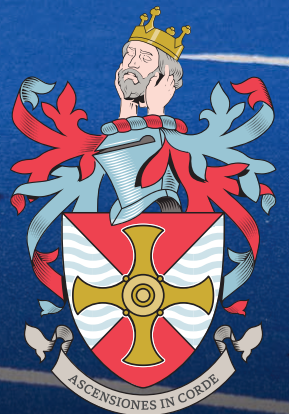


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REFLECTING ON TRADITION, LEADERSHIP, AND INNOVATION FROM THE RECTOR



I have the privilege of writing my reflections for this edition of Highways in an historic setting. I am at Harrow School in London for the 2024 International Boys' Schools Coalition Conference. The theme of this year's conference is Tradition, Leadership, Innovation and I have heard some excellent keynote speakers and presenters discuss the positive difference we can make to the lives of our young men. Over 650 delegates are in attendance. Our own Annette Jeffery contributed to the action research programme, adding to the professional knowledge related to the education of young men in boys' schools.

Harrow is over 450 years old and “Old Harrovians” have contributed seven prime ministers (including Winston Churchill), the first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru and one of England’s most well-known poets, Lord Byron. There’s probably no better setting for a boys’ schools’ conference on the theme of “Tradition” than Harrow. It is with immense pride, however, that I reflect on Lindisfarne’s contribution to the IBSC. We were the first New Zealand school to host this prestigious educational conference back in 2009 and many of this year’s delegates still recall that successful event.

I have reflected often this week on how the purpose and function of education has changed and how in the modern world, the role of educational institutions in shaping character and instilling values is more critical than ever. Christian character boys’ schools offer a unique and valuable approach to education that can significantly benefit young men as they navigate these modern challenges. I have been reminded this week, in my interactions with heads and teachers from hundreds of boys’ schools around the globe, of the important role our schools have in providing a comprehensive framework for developing not only academic and extra-curricular engagement and excellence, but also moral integrity, emotional resilience, and a strong sense of community.

Foundation of Strong Moral Values

One of the primary advantages of a Christian character boys’ school is its emphasis on a moral and ethical education grounded in Christian principles. In a secular society, Christian boys’ schools fill an important gap as they offer a consistent and coherent moral framework that helps students develop a clear sense of right and wrong and a clear pathway towards becoming “good men”.

At Lindisfarne this year we have refreshed our College values, articulating such qualities as honesty and respect for others as the character traits we aspire to grow in our young men. We have written a narrative to encapsulate our moral code, called “The Lindisfarne Way”. By integrating these values into the curriculum and daily life of the College, we help students build a strong moral foundation. This foundation is crucial for making ethical decisions and resisting negative influences, especially in the unregulated digital world boys experience.

Developing Emotional and Social Resilience

The pressures of modern life, including the pervasive nature of IT, can take a toll on the emotional and social well-being of young people. As a small, Christian



character boys’ school, we are able to address this issue by fostering a supportive and nurturing environment. Small class sizes and a close-knit community in which staff genuinely know “their boys” provide personalised attention and relational support. Insisting that boys put away their phones for the school day and interact with each other, reinforces the natural order of what it is to be human.

In addition, the emphasis on Christian values and that sense of brotherhood amongst the boys, promotes a sense of community. This sense of community can act as a buffer against the isolation and anxiety that often accompany excessive IT use and a warped digital view of the world.

Encouraging Excellence with Purpose

Christian character boys’ schools strive for excellence, but they do so with a deeper purpose. The goal is not just to achieve at a high level but to develop well-rounded young men who can use their knowledge and skills for the greater good. This is so important in a secular, results-driven world where success for men is often measured by wealth, physical prowess and negative power relations. By linking scholarly pursuits with moral and ethical development, boys’ schools encourage students to view their education as a means to serve others and contribute positively to society.

Promoting Service and Leadership

Christian character boys’ schools emphasise the importance of service and leadership, encouraging students to participate actively in their communities. Service projects, and leadership programmes are integral parts of the curriculum. These activities teach students the value of giving back and the importance of leading with integrity and compassion.

Our work with Women’s Refuge and the current Replay initiative, for which boys are asked to bring in sports equipment for those who lack the basic tools to participate in sport, are two examples of service projects that require our boys to act with compassion and empathy in service of their community. These experiences prepare students to become conscientious leaders who can navigate the complexities of the modern world with confidence and moral clarity.

Christian Character Boys’ schools - so much more than the three Rs

My reflections this week show that Christian character boys’ schools, like Harrow and Lindisfarne, demonstrate that education is so much more than the transfer of knowledge and skills. A boys’ school environment provides the opportunity to challenge boys about what it means to become a good man: a good friend; a good husband and father; a good person who supports his community by being a servant leader. By providing a strong moral foundation, fostering emotional and social resilience, guiding responsible use of technology, encouraging purposeful excellence and promoting service and leadership, our schools play a crucial role in the holistic development of young men.

As society continues to evolve, and the world becomes increasingly complex and worrying, the values and principles instilled by Christian character boys’ schools remain essential in nurturing well-rounded individuals, who are morally grounded, resilient, caring and connected, prepared to make positive contributions to their communities and the world at large.

Mr Stuart Hakeney
Rector



LEADERS

IN OUR COLLEGE 2024

PREFECT TEAM L TO R: George Ladbrook, Philip Larkin, Will Foster, Tom Speers, Freddy Hoggard, Harry Cassidy, Taniora Puketapu-Kingi, Gordy Chatfield, William Turner, Fergus Morunga, Mr Stuart Hakeney (Rector), Jett Varcoe, Ryan Palmer, Finn Reid, Sam Young, Ronan Brier, Sam Cassidy, Jack Sunckell, Charlie Ross, Amaarn Kumar, Te Ā Kruger-Taylor



HEAD PREFECT

FERGUS MORUNGA

Kia Ora, my name is Fergus Morunga, and I am proud and honored to be the Head Prefect at Lindisfarne College for 2024. Lindisfarne is more than just a school for me, it is like my second home, and I passionately support all that our College stands for, having witnessed first-hand, the impact that the 'Lindisfarne Way' has on young men. Starting my College journey in Year Eight, I have tried my best to embrace all that Lindisfarne has to offer, such as learning to play the bagpipes, making movies, getting involved in multiple sports, presenting chapel sermons, and trying my best in academics. Over the years I have realized the benefits that a rounded education has on young men. Lindisfarne is truly an outstanding College and it is an honor to be chosen for this leadership role. Therefore, it is my duty, goal, and promise, as Head Prefect, to honor this opportunity and lead our College with dedication, selflessness, and passion. I hope to ensure that every, single boy feels at home in our College and that our community remains strong and supportive, growing good young men of character, to lead lives of success and significance.



DEPUTY HEAD PREFECT

JETT VARCOE

My name is Jett Varcoe and I started at Lindisfarne as a boarder in Year 7. There were only a few Year 7 boarders but that meant that boarding has always been an important part of my school experience and I believe it has helped to foster a real sense of brotherhood in the College. I am truly honoured to be Deputy Head Prefect this year and I aim to contribute towards a prefect team that works together in helping every boy make the most of their time at the College. I have always tried to work hard in class and was awarded Academic Colours in 2023 and an Excellence endorsement for Level 1 and Level 2. Sport is a real passion of mine and I have been national champion in boxing three times in different weight categories. I also love playing hockey and tennis and have the honour of being captain of the 1st Hockey XI. I believe in leading by example and hope that I can be an example to younger students of what you can achieve with hard work.



HEAD OF BOARDING PREFECT

WILLIAM TURNER

My name is Will Turner and it is an honour and a privilege to be the Head of Boarding this year. Starting as a full boarder from Whakatāne in Year 11 has made boarding an integral part of my life and has allowed me to develop as an individual. I have immersed myself in all aspects of Lindisfarne and have been awarded an academic tie and academic colours with distinction. I was fortunate enough to receive colours last year for playing for the 1st XV rugby team and I am very optimistic about the team's chances this year. Not only has the College offered me opportunities in each cornerstone, but it has allowed me to have meaningful and memorable relationships with friends, staff, and junior College members. The most important thing about being Head of Boarding, I believe, is to make connections with the boarders and day pupils and create a sense of camaraderie. I hope to have a positive impact on the lives of the young men at the College, and influence them to make the most of their Lindisfarne journey.



