Individual Excellence in a Supportive Learning Environment

News

Deputy Principal Message

Term One? Done!

What a week of activity the last week of Term One has been. Monday saw the first step on our journey towards PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) that involved a survey of some of our staff and students, to get a feel for what is going well and where we can start to explore positive change.



Events

Tuesday saw a visit by the students involved

in Drama, Dance and Music to the fantastic production of 'Wicked' at the Theatre Royal in Christchurch. About sixty students and staff were treated to an absolutely spectacular musical that featured two former Ashburton students in the line-up: Jack Hanrahan in a variety of roles, and Jane Leonard as one of the main lead characters. Both were superb, demonstrating another example of the success enjoyed by Ashburton College students.

Wednesday saw another group of students take to the Auditorium stage for the annual gem, Festival of the Spoken Word. The evening brought a good audience out, and slick and creditable performances by the seventy-plus students involved. Thursday gave us the opportunity to celebrate academic success from

2017, as we saw a capacity crowd in the Auditorium for our Academic Blues Assembly. With our student leaders forming a large part of the stage party, a record number of students were presented with certificates and badges as a mark of the achievements at NCEA for 2017. These are listed within this newsletter.

Term End – Time for Stocktake

And now the term closes and signals to our NCEA students that a third of the learning time for 2018 has already passed by. The time for reflection on progress to date and the opportunity to plan for the remainder of the year are valuable tools to be putting to good use at this time.

In Term Two we will be focussing on respect, one of the three Values of Ashburton College. The large majority of students are respectful in their everyday dealings with each other and the people in their lives. I can't help but feel though, that we have an increasing number of our young people who are falling short in some areas of this. Respect has to be earned, we all know that is how it seems to be these

days. The times when we started out by respecting someone until they lost that respect, seems to have gone out of fashion. Sadly, this should not be the case - and giving people a fair go straight off the bat is surely how it should be. For that to happen, the first contact or interaction with another person needs to be respectful. That should set things off in the right direction. We would all like to think that we were able to start on that two-way street, surely. Respect can be shown in endless ways and part of how we will try to build that respect is to be clear about what actions are respectful and what are

not. We can fall into the trap, especially with young people, of assuming that they fully know what the difference is. The reality is that often they don't and we need to be more specific about what it looks like in our classrooms, our College, our homes and in any social groups and teams that we are involved in. I would urge that, as a community, we remind our young people when

they seem to be disrespectful, clearly state how they have shown a lack of respect and, just as importantly, let them know when their respectful actions have been noticed and appreciated. We all need to know when we have done well. **Looking Ahead**

The year has shot off to a really positive start for most students and we need to keep building on that, taking every opportunity that is put our way, taking control of where we are going, and being the positive navigator of our own waka. Ron Cresswell

Deputy Principal

Staff – Farewells and Good Wishes At the end of Term One we acknowledged, with appreciation, four of

Claire Walker - Social Sciences teacher. Claire was farewelled on Friday

06 April, and is wished well as she uplifts her maternity leave entitlement. Kendra Maw - Teacher of English and Year 12 Dean. Kendra will be

farewelled tomorrow and, like Claire, wished well as she uplifts her maternity leave entitlement. Both will be missed for their teaching and contributions to College.

Rahul Suresh - Rahul has been the College's New Era IT on-site technician for the past three years, and we are very sorry to lose his expertise as he

moves to a new position in Christchurch. Being an IT technician is a demanding, pressured role and Rahul has provided us with willing, cheerful and knowledgeable service. We are sorry to lose him. Margaret Welsh - Margaret has been our loyal Staffroom Tea Person, since

February 2007 and, after just over eleven years' service, she has decided it is time to 'retire' and benefit from some more flexible time. We thank her very much for 'keeping us in order', along with keeping the staffroom orderly also, and for giving so much of her time to the position. The twice-a-day broken-time nature of the position brings its own challenges and we have been fortunate to have had someone willing to fit in with these timeframes.

