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DEAR PARENTS AND FRIENDS

FATHERS' AND FATHER FIGURES IN BOYS' LIVES

This term we have had a huge emphasis in our assemblies and chapels on the qualities that make "Good" and "Great" men. The unveiling ceremony for the "Good Man" stained glass window has been followed up by addresses from positive male role models, **Mr. Jamie Fitzgerald**, Adventurer, **Mr. Mike Goodacre**, Special Olympics - Regional Coordinator and highly principled coach of the present Auckland Rugby team and ex Manu Samoa captain for three successive world cups, **Mr. Pat Lam**, and **Callum Thomsen**, N.Z. Young Farmer of the Year for 2007.

College staff have led both Good Man chapels and assemblies in August. Recently on September 2nd we held a very successful Father's Day Sunday evening chapel service. For all boys, the presence of powerful role models, makes a huge difference in the way they view any activity, including school. For an increasing number of boys in New Zealand there is a lack of positive male role models within their families. We are fortunate, as a single sex boys school, there is less social pressure to conform to the accepted standard of gender behaviour. Boys have the freedom to be involved in art, music and drama, while at the same time playing sport. We also have a predominantly male staff, who are able to act as role models and mentors, for what many described as a "father hungry" generation. Recently, national trends have seen less and less males entering the teaching profession. If their only teachers are women, who then is to act as a role model for young primary boys and show them how to interact with women. The father, or "father figure" in our boys' lives then assumes a huge importance.



**Jamie Fitzgerald with
Head of School
Raymond Munn**



**Callum Thomsen with
Winter Sports Colours
Winners**



**Pat Lam with
Deputy of Head of School
Alexander Lyons**

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I felt that Mr. Ian Findlay explained it extremely well to the congregation at our special Fathers' Day service.

"A month ago, we had a Mother's Day chapel. In that chapel we shared in the joys associated with, and the importance of motherhood.

The importance of mothers, is visible and tangible. Mothers usually take their children to their first day at kindy or school, they are unfortunately in many instances, the ones who read to their children, they are often the ones who ask the questions at parent teacher evenings and they are the ones who are more likely to have an ongoing physical and spiritual input into their children's lives on a daily basis. They do a fantastic job.

Fathers, however, traditionally tend to live in the shadows of this daily existence, only venturing into the limelight reluctantly and infrequently. The role of fathers has been blurred in recent times. He is seen as not only the traditional provider, but has been cast into roles that are confusing for many men. As someone once said, "it is far easier to become a father than to be one". Yet, the importance of father or 'father figures' particularly for boys, cannot be overstated. Steve Biddulph, who will be a keynote speaker at our 2009 International Boys' Conference, was one of the first to recognise the importance of fathers. In his book 'Manhood', his underlying theme is the importance of fathers, and positive male role models. He concludes that unless children, especially boys, have a positive relationship with their father, or a significant male figure, their lives will be compromised if not damaged.

According to Biddulph, girls can live in a fatherless world, and emerge relatively complete (although research does indicate that girls with strong father daughter relationships are more likely to marry later in life, and have more lasting relationships). This, he concludes is not the case with boys. While fathers are important for girls, they are essential to boys.

So why are fathers essential? What makes that often aloof, often emotionally detached figure, so important? For boys especially, fathers signal what manhood is all about. They are a signpost to manhood... a shining torch illuminating a dark unknown path, along which all boys must venture. They role model what it is to be a man.

In traditional tribal societies, boys were escorted into manhood by the male elders, through an initiation process. They may have been provided with the spiritual secrets of manhood, they may have even been required to display skill or bravery, or they may in some cultures, been physically marked. As Biddulph repeatedly states, boys learn to be men, and learn how to be good fathers, through the men in their lives.

An absence of these men, results in the violent and abusive, angry teenagers and young men, who are stumbling down the dark unknown path with no torch illuminating the way... the young men we read about on a daily basis in our newspapers, or see on T.V. They resort to their own initiation processes, searching for a spiritual dimension in drugs, displaying misguided skill and bravery in speeding cars, or physically marking themselves with body piercings or tattoos. Good fathers and good males, are more than essential for their sons and daughters, they are essential to the well being of society as a whole.

But enough theory. On a personal level, I cannot begin to describe the joy fatherhood has brought to my life. I remember my sister, a prolific and efficient breeder of six children, telling me that parenthood brings emotions and thoughts you never knew existed... I couldn't help thinking that if I too had six children, I'd undoubtedly experience thoughts I never knew existed.. mainly to do with emulating the likes of Keith Murdoch or Lord Lucan. She was right of course. Fatherhood brought joy, pleasure and love I never knew existed. We never know the love of our own parents, until we become parents ourselves.

A father's love, and the qualities of manhood and fatherhood are passed from father to son. It is a fair bet that every boy in chapel tonight will become fathers, and they too will pass on the skills role modelled to them by their fathers. Like many men, there was a period in my life when I thought children were an unnecessary hindrance to a life focussed on material pleasure and toys.... The latest stereo, overseas holidays, new cars, expensive meals in trendy restaurants. I have friends who have opted for this life, and they seem to be outwardly happy. I must admit a certain degree of envy when I hear of some of their acquisitions and wonderful holidays. For me however, and I suspect for all fathers, to go through life without the joy of fatherhood is similar to walking through a black and white life, a life devoid of colour. To be a father is probably the biggest responsibility any man can undertake. It is also a gift and joy, and eclipses any material achievement in most men's lives.

So on this Father's day, let us remember and give thanks to all those dads out there whose achievements are largely unrecognised by society, whose achievements often are less visible than their wives, but who are equally multi-tasked".

I'll conclude with a quote from Kent Nerburn -

"Until you have a child of your own... you will never know the joy, the love beyond feeling, that resonates in the heart of a father as he looks upon his child. You will never know the sense of honour that makes a man want to be more than he is, and to pass something good and hopeful into the hands of his child".

At the same Chapel service, a number of senior boys were asked to comment on how they saw the role of fathers.

Why is my dad special to me?

At first I found that this question seemed hard to answer but for me three different aspects make my dad and who he is, because it is who he is that makes him special.

Firstly, he is a role model. Someone for me to look up to and admire, and strive to be like. Someone whose example I can follow, aim to impress and compare myself to.

Secondly, he is a teacher. A person who guides me, and is there looking over my shoulder. Someone willing to show me right and wrong and always wants to lend a helping hand, despite whether I feel I need it or not.

And *thirdly*, and most importantly of all, he is a friend. Someone I can have a laugh with. Someone who watches my back. Someone I can shoot some pool with when I'm bored and I can talk to when I'm down.

Obviously these three categories are very different but it's these aspects that make up who my dad is. A role model, a teacher and a friend. Only a father could make this combination work. That's why my dad is special to me.

I'd now like to share with you a quote from William Wordsworth -

"Father! To God himself we cannot give a holier name".

(Adam Firman)

If you look up the word **Father** in the Collins English dictionary it defines the word as a 'male parent'. If you enter the word father into google search engine you are bombarded with 200,000 various entries. If you ask a fellow person about their father they will reply various things such as source of money, source of humour, source of care, source of embarrassment. However, there is one word that is rarely derived from any of these three sources of information. A word I believe epitomises being a father. This word is **friend**. To me your father should be the best friend you will have. A friend that will stick by you in times of strife, a friend that will produce happiness and a friend that will offer wisdom and advice. The Collins English dictionary defines friend as 'a person well known to another and regarded with liking, affection and loyalty'. This is a far more adequate definition of the word Father. I thoroughly enjoy spending time with my own father, whether it be fishing, helping on the farm or travelling. For me, it is not so much doing something out of pure politeness for a person who has helped me so much, but it is spending quality time with a friend. Father's day is not just here to celebrate a guardian who has given his continuous protection; it is also here to celebrate a mate.

(Richard Laming)

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM FOUR

WEEK ONE

OCTOBER

MONDAY, 8 th	4.00 - 5.00 p.m. 5.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m.	TEACHER ONLY DAY <u>Second Hand shop open</u> PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSN. MEETING & MEAL All Boarders' return (full and weekly) TERM FOUR COMMENCES JACKET DAY <u>SUMMER UNIFORM CHANGE OVER STARTS</u> Beginning of Term Chapel Service End of classes Summer sports practices begin First round of inter-house Summer sport <i>Aidan vs Durham - Oswald vs Cuthbert</i> College Council Meeting Chapel Summer sports practice Year 9 Marae Trip to Te Aute
TUESDAY, 9 th		
WEDNESDAY, 10 th	8.25 a.m. 3.20 p.m. 3.30 p.m. 2.40 p.m.	BLAZER DAY GISBORNE SHOW TENT Assembly Summer sport begins Wanganui Collegiate Junior Summer sports exchange – Junior Tennis 8, Yr 9 & 10 Cricket at Wanganui Collegiate GISBORNE SHOW Evening Chapel Service
THURSDAY, 11 th	1.30 p.m. 1.45 p.m. 3.30 p.m.	
FRIDAY 12 th		
SATURDAY, 13 th	1.45 p.m.	
SUNDAY, 14 th	7.30 p.m.	

WEEK TWO

MONDAY 15 th		JACKET DAY – LAST JACKET DAY UNTIL END OF TERM Plunket Appeal Day (10 JOB, 10 EVB) National Secondary Schools Agletics Championships - Hunterville Year 13 Aidan House Chapel Four period morning - no period 5 Cambridge Exam AS Pure Maths Students Released for the day Performing Arts Concert – H.B. Opera House Hastings HAWKES BAY SHOW (Promotional Tent)
TUESDAY, 16 th	9.00 – 12.30 p.m.	
WEDNESDAY, 17 th	1.45 p.m. a.m. 12.20 p.m. 7.00 p.m.	
THURSDAY, 18 th		BLAZER DAY Four period morning – no period 5 HAWKES BAY SHOW (Promotional Tent) Lunch SPORTS AND CULTURAL PRIZEGIVING (Parents Welcome) Exeat begins after prizegiving Boys' Focus group Quiz/fish & chips night HAWKES BAY ANNIVERSARY Promotional Tent at the show Exeat – No Sport No Chapel – Labour Weekend exeat
FRIDAY, 19 th	12.30 p.m. 1.30 p.m. 3.30 p.m. 6.30 p.m.	
SATURDAY, 20 th		
SUNDAY, 21 st		

WEEK THREEMONDAY, 22ndTUESDAY, 23rd
8.30 p.m.
1.45 p.m.WEDNESDAY, 24th
1.15 p.m.2.40 p.m.
7.00 p.m.THURSDAY, 25thFRIDAY, 26thSATURDAY, 27thSUNDAY, 28th
9.45 a.m.
10.00 a.m.**LABOUR DAY**Boarders' return (weekly & full)
Cuthbert House Year 13 Chapel Service**N.Z. Speech Board Exams****NZ Speech Board Exams - Year 10**Mentor /Form time – briefing for Year 9 and 10
Outdoor Activities

Final round of House Sport

N.C.E.A. Music Students Final Performance at
Music Suite – Wine and cheese concert.**NZ Speech Board Exams -****Year 10****BLAZER DAY****NZ Speech Board Exams – Year 10****ORIENTATION DAY – NEW BOYS IN 2008**Morning Chapel Service with St Andrew
Congregation in the Chapel.**WEEK FOUR**MONDAY, 29th1.45 p.m.
3.30 p.m.TUESDAY, 30thWEDNESDAY 31st1.45 p.m.
a.m.
a.m.
2.40 p.m.
12.40 p.m.

House Assembly

Boys Focus Group Meeting

Yr. 11, 12, 13 reports to be mailed

Year 13 Durham House Chapel Service

***Cambridge Exam AS Statistics and
IGCSE***Sir John Marshall impromptu Speech Competition
Student Council meeting – Board Room**NOVEMBER**THURSDAY, 1stFRIDAY, 2nd

5.30 p.m.

6.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, 3rdSUNDAY, 4th

7.30 p.m.

Boarders Prize Giving Dinner

BLAZER DAY

Parents and Friends Christmas Dinner

Evening Service - Head Prefect Chapel

WEEK FIVEMONDAY, 5tha.m.
3.30 p.m.TUESDAY, 6thWEDNESDAY, 7th1.45 p.m.
3.30 p.m.
2.40 p.m.THURSDAY, 8^t

1.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 9thSATURDAY, 10thSUNDAY, 11th***Cambridge Exam - IGCSE***N.C.E.A. Internals completed. All results on
KAMAR (all staff)

Staff meeting

Year 13 Oswald House Chapel

Health and Safety Meeting – Board Room

Year 9 and 10 Outdoor Activities selection
meeting with staff involved

Year 11, 12, 13 Tutorials

College Council Meeting – Board Room

BLAZER DAY

Lindisfarne College Foundation Cocktail Function

No evening chapel service

academic excellence

THIRD PLACE IN NATIONAL MONETARY POLICY CHALLENGE

On August 22nd a group of Year 13 students; **Antony D'Esposito, James Harty, Andrew Harrison, Hamish McNicol and Stuart McKelvie**, finished in a very commendable third place, in the Reserve Bank of New Zealand 2007 Monetary Policy Challenge (MPC).

Lindisfarne represented the Wellington region in the National finals, having earlier won the regional contest. In the final, our senior team having analysed the economic conditions facing New Zealand and the outlook for inflation, had to put to a panel of Reserve Bank Economists, their view of an appropriate setting for the Official Cash Rate (i.e. the Reserve Bank's Interest rate). Each team presented both a written submission and oral presentation of the reasons for their decision.

With 70 schools from Whangarei to Invercargill entering the competition, six schools were selected to contest the final. New Plymouth Girls' High were judged the National winner taking out \$2,500 in prizemoney. Timaru Boys' High School were second and received \$1500; and Lindisfarne in third place won \$750 for our school. The other competitors in the National final were Avondale College (Auckland), Kristin School (Auckland) and Burnside High School (Christchurch). The judges commented that "the winning teams demonstrated an exceptional level of understanding about the economy. Their ability to apply the economic theory that they had learned in the classroom, to real-world situations was impressive".

Our senior Economics students performance in this tough prestigious competition was nothing short of outstanding. We are very proud of their achievements.

EXCELLENT RESULTS IN THE HAWKE'S BAY SCIENCE FAIR

The 40th Hawke's Bay Science Fair was once again generously sponsored and supported by the Eastern Institute of Technology (E.I.T.). Lindisfarne once again excelled in the Science Quiz & Technology Challenge sections of the Science Fair. Thanks must go to the College's Science teachers for their encouragement, support and mentorship of the boys who entered the Provincial Science Fair.

B.P. Technology Challenge

Year 7-8	1st Place	-	Nicholas Richardson
		-	James Ireland
Year 9-10	1st Place	-	Ricky Gush
		-	Brandon Sermaine
Year 11-13	3rd Place	-	Ben Goodwin
		-	Daniel Rycroft

Massey University Science Quiz

Year 9 -	3rd = Place	-	Scott van Heerden
		-	Zachary Emmerson
		-	Craig Law
Year 10-	2nd Place	-	Thomas Harrison
		-	Michael Hackney
		-	Michael English
Year 11	1st Place	-	George Willis
		-	Hugh McHugh
		-	Daniel Ellingham

Project Section

Year 9	"Commended" with a project entitled 'Predators Beware'	-	Douglas Gray and Michael Lo
	"Commended" with a project entitled "How different Hull shapes affect Hydrodynamics	-	Matt Broome and Sam MacKay

A FINE SET OF RESULTS IN THE AUSTRALIAN ENGLISH COMPETITION

180 Lindisfarne students were some of the 450,000 students from Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region who sat this year's Australian Schools' English examination.

28 students achieved Credit Awards (top 35% of candidates), **19** achieved a Distinction Award (i.e. top 10%), while two boys, **Scott van Heerden** and **Michael Lo** gained High Distinction Awards (i.e. top 1%). For **Scott van Heerden** he has gained a "Triple" in getting High Distinctions in Australian Science, Mathematics and English Examinations all in the same year - a superb achievement.

Distinction was awarded to the following boys:-

Junior School

Alexander Dowie (Year 7)
Hamish Penny (Year 7)
Oliver Jarden (Year 7)
Luke Marriott (Year 8)
Tom Allen (Year 9)
Matthew Gould (Year 9)
Sam MacKay (Year 9)
Samuel Tiffen (Year 9)
Sean Peyton (Year 10)
Thomas Harrison (Year 10)
Michael Hackney (Year 10)
Ricky Gush (Year 10)

Senior School

Michael Tiffen (Year 11)
Luke Gilmore (Year 11)
Hugh McHugh (Year 11)
George Petherick Duncan (Year 11)
Daniel Bentall (Year 13)

High Distinction achieved by:-

Scott van Heerden (Year 9)
Michael Lo (Year 9)

- Meaning that their results were better than 99% of New Zealand's top Year 9 students.

Christian dimension

STUDENT WORSHIP

The boys have continued to do a great job in leading the school in worship during weekday afternoon Chapel services. Each Year level has put a tremendous amount of thought and effort into the services. Their messages, in turn, have been well received by both the boys and the staff.

YEAR 11 OSWALD

Theme: "Purity of spirit - what does it mean to be a Christian"
Sermon: Abraham Roptini
Reading: Callum Ironside
Prayer: Ali Gunson

YEAR 10 AIDAN

Theme: "Endurance - the need for persistence"
Sermon: Michael English
Reading: James Yule
Prayer: William Dykes

YEAR 10 CUTHBERT

Theme: "The need for respect to be given others"
Sermon: Reid Boyden
Reading: Henry Hunter
Prayer: Hamish Cowie

YEAR 10 DURHAM

Theme: "Striving for Greatness"
Sermon: Anthony Lai
Reading: Te Arepa Harrison
Prayer: Timothy Galland

YEAR 10 OSWALD

Theme: "Living a good life"
Sermon: Brett Sceats
Reading: Monty Morgan
Prayer: Abraham Corban

THE 'GOOD MAN' ASSEMBLY

On Thursday August 16th, Chairman of the 'Boys' Focus group (BFG), Mr. Murray Richardson, lead an assembly focussed around the theme of the "The Good Man".

In 2006, the BFG had commissioned a new award, to be presented annually at the Leavers' Dinner, to the Year 13 student who upon leaving school, is voted by his peers to best portray the qualities of a "Good Man". The qualities of such a person were defined as one who:-

**IS LOYAL
DISPLAYS RESPECT
ACTS WITH INTEGRITY
BRINGS HUMOUR TO A SITUATION
ROLE MODELS POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR
HANDLES ADVERSITY WITH COURAGE
FOLLOWS THROUGH ON HIS PROMISES
TAKES RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIS ACTIONS
EXERCISES FORGIVENESS AND TOLERANCE**

The inaugural winner of the trophy in 2006, was **Nathan Ebbett**

To encourage other boys to aspire to these qualities, the College has introduced in 2007 a 'Good Man Certificate'. Recipients were selected by the teaching staff and were seen as six young men that have exhibited the qualities listed above. Guest speaker at the assembly, Mr. Michael Goodacre, presented the first six certificates to:-

Aidan Collin	Alexander Lyons
Andrew Geddes	Raymond Munn
Johnathan Gee	Rhys Williams

Mr. Richardson stressed that there were many other Year 13 students who have shown the characteristics of good men, and a further six recipients would be recognised in November.

CULTURAL participation

LINDISFARNE GAINS FOUR GOLD AWARDS AT THE NATIONAL BAND FESTIVAL

The Concord Junior Concert band and the Concord Symphonic band, travelled to Palmerston North, to this year's National Concert Band Festival, held over the weekend of Friday 24th through to Sunday 26th August. Following their golden honours at both the Feilding and the Hawke's Bay Festival Bands, hopes were high that the combined Lindisfarne and Hastings Girls' High School bands could duplicate this success at the National level.

Both bands had their first performances on the Friday, in the Entertainment Section; where they play songs equally levelled at impressing the judges and the audience. This is followed up with the more serious concert pieces in the Festival section on the Saturday. In past years the Concord Symphonic has consistently gained Gold in the Entertainment and Silver award in the Festival sections, while the Concord Junior Concert is a newly formed band which has achieved Silver awards at their two previous National outings.

Competing for recognition against many of the best adult and community musical groups in the country, the group's hard work, practice and previous high standard of performance, were rewarded when both bands achieved **Gold in each of the Festival sections**. This amazing result exceeded expectations - the result being spectacular for the Symphonic group let alone the fairly new junior band. While in addition to the four Gold band awards, the **Hastings Girls' High School Ensemble** and **Flute soloist, Sarah Dylan, gained Gold Awards**, to give the group of talented Hastings young musicians, **six Golds out of a possible six events**. While just under a dozen of our best musicians played for the Bay Cities Community group which took out a Gold award in the Entertainment and a Silver in the Performance sections.

We are very proud of our College musicians' clean sweep of four Gold awards from the National competition. This spectacular result is a just reward for the effort and commitment put in by the band members and the fantastic inspirational leadership of Conductors **Mr. John Snowling** and **Mr. Flemming Kristensen**.

Messrs Snowling and Kristensen have developed a music and band programme that is recognised as one of the best in the country and should be very proud of their music students' achievements in 2007.

A full list of the 29 band members who have enjoyed this unprecedented success at the National Festival, are as follows:-

Thomas Alexander	-	Concord Symphonic & Concord Junior Concert Bands
Scott Ansell	-	Concord Symphonic & Concord Junior Concert Bands
Andrew Beacham	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Richard Clarkson	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Sam Eames	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Simon Forbes	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Nicholas Fryer	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Tim Galland	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Douglas Gray	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Jonathan Hackney	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Alexander Harrison	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Timothy Jones	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Brooks Kershaw	-	Concord Symphonic & Concord Junior Concert Bands

Thomas Kim	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Craig Law	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Dean Murphy	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Samuel Martin	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Timothy-James Penman		Concord Symphonic Band
Abraham Ropitini	-	Concord Symphonic & Concord Junior Concert Bands
Gregory Shirras	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Brad Sickler	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Ryan Smyth	-	Concord Symphonic & Concord Junior Concert Bands
Christopher Starck	-	Concord Symphonic & Concord Junior Concert Bands
Thomas Steele	-	Concord Symphonic & Concord Junior Concert Bands
Zane Stevenson	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Alex Volz	-	Concord Symphonic Band
Andrew Wang	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Joel Willetts	-	Concord Junior Concert Band
Rhys Williams	-	Concord Symphonic Band

SCOTT ANSELL GAINS NATIONAL MUSIC HONOURS

In August we were informed that talented musician **Scott Ansell (Year 11)** had been selected for the National High School Jazz Orchestra. A Trombone player in the Lindisfarne bands, Scott's ability and musical talent has been recognised outside our region and he follows recent Old Boy **Ben Hunt**, in being selected for this prestigious National musical group. The 2007 High School Jazz Orchestra will practice and present in Napier (i.e. between October 3 and 8) popular Kiwi songs which have been arranged by Mr. Vaughan Roberts. This is a huge honour for Scott, who has applied himself in a commendably, dedicated and committed manner, towards his music.

OUTSTANDING RESULTS IN ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC EXAMINATIONS

Lindisfarne students once again did extremely well in recent Associated Board of Royal Schools' of Music examinations - of particular note were the achievements of **Timothy Galland**.

Ryan Smyth	-	Grade 2 Trumpet	- passed with Merit
Gregory Shirras	-	Grade 3 Tenor Saxophone	
Timothy Galland	-	Grade 3 Clarinet	- passed with Distinction
Scott Ansell	-	Grade 5 Trombone	- passed with Merit
Timothy Jones	-	Grade 6 Trombone	- passed with Merit

AN ENTERTAINING AFTERNOON OF HOUSE DRAMA

On Thursday August 23rd, the Annual House Drama Festival saw an enjoyable afternoon of student generated entertainment. The following is the report provided by William Findlay, Arts Prefect, to the school assembly.

"House Drama always feels to be at the worst time of the year possible and 2007 was no exception. House directors were given just six weeks to kick start, force, mediate, mentor, coerce and coach their cast into a stage worthy performance. Given their qualities of rehearsals in the week beforehand, one could be forgiven for thinking that the actual Festival was going to be a disaster, but in the true style of boys, everything was left to the last minute and come Thursday all performances looked great.

First up to grace the audience was *Cuthbert House*, with their performance of "*Robin Hood, Men in Tights*". To say this play appealed to the audience would be an understatement. Full credit must go to author of the script, **Sam Reynolds**, as he displayed a comedic wit not seen since that displayed in "*Snow Black and seven stripping Dwarfs*" by another Cuthbert writer/director, James Brown back in 2002. Despite being adorned in more spandex than you can poke a stick at, the entire cast performed credibly well. Crowd favourites included **Daniel Ellingham**, who played a faultless **Robin Hood**, and **Jeremy 'Jake the Snake' Knapp** who truly brought his character to life and even managed to sing a little as well.

Next up was *Durham House*, with the only American sitcom of the afternoon, "*That 70's Show*". A play that was looking decidedly shaky one week prior to performance. The cast seemed to have undergone an extreme makeover under emergency director **William Perry**.

The final result saw the cast perform credibly, with the stand out performer being **William Duley**, with his uncanny portrayal of '**Donna**'. It is also worth mentioning the quality of the Durham set, which was of a very high standard, no doubt the work of set boys **Scott Pearson, Oscar Robertshawe** and co-director **John O'Halloran**.

Third up were *Oswald House*, who have almost become accustomed to victory in recent years, Directors **Matt Arcus** and **Sam Eames** certainly had a huge influence on this play. For the second year running, the Oswald cast's performance was once again lifted up a notch by the high standard set by veteran **Abraham Ropitini**. Also borrowing inspiration from last year, somehow **Luke Gilmore's** tank had mags and turbo en route to the battlefield and was sporting air bags and surprisingly, shiny rims. Oswald House also took their performance to another level with the first stage kiss the writer has seen, between two boys, in my entire time at Lindisfarne.

With this no doubt still stuck in her mind, the adjudicator waited in anticipation for the last performance of *Aidan House*. They may not have had chrome wheels, spandex, William Duley as a convincing woman or a stage kiss, but one thing Aidan House did have was a video of **Tom Wynne Lewis** gallivanting through flowering filled fields atop of his noble steed, **Brooks Kershaw**. Somehow this skirt-clad Britney Spears, Esk Valley scene, seemed almost even more disturbing than the kiss that had shocked the audience not 30 minutes before. The show however was a good one, with a sterling performance from young **Jack Williams** being the keystone in what was indeed a very strong effort.

At the end of the day though, there can only be the one winner, and as you may of guessed from the short haircuts Sam McNair and Richard Laming soon sported, it was not Aidan House. Despite gathering a collection of cocktail sized trophies, Oswald could not push all the way, and **Cuthbert House** eventually took out the big prize as the **winner**. Congratulations therefore must go to **Sam Reynolds** and **Matthew Harper** for their successful, Directorship and especially Sam for his talent in constructing the winning script. Special mention must also go to **Max Tweedie** who took out most promising young junior actor in a convincing portrayal of Kitty for Durham House. Durham House then took out third place, leaving a credible wooden spoon performance for Aidan.

Thanks of course must go to Mrs. Jones and Miss Death for their countless hours put in on the evenings, as well as to all the backstage crew, and Technical crew, and House Prefects that made the event such a success".

A full list of results from the Drama Festival were as follows:-

Winner of the 2007 Drama Festival	-	Cuthbert House
Second	-	Oswald
Third	-	Durham
Fourth	-	Aidan
Best Directors	-	Ben Stephens and William Perry
Best Junior Actor	-	Max Tweedie
Most Creative Set Design	-	Durham House
Best Costumes	-	Oswald House

STRONG ORATORY SKILL CHARACTERISED THE CHURCHILL FINALS

The Junior Churchill Oratory finals saw topics ranging from "*That N.Z. needs a 'Fat Tax' on certain foods*", "*That Iran should be allowed to develop Nuclear Weapons*", through to "*Alternative Rock is the future of modern music*".

Twelve quality speakers; **Daniel Bramley, Jos Crasborn, Mokoia Huata, Edward Jackson, Jack Jardine, Anthony Lai, George Perry, Sandy Radburnd, Jack Stobart, Max Tweedie, Scott van Heerden** and **Alex Winstanley**, from Years 9 and 10 contested the finals, with adjudicator *Mrs. Lyndie Balfour, Head of English at St. John's College*, awarding places to the students who delivered well supported, creditable and convincing agument; which in turn held the audience's interest. She noted the importance of clear delivery, use of body language and gestures and the incorporation of interesting and relevant topics.

Jack Stobart was placed **second equal** for well structured speech titled "*Battery hen farming should be banned*" along with **Daniel Bramley** who persuaded the audience that "*Rock stars have the ultimate lifestyle*". While this year's **Junior Chirchill Oratory Champion** was **Max Tweedie** whose risky and provocative speech on the "*School rules and restrictions*" was well received by his peers and was persuasively and powerfully presented.

WILLIAM FINDLAY AND ABRAHAM ROPITINI COMPETE IN THE NATIONAL DEBATING CHAMPIONSHIP

In August, Lindisfarne had two representatives, **William Findlay** and **Abraham Ropitini** in the three man Hawke's Bay Secondary Schools' Debating team, in the Russell McVeagh Secondary Schools' Provincial National Debating championship.

Competing against twelve other teams from around the country, on the Saturday morning they faced the strong Auckland and Canterbury teams in the prepared rounds of the competition, arguing both sides of the moot that - *"The New Zealand Police should have locally elected District Commanders"*. While Auckland were clear victors, Canterbury narrowly pipped the Hawke's Bay team.

On the Saturday afternoon, in the impromptu debating contests, first up they successfully affirmed the moot - *"That this house would legalise performing enhancing drugs in sport"* in winning their debate against Northland. While on the Sunday morning they successfully negated Waikato in the moot - *"That this House would cut all ties with Fiji"* and then went on to narrowly defeat the strong Auckland team arguing that - *"This House supports nuclear power for New Zealand"*.

The Hawke's Bay Secondary Schools team finishing in **third equal place** after the preliminary rounds, in a tie with three other teams, missing out on a semi final place on count back by just one point Wellington were the eventual winners of the competition.

SPORTING endeavour

1ST HOCKEY XI MAKE FINAL OF NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

A resurgent 1st XI side competed in the Mayhill Cup competition in Wanganui during Winter Tournament week.

On Monday August 27th, they faced the first of their three pool games, against Pukekohe High School. The game see-sawed with good rounds by both sides being countered by fine defence. Just before half time, neat inter-passing saw an unmarked **Sam Reynolds** score the only goal of the match. In their afternoon game Lindisfarne scored two quick goals with both **Ryan Davidson** and **Sam Reynolds** scoring before the 10 minute mark. The second half was scrappy, with a couple of Auckland Grammar chances effectively dealt with by goal keeper **Kurt McCormick** and the final score line staying at 2-0. In their final pool match on the Tuesday, Lindisfarne played a strong Hutt International Boys' school (HIBS) team coached by former N.Z. Hockey Captain, Peter McSkimming. While the first half saw plenty of action, no goals were scored. The second half started at a frantic pace, before H.I.B.S. scored twice from penalty corners, that had both been partially saved. Although Lindisfarne had two good chances in the final few minutes, they ended the game 2 nil down, but as a result of finishing second in their pool, went through to the top eight play offs.

On the Wednesday in their cross over game, the 1st XI facing St. Peter's, conceded the first goal after a miss-hit on the 16 yard line. Lindisfarne recovered well and gradually assumed control of the game with **Sam Reynolds** scoring from a deflect just before half time. The pressure told on St. Peter's in the second half, with **Thomas Yule** scoring from a penalty corner and then **Ryan Davidson** trapped the ball in front of the goalkeeper and spun around, to clinch a **3-1 win**.

In the semi-final match, despite a tentative start which saw them concede an early goal to Hastings Boys' High School, Lindisfarne quickly regrouped and countered with a penalty corner shot by **Ryan Davidson** and then again with a field goal deflection. After half time Lindisfarne moved to take control of the game after a penalty corner strike by **Thomas Yule** and a reverse strike by **John O'Halloran**. Hastings then scored, but **Sam Reynolds** clinched the match **5-2**, with a neat deflection at the left post.

Lindisfarne faced an undefeated Hutt International side in the final of the Mayhead Cup. We put on the early pressure and went into half time 1-0 up after a **Ryan Davidson** goal. The first fifteen minutes of the second half we moved to 2-0 score line, after **John O'Halloran** flicked the ball past the H.I.B.S. goal keeper. With seven minutes to go a win looked assured but H.I.B.S. fought back and by the end of the normal time had squared the scoreline at 2-2.

After seven minutes of extra time the scores were still locked and the team went to penalty strokes to break the deadlock. Hutt International took out the penalty strokes 4-2 to take the title.

In finishing runner-up for the Tournament the 1st XI team secured a place in the 2008 India Shield and can be very **proud** of the way they played throughout the week. Thanks to **Mr. Richardson (Manager)** and **Mr. Workman (Coach)**, for their commitment and inspirational support of the side during the 2007 Mayhill Cup competition.

1ST XI MAKE COLLEGE SOCCER HISTORY IN FINISHING RUNNER-UP IN NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

The 1st Soccer XI played in the Linwood Cup competition, held in Palmerston North over winter Tournament week.

On Monday August 22nd, they played two pool matches first against Otorohanga who they comfortably defeated **3-0** (goals being scored by **Richard Dobson, Andrew Geddes** and **Hamish McNicol**) and then another against Spotswood College.

In the Spotswood game they found themselves 0-2 down after some sloppy defence. After a spiritual fight back Lindisfarne led 3-2 at half time and extended the score line to **4-2** by the end of the match, with goals to **Richard Dobson, David Owen, Andrew Geddes (2)**.

On the second day of pool play they played Wanganui City. In an even match, Wanganui scored the only goal of the match in the dying minutes of the game. However, with the best goal difference, Lindisfarne still managed to finish top of their pool.

On the crossover day, Lindisfarne faced a strong Tawa College side. The scores were tied at 1-1 for most of the match, before Lindisfarne broke the deadlock through a powerful free kick from **Adam Glasspool** and a goal to **Andrew Geddes** to earn a **3-1** victory.

The semi-final match saw Lindisfarne playing a tough Francis Douglas team. The howling wind and stinging rain conditions were not conducive to attractive football. Lindisfarne went 1-0 up early on through a fine goal from **Richard Dobson**. Francis Douglas equalized midway through the second half. Through some superb goal keeping by **Andreas Claudatos** the scores were tied at full time and after a period of extra time, Lindisfarne held their nerve to take out the penalty shoot-out **4-3**.

On the Friday, they faced a talented Taradale High School side, buoyed by the fact that they were the first Lindisfarne 1st XI football side to make the final of a major Tournament. Full of New Zealand and Federation age group representatives, the Taradale side were frustrated by the tenacity of their Hawke's Bay neighbours. With only minutes on the clock Taradale slotted the vital goal, to sneak home the winners 1-0.

The hard work and dedication of the side really paid off and they can be justifiably proud of their achievement. **Mr. Glen Petersen**, can be pleased that his long standing commitment to Soccer, