

Lindisfarne College

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DEAR PARENTS AND FRIENDS

The last month has seen 21 students gain prestigious scholarship awards in N.C.E.A., a highly successful Annual Swimming Sports, as well as sports exchanges with St. Paul's and Scots Colleges, and Year 10 Outdoor Education Camps.

One of the special features of our College is the way in which we encourage the development of "the whole person". Co-curricular activities are an integral and very positive feature of normal College life at Lindisfarne. When, at many other secondary schools the number of sports teams and extra curricular opportunities are declining, our boys are continually being challenged on a daily basis by the range and depth of activities they encounter on a daily basis.

The vast majority of our co-curricular activities are taken by our teaching staff. In a number of areas we have lacked the specific expertise, and so in sports such as Yachting, Clay Bird Shooting and Softball we have received tremendous coaching support from parents. But in sports such as Volleyball, Cricket, Tennis, Athletics, Rugby, Soccer, Hockey, Basketball, Squash and Badminton our teams are taken by Lindisfarne staff. We recognise this is not the case in most secondary schools within New Zealand, but it is an important feature of Lindisfarne's special character. We believe that by having teachers involved in sports coaching:

- we retain impartiality in team selection and player placement.
- that student-teacher relationships within classrooms are significantly enhanced through staff involvement in co-curricular activities.

- many of our teachers have had senior playing or representative experience in their area of sporting interests, and are well qualified to produce quality coaching outcomes.
- we have high expectations and standards of our boys and coaching staff, both on and off the field, and feel that we can best meet these, through the teaching staff management of our sporting sides.

The 2006 Community Survey showed that we basically are meeting the needs of Lindisfarne families – 90% of families felt we "offered an appropriate range of sports" (i.e. 187/208 rated the College a 5/6 or 6/6 in this area).

- 90% felt that "involvement of **all** boys in college sporting teams is important".
- 76% felt "classroom relationships are enhanced by boys being coached by their teachers".
- 80% felt that "Lindisfarne provides appropriate sporting opportunities for their son".

In a couple of areas where concern was expressed, it revolved around "the need for more recognition of minor sports" (7 responses); "too many players in squads - difficult for boys to get fair amount of time off the bench" (3); "big number in tennis but lack of inter-school tennis and tennis courts a problem" (3). The only area where there was a significant number expressing a concern was "to utilise parental help or outside experts" (32 or 15% of respondents).

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Armando Neris: Dux 2006



SWIMMING SPORTS 2007
Tim Galland flying off the blocks
in the Junior 25m breaststroke

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The College Council, Senior Management and teaching staff have analysed and discussed the feedback from the Community Survey. We have affirmed the present range of sports on offer, the compulsory sports policy, and the key involvement of teaching staff in the coaching of sports teams. We recognise that in a couple of sports particularly in Rugby, Softball and Yachting there is parental interest in offering coaching support. In Rugby in 2006 five parents provided assistant coaching support to a Lindisfarne team coach - support that was greatly appreciated and valued by the respective team coaches and the College community. We need to recognise that such parental support relies on a high degree of compatibility with the Lindisfarne coaches own coaching philosophy, and an ability of the parental assistant to be available consistently for training, and match times. A large number of New Zealand males regard themselves as sideline experts in Rugby, but also need to be aware that match results are affected by the need to give all squad members fair game time, and that giving advice is often easier than implementing it with a group of young boys.

As a school we have decided to employ in 2007 the services of outside specialist coaches. In Cricket **Mr. Sean Davies** (ex Zimbabwe National Cricket Rep) has been coming along each Tuesday afternoon to work with our Intermediate and Year 9/10 cricket teams, and then on Friday afternoon to work with small groups of boys on specific skills (i.e. fast bowling, batting etc). **Mr. Grant Dean** (who was Captain of the Vikings regional men's team, and has represented N.Z. at age group levels), has been employed to come in twice a week to work with our Junior Softball teams.

In 2006 we were fortunate to have the services of three outside soccer coaching specialists including **Mr. Jonathan Gould** (ex Scottish National footballer and professional soccer player). Mr. Gould will return in 2007, along with hopefully, specialist coaches for Hockey and our Rugby teams.

We received some fantastic positive feedback on our present sporting programme including "it is excellent that all students must participate (5) ... great gains from having teacher coaches ... excellent to see staff involvement - don't let Clubs take over the coaching! ...being made to be a team player early is ideal for building sportsmanship and character ... school is always open to new ideas ... sports programme is vastly superior to previous school ... hats off to the staff who so cheerfully and enthusiastically give of their time for our sons".

However, we cannot rest on our laurels. Sport is a big part of most young men's lives. We need to continually strive to give the best opportunities for our boys - hence the subtle changes we are trialling in 2007.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM ONE 2007

Week 7

MARCH:

Monday 19

Tuesday 20

Wednesday 21

BLAZER DAY.

Form Photos/Mentor Group photos.

House Music Rehearsal

12 noon

2.30.p.m.

Thursday 22

Progress reports issued - all levels.

Intermediate School Sports Exchange

vs St. George's at Lindisfarne.

Friday 23

BLAZER DAY.

Saturday 24

Sailing team in Wellington.

Sunday 25

Sailing team in Wellington.

H.B. Festival of Bands at Lindisfarne College.

NO EVENING CHAPEL SERVICE.

Week 8

MARCH:

Monday 26

Year 12 P.E. Kayaking Camp commences.

Year 12 Young Leaders' Day in Wellington.

Clubs selection.

NZSS Softball @ New Plymouth.

3.30.p.m.

Tuesday 27

N.Z.S.S. Volleyball Nationals.

Year 12 P.E. Kayaking Camp continues.

House Music Rehearsal.

