starsmore, Connor Ford, Cory Neilson, Kobe Lucas, Joshua Keech, Aaron Langton (Coach)

Teams season summary and awards follows:

JUNIOR (Years 9/10)

FDMC AFROSTARS

Game Manager: Mrs Michelle Allemann

The team had an enjoyable season with all team members getting along very well, especially the more skilled players who were willing to assist others. They responded well to all requests from myself; notably no one grumbled when substituted. It was a little sad narrowly losing the quarterfinal in the NPBA Junior Championship Division but they were very gracious towards the opposition at end of game.

Best Team Player	Jackson Whitmore
Most Improved Player	Riley Lawn-Cliffe
Best Defense Player	Joshua Titter
Most Valuable Player	Jamie Macdonell

FDMC BLAZERS-9

Game Manager: Mrs Elsa Kumar

The Blazers-9 started the season by winning the first 6 rounds. Then a couple of hiccups over the course of Rounds 7 to 10 had the team finishing 5th in Section 2 which placed them in the NPBA Junior Plate Division. This was of no embarrassment as the team was comprised totally of Year 9 boys. In fact, they then pulled their finger out to WIN the Plate Division FINAL.

Best Team Player	Dylan Evaristo
Most Improved Player	Max Dowd
Best Defense Player	Mehul Killa
Most Valuable Player	Oliver Edquila

FDMC BRICKLAYERS

Game Manager: Vincent Bestall

The Bricklayers had an interesting season with a 3:2 game winning ratio, thus qualifying in the NPBA Junior Championship Division Quarterfinals. This was to be their 'swan song' as they gallantly competed against the eventual division winners.

Best Team Player	Caleb Lawn
Most Improved Player	Lachlan Fleming
Best Defense Player	Blake Crawford
Most Valuable Player	George Boon

FDMC BOARDERS-1

Coach: Mr Matt Cursons

Comprising solely of Year 9 students, this team showed excellent character and a 'never say die' attitude every time they took to the court. This produced a few wins, including a couple of upsets against more fancied rivals. This secured them a place in the NPBA Junior Plate Division Quarterfinals where they played their country cousins (Boarders-2) and narrowly lost the battle. A great and enjoyable season was had which made coaching all the more interesting.

Best Team Player	Riley Fowler
Most Improved Player	Kade Saxton

Best Defense Player	Aidyn Wright
Most Valuable Player	Ben Hughes

FDMC BOARDERS-2

Coach: Mr Matt Cursons

Known as the 'Country Cousins' to the other boarders' team, these boys had a very enjoyable season and qualified for the NPBA Junior Plate Division Semifinals after beating their stable mates. Coming up against another FDMC team in the semifinals was like watching 'State of Origin' as both teams never gave an inch, which the close result showed. Unfortunately the result was not in their favour but to the coach's liking, as it was a very well played game.

Best Team Player	Joshua Kuriger
Most Improved Player	Thomas Stokes
Best Defense Player	Joshua Keech
Most Valuable Player	Riley MacDonald

FDMC HOTSHOTS

Game Managers: Mr Bint and Mr Ropitini

A mixture of wins and losses during the regular season saw the team playing in the NPBA Junior Plate Division quarterfinals. Having success and advancing to the semifinals gave them new found confidence with each other. The semifinal result was very unfortunate due to an injury to the team's MVP at a crucial stage of the game, thus giving an ever so slight edge to their opponent. An excellent season, boys.

Best Team Player	Jacob Forsyth
Most Improved Player	Robert Ropitini
Best Defense Player	Dylan Bint
Most Valuable Player	Aiden Bocock

FDMC MIXTURES

Game Manager: Mr Gareth Collins

These boys were absolutely a joy to watch. Not only did they have fun whilst playing but were very obliging when asked to assist with off court responsibilities: especially Alfie Whitham and Mathew Linton. A 'topsy turvy' season was had yet they squeezed into the NPBA Junior Plate Division quarterfinals. Thanks boys for the way you represented each other and the College.

Best Team Player	Alfie Whitham
Most Improved Player	Mathew Linton
Best Defense Player	Caleb Megchelse
Most Valuable Player	Jared Sampson

FDMC JUNIOR 'B'

Coach: Mr Steve Lucas

The boys had a great season. This young group worked hard at trainings and in games. Their skills' development also progressed in line with the season. After two rounds in the Taranaki Basketball Secondary Schools' Junior Boys' Competition, the team secured a semifinal playoff in the Junior Boys' 'B' Division. After a hard and closely contested game the team narrowly lost 72 - 71. These young athletes displayed excellent sportsmanship at all times to fellow competitors and



officials. A special mention goes to Aaron Langton who orchestrated practices and Coach Cowie for his support over the season. Keep practicing with purpose boys. Thanks for a good season.

Best Team Player	Dylan Evaristo
Most Improved Player	Jared Sampson
Best Defense Player	Kobe Lucas
Most Valuable Player	Joshua Keech

FDMC JUNIOR 'A'

Coach: Mr Aaron Langton

Manager: Mrs Rochelle Adams

The 2017 Junior 'A' basketball season was a very enjoyable experience, from a coaching perspective. It was a privilege being associated with such well mannered, hard working young men with great attitudes. The team consisted of 1 Year 9 and 8 Year 10 students, with 2 playing basketball at this level for their first time. Our style of play was 'up tempo' due to our lack of size, with a lot of ball pressure on defense. It was great to see the boys upskill to the style which resulted in many high speed enjoyable games.

Competing in the Taranaki Basketball Secondary Schools' Junior Boys' competition they secured a place in the Final of the Junior Boys 'A' Division. Although the team gave the very best, their final placing or 'Runners Up' was of great success.

Their other big competition was the BBNZ Region 3 Premiership Tournament where Junior teams from Taranaki, Wellington, Palmerston North, Napier, Hastings, Wanganui, Lower Hutt, Silverstream and Upper Hutt competed to see who would be the top Junior Team. We placed a credible 14th out of 22 teams.

Thank you to Rochelle Adams for managing and sometimes coaching the team during the season. Also thanks to Coach Cowie for his continued support and positiveness. Bring on 2018.

Best Team Player	Lucas Adams
Most Improved Player	Corbin Mau
Best Defense Player	Connor Ford
Most Valuable Player	Samuel Starsmore

FDMC Cardinals Basketball Junior 'Special Awards'

Most Improved Year 7/8 Player - 2017
Caius Owen
Most Valuable Year 7/8 Player - 2017
Keegan Boon
Most Improved Year 9/10 Player - 2017
Corban Mau
Most Valuable Year 9/10 Player - 2017
Samuel Starsmore
Most Promising Junior College Player - 2017
Connor Ford
College Junior Coach 2017
Mrs Julie Neilson

SENIOR (Years 11 - 13)

Seven teams - FDMC Men, FDMC Brooms, FDMC Seals, FDMC Wolves, FDMC Coast45ers, FDMC Heros and FDMC 69ers competed in the local NPBA Secondary Schools' Senior Competition. These teams were self managed and were great ambassadors for the College on and off the court.

The competition comprised of 24 teams in total which were divided into two sections of twelve teams. The top 4 teams from both sections advancing to the CHAMPIONSHIP Division Playoffs and the teams placed 5th to 8th made up the PLATE Division Playoffs - Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Final. All of our teams qualified for one of the Divisions. With the Men and Seals teams advancing into the CHAMPIONSHIP Semifinals and the Wolves and Heros into the PLATE Semifinals. Both the Men and the Wolves then WON their respective FINAL.

FDMC SENIOR 'B'

Coach: Seb Cowie

This season was a season of many firsts. This was the first time I coached this age group of rookies at a high level of basketball against other Taranaki Schools 'A' teams and in the NPBA Mens' A/B Grade competition. They started the season with a strong belief within. This made coaching a lot easier as we could get into a style of play that best suited us. Throughout the season numbers to trainings fluctuated with many reasons given. This made things a little tough when sorting out combinations. As the season progressed, so did their skills with the most important lesson of all being for them to LISTEN to and not just Hear advice. All in all this was a very enjoyable and successful season, especially when they made the FINAL of the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Senior Boys' 'B' Division. After fighting 'tooth and nail' for every possession they narrowly gained the 'Runners Up' title.

Thanks to all the boys again for their tremendous efforts. I eagerly await the 2018 season.

Best Team Player	Jayden Haslip
Most Improved Players	David Barnard and Ben Koch
Best Defense Player	George Kerr
Most Valuable Player	Harry Koch

FDMC 'CARDINALS' SENIOR 'A'

This is indeed our school's proud flag carrier for basketball and the pinnacle for all basket ballers to be a part of in their senior years at Francis Douglas Memorial College.

The 2017 journey commenced in mid-February when the remaining 3 students from the class of 2016 returned to take up their stations alongside 9 newbies in the 2017 'Cardinals' Senior 'A' team.

Entering again in the Taranaki Basketball Secondary Schools' League and the NPBA Mens' Premier Reserve

Grade Competition we started the competition season well. We had a mixture of wins and narrow losses before our first inter-school fixture versing St. Bernards away to Lower Hutt. Playing away with a new team and our #1 player away on National Team duties, was always going to be a challenge. The boys were up to it and firing. Foul trouble and lack of size wore us down and St Bernards got their gym back.

Next up was the cross town rivalry with NPBHS. This was not such a good result regarding points on the scoreboard but a good result with regards to intensity and commitment. Our next inter-school was against St. Johns from Hastings at home. This is always a great battle between the two teams and this was of the same ilk. With a good crowd cheering the team on, we came away with a 1 point win. The next training was intense as the lads felt extremely proud of where they were at in regards to playing as a group.

In-between we were competing with success in the local NPBA Mens' Premier Reserve Competition, keeping in the top 4. Continuing with the Taranaki Secondary Schools' League we registered good results which gave us confidence leading to the BBNZ Region 3 Premiership tournament to enable us to qualify for the National Championships later in October.

The Premiership Tournament arrived and being placed in a pool of four very strong teams we knew we would have to fight for everything. Although results were very close they were not to our advantage but we managed to place 4th in our pool of five. This meant we had to play in the quarter finals of the 8th to 16th playoffs. No 'Nationals' this year. Not faring too well in our quarterfinal we won our semifinal and were playing off for 13th and 14th. Placing 14th out of 22 teams was a fairly good result.

We were then back to the local competitions and into the semifinals of the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Competition and the NPBA Mens' Premier reserve Competition where we had success and went on to the Grand Final of both.

Both Finals were intense basketball with neither of the teams involved giving an inch. Both games came down to the wire but not in our favour! Yes disappointment but also gratification that we wore the crest with PRIDE.

It was a very commendable season but one which could not have unfolded without the loyal, passionate support given by Parents, Caregivers and Friends. Thank you all, so very, very much.

We eagerly await 2018 to welcome those who want to represent the College at the highest level of basketball.

FDMC 'Cardinals' Senior 'A' Team Awards

Kent Mori Cup
Senior A Captain - Matthew O'Connell

Crowley Family Cup
Most Outstanding Team Player - Riley Putt

Siffleet Family Trophy
"Rookie" of the Year - Mitchell Pelham

Denis Toon Trophy
Most Improved Player - Andrew Kere-Rako

Dobson Trophy
Best Defense Player - Ethan Langton

Andy Cowie Trophy
Most Valuable Player - Caleb Ludlow

Joseph Riordan Trophy
FDMC Most Outstanding College Basketball - 2017
Matthew O'Connell (*Note: 3rd year running for Matthew - Truly Exceptional).

Special Mention of Representative Honours
NPBA U'13 BOYS
Caius Owen

TARANAKI U'15 BOYS
Joshua Keech, Xavier Keegan, Marino Rennie

TARANAKI U'17 BOYS
Riley Putt, Bryn Kearon, Ethan Langton

TARANAKI U'19 MEN
Matthew O'Connell, Caleb Ludlow

BBNZ U'19 MEN - Matthew O'Connell

To ALL Sponsors, Players, Coaches, Team Managers, Game Managers and Supporters again a HUGE THANK-YOU for the many, many hours of volunteered time and assistance you have given to the FDMC Cardinals Basketball 2017 season successes. YOU TRULY EPITOMIZE what - TEAM - represents.

I graciously invite you to join with us again in 2018 to create even more successes. Bouncing with Basketball.

Andy Cowie
Director of Cardinals Basketball





Basketball - Junior B

Back Row: Aiden Bocock, Joshua Keech, Jamie MacDonell, Cory Neilson, Robert Ropitini, Coach - Steve Lucas
Front Row: Jack Meads, Jerome Kumars, Kobe Lucas (c), Jack Allemann, Dylan Evaristo
Absent: Jared Sampson



Basketball - Senior B

Runners Up - Basketball Taranaki Secondary Schools League - 'B' Division
Back Row: Seb Cowie (Coach), Bailey Kuklinski, Jacob Campbell, Jayden Haslip, Finn Hosking
Front Row: David Barnard, Ben Koch, Harry Koch (Captain), Boen Bracegirdle, George Kerr



Basketball - FDMC Year 8 Daredevils

Back Row: Liam Ellerton-Kelly, Maz Wright, Taidhg Hosking, Coach - Marc Gallagher
Front Row: Christian Hurlstone, Daniel Whittaker, Jacob Brightwell (c), Scott Mason, Tate Petersen
Absent: Blaze Tutemahurangi



Basketball - FDMC Year 8 Coast45ers

Back Row: Jay Newton, Zac Mockett, Coby Maxwell, Thomas Larkin
Front Row: Cameron Witts, Ciaran Adams, Quinn Thompson, Caleb James
Absent: Taane-te-aio Cameron, Coach - Rochelle Adams



Basketball - FDMC Year 7 Anklebreakers

Back Row: Martin Glen, Damian Titter, Ashton Dobson, Coach - Nick Taylor
Front Row: Lucas Connelly, Sam Corlett, Samuel Taylor (c), Joe Douglas, Harrison Whiting
Absent: Cohen McGrory



Basketball - FDMC Year 7 Bench Warmers

Back Row: Assistant Coach - Mitchell Pelham, Jack Gilmour, Ryan King, Assistant Coach - Corban Jones
Front Row: Cohen Forster, Jack Southern, Cooper Goodeve (c), Kayden Parkes, Blake Dowd
Absent: Taiera Cameron, Aston Hughes, Game Coach - Trent Parkes



Basketball - FDMC Year 9 and 10 Hot Shots

Back Row: Jade O'Neill-Kircheiner, Dylan Bint, Jacob Forsyth, Aiden Bocock, Cullen Luckin.
Front Row: Mikas O'Neill-Kircheiner, Conor Ebert, Robert Ropitini (c), Jake Linders, Cade Thompson
Absent: Ethan Coward



Basketball - FDMC Year 9 and 10 Blazers

WINNERS - NPBA Secondary Schools Competition - Junior Boys Plate Division
Back Row: Back Row L-R: Dylan Evaristo, Louis Baldock, Joshua Elder, Jerome Kumar, Cameron Dagg
Front Row: Ezekeil Dizon, Cooper Ritai, Oliver Edquilla (c), Mehul Killa, Max Dowd.
Absent: Jayden Carroll



Basketball - FDMC Year 7 Blazers

Back Row: Assistant Coach - Mitchell Pelham, Maaka Normanton, Dylan Roylance, Zac Stolte, Kade Mockett, Assistant Coach - Corban Jones
Front Row: Kade Whitmore, Jack Sullivan-Ussher, Andre Cronin-Nwofor (c), Zac Johnson, Charlie Probyn
Absent: Game Coach - Michelle Cronin



Basketball - FDMC Year 7 Shimmy's

Back Row: Assistant Coach - Mitchell Pelham, Jack Scott, Jack Parker-Leef, Assistant Coach - Corban Jones
Front Row: Koen Breman, Jordan Law, Ciaus Owen (c), Tyler Hoeta, Antonio Tutemahurangi
Absent: Jax Morgan, Rico Roberts, Quintin Sofeni, Game Coach - Renee Owen



Basketball - FDMC Year 9 and 10 Mixtures

Back Row: Mathew Linton, Jared Sampson
Front Row: Ethan Koning, Caleb Megchelse, Alfie Whitham (c), Tyler Griggs, Marshall Duffield
Absent: Ollie Gooch, Laikin Collins



Basketball - FDMC Year 9 and 10 Afrostars

Back Row: Caleb Hammersley, Jacob Bamber, Jamie MacDonell
Front Row: Tawanda Zhanje, Vincent Bolton, Joshua Titter (c), Jackson Whitmore, Jack Allemann
Absent: Connor Ford, Riley Lawn-Cliffe, Isaiah Kirifi



Basketball - FDMC Year 9 and 10 Bricklayers

Back Row: Jordan Adams, Lachlan Fleming, George Boon
Front Row: Caleb Lawn, Corban Mau (c), Mason Ehrhorn
Absent: Jackson Cathie, Blake Crawford, Alexander Gilling



Basketball - FDMC Year 9 and 10 Boarders - 1

Back Row: Isaac Jones, Corban Oakes, Kaelan Beck
Front Row: Ben Erkes, Kade Saxton, Ben Hughes, Riley Fowler
Absent: Max Erkes, Max McLeod, Cullen Hurley, Aidyn Wright



Basketball - FDMC Year 11 - 13 69ers

Back Row: Luke Hughes, Shay Smith-Luond, Keegan Wright, Ben Smith.
Front Row: Cameron McDonald, Callum Grayling, Brodie Calder (c), Vincent Bestall, Jayden Smith



Basketball - FDMC Year 11 and 13 Coast45ers

Back Row: Liam Matthews, Kady Luke, Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens
Front Row: Ethan Seed, Blair Adams, Theo Johnsen (Captain), Bryn Kearton, Jeremy Goppert
Absent: Scott Jury, Kobe Sinclair



Basketball - FDMC Year 9 and 10 Boarders - 2

Back Row: Thomas Stokes, Adam Loveridge, Daimen Lightoller
Front Row: Jack Meads, Joshua Keech (c), Riley McDonald
Absent: Mitchell Hopkirk, Joshua Kurig



Basketball - FDMC Year 11 - 13 Seals

Back Row: Ben Koch, Jayden Haslip, Jack Krutz
Front Row: Harry Koch, Charlie Waite, Blade Chadwick (c), Jonty Hughes, George Kerr.