2023 Year 12 Scholarship Winners

FR: Jacob Parbhu, Oskar Norman, Harry Cassidy, Jack Morrison

BR: Philip Larkin, Te Ā Kruger-Taylor, Cameron Strong

SCHOLARSHIP RESULTS

STRIVING AND ACHIEVING

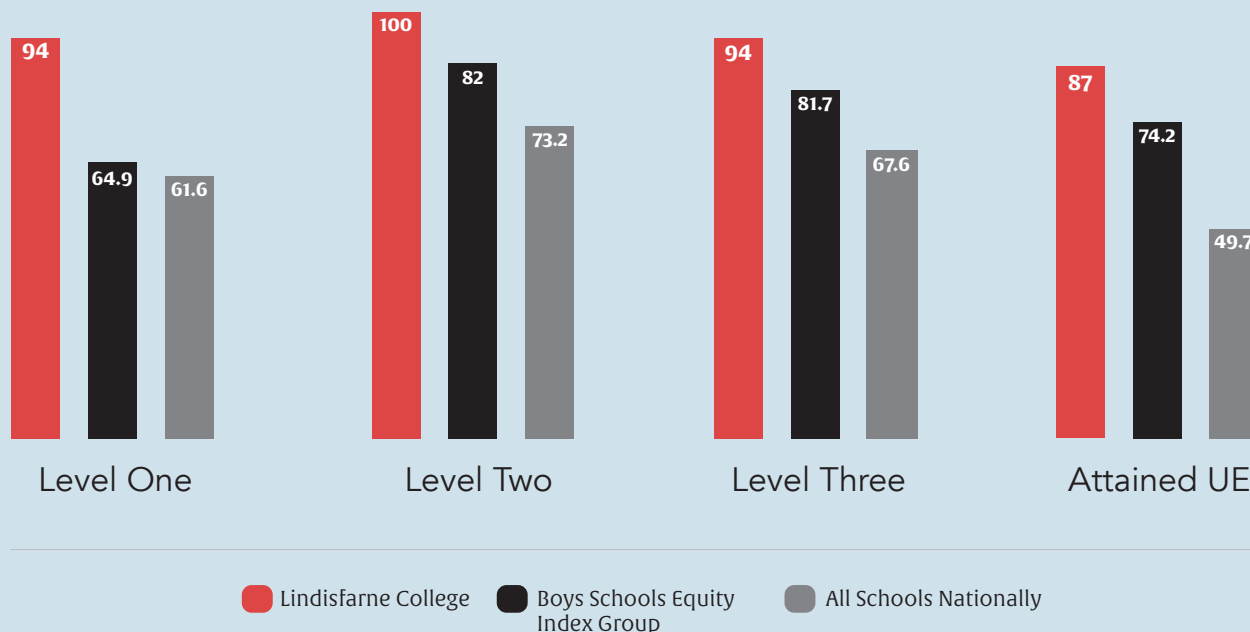
A school's Scholarship results are a very clear indicator of success at the highest level and as such are used by many to evaluate the performance of a school. They are certainly not the only indicator of student success but they do give a snapshot of achievement at the highest academic level. Lindisfarne College's Scholarship results for 2024 are outstanding and give a clear measure of the hard work and dedication of our students and their teachers. A total of 13 boys were awarded 26 scholarships across 13 subjects, reflecting a breadth of excellence across College faculties. In addition to the Scholarship awards, the results included six Outstanding Scholarships which are awarded to only the top 2% of students in each subject. These were awarded to Leo Guo x3, William Duncan, Tom Van der Gulik and Oscar Norman (Year 12).

Several boys; Antoni Milewski, Leo Guo, William Duncan and Tom Van der Gulik achieved multiple awards and this reflects on their hard work and determination in the lead up to examinations. Along with the financial rewards for these results, these boys will be eligible for further scholarships on the basis of their outstanding achievement. Of particular note is the large number of boys who received Scholarships while

still in Year 12: Harry Cassidy, Te A Kruger-Taylor, Philip Larkin, Jack Morrison, Jacob Parbhu, Cameron Strong and Oskar Norman who achieved an Outstanding Scholarship in English. The scholarships awarded to Year 12s are across a wide variety of subjects including Statistics and Te Reo Māori and the experience of sitting these difficult exams in Year 12 will provide valuable experience for all the students involved.

EXCELLENCE ON A NATIONAL LEVEL

Lindisfarne NCEA pass rates compared to the rest of New Zealand percentages for 2023



LEVEL ONE NCEA

Overall GPA - Best 5 subjects
Academic Tie with Distinction
(Top 3 in year group)

Jaimil Ravla 98.09
Josef Oosthuizen - 97
Alexander Boustridge - 96

LEVEL TWO NCEA

Overall GPA - Best 4 subjects
Academic Colours with Distinction
(Top 3 in year group)

Harry Cassidy - 96.72
William Turner - 96.20
Henry Klingender - 95.23

LEVEL THREE NCEA

Overall GPA - Best 4 subjects
Academic Tie with Distinction
(Top 3 in year group)

Antoni Milewski - 99.14
Leo Guo - 95.9
William Duncan - 85.44

Two of our Year 13 students, Leo Guo and William Duncan also achieved Outstanding Scholar Awards. Leo's award was for his five Scholarships (3 Outstanding) and William's was for being the Top Scholar in Agriculture and Horticulture. This is the sixth time over the past 15 years that one of Mr Jared Fritchley's students has been Top Scholar in Agriculture and Horticulture. The previous awards were William Duley (2009), George Nelson (2012), Nick Ward (2014), Jack Wilton (2021) and Dylan Barker (2022). Clearly, Mr Fritchley is guiding his students in the right direction with their Scholarship studies.

Mrs Duncan, Assistant Rector (Curriculum), was delighted with these results,

"It is wonderful to see our boys yet again doing so well in these premier examinations. It reconfirms our belief in the merits of boys' schools and shows that our students continue to be aspirational and motivated to succeed."



William Duncan with Prime Minister, Christopher Luxon

DR. JOHN WAKEMAN

SERVICE: ABOVE & BEYOND

In a world in which change is a constant, and people's interests fluctuate with the wind, it is rare to find someone who has stuck with something for forty years. John Wakeman has served Lindisfarne and the College Council in a voluntary capacity for that entire period. John's dedication to the College and his vision for its future has taken his service way beyond the attendance of his son at the College, through the tenure of four different Rectors and most importantly, through the sometimes stormy waters of Integration.



John Wakeman was approached by then Chairman, Callum Kirkpatrick, to join the College Council in 1984 and having experience on the Royston Hospital Board, he accepted. The Trustees of the College were separate from the Council then and kept a tight rein on the College finances. This made it difficult for the Council to make decisions without knowledge of the financial state of the school. John immediately identified this as a stumbling block to good governance and seized the chance to improve the situation when Rodney Thomson became Chairman of the College Council. John was able to suggest that the College Council should have a Finance Committee which had full knowledge of the College's financial affairs. By doing this, the Council was in a much better position to make long-term plans for the growth and development of the College.

John became Chairman of the College Council in 1995, after initially refusing the role as he could not, as a non-Presbyterian, be a Trustee. Eventually the Presbyterian Church agreed that John could be a Trustee and he was appointed Chairman. From his earliest years in the role, the welfare of the College staff and by extension, the students, was one of John's major concerns. On realising that most staff did not have proper contracts, he set about rectifying that, starting with the Rector. It was John who insisted that lunch should be free for all staff so that they were present and available to the students at lunchtime. He also introduced free flu jabs for staff and provided support for staff who fell ill. A long-service sabbatical was introduced by John, initially for the Rector and then extended to all staff.

As the prosperous days of the early 90s shifted towards harder economic times, the roll of the College began to drop. John realised that an Integrated model would solve many of the College's problems and he began to investigate the options. The path to Integration was littered with obstacles but John was determined to find a way around them. Other schools in New Zealand found the process of integration too onerous and gave up, but John persisted in finding a way forward as he believed the successful future of the College depended on it. Several of the College buildings had to be brought up to state school standards and the Ministry of Education was insisting that the Homestead be demolished. Instead, John asked what it would cost to demolish the building and build a new administrative block and lobbied to spend that amount renovating the Homestead.

John's encyclopaedic knowledge of the process and intricacies of Integration has benefited the College enormously. One clause of the Integration agreement required that the Ministry of Education be informed if money was to be borrowed against assets of the school for further development. Needing finance for refurbishment of the boarding facilities, John wrote to the Ministry to inform them that he would be borrowing money to fund this. When the Ministry wrote back to say that this was not in the best interests of the College, John replied that the clause required him to inform the Ministry and not ask permission! Another letter duly arrived to confirm that John's knowledge of the clause was indeed correct.

Throughout his tenure at Lindisfarne, John has had a passion for improving the facilities of the College. As he describes: *"One of my early objections was to stop calling the old squash courts, a gym. If we were a proper school, then we needed to have a proper gym."* This led over time to the addition of a huge number of new buildings including the gym, the library, science labs, boarding hostels, the chapel, the Intermediate School, the music suite, the auditorium and many more. As Grant Lander, Rector of the College from 2000 to 2009 put it: *"I quickly established that John was an 'undiscovered' architect who possessed a great feeling for building. The 'Wakeman design' has really stood the test of time: aesthetically pleasing, consistent in its nature, very practical and most importantly, boy friendly/proof! We had a kindred spirit when it came to a preparedness to spend money to really secure the school's future needs, but John was also extremely sharp on practicality and efficiency when it came to the completion of a project."*

History has proved John's foresight about Integration to be absolutely correct and the College has flourished, with growing rolls in both boarding and the day school. This in turn has provided the resources to fund new buildings and improvements. After retiring as Chairman Of the College Council in 2016, John has remained as Chairman of the Board of Proprietors and has continued to give wise and pragmatic guidance. Grant Lander, summed up his contribution,

"John's heart over the past three decades has been very much anchored at our College. Incredibly dedicated, John has had a 'a one in a generation'

influence on Lindisfarne College and the amazing length of his tenure with the College Council will probably never be superseded in the future of our school."

Grant goes on to say *"To his great credit, John got the balancing act of the division between governance and management perfectly right. He was always respectful of my role as Rector and showed unflinching confidence and outstanding support for his new Headmaster. There was a time, when John's presence was almost daily, for a decade plus; taking a critical and insightful interest in projects, managing multiple campus builds. It was amazing when you consider the surgical responsibilities he had at Hawke's Bay and Royston Hospital. I feel extremely fortunate to have had a person with such passion, insight, drive, commitment and loyalty as the Chairman of the College Council. Words like service, fanatical hard work, determination and dedication come to mind when I try to describe John Wakeman"*.



A recent highlight for John and his family was his presentation of the Wakeman Cup for the Whanganui Collegiate sports exchange to the Lindisfarne 1st XI hockey captain, his grandson Gordy Chatfield. A Whanganui Old Boy himself, John had donated this cup many years ago, before Gordy was born, and it seems curiously fitting that he was able to present it to his own grandson. This is just one small demonstration of a lifetime of unselfish service that has had such bountiful and ongoing rewards for the Lindisfarne community. There is no doubt that Lindisfarne would not be the place it is today without the contribution of John Wakeman.