3.30.p.m.

NZSS Softball @ New Plymouth.

N.Z.S.S. Volleyball Nationals.

Wednesday 28

House Music Rehearsal.

2.30.p.m.

Year 12 P.E. Kayaking Camp concludes.

N.Z.S.S. Volleyball Nationals.

Thursday 29

NZSS Softball @ New Plymouth.

BLAZER DAY.

Summer Sports photos.

2.30.p.m.

NZSS Softball @ New Plymouth.

N.Z.S.S. Volleyball Nationals.

Friday 30

N.Z.S.S. Volleyball Nationals.

Saturday 31

BLAZER DAY.

OPEN DAY.

8.30.a.m – 12.30.p.m.

N.I.S.S. Athletics – Auckland.

N.Z.S.S. Volleyball Nationals.

APRIL:

Sunday 1

Evening Chapel Service

– Intermediate School Bible Reading.

7.30.p.m.

Week 9

APRIL:

Monday 2	JACKET DAY. Assembly – Summer Colours Presentation.	1.45.p.m.
	House Music Rehearsal.	3.30.p.m.
Tuesday 3	Winter Sports trials.	3.30.p.m.
Wednesday 4	Final House Music Rehearsal.	2.40.p.m.
Thursday 5	BLAZER DAY. End of term Chapel – Easter Observance Service.	8.25.a.m.
	ANNUAL HOUSE MUSIC FESTIVAL (Parents Welcome):	
	House Rock Bands	11.15.a.m.
	Solos and Ensembles	1.15.p.m.
	House Choirs – Set and Chosen Song	2.15.p.m.
	END OF TERM.	3.20.p.m.

Academic Excellence

Our Best Results yet in Scholarship.

The 2006 N.C.E.A. examinations saw the College gain its best set of scholarship results in its fifty four year history. Our Year 13 boys gained an amazing 21 subject scholarships of which one was a Scholarship with Outstanding Performance (i.e. this compares with 14 subjects scholarships which included 3 outstanding scholarships in 2005).

Armando Neris became the first Lindisfarne student to gain scholarships ***in all five subjects*** sat. The previous best results had been four scholarships in any one year (i.e. Jun Kwon and Gareth Bayley in 2005, Ryan Harper 2004). Also extremely pleasing was the performance of last year's sixth form students - **Timothy Jones** gained two scholarships (Music and History), **Daniel Bentall** (Mathematics with Statistics), and **Stuart McKelvie** gained our only scholarship with outstanding performance (i.e. one of the top candidates sitting Accounting in the country).

Scholarship earnt in 2006:

<u>Armando Neris</u>	Classical Studies, Economics, English, Geography and History. (Note: Armando also gained a scholarship with outstanding performance in English as a Year 12 student in 2005).
<u>Jeremy Ansell</u>	Classical Studies, English, History. (Note: Jeremy also gained scholarships in English and Classical Studies as a Year 12 student).
<u>Robert English</u>	Biology and English.
<u>Timothy Jones (Yr 12)</u>	History and Music.
<u>Louis Beamish</u>	Biology.
<u>Daniel Bentall (Yr 12)</u>	Mathematics with Statistics.
<u>Carlos Crasborn</u>	Mathematics with Statistics.
<u>Andrew Dykes</u>	Accounting.
<u>Cameron Elliott</u>	Economics
<u>Stuart McKelvie (Yr 12)</u>	Accounting (scholarship with outstanding performance).
<u>Tom Pritchard</u>	Economics.
<u>Matthew West</u>	Classical Studies.
<u>Bernard Woolf</u>	Economics.

Scholarships come with significant financial rewards:

- (1) **Outstanding Scholarship Awards.** \$5,000 per year for three years, for candidates who achieve at least **two outstanding scholarships**, and at least **one other subject scholarship** or **one outstanding scholarship**, and at least **three subject scholarships**.

- (2) **Scholarship Award** awarded to those who gain scholarship in three subjects earns the recipient \$2,000 for 3 years.
- (3) **Single Subject Award** awarded to candidates who get scholarship in up to two subjects. They earn a "one off" award of \$500 per subject.

Rector's Citation.

After receiving nominations from teaching staff, the Academic Colours Committee has recognised these students "for outstanding diligence coupled with excellence in N.C.E.A. in 2006". It was felt that the following boys are extremely worthy of recognition for the determined manner in which they applied themselves throughout last year.

Year 13 Rector's Citation (i.e. Level 3 Course).

*Michael Barry
Ryan Bayley (Yr 12 student)
Sam de Terte
Chris Mackie
(7 in total)*

*Jeremy Moroney
Kim Speedy
Michael Williams*

Year 12 Rector's Citation

*Jack Barley
Alex Bevin
Drew Bibby
Oliver Boaler
Aidan Collin
(10 in total)*

*Andrew Crocker
Thomas Kim
Sam McHardy
William Parker*

Year 11 Rector's Citation

*George Abernethy
Samuel Brightwell
Dallon Gregory-Hunt
Matt Humphreys
Danny Lee
Jesse Newson
(11 in total)*

*Timothy-James Penman
Daniel Scannell
Brad Sickler
Ben Thomas
Greg Thomsen*

Rhys Williams Attends the National Science and Technology Forum.

Over the Christmas break **Rhys Williams** was selected to attend the Rotary National Science and Technology Forum, in Auckland from 13 to 27 January. Over an intensive two week period, Rhys attended daily two 3 hour academic sessions, focussing on topics ranging from Sports Science to Biomechanical Engineering. The Forum provided a superb insight into the Science and Technology pathways available in Auckland, and for Rhys proved a stimulating and thoroughly enjoyable opportunity.