Basketball - FDMC Year 11 - 13 Wolves

WINNERS – NPBA Secondary Schools Competition - Junior Boys Plate Division

Back Row: Joshua Morris, Corban Jones
Front Row: Jesse Vertongen, Rory Maxwell, Andrew Kere-Rako (c), Finn Hosking, Caleb Ludlow
Absent: Levi Bunn



Basketball - FDMC Year 11 - 13 Men

WINNERS – NPBA Secondary Schools Competition – Senior Boys CHAMPIONSHIP Division

Back Row: Sam Poles-Smith, Sam Lock, Felix Webby
Front Row: George Miles, Bryn Lawrence-Pacheco, Mitchell Pelham (Captain), Keegan Lindsay, Joseph Crowe
Absent: Oisin Quinn, Caleb Schuler, Jarrod Walsh, Matthew O'Connell



Basketball - FDMC Year 11 - 13 Brooms

Front Row: Samuel Barbour, Logan Brophy, Blaque MacLeod, Boen Bracegirdle
Front Row: Joshua Hopkins, Blane McCook, Blake Carr (Captain), Corbyn Sole, Lachlan Greensil
Absent: Sonnie Harewood



Basketball - FDMC Year 11 - 13 Heroes

Back Row: Bradley Litchwark, Ethan Langton
Front Row: Maxwell Crighton, Aden McBreen, Nicholas Westraad (Captain), Mairenga Laapo, Luke Parkinson
Absent: Jacob Cambell, Ambrose Moriarty

HOCKEY

The 2017 season for FDMC 1st XI Hockey started with plenty of optimism, but ultimately finished as one of missed opportunities.

The hockey year began in February with pre-season training for an enlarged 1st XI squad and 9-a-side games with NPBHS 1st and 2nd XI's and Taranaki Masters teams (the 9's were designed to give all those sides a great start to the season proper).

Overall hockey at FDMC grew by a team this year. With an influx of Years 9 and 10 students this meant that we could run a Senior XI in the Taranaki Secondary Boys Prens, Junior XI in the Boys Champs, and a Boarders XI, known as the Wasps, in the Boys 3rd grade. Our 1st XI squad competed in the Taranaki

Senior Mens Championship grade also, with the school Hockey Captains Thomas Morgan and Sam Johnson opting to play prems with coastal club Te Kiri (which is an awesome development opportunity for them personally).

The 1st XI also competed in various exchange games such as the CNI Tournament in Wanganui and the Woollaston Trophy (during tournament week) in Stratford.

Our 1st XI's goals for 2017 were a top-4 in the Mens competition (technically a higher finish than the previous year as two divisions were merged), to win the Boys Premier grade and to make the finals of both the tournaments we attended.

In the Mens' grade, we were a bit inconsistent as we learnt to play without our captains; Method Te Huia and Cameron Shearman stepping up in their absence. We found that we were playing to the level of our opposition, struggling against teams who finished lower than us on the table or being ultra-competitive against the other top-four sides (finishing 3 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss against the top 4 teams).

We did make our goal of being in the top-4 and qualified for the semi-finals in the competition. Unfortunately the Taranaki Hockey Club Council were unwilling to grant us allowance to play our semi-final when we found it clashed with the CNI tournament. This was disappointing as we had drawn and beaten the Taranaki Masters team that we were supposed to face (the only side to defeat them during round-robin) so subsequently we had to default in the semi-final.

In the high-school grade, we finished a comfortable 3rd at the end of the round-robin. Both FDMC & NPBHS focus is more on the Mens grades they play in, therefore we used the secondary competition more for development. Our aim was to always play our best hockey at the business end, where we knew we'd have to beat both NPBHS teams (they split their First XI into two) one in a semi, the other in a final. Unfortunately, in our semi-final we were all tied up at the end of full-time, and lost in the 8-sec shoot-out format. Its never a nice way to go out of a competition but after dominating the game we need to have learnt the lesson of taking goal-scoring opportunities when they present themselves. This game was not the first time we've missed out by not scoring in regular time.

Sporting exchanges were a mixed bag! We had a heavy loss to NPBHS 1st XI in the annual exchange which was disappointing but we followed this with wins over St. Johns and St. Bernards where we rested some senior players and gave younger boys an opportunity.

It was then time for the tournament clashes in the first weekend of Term 3. We travelled to the now annual CNI in Wanganui which featured Lindisfarne, Wanganui Collegiate and Fielding. We faced Fielding first up, where the boys struggled with the local umpires and went down 2-0. Next up it was Lindisfarne, who are one of the best teams in NZ and top of the Hawkes Bay competition. We knew it would be tough - the game blew out at the end but we never gave up the fight. On Day Two, we needed to beat Wanganui Collegiate to qualify but the best we could do was a draw. Once again we met Fielding in the 3/4 play-off, but the boys ran out of steam to finish 4th for 2017. On the face of it, this was a worse result than 2016, but the coaches felt we actually performed better overall.

Onto Woollaston, where the aim was to make the final and to qualify for a Tier 3 tournament for 2018 after having to forfeit a place at that higher level the prior year when we couldn't attend. We felt we were one of the favourites to qualify from our pool and we started promisingly enough with a 1-1 draw against Tawa. Unfortunately, losses to Horowhenua and Katikati saw us tipped out of the competition with a loss to Hamilton Christian School in cross-over forcing us into a must-win situation against Opunake if we were to avoid being in last place. The boys came through with our only win for the week, with a 3-1 finish. In a quirk of the draw,



we faced Hamilton Christian School again for 13/14th placing, and we went down fighting with a 6-3 finish. The overall feeling was disappointing, especially when Stratford High who we dominated all year, finished in the top-6.

The usual suspects Sam Johnson, Thomas Morgan and Method Te Huia all had solid seasons, Cameron Shearman, Bailey Collier & in particular Sam "Stuey" Johnson, all stood-up as the season developed.

2018 shapes up as an interesting year for Hockey. For the 1st XI to push-on, a number of lads will have to take the next step up into the development gradet. Hockey also needs to find two goalies as Liam McSweeney has left school, and Sam Partridge is off to Australia. We also say farewell to old-boy Finn Callaghan as co-coach of the 1st XI as his work opportunities will limit his future availability.

Special thanks to Tanya Campbell for being our Camp Mumma, and voice of reason, Carl Marriner (a former Taranaki Mens Captain) who helped with our 1st XI squad in the Mens grade, and Daniel Sarten (former 1st XI Hockey Captain) who coached the Junior XI, and of course Mrs Hurley who looked after those crazy Wasps.

Andy Bedford
1st XI Hockey Manager

Wasps - Social Hockey Team

This team was made up of mainly boarders who competed in the Secondary Schools' Competition weekly. The team grew from strength to strength under the great coaching of Sam Johnson who gave up his nights each week to teach the boys basic skills.

It was a mixed bag of wins and losses but overall the boys enjoyed playing. Thanks also go to Mrs Hurley who managed and drove the team to their games each week. Next year the boys will be going for the winning title!

It was a great competition between Amos Moriarty and Troy Ryan for top goal scorer but Troy found the net at one of the last games and scored one more goal!

Patrick Back
Hockey Captain



Hockey - Junior A

Back Row: Robert Morgan, Wyatt Jones, Samuel Partridge, Jacob O'Connor, Jamie MacDonell, Carlo Carranza
Front Row: Timothy Kowalewski, Kaelan Beck, Adam Johnson, Bailey Collier, Alexander Gillling, Samuel James, Riley McDonald



Hockey - Intermediate

Left - Right: Nathaniel Lagera, Gabriel Herlihy, Hamish Gibson



Hockey - Wasps

Back Row: Gill Hurley (Manager), Caleb Hammersley, Troy Ryan, Patrick Back, Connor Mitchell, Ethan McLeod, Sam Johnson (Coach)
Front Row: Max McLeod, Adam Loveridge, Kady Luke, Jacob Whittle, Conor Attrill-Mundt



Hockey - 1st XI

Back Row: Bailey Collier, Ryan Dombroski, Riley Habib, Samuel Partridge, Jacob Campbell, Method Te Huia, Cameron Shearman
Front Row: Konrad Ward, Riley McDonald, Aedan McQuoid, Thomas Morgan, Sam Johnson, Sam Sutton, Robert Morgan, Finlay McGrath

TOUCH



Touch

Back Row: Wilson Clegg, Neko MacDonald, Monaro Bennett-Ruakere, Xavier Sofeni, Ethan Lobb
Front Row: Jack Feaver, Zak Mockett, Denzell Sofeni, McCarthy Bennett-Ruakere, Cooper Werder



Touch - FDMC Racers

Left - Right: Zak Johnson, Rian King, Joshua Cameron, Maaka Normanton, Jack Sullivan-Ussher



Touch - FDMC Lasers

Back Row: Zac Stolte, Hendrix Leigh
Front Row: Quinn Thompson, Jaden Allen, Koen Breman, Joe Douglas



Year 7 Touch

Back Row: Mr Marc Gallagher, Zak Johnson, Jack Gilmour, Jack Parker-Leef, Jax Morgan, Mr Ronie Asi
Front Row: Sam Corlett, Maaka Normanton, Cullann Read, Quintin Sofeni (Captain), Jack Southern, Harrison Whiting, Kahu Capper



Touch

Back Row: Jayden Ruakere, Monaro Bennett Ruakere, Te Rangi-Matoha Cameron
Front Row: Aiden Bockoc, Cullen Luckin, Robert Ropitini



Touch - FDMC Razzles

Back Row: James Derby, Kade Mockett
Front Row: Kayde Whitmore, Jack Scott, Cullann Read, Arika Pullen, Dougie Jones



Touch - The Boarders

Back Row: Jack Meads, Joshua Keech, Aidyn Wright, Thomas Stokes, Luke Crowley
Front Row: Nathan Robertson, Riley Fowler, Daimen Lightoller, Ethan Costello, Gareth Duthie, Joseph Snowden



Year 8 Touch

Back Row: Mr Marc Gallagher, Ethan Lobb, Jackson Corlett, Mitchell Turner, Jarrod Werder, Leo Taylor, Mr Ronie Asi
Front Row: Keegan Boon, Fletcher Smith, Xavier Sofeni (Captain), Taane Cameron, Noah Lash



Touch Extra

Back Row: Connor Mitchell, Rhys Price, Kade Saxton, Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens
Front Row: Corban Oakes, Ben Hughes, Adam Loveridge, Logan Mitchell



Touch FDMC Steppers

Back Row: Special Helper: Mairenga Laapo
Front Row: Martin Glen, Jacob Brightwell, Harrison Whiting, Dylan Roylance, Jack Southern



Touch - FDMC Bullets

Back Row: Jackson Corlett, Taane-te-aio Cameron
Front Row: Daniel McNeice, Jack Gilmour, Sammy Lewis, Sam Corlett
Absent: Noah Lash

GOLF

On Friday 12th May our FDMC golf team took out the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Championships at Stratford. At the start of the day, the boys were not expecting to be play due to the course being drenched in rain but the greens were playable which meant our College lads had to take on the tough conditions.

It was crucial for the team to get off to a positive start and the senior members of the team led by example. Joshua Morris produced the round of the day with a 1 under par 71. Our senior member, Matthew Allen produced a solid round of 80 to put the College up the leaderboard. Rising College golfer Louis Baldock, shot 109 which put all the pressure on to another rising College golfer, Joshua Elder. Joshua handled the pressure well and produced a solid round of 97. This left the College with a grand total of 248, with Louis' 109 as the non counting score. This proved to be too good for rivals New Plymouth Boys' High School as they struggled in the tough conditions and shot a grand total of 261.

Stand out performance went to Joshua Morris who took out the individual Gross and Matthew Allen who came 3rd in the Individual Gross. This win means that the College team will go on to represent the Taranaki Region at the New Zealand Secondary Schools' final in September at the Hastings Golf Club. It is finally good to see the College starting to dominate in this sporting code as there is promising younger talent coming through within the College. Cheers.

The golf team took out the title of Francis Douglas Memorial College's Team of the Year in 2017.

Joshua Morris FDMC Golf Captain



Golf

Left - Right: Joshua Elder, Louis Baldock

SKIING / SNOWBOARDING



Skiing - North Island Secondary School

Left - Right: Louis Newton, Jack Cleland, Kobe Allen-Raven, George Newton



Skiing - North Island Intermediate

Left - Right: Jack Sullivan - Ussher



Snowboarding - North Island Secondary School

Left - Right: Oliver Clennett

AIMS GAMES

The FDMC AIMS Games participation for 2017 was taken to an unprecedented level with 39 Years 7 & 8 boys participating across 5 different sports. There were our usual 13 footballers aiming to better their 33rd place finish from 2016, inaugural teams with 10 basketballers, 12 Rugby 7's boys and individual sports represented with 1 tennis player and 1 multi-sport competitor.

This years Aims Games (held annually in Tauranga) attracted over 10,000 Years 7 and 8 boys and girls. This was the 5th year FDMC has sent a contingent and the first year we have had 3 teams attending. The boys, with the monumental support of their parents and coaches, held extra coaching and fundraising activities dating back to the start of January.

Overall the teams and individual sports came away with great success with all teams and individuals finishing in the top half of each draw. Football bettered last year's efforts finishing 31st out of 59 teams, Basketball 30th out of 67 teams, Rugby 7's 22nd out of 49 teams, Tennis with Sammy Lewis in 15th place out of 54 and Harrison Whiting 24th overall out of 48. A big thank you to the following parent coaches and managers who assisted in each code:

Football:

Coach: Terry Van Hattum

Assistant Coach: Symon Buffoni

Manager: Heidi Buffoni

Assistant Manager in Tauranga: Alan Taylor

Teacher support: Mark Gallagher

Rugby Sevens:

Coach: Jarrod

Manager: Leigh Werder

Helpers in Tauranga: Craig and Lisa Feaver, Penny Smith and Michael Lobb

Technical Advisors: Jack Kirirfi and Warwick Lahmert

Teacher support: Ronie Asi

Basketball: Julie and Darryl Neilson

Parental support: Diane Boone and Katie Chapman

Teacher support: Paula Corlett and Matt Lash

Tennis: Tash Lewis with Sammy Lewis

Multi sport: Matt Lash

Also a huge thank you to all the parents and sponsors who assisted with fundraising events and sponsorship to get all our boys to the AIMS Games 2017. A final thanks goes to all of the 39 boys who competed fiercely and conducted themselves favourably and with distinction throughout the week. They were a pleasure to take and did themselves, their families and the College proud.

Ronie Asi

AIMS Games Coordinator 2017



Aims Games - Football

Back Row: Terry Van Hattum (Coach) Kieran Cummings, Liam Ellerton-Kelly, Oscar Ekdahl, Oliver Cayley, Symon Buffoni (Coach)

Front Row: Maui Wano, Cameron Witts, Louis Buffoni, Felix Van Hattum, Leo Taylor, Thomas Watson, Albie Francis-Alles



Aims Games - Sevens Rugby

Back Row: Wilson Clegg, Zak Mockett, Alex Roberts, Maaka Normanton, Mr Ronie Asi

Front Row: Soane Filo, Jack Feaver, Xavier Sofeni, Ethan Lobb, Cooper Werder



Aims Games - Year 8 Basketball Young Cardinals

Runners Up - NPBA Yr8 Division 1 Competition; 37th Placing at Aims Games

Back Row: Sean Fleming, Neko McDonald, McCarthy Ruakere-Bennett, Lenny Chapman

Front Row: Carl Neilson, Ben Hardiman, Keegan Boon (c), Jackson Corlett, Noah Lash

Absent: Coach Julie Neilson



MULTI SPORT & YOUTH GAMES



Multi Sport & Youth Games

Left - Right: Harrison Whiting

YOUTH GAMES



Youth Games

Left - Right: Sammy Lewis

CROSS COUNTRY



Intermediate Cross Country

Back Row: Felix Van Hattum, Jack Feaver, Maz Wright, Sammy Lewis, Thomas Watson, Cullann Read
Front Row: Harrison Whiting, Fynn Collier, Zak Johnson, Samuel Taylor, Tom Allan, Albie Francis-Alles
Absent: Kahu Capper, Charlie Johnson, Tim Kowalewski, Jax Morgan

CHESS

The FDMC Chess Team entered the Taranaki Intermediate and Secondary School competitions held in August this year. There is plenty to work on for next year, so all of these budding chess players need to keep playing!

The Intermediate Team, made up of Andre Cronin-Nwofor, Lucas Connelly, Hayden Boyd and Reuben Waayer competed well against some very strong competition. They played Egmont Village, Oakura, Omata, Toko and finally Highlands B. Each of the boys had at least one win and can be proud of their achievement.

This year, the Secondary School Chess Team was a young, developing squad. They were up against older, more experienced players. Although the team did not feature in the end results, they learned a great deal from the experience and will be all the wiser next year.

Secondary team was: Kaelan Beck, Ben Erkes, Isaac Jones and Joshua Kuriger.

Peter Cayzer Chess Team Coordinator



TSSSA

3X3 BASKETBALL

On Monday 20th March the TSSSA 3x3 Basketball competition was held. This exciting event was held at the TSB stadium. All Secondary schools in Taranaki attended this event which was well run by Taranaki Basketball and Sport Taranaki. The boys really enjoy this competition and this year we took nine teams.

TSSSA ATHLETICS

The TSSSA Athletics were held on Thursday 23rd March. Twenty-three students entered into this event with some outstanding results and personal bests from the individuals.

Senior Boys:
 Issac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens 1st 400m
 Caylem Cook 1st Triple jump
 1st 110 Hurdles

Shamus Hurley-Langton 1st Shot put
 1st 3km walk
 Mathew Weston 3rd 1500
 Tobias Stark 2nd discus

Intermediate Boys:
 Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens 1st 200m
 1st 400m
 Max Erkes 1st 1500
 Titan Cook 1st Discus
 1st Hammer

Junior Boys:
 Gordie Vink High Jump
 Personal Best
 Luke Weston 3rd 1500
 Issac Doel 2nd long jump
 Aiden Bocock 1st High Jump
 1st Discus

The following boys were then selected to represent Taranaki in the Secondary Schools' Team to compete at the North Island Champs held in Inglewood. Caylem Cook, Shamus Hurley-Langton, Max Erkes, Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Aiden Bocock. Max Erkes, Luke Weston and Aiden Bocock also competed at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Competition in December.

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

A fantastic summer's day was turned on for the Beach Volleyball competition this year at Ngamotu Beach on the 19th of February. A number of students entered this event and had a great day out.

The best of the FDMC teams ended up 2nd in the Senior boys' division. Congratulations to the team comprised of Amedeo Ventresca, Ethan Turner, George Kerr, Charlie Waite and Isaac Howell.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Team from Francis Douglas College battled the freezing conditions in Hawera a day after they competed in the school cross country. Best of the runners were from the Junior team that ran 4000m
 3rd Max Erkes
 5th Luke Weston
 8th William Hadley

Max and Luke were then invited to attend the New Zealand Secondary Schools event in Christchurch.