Information

College Office Hours During Student Holiday Break The office will re-open on Thursday 26 April, and will be open on Friday 27 April, from 8:00am - 4:00pm

> Term 2 Students return to College on Monday 30 April

Congratulations

Academic Blues and Performance Awards – 2017 Year's Results

Held on Thursday 12 April, this celebration of success is always a

wonderful way to conclude the term. The Awards are based on the 2017 year's Level 1 and Level 2 NCEA academic results. Top Scholar and Colours Badge Recipients

At each year level, the top scholar is the student who achieves the greatest number of Excellence Awards. Top Scholars also receive a Colours Badge. Level 1 Top Scholar **Level 2 Top Scholar**

Leanne Walsh



Chrizia Cayanan

Academic Blues Award Recipients

To receive a Blues Award Badge a student achieves 30 or more **Excellence Credits. Level One Recipients**

Zif Balagulan

Chloe Buchanan

Grace Adams Jade Brosnahan Shane Crawford **Brittany Fowler** Josh Jones Jay Martin Ella McQuillan Jade Peters Luke Skinner William Wallis

Sophie Bonnington

Matthew Clough

Artem Kravchenko

Charlotte Muir

Uatifoti Saofai

Megan White

Tom Suh

Kate Donald

Ella Hurley

Zoe Diedricks Mollie Gibson Tory Kelland Dani McArthur Ann Moriarty **Bradley Phillips** Emma Stagg Leanne Walsh Brynmor Workman **Level Two Recipients** Simon Aiken-Wheeler Diana Barbu

Jack Bubb

Stella Fleming

Mikiya Ichikawa

Samantha Naui

Jessica Windhorst

Liam Scott

Maggie Tarry

Caleb Livingstone

Emily Armstrong

Sam Bubb

Jemma Donnelly Leigh Harrison Titus Lambet-Lane Kate McIlroy Julie Mushonga Sarah Rawlings Harriet Stock Reece Watson

Bianca Tawatao

Marcus Bishop

Sarah Du Toit

Ruby Goodes

Toby Lee

Gemma Whiting Sophie Beveridge Lara Biggs Aidan Campbell Chrizia Cayanan Erin Connelly-Whyte Connie Davidson Eiman De Ocampo Haxby Hefford William Hii Tessa Inwood Jessica King Liv McCrea Tayla Love **Britney Moore** Natsuki Mori Georgia Naylor Kate O'Reilly **Annabel Spicer** Rosie Smith

Shanae Trumper

Olivia Clark

Mitchell Farr

Oliver Livingstone

Ben Harris

Teaghan Holland Charlotte Jackson

Alisha Broker

Carl Cayanan

Aidan Elvines

Ben Holland

Maisie Looii

Meg McIntyre

Amy Pearson

Ouinn Ritchie

Natasha Waddell

Performance Award Recipients To receive a Performance Award Certificate a student achieves a total of 50 or more Excellence and Merit Credits combined.

Lanelle Millar-McArthur Mickayla Milmine

Level One Recipients Laurraine Aperocho Cole Beeman Sacha Begbie Jacklynn Afu

Georgia Bennett-Collett Kelly-Anne Bentley

Jayden Collett Kaleb Finn Lily Hewson sopnie Kemp Eirinn MacLean Bridget McArthur Alena Patterson Tane Putaranui Clark Stewart Zac White

Maddy Bremner

Georgia Canning

Rebecca Joseph

Emma McDowell

Brodie Smitheram

Sharnce Taylor-Culshaw

Ela Reyes

Kate Flanagan Ben Hislop Jess Kettiey Kudzai Mahere Tegan McIntyre Andrew Phimester Yvangeline Radan Kauri Te Moananui-Gamble Jackson Winstone **Level Two Recipients**

Rhianna Drye

Suzie Leech

Era Santos

Sheena Pasion

Shania Stempa

Brad Whalley

Ryan Maslin Jared Mattson Danelle Munro Maigen O'Neill Liam Pram Luke Prendergast James Robertson Lupepe Saofai Callum Urguhart-Thomson Alex Wood Wyatt Burrows Callum Fuller

Josiah Swindley

Emma Bridge

Nicola Cain Holly Gray Taylor Mackenzie Ashleigh Mavor Daniel Petrie Pradip Rai Dallas Scott Olivia Small

Josie Tallents

Congratulations

Annual Festival of the Spoken Word A large audience filled the Holyoake Auditorium for the College's 23rd

Festival of the Spoken Word, held on Wednesday 11 April, organiser Michael Clark said.

Presiding over the judging of the main programme were James Halford and Marya Trengrove, both of whom have a strong association with the

A wide variety of acts, and a large number of original pieces, both entertained and prompted the audience to consider a number of issues. The judges found it impossible to separate the Senior Serious Monologues and so a joint first place was awarded to three outstanding performers.

Special thanks go also to staff members Kylie Maddren as Stage Manager; and Ron Cresswell who, with Year 12 student assistants Toby Lee and Clark Stewart, master-minded the Lighting; and to Michael Clark. Performer of the Evening went to



Shania Harrison-Lee (pictured left) whose performances across her two individual acts were judged as being commanding in contrast. The House Fest was won by Green House, with 'Miscommunication'.

Category Results were -**Junior Serious Group**

1st 9GD: 'Class of the Future'

Highly Commended: Keertthana Rajini, Ally Power, who left the audience with a positive message on the difficult issue of bullying.

Junior Serious Monologue 1st Imogene Felton **Junior Humorous Group**

Ruby Gray, Anna Gray, Mae Patterson – 'A Case of Murder' **Senior Serious Monologues**

'OCD' **Bridget McArthur** 'Goofy Boy' Mitchell Farr 'Life in a Box', Rosencrantz and

Alex Wood

Senior Humorous Monologues

Mitchell Farr 1st Jack Bubb 2nd **Senior Humorous Group**

1st equal Mrs Bubb's Boys

1st

- 'Devil Toby', Rowan Atkinson.

- 'I've Got Two Jobs', from One Man,

Guildernstern are Dead.

Two Guv'nors.

 Jack Bubb, Matt Clough, Caleb Livingstone, William Hii

Shania Harrison-Lee - 'I Ate the Divorce Papers', Gabriel Davis.

Joe Danielson.

Sophie Bonnington, Kate Donald,



(Pictured above): Family Form 9GD performing 'Class of the Future'. Aoraki Senior Volleyball Championships –

2nd and 3rd Placings Ashburton College had a Senior Girls' A and

B team and Senior Boys' Red and Blue team contesting these Championships, in each grade, which were played at the Southern Trust Events Centre in Timaru on Thursday 05 April.

Team members were -Girls' A Team - (Pictured right, back row, left to right): Palolo Faoagali, Gif Rakthong, Kate Flanagan, Narumi Miura, Mauai Mareko.

Maeroanoel Masina, Yuki Kurokawa. Girls' B Team - Jacklyn Afu, Faith Aiono Falealili, Mai Hasegawa,

(Front row, left to right): Queenie Marquiller, Phinenah Teves,

Feague Kruger, Roi Makutu, Natsuki Mori, Zoila Suyat, Naumai Terekia, Mange Witehira. **Boys' Blue Team** (*Pictured below, back row, left to right*):

Jonathan Vaevae, Sam Rakthong,

Fotu Hala, Tau Daniel. (Middle row, left to right): John Montojo, Otto Mareko. (Front row, left to right): Joseph Collins. Avefua Teomatavui,

AJ Sanchez, Ernest Encarnado, Arnold Pantoja

Boys' Red Team Mikiya Ichikawa, Paul Kasanawaqa, Penuel Panteleon, Zshalem Raukete, Elama Touli, Timmy Vaevae.

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Equestrian Successes

Canterbury Inter-Schools' Equestrian Dressage – 7th Placing A team of four competitors went to the Canterbury Inter-Schools' Dressage Competition held at McLean's Island on Friday 27 March.

Hamish Kerr on Thermopyle and Brittany Fowler on Apsley Backchat Kid rode the Novice Tests while Amy Davidson on Sam I Am and Harriet Stock on KWL Rainbow Specktakool competed in the Prelim Section, teacher and equestrian Clare Naden advised.