Other Academic Achievements:

- Old Boy **Phillip Mellor (1999 - 2002)** was recently awarded the first postgraduate scholarship for the Kelliher Economics Foundation.
- **Alexander Volz** in gaining a Grade Point average of 70% is added to the thirteen other students from 10SEY last year who gained this academic milestone.
- **Matthew Eales** joins the Year 12 centurians (i.e. students gaining all Excellence grades in a subject). Matthew gained 100% G.P.A. in Art Design.
- **James Tod** topped Year 12 Mathematics with a mark of 83.

Sporting Endeavour

Annual Swimming Sports.

In absolutely glorious weather, with the pool water a tepid 24°C, this year's College Swimming Sports proved a particularly memorable one. With the development of the Boarding residence for the Assistant Junior Housemaster (adjacent to the Hastings Girls' H.S. boundary), the boys were seated on the opposite side of the pool in 2007. With shaded seating, provided through a Parents' & Friends' Association initiative, the students were much more comfortable than in past years, and in turn supported their peers in a highly enthusiastic and vocal manner.

It is important to recognise that not all boys are strong swimmers, and many are not as comfortable in the pool as on the track. But, a real feature of the day was the positive, committed and energetic manner, in which all the boys approached the competition.

The programme for the Swimming Sports once again progressed extremely smoothly, and the boys adjusted well to the new marshalling arrangements. The organisation of an event of this magnitude requires a huge amount of preparation and effort. Prior to the event we held two Standards events after school, and a large number of heats are held over successive lunchtimes in the first two and a half weeks of the term. A testimony to the efficiency of the organisation, was that we had finished the event by 3.00.p.m. Mr. George Rogers (co-ordinator), the Physical Education faculty, and College staff as a whole, are to be commended on a tremendously well run event.

A big thank you to the parents, grandparents, and members of the boys' extended families, who came along to support them in their races. The participants really appreciate the support on days such as this. Sports Prefect, William Walker, House leaders and senior students once again did a superb job in generating the excellent House spirit on display. The House banners, and the chanting and enthusiasm for each of the events, did a lot to lift the performance of the participants.

A huge number of records were broken - **17** in total. **Jack Drury (Year 8)** set **six** new individual records, while **George Mackie (Year 11)** also broke **six** records. Many of the records broken had been longstanding, or the new times set, were significantly lower than the old records.

A full list of the new records set are:

Intermediate School

25 m Freestyle *Jack Drury 14.15 (beating George Mackie's time of 14.46 sec. set in 2004).*
50m Freestyle *Jack Drury 29.48 (beating George Mackie's time of 32.10 sec. set in 2004).*
100m Freestyle *Jack Drury 1 min 4.28 sec (beating George Mackie's time of 1 min 9.99 sec set in 2004).*
25m Breastroke *Jack Drury 18.02 (beating Thomas Crasborn's time of 20.91 sec set in 2006).*
50m Breastroke *Jack Drury 37.57 sec (beating A. Duff's record of 45.5 sec set in 1999).*
100m Medley *Jack Drury 1 min 13.74 sec (beating George Mackie's record of 1 min 20.94 sec in 2004).*

Junior Division

4 x 25m relay *Durham House (beating Durham's previous record of 59.90 set in 1989).*

Intermediate Division

50m Freestyle *George Mackie 27.56 (beating George's previous record of 27.80 sec set in 2006).*
100m Freestyle *George Mackie 59.89 sec (beating Sean Collins' previous record of 1 min 33 sec set in 2004).*
200m Freestyle *George Mackie 2 min 10.44 sec (beating Sean Collins' previous record of 2 min 14.88 sec set in 2004).*
50m Backstroke *George Mackie 34.52 sec (beating Daniel Ellingham's record of 35.31 set in 2006).*
50m Butterfly *George Mackie 30.60 sec (beating George's record of 31.44 sec set in 2006).*
100m Medley *George Mackie 1 min 10.56 sec (beating George's record of 1 min 11.09 sec set in 2006).*
4 x 25 metre relay *Cuthbert beating their record set in 2006.*

Senior Division

50m Backstroke *Kris Foster 32.55 sec (beating Clark Sweet's record of 32.70 sec set in 2001).*
50m Butterfly *Kris Foster 31.29 (beating Chris's record of 32.18 sec set in 2006).*
Long Plunge *Digby Hewitt 21.10 metres (beating Simon Luke's record of 20.30 metres set in 2006).*
20 x 25m Relay *Oswald 4 min 51.79 sec (beating the record set by Durham House in 1993).*

Mrs. Kay Walker, mother of Games Prefect, William Walker, presented medallions to the best swimmer in each of the championship divisions:

Intermediate School

2007 Champion & Gold Medal	Jack Drury	36 points
Silver Medal	Mason Laurent	32 points
Bronze Medal	Robert Wellwood	25 points

Junior

2007 Champion & Gold Medal	Tim Galland	35 points
Silver Medal	Thomas Crasborn	33 points
Bronze Medal	Sam Kettle	32 points

Intermediate

2007 Champion & Gold Medal	George Mackie	36 points
Silver Medal	Jack Crasborn	31 points
Bronze Medal	Daniel Ellingham	26 points

Senior

2007 Champion & Gold Medal	Logan Smith	36 points
Silver Medal	Kris Foster	32 points
Bronze Medal	Ewan Boyle	21 points

Mr. Murray Smith and **Logan Smith** took out the Fathers' and Sons' race, and in the process set a new record breaking time of 23.31 sec. **Mrs. Belinda Read** and **Chris** took out the Mothers' and Sons' race.

Oswald House won the House Tankard for the 20 x 25 relay by the closest of margins. **Aidan House** won the Standards Cup and the House Cup for the most points (i.e. 2143) from this year's Championship Meet. **Durham House** finished in second place with 2065 points.