COLLEGE BALL

ENCHANTED FOREST AND A TOUCH OF AVATAR

The College gymnasium was roaring with life on the 22nd of June, for the annual, much anticipated College Ball. This year's theme was Enchanted Forest, with a slight touch of Avatar, and as shown above, our atrium and gym were completely transformed, creating an Avatar forest

wonderland, full of sparkling fairy lights, plants, and even a towering tree. Our boys, accompanied by their dates, thoroughly enjoyed the many events of the evening, connecting, socialising, and forming lifelong memories, amongst the booming rave on the dance floor.

This night would have not been possible without the hard work and support of the staff, parents, kitchen, and set up team, so from the boys, thank you to these people. It was a night that became a main highlight for us, and one that I'm sure will be remembered well into the future.



JUNIOR WATERPOLO

MAKING A SPLASH!

When a new sport is introduced to the College, it usually takes time to gain traction and give participants a taste of success. That has not been the case with the sport of waterpolo which has been played at the College for only two terms and has catapulted the three Lindisfarne teams to the top of the local leagues. Waterpolo is the fastest growing sport in Hawke's Bay with numbers burgeoning from a couple of hundred two years ago to thousands of current players. This makes it very exciting for the boys involved as the competition is hotting up!



Fletcher Dawson, who plays for the senior Lindisfarne team was instrumental in getting the Intermediate School team launched as he approached Mr Cournane to act as Manager of the new team. Mr Cournane then recruited Mr Atkinson who had just taken up playing waterpolo socially. The team's secret weapon, however, is their coach, Ryan Schnell who provides the necessary technical expertise and knowledge of the rules. Ryan's background in the sport has been invaluable and he has been prepared to dedicate hours to the coaching of all the Lindisfarne teams. He has been ably assisted in coaching the Intermediate School team by Fletcher Dawson and Monte Douglas. Fletcher who plays for the Hawke's Bay Under 16 team has found that coaching the junior boys has helped his own playing and made him more aware of tactics and strategy.

Mr Atkinson is very pleased with the development of the Intermediate School team as they played initially in Division

Two but were moved to Division One after winning the grade in Term One. In spite of the increased competition, the team's enthusiasm is undimmed and other boys are being attracted to the sport. The boys all love different aspects of the game; Michael Chi who plays at goalie loves this demanding position as he is able to direct the defence from his vantage position while Leo Baker has enjoyed perfecting the egg-beater technique which helps a player to rise up out of the water to make shots. Levi McEntee loves the teamwork of the game and the physical fitness and discipline he has learned from waterpolo. The boys have only one complaint: the togs, which are much too similar to speedos for their liking!

"I love being in goal as I can see what everyone is doing and shout at them to give them directions" Michael Chi.



I really enjoy working with my mates in the team and seeing our tactics get the results we want"

Levi McEntee.

Following on from their success with the school team, several Lindisfarne boys were

selected for Hawke's Bay representative teams in the Under 12 category. Leo Baker, Levi McEntee, Michael Chi, Ben Hunt and Hamish McLaren played in a tournament in Tauranga in April and won the Plate section for their age group. In spite of the cold weather, the boys have continued to train and play this term and are gathering useful experience

for the new season. With experienced players like these and new players being attracted to the sport, waterpolo is definitely doing well at Lindisfarne.



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GREASE

IS THE WORD!

Everyone has seen the movie Grease and everyone knows the songs and the words, so it is a real challenge for a high school production to take on this iconic show and give it a new vibrancy but that is exactly what the combined Lindisfarne and Iona production managed to do! Grease may be a classic and an enduring Broadway musical but in the hands of Kathy Atkin and her outstanding crew, it acquired even more fun-filled energy and exuberance.



Set in the 50s, Grease is a nostalgic look at the styles, music, and attitudes of the day, overlaid with the timelessness of teenage romance and friendship. Although some of the 50s attitudes seem jarring by modern standards, the authenticity and engagement of the cast drew our focus to the characters involved. Te Ā Kruger-Taylor stole the show on numerous occasions as Danny Zuko, giving a performance that was at once, swaggering and vulnerable. Te Ā's singing was a highlight throughout but his rendition of "Sandy" while seated in Greased Lightning, was one of the most emotionally and vocally powerful numbers of the show. Playing opposite him, Tilda Shennan gave an accomplished performance as Sandy and was enthusiastically supported by the "Pink Ladies": Angalla Carney as Rizzo, Rosa Klingender as Jan, Amelie du Toit as Marty and Elsa Hosford as Frenchy.

One of the delightful aspects of Grease: the Musical is that we got to know the T-Birds a lot better than in the film and it was certainly a worthwhile exercise! The songs which featured the T-Birds were outstanding and Greased Lightning was a particular audience favourite! They were very ably supported by the male ensemble who looked like they had been dancing all their lives! Jarvis York was perfectly cast as Kenickie with his brooding intensity but newcomers to the Lindisfarne stage Noah Rogers, Daniel Hoffmeister and Perez Malo

as Doody, Sonny and Roger gave performances of real energy and vitality and were very popular with the audience. Chris Proctor as Vince Fontaine really dialled up the sleaze but was completely plausible and so much fun! Philip Larkin's Eugene was another almost-caricature who remained completely convincing and heart-warming. Another hidden talent to emerge was Taniora Puketapu-Kingi whose performance of "Beauty School Dropout" was both charming and entertaining.



Kathy Atkin always seems to get the most out of her young performers and she surpassed herself this year with the cast of Grease who shone brightly throughout the show. She was, as always, ably supported by a wide range of people including her daughter Steph as Assistant Director and Producers Ruby Mason, Heidi McLeod and Flemming Kristensen. One of the delights of this production of Grease was the outstanding singing which would not have been

possible without the expert tuition of Vocal Director Jane Pierard. The set design and construction by Walt Rutgers, with Campbell Howlett producing an amazing version of the car Greased Lightning, created a very atmospheric setting for the show.

The music of Grease with its sparkling 50s rhythms is the most iconic element of the show and the orchestra took their rightful place centre stage on an artfully constructed stage. Lindsay Coxen as Music Director must be applauded for her accomplished and vibrant offering of this popular score. Exuberant choreography by Sophie Follett and the colourful costume design by Gaenor Clarke both helped to create an atmosphere that was true to the era but had a stamp of its own. Rachel McKinnon also did a great job of the make-up in spite of being committed to another production at the same time. Emma Smith and Jane Atkinson kept the wheels turning smoothly backstage and were very ably assisted by lighting and sound crews lead by George Ebbett and Sam Young with back-up from Fergus Morunga, Taine Hemmingsen, and the whole backstage crew.

Everyone involved in this fantastic production deserves to be congratulated. It was a triumph!

College Reviewer

CAMPBELL JOHNSTONE (93-97)

A PASSION FOR RUGBY

Like many Old Boys of the College, Campbell Johnstone's driving passion while at Lindisfarne was to play rugby. He lived for the game and like so many before and since, dreamed of one day becoming an All Black. Unlike the vast majority of schoolboy rugby players, Campbell did go on to realise that ambition. He also became arguably even more well-known when, in 2023, he became the first All Black to announce to the world that he was gay.





1996 1st XV Featuring Mr Murray Smith (front left), Mr Grant Gilbert (front right) and Campbell Johnstone 2nd row, 2nd from the right

While at Lindisfarne, Campbell played rugby at No. 8 but gradually realised that he was probably not tall enough or skilled enough to succeed in that position. He remembers that it was Grant Gilbert, the 1st XV coach, who in Campbell's words, *"Chuckled me a magazine with an article about Jason Leonard, the successful English prop and said 'Read this and see what you think about playing at prop'. I read the article and decided to give it a go."*

When Campbell went on to do a Property Management and Valuation degree at Lincoln University, he started playing for Canterbury (72 games) and the Crusaders (38 games) until the All Blacks call-up came in 2005. By this stage, Campbell had bulked up considerably to suit the position of prop but he struggled to keep the weight on, having to wake up at midnight every night to drink a protein shake to bolster his calorie intake. Campbell played for the All Blacks against Fiji and the British and Irish Lions and recalls that, *"The whole thing was incredible, a lifetime dream. I remember vividly being given the jersey for the first time."*

Rugby has given Campbell amazing opportunities to travel and work in diverse and interesting places. After the All Blacks, he moved on to play for Biarritz Olympique in the south of France, attracted by the forward combat style of rugby that the French played. He had five very successful years and a hundred games at the club before moving on to play for the Welsh Ospreys in the European championships, the Heineken Cup. Then followed a year playing and coaching in Krasnoyarsk, Siberia where games and training were on heated fields. After another year playing in Bucharest, Romania, Campbell returned to New Zealand where he set up a

beverage company with a friend in 2015. He later spent time coaching at Madrid University in Spain and in Houston Texas for the Houston Sabre Cats.

Through all the satisfaction and achievement that rugby gave Campbell, he was aware that he was not being true to himself about his sexuality. As he relates, *"Rugby gave me all this joy and happiness and every team that I made gave me more joy and happiness but ironically every team also gave me more anxiety. It was a constant struggle of happiness and anxiety and I guess I came to a crossroads. There were only two ways forward in my mind and those were that I had to give up rugby or tell someone that I was gay. I knew that I could not live without rugby, so I decided to tell someone. The first people I told were my parents who were incredibly supportive. I have been so lucky to have the most caring and understanding family. I just knew my biggest challenge was accepting myself."* Campbell also told a few close friends and team-mates and the reaction was universally supportive.

Campbell is now working as a property consultant for The Property Group having come full circle back to his degree from Lincoln. Looking back on his school days Campbell remembers that he was not the most diligent of students and recalls that he and his friends were frequently in trouble. On one occasion, he had been sent out of Ray Petersen's class for bad behaviour and at the end of the lesson, Ray went out to talk to him. Campbell recalls the conversation, *"He looked at me and said, 'I know you love rugby and you have this dream and that's all very well but you need to remember rugby will only last so long and you really need to concentrate at school and think about what happens after rugby'. I really took*

that on board at the time because he had a valid point. I never told him that but I am grateful for that advice now!"

Campbell remembers many other teachers at the College like Murray Smith, Rick Ellis and Graham Avery and recalls that they were always ready to help. As Campbell puts it, *"No matter how much you annoyed them, they always had your best interests at heart. It's only when you look back that you realise it."*

For the current students of the College, Campbell has the following words of advice,

"If you have a goal, the outcome of that goal is not determined by your race, sexuality or religion. It is determined by your perseverance, your efforts, your willingness to drive it and to keep going. The definition of an athlete does not say anything about race, sexuality or religion. It is someone who excels in their chosen sporting field. That's a powerful point and if you have a dream, you should not be put off by stereotypes of what the ideal is. Whoever you are or whatever you intend to be, embrace it for yourself, you being you"

HOUSE HAKA

1st Aidan
2nd Durham
3rd Cuthbert
4th Oswald



CROSS COUNTRY

1st Cuthbert
2nd Aidan
3rd Durham
4th Oswald





SWIMMING SPORTS

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CHRIS PROCTOR

YOUTH PARLIAMENTARY GROUP, RITO O TE PĀREMATA

We talk frequently at Lindisfarne about the opportunities that are open to our students but quite often boys who are up for a challenge, create these opportunities for themselves! This was the case when Chris Proctor saw the chance to be involved with a project to educate and engage youth in the parliamentary process. Chris had several hoops to jump through in the selection process but was delighted to be chosen as one of eight young people from across the country to take part in the project which has been called Rito o te Pāremata. The title of this working group refers to the flax shoots, left on the plant after harvesting which will provide the new growth for the next generation, making this a particularly appropriate name.



Prior to setting up Rito o te Pāremata, research done on youth engagement with parliament showed that only 17% of young people knew how to engage with parliament and our law-making process in any way and only 6% knew how this process actually worked. In response to this research, it was decided to set up a group who would be able to advise the Parliamentary Service on how to engage with youth in Aotearoa and encourage young people to be more involved in the democratic process. The project has been going since 2021 and it is hoped that in addition to consulting with various committees, the group will be able to devise a project to educate and enthuse youth about the democratic process.

The first meeting for the group took place earlier this year at the Beehive and Chris said it was inspiring to be at the centre of government and meet some of the people involved.

"I wish everyone had the chance to go to the Beehive and meet the people involved with the law-making process," said Chris.

"They are all so dedicated and well-intentioned. Parliament is not synonymous with politicians. It is so important to recognise that parliament is designed to serve the people and everyone should be involved in the process of making that happen."

"It is such an honour to be involved with this group and we are all excited about the chance to make the whole process of government more accessible to young people. We want to give a voice to youth to prevent more disengagement from political life. This is vitally important for the next generation of voters"



In June Chris attended another meeting at the Beehive to formalise their project to engage youth and they have decided that they will do this with a multi-faceted approach which will involve creating material for social media and getting coverage on the RNZ programme The House. It is certainly a challenging task but what better way to get the next generation involved in the parliamentary process than to have them reaching out to people of their own age.

Another opportunity that has come Chris' way through his proactive approach is the chance to go to a business management summer school in Toronto this July. Chris became aware of this through an online essay competition which offered a scholarship to the writer of the winning essay. Chris' essay was chosen from a field of many thousands and he is delighted to be travelling to Toronto where he will live on campus with a group of 15-20 young people from around the world. The course will be delivered by an Oxford tutor and will be invaluable preparation for Chris' future studies. We look forward to hearing about this exciting opportunity when he returns.



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SPORTS EXCHANGES

SCOTS, RATHKEALE, WHANGANUI & ST PAUL'S

St Paul's Exchange

Winter

In May we had three junior teams travel to Hamilton for the annual Winter Junior Sports Exchange with St Paul's Collegiate. We were incredibly proud of our teams for representing our College with skill and sportsmanship.

U14 Rugby: 22-19 win
Colts Hockey: 3-3 draw
Colts Football: 2-3 loss.

Summer

Golf: 5-3 Win

Colts Cricket: The Colts cricket team displayed their prowess with stunning victories in their two games. On day one St Paul's Colts scored 53/10 and

Lindisfarne replied with an outstanding 54/0, securing a 10-wicket win. They continued their winning streak on day two, posting 128/10. St Paul's struggled, to make this target reaching 55/5 and we claimed a 17-run victory using the Duckworth Lewis System.

1st XI Cricket Lindisfarne's 1st XI Cricket Team secured an excellent 61-run victory over St Paul's Collegiate 1st XI on Lyndhurst Oval

Whanganui Collegiate

The Lindisfarne teams had an incredibly successful day with a clean sweep across all seven games. We were thrilled to lock away the three trophies until we meet again in 2025.

Rugby
1st XV: 38-29
2nd XV: 26-14
U15 XV: 82-0
Football:
1st XI: 6-1
Jnr A: 18-1

Hockey:
1st XI: 7-0
Colts: 12-0

Scots College Exchange Summer

Tennis: Unfortunately for the tennis squad, all matches were cancelled due to the poor weather

Golf: The golf managed to complete 9 holes. Scots College and Lindisfarne shared the honours with teams finishing on two wins a piece



1st XI Cricket: Scots 196-8 decl.
(Lennox 2-21, Chrystall 2-39)
LFC 187-9 (McDonald 69, Chatfield 48,
Scott 21)
Draw (Rain Affected)

Winter

Football: 4-4 Draw
Debating: loss
Hockey: 2-1 win

Rathkeale

Tennis: In the tennis exchange,
Lindisfarne dominated Rathkeale,
winning 22 matches to 2, with the
juniors securing a perfect 12 out of 12
victories. Monty Cullwick's remarkable
comeback from triple match points
down to win 12-10 in the third set
super tiebreaker was a highlight.

1st XI Cricket: LC 262 all out (Foster
75, Chatfield 32, Lennox 28, Scott 27,
Chrystall 19no, Wakefield 19)
Rathkeale 73 all out (Reid 3-5, Chrystall

3-22, Sisam 2-8) and 125 (Reid
19,7,48,4)
Win by an Innings and 64 runs

2nd XI Cricket: The 2nd XI cricket team
enjoyed a dominant victory over their
Rathkeale counterparts.

Colts Cricket: The Colts cricket team
also emerged victorious, posting a
formidable 284/7 and winning by 187
runs.



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GEORGE HAMILTON (16-20)

AUSSIE ADVENTURE

Since leaving Lindisfarne at the end of 2020, George Hamilton has been following the well-worn path of heading off to university in the South Island and enjoying all that student life has to offer. He has, however, also been having some more intrepid adventures such as fighting Australian bush fires! This challenging experience developed when George was in Australia doing the annual crop harvest, as he relates:

"Four Lindisfarne Old Boys, Harry Stephenson, Harry Lowry, Josh Tomlinson and I who are all studying at Lincoln decided at the start of last year that we were keen to experience an Australian crop harvest. Lucky for us the harvest window works perfectly into the university summer holidays and could be credited towards our practical work element for our degrees. We were lucky enough to all land a job on the same 20,000-hectare broadacre cropping farm three hours' drive from Adelaide. So we bought flights and an old clapped-out Mazda and we were off. During our nearly three months on the farm, we definitely had the full Aussie harvest experience. Some days during harvest we had 13 headers all running in the same paddock with four 45-tone chaser bins flat out trying to keep up.

"We were also exposed to our fair share of crop fires started by lightning and sparks from the machines. This meant that we all got involved with manning fire engines and using the water hoses. In fact, on only our second night, lightning started a total of seven fires in our area with two of these surrounding our house. This led to us four grabbing our passports and high tailing it for safety. Thankfully the fire was stopped right before our house but for the remaining three months we had a black and burnt-out lawn. Post-harvest we were lucky enough to stick around for the ripping and spraying season also. This was a real eye-opener, especially on the rippers where you had 1,400ha paddocks and didn't have to touch the GPS for up to an hour."

It hasn't all been high stakes fire-fighting and crop harvesting for George as he has done extremely well with his Bachelor of Commerce studies at Lincoln University. Last year, he was awarded the Bachelor of Commerce (Agriculture) Top Student of the Year Award at the Lincoln Food and Fibre Awards Dinner. This entailed a lot of hard work and George acknowledges there were a few all-nighters before assignment deadlines.

George has made the most of university life on all fronts, not only academic, as he describes, "During my time at Lincoln, I have indulged in many different areas of university life including country rugby, hunting and skiing in the Southern Alps, a vast range of practical work experience, flatting in some borderline healthy homes and an honest bit of study also! I've really



enjoyed and valued my years spent at Lincoln and would highly recommend it if anybody is on the fence.

"A highlight for me during my studies is the range of farming properties I have worked on to complete my practical work element for my degree. This has had me working in Canterbury, Taranaki, Hawke's Bay and even in Victoria, Australia during the university breaks. Not only was this a great way to experience different farming systems but also to earn a bit of money because you sure learn how to spend it whilst studying! Another highlight is the

wide network of mates I have been able to form at Lincoln spanning the length of New Zealand and also internationally."

George is now coming to the end of his Bachelor of Commerce (Agriculture and Accounting) degree and has already secured a graduate accounting role at KPMG Christchurch for 2025. He had the following advice for current Lindisfarne students who may be considering their options for the future: "If you're weighing up options for what to do post Lindisfarne I recommend you pursue what interests you the most. Whether this is going to

university, joining the workforce, learning a trade, doing a cadetship or even taking a gap year. I believe the key is to do what you think will benefit you the most regardless of what the crowd is doing."

Sound advice from George and obviously this approach has guided his own choices. It is wonderful to see Lindisfarne Old Boys making the most of their opportunities after school this is undoubtedly the start of a very successful career for George.

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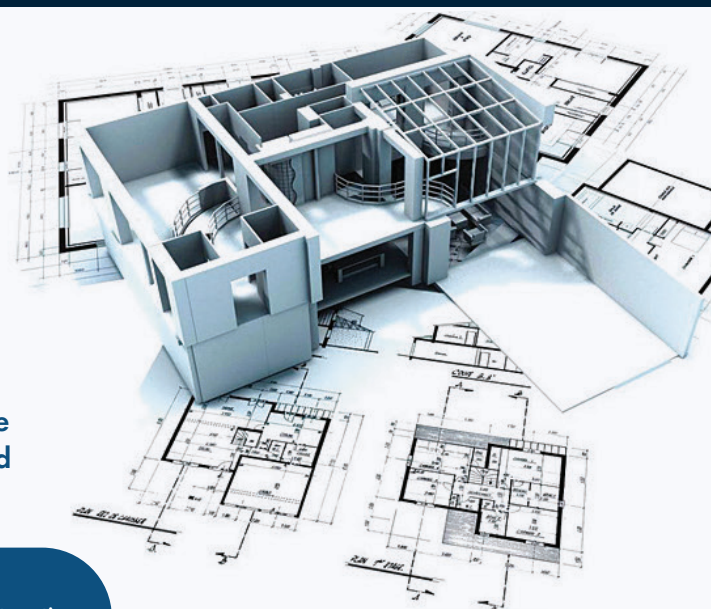
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MARKET DAY

SHOPPING FRENZY

One of the highlights of Term Two is the Level 1 Economics assignment which enables students to create products and sell them at market days held during intervals. The products chosen are invariably food-based as these have the greatest appeal for the intended customers. Market days are popular with the whole school as they offer boys an opportunity to buy delicious food at budget prices but this isn't the only benefit as this exercise gives Economics students a great opportunity to learn what is required to get a business idea off the ground.



This exercise requires boys to draw on their entrepreneurial and problem-solving skills as well as utilise their abilities to collaborate and communicate effectively. This real-world application of the principles of economics creates an excellent learning experience. Boys are required to reflect on what they have learned from the exercise and their observations always contain some real gems of wisdom. Here are a few comments from this year's stall holders:

Harry McNamara

I believe that Leon and I had great marketing. Despite us thinking that hardly any of the nuggets would sell because our prices were high, we sold out, obviously due to the amazing marketing.

Patrick Hoyt-Swinburn

I think that we were really organised on the day, and everything was really well set up for the day. I think that something that we could have improved on was staying strong on our price because I think that we started getting annoyed and just started going with whatever deal we were given.

Ethan Du Toit

Something I would change if we were to repeat this activity is to change the product. While the macarons seem like

a good and unique idea initially, the cost of making them was very high. This is because some macarons can crack and break while making them, so they need more ingredients and cost. It is really just a gamble. If almost none of them cracked, you could make a fortune, but if not, then it's hard to make any money.

Mac Fan-Robertson

Something we could change if we repeated this could be that we make more of our product so we can sell more as we underestimated the popularity of our product.

Max Bond

I think our organization before it started really went well as it made it easier when the market started. The customers' patience and how impatient they were could have been improved and if we had brought more sausages we could have made more.

Frank Gilligan and Rocco Davis

Our stall was a massive success. We sold out of our delicious fairy bread right on the bell, and had no flavoured milk left to spare. We got awesome feedback from our customers as they purchased our product saying, "This service is amazing!" We were quick and efficient, that's what helped us sell out right on

time. One slight improvement we could have made, was having a bigger, easier to read sign to prevent questions about pricing. But aside from that, we fulfilled our pūtake by making people smile, and spreading positivity across the students at Lindisfarne College.

Joshua Parton and Joshua Snijders

Our market day stall was a massive success and we sold out in under 10 minutes. Our group used cost plus pricing to cover all costs of materials and added a bit more on the top of that so we could make a profit. We sold venison sandwiches which helped us cut down on prices because we hunted our own venison, reducing our costs. This helped us make a profit whilst keeping it at a low cost to stay in the Lindisfarne students' budgets.



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SOCIAL STUDIES

USA TRIP

The Lindisfarne USA trip in the April holidays was made up of 37 students, eight parents, and three staff members and featured a packed schedule including time spent in New York, Washington DC, Phoenix, and Los Angeles. Organiser, Mr Hanham created an itinerary that featured historical sites, geographically significant places, cultural events, culinary experiences, and most importantly for some boys, shopping time.

The trip started with a bang in New York. New York pizza proved to be a big hit with the boys as did the local cheesecake. Visits to the 9/11 Memorial, the Statue of Liberty, Times Square, the Empire State Building, Central Park and the Natural History Museum captured the essential New York atmosphere for the boys and were capped off with watching a performance of "Back to the Future: The Musical". Moving on to Washington DC via the famous battlesite, Gettysburg, the group was lucky enough to have a VIP tour of Vice-President Kamala Harris' private office in the Capitol. They also visited the Smithsonian Museum, the Washington Monument, the White House and the Lincoln Memorial

The tour was then off to Phoenix where a mall across the road from their hotel

gave boys their first chance to do some shopping. A quintessential American baseball game between Arizona Diamondbacks and Chicago with an all-you-can-eat buffet was a teenage boys' idea of heaven!

All of this was capped off with rafting down the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon.

The last stage of the trip was in Los Angeles where the boys experienced the sights and sounds of Santa Monica Pier, Venice Beach and Griffith Observatory. The next day there was a choice between Disneyland and a NBA game, the Clippers vs the Mavericks before rounding up the final day with a trip to Universal Studios. Summing up this amazing trip, Mr Hanham said,

"International trips with school groups are as much about the little experiences along the way as they are the big sight-seeing moments. Moving through big cities and seeing how people live, brings out key learning opportunities."



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HARD WORK & DETERMINATION

BRING THE RESULTS

Sam Skidmore is the most humble of young men and it's really hard to get him to talk about himself, so you'd be excused for thinking that not much was going on in his life! This, however, would be a huge mistake as Sam is one of the most accomplished and hardest-working athletes in the College with a training regime that would be daunting for most adults!





Those who attended the Lindisfarne Swimming Sports could hardly have missed seeing evidence of Sam's prowess in the pool as he won his age-group championship and broke an impressive total of six records, but they may not be aware that Sam has been winning age-group championships in the Hawke's Bay/ Poverty Bay region for years and has recently won three gold medals at the New Zealand Age-Group Championships for 50m freestyle, 50m butterfly and 100m butterfly. He also broke a Hawke's Bay/Poverty Bay record in the 50m butterfly that has stood for 15 years.

All of this cannot be achieved without a huge amount of hard work and dedication. Sam's training regime is intense and includes three early morning sessions of 90 minutes, five afternoon sessions of the same length and two gym sessions which are at least as long. Sam admits that sometimes it is hard to stay motivated and that he has been tempted to try other sports but he receives huge support and encouragement from his family and both his sisters, Evie and Millie, are also competitive swimmers who won medals at the recent NAGS competition. Sam must get at least some of his endurance and commitment

to sport from his genes as both his grandmother, Margaret McDonald, and mother Kirsty Skidmore ran track and represented New Zealand internationally in the 800m, 1500m, and cross country. Sam's grandfather, Don McDonald received the NZ Order of Merit for 60 years of rowing coaching including numerous NZ rowing crews.

Sam himself attributes his success almost entirely to hard work and training. As he describes, "I think the training makes the difference. When I increased my training and started doing the extra sessions consistently, I went from being in the top 10 at events to winning medals. And you notice the difference when you lose fitness which can happen so quickly." Kirsty acknowledges the importance of the training but believes that it is also Sam's love for speed and the grit and determination he brings to training that help him succeed.

Anyone would be forgiven for thinking that Sam focuses entirely on swimming and has little time for his academic studies but that is entirely wrong. Sam thinks that the discipline he has learnt from swimming has enabled him to do well in other areas such as the classroom as he knows that the best way to do well

at something is to get stuck in and put in the hours.

The recent swimming competition, the New Zealand Age-Group Championships or NAGS are the most challenging of the New Zealand competitions and attract swimmers from all over the country as well as Australia and New Caledonia. They are held over five days in a 50m pool, emulating Olympic swimming conditions and are used as time trials for New Zealand swimming teams in international competition. Hawke's Bay has been fortunate to have the Regional Aquatic Centre with its 50m pool, built two years ago and this has helped to provide a centre of excellence with good coaching and older role models to inspire younger swimmers. Trojans Swim Club coaches Kirsty Johnson and Phil Melhuish have also been crucial in helping Sam and his sisters develop as swimmers.

While most of us will never be able to swim with the speed and agility that Sam commands, we can all draw at least one lesson from his example and that is that effort and determination bring their own rewards. In Sam's case, a lot of effort has had a fantastic reward.



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ARMAAN KUMAR

DELIVERING THE GOODS

Many people have great ideas for start-up businesses that would make them a fortune if they could just get them off the ground! The tricky bit is getting them off the ground but for Armaan Kumar and his business partner, Keaton Pitcher, their start-up is a lot closer to fruition than many other business ideas. Armaan came up with their concept a while ago and brought Keaton on board with his technical and design skills. When the Young Enterprise Scheme was restarted at Lindisfarne this year, they saw this as the ideal way to develop their idea.

Armaan is in Year 13 and is a College prefect and Keaton who got University Entrance at Lindisfarne in Year 12, is spending the year getting industry experience before heading off to university. Together they have come up with the idea of Cargo which is a crowd-sourced delivery app providing a network of on-demand drivers for businesses or individuals needing rapid local delivery of items. Initially their model was for long-distance deliveries but their research showed that there was less demand for this in New Zealand and they pivoted to short-distance local deliveries. The same day delivery service is available but only in the major centres where it is both expensive and limited. To get more information about what was needed Armaan and Keaton conducted a survey which helped them to figure out their pricing structure and the scope of their idea.

Entering the Young Enterprise competition has given Armaan and Keaton the ideal structure round which to develop their idea. Young Enterprise is designed around four challenges each of which carries points. The teams scoring the most across the four challenges pitch again to a new panel in the regional finals. The top two from here go forward

to the national final at the end of the year with big prizes and the opportunity for mentoring. The first challenge was the market research and the second and arguably most difficult is the pitch of the business idea to a panel of experts. Armaan and Keaton's pitch for Cargo received 98 marks out of a possible 100, the highest in the region and one of the top in the country. They also received a prize of \$500 for the top pitch so Cargo has got off to a flying start. The final two challenges will be completed by the end of the year.

As a result of their successful pitch, a couple of new opportunities have opened up for these young entrepreneurs. The first is a chance to meet with Datacom software engineers in Auckland. This will help them to get a more accurate idea of what their software will look like and enable them to get the more realistic quotes needed for their financial projections. Armaan and Keaton have also consulted a lawyer and accountant about their intellectual property rights and financial projections.

An even more exciting development is their decision to present their concept to the King's Trust, a global organisation set up by King Charles to support

young people become entrepreneurs for a sustainable future. The King's Trust has a New Zealand wing which has been adapted to meet local needs and offers training, mentoring, funding and networking to young people who wish to develop their business ideas. Armaan and Keaton have undertaken an online training programme with the King's Trust, after which they hope to apply to the He Kākano Trust, the funding aspect of the King's trust, for seed capital to develop the software for Cargo.

All of this is very exciting for the young businessmen and even more exciting is the response that they have had from local businesses with 30 of them expressing an interest in deploying their concept. Armaan has a very busy time ahead of him as he comes to the end of his Year 13 studies as he hopes to study medicine next year. Perhaps he and Keaton will also be juggling their new business venture alongside their studies!

To stay updated on their progress, follow their Instagram (@cargoappnz), or check out their website where you can also get in touch and sign up to their mailing list (www.cargo.kiwi).



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

LCOBA

The LCOBA calendar year typically kicks off with the College vs Old Boys summer sports day. This year's results were: cricket, a win to the College 1st XI by 7 wickets, tennis, a win to the Old Boys by 4-0 and in volleyball, a win to the College 3-0. Thanks to Rob Hay for his organisation and to all the Old Boys who played and made it a very enjoyable afternoon.

Much time in our committee meetings is spent deciding how we can spend our income to financially support the College. One small way we do this is through the LCOBA scholarship to the son of an Old Boy for the sum of \$1000 per year for three years. In any given year there are three boys across three different year groups, receiving the scholarship. This is a discretionary (no application) scholarship with the recipient decided by a panel of staff, independent of LCOBA. With the 2024 winner to be selected in September, the current recipients are Josh Snijders (son of Peter, 79-83) and Bugs Butler (son of Toby 87-90). I am pleased to report these boys are doing well across all four of the College cornerstones.

An initiative we aimed to kick off again this year was 'Decade Reunions' whereby a year group of Old Boys is invited back, two decades from leaving the College. We have done several in the past and this year is the 2004 cohort who have been 'out' for 20 years. Thanks to Jay Sorensen (98-04) and our Alumni Relations Coordinator, Jacqui Pearse, for working to pull this together. Their reunion weekend is planned for Saturday 14 September. Please reach out to Jay or Jacqui if you are in this cohort, have not yet been contacted, and wish to attend. Another initiative (started by former staff member, Mr Matt Kidd), which we have

continued, is bringing back recent leavers to speak to our Year 13 boys about life after Lindisfarne. It is important to have a good cross section of experiences presented and, in this regard, the following 2021 leavers, returned to the school to share their experiences:

- Oliver Newton - Cadet Engineer for Fulton Hogan and also studying part-time doing a Diploma in Civil Engineering
- Reuben Mitchell - In his 3rd year of a Building Apprenticeship for Aaron Dodd Builders in HB
- Tino Savea - 3rd year at EIT studying Bachelor of Nursing
- Charlie Roil - 3rd year at Waikato University Studying Business, Majoring in Accounting
- Barvick Ravla - 3rd year at Massey University doing a Bachelor of Accounting



As reported last year, we have also picked up organising the annual Puketapu Pub lunch, held in June and the Hawke's Bay Club dinner, held in November. Initiated by Bruce Dunderdale and Roger Alexander, these events are attended by our most senior Old Boys, affectionately known as the 'Old Contemptibles'. The Puketapu lunch was held on 6th June with a record attendance of about 40 Old Boys, many of whom travel a great distance to attend. It was an excellent occasion and a wonderful catch up for this group. With





the annual dinner including wives and partners, we may need to reconsider the venue for that event as we continue to grow the number of attendees.

Since the last edition of Highways, it is with sadness we acknowledge the passing of several Old Boys and a former Deputy Rector, who are listed on page 36.

Finally, the Winter Sports Day vs the College was held at the end of Term Two. A good crowd of Old Boys, past parents, grandparents, staff and current pupils

enjoyed watching the action. There was an excellent turnout of "younger" Old Boys to play in football, hockey and basketball and a nice mix of youth and experience for the Old Boys clay target shooting team.

The presentation of trophies at afternoon tea, then a social hour at the pavilion, finished off a very enjoyable afternoon. Results: Football - Old Boys won 5-3 on Penalties after the match ended 5-5
Hockey - College won 16-11
Basketball - Old Boys won 48-43

Clay Target Shooting – Old Boys won 40.3-38.3

With the summer exchange, in February, being won by the Old Boys 2-1, the LCOBA trophy for the overall 2024 exchange, was retained by the Old Boys, by 4 matches to 3

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Hugh McPhail (80-84)
LCOBA President

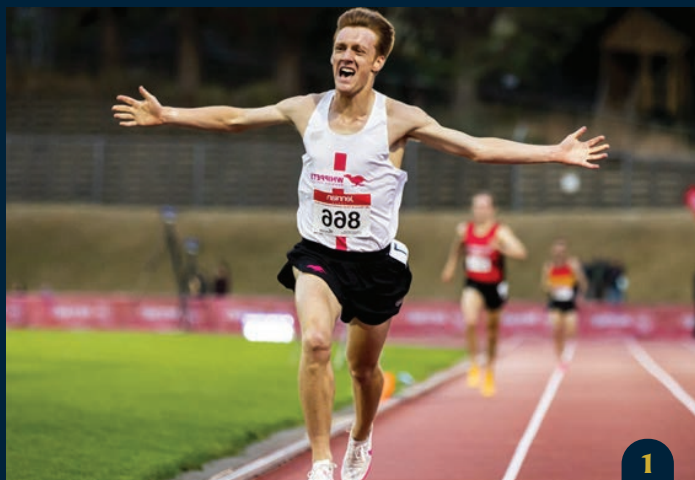




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LIFE AFTER LINDISFARNE



William Little

William Little (13 - 17) was selected for New Zealand World Championship cross-country team which competed in Serbia in March. He was the only senior men's runner in the team of 18. Earlier in the year, he had won his first national medal, bronze, at the New Zealand Mile championships in Whanganui and followed this up in March with his first national title, winning senior men's 5000m gold in Wellington. Photo 1

Fletcher Ware

Fletcher Ware (18 - 21) graduated from Smedley at the end of 2023 as the top cadet and won four additional awards: the Sheppard Agriculture award for Emerging Data Farmer, the AFFCO and HB Chamber of Commerce Annual Proficiency Award for All-Round Excellence and the Ballance Agri Nutrient Award for Stockmanship. He was also voted by his peers as winner of the Smith Family Team Player Trophy and the Shepherd prize for the cadet displaying the best team player qualities. Photo 2

Ollie Howlett

Ollie Howlett (11-17) played Romeo with the Award-winning theatre company The Barden Party which performed at Linden Estate Winery, Napier. This production of Shakespeare's classic was reimagined as a modern-bohemian romance set to Kiwi and Australian music Oliver also travelled to London to perform and train at The Globe Theatre in 2018 as a part of the New Zealand Young Shakespeare Company. Photo 3

AJ Dowley

Rob Hay caught up with AJ Dowley (07 – 13) in Wellington recently. He has been working in the toy industry since late 2018 and was based in Hong Kong for just over three years, before moving to New York in early 2022 to join Jada Toys which sells diecast and radio control vehicles like the Fast & Furious toys. AJ manages a number of markets, Australia, NZ, Canada, South Africa and South Korea as well as some customers in the US. Photo 4

Joe Eccleton

Joe Eccleton (93-98) has been recently appointed as the new principal at Christ's College, Christchurch. Eccleton has led Cashmere High School for the past five years, during which time it has had record enrolments and increasing popularity. He will replace Christ College's outgoing executive principal Garth Wynne, who finishes at the end of the term after eight-and-a-half years. Photo 5

Country Calendar

In April Country Calendar covered a story on Big Day Out, featuring two East Coast Old Boys, brothers, Tennant (73-75) and Burne (75-78) McNeil. This was a wonderful story from rural New Zealand about brothers who worked as shepherds on a big East Coast hill country station, then bought their own land. No Photo

Joel Willetts and John McIntyre

It's always great to catch up with Old Boys and especially in different parts of the world. Old Boys' Secretary and College Community Relations & Events Manager, Rob Hay, caught up with former

To see more of our 'Old Boys' Highlights' make sure to follow @Lindisfarne College Old Boys Assn on Facebook.



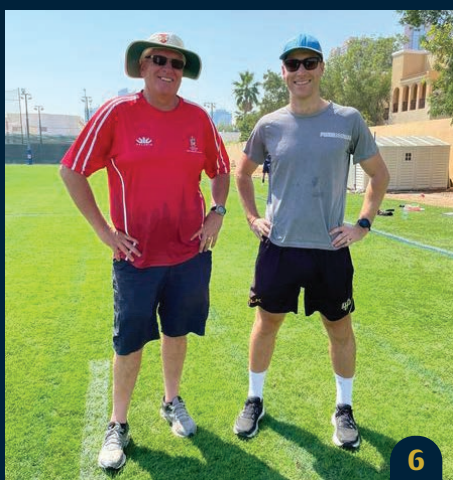
Football 1st XI player, Joel Willetts (06 - 10) in Dubai, UAE. Joel popped in to see the College football boys in action against Dubai College. Returning with the football team from Dubai, Rob Hay saw ex V8 Super car driver, John McIntyre (90-93) in Auckland Airport. Photo 6

Tim Clayton

Tim Clayton (07 – 09) has been selected for the New Zealand preliminary squad for the 2025 Special Olympics Winter Games which will be take place in Torino, Italy. The preliminary squad will train at the Special Olympics snow camp in Wanaka in August before the final selection of the team is made. Due to the cancellation of the previous World Winter Games, this will be New Zealand Snow Sports athletes first opportunity to showcase their talents on the world stage since the 2017 World Winter Games in Austria, where the New Zealand team won 18 medals. Photo 7

Māori Battalion scholarship

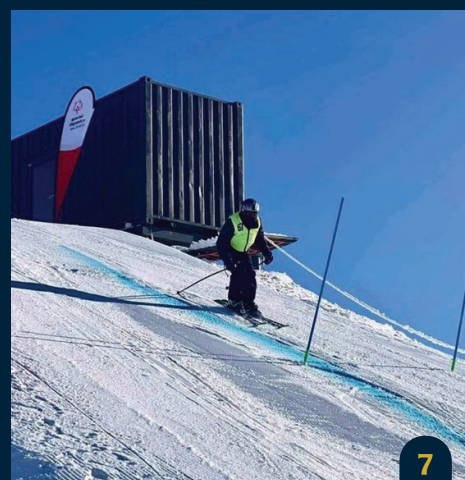
The College is thrilled to announce that recent graduate Heremia McGarvey has



been awarded the prestigious Ngarimu VC and 28th Māori Battalion scholarship. Awarded at a ceremony in Tai Rāwhiti / Gisborne attended by MPs, Willie Apiata VC and Tā /Sir Robert Gillies, the last surviving member of the 28th Māori Battalion, these scholarships support Māori students from undergraduate to doctoral levels. Heremia, who exemplifies the values of the Battalion, is embarking on a conjoint law and commerce degree at Victoria University. The College extends its heartfelt congratulations to Heremia and his whanau on this remarkable achievement. Photo 8

Old Boys Summer Sports Day

The Summer Old Boys' Sports Day, as per usual, was held over a few days featuring cricket, tennis and volleyball. Cricket was an enjoyable evening on the Oval, with the Old Boys batting first. They were all out for 128 in their 20 overs with Liam Monteith taking an excellent 5-17. The boys chased down the target, reaching 129-3 with two balls to spare. Will Foster led the scoring with 53no. Thanks to all our former students (Jack Blyth, George



Mowat, William Duncan, Hamish Hay, Nick Cater, Bailey McDonald, Hunter Lowe, Sam Ferguson) for coming along to play and to a couple of current students (Sam Chrystall, Angus Martin, Andrew Wakefield) for helping to fill in with a lot of students having already headed back to university. A sausage sizzle and cold drinks concluded the day. Photo 9 and 10

Scoreboard:

Cricket: Old Boys 128 all out (Chrystall 41, McDonald 20, Lowe 19, Mowat 16; Monteith 5-17, Sisam 2-12, McDonald 2-30)

1st XI 129-3 in 19.4 overs (Foster 53no, Holder 30, McDonald 17; Duncan 1-12, Hay 1-12, Lowe 1-21) - Win to the 1st XI by 7 wkts

Tennis: 4-0 to the Old Boys; John Penny, Steve Greer, Jono Fall, Phil Mitchell, Kadin Good, Andrew Shand, Hunter Every, Jackson Lambert

Volleyball: College won 3-0 (25-8, 25-20, 25-21) Angelo Mufana, Glen Petersen, Hamish Hay, Andre Petersen, Sean Lagikula and Rob Hay turned out for the Old Boys.



Old Boys at the College

Currently there are ten Old Boys working at the College in 2024. Rob Hay (77-83), Campbell Howlett (80-86), Hamish Hay (10-16), Kadin Good (13-17), Karl Jones (86-88), Laurent Simutoga (05-06), Milarn Smith (88-92), Angelo Mufana (08-09), Andre Bell (85-89). Absent - Richard Foddy (71-74). Photo 11

Puketapu Lunch

We had a fantastic turn out to our annual Puketapu lunch, an event targeted to our 50s and 60s Old Boys at the Puketapu Hotel. Attendees included Roger Alexander, David Mossman, Adrian Smith, Bruce Dunderdale, Brian Worboys, John McDonald, Geoffrey Clark, Rupert Ryan, Graham Malaghan, Hilton Meech, Farry McLeod, Don McLraith, Ron MacMillan,

Peter McNeill, Keith McLeod, Stuart Gunn, Brian Tomlinson, Blue Dorward, Mervyn Harper, Buster Neill, Ralph Harper, Bruce Worsnop, Jim Worboys, John McKenzie. And a special welcome to Peter Johnston, Bill Harper, Selwyn Dorward, Fred Stevenson, Ted Bibby, Mike Tod, Bryan Mouat, Jim Syme, Murray Rosser and Van Howard, who were all attending their first "Puketapu Reunion". The group included five of our 1953, first day pupils (Roger Alexander, Peter McNeil, Keith McLeod, Don McLraith and Farry McLeod). Rector Stuart Hakeney and LCOBA president, Hugh McPhail were also present. Photo 12

The Hawke's Bay Bagpiper

Kieran Chisnall (2000-01), locally known as the Hawke's Bay Bagpiper has

become a reoccurring face amongst local events around the Bay. Relied on as the 'go to' bagpiper, it was great to see Kieran opening Matariki events, with traditional waiata for a second year in a row. Photo 13

A Word of Thanks From Mr Bramley

I would like to thank all of you for sending me messages and cards whilst I was unwell. Your support has been much appreciated over the last three years. Yours sincerely, Evan Bramley

House Music Judge, Leo Guo

We were privileged to have recent leaver (2023) Leo Guo as our judge for House Music, visiting from his first year of studies in Sydney

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IN MEMORIAM

It is with great sadness that we advise the following members of our community have passed away. Our condolences to their families in their time of loss.

R C (Rory) Stewart (18-23), Old Boy, died in Hawke's Bay, 5 February 2024

J A (Alan) Cooper, BA Dip.Tchg, (73-78), ex Staff Member (Deputy Rector/First Assistant, Teacher, 1st XV Rugby and 1st XI Cricket Coach), died in Whanganui, 12 February, 2024

D J (David) Barker (76-79), Old Boy, died in Napier, 1 April, 2024

S C (Callum) McLeod (54-57), Old Boy, died in Taupō, 24 April, 2024

We rely on information provided by family members or members of our community. If we have missed a recent death, please email advancement@lindisfarne.school.nz



Chronicle Call out

Do you have old copies of the College Chronicles lying around? We are looking to bolster our archives and need your help! We are especially seeking Chronicles between the 1950s to 1980s.

If you have copies, you'd like to donate, please get in touch with us at advancement@lindisfarne.school.nz or drop them off at our main office during term time.

Thank you for helping us keep the Lindisfarne legacy alive!



DUBAI FOOTBALL TOUR

Overseas tours are always a highlight for a sporting team and this year's tour to Dubai with the football team was no exception although it did have a strong element of the unexpected as Dubai experienced a severe thunderstorm which lashed the city with a year and a half's worth of rain in 24 hours. Fortunately, the Lindisfarne team was in an area that was not badly affected by the flooding but they could certainly sympathise with the devastation experienced by many Dubai communities.

The flooding in Dubai did lead to the cancellation of two of the scheduled games but fortunately four of the games went ahead and Lindisfarne managed to win two of these. In the game against Al Ethihad Elite, Lindisfarne took a quick lead with two superb goals from Tom Speers and Carter Lachmund. Although Al Ethihad hit back with a goal in the second half, further goals from Archie Absolom and Tom Speers and spirited defence gave Lindisfarne a deserved 4-1 victory.

One of the important aspects of overseas tours is the exposure to a different culture and the football team really embraced this with visits to many iconic Dubai attractions. These included the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, one of

the largest mosques in the world with a courtyard that can accommodate 34000 worshippers. The boys learnt to perfect their bartering skills at the Al Karama night markets and the Old Town Souks where they were divided into teams and set the challenge of buying four particular items for the lowest possible price. Team Sharjah came out as the winners of this challenge. Another highlight was the safari into the desert in Toyota SUVs which included a dinner banquet, camel rides, falconry displays and sand surfing.

The boys were fortunate to attend two professional club football games, one of which was a cup final with lots of enthusiastic, noisy supporters. In between football games, there was

great fun to be had at the Wild Wadi Water Theme Park, Kite Beach and the Ferrari World Theme Park which features a history of Enzo Ferrari alongside roller coasters, games and activities. Slightly more educational was the Museum of the Future which took the visitors on a visit to the year 2071.

The Lindisfarne football team acted as great ambassadors for the College on their trip to Dubai, displaying sportsmanship, respect, and professionalism at all times, even when faced with some extreme weather events. As representatives of the College, they upheld its values both on the field and off.



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PARENTS AND FRIENDS MĀNAWATIA A MATARIKI!

Matariki, the Māori New Year, is a time of renewal, reflection and celebration. It reminds us of the importance of connection and gratitude. As I reflect on the first half of 2024, I am exceptionally grateful for the on-going support from our Lindisfarne community.

Special recognition goes to our Parents & Friends Association (PFA) for their tremendous efforts. Their dedication helps enrich the students' educational journey and enhances the overall environment and wellbeing at Lindisfarne College. Advocacy for the needs and wellbeing of all students is at the heart of PFA's mission.

I am also grateful to our students, parents, staff, Rector Stuart Hakeney and friends of the College for making our Lindisfarne Gala a huge success. After a two-year hiatus we returned stronger than ever, with the College community spirit at an all-time high. The smiles and laughter from our hard-working volunteers and visitors were a testament to this.

The annual Lindisfarne Gala, our main fundraising event, is run by the PFA in collaboration with the College. Funds raised from this successful community event, are reinvested into the school, enhancing opportunities and experiences for our young gentlemen. The Gala also provides a wonderful opportunity for parents and caregivers to meet new friends and get involved with the College and our wider community.

Special thanks must go to the PFA Gala Committee, Rob and Debbie Hay, and especially Kim Herrick who led this event for the last time. Their commitment, tireless efforts and teamwork shone through. With Kim's departure, we welcome Emma Glover as our new Gala Coordinator.

Planning has already begun for next years Gala so please SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, 2nd March 2025.

Our Mothers & Sons Breakfast is always a popular cherished tradition on the College calendar, with this year's event selling out within 90 minutes! It is a fantastic opportunity for mums and sons to bond and for families to strengthen ties within our school community. This year, we were inspired by Andrew McCrory who has raised approximately \$90,000 to support children with Cerebral Palsy. His dedication, alongside his diverse and inspiring life as a tutor, personal trainer, and Army Reserve member, moved us deeply. Our talented head chef, Kate and her exceptional kitchen team once again provided a superb breakfast, making this event truly special.

Last month, we proudly hosted our Pre-Ball event in the stunning Assembly Ballroom at Toitoti. Led by Maria van Dien, the PFA Pre-Ball committee created an elegant event for our young gentlemen, their parents and ball partners. Delicious appetisers and memorable photos were captured before the students made their way to the Lindisfarne College Ball.



We also hosted our annual New Parents Welcome event on the Homestead lawn and supported the College with their



successful Open Day and the Grease production gala night. The volunteers who help with these events are hugely appreciated. While we have a core PFA Executive Committee, we rely on broader support, and we are sincerely grateful for everyone's contributions.

At our AGM, we farewelled Lisa Clarke, an executive member and welcomed Jo Pentreath. Lisa's involvement and support over the past three years has been invaluable and we will miss her positive energy. Jo, with her extensive marketing and events expertise, has already made a significant impact in a short period.

In terms of funding; to date this year we have approved a total of \$21,878 for various initiatives, including the Grease production, William Pike Challenge presentation, disc golf equipment, electronic orienteering equipment, Study Smart programme and boarding hostel couches. We are pleased to support initiatives/ programmes that foster positive wellbeing outcomes.

If you are interested in getting involved with the PFA or learning more about our mahi, we warmly encourage you to

attend one of our society meetings or reach out to us at parentsandfriends@lindisfarne.school.nz.

"Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi." - With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Nadine Stuart
President
Parents and Friends Association

2024 PFA Executive Committee

President: Nadine Stuart
Vice-President/Boarding Rep: Emily Brittin
Treasurer: Phillip Boustridge
Secretary: Nicola Jansen
Executive Members: Jax Bothamley and Jo Pentreath
Gala Coordinator: Emma Glover

Upcoming PFA Meetings

Tuesday, 30 July 2024
Tuesday, 22 October 2024

All current Lindisfarne parents & caregivers are welcome. More details will be shared via email closer to the dates. We look forward to seeing you there!

PFA Funding Approvals to date

Grease production - \$1,500
William Pike Challenge - \$786
Disc golf equipment - \$2,640
Electronic orienteering equipment - \$4,380
Study Smart programme - \$5,399
Boarding hostel couches - \$7,173



Lindisfarne College Regional Gatherings 2024

Whether you are an Old Boy, a past or current parent, or looking to join our community, we would love to see you when we visit each Region. Meet Rector, Stuart Hakeney, Director of Boarding Russel Lennox and other senior members of the staff at an informal gathering. They will be on hand to chat about College news, reminisce and answer any questions you may have. Please join us from 6-8pm for drinks and nibbles at:

Waipukurau

Wednesday 14th August 6-8pm
Copperpot Bar & Restaurant, 17
Northumberland Street, Waipukurau

Gisborne

Wednesday 21st August 6-8pm
Lonestar, 60 The Esplanade, Inner Kaiti,
Gisborne

Wairoa

Thursday 22nd August 6-8pm
Eastend Café, 250 Marine Parade, Wairoa

Taupō

Thursday 29th August. 6-8pm
Dixie Browns, 38 Roberts St, Taupo

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COLLEGE COUNCIL

2024

"The times, they are a changing..." (Bob Dylan). Given the recent success of the Lindisfarne musical production I thought it appropriate to open my update to our community with some lyrics reflecting my theme for this article. There have been changes taking place around the Lindisfarne College campus and around the governance table as we look to a future where change is the only constant.

Following the completion of the modifications to the Homestead, the Proprietors quickly moved on to the next building project on campus. There has been pressure on our roll in the past year and waiting lists for young men to attend the College have increased greatly. This is great news for our future but to maintain small class sizes the decision was made to build additional teaching spaces. The activity happening on our grounds currently will see the addition of new classrooms above the science block. Once again, the noise of our builders and disruption to teaching spaces are being obligingly accepted by our students and teachers. We are grateful for their patience and willingness to change their routines over the next few months as the project is completed.

At our Council table the elected members and Proprietors are all committed to ensuring the College is governed well with oversight that reflects good monitoring of our activities plus an eye to the future. At the end of last year there were changes in the elected membership and the set of skills and experiences that are available in both BoT members and Proprietors is exciting with real strengths in many areas, especially strategic skills. We are

about to delve into another strategic plan review as our current plan draws close to its target date. This review of a strategic plan is also required by the Ministry. This process will see further changes in our goals but will have our focus firmly on achieving our vision.

In our current plan there are five focus areas within which there are operating plans to help achieve those. There has been work undertaken around our learning cornerstones with support for strengthening of the academic programmes. Our people and community have been at the heart of our work over the past few years with changes in our teaching staff through retirements and establishment of completely new roles. The place and space focus area has seen changes in our current buildings and consideration of exciting property developments into the future. The fundamental ethos reflected in our special character continues to be central to the work of the Council.

At recent presentations to Council, it is apparent that the values and behaviour standards that reflect commitment to our special character are greatly appreciated. Feedback from parents whose young men have attended the



College over the past few years reflect improvement and endorsement of our adherence to special character. The Council's work programme over the next year is focused on realizing our future to ensure Lindisfarne remains sustainable as an organisation and thrives for many years to come. Changes will continue as we review our strategic and operational plans. I believe that Lindisfarne is in good heart and I look forward to working with my Council team members to continue monitoring the outcomes and make good decisions about setting the direction over the next two years.

Our Rector, leadership team and staff are committed to ensuring the young men we teach and care for are provided with "tools in their toolkit" for changing times. As Council we continue to appreciate their hard work. We are mindful that Lindisfarne operates within an environment that is constantly changing and our commitment as a governance group is to ensure that our College continues, not just to survive, but to thrive.

Sharon Wards
Chair, Lindisfarne Council



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We are one big **family** who relies on each other. We all contribute equally and don't get to sit on the sidelines. **Contributing** is a responsibility. **Community** comes in many forms. Respect and tolerance for diverse thinking are how we contribute to our whānau.

Seizing **opportunities** every day, and giving everything our best shot, are how we show our **gratitude**. We get out what we put in. Contributing our time through **service** is non-negotiable.

When we walk into a room, we look people in the eyes and greet them warmly. It shows **respect** and **manaaki** for others, but it comes from **confidence and respect for ourselves**. We believe in who and what we are. We hold our heads up high; we are part of a lifelong **brotherhood** and proud history of educating some of the best men in the country.

The Lindisfarne Way

Motutapu Kāretī, Kia eke!

We are unapologetically **aspirational** in our goals to achieve the best in and out of the classroom – **striving** to reach our potential is the bottom line. Lindisfarne is driven to give us the best shot at a happy and successful life. Lindisfarne grows men of **good character**.

Standards are key. **Pride** in appearance shows a respect for oneself and the College. We are proud of who we are and the role we play in the bigger picture. **Whanaungatanga** and **relationships** form the basis of our community, and we put great value on building and maintaining connections. Relationships are earned and come with effort.

We all have the opportunity to **lead** every day in the way we choose to live our lives at Lindisfarne. Anyone can follow. That bit is easy. To **stand tall and lead** might be challenging, but it is possible. Finding ways to push ourselves and **go beyond our comfort zone** is where we learn things about ourselves. We are comfortable being uncomfortable.

Our **Christian faith** plays an integral role in who we **aspire to be**, and that informs the way we live our lives at Lindisfarne.