The team placed 7th from twenty-eight teams, and were 'just pipped at the post to be in the ribbons'. Clare said that, once again the day brought together a great team effort, and

was a day that could not go ahead without the support of the riders' parents. A huge thank you goes to them for their unstinting help, good humour and



Brittany Fowler, Hamish Kerr, Amy Davidson, Harriet Stock.

(Pictured left,

left to right):

(Pictured right): **Brittany Fowler** and Apsley Backchat Kid cantering down the long side of



A relatively new annual event, this was held at North Hagley Park in Christchurch on Sunday 25 March.

Organisers said that Jump for Cancer Hagley brought the high profile sport of Show Jumping into Christchurch's iconic Hagley Park and, this year,

showcased New Zealand's FEI ('Federation Equestre Internationale) World Cup Series winner and other World Cup riders along with the recent New Zealand Children's FEI competition winner. Former Christchurch Boys' Head Boy and Cancer survivor, Jake Bailey was a key contributor behind the event and, with Carrie Broomhall, gave their survivor stories. This year all proceeds were donated to the New Zealand

Breast Cancer Foundation. Harriet Stock, Year 12 student at College, was one of the competitors, in the Pony Class, gaining a **creditable 6th placing** ribbon in the 1.20m class. Harriet said she was

unsure how her eight year old horse would perform as this was

his first event at 1.20m and, with a reasonably tough course, there had been some carnage plus the horses had to deal with bigger crowds than they were used to. To add to the pressure the riders were also competing against the clock. Approximately twenty ponies were involved,



Volleyball Results:

beaten in the final, said Dave Christensen Coach of the Girls' Teams. Senior Girls' A Grade, also contested by six teams. The team, led by Captain Mauai Mareko, played 'some awesome volleyball' only beaten narrowly by the top two teams. The team's two Japanese students, Yuki Kurokawa and Narumi Miura, were stand-out players. Senior Boys' Teams

was led by Faith Aiono Falealili as Captain. Áll players played well,

showing a consistently steady approach, with the team only narrowly

over the Blue and Red teams, making for two similarly capable teams. There were ten teams in this competition, with the draw split into two pools of five teams each. Boys' Blue Team. A strong Waitaki Boys' Team won the final 25-21,

College had twenty players available, and split their talent evenly

25-19. Principal Ross Preece, Coach of the Boys' Teams said it was an amazing final. 3rd Boys' Red Team.

Held in the home of this event, the Hawke's Bay A & P Showgrounds Hastings, from 13-18 March 2018, three College students achieved very impressively at what is New Zealand's Premier Equestrian event. The event features a range of horse and rider combinations from multiple disciplines, with over 1800 riders and 2500 horses competing for lucrative titles and Brittany Fowler - Brittany said this is her fifth time of attending the Horse

Excellent Results at Prestigious Horse of Year

of the Year, and third time as a rider. Brittany went on to tell us that travelling to Hastings involved a two day trip

with plenty of stops on the way, arriving in time to settle in and prepare for the biggest competition of the year. Wednesday was the first day of competition, where Brittany and Apsley Backchat Kid placed 5th in the warm-up test, which didn't count towards the overall title. Brittany said there was a lot happening on the outside of

were working in, so she was pleased to still receive a placing. Brittany wrote further that, 'on Day Two, we were just out of the placings (7th) as 'I had a course error in my test just at the end where I halted at an earlier marker. On the Friday, the last day of competition, we had the Musical Freestyle where we had a great score from all three judges, which gave us the win for that class.

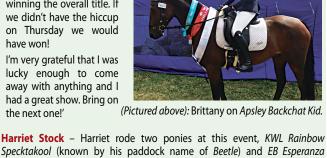
this ring, with loose horses galloping and trying to jump into the arena they

a large number. We had our prize-giving at lunch time on Friday where I won a very close Reserve

There were fifteen people in my class and for dressage that is considered

Champion Level 2 Pony of the Year. We were just 0.5 points away from winning the overall title. If we didn't have the hiccup on Thursday we would have won! I'm very grateful that I was lucky enough to come away with anything and I

the next one!'



significant achievement. This is Harriet's second year at the Horse of the Year and, at under 17 years of age, she was eligible again this year to compete in As for the other competitors from south, the trip up and back had to be well-managed, taking three days both ways, with stops at either equestrian centres or friends and their paddocks. Harriet said she wasn't expecting to achieve as well as they did. However,

in talking with Harriet, as with the other riders the build-up and practise is

consistent, including being on the road competing most weekends since

(paddock name Rain), competing in large classes, making her placings a

November. Her season had gone quite well with the horses progressing well. Now is time for a break for the horses, although they will do 'flat work' preparing for next season. Harriet gained two placings in the 1.15m **Show Jumping class: 1st** on EB Esperanza



Riding Uptown Hotshot Natasha gained:

3rd

4th

Harriet and KWL Rainbow Specktakool (pictured left) gained: 3rd 1.15m Show Jumping Championship.

2nd on KWL Rainbow Specktakool

Large Pony of the Year. In this class Natasha was the only South

Paced and Mannered Large Saddle Hunter Pony of the Year.

Islander in the line-up of top six placings, from seventeen riders Wonder Memorial Junior Equestrian Turnout. 5th

New Zealand Riding Pony Saddle Hunter.





Natasha (pictured above): on Uptown Hotshot (left) and Uptown Charlie

Aoraki Swimming Championships – One Record and Nine Titles On Tuesday 10 April, Head of Junior School Carolyn Clough said that she

had the pleasure of accompanying our AshColl swimmers to the Aoraki Swimming Championships, held at the EA Networks Centre, Ashburton. Carolyn said that the meet ran very smoothly, due to great support from a number of our parents who assisted as officials, and volunteers from the

ANZ Bank who worked as timekeepers. Grateful thanks go also to staff members Sue Johnstone and Porsha Coley for their work and support.

College had a team of twenty swimmers competing, and secured nine Aoraki titles, twenty three top 3 individual placings, six top 3 relay placings, one overall championship title, and one new Aoraki record, set by Matthew Clough.

Top three placings were achieved by: Girls' 14 Years and Under

Victoria Binnie 3rd 50m Breaststroke. Junior Girls' Relay Team 2nd 200m Medley Relay, 200m Freestyle Relay. Marlese Schoonderbeek, Crystal Bentley, Victoria Binnie, Chinatsu Hunt. Boys' 14 Years and Under

1st 50m Backstroke.

Blake Farr 100m Freestyle, 200m Freestyle, 200m Individual Medley, 3rd 100m Backstroke. 2nd Girls' 15 Years and Over **Bailey Tait**

Alex Chapman

Leigh Harrison

Zack Martin

Aidan Christie

100m Freestyle, 200m Individual Medley, 1st 200m Freestyle, 3rd 100m Individual Medley 2nd Sol Gonzalez 50m Breaststroke 2nd **Kelly-Anne Bentley** 3rd 50m Butterfly.

100m Breaststroke.

Senior Girls' Relay Team 2nd 200m Freestyle Relay, 3rd 200m Medley Relay. Leigh Harrison, Sol Gonzalez, Bailey Tait, Kelly-Anne Bentley. Boys' 15 Years and Over **Matthew Clough** 50m Backstroke (new Aoraki Record). 1st 50m Freestyle, 50m Breaststroke, 2nd 50m Butterfly. 1st

100m Freestyle, 200m Freestyle, 3rd 100m Individual **Jared Scammell** Senior Boys' Relay Team 2nd 200m Medley Relay, 2nd 200m Freestyle Relay. Josh Giles, Matthew Clough, Zack Martin, Jared Scammell. **Athletes with a Disability**

1st 50m Freestyle.

50m Freestyle, 3rd 50m Breaststroke.



Won by Blake Farr (pictured left).

(Pictured below): Winning Athlete

with a Disability, Aidan Christie,

powering through the water.

Aoraki Championship Title

(Boys' 14 Years and Under).





successful Senior Boys' Relay Team, and last swimmer Jared Scammell, who also gained event placings.

and below):

Josh Giles, first

swimmer for the