Special Thanks is also extended to the H.B. Cancer Society, for the loan of sun screen and poles for both our Swimming and Athletic Sports fixtures.

Drawn St. Paul's Collegiate Sports Exchange.

The exchange was the thirtieth between Lindisfarne and its Hamilton rivals (i.e. having commenced in 1976, when Director of Sport, Mr. James Francis took our 1st XI Cricket side up to the Waikato).

This year our sides also travelled up to St. Paul's Collegiate where they enjoyed extremely hot and humid conditions for the exchange.

In Senior Tennis, we suffered our first loss for three years, when Lindisfarne were defeated convincingly 9-3. **Andrew Harrison** and **William Walker** were the only pair to win their doubles, while **Andrew Harrison** and **James Holden** won their singles. Disappointingly many of the Senior VIII won their first set, but went on to lose the second and third sets, and hence their matches.

The Junior Tennis VIII started strongly winning their doubles 3-1, and maintained their unbeaten record against St. Paul's when they secured the singles 6-2. **Thomas Harrison, Jack Stobart, Henry Yule, Daniel Smith,** and **Christopher Reid** won both their doubles and singles matches.

In the 1st XI fixture, St. Paul's Collegiate batted first, and made an impressive 359 runs after their allotted 100 overs. Lindisfarne were initially well placed when St. Paul's were 2 for 43, but then let the game slip away, as the score progressed to 268 for 2. Best bowling efforts were recorded by **Driaan Lubbe** who claimed 3 wickets, while **Jacob Smith** and **Ben Wallace** picked up 2 a piece. Lindisfarne started well with the bat and were 157 for 2 at the lunch break. However in the afternoon session they lost 7 wickets for 40 runs to be 9 for 197. **Simon Luke (79)** and **James Harty** added respectability to the score as Lindisfarne were dismissed for 276. The end result was a win to St. Paul's by 80 runs.

In the Colts match, Lindisfarne won the toss, elected to bat, and posted a respectable total of 218 for 7 off their 50 overs. **Tony McKinnie** top scored with a powerful 58, while **Oliver Morrison** was close behind with a solid 57 runs. **Angus Schaw 27** and **Sam Martin** with a quick fire 16 also made significant contributions with the bat. In reply, St. Paul's were dismissed for just 96, with left arm spinner **Henry Hunter** taking 6 wickets for just 9 runs, and **Tony McKinnie** 2 for 23. A convincing win to the Colts cricket team by 122 runs, with the overall summer sports exchange with St. Paul's drawn two matches all.

Narrow Loss to Scots College Summer Sports Exchange.

The 51st summer sports exchange with our Wellington brother Presbyterian school, was hosted in Hawke's Bay in glorious hot sunny conditions.

The difference in Tennis strength between the two schools was clearly evident when our Senior Tennis VIII won by the most convincing margin 12-0. Lindisfarne did not lose a set in either the Doubles or Singles matches to record their first whitewash since the exchange commenced in 1958. **William Walker (Captain), Andrew Harrison, Ben Volz, James Holden, Tom Wynne-Lewis, Finn McIldowie**, all played in a determined and clinical manner as they shut out the visitors from Wellington.

The Athletics at Nelson Park saw Scots College take out the Ash McRae Trophy for the first time in five years by 235 points to Lindisfarne 189. In the Junior Contest Scots convincingly won by 139 to 71 points, while Lindisfarne won the senior competition 117 to 96 points. The award for Senior Victor Ludorum (overall senior champion) went to **Chad Greer** who amassed 2518 decathlon points. Scots, **James Hutchinson** was the Junior Victor Ludorum.

In Cricket, Lindisfarne's 1st XI elected to bat first in their 3 day match against Scots. They soon rued the decision, as they were 2 for 0 after the first over, eventually making 100 runs in their first innings, with only **Richard Dobson (33)** and **Jacob Smith (26)** making significant contributions with the bat. In reply Scots made a respectable 220, with **Kurt McRedmond** the pick of the bowlers taking 4 for 17 with his in swingers.

In Lindisfarne's second innings they accumulated a solid 320, with **Richard Dobson** scoring 88 from 102 balls, and **Kurt McRedmond** 51 runs. This gave Scots a target of 201 which they passed for the loss of six wickets. Overall, Scots won the closely fought sports exchange 2-1, their first victory since 1999.

Superb Milo Cup win for the Intermediate 1st XI Cricket Team.

Lindisfarne Intermediate 1st XI side met the very strong Havelock North Intermediate team in the first round of the National Milo Cup Cricket Knockout Competition. Havelock North elected to bat first, and were soon in trouble after some excellent opening bowling by **Jack Arnall** and **Scott Freebairn**. **Jack Drury** then put huge pressure on the opposition, in a very tight and accurate spell of bowling, to take 6 for 14, to dismiss Havelock for just 80 runs. **Lauchlan (35)** and **Seth Faulknor (22)** then put on a great partnership of 50 runs, as Lindisfarne went on to win by 3 wickets with 4 overs to spare.

Lindisfarne start in convincing style in Gillette Cup Knockout.

The College 1st XI side got the National Gillette Cup Tournament off to a comfortable start, when they easily accounted for Havelock North High School in their first round match. In an overcast day at Havelock North, Lindisfarne dismissed the home side for just 131 with **Jacob Smith** taking 4 for 31. In reply Lindisfarne passed the target in the 15th over, having lost only one wicket – **Jacob Smith** having scored 75 n.o. off 47 balls.

Narrow loss in the second round of the National Tennis Knockout Competition.

In the second week of the Term, our Top Tennis IV competed in the preliminary rounds of the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Tennis Knockout Competition.

On Tuesday 13 February we played Havelock North High School, in Havelock, in the first round of the competition. **William Walker, David Owen, James Holden** all experienced easy wins, with **Andrew Harrison** defeating a tough Havelock North number 1 seed 9-4, to give the team a 4-0 lead and make the doubles matches necessary.

The next day, on Wednesday 14 February, Lindisfarne hosted Napier Boys' High School, in what would be the deciding game to decide who would represent Hawke's Bay at the National Competition. In an extremely close contest, the two schools were locked at 3 matches all after completion of the singles and doubles matches. On set count back Napier Boys' emerged the winner of the exchange 8-7.

Other Notable Sporting Achievements.

The following students have achieved individual **cricketing milestones**:

- **Five wicket bags have been achieved by:**

Oliver Boaler who took 5 for 33 in the 3rd XI cricket match against Lindisfarne 5th XI.

Henry Hunter who took 5 for 8 for the Colts cricket side in their match against Central Hawke's Bay College.

- **Six wicket bags have been achieved by:**

Ben Morrison who took 8 for 22 in the 4th XI against St. John's College.

Henry Hunter who took 6 for 9 in the Colts match against St. Paul's Collegiate.

Jack Drury who took 6 for 14 for the Intermediate 1st XI in their win against Havelock North Intermediate in their Milo Cup game.

John O'Halloran who took 6 for 26 for the 4th XI against the Lindisfarne 5th XI.

The Hat Trick Ball has been gained by:

- **Tom Hunter** who took three wickets with consecutive balls (3 for 10) for the 3rd XI against St. John's College 2nds XI.
- **John O'Halloran** who took three wickets with consecutive balls for the 4th XI in their game against the 5th XI.

From Morning Cricket, the 50 run bat has been presented to:

- **Jacob Weaver** who scored 66 n.o. for the 3B side against Central Hawke's Bay College.
- **Jake Harvey** who scored 68 n.o. for the Intermediate 1st XI against Tamatea Intermediate 1st XI.
- **Sam Parkes** who scored 60 for the 3A side against Karamu High School.
- **Jake Harvey** who scored 53 n.o. for the Intermediate 1st XI against Napier Intermediate 1st XI.
- **Liam Murphy** who scored 57 for the 4A side against Karamu High School.

Additional Sport Representatives:

Cricket: **William Dykes** Hawke's Bay U14 Representative.

Surf Life-Saving: **Tim Galland** Hawke's Bay U14 Representative.

Cultural Participation

A Busy Musical Year.

Musicians of every genre are busily preparing for their first performances. The Concord Symphonic Band and Pipe Band will be playing for the Gala, while the Jazz Band has already made its first appearance of the year at the Hastings District Council Community Service Award on Wednesday 7 March.

House Music Festival preparation has begun with soloists, ensemble and rock group personnel being selected. The set song will be "I'll Walk the Line" by Johnnie Cash and each house is in the process of selecting another song for their second performance during the festival.

The number of boys taking instrumental lessons continues to flourish with approximately 40% of all boys learning an instrument. There has been significant increase in interest this year in bagpipes and brass instruments. The breakdown is as follows:

<i>Pipe Drumming</i>	3	<i>Flute</i>	2
<i>Percussions/Drums</i>	16	<i>Violin</i>	3
<i>Saxophone/Clarinet</i>	21	<i>Brass</i>	15
<i>Bagpipes</i>	14	<i>Piano</i>	11
<i>Singing</i>	4	<i>Guitar</i>	68

There are also a further 38 students playing in College ensembles that do not have ongoing instrumental lessons or who have such lessons outside normal school hours.

We do have a few vacancies in some music classes. This particularly applies to the flute, violin and keyboard where Mrs. Ludlow will teach both jazz and modern piano. Students and families interests in these areas of music-making should contact Mr. Snowling.

Our Junior Concert Band has now become a joint effort with Hastings Girls' High School and in future will be known as the Concord Junior Concert Band. This has become necessary to accommodate the large number of Year 9 and 10 musicians that we cannot find places for in the Concord Symphonic Band. It also allows these young people to develop leadership skills before moving through to take up their places in our senior group.

We now have in place three musical exchange opportunities with other educational institutions around the world. We have the Piper exchange with Merchiston Castle School in Edinburgh, and our representative this year is Year 12 student, Angus Hildreth. Going to the University of Notre Dame in Indiana are senior music students, Dean Murphy, Jonny Avery and Ben Stephens. Our new student exchange with Palm Springs High School will begin in 2008, and will provide an opportunity for a Year 11 or 12 student to exchange with a similarly aged student from California.

An event that many of our band students will be involved in, is the inaugural Hawke's Bay Festival of Bands which we are hosting here at Lindisfarne on Sunday 25 March. Both Concord bands will be performing, alongside eight others from Hawke's Bay and Manawatu.

Senior Debating gets off to an Excellent start.

Tuesday 22 February saw the start of the Hawke's Bay Inter-school Russell McVeigh Senior Debating Competition. Three Lindisfarne teams competed (i.e Senior B and Senior A and our Premier team), each successfully negating the prepared moot "This House supports the Fiji Coup", with wins respectively against opponents from Central Hawke's Bay College, and Havelock North High School.

In the second round, in the impromptu debates, the teams argued "This House would support the abolition of sex education in N.Z. Schools". The Senior B team suffered a narrow loss to Havelock North High School, the Senior A team defeated Central Hawke's Bay College, and the Premier team defeated St. John's College. All Lindisfarne teams progressed to the finals round later this month.

William Findlay awarded Founders Scholarship.

Recently it was announced that **William Findlay** will be the recipient of the New Zealand Speech Board Founders Scholarship for 2007. Awarded to an Associate of the N.Z.S.B., it provides free entry for the theory and practical components of study towards a Licentiate Diploma in Public Speaking and Communication. There is only one recipient annually within New Zealand, and if William gains his Licentiate Tertiary qualification he will be a qualified teacher in this area.

Other cultural achievement of Note:

In Trinity examination in October:

- **Samuel Eames** passed **Grade 3** on the Guitar **with Distinction**.
- **Alex Winsley** passed **Grade 6** on the Guitar **with Merit**.

Christian Dimension

CHRISTIAN DIMENSION

Student Led weekly worship.

Over the first half of the term, Year 13 students have been given the responsibility of leading worship on an afternoon. Each of the services have been of a very high standard, and have set a benchmark for others levels of the school later in the year.

Aidan House – Year 13

Theme: “The most devastating Day in our lives”.

Reading: *Chad Greer*

Prayer: *Jack Barley*

Sermon: *Jack Barley*

Cuthbert House – Year 13

Theme: “Feel good factors of Life.

Reading: *David Owen*

Prayer: *William Walker*

Sermon: *Alexander Lyons*

Durham House – Year 13

Theme: “The importance of courage in covering our fear”.

Reading: *Sam McHardy*

Prayer: *David Roper*

Sermon: *Tyne Stafford*

Aidan House – Year 13 Sermon:

An example of the quality and thought provoking sermon presented by the boys is this one by **Jack Barley**:

Matthew 7: 21-23 ‘ The Devastating Day’.

Tragic Stories

World History is packed full of tragic events. Disasters that have had a monumental impact on many, many lives.

New Zealand has had it's fair share of tragedies:

Tangiwhai Train Disaster ... Bridge washed out and the train went straight into the ‘river’.

Wahine – inter-island ferry. Sunk in the middle of a storm in the Wellington Harbour.

Air New Zealand – Mount Erebus. A plane load of Air NZ passengers slammed into the side of a mountain in Antarctica, and not one of them survived.

A little closer to home.

6 year old Napier girl – Theresa Cormack was abducted and killed 13 years ago which had a huge impact on this region.

Even closer to home:

We had a devastating day in our family ... not one of us had any idea it was going to happen. I was 9 years old – it was June 14th 1998. It was the day my Dad died.

But I want to tell you about a day that is even more devastating than all the examples I've just shared.

It's recorded for us in the Bible.

Matthew 7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord', will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he, who does the will of My Father who is in heaven, will enter. ²² "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?' ²³ "And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS".

Imagine living life thinking that you are on your way to heaven

- You've attended church
- You've been educated at a Christian school
- You've been to chapel services 3 x a week for 5 years!
- You can sing the Lord's Prayer off by heart ...
- You've lived a good life but finally death arrives at your door

... and you find yourself at the "gates of heaven" waiting to get in ... And Jesus – the Judge of the World – comes to you and he says,

Depart from me I never knew you!"

This would be my most devastating day ...

This would be my worst nightmare

In the last sermon I gave from this pulpit I spoke about MANY people who entered through the wide gate which was an easy way but led to destruction and the FEW who entered through the narrow gate that led to heaven. The "MANY" who were on that wide road are the same ones who are standing here before the Almighty God – the judge, Jesus Christ! And they are devastated!

Some of you may have experienced some devastating days in your lives just as I have ... but I hope that none of you would have to experience the most devastating day of all time ... Jesus refusing you entry into heaven!

Some of you may say: "I'm a Christian ... I believe in Jesus But that does not necessarily mean you are going to heaven.

*To be a genuine Christian involves a changed 'heart' ...
If there is no 'change of heart' ... there is no heaven.*

You must not only believe that Jesus was man, died for your sins and rose again but you must have evidence of a changed heart.

So what will you decide?

Do you want to be sure that you are going to heaven?

The 'many' in this story thought they were going to heaven but unfortunately they didn't come on Jesus' terms.

To enter the 'kingdom of heaven' you must enter God's way:

It's the hard way .. the narrow way...

You take nothing with you –

You enter this world with nothing .. you leave it with nothing

And to enter heaven ... you come with nothing except faith in God.

It will cost you everything .. it's a life-long commitment ..

*But it's a life full of purpose, peace and assurance that when you DO die, your
Eternity is secure.*

So if you want to avoid this most devastating day, then you must choose to follow Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross and then you will be guaranteed an eternal home in heaven.

I ask you to consider this message and the serious ramifications of it on your life ahead.

Sunday Evening Offertory.

At each Sunday evening Chapel service, an offertory is taken at the entrance to the Chapel itself. The money collected is given to local National and International charitable causes. Boys are asked to bring a donation of at least a gold coin. Part of the goal is to encourage our students to recognise, empathise with, and support those who are less fortunate than themselves.

Staff News

Mr. Derek Everett passed away.

In 2006 Mr. Everitt started at Lindisfarne as Science Technician, and a Year 9 Science Teacher, having for a number of years undertaken relief teaching within the College. Mr. Everitt came to Lindisfarne having spent 35 years at Hastings Boys' High School (i.e. most of which as their Head of Science), and being involved nationally in many Science curriculum developments and National examinations panels. Unfortunately in October 2006 he was diagnosed as having developed an aggressive form of cancer, and he resigned to immediately commence treatment. On February 24 he lost his fight with cancer. The thoughts and prayers of the Lindisfarne community are with his wife Pauline, and their two children.

Mrs. Raewyn Hurring celebrates 25 years of Dedicated service.

On March 6 Mrs. Hurring's outstanding service to the College was recognised. Commencing work in the College Kitchen in 1992, Mrs. Hurring has helped produce over 10,000 lunches and dinners over the past twenty-five years. Hard-working, dedicated and extremely loyal to Lindisfarne, the boys and staff have greatly appreciated and valued the time, effort, and kindness she has shown over this long period of service. One of the real features of our College is the commitment and dedication, of the support, and teaching staff, and Mrs. Raewyn Hurring has exemplified this characteristic.

Special Character

Youth defeats experience in Annual L.O.B.A. Summer Sports Exchange.

The first Sunday of Term, February 11, saw some big sporting names in the College's history, competing in both Cricket and Tennis against their present day counterparts.

In Cricket, the Old Boys batted first, and made a very strong start to be 118 for 2 at the halfway stage of the 40 over match. Wellington representative, **Taraia Robin** hit two massive sixes which threatened first the Rector's residence, and then the College Library, before **Barnaby Howard** (37) and **Andrew Douglas** (76) steadily added to the score. However the Old Bays capitulated from 160 for 2 to be all out for 202 with only Andrew Dykes (23) putting up a substantial resistance. **Jacob Smith** taking 3 for 15 was the best of the College bowlers.

In reply, the 1st XI responded positively to the challenge of scoring five runs per over - **Kurt McRedmond** proved the mainstay of the innings with 61, **Alex Winsley** batted very well to reach 27 n.o. for the current student win by 4 wickets.

Old Boys playing in the cricket match were: **Stuart Duff (Captain), Andrew Dykes, Michael Barry, Kirk Dalziell, Matthew Goodwin, Taraia Robin, Mark Bull, Ashley Stewart, Barnaby Howard, Andrew Douglas, Charlie Crasborn, and Sam De Terte.**

In the Tennis exchange the power of youth overcame guile and experience, with the Lindisfarne Senior VIII winning convincingly 9-3. After Singles play the College led 8-2 with **Kim Cooper** defeating **Daniel Roper** 1-9 and **John Penny** beating **William Walker** 6-9 with a mixture of patience, and subtlety. In the Doubles the Old Boys sole win came from the pairing of **Andrew Kirkpatrick** and **Kim Cooper** who defeated **David Owen** and **Daniel Roper** 9-6 in a hard fought match. Old Boys who gave up their time to play in the tennis exchange included: **Scott Fortune, Robert English, Andy Walker, John Penny, Andrew Kirkpatrick, Scott McLeod** and **Kim Cooper.**

The overall Summer exchange between the Old Boys' Association and the College was this year won by the College 2-0.

Fundraising for the Performing Arts and Events Centre

Since our last newsletter, three weeks ago, the following donations have been received:

Parents:

**Chisholm Family
Hartree Family
Hewitt Family
Ebbett Family
Lampp Family**

**Daulton Family
Harty Family
D'Ath Family
Alexander Family
Munn Family**

Old Boys:	Andrew Kirkpatrick Craig Whittaker	Bruce Worsnop Guy Hewitt
Trusts:	S.R. & D.J. Williams Trust Heretaunga Community Trust	

Our fundraising for the overall complex stands at \$628,400.

Families who wish to support this project can contact the Special Projects' Manager, Mr. Rob Hay (Ph: 873 1136 Ext 7056).

Uniform Matters

Change in Senior Shoe requirements:

As a result of a request from Student Council we have reviewed our policy on black leather shoes. We will **allow Year 12 and 13 students to wear black slip-on leather shoes**. Boys need to be mindful that this option is a senior privilege. Slip-on shoes that Year 12/13 wear **must be robust and conservative in design**. Long narrow shoes that would not be out of place in a circus environment, will not be permitted. This privilege will be trialled for 2007 only.

The manner in which the senior boys respond to the opportunity, will determine whether it continues into 2008.

Senior Blue Shirt.

A reminder all Year 12 boys are required to wear the new blue coloured shirt. This shirt can only be purchased from the College Outfitters, Thomson's Suits. The older light coloured shirt can be worn by Year 13 students, but will be phased out completely in 2008.

Track suits, House singlets, and sports shorts.

At the Swimming and Athletics Sports, we were able to ascertain that a number of boys do not own key uniform items. These items are not optional – they are compulsory components of the College uniform code. The tracksuit, while an expensive item of clothing, is used by all boys at inter-house, weekend sport, and major school activities. After school practices all boys have the option of leaving the College in either full school uniform or full College tracksuit.

Sewn embroidered name tags.

In the fifth week of the year we already had a huge amount of unnamed and unclaimed gear (i.e. boxers, towels, shoes, uniform items). Please ensure all items of clothing (**and footwear**) have sewn embroidered name tags. Felt pen or iron on labels just don't work. Can you please check your son's uniform and gear he brings to school.

Telecom Credits

In recent years we have been able to fund significant purchases of I.C.T. equipment from Telecom Call credits. In 2007, the College Council allocated \$125,000 to capital expenditure on 25 new computers for the library, new Macs for Art Design, new file servers for the Student management system, and our email systems, five new Data projectors for classrooms, and a major upgrade of the switches which determine the efficiency of our computer network. At present we have two computer laboratories of 25 work stations (i.e. Library and Lower Mouat block), four mini laboratories of 10-15 work stations (Science, Technology, Social Science, Art), and small pods of computers in strategic areas around the College. I.C.T. expenditure in many respects can be viewed as a bottomless pit – you never seem to have as much as you would like. With Data projectors, power point and internet becoming integral teaching tools, all of the Lindisfarne staff have Laptop computers.

Telecom Call Credits provide a valuable source of revenue. We presently purchase \$7,200 of equipment per annum using the Call Credits (i.e. equivalent to 4 Data projectors or 6 new P.C. Computers). We really appreciate the kindness of Lindisfarne families and extended family members, who enable the College to receive our present high level of call credits. I would ask families who have not signed up, to consider completing the form. We would greatly value your support in this area.

Main Entrance to the College

In the February newsletter reference was made to the 40 km p.h. speed limit along Pakowhai Road (i.e. between Hastings Girls' and Lindisfarne College). Police officers have already targeted the area, and issued tickets for motor vehicles exceeding the speed limit by more than 4km p.h. (i.e. both in the morning and afternoon on school days). The Police have noted that **motor vehicles have been turning right from the main entrance of the College into Pakowhai Road.** They have asked me to communicate to parents that there is a no right turn for the vehicles leaving the school gates, and anyone breaching this will be ticketed.

Assistance with Emergency Accommodation

We have been overwhelmed by the positive response to our request in the last newsletter, for local accommodation for Boarders in the case of a civil emergency. We now have 300 emergency beds should the Hostel need to be evacuated, as a result of an Earthquake or Civil Emergency. Thank you for your prompt and generous assistance for this M.O.E. Hostel Licence requirement.

Respecting Boys' Privacy

The boys have raised concerns about the presence of mothers, and on a couple of occasions sisters, in the Dormitories, particularly after school, when they are changing for sports practices and Dinner. We would ask parents to respect the boys' privacy, and not to enter the Dorms during the day. Clothes, goods or items can be left at the office or with Matron during the day. Under the new Hostel regulations, the Ministry of Education requires that the Dormitories are only visited when boys are being dropped off or picked up from school. In Term Two, when the Kirkpatrick renovations have been completed, the parent/family meeting room will be reinstated in the Matron's annex – this area has a microwave, jug, tea and coffee facilities, toilet, and couches, and enables boys to meet with family members in relative privacy.

Year Level Dinners

Lindisfarne's first Year level dinners are for Year 12 and 13, and will be held on Saturday 28 – the night of the Ball.

You will be sent an invitation closer to the date by the organiser of your year group dinner.

			Organiser		
Day	Date	Year	Name	Phone. No.	Email Address
Saturday	28.4.07	12	Cassandra Buchanan	06 856 6714	r&cbuchanan@xtra.co.nz
Saturday	28.4.07	13	Jacky Stafford	06 857 7147	rb.jl.stafford@xtra.co.nz
Sunday	13.5.07	9	Jenny Forbes	06 838 8438	jenny@forbes.gen.nz
Sunday	17.6.07	Int. Sch	Julie Arnall	06 877 7751	davidarnall@xtra.co.nz
Monday	27.8.07	10	Prue & Peter Tod	06 856 8025	hollycombe@xtra.co.nz
Sunday	16.9.07	11	Patrick & Lesley O'Rourke	06 839 5903	Quarryburn.Farm@xtra.co.nz

Whilst all efforts are made to accommodate as many parents as possible, we still have to work within the school calendar and with Vidal Estate Winery. We apologise if these dates are inconvenient to you, but we have avoided the nights of the Parents' and Friends' Meetings. We are returning to the Vidal Estate Winery venue as they have been very supportive of the school.

This year we are starting the Dinners with the Years 12 and 13 – both to be held on the night of the School Ball. This will be followed by the Year 9 Dinner to give as many new parents as possible an opportunity to meet each other near the beginning of the year – it also coincides with Mothers Day – so is a good excuse for a night out. This year all the dinners are at Vidal's.

Concluding Remarks

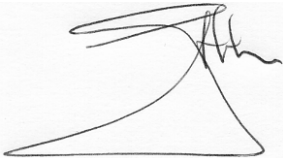
The first half of the term has been extremely busy but hugely satisfying. From my visits to many of our classes, I have been struck by the calm, ordered and productive atmosphere that has been a feature of all of the lessons I have had the privilege of observing. The boys have started the year very positively and have enthusiastically embraced the many sporting, cultural and inter-house activities that have been on offer.

Progress reports will be issued in Week Seven, and will give parents an early indication of their son's approach to class work and prep. If you have any concerns regarding your son's start to the 2007 Academic year please do not hesitate to contact your son's House Dean (**Aidan: Mr. James Francis**), (**Cuthbert: Mr. David Bovey**), (**Durham: Mr. George Rogers**), (**Oswald: Mr. Murray Smith**).

The Annual Parents' & Friends' Gala will be held this weekend. I would like to thank all of you for your fantastic support of this major College fundraiser. We have received generous donations of second-hand goods, wine, produce, and so much more. The generosity of the Lindisfarne community is a pretty good indicator of the goodwill and support that exists for our College, and is extremely gratifying and heart warming.

I look forward to seeing as many of you who are able, in attendance at the Gala, and the Annual Inter-House Music Festival just before Easter. The House Music Festival, is held in the College Gymnasium and is a most enjoyable and entertaining occasion. The boys will have put a large amount of time and energy into its preparation, and I am sure you will come away impressed by the amazing array of musical talent within the College.

Yours sincerely,



G.W. Lander,
RECTOR.

Mrs Raewyn Hurring
25 years dedicated service



Lifting the roof on Kirkpatrick Villa



Boarders vs Dayboys
Annual Haka Challenge



SWIMMING SPORTS 2007



Swimming Champions
Jack Drury (Int. School, Tim Galland (Junior),
George Mackie (Int.) and Logan Smith (Senior)



**George Mackie on hearing he
had just won the Int. Butterfly
championship**

Right:
Cuthbert House cheers on its champions



Below:
Aidan House lends support to
their swimmers



LINDISFARNE COLLEGE VERSUS SCOTS COLLEGE EXCHANGE



**Scott Schaw, Simon Luke and James Harty seek to combine to secure a Scots batsman
(Photo courtesy of Mrs Schaw)**



Andrew Harrison serving for the match



Chad Greer, Victor Ludorum



A battle to the end in the Athletics relay