In the Year 9 section the runners had to pace themselves over 3000m. A great effort was made by the following students:
 6th Oskar Hadley
 7th Adam Loveridge
 8th Ollie Gooch

Thomas Hadley ran 6000m in the senior boys' section against a very tough field and was placed a very respectable 9th.

CROSS COUNTRY



Senior Cross Country - TSSSA

Back Row: Mathew Weston, Jacob Crawford, Henri Lehrke, Thomas Hadley
Front Row: William Hadley, Luke Weston, Max Erkes, Amedeo Ventresca, Ollie Gooch

GOLF CROQUET



Golf Croquet - TSSSA

Left - Right: Thomas Hadley, Thomas Morgan, Felix Webby, Daniel Chow, Dawson Webber

ATHLETICS



Athletics - TSSSA

Back Row: Caylem Cook, Matthew Weston, Jacob Kneepkens, Shamus Hurley-Langton, Isaac Kneepkens, Jacob Bamber, Titan Cook
Front Row: Luke Weston, Denzell Sofeni, Mairenga Laapo, Max Erkes, Isaac Doel, Aiden Bocock



CROSSFIT

This was a gruelling event of strength and stamina. Six students attended this event at the Cross fit venue in the Fitzroy plaza. The Francis Douglas Memorial College team was placed 2nd overall. Shamus Hurley-Langton was the most outstanding competitor from the College and was placed 1st equal, Ethan Langton was 4th and Joseph Bernet 6th.

CYCLING

Three students took part in the TSSSA Cycling champs held at the Bell Block Velodrome. Junior boys Max Erkes, Flynn Barrett and Amos Pease competed in the 5km road. The Best of our riders was Max who was placed 2nd in the team pursuits 3000m challenge.

GOLF CROQUET

On Tuesday 21st March two teams of pairs- Felix Webby and Thomas Hadley, Thomas Morgan & Daniel Chow played in the Golf Croquet finals. They had qualified at the earlier Secondary Schools' Competition to go on and represent the College at the Finals Day held at the Tasman Croquet Club.

The boys did extremely well with Felix Webby and Thomas Hadley finishing in 1st place with Thomas Morgan and Daniel Chow gaining a 4th placing.

These four students then went on and represented FDMC at the NZ Secondary Schools' Nationals held in Hamilton in September. The students all performed well.

Special mention must be made of College Sports Captain, Felix Webby. Felix went away to Australia and represented New Zealand at the Junior World Under 21 tournament where he won gold. He also represented NZ in the World Open Tournament where he won a bronze medal and became the youngest person to ever gain a medal at the Open Tournament. Felix continues to be an up and coming star in the sport of Golf croquet!

Felix was also nominated for the Taranaki Junior Sportsman of the year.

TSSSA INDOOR ROWING - YO-ROW CHALLENGE

This year a different format was introduced. Sport Taranaki bought the ergs around to the individual schools and set up a screen for the boys to watch their time and distance as they competed against the other school's times.

We had an outstanding group of 10 young men who quickly interchanged as they all set fast pace to overtake NPBHS who were initially on the leader board. The FDMC students rowed solidly for 15 minutes and finished in 1st place with a distance of 4822m.

3X3 BASKETBALL



3x3 Basketball - TSSSA

Back Row: Caleb Ludlow, Bryn Kearnton, Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Riley Putt, Keegan Wright, Sam Lock, Blair Adams, Finn Hosking
Middle Row: Jacob Campbell, Daniel Kibby, Jacob Crawford, Andrew Kere-Rako, Brodie Calder, Taite Gaskell, Callum Grayling, Ben Leary, Jayden Haslip
Front Row: Tawanda Zhanje, George Kerr, Ben Koch, Vinnie Bolton, Harry Koch, Charlie Waite, Luke Parkinson, Kobe Lucas

ORIENTEERING



Orienteering - TSSSA

Left - Right: Ollie Gooch, Amedeo Ventresca, William Hadley
Absent: Oscar Hadley, Georgie Vink

INDOOR ROWING



Indoor Rowing - TSSSA

Back Row: Ben Smith, Ben Bradley, Cobi McCook
Front Row: Jayden Smith, Jordan Roylance, Jacan McDonald, Blane McCook

TSSSA LAWN BOWLS

The Taranaki Secondary Schools Lawn Bowls Competition was held on the 1st March. Under the watchful eye and coaching from Mr Dravitzki these students competed well, but unfortunately there were no teams through to the top three this year. All of the boys had an incredible time and learnt a heap of skills so they will be unbeatable next year!

TSSSA ORIENTEERING

In Term Four it was the TSSSA Orienteering Competition. This competition is a sprint event which while trying to get the best time also requires you to use navigational skills using a map and a compass.

Navigating at speed from point to point in diverse and unfamiliar terrain until you have completed the whole course is a huge challenge. Georgie Vink was 1st place in the Intermediate A boys section, Oskar Hadley was 2nd in the Intermediate boys B section.

POOL

A group of students attended weekly training and coaching offered through a programme called 'Pools for schools' held at the New Plymouth Club. This specialist coaching paid off at the TSSSA competition with Simon Kleinsman and partner Michael Duncan winning the competition which was well supported by secondary schools from throughout Taranaki.

Simon Kleinsman then went on to win the Regional Pool Championships which qualified him to attend the New Zealand Secondary Schools' National Pool event held in Christchurch during winter tournament week in September. Simon qualified to represent a combined Taranaki Schools' Team.

On Day One in the pairs competition, they came third equal. Next was singles and Simon qualified second overall. Day Three was finals day where Simon made the last 8 and came fifth equal.

As a team we won the Regions National Trophy for the third year in a row. Simon described the tournament as an amazing experience, heaps of fun and he met many new friends

ROAD RELAY

4 person teams enter in this road relay race against rival secondary school teams. Each runner is required to run approx. 2.5km. There was an outstanding performance from the Years 9 and 10 boys team who achieved 1st place.

The following team beat NPBHS for the first time in 16 years: Max Erkes, Henry Parker, Luke Weston, Hamish McKee.

The Year 7 and 8 team consisting of Harrison Whiting, Jack Fever, Felix Van Hattum and Thomas Watson set the 2nd top time in their race.

VOLLEYBALL



Junior Volleyball A - TSSSA

Back Row: Ethan Turner (Coach), Saki Waicere, Jacob Bamber, Denzell Sofeni, Amedeo Ventresca (Coach)
Front Row: Aiden Bocock, Ethan Koning, Vinnie Bolton, Thomas Stokes, Robert Ropitini



Junior Volleyball B - TSSSA

Back Row: Ethan Turner (Coach), Jacob Fletcher, Jacob Whittle, Amedeo Ventresca (Coach)
Front Row: Connor Ebert, Jade O'Neill-Kirchheiner, Carlo Carranza, Mikas O'Neill-Kirchheiner, Oliver Clennett

8-BALL



8 Ball - TSSSA

Back Row: Jakob Neilson, Sunny Wong
Front Row: Pongpat Murin, Ben Fitzgibbon, Simon Kleinsman, Michael Duncan



ROGAINE

This would have to be one of the most popular events run by sport Taranaki. Bus loads of students arrived from all over Taranaki to Lake Mangamahoe on the evening of 15th March. Heading out in to the bush were 45 FDMC students rushing around to collect as many points as possible. They returned after 2 hours with great results:

- Senior boys
- 2nd Felix Webby/Thomas Hadley
- Intermediate Boys
- 2nd Finn Morris/Liam Matthews
- 3rd William Hadley/Tom Le Fleming
- Junior Boys
- 4th Kade Saxton/Blake Christie/Ben Hughes

TSSSA SQUASH

There has been an increase in numbers joining up for weekly training at the Kawaroa Squash Club. With weekly coaching and games, the boys had good court time before competing at this event.

- Results:
- | | |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Boys B Champion winner | Jason Hardy |
| Boys C Champion winner | Blake Carr |
| Boys B Plate winner | Jack Newell |
| Boys D Plate winner | Logan Sulzberger |

Students who participated at the TSSSA squash competition were then eligible to gain selection for the six man team to travel to Palmerston North and compete at the New Zealand Secondary Schools' National tournament. The boys played some tough games but managed to win half of their games leaving them in the same seeding as they entered.

At the end of year sports prizegiving, Lachlan Greensill was named FDMC Squash Player of the year. Jack Newell received the award for the Most Improved.

SWIMMING

We took a team of six very strong swimmers to this year's event held in Stratford.

- Intermediate Boys Championship
- | | | |
|-----------|-----|----------------|
| Troy Ryan | 2nd | 50m Butterfly |
| | 2nd | 100m Freestyle |
- Non Championship
- | | | |
|--------------|-----|---------------|
| Oscar Taylor | 2nd | 50m Butterfly |
|--------------|-----|---------------|
- Junior Boys Championship
- | | | |
|---------------|-----|------------------|
| Brayden Meuli | 1st | 100m Freestyle |
| | 1st | 50m Backstroke |
| | 1st | 50m Butterfly |
| Harvey George | 2nd | 50m Breaststroke |

Junior Boys

Freestyle Relay 2nd and 1st Medley Relay

Brayden Meuli, Harvey George, Morgan Mills and Jack Cleland were the team participants.

SQUASH



Squash - TSSSA and NZSS

Front Row: Jack Newell, Tanishq Badoni, Logan Sulzberger, Liam Copestake, Blake Carr, Gill Hurley (Coach)

Absent: Lachlan Greensill, Seamus Walsh

10 PIN BOWLING



10 Pin Bowling - TSSSA

Back Row: Benjamin Zeylemaker, Tom Hutchins, Samuel Riordan, Thomas Morgan, Titan Cook, Daniel Chow

Front Row: Bailey Collier, Isaac Brown, Jack Newell, George Goodwin, Jarrod Walsh, Jackson Whitmore, Onno Dessing

SWIMMING



Swimming Year 7 & 8 - TSSSA

Back Row: Jack Feaver, Cooper Werder, Ashton Dobson

Front Row: Harrison Whiting, Wilson Clegg, Joel Van Beers, Albie Francis-Alles

TSSSA TEN PIN BOWLING

This is an event which is always well supported by the students and several teams entered and turned up early Sunday morning to compete with outstanding results.

Team results:

1st Teams Event - Onno Dessing, Tom Hutchins, Jackson Whitmore, Bailey Collier

Individual:

1st Thomas Morgan

2nd Benjamin Zeylemaker

3rd Jackson Whitmore

Bowler of the day - Ben Zeylemaker

TRAIL RUNNING

Students competed in this off road trail run event and had some fantastic results. Students ran 6km with some great times.

Junior Boys:

1st	Luke Weston
3rd	Max Erkes
5th	Oscar Hadley

Senior Boys:

1st	Thomas Hadley	27.30min
2nd	William Hadley	29.10min
3rd	Matthew Weston	

TRIATHLON

There was a great turn out of boys to compete at this event on Sunday the 19th of March. The Year 13 PE class took part in this to gain credits for Level 3 NCEA .

Outstanding performances were achieved by Head Boy Matthew O'Connell who came 2nd and Bodie Butler 4th in the Senior Boys' section.

Mark Erkes came 1st in the Junior section, blitzing the other competitors by just under five minutes.

Max also competed at the Sovereign tri-series where he also gained 1st place. Max then travelled to Wanganui to compete at the New Zealand Secondary schools' champs.

TSSSA MCKEAN SHIELD SPORTS ROTATION DAY

Day 1. Renegade hockey Stratford

Day 2. Football New Plymouth

The TSSSA McKean 5-a-side Football Tournament was held at Peringa Park this year. Many teams from high schools all around Taranaki participated. The College sent four 5 a side teams. The boys got right into it playing against Opunake, Inglewood, NPBHS as well as other schools. The FDMC Plan B team were fortunate to challenge Opunake for the McKean Shield. The boys

TRAIL RUN



Trail Run - TSSSA

Left - Right: Luke Weston, Max Erkes, Thomas Hadley, William Hadley

DUATHLON



Duathlon - TSSSA

Left - Right: Max Erkes

TRIATHLON



Triathlon - TSSSA

Back Row: Joseph Crowe, Joshua Cathie, Isaac Ratumaitavuki- Kneepkens, Jackson Sinclair, Sean Mosquera, Cooper Bradley, Samuel Johnson

Front Row: Joseph Bernet, Isaac Brown, Max Erkes, Bodie Butler, Bryn Pacheco-Lawrence, Alexander Best, Ollie Gooch

played well and in the end were able to claim a victory and seized the shield. The shield must be defended by each team of a school before returning to the original team. The Triple G team were next up to defend the shield against another Opunake team and were able to hold onto it.

It came down to the last match of the day where the FDMC Oreo team played against a tough Hawera team. Both teams fought hard but in the end the FDMC boys were just too good and brought the trophy home at the end of the day. A fun time was had by all.

Day 3. Flags

Day 4. Sports Rotation Day

Two teams of six Years 9 and 10 boys were in action at sunny Opunake to take on Taranaki's best in the Sports Rotation Day. The new format was to compete in a round robin tournament against other schools in the sports of offside touch, ultimate frisbee, darts, dodgeball and squash. Both our teams played well all day in the blistering coastal heat, and in the end, our 'FDMC Red' team led by Vinnie Bolton, proved too good and completed the day undefeated to take home the 'virtual' champions trophy!

INDOOR BOWLS



Indoor Bowls - TSSSA

Back Row: Liam Copestake, Riley Putt, Bryn Kearnton, Cameron Shearman
Front Row: Ethan Adams, Jacob Fletcher, Vince Ropitini, William Hadley

CROSS FIT



Cross Fit - TSSSA

Back Row: Ethan Langton, Shamus Hurley- Langton
Front Row: Joseph Bernet, Jayden Smith, Matthew Picard, Matthew Hoogeboom



ROGAINE



Rogaine - TSSSA

Back Row: Jayden Smith, Matthew Picard, Abraham Mataitini, Kady Luke, Riley Putt, Cameron McDonald, Kyle Fleming
Third Row: Kade Saxton, Charlie Waite, Jacob Crawford, Tom LeFleming, Thomas Whaley, Jaide Coombe, Ethan Langton, Felix Webby, Blake Christie
Second Row: Amedeo Ventresca, Daniel Tofts Thomas Hadley, Ben Leary, Ambrose Moriarty, James Batchelor Ethan Turner, Finn Morris
Front Row: Oliver Clennett, William Hadley, Koby Gavin, Corbin Oakes, Ben Hughes, Cullen Hurley, Logan Mitchell, Max Dowd, Oscar Hadley

BADMINTON

The badminton club got into full swing during Terms two and three this year and the numbers of participants have continued to grow. The levels of experience in the sport varied vastly but it was great to see our more experienced players sharing court time and advising the novices.

Our two traditional representative features against Saint Johns Hastings and Saint Bernards Wellington were eagerly awaited as the year progressed and when they finally arrived our elite players did not let us down. Our extended team of Shinuk Park, Tomi Karasawa, Corbin Jones, Ethan and Mitchell Turner did the College proud on both occasions. The boys turned on their skills and determination, allowing us to win both encounters convincingly.

Shinuk Park won the Taranaki Badminton Under 17 Singles and Doubles.

A special congratulations must go to Shinuk Park who completed a stellar year and went on to win a national age grade title. My personal thanks to Tomi Karasawa for his role as Club Captain which he performed admirably and to all players regardless of their ability for their positive and enthusiastic approach to every session.

I look forward to seeing anyone who wants to enjoy this great sport in 2018.

Richard Doherty Badminton Coordinator



Badminton

Left - Right: Ethan Turner, Isaac Howell, Tomi Karasawa, Shinuk Park

NZ TRIATHLON



NZ Triathlon

Left - Right: Harrison Whiting, Max Erkes, Ollie Gooch

ROWING



Rowing - Maadi Cup

Left - Right: Amedeo Ventresca, Cobi McCook, Blane McCook





CRICKET

Cricket is a sport thoroughly enjoyed by students at Francis Douglas Memorial College. Large numbers of boys play our summer game and many also achieved great results at all levels. As a school we consistently have 12 - 16 teams competing every Term 1 and 4 from Year 7's learning the game in Senior Primary Division 2 right through to our elite cricketers who play in the Taranaki Men's Premier Competition and numerous interschool College games around the country.

Dave and Cheryl Leuthart at TIMBERCO have continued to sponsor cricket at the College and their support is much appreciated. Through their generosity we have been able to retain Level 3 cricket coach, Debu Banik and harness his specialist cricket coaching skills. Russell Dempster at Energy City Ford has continued his partnership with the College and has continued to provide a car for Debu Banik. Thank you to all the people involved for your amazing support over the season. Through this partnership the College continues to build and develop more resources for cricket such as the revamped cricket nets and multi use turf. This season a grass practice wicket has been developed and will be used extensively by the 1st XI in preparation for their College fixtures. New covers for both the main block and practice wicket have been purchased with several fundraising events contributing to this. We have also been lucky to have Andrew Larkin from Physio@Carefirst provide a biomechanical analysis for our 1st

XI cricketers at no cost. This has greatly improved their strength and injury prevention to handle the tough demands cricket can have on the body.

The FDMC grass wicket block is considered by many to be the best playing surface in Taranaki due to the expertise of our ground staff at College. Rodney, Neville and Miles put in massive hours preparing the grounds for Saturday cricket and they always look immaculate. We are lucky to have College Old Boy Kurt Leuthart both coaching and playing for the 1st XI, and also carrying out groundsman's duties on the grass pitch. Kurt has done a stunning job and his rapport with the students is second to none.

We are very lucky to have fantastic coaches supporting our teams at the College and we can boast that all teams receive quality coaching throughout the week from highly skilled coaches. A massive thanks must go to Debu Banik who coaches a large number of cricket teams across all ages and continues to improve the standard of cricket at the College. Thank you to Taranaki Cricket Association for providing coaching support to several junior teams throughout the week

I am also hugely grateful for the hours that many parents give up looking after teams on Saturday mornings. Your efforts on the scorebook, umpiring and managing the boys are gratefully received.

Last season the following teams were entered in competitions:

Term 1 and Term 4 2017

1st and 2nd XI (Taranaki Men's grade) - 2 teams

Term 1 and Term 4 2017: Cricket teams involved in Saturday Morning Cricket

Year 7 - 8 Senior Primary
8 teams (4 in Term 1, 4 in Term 4)

Year 9 - 13 Secondary School
15 teams (8 in Term 1, 7 in Term 4)

Congratulations to the Two FDMC cricket teams who made the finals of Secondary School Cricket in Term One 2017. FDMC Red were champions in Secondary School Division 3 and FDMC Paddy G's were runners up in the Secondary School Division Two competition.

It is awesome to see our boys achieving at an elite level with their cricket. Congratulations to all the cricketers who have been selected in Taranaki teams at all levels. Several senior boys travelled to England for the Taranaki Wanderers cricket tour and gained valuable experience from this. Both Matt Allen and Finbar Moriarty played for the Central Districts U17 team at the National Tournament and Sean Mosquera and Shay Smith - Luond played for Taranaki Men's A in Hawke Cup matches.

Finally, thanks to all the parents, grandparents and supporters of cricket in the College. We are truly

grateful for all the effort that goes into your son being able to enjoy our Summer game.

Taranaki Age Group Cricketers 2017

Taranaki U12 North

Blake Dowd, Jack Sullivan-Ussher, Samuel Taylor

Taranaki U13

Aston Hughes, Lenny Chapman, Ethan Lobb, Thomas Larkin

Taranaki U14

Thomas Watson, Gareth Duffy, Joshua Elder, Oliver Cayley, Max Dowd, Aaron Manning-Fleming, Blake Christie, Daimen Lightoller

Taranaki U15

Ethan Adams, Kale Jordan, Tanishq Badoni, Oliver Hall

Taranaki U17

Matt Allen, Jack Krutz, Shay Smith-Luond, Ambrose Moriarty, Jonty Hughes

Taranaki Men's A

Sean Mosquera, Shay Smith-Luond

Central Districts U17

Matt Allen, Finbar Moriarty

Mark Wales

Director of FDMC Cricket



Cricket - 1st XI

Back Row: Jacob Mortensen, Matt Allen, Jack Krutz, Ambrose Moriarty, Cameron Shearman, Jonty Hughes
Front Row: Jesse Vertongen, Jonathon Brosnahan, Finbar Moriarty, Sean Mosquera, Josh Cathie, Shay Smith-Luond
Absent: Robson Chapman



Cricket - 2nd XI

Back Row: Luke Hughes, Joel Heyen, Kady Luke
Middle Row: Jacob Farrant, Samuel Barbour, Riley Davison, Jacob Campbell, Cameron Shearman, Jonty Hughes, Jacob Mortensen
Front Row: George Kerr, Jeremy Gopperth, Ethan Langton, Josh Cathie, Jonathon Brosnahan, Campbell Lusk, Joseph Bernet

YEAR 9 AND 10 NAPIER CRICKET TOURNAMENT

The annual Years 9 and 10 Napier cricket tournament was held in Week 7 of Term 4 where we took a mixture of the two year groups across.

The tournament sees 10 teams from the lower North Island play in a carnival style round-robin format. Our results this year were very good.

On Day 1 we played Lindisfarne College. FDMC batted first and after being in early trouble we managed to post 224-9. We then bowled really well, restricting Lindisfarne to just 49 runs.

Day 2 saw us up against a team from Wanganui High School. This time we bowled first and the green soft wicket helped us out, and we bowled them out for 47. We made the target for the loss of just 1 wicket.

Havelock North High School was our opposition for Day 3. Again we bowled first, but this time had to work harder than the previous 2 days. However, 125 runs was never going to be enough and we picked these off in just 16 overs.

The last game was against our billeting school, St John's Hastings. This was a shortened game due to travel commitments. The boys unfortunately came up well short batting first and only making 94. Although St John's had a bit of a collapse late in their innings, they managed to scrape home by 3 wickets. We were 20 runs too short in hindsight.

Overall, the tournament was a great spectacle which was enjoyed by the boys and both Mr Steve Ritchie and myself.

Nick Taylor
Director of Sport



Cricket - Year 9/10 NZCT

Back Row: Koby Ryan, George Boon, Joshua Elder, Oliver Hall, Kale Jordan
Front Row: Max Dowd, Aaron Manning-Fleming, Tawanda Zhanje, Jacob Mortensen, Gareth Duffy, Jackson Cathie, Riley McDonald



Cricket - FDMC Seniors

Back Row: Joseph Crowe, Alex Best, Mitchell Pelham, Sam Poles Smith, Xander Campbell, Bryn Lawrence
Front Row: George Miles, Jarrod Walsh, Benjamin Zeylemaker, Thomas Morgan, Jack Newell, Kai Warburton



Cricket - FDMC Yellow

Back Row: Jordan Vertongen, Mathew Linton, Ethan Ngatai, Cody Campbell
Front Row: Alexander Wells, Jordan Wells, Joshua Read, Robert Morgan, Aaron Manning-Fleming



Cricket - FDMC Blue

Back Row: Kobe Lucas, Saki Waicere, Joshua Keech, Corban Oakes
Front Row: Jimmy Moffitt, Jack Meads, Max Dowd, Amos Pease, Riley McDonald
Absent: Tane Humphrey, Jackson Whitmore



Cricket - FDMC Gold

Back Row: Samuel Starsmore, Samuel Barbour, Jacob Campbell
Front Row: Oliver Hall, Tanishq Badoni, Vincent Bolton, Cameron Shearman, Ben Price, George Boon
Absent: Joshua Elder, Blake Christie, Rory Maxwell



Cricket - FDMC Green

Back Row: Blake Mitchell, Max Erkes, Lachlan Fleming
Front Row: Caleb Lawn, Jacob Hooker, Jacob Whittle, Jordan Adams, Masen Ehrhorn
Absent: Blake Crawford, Jakob Erb, Jacob Marshall, Liam Mills, Nico Sinclair



Cricket - FDMC Royal

Back Row: George Kerr, Campbell Lusk, Riley Davison, Ethan Langton, Nicholas Westraad, Patrick Butler
Front Row: Jacob Donlon, Jordan Varga, Jacob Mortensen, Koby Ryan, Tawanda Zhanje, Jackson Cathie



Cricket - Year 9/10 Napier Tournament Team

Back Row: Ambrose Moriarty, Jack Krutz, Ethan Langton, Samuel Barbour, Kadya Luke, Jacob Campbell, Campbell Lusk, Mr Mark Wales (coach)
Front Row: Jacob Mortensen, George Kerr, Jonty Hughes, Cameron Shearman, Jeremy Gopperth, Oliver Hall, George Boon



Cricket - Year 7 and 8 Primary Cup

Back Row: Oliver Cayley, Daniel Whitaker, Luca Heyen, Thomas Larkin, Lenny Chapman, Jackson Corlett, Jack Kelsen
Front Row: Blake Dowd, Ashton Hughes, Jack Sullivan-Ussher, Keegan Boon, Ethan Lobb, Maaka Normanton, Thomas Watson, Jack Southern, Samuel Taylor



Cricket - FDMC Red

Back Row: Daniel Prendiville, Samuel Partridge, Oliver Wright, Ethan Adams, Ben Hughes, Mr Stephen Ritchie
Front Row: Caleb Clark, Gareth Duffy, Kale Jordan, Daimen Lightoller, Jamie Horgan, Nathan Robertson



Cricket - Southees

Back Row: Cannon Patten, Gabriel Herlihy, Daniel Roberts
Front Row: Sean Fleming, Allan Tom, Ethan Davis, Matthew King, Jacob Butler



Cricket - Williamsons

Back Row: Daniel Whitaker, Damien Titter, Oliver Cayley
Front Row: Zak Johnson, Jack Sullivan-Ussher, Lenny Chapman, Ashton Dobson, Samuel Taylor



Cricket - Boults

Back Row: Jackson Corlett, Luca Heyen, Thomas Larkin, William Hodge, Kieran Cummings
Front Row: Maaka Normanton, Cameron Witts, Keegan Boon, Jack Kelson, Blake Dowd
Absent: Ethan Wells, Ryan Johnson



Cricket - Taylors

Back Row: Noah Richards, Thomas Watson, Benjamin Isaac, Martin Glen, Jack Southern
Front Row: Noah Lash, Aston Hughes, Ethan Lobb, Fletcher Smith, Jackson Whitmore
Absent: Tyler Hoeta



Cricket - Year 12 Paddy G's Cricket

Back Row: Cameron McDonald, Luke Hughes, Jordan Roylance, Keegan Wright, Jack Spicer, Benjamin Smith, Jacan McDonald
Front Row: Jayden Smith, Callum Grayling, Ben Bradley, Jacob Farrant, Ben Limmer, Tom Conway, Fergus Conley, Jordan Gray

INDOOR CRICKET



Indoor Cricket

Back Row: Jack Kelsen, Jordan Vertongen
Front Row: Aston Hughes, Jack Southern, Blake Dowd



Indoor Cricket

Back Row: Jack Sullivan Usser, Damian Titter
Front Row: Samuel Taylor, Zac Johnson, Liam Thompson



Indoor Cricket

Back Row: Nicholas Westraad, Campbell Lusk
Front Row: Gareth Duffy, Jordan Varga, Aidan Lovell, Tawanda Zhanje

SURFING

TSSA SURFING

The conditions for the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Surfing Competition on Thursday 16 February were some of the best that we have enjoyed in recent years. With the swell being a consistent 3-5' and the wind being uncharacteristically light, there were plenty of waves for the picking throughout the day.

It was good to see the competition well supported by most of the Taranaki secondary schools with entries from New Plymouth Boys' and Girls' High Schools, Waitara High School, Spotswood College, Opunake High School, Inglewood High School, Francis Douglas Memorial College and home schooled surfer Daniel Farr. We had a full contingent of competitors in each of the divisions - U14 Boys, U16 Boys, U18 Boys, Bodyboard and Longboard.

With the weather being warm but overcast the judges had no difficulty seeing the competitors in their heats although 'free-surfers' had to be politely asked to leave the two arenas on a few occasions. It was good to see the Francis Douglas team earning points in the early rounds and qualifying for many of the semi- finals, and several of the final spots. With Thursday being the Prefects' Investiture Mass at St. Josephs Church, Joe Bernet seemed to time it perfectly and arrived for his U18 heat where he performed well.

Congratulations go to all of the boys that represented the College:

U14 - Hamish McKie and Harry Clegg
U16 - Olly Spicer, Jacob Bamber, Sam Johnson, William Franklin
U18 - Daniel Van Lith, Cooper Bradley, Joseph Bernet, Daniel Kibby
Bodyboard - Theo Johnsen, Oscar Taylor
Longboard - Sam Lock and Aleksandar Timarac



Surfing

Back Row: Aleksandar Timarac, Jacob Bamber, Sam Lock, Cooper Bradley, Theo Johnsen
Front Row: Harry Clegg, Olly Spicer, Daniel Kibby, Sam Johnson, William Franklin, Hamish McKie, Joseph Bernet
Absent: Daniel Van Lith

Well done to our finalists.

Olly Spicer	1st in Open Bodyboard
Oscar Taylor	2nd in Open Bodyboard'
Aleksandar Timarac	1st in Open Longboard
Sam Lock	4th in Open Longboard
Jacob Bamber	4th U16 Boys

School placings were:

1st	NPBHS
2nd	FDMC
3rd	NPGHS
4th	Opunake

A big thank you to Sports Coordinator Gill Hurley for ensuring the boys got to the venue and their heats on time. Also thanks to Craig Williamson (Surfing Taranaki), the New Plymouth Boardriders for their venue and staff from all schools for judging, collation and organization.

INTERMEDIATE SURFING COMPETITION

The Intermediate Surfing Competition open to all Taranaki schools was held on Thursday 2 March at Fitzroy Beach. Francis Douglas Memorial College had two students entered in the competition. Registration was at 9.00 am with the competition beginning at 9.30am. The day was fine with plenty of waves to contest in all heats.

Wilson Clegg and Cory Butters are pictured at the New Plymouth Boardriders Club and returning from their heat. Well done to both boys for representing FDMC and to Gavin Clegg for being the Manager. It was unfortunate that both boys ended up in the same first round heat. Congratulations to Wilson who made it through to the semi-finals.

CANOE POLO

A growing number of boys played in the Taranaki Schools' Canoe Polo League this year. This is a developing sport and it was great to see boys giving it a go. Term One was warm enough to play at the NPBHS outdoor pool, although in the last two weeks due to the end of daylight saving, the final games were played in near dark conditions and the water was getting a little cool. Term Two games were played at the Bell Block Aquatic Centre where most of the players returned to continue in the teams they had developed.

The four FDMC teams (Sea Cucumbers (Y7-8), Piranhas (Y9), FDMC Men (Y11) and Rookie Mistake (Y11-12) played well, enjoyed the games and learned plenty of new skills.

Rookie Mistake won the local competition.



CANOE POLO 1ST V

For the first time, FDMC entered a team into the Canoe Polo Regional Competition held in Levin on the 11th and 12th of March. The team of five were ably assisted by Nigel and Nicola Conley and the Sacred Heart Girls' team and management. Bronnie Van Lith, who coaches the teams, was there to provide her expertise, support and encouragement.

The boys were exposed to a level of competition they had not experienced before. They played hard but found the opposition tough. Despite their losses, the school received wonderful feedback from one of the organisers who was most impressed with our boys who "came across as polite, affable and sporting despite sustaining some big losses". Thinking this would be the end of the season, the school received word that both the FDMC and SHGC teams had made it through to the National tournament by wild card entry. After some quick organising, the teams headed to Feilding for the three day tournament on the 31st March to 2nd April.

Most Canoe Polo teams play with two or three rolling substitutes, but the FDMC team was limited to just the five boys. Even though the games are only two eight minute halves, the power and energy needed means fatigue develops rapidly and players need to react to fast changes, often paddling the length of the pool (35 metres) in a few seconds. With two players who are new to the sport this year, it was always going to be a hard tournament.

FDMC played with determination and a never-give-up attitude in all of their pool games, losing the first against Napier Boys' by only one goal. They then went on to beat Te Puke but lost to Feilding Agricultural School. This placed them 3rd in their pool. Their next two games were against Awatapu College and Palmerston North Boys' High School. They won against both teams by only one point making the games very exciting to watch. There was plenty of support from other schools for the underdogs! Beating PNBHS was

WAKA AMA



Waka Ama

Back Row: Jacob Bamber, Te Rangi Tuuta-Thompson, Riley Davidson
Middle Row: Titan Cook, Lewis Ritai, Matthew Irvine, Xavier Kere-Rako, Taiawhio Waipoua-Bryers, Quinn McKenzie, Mr Taare Ruakere
Front Row: Robert Ropatini, Isiah Kirifi, Lachlan Rhodes, Connor Mitchell, Mairenga Laapo, Josh Hopkins, Blake Mitchell, Joshua Loveridge
Absent: Rory Maxwell, Corban Jones, Andrew Kere-Rako



Waka Ama - J16

Back Row: Mr Taare Ruakere, Connor Mitchell, Mairenga Laapo
Front Row: Joshua Loveridge, Lachlan Rhodes, Joshua Hopkins, Logan Mitchell



Waka Ama - J19

Back Row: Mr Taare Ruakere, Jacob Bamber, Te Rangi Tuuta-Thompson, Riley Davidson
Front Row: Isiah Kirifi, Titan Cook, Xavier Kere-Rako, Matthew Irvine, Robert Ropitini



Waka Ama - J19

Back Row: Mr Taare Ruakere, Titan Cook
Front Row: Lewis Ritai, Taiawhio Waipoua-Bryers, Quinn McKenzie
Absent: Andrew Kere-Rako, Rory Maxwell



Canoe Polo - 1st V

Left - Right: Daniel Van Lith, Fergus Conley, Jadeim McGrory, Ben Bradley, Dominic Coleman



Canoe Polo

Back Row: Jack Cleland, Reuben Brown, Riley Blair, Michael Theron, Maxwell Crighton, Toby Din, Corban Oakes
Front Row: Logan Morgan, Ashton Dobson, Jamie Horgan, Neko McDonald, William Hadley, Zak Mockett, Ezra Van Lith

a great achievement as they they had lost to them in the regional tournament. The exciting finish put FDMC 5th in the Open Division 2 group. The five boys were shattered by the end of the second half of their last game, but their tenacity kept them going to the end, pulling out a great win.

Congratulations to Ben Bradley, Dom Coleman, Fergus Conley, Jadiem McGrory and Daniel Van Lith. Thanks goes to Bronnie Van Lith for her coaching, the Harvey family (Palmerston North) who accommodated us at Nationals, and to the parents who are so supportive.

Peter Cayzer
Canoe Polo Coordinator

SWIMMING

NZSS SWIMMING CHAMPS

Brayden Meuli competed at the NZ Secondary Schools Swimming Champs from Friday 15th to Sunday 17th September. He placed top 10 in his age group in 8 events which included one 5th, two 4th's and two bronze medals in the 100 fly and 200 fly. The 200 fly time was also a Taranaki record timenwhich had stood since 2005.

FLANAGAN CUP - ZAC REID

Congratulations to Zac Reid (La Salle House Captain) who won the Flanagan Cup open sea swim on Waitangi weekend.

Zac Reid continues to be selected in the NZ Swim teams. Here is some of what Zac has been doing lately.

- Selected on to the Swimming New Zealand National Team 2017
- Selected for the New Zealand Team to compete at the 2017
- Commonwealth Youth Games in the Bahamas (19 - 23 July)
- Selected to the NZ Junior Black Fins to compete at the 2017 International
- Surf Rescue Challenge (ISRC), Mount Maunganui, (30 November - 3 December 2017)
- Selected to the NZ Surf Life Saving Youth Squad 2017
- New Zealand Open Swimming Championships, Auckland, April 2017 - Silver medal - 800m freestyle, Bronze medal - 200m, 400 & 1500m freestyle
- New Zealand Age Group Swimming Championships, Wellington, March 2017 Male 17 - 18 years
- Gold medal - 1500m freestyle, Silver medal - 200m and 400m freestyle

Gill Hurley
Sports Coordinator

SWIMMING



Swimming

Left - Right: Morgan Mills, Brayden Meuli, Troy Ryan, Jack Cleland, George Harvey

CYCLING



Cycling

Left - Right: Flynn Barrett, Max Erkes, Henri Lehrke, Amos Pease

BEACH VOLLEYBALL



Beach Volleyball

Left - Right: George Kerr, Ethan Turner, Charlie Waite, Amedeo Ventresca

SAILING

SAM STREET

As many of you know Sam Street has been traveling to Auckland at the weekends to train in the 420 class and campaign to be selected for the 2017 Youth Sailing World Championships in Sanya, China on the 9-16 December.

He has been informed by the NZL Yachting Trust Youth Team that his nomination has been successful and he has been selected to represent NZ as one of the Boys' Two Person Dinghy (420) representatives.

Sam and his team-mate squeezed out the opposition in the National Winter Champs, coming from a 1 down position to win in 25 knot winds.

Sam and his parents need to be congratulated for a solid year of training in Auckland which has ultimately led to this accolade. We have often missed him in our College 420 sailing team events this year, but are thrilled that he has gained the position he has strived hard to attain.

We wish him well at the Youth Worlds and know that he will be a great ambassador for New Plymouth and New Zealand. This is a well earned position by a level headed, modest and outstanding 'College Man'. Heartfelt congratulations! We are proud of your efforts.

Jane Aitken Connolly
Sailing Coordinator

LOWER NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS 420 SAILING REGATTA

On Friday 24 March the College 420 Sailing Team headed to Wellington for the Lower North Island regatta with parent Andrew Clennett and teacher, Jane Aitken Connolly.

In 420 racing, three two manned boats compete against the opposition team of three boats around a course with an upwind beat, downwind and windward legs. The winning three boats have to cross the line with a points tally of 10 or less e.g. a 1, 3 and 4 finish give a total of 8, and a win. Teams try to block and trap the opposition's boats to stall their speed and win the advantage. The skippers and crew have to develop excellent boat handling skills to enable them to stall their boats and tack/ jibe in close proximity.

Our team had been training with 'old boy' Joe Churchman (a highly competent helmsman when at FDMC) on Tuesday afternoons and the skippers had been participating in NPYC Champ. and Ag. racing and training at the weekends. We did however, miss having Sam Street's skills as he was busy training in Auckland to qualify for NZ representative opportunities. Our team comprising of experienced skippers and more



novice crew, competed against several schools from the middle and lower North Island at Evans Bay with mixed success but we were pleased to come away with a win over Wellington school, Scots College.

The team: Anthony van Hameren (skipper) and JP O'Mahony (crew), Oliver Clennett (skipper) and Heath Wayer (crew), Cillian Mason (skipper) and Wyatt Jones (crew).

The weather conditions were typically Wellington-windy gusts which rotated around the compass! Mist rolled in up the harbour and at times it was impossible to see the large planes although we could hear them loud and clear. We got in some good sailing over the three days but unfortunately we didn't get the chance to get through the entire draw. The downtime enabled us to go to Weta Workshop, a trampoline park and spend some time looking around the Wellington waterfront. We came away with valuable racing experience and a few new tales to tell. Many thanks to Andrew Clennett for accompanying us and being such a 'dab hand' in the kitchen.

The 420 Team is aiming to head to the National Competition in Taupo in 2018. We have appreciated the opportunity to fundraise by hosting a College Social and will be trying all sorts of ventures throughout this year and next to help meet our boat hire-age,



Yachting

Back Row: Dominic Coleman, Cillian Mason
Front Row: Oliver Clennett, Anthony Van Hameren, Heath Wayer
Absent: Sam Street



transportation, accommodation and entry fees. Some students will be attending a training camp in Taupo during the October holidays, so it will be good to see the skills learned at that.

If you have a son currently sailing at the NPYC, or know of anyone keen to participate in this sport and represent the College, we would welcome new members. No experience is required, but you need to be a capable swimmer, love the sea and be a team player.

TSSSA SAILING

Thursday 9 February was a successful day on the water for the Francis Douglas Memorial College sailing team. The individual competition was available to any student that owned their own boat and our boys competed in the Optimist and Starling Divisions.

The conditions were light, blowing about 10 knots with the wind varying between South Westerly to South Easterly. The sun shone whilst the boys competed against students from NPBHS and NPGHS in 3 back to back races.

There was good rivalry with some treating it as a match-racing competition at times. At the end of the day Francis Douglas came away with the silverware! Congratulations to Anthony van Hameren for his consistent racing and placing first in the Secondary Schools' Starling division. Anthony was at the front in all three races even though there were a few issues with others providing him with buoy room on the top mark although he had the advantage. Second place was hotly contested with Dominic Coleman winning the position. Dominic sailed all three races well, and found good air on the windward leg. Sam Street came in a close third. He took an unnecessary penalty when he thought he had been recalled for breaking the start line, and found it difficult in the light airs to regain a higher placing in that race. Cillian Mason came away with a 5th placing which provided FDMC with a strong presence on the podium. What a fantastic finish.

Oliver Clennett needs to be recognized for his second placing in the Secondary Schools' Optimist competition. Oliver sailed against close friend Seton Clarke from NPBHS who won line honours this time. No doubt there will be continued rivalry next time they meet in club competition.

Thank you to Wayne Holdt of Yachting New Zealand, Ann Hatch from the NPYC and TSSSA staff for making this the well organized competition it is. We now gear up for Secondary Schools' 420 Teams Racing with the Lower North Island regatta next month. If there are any students who are keen to give this sport a go, we would welcome new crew for Teams Racing. No experience is necessary apart from enthusiasm and the ability to commit to practices.

Jane Aitken Connolly
Sailing Coordinator

GET-TO-GO

The combined FDMC/ SHGC Adventure Racing teams competed in the Taranaki Get-2-Go challenge. The day involved a series of team challenges involving kayaking, stand up paddle boarding, problem solving, mountain biking and navigation with a rogaie (finding orienteering checkpoints with a map) in the Waiwhakaiho to East End area.

Both our teams performed really well, with a 9th placing for our rookie adventure racers (Amos Pease, Robert Morgan, Josh Goble and Brayden Meuli) and second place (narrowly missing out on a spot at the grand finals) went to Geordie Vink, Heath Wayer, Ollie Gooch and Oscar Hadley.

A huge thanks goes to the parents and seniors who assisted, and the coaches Nick Brown and Brent Simpson.

Matt Lash
HOD PE and Outdoor Education

ADVENTURE RACING



Adventure Racing

Back Row: Gregor Forrest, Thomas Whaley, Joshua Goble
Front Row: Oscar Hadley, Amos Pease, Ollie Gooch, Oliver Clennett

TENNIS



Tennis

Back Row: David Barnard, Kobe Sinclair, Coach Mr Guy Fisher
Front Row: Caleb Fleming, Jackson Sinclair, Jeremy Gopperth

LAWN BOWLS



Lawn Bowls

Back Row: Joseph Crow, Mitchell Pelham, Sam Poles Smith, Cooper Bradley
Front Row: Vincent Ropitini, Alexander West, George Miles, Bryn Lawrence Pacheco, Campbell Lusk, Kai Warburton

INLINE HOCKEY



Inline Hockey

Back Row: Jayden Haslip, Liam Walton
Front Row: Harrison Whiting, Jack Gilmore, Ben West, Lucas Connelly

RUGBY 7'S



Rugby 7's

Back Row: Nathaniel Peters, Scott Jury, Kady Luke, Theo Johnsen, Mr Scott Crocker
Front Row: Josh Hopkins, Denzell Sofeni, Mairenga Laapo, Jacob Kneepkens, Jeremy Gopperth, Ethan Seed, Liam Matthews

MOTOR CROSS



Cross Country Motor Cross

Left - Right: Josh Loveridge, Adam Loveridge, Conor Attrill-Mundt



Motor X

Back Row: Maxwell Crighton, Samuel Megaw, Curtis King
Front Row: Rian King, Benjamin Ekdahl, Cullen Hurley, Damian Titter, John Grayling

YEAR REPORTS

YEAR 7 REPORT

As I passed the school gates I could feel the butterflies in my stomach building up. I didn't know what to expect as I saw all the Year 7's huddled in a group by the Chapel. I was dreading being a Year 7 as I only knew a few people and I didn't go to a Catholic school but I quickly made new friends on the first day.

The year began with the Year 7 camp which was really fun because we got to sleep out in tents with friends. We also got to have a family BBQ and play Spotlight with the seniors. The next day we went to Ngamotu Beach and had a sand castle competition as well as a scrumptious morning tea.

Next up was the Swimming sports, then the Athletics sports. The Swimming Sports was really fun because you had your whole house cheering you on. I did well in swimming sports; I got second in the 50m backstroke and third in the 50m freestyle.

Francis Douglas Memorial College has loads of different activities to do, unlike primary school. I've been involved in Rugby, Basketball and Touch Rugby. Also, the Cross Country was fun because we got to run through the farm and race our friends. One of the cool things about being a Year 7 is that the Intermediate part of the school is on the third floor and we get a really good view out to sea and back to the mountain and ranges.

My favourite subjects are P.E and Social Studies. There are also these things called modules. They are Spanish, Art, Digital Tech, Material Tech, Drama, and Maori. My favourite was Drama. I like P.E because it is really fun and all we do is play games outside and inside for the whole period. But you can't forget Vertical Form. This is where all the different year groups go and bond from the same house. The houses are Solomon, Loreto, La Salle and Benildus.

Other activities are MAD Day and Founder's Day which are both enjoyable. On MAD Day we did a really, really long walk to help fundraise for a school in Pakistan but it was worth it because we got sausages afterwards.

It's hard to believe at the start of the year I was dreading starting Year 7, because now all I can think about is next year! I can't wait!!!

Jack Scott
7B Student

Walking up the hill on my first day my heart was racing. I sprinted up to the Chapel to find a truckload of students waiting to go inside. Trying to find my primary school friends was like walking through a maze with endless walls. At last we walked into the chapel. I was

a bit nervous when I found out my friends were in one class and I was in another. I followed my teacher up the stairs to our class thinking I would have no friends, but making friends was easy.

The Year 7 camp turned out a whole heap better than I was expecting. I thought having a camp at school would be boring but we got amazing food, lots of fun activities and our families were able to come to a huge family barbeque on the first evening.

The FDMC Swimming Sports and Athletics were something you could really look forward to because you were going to face off against your friends in a variety of sports. Everyone in each house would always cheer their house on which made us keep on going even if we were tired. I knew I wasn't too good at swimming but it was really fun. Athletics was my stronger event. I came third in the 400m!

Handball is the main FDMC sport. For interval and lunch times, the main quad and under the Year 7/8 canopy are jam-packed with people playing handball and they are so competitive! FDMC has a lot more opportunities and sports to do and play than primary school. I have been involved in Cricket, Football and the Years 7 and 8 Cross Country team.

In the middle of the year we had MAD day where we raised a whole lot of money for a school in Pakistan. We walked 10 km and at the end we all got sausages. The most amazing thing at FDMC that we don't have in primary school is the glorious tuck shop. There's amazing meal deals and refreshing drinks.

House singing and the Haka competition were really competitive, especially for the Year 13's because they have been at this school for years.

Modules were something that was new for me too because we didn't have them at primary school either. The modules are: Spanish, Art, Music, Maori, Material Technology, Music and Digital Technology. There is also Vertical Form. Vertical Form is where about 20 students from Years 7-13 from your house meet up in one classroom and read the prayer and notices. You get to chill out for about twenty minutes, eat food or even go on your phones and play Kahoot with the teacher.

Overall I love FDMC because it's filled with great opportunities and kindness. For me, coming here was the best decision ever made.

Allan Tom
7B Student

YEAR 7 FAMILIARISATION CAMP

Our new Year 7 students were welcomed warmly into our school by their Big Brothers in Year 13. During their first few weeks, opportunities were provided for them

to get to know each other by having fun together.

The annual 'Year 7 Campout' was held on the field in front of the Technology/ Art block on Thursday 9 February. Families all put the tents up and a great crowd of students and their families stayed on to share a barbeque tea with us. Mr Chamberlain welcomed the new families to FDMC and said Grace, then the feeding of 500 people began!

Later in the evening the parents left and we were treated to the most amazing supper of home baking I think we've ever had on a Year 7 Camp. A huge thank you must go to all the adults who did the baking and those who helped make and serve the barbeque meal, including the school leaders.

After supper the boys enjoyed a game of 'Spotlight' on the field with the Year 13's. They played games with the boys while helping to care for them. Our school leaders were quite exceptional with the Year 7's and we appreciated their input very much. The camp went really well and was a very successful induction to FDMC for our new Year 7 boys.

Jenny Sheriff
Year 7 Dean



YEAR 8 REPORT

Year 8 is a really great year in your school life and there are so many opportunities to seize. The year starts with Swimming Sports followed by Athletics. Everyone gets very competitive during these competitions and really puts in an effort to try and support their own house. House Singing, Haka Competition, Cross Country and House Sports all add a lot of noise, energy and excitement to the school.

Year 8 is so much easier than Year 7 because you know your way around the school, you know your year group and you also know who not to hang out with! A majority of Year 8 students thought that this year would be a lot harder than Year 7 but if I asked them now, I would say that most students would say it is definitely easier and that they can't wait until Year 9.

The Year 8 camp at TOPEC was definitely a major highlight of the year. This took place over two days and one night. It was full of so many laughs, competition and ongoing challenges to step outside our comfort zone.

"It's cold."

"No it's this way."

"3 2 1 pull!"

Cries like these could be heard in all the different activities.

At white water rafting, we learned how to float on our backs and get out of a current and into calm waters. Every time you achieved that, you got a point for your team. Once we learnt how to get out of a current safely, we were stuck into the white water rafts. It was a real challenge to communicate with each other and stay inside the raft! There were lots of laughs when someone accidentally fell out!

At the ropes activity, we had to carry someone on a stretcher that we had built. This was a real challenge in how to work together and carry the stretcher through, over and under the different obstacles. This was a timed activity and a very bumpy ride for the person on the stretcher!

For the map navigation, we had to make a fire which then burnt a rope. Once the rope burnt, a bucket dropped and gave us the next clue which was a map. The map directed us to different points where we had to draw a symbol to prove we had been there.

Year 8 was definitely a blast!

George Bish
Year 8 Student

YEAR 8 CAMPS

The Year 8 boys went to TOPEC in August and had a great time despite the constant rain. They got to go rafting in the chilly water and learned how to make fire under very damp conditions in the bush, amongst

many other things.

A very big thank you to all our staff and parent helpers for making this possible.

Richard Doherty



YEAR 9 CAPE EGMONT FISHING TRIP

Eleven eager Year 10 boys took part in a 3-day fishing camp at Cape Egmont Boating Club on Baily Road during this years' Activity Week. It was organised by Mr Heta Smith and three other staff, Steve Ritchie, Taare Ruakere and Matt Casey came along for the experience too. The boys were fortunate to have 4 boats provided to get out on the water and test their fishing prowess.

On a very hot, sunny Sunday December afternoon we set up camp with tents and a massive caravan generously provided by the Starsmore family. Then it was time for some paua hunting and thanks to an extremely low tide, the boys were able to collect plenty for dinner.

After an early rise, the boats were launched and the boys were on the water fishing in perfect conditions. When the boats came back in for lunch, we counted up an impressive bounty of snapper, gurnard, blue cod and terakihi. Mr Smith and Mr Ritchie then expertly boned and filleted our catch.

After dinner, we had a visit from Phillip "50" Barrett who was the Commodore of the boat club but he is also a volunteer on the Search and Rescue boat that is parked underneath the club house. The boys were impressed with the size of the boat and the range of high-tech gadgets that came with it.

The final morning was again time to be up early for our last fishing expedition. It wasn't as productive as the day before. Everybody seemed to be catching plenty of sharks who liked our bait! A few boys caught some good-sized snapper and blue cod to make it worthwhile. Then it was time for the clean up and to pack up and head home.

We were blessed with three magnificent days of weather and not a single mozzie or sandfly in sight so everyone slept well (despite Mr Ritchie's snoring)!

A massive thanks must go to Mr Smith for organising the whole trip and for providing a boat along with Mr Ritchie. We were also extremely grateful to Mr Dave Cathie and Mr Shaun Ehrhorn for not only providing their boats but for giving up their time to take the boys out on the water each morning.

Last, but not least, we would like to thank the Cape Egmont Boat Club for being so generous in allowing us to use their awesome facilities. The boys had a fantastic time and will fondly remember the whole experience.

Matt Casey

YEAR 9 ACTIVITY DAYS

This year the Staff were encouraged to offer a wider range of end of year activities than have historically been available. Students took advantage of the in-school and out-of-school (some being out of province) experiences on offer.

These included the 'Timber Trail' bike ride, golf, boat fishing and camping at Cape Egmont, the Pouakai Crossing walk, Action-naki, gymnastics at the Waitara Gymnastics Club, an advanced surfing trip to Raglan, a beginners surfing trip to Whangamata, cooking for Years 7 and 8's, cooking for Years 9 and 10's, a sports extravaganza at Hillsborough events centre, a visit to the MacNicol's farm and a day visit to the Pouakai Zoo. Students signed up quickly and places were eagerly filled.

Waitara Gymnastics Club

A group of keen students visited the Waitara Gymnastics Club for activities days. They did stretching, strength conditioning, gymnastics, tumbling, parkour and acrobatics. The boys made good use of the world class facilities that the Waitara Gym offers. Boys learnt how to flip, twist, vault, roll and swing. At the conclusion of the day on Tuesday, they wowed each other with the new tricks that they had learnt. We're looking forward to visiting again!

Christina Hermanns, Anna Langford and Pascale Joines

Whangamata Surf Camp

The crew - Jacob Forsythe, Isaac Jones, Jackson Powell, Jared Sampson, Daniel Prendiville, Caleb Megchelse, Jade O'Neill-Kirchheiner, Mikas O'Neill-Kirchheiner, Thomas Stokes, Cory Neilson.

Leaving New Plymouth on the Friday night we were motivated to make the most of the weekend and the two school days on offer. The boys travelled well, slept soundly and were keen for their first surf lesson on Saturday morning with NZ Surf n Stay coaches Katrina and Julian. Much success was had on Day One so the boys eagerly looked forward to Day Two. In the afternoon we walked up to the Wentworth Valley

swimming hole and the boys bombed and swam in the river. A much needed ice-cream stop was had at Whangamata's equivalent to Iona Dairy on the way home. In the evening they were set to work on the barbecue and relaxed around the pool, and looked at images of the day's workout on the TV monitor.

Sunday morning was a repeat of Saturday. Several of the boys had graduated off the foam boards on to epoxy and hard surfboards, and Mauro and Julian encouraged the boys to try the turtle-roll technique for going under waves. Day Two had improved surf conditions and most of the boys were making better wave selection and getting some good rides on the wave faces. After pool-time, Mrs Connolly challenged the boys to mini-putt, and thankfully won! Opoutere Beach with its beautiful white sands was our next stop. Corey was again set to work on the barbecue on our return, with Jacob being our chief barista on the coffee machine. In the evening it was time to 'bomb' off the Whangamata wharf and swim to the pontoon before resting before the last day of instruction.

On Monday, Jackson had graduated to a hardboard and was feeling a bit anxious. After a quick prayer he was soon 'carving up' the wave faces along with several of the others. Mikas and Jade looked like pro's and there were waves for the picking. Chris, Mauro and Julian could not resist the opportunity either.

After lunch we headed to Hot Water Beach, where the only student with a bee-sting allergy got stung! (Thank you Murphy!) We sat patiently at the lifesaving base and waited for the reaction. The students were wanting to arm the epi-pen but fortunately the patient was lucky. The next stop was Cathedral Cove. The boys flipped and swam before trudging back to the van and Cooks Landing. Unfortunately we couldn't negotiate a concession for the return passenger ferry trip to Whitianga, so we flagged it. It was back to base for another barbecue and a night to chill and look at the day's footage.

Tuesday morning arrived too soon for most. We had booked the boys in to 'pay it forward' and to push a couple of tourists' van 500 metres to the service station at 7.45 am. Bleary eyed the boys achieved this task much to the gratitude of the two women. After this breakfast was eaten, bags packed, and it was time for either the last surf or a free couple of hours in town while Mrs Connolly took the van to get a stone chip repaired and then tidied the house. We had a final visit to Anderson Surfboards and the boys got to see how a board is shaped from a polystyrene blank both electronically and by hand and then glassed, tinted and finished. Thanks to Pete Anderson and Marky for this opportunity.

A massive thank you to CCR for renting us a brand new vehicle (no pressure at all for us to keep it clean), for parents entrusting your fantastic sons to the Connolly's, their dogs and Surf n Stay coaches, and to the boys for

being such an amazing team. Home for a rest!

YEAR 10 REPORT

2017 has been a very successful year for the Year 10 students at FDMC. From service, to culture and sport, we all contributed in one way or another. It was also a very fun and enjoyable year with many fantastic opportunities.

For culture, a few of the Year 10's were involved in music and drama. The 'Fusion' band and 'Jazz' band traveled to Waikato University to perform in the Waikato Music Festival. One student also had the opportunity to perform in the O'Shea Shield Competition. The 'Grease' production was combined with Sacred Heart Girls' College and one of the Year 10 boys, Sam James, got one of the main roles. I'm sure many people enjoyed the performances. Sam did really well and the show was a sellout and loved by the audience.

There were also a lot of academic opportunities to try out, and a lot of new stuff to prepare us for the upcoming senior years. We got to choose our options which gave us an idea of what it will be like next year. We also got to earn our first NCEA credits this year which is a great start for us. We had some very good results coming from our 'Gifted and Talented' Future Problem Solving members with a team coached by the hardworking Mrs Wackrow successfully making it to the American finals next year (Jacob.E, Sam.J, Quinn.S, Gregor.F)

We also had the opportunity to go and try out work experience. Some of us got to choose which jobs we wanted to do for 3 days and some chose to go to the Cooking course and PIHMS, with Ethan Ngatai master chef-ing up in the kitchen (in my opinion). It was a really great experience.

Some of the other Year 10's went down south for a ski trip which was a whole heap of fun! Mr. Crocker even showed off some of his mad driving skills, and with Jack McCormick playing some mean beats in the vans it was definitely an experience to remember. Even though a lot of us hadn't skied before we quickly took to the slopes, with Adam.J and Jackson Cathie flexing their skills on some good powder. All together it was a great week with the boys!

During the year the school did a lot of activities together like Swimming Sports, House Haka and Athletics Day. Dane Hofmans brought the speed to the track and took the win in 100m sprints and of course Loreto House dominated the three other houses.

The annual NPBHS and FDMC sports exchange came around and although we didn't quite catch the win, it was a still a great exchange with some awesome hockey skills from Bailey Collier and a great effort from the U15 A. We unfortunately weren't able to bring the trophy home.

Getting into the year, we were also greeted by Dongguan students from China. This was an amazing cultural experience for both of us and the opportunity arose for Jason Hardy and Jamie MacDonell to help take the boys around the College and to interact with the students from Dongguan. This demonstrated the true College men they are! The boys from Dongguan also showed us a bit of their culture and were kind enough to leave us with some souvenirs such as traditional food recipes, bookmarks and much more. As we still remain in contact with them, it's safe to say some lifelong friends have definitely been made!

This however was not the only opportunity for the boys to demonstrate the true 'College Men' they are... there was also Year 10 service. This year we went out to Everett Park, and also assisted disabled people with horse riding and worked at the Purangi Kiwi Reserve, where we assisted mother nature with some track maintenance. Good old handy man Josh Van Hattum showed us how to saw and aided by Tawanda Zhanje made some professional grade steps which will now line the floor of the National Park forest. Joseph Wills did some quick plumbing tricks and made sure that that the rain was taken care of with a cleverly designed drain running through the forest. With our great efforts throughout the year we definitely made a difference through service.

"We thoroughly enjoyed it" ~ Joseph.
"It was quite nice" ~ Jericho.

With the year coming to an end and exams looming over us, it is safe to say that this year has been a great year, and that our year has some "good College men" in it. Kobe Lucas showed his leadership skills and patience at the Primary Schools' Catholic Sports Day and Liam Mills went beyond the call of duty to save seagulls tangled in the fence: this title has certainly been proven. There were also some great games out on the handball courts, with Jacob Mortensen taking shots faster than anyone could return, and Saki Waicere having some tricks up his sleeve, the game of handball was taken to the next level, not only on the ground but on the roof...with some good connections from Oli Hall, break-time was never a bore! Although there are too many events to summarise, it has certainly been a good year inside and out of the classroom!

Before we finish up some special mentions go to Rahul Rajasingh for successfully getting in the top 1% for the ICAS international Maths exam! Also Max Erks for doing extremely well in his running and placing very high in all his competitions! As previously mentioned a call out to Sam James who also managed to land himself a main role in the Grease production! And to the future-problem - solving and community-solving teams for successfully making it through to the semi-finals, and one team even making it through to the finals, we wish them luck for America next year!

It has been a great year boys and with so many

opportunities coming we hope for another great and successful year just like this one in 2018!

**Adam Johnston, Carlo Carranza,
Anthony Van Hameren, Rahul Rajasingh
and Tom Hutchins
Year 10 Students**

YEAR 11 REPORT

A collection of thoughts from the Year 11's of 2017.

"Year 11 will be a breeze" they said. Well, a small breeze turned into a large tornado and we were all spiralling downwards. Some of us had fallen into the dark hole of not achieveds and resubmissions.

"I did it Miss; I just left it at home," was one of the most commonly used phrases but some of us did try, and those who didn't learnt the truth of the whakatauki, 'tama tu tama ora, tama noho tama mate.'

Our year group is one of positivity, achievement, culture and diversity. The great thing about our year group is that we all get on pretty well.

"FDMC's greatest year group (the Year 11's) has done very well. We have achieved many wonderful things in all aspects of school life. We have even begun to act our age (though no one has the maturity of Simon Kleinsman). Aside from the intimidating tests and examinations, the freedom of classes made the year more enjoyable by far. Teachers say we are the best year group, and they are absolutely right! We are good students, we pay attention (mostly), we do our homework (sometimes), and we listen to the teachers particularly when the lesson comes in the form of a note on a chocolate during our practice exams."

"The constant striving for credits took hold of everyone this year, some finding it easier than others. It was truly heartbreaking to behold the devastation on the faces of those unfortunate souls who had their pristine academic records sullied by disgusting, unwelcome Merit credits. Others however, felt blessed by anything better than Not Achieved. However, it didn't really matter an awful lot if you were a skilled academic; as long as you took Agriculture - passing NCEA was a walk in the park."

"The Year 11's play violent, brutal handball where only the strongest and most strategic players make it to the number one spot. Stars of the handball game include Blane McCook, Faryn George and Jaide Coombes. Bammy (the mighty midget), sent many people running (and many handballs rolled from the arena onto the roof). At times Ethan Turner forgot it is just a game. Liam Copestake, AKA The Cheat, always claimed that someone else has encroached into his square. Speaking of cheats, Diarmaid McCarthy is the biggest cheater around! Whenever he gets out, he complains and makes excuses until we can't bear his

voice anymore and allow a replay."

"The 2016 game between the U15A and the 3rd XV resulted in a 72-0 win to the U15A! It was a different story when the 2017 3rd XV rolled up. In the week beforehand, the excitement and tension in the air was electric. Ethan Turner was collecting bets from teachers. Money was pledged and whispers were rife in the quad! The U15's told us to be worried about J-Lo, Aukmale and Te Rangi but no one was a match for the monstrous, magnificent behemoth that we call Seth Diamond. As the 3rds steamrolled onto the pitch, the U15's waddled out, plainly sick with fear. The war cries rang out fiercely across the barren battleground and the tries came rolling in for the mighty 3rds. Their mana was prevalent as they galloped victoriously off the pitch. The score of 47-7 will go down in the history books."

"Rising NBA star Riley Putt made it big time in Vegas. Jacob Kneepkins signed a multi-million dollar deal with the Paramatta Eels."

"Term 4 brought the biggest contest of the year between the Year 11 PE classes. Mr Rowland's class (the class stacked with stars), dominated in a series of Grid Iron games and finished on top."

"Another great contest has been the stubbiest man contest. Coming in at a sneaky third place because of his huge, muscular calves is Cameron Vanner. In a stubby second place is James Lovegrove. But the award for the stubbiest man goes to the stubbster himself, Josh Loveridge. Speaking of short people, the biggest heart to height ratio goes to Daniel Ford."

"Inspired by Mr V, many of our Year 11's have developed a love of bee keeping. We now run four hives in groups of 4-6. The beekeepers' rivalry between Borsty and Tom Le Fleming was intense. Tom took it out by creating the best queen cells while Borst was in the gym getting buff!"

"The Brain Bee team of Vince Ropitini, Finlay McGrath and William Hadley represented the College with pride and success. William Hadley excelled at the Science Fair."

"Xavier Kere-Rako - geez what a good College man! He is the definition of the quiet achiever, representing the school in sport, culture and academia!"

"Hairiest Year 11's - Sam Johnston, Blane McCook, Mairenga Laapo."

"The Good College Man - Year 11 - nominees - Mason Jones, Colin Campbell, Corban Dravitiski."

"Most likely to whine about an injury - Josh Loveridge, Liam Copestake, Connor Mitchell."

Miscellany of Year 11 student comments

YEAR 12 REPORT

The 2017 year started off with House Swimming sports and Athletics' day. On both occasions we were treated to clear skies and beaming sunshine, something that proved to be a rare commodity with this years 'naki weather.

To everyone's surprise, Loreto took out swimming, which was a great success for the new Loreto house captain Joe Bernet and will set the expectations high for our new Loreto captain, Rory Maxwell. No pressure Rory! Solomon pulled back for Athletics however, and took the win.

Throughout the year the weather may have been dismal but thanks to FDMC's superb teachers, comedians like Mr Neeson never let morale down. His jokes were as severely missed as his regular homework by his two Year 12 mathematics classes when he was away.

2017 saw the rise of two clans, The Zoo and The Cliff. Tension grew between the two groups and eventually a turf war erupted. Various fruit flew between the two groups. The Cliff were missing their star Bailey "MC B.K." Kuklinski who was busy in Auckland brightening others days by giving out roses, but The Cliff still held strong. Ironically as a result of this, the two groups spent the next two weeks working together picking up fruit and other rubbish.

The Year 12 Accounting class had a very successful year. A modified version of a swear jar was implemented with a 10 cent fee and between the 7 students, they raised a total of \$120 to spend on KFC. One lucky boarder was able to sneak his way into the shared lunch, avoiding hostel food for the day. James Bachelor said the day was worth "50 grand." It shows how far "10 cents" can get you.

Louis Litt from the Netflix series "Suits" came to visit late in the year. Oh, wait no! That was just his doppelgänger, Tomi Karasawa, who along with Bailey Kuklinski, shaved their heads for charity. Good on you lads.

Leadership was an aspect of school-life many of the Year 12's aspired to. The candidates' communication, team-work and wits were put to the test by Mr Stuck and Mr Lash. We were given tasks such as filling a bucket riddled with holes, as much as possible, and linking a series of images through communication only. From these tasks the leadership candidates were short-listed for interviews. Daniel Kibby must've nailed his interview as he bagged 'Headboy'! Congratulations Kibby and all other leadership recipients!

**Teagan Wilson
Year 12**

YEAR 13 REPORT

Writing this report is exactly what I want to be doing just before exams. Procrastination is something we all know

and love. The excitement of leaving an assignment to the last minute, the thrill of the realisation that it's due tomorrow. The amazing ability to work so consistently and quickly for a single night is what we as a year group seem to live for.

As a part of the 'worst year group' to come through the College we can only imagine what it would be like to be one of the best year groups! Perhaps that's not a bad thing, at least we still have a lot to learn: life isn't going to be boring after exams are finished.

Sport

This year again saw FDMC students punch above their weight in various sports. There were several outstanding individual performances including swimmer Zac Reid gaining two gold medals at the Youth Commonwealth Games, Matthew O'Connell attending an NBA Camp in China and Felix Webby winning the U21 Golf Croquet world title. In addition to this our elite sports teams also performed admirably. Most notably was the 1st XI Football team who made history by being the first College team to qualify in the Top 16 for nationals. Thomas Hadley set the Taranaki mountain speed record for the Four Peaks Challenge.

Special Character

Our journey through the College has been a formation of character into good 'College men', living under the words on our crest - "Christo Duce", with Christ as our leader.

Character, yes, but what sets us apart to be so unique in our 'special character'? Our Lasallian values of faith, service and community which we try to live by in our years at the College, form our special character.

The community we talk about is nothing less than the bond of brotherhood formed from years of competitive handball and the shared (traumatising) experiences of high school. Service to aid others is always encouraged be it 'sweeping the sheds' or picking up rubbish when assigned a lunchtime detention.

Lastly - Faith. Any other school could replicate these first two values (although not nearly as well) but faith is what sets us apart and separates us from schools such as NPBHS. The acknowledgement that we live in the presence of something greater than ourselves when we say "Let us remember that we are always in the holy presence of God" and the recognition that all persons deserve respect because they are MIGI (made in God's image - thanks Mr Costello). These are small parts of the value of faith that we have learnt and hopefully taken to heart in our time at the College.

Academics

Throughout our time at the College there has been a very wide range of academic abilities within our cohort. In Levels One and Two, our year group attained a total of 9 Premier Academic Excellence Colours and 18 Academic Excellence awards. We also have some of the highest achieving students to pass

through the College in our year group: "You four are the brightest group of boys the school has seen in my years here." Felix Webby achieved the highest number of excellence credits anyone in the College has gained to date in NCEA Levels One and Two with 160 and 150 respectively. These incredible achievements are testament to hard work and the willingness to learn shown by the 'creme de la creme' of the College.

Culture

Always the cultural core of the College, Year 13 was back at it once again for our final curtain call. With only one opportunity left to shine, we gave it our all, producing some of the greatest performances the College has seen in years under the leadership of Cultural Captain, Thomas Hadley.

First up on the cultural calendar was O'Shea Shield. This speech and drama oriented competition is contested annually by the Catholic Colleges of the Palmerston North and Wellington diocese. The College achieved its first ever Religious Questions victory under Mrs O'Neill's guidance.

Francis Douglas and Sacred Heart teamed up to stage the traditionally biennial production, taking on the famous musical, Grease. Year 13 once again dominated the cast with the lead role of Danny in the hands of veteran actors Callum Milner and Bailey McLeod, backed up by the Year 13 T-Birds - Caylem Cook, Ethan Dombroski, Finlay Morris, Bayley Thompson, Jahmaeys Manu, and Shyon Noble.

Further dramatic success was to be had in the Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Competition. Year 13 actors Felix Webby, Dawson Webber, and Thomas Hadley took leading roles in their adaptation of 'The Merchant of Venice'. Thomas was judged the best solo actor on the day and was selected from a wide national pool of actors to perform at the Globe Theatre in England in 2019.

No Year 13 report would be complete without making mention of our musicians. Daniel Chow has for the second time in a row won the title of Junior Euphonium Champion of New Zealand at the Brass Band Competitions as well as gaining a victory in the Central Districts U19 categories, impressing adjudicator Christopher Luke with his effortless technical proficiency and musicality.

Our Cultural Captain Thomas Hadley once again demonstrated his formidable skill on the flute, featuring as a soloist with the Taranaki Symphony Orchestra, winning his classes in the New Plymouth Performing Arts Competitions and placing second in the prestigious Young Musician of the Year Competition. The College's long serving pianist, David Codd, shone this year on his instrument taking out first place in all the New Plymouth Performing Arts Competitions solo piano classes, the title of Taranaki Young Musician of the Year, and succeeding Dominic Jacquemard as the

winner of the prestigious Muriel May Scholarship and gaining the \$10,000.00 scholarship which will help with his studies at Victoria University's School of Music in 2018.

Conclusion

While we may have started off as the "Worst year group to come through the College", I would like to think that we did not finish in this vein.

With so many world class athletes and performers, we have stamped our mark not only on the College but on the world stage. We have truly shown the world what it means to be a good College man. Behind every one of us however, is the support of our family, teachers and peers.

As always, we must thank our families who have been constantly supporting and encouraging us throughout our College lives. Without them, it would have been impossible for us achieve what we have. Teachers on the other hand come and go. However there is always the constant desire within the teaching community at the College to do what is best for the student. This is something that I really admire. We are definitely not angels often (if at all) and yet every day brings a clean slate. This is truly amazing and has encouraged the learning and character of all students.

Finally I want to mention the brotherhood of our year group. I am sure that during the next stage of my life I will meet a number of my fellow leavers: each one I will know and recognise. This is something that is very special about our school. I arrived in Year 9 knowing only one other boy, I am leaving now with more friends and brothers than I can count.

Thomas Morgan
Year 13 Student

YEAR 13 LEADERS' TRIP

The Year 13 Leaders went on a three day team building trip to Rotorua/Turangi. The purpose of the trip was to encourage teamwork and goal setting for the remainder of this year, in particular around fundraising for this year's charity - the Taranaki Retreat Centre.

The students were challenged to perform as a group when tackling the mighty Kaituna River - the highest commercially rafted river in NZ! Only one of our three rafts managed to stay upright on the drop. Needless to say the river was pretty chilly!

Next up was staying upright on mountain bikes in Rotorua's Redwoods mountain bike park. Most managed to navigate their way successfully around the tracks, with only Shamus getting up close and personal with a blackberry bush!

The next day the groups were put through their paces at the Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre in freezing

temperatures. The students had to dig deep and work effectively as a team to overcome challenges on the High Rope course and a range of initiative activities.

All in all this was a successful trip and highlighted the quality, leadership and depth of character that we have in these fine young College men.

Matt Lash
HOD PE & Outdoor Education





Classes of 2017 - Year 7

- Back Row:** John Cerda, Luke Davey, Dougie Jones, Allan Tom, Charlie Probyn, Matthew King
- 6th Row:** Samuel Taylor, Harry Churchill, Fynn Collier, Tay Burkett, Harry Martin, Liam Thompson, Zak Johnson, Justin So, Kayden Parkes, Stanley Simpson, Reuben Waayer, Harry Wood, Joshua Fleming
- 5th Row:** Louis Buffoni, Deakin Cawley, Taane-te-aio Cameron, Corbyn Jensen, Cory Butters, Kaed Smithson, Coby Maxwell, Mason Scott, Mitchell Turner, Luca Heyen, Reuben Chan, Louis Tyrrell, George Bish, Dakota Rosser
- 5th Row:** Daniel McNeice, Jack Sullivan-Ussher, Ryan Johnson, Tyler Hoeta, Connor McLean, Cannon Patten, Jaden Allen, Reuben Woodhead, John Icaro, Cole Smither-Pitcher, Sam Corlett, Cullann Read, Jack Southern, Kayde Whitmore, Joe Douglas
- 4th Row:** Oliver Roberts, Ezra Van Lith, Maaka Normanton, Kade Mockett, Aston Hughes, Te Painga Hotere, Cian Ammundsen, Jack Gilmour, Cooper Goodeve, Rico Robins, Jax Morgan, Koen Breman, Jake Maclean, Justin Burnard, Joseph Green
- 3rd Row:** Dylan Roylance, Cohen McGrory, Rian King, Charlie Reddish, Jack Kelsen, Ariki Pullen, Ethan Wells, Noah Richards, Gabriel Gerente, Zahn McCandlish, Hayden Boyd, Martin Glen, Ryan Jury, Jack Scott
- 2nd Row:** Liam Caskey, Benjamin Diplock, Charlie Johnson, Taiora Cameron, Will Julian, Arlin Whitehead, Damian Titter, Andre Cronin-Nwofor, Caius Owen, Benjamin Isaac, Quintin Sofeni, Ashton Dobson, Clayton Williams, Jack Parker Leef, Zac Stoltz, Ms Jennifer Sheriff (Dean)
- Front Row:** Harrison Whiting, Jacob Butler, Blake Dowd, Joel Gordon, Cian Scannell, Cohen Forster, McKay Moore, Lukas Moore, Jordan Law, Ethan Davis, Jeremy Carter, Ethan Doell, Albie Francis-Alles, Logan Morgan, Lucas Connelly, Antonio Tutemahurangi
- Absent:** Kahu Capper



Classes of 2017 - Year 8

- Back Row:** Joel Van Beers, Dakota Rosser, Elijah Blundell, Mason Scott, Oscar Ekdahl, Taane-te-aio Cameron, Louis Buffoni, Cory Butters, Tate Petersen, Christian Hurlstone
- 5th Row:** Jackson Corlett, William Hodge, Daniel Whitaker, Kaed Smithson, Corbyn Jensen, Mitchell Turner, Kieran Cummings, Coby Maxwell, Reuben Chan, Liam Ellerton-Kelly, Zach Bradford, Hendrix Leigh, Oliver Cayley, Ciaran Adams, Korbin Soffe, Dauntae Langton
- 4th Row:** Kevin Wu, Soane Filo, Sam Waicere, Carl Neilson, Lenny Chapman, Luka Marinovich, Gabriel Herlihy, Caleb Fergusson, Josh Cameron, Wyatt Pattison, Maz Wright, Nathan Theron, Ben Hardiman, Jack Feaver, Luca Heyen
- 3rd Row:** Taidhg Hosking, Thomas Larkin, Sean Fleming, Jacob Brightwell, Jack Goodeve, Matthew Gordon, Xavier Sofeni, McCarthy Ruakere Bennett, Neko McDonald, Zak Mockett, Anthony Young, Noah Campbell, Daniel Hunt-Hill, Jay Newton, Adam Tilt, Mr Ronie Asi (Dean)
- 2nd Row:** Kaiyn McDonald, Trey Smillie-Mattock, Julyan Balicao, Daniel Blackman, Cade Stevenson, Ethan Geater, Alex McNamara, Fletcher Smith, Wilson Clegg, Noah Lash, Timothy Kowalewski, Blaze Tutemahurangi, Nathaniel Lagera, Benjamin Hooker, Lucas Sowman
- Front Row:** Quinn Thompson, Samuel Lewis, Felix Van Hattum, Hamish Gibson, Louis Tyrrell, Thomas Watson, Conor Eager, Jacob Hitchcock, Keegan Boon, Cooper Werder, Caleb James, Cameron Witts, Kieran Sellwood, Daniel Roberts, Jessadha van Hameren, George Bish
- Absent:** Leo Taylor, Ethan Lobb, Deakin Cawley, Maui Wano



Classes of 2017 - Year 9

- Back Row:** Jackson Thomas, Tai Sadler, Amos Pease, Jack Griffiths, Sidney Julian, Ethan Coward, Jade O'Neill-Kirchheiner, Aaron Manning-Fleming, Kaelan Beck, Ethan Costello, Robert Ropitini, Isaac Jones, Ben Erkes, John Grayling, Jack Ford
- 7th Row:** John Pat O'Mahony, Mitchell Hopkirk, Joshua Kuriger, Alexander Wells, Marshall Duffield, Logan Mitchell, Kale Jordan, Daniel Prendiville, Chase Kretschmar, Johnathan van der Walt, Jack Cleland, Koby Gavin, Ollie Gooch, Josh Goble, Jackson Powell, Kyle Woodhead, Nathan Robertson
- 6th Row:** Ethan Koning, Bradley Smith, Robert Moodie, Kobe Allen-Raven, Robert Morgan, Cameron Dagg, Jerome Kumar, Brayden Meuli, Jordan Wells, Joshua Elder, Louis Baldock, Sam Godfrey, Kevin van Loo, Harvey George, Josiah Gillespie, Michael Fu
- 5th Row:** Brooklyn Hill, Dylan Bint, Geoffroy Amory, Daimen Lightoller, Corban Oakes, Luke Crowley, Rhys Price, Adam Loveridge, Blake Christie, Ben Hughes, Max McLeod, Cullen Hurley, Thomas Stokes, Marcus Lupton, Heath Waayer
- 4th Row:** Aiden Bocock, Sreeram Murugaiyen, Fabian Te Huna-Matuku, Mason Emmett, Joshua Read, Kade Saxton, Laikin Collins, Liam Ward, Bryn Davison, Flynn Barrett, Tyler Griggs, Germaine Grewal, Isaac Doell, Ezekiel Hunt, Ignatius Sofeni-Williams, Oliver Edquila
- 3rd Row:** Te Rangi-Matoha Cameron, Liam Hooper, Joshua Keech, Aidyn Wright, Mathew Linton, Ethan Adams, Curtis Naughton, Johnny Ryburn, Jayden Carroll, Jacob Forsyth, Michael Fearnley, Jared Sampson, Jacob O'Connor, Caleb Megchelse, Jayden Ruakere, Nathan Sharrock, Mr James Rowland (Dean)
- 2nd Row:** Jack Fogarty, Oscar Hadley, Cade Thompson, Matthew Britz, Jack Coombe, Mason Taunt, Connor Parsons, Caleb Clark, Morgan Mills, Jack Meads, Jake Linders, Riley McDonald, Austin Borst, Alistair Glennie, Alfie Whitham, Cole Limmer, Manson Hoeta, Brooklyn Fernee
- Front Row:** Michael Duncan, Ezekiel Dizon, Gareth Duffy, Cullen Luckin, Joseph Snowden, Louis Newton, George Newton, Jimmy Moffitt, Mikas O'Neill-Kirchheiner, Xavier Leigh, Conor Ebert, Cooper Ritai, Harry Clegg, Riley Fowler, Jamie Horgan, Mehul Killa, Max Dowd
- Absent:** Dylan Evaristo





Classes of 2017 - Year 10

- Back Row:** Kobe Lucas, Aidan Lovell, Izeka Carmichael, Jacob Clement, Jacob Mortensen, Matthew Hoogetboom, Conor Attrill-Mundt, Jacob Fletcher, Cory Neilson, Henry Parker, Rahul Rajasingh, Bailey Collier, Luke Weston, Oliver Hall, Adam Johnston
- 7th Row:** Ben Price, Nathan Tilt, Anthony Van Hameren, Andrew Jane, Cleve Miller, Sebastian Reade-Swan, Xavier Keegan, Mathew Gower, Tane Humphrey, Hamish McKie, Blake Crawford, Jordan Adams, Alex Paterson, Isaiah Kirifi, Carlo Carranza
- 6th Row:** Jackson Whitmore, Seamus Walsh, Jordan Vertongen, Tanishq Badoni, Bryn Raine, Hamish Cummings, Ethan Bouterey, Max Foreman, Curtis King, Louis Keig, Pierce Grant, Jason Hardy, Elias Mataitini, Kiah Croy, Cody Campbell
- 5th Row:** Jacob Whittle, Tyler Andersen, Jamie MacDonald, Wyatt Jones, Jakob Erb, Connor Ford, Roy Avery, Jack Miller, Prezley Murfitt, Jack McCormick, Aidan Tarr, Corban Mau, Ryan Manukonga-John, Samuel Partridge, Jayden Thomas, Jacob Hooker
- 4th Row:** William Franklyn, Liam Mills, Caleb Hammersley, Max Erkes, Lachlan Woodhead, Vincent Bolton, Lucas Adams, J J Rothman, Manaro Ruakere-Bennett, Nico Sinclair, Lachlan Fleming, Samuel Hudson, Joshua Titter, Samuel Starsmore, Morgan Pollard
- 3rd Row:** Gregor Forrest, Joseph Wills, Connor Cook, Travis Iremonger, Ethan Ngatai, Joshua Van Hattum, Jacob Bamber, Deegan D'Ath, Riley Lawn-Cliffe, Brodin Ruakere-Hau, Oliver Wright, Tom Hutchins, Thomas Whaley, Oscar Taylor, Mrs Estelle Meyer (Dean)
- 2nd Row:** Cameron Uhlenberg, Oliver Clennett, Jacob Judd, Jacob Marshall, Dane Hofmans, Brooklyn Vincent, Keller Biesiek, Toby Morton, Tawanda Zhanje, Benjamin Ekdahl, Quinn Sculler, Samuel James, Masen Ehrhorn, Jackson Cathie, Jacob Donlon, Oliver Silk, Qbre Van Blerk
- Front Row:** Reece Bungay, Fraser Copeman, Jack Allemann, Jordan Varga, Alexander Gilling, Koby Ryan, Will Johnsen, Saki Waicere, Josh Cook, Olly Spicer, Onno Dessing, George Boon, Caleb Lawn, Jericho Henry, Corban Church, Joel Williams
- Absent:** Geordie Vink, Marino Rennie, Will Zhang, Max McFetridge, Blake Mitchell, Myles Bines, Denzell Sofeni, Fenni Sofeni



Classes of 2017 - Year 11

- Back Row:** Andrew Paynter, Liam Matthews, Jeremy Gopperth, Ben Koch, Cole Soffe, Joshua Corrigan, Lewis Liu, Darrell Smith, Luke Parkinson, Shinuk Park, Harry Koch, Jamie Kestle
- 7th Row:** Reece Skvor, Blake Carr, Diarmaid McCarthy, Reuben Brown, Liam Copestake, Patrick Butler, Logan Sulzberger, Corbyn Sole, Logan Holdsworth, Braeden Schultz, Blade Chadwick, Colin Campbell, Tyler Godfrey, Elijah Wilson, Nicholas Dodds
- 6th Row:** Nicholas Westraad, Joshua Hopkins, Method Te Huia, George Goodwin, Olivier Stewart, Boen Bracegirdle, Corey Skvor, Victor Broome, Aden McBreen, Maxwell Crighton, Charlie Waite, Isaac Howell, Campbell Lusk, Tomas Borsje, Riley Habib, Cameron Liggett, Lachlan Rhodes
- 5th Row:** Cameron Shearman, Nicholas Codd, Mairenga Laapo, Ethan Borst, Ethan McLeod, Bryn Kearton, Theo Johnsen, Matthew Picard, Blaque Macleod, Liam Walton, Tyrone Mullin, Harry Foreman, Ethan Seed, Troy Ryan, Jaide Coombes, Ambrose Moriarty
- 4th Row:** Blane McCook, Jack Krutz, Caleb Fleming, Cillian Mason, Rohan Thomas, Riley Blair, Declan Barrett, Jayden Haslip, Joshua Orr, Keegan Steere, Tom le Fleming, Henri Lehrke, Xavier Kere-Rako, Jaiden Lord, Alec Kozenof, Kobe Sinclair, Bertrand Amory
- 3rd Row:** Bradley Lichtwark, Ethan Langton, Jacob Campbell, Samuel Johnson, Scott Jury, Abraham Mataitini, Riley Putt, Riley Davison, Logan Brophy, Jadeim McGrory, Kady Luke, Jacob Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Blair Adams, Samuel Barbour, Michael Theron, Tahanga MacLeod, Simon Kleinsman, Jade Luke-Hurley, Ms Kathryn Curd (Dean)
- 2nd Row:** Daniel Ford, Konrad Ward, Kian Greenhead, Cameron Vanner, Kris Joyce, Joshua Loveridge, Taylor Potroz, James Lovegrove, Corbin Merwood, Corban Dravitzki, Finn Morris, Amedeo Ventresca, Simon Henderson, Lachlan Greensill, Mason Jones, Aedan McQuoid, William Hadley, Aidan Law, Finlay McGrath
- Front Row:** Lucas Sarten, Faryn George, Jeremy Johnston, Jay Sybrandy, Jeremy Fernandez, Matthew Sisarich, Ethan Turner, Vince Ropitini, Jonty Hughes, George Kerr, Oisin Ammundsen, Toby Din, Kaden Adamson, Thomas Bestall, Soichiro Tsujimoto, Samuel Sutton, McGregor Smith, Sonnie Harewood
- Absent:** Liam McSweeney, Rikki Sofeni, Connor Mitchell



Classes of 2017 - Year 12

- Back Row:** Jack Hofstee, Danyon Hodges, Manuel Dessing, Tyler Te Huna-Matuku, Francisco Medeiros, Dylan Bines, Jesse Gudopp, Jackson Hiestand, Malici Moore, Pongpat Murin
- 6th Row:** Zach Lamb, Phoenix Geater, Taite Gaskell, Jacob Crawford, Daniel Van Lith, Jonah Sellwood, Brayden Herbert, Samuel Megaw, Fletcher Burnett, Ben Leary, Lorenzo Taylor, Vinnie Bestall, Callum Nickson, Criostoir O'Mahony, Jack Blackman
- 5th Row:** Michael Back, Bailey Kuklinski, Tim Evans, Brodie Calder, Jesse Vertongen, Ben Limmer, Ben Bradley, Tom Conway, Titan Cook, Andrew Kere-Rako, Jacob Farrant, Jayden Smith, Bradley Van Beers, Jacan McDonald, Cavaghn Prosser
- 4th Row:** Nikolai Murray, Timothy Horgan, Christopher Bryan, Matthew Meuli, Benjamin Smith, Seth Diamond, Dylan Iremonger, Corbin Richardson, Jakob Neilson, Joshua Vanner, Jonathan Austin, Nathaniel Peters, Finn Hosking, Teagan Wilson, Ren Shimada
- 3rd Row:** Callum Richards-Meier, Liam James, Javaahn Taumoepeau, Rory Maxwell, Jack Spicer, Jordan Roylance, Joel Heyen, Shay Smith-Luond, Keegan Wright, Joshua Morris, Corban Jones, Luke Hughes, Matt Irvine, Caleb Ludlow
- 2nd Row:** Ben Fitzgibbon, Daniel Tofts, Ben West, Aidyn Kettle, Bailey Carter, Fergus Conley, Dominic Coleman, Ollie O'Connor, Matt Allen, Michael McNamara, Tyler Webber, Ethan Webber, Jordan Gray, George Fleming, Jaron Coombe, Mrs Ruth Marris (Dean)
- Front Row:** Keanu O'Brien, Jordan Mills, James Batchelor, Pacey Murray, Ollie Lovell, Cameron Taurerewa, David Barnard, Daniel Kibby, Ryan Dombroski, Jarod Brophy, Benjamin Silk, Mathew Weston, Kasey Corbett, Quinn McKenzie, Conall Fisher, Christian Fletcher
- Absent:** Liam Turner, Callum Grayling, Kyle Fleming, Devin Carruthers, Levi Bunn, Sam Street, Finn Shaw, Connor Johnson, Cameron McDonald, Joshua McLeod, Jack Potroz, Harry Newman





Classes of 2017 - Year 13

- Back Row:** Dylan Calder, Bodie Butler, Robson Chapman, Finlay Morris, Jordan Dunn, Ethan Diamond, Alexander Best, Bryn Lawrence Pacheco, Finbar Moriarty, Yutaka Kunizaki, Jack Hutchins, Dylan Simpson, Lachlan Jones
- 5th Row:** Aleksandar Timarac, Liam Scott, Mitchell Tregoweth, Mitchel Walker, Bailey Wensor, Thomas Morgan, Joseph Crowe, Shyon Noble, Ben Johns, Rhys Taplin, Lachie Landreth, Danial Gallo, Jarrod Walsh, Liam Thomson, Corben Le Breton
- 4th Row:** Baylee MacLeod, James Hall, Corban Garner, Kyle De Guzman, Callum Milner, Campbell Grayling, Jackson Sinclair, Cooper Bradley, Chris Headey, Mason Porteous, Sean Mosquera, Samuel Garcia, Bailey Thompson, Callum Butler, Wiremu O'Sullivan
- 3rd Row:** Lewis Ritai, Caleb Schuler, Xander Campbell, Jahmaey's Manu, Samuel Riordan, Brad Saxton, Sam Poles Smith, Oisin Quinn, Sam Lock, Mitchell Pelham, Josh Cathie, Patrick Back, Jonathan Dwyer, Te Maia Tamati-King, Caylem Cook
- 2nd Row:** James Avey, Philip Kuriger, Max Keig, Kai Warburton, Steven Townes, Alex Lightbody, Isaac Brown, Joshua Hamer, Jonathon Brosnahan, Kaylim Zimmerman, Koichi Sei, Ethan Dombroski, Justin Walsiyen, Caelan Church, Gerard Kuriger, Aaron Win
- Front Row:** Joseph Bernet, Thomas Hadley, George Miles, Felix Webby, Keegan Lindsay, Zac Reid, Mr Martin Chamberlain (Principal), Daniel Chow, Matthew O'Connell, Dawson Webber, Mrs Pascale Joines (Dean), David Codd, Samuel Johnson, Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, Cobi McCook, Benjamin Zeylemaker, Shamus Hurley-Langton
- Absent:** Taegan Harvey, Jack Newell, Chris Balsom, Tobias Stark



College Leaders 2017

- Back Row:** Keegan Lindsay, Felix Webby, Samuel Johnson
- Middle Row:** Mr Tim Stuck (Deputy Principal), Shamus Hurley-Langton, Isaac Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens, David Codd, Zac Reid, Cobi McCook, Mr Martin Chamberlain (Principal)
- Front Row:** Thomas Hadley, Benjamin Zeylemaker, Dawson Webber, Matthew O'Connell, Daniel Chow, Joseph Bernet, George Miles



College Leaders 2018

- Back Row:** Bailey Kuklinski (Prefect), Tomi Karasawa (Prefect), Joshua Morris (Prefect), Teagan Wilson (Prefect)
- Middle Row:** Nathaniel Peters (Benildus Captain), Jacob Crawford (La Salle Captain), Rory Maxwell (Loreto Captain), David Barnard (Solomon Captain), Dominic Coleman (Lasallian Captain)
- Front Row:** Titan Cook (Cultural Captain), Luke Hughes (Sports Captain), James Batchelor (Deputy Head Boarder), Jayden Smith (Head Boarder), Ben Leary (Deputy Head Boy), Daniel Kibby (Head Boy)

Last Name	First Name	Yr Level	House	Last Name	First Name	Yr Level	House	Last Name	First Name	Yr Level	House	Last Name	First Name	Yr Level	House
Johnson	Connor	12	B4	Lovegrove	James	11	LS8	Moriarty	Ambrose	11	B2	Roberts	Oliver	7	LS2
Johnson	Samuel	11	B8	Lovell	Aidan	10	LS6	Moriarty	Finbar	13	B3	Robertson	Nathan	9	S2
Johnson	Samuel	13	B6	Lovell	Ollie	12	LS2	Morris	Finn	11	B8	Robins	Rico	7	S2
Johnson	Zak	7	B2	Loveridge	Adam	9	L3	Morris	Joshua	12	B6	Ropitini	Robert	9	L1
Johnston	Adam	10	LS5	Loveridge	Joshua	11	L4	Mortensen	Jacob	10	B8	Ropitini	Vince	11	L8
Johnston	Jeremy	11	LS7	Lucas	Kobe	10	S7	Morton	Toby	10	LS1	Rosser	Dakota	8	L7
Jones	Corban	12	L1	Luckin	Cullen	9	S6	Mosquera	Sean	13	S7	Rothman	J J	10	L8
Jones	Dougie	7	B3	Ludlow	Caleb	12	B8	Mullin	Tyrone	11	L8	Roylance	Dylan	7	LS7
Jones	Isaac	9	L1	Luke-Hurley	Jade	11	L5	Murfitt	Prezley	10	LS2	Roylance	Jordan	12	LS4
Jones	Lachlan	13	L6	Luke	Kadyn	11	L4	Pongpat	Pongpat	12	L5	Ruakere Bennett	McCarthy	8	L8
Jones	Mason	11	B7	Lupton	Marcus	9	LS2	Murray	Nikolai	12	B6	Ruakere-Hau	Brodin	10	LS1
Jones	Wyatt	10	L5	Lusk	Campbell	11	B6	Murray	Pacey	12	B6	Ruakere	Jayden	9	L8
Jordan	Kale	9	S4	MacDonell	Jamie	10	LS7	Murugaiyen	Sreeram	9	S7	Ryan	Koby	10	LS4
Joyce	Kris	11	LS7	Maclean	Jake	7	LS3	Naughton	Curtis	9	B2	Ryan	Troy	11	L6
Judd	Jacob	10	S4	Macleod	Blaque	11	B7	Neilson	Carl	8	LS8	Ryburn	Johnny	9	LS6
Julian	Sidney	9	LS3	MacLeod	Tahanga	11	L7	Neilson	Cory	10	LS8	Sadler	Tai	9	B2
Julian	Will	7	LS1	Manning-Fleming	Aaron	9	S7	Neilson	Jakob	12	LS7	Sampson	Jared	9	L2
Jury	Ryan	7	B3	Manukonga-John	Ryan	10	S6	Newell	Jack	13	LS3	Sarten	Lucas	11	L7
Jury	Scott	11	S4	Marinovich	Luka	8	LS7	Newman	Harry	12	L7	Saxton	Kade	9	LS4
Karasawa	Izaak	13	Enrol	Marshall	Jacob	10	B8	Newton	George	9	LS8	Scannell	Cian	7	L4
Karasawa	Tomi	12	B4	Martin	Harry	7	L6	Newton	Jay	8	LS1	Schultz	Braeden	11	S8
Kearton	Bryn	11	LS5	Mason	Cillian	11	B7	Newton	Louis	9	LS1	Scott	Jack	7	S4
Keech	Joshua	9	LS1	Mataitini	Abraham	11	B2	Ngatai	Ethan	10	B7	Scott	Mason	8	LS2
Keegan	Xavier	10	S6	Mataitini	Elias	10	B1	Normanton	Maaka	7	L1	Scouller	Quinn	10	LS2
Keig	Louis	10	S5	Matthews	Liam	11	S7	O'Brien	Keanu	12	L7	Seed	Ethan	11	S8
Kelsen	Jack	7	LS2	Mau	Corban	10	S8	O'Connell	Matthew	13	S6	Sei	Koichi	13	B2
Kere-Rako	Andrew	12	L5	Maxwell	Coby	8	L4	O'Connor	Jacob	9	S8	Sellwood	Jonah	12	B4
Kere-Rako	Xavier	11	L1	Maxwell	Rory	12	L6	O'Connor	Ollie	12	S7	Sellwood	Kieran	8	B5
Kerr	George	11	LS8	McBreen	Aden	11	S7	O'Mahony	Criostoir	12	S6	Sharrock	Nathan	9	B5
Kestle	Jamie	11	B4	McCandlish	Zahn	7	L2	O'Mahony	John Pat	9	S1	Shaw	Finn	12	S2
Kettle	Aidyn	12	LS5	McCarthy	Diarmaid	11	LS7	O'Neill-Kirchheiner	Jade	9	S2	Shearman	Cameron	11	B6
Kibby	Daniel	12	L8	McCook	Blane	11	L7	O'Neill-Kirchheiner	Mikas	9	S3	Silk	Benjamin	12	L8
Killa	Mehul	9	S3	McCook	Cobi	13	L4	O'Sullivan	Wiremu	13	B5	Silk	Oliver	10	L7
King	Curtis	10	L6	McCormick	Jack	10	LS7	Oakes	Corban	9	S1	Simpson	Stanley	7	B2
King	Matthew	7	L5	McDonald	Cameron	12	L6	Orr	Joshua	11	B8	Sinclair	Jackson	13	S2
King	Rian	7	L3	McDonald	Jacan	12	S5	Owen	Caius	7	LS6	Sinclair	Kobe	11	S6
Kirifi	Isaiah	10	LS6	McDonald	Kaiyn	8	L5	Park	Shinuk	11	B7	Sinclair	Nico	10	S1
Kleinsman	Simon	11	B5	McDonald	Neko	8	S8	Parker Leef	Jack	7	L2	Sisarich	Matthew	11	B6
Koch	Ben	11	B5	McDonald	Riley	9	L4	Parker	Henry	10	L8	Skvor	Corey	11	LS4
Koch	Harry	11	B6	McFetridge	Max	10	S6	Parkes	Kayden	7	LS6	Skvor	Reece	11	LS3
Koning	Ethan	9	B8	McGrath	Finlay	11	S7	Parkinson	Luke	11	L8	Smillie-Mattock	Trey	8	B5
Kowalewski	Timothy	8	L5	McGrory	Cohen	7	L7	Parsons	Connor	9	L6	Smith-Luond	Shay	12	S6
Kozenof	Alec	11	L5	McGrory	Jadeim	11	L8	Partridge	Samuel	10	LS8	Smith	Benjamin	12	LS7
Kretschmar	Chase	9	L2	McKenzie	Quinn	12	L6	Paterson	Alex	10	B8	Smith	Bradley	9	B1
Krutz	Jack	11	S6	McKie	Hamish	10	L8	Patten	Cannon	7	LS7	Smith	Darrell	11	B7
Kuklinski	Bailey	12	S4	McLean	Connor	7	S5	Pattison	Wyatt	8	B3	Smith	Fletcher	8	L1
Kumar	Jerome	9	LS4	McLeod	Ethan	11	B3	Paynter	Andrew	11	LS5	Smith	Jayden	12	B8
Kunizaki	Yutaka	13	S6	McLeod	Joshua	12	B5	Pease	Amos	9	L6	Smith	McGregor	11	L6
Kuriger	Gerard	13	L5	McLeod	Max	9	B6	Pelham	Mitchell	13	B3	Smithson	Kaed	8	B6
Kuriger	Joshua	9	S5	McNamara	Alex	8	B1	Peters	Nathaniel	12	B5	Snowden	Joseph	9	L7
Kuriger	Philip	13	L3	McNamara	Michael	12	B8	Petersen	Tate	8	L6	So	Justin	7	L5
Laapo	Mairenga	11	L6	McNeice	Daniel	7	L8	Picard	Matthew	11	LS1	Sofeni-Williams	Ignatius	9	LS3
Lagera	Nathaniel	8	S6	McQuoid	Aedan	11	LS6	Poles Smith	Sam	13	LS4	Sofeni	Denzell	10	LS3
Lamb	Zach	12	L4	Meads	Jack	9	S8	Pollard	Morgan	10	B7	Sofeni	Fenni	10	LS4
Landreth	Lachie	13	L8	Medeiros	Francisco	12	S5	Potroz	Taylor	11	S8	Sofeni	Quintin	7	LS4
Langton	Dauntaé	8	LS5	Megaw	Samuel	12	LS6	Powell	Jackson	9	B3	Sofeni	Rikki	11	LS2
Langton	Ethan	11	B4	Megchelse	Caleb	9	L3	Prendiville	Daniel	9	B4	Sofeni	Xavier	8	LS3
Larkin	Thomas	8	LS6	Merwood	Corbin	11	LS8	Price	Ben	10	S7	Soffe	Cole	11	B5
Lash	Noah	8	S7	Meuli	Brayden	9	L4	Price	Rhys	9	LS3	Soffe	Korbin	8	B7
Law	Aidan	11	L6	Meuli	Matthew	12	L3	Probyn	Charlie	7	LS8	Sole	Corbyn	11	LS8
Law	Jordan	7	B4	Miles	George	13	LS2	Prosser	Cavaghn	12	B6	Southern	Jack	7	LS5
Lawn-Cliffe	Riley	10	S5	Miller	Cleve	10	L6	Pullen	Ariki	7	B1	Sowman	Lucas	8	B8
Lawn	Caleb	10	S8	Miller	Jack	10	B1	Putt	Riley	11	LS7	Spicer	Jack	12	S3
Lawrence Pacheco	Bryn	13	LS1	Mills	Jordan	12	LS4	Quinn	Oisin	13	S8	Spicer	Olly	10	S8
le Fleming	Tom	11	L3	Mills	Liam	10	LS1	Raine	Bryn	10	L1	Stark	Tobias	13	S6
Leary	Ben	12	LS1	Mills	Morgan	9	B1	Rajasingh	Rahul	10	B2	Starsmore	Samuel	10	LS5
Lehrke	Henri	11	S5	Milner	Callum	13	LS6	Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens	Isaac	13	B5	Steere	Keegan	11	S7
Leigh	Hendrix	8	L1	Mitchell	Blake	10	L7	Ratumaitavuki-Kneepkens	Jacob	11	B7	Stevenson	Cade	8	L2
Leigh	Xavier	9	L8	Mitchell	Connor	11	L1	Read	Cullann	7	LS1	Stewart	Olivier	11	L5
Lewis	Samuel	8	L2	Mitchell	Logan	9	L5	Read	Joshua	9	L7	Stokes	Thomas	9	LS4
Lichtwark	Bradley	11	LS2	Mockett	Kade	7	B7	Reade-Swan	Sebastian	10	S8	Stolte	Zac	7	L6
Liggett	Cameron	11	L6	Mockett	Zak	8	B2	Reddish	Charlie	7	L3	Street	Sam	12	LS8
Lightoller	Daimen	9	L2	Moffitt	Jimmy	9	LS5	Reid	Zac	13	LS6	Sullivan-Ussher	Jack	7	B4
Limmer	Ben	12	S3	Moodie	Robert	9	LS6	Rennie	Marino	10	LS3	Sulzberger	Logan	11	L2
Limmer	Cole	9	S4	Moore	Cory	10	LS8	Rhodes	Lachlan	11	L7	Sutton	Samuel	11	S8
Linders	Jake	9	S6	Moore	Lukas	7	LS4	Richards	Noah	7	B5	Sybrandy	Jay	11	B8
Lindsay	Keegan	13	B7	Moore	Malici	12	LS6	Richardson	Corbin	12	LS5	Taplin	Rhys	13	L3
Linton	Mathew	9	S5	Moore	McKay	7	S6	Riordan	Samuel	13	B7	Tarr	Aidan	10	L2
Liu	Lewis	11	B5	Morgan	Jax	7	S7	Ritai	Cooper	9	LS2	Taumoepeau	Javaahn	12	S4
Lobb	Ethan	8	L3	Morgan	Logan	7	B8	Ritai	Lewis	13	LS7	Taunt	Mason	9	S3
Lock	Sam	13	L4	Morgan	Robert	9	LS7	Roberts	Alexander	8	LS1	Taurerewa	Cameron	12	L4
Lord	Jaiden	11	S6	Morgan	Thomas	13	LS3	Roberts	Daniel	8	B4	Taylor	Leo	8	B1



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Taylor	Lorenzo	12	S4	Whitmore	Kayde	7	B8
Taylor	Samuel	7	LS6	Whittle	Jacob	10	B5
Te Huia	Method	11	S6	Williams	Clayton	7	S8
Te Huna-Matuku	Fabian	9	L3	Williams	Joel	10	S3
Te Huna-Matuku	Tyler	12	L5	Wills	Joseph	10	S6
Theron	Michael	11	S5	Wilson	Elijah	11	S8
Theron	Nathan	8	S3	Wilson	Teagan	12	S6
Thomas	Jackson	9	S4	Win	Aaron	13	L3
Thomas	Rohan	11	S7	Witts	Cameron	8	B6
Thompson	Cade	9	S4	Wong	Sunny	12	S8
Thompson	Liam	7	S5	Wong	Thomas	8	S2
Thompson	Quinn	8	S4	Wong	Wilson	12	LS3
Tilt	Adam	8	S5	Wood	Harry	7	S1
Tilt	Nathan	10	S1	Woodhead	Kyle	9	L6
Timarac	Aleksandar	13	S2	Woodhead	Lachlan	10	L5
Titter	Damian	7	LS8	Woodhead	Reuben	7	L1
Titter	Joshua	10	LS5	Wright	Aidyn	9	B7
Tom	Allan	7	S7	Wright	Keegan	12	B3
Townes	Steven	13	B1	Wright	Maz	8	B7
Tregoweth	Mitchell	13	S3	Wright	Oliver	10	LS8
Tsujimoto	Soichiro	11	S8	Wu	Kevin	8	LS3
Turner	Ethan	11	B3	Young	Anthony	8	B2
Turner	Liam	12	B2	Zeylemaker	Benjamin	13	L2
Turner	Mitchell	8	B2	Zhang	Will	10	L8
Tutemahurangi	Antonio	7	B5	Zhanje	Tawanda	10	S7
Tutemahurangi	Blaze	8	B3				
Tuuta-Thompson	TeRangikatuta	9	LS8				
Tyrrell	Louis	8	LS4				
Van Beers	Bradley	12	B1				
Van Beers	Joel	8	B4				
Van Blerk	Qbre	10	S2				
van der Walt	Johnathan	9	S5				
Van Hameren	Anthony	10	LS6				
Van Hameren	Jessadha	8	LS5				
Van Hattum	Felix	8	B5				
Van Hattum	Joshua	10	B4				
Van Lith	Daniel	12	L8				
Van Lith	Ezra	7	L7				
van Loo	Kevin	9	LS7				
Vanner	Cameron	11	L4				
Vanner	Joshua	12	L6				
Varga	Jordan	10	LS7				
Ventresca	Amedeo	11	S3				
Vertongen	Jesse	12	S5				
Vertongen	Jordan	10	S3				
Vincent	Brooklyn	10	L3				
Vink	Geordie	10	L4				
Waayer	Heath	9	L4				
Waayer	Reuben	7	L8				
Waicere	Saki	10	LS8				
Waicere	Sam	8	LS6				
Waipoua-Bryers	Taiawhio	13	B8				
Waite	Charlie	11	S2				
Walsh	Jarrod	13	LS1				
Walsh	Seamus	10	L8				
Walsiyen	Justin	13	LS7				
Walton	Liam	11	L3				
Wang	Brooklyn	10	B3				
Wano	Maui	8	S6				
Warburton	Kai	13	LS2				
Ward	Konrad	11	S4				
Ward	Liam	9	S5				
Watson	Thomas	8	L4				
Wattanaverachai	Will	10	S4				
Webber	Dawson	13	LS3				
Webber	Ethan	12	LS5				
Webber	Tyler	12	LS6				
Webby	Felix	13	S3				
Wells	Alexander	9	B6				
Wells	Ethan	7	B6				
Wells	Jordan	9	B7				
Werder	Cooper	8	S7				
West	Ben	12	S6				
Weston	Luke	10	B6				
Weston	Mathew	12	B2				
Westraad	Nicholas	11	B1				
Whaley	Thomas	10	S5				
Whitaker	Daniel	8	L6				
Whitehead	Arlin	7	LS7				
Whitham	Alfie	9	L5				
Whiting	Harrison	7	B7				
Whitmore	Jackson	10	B2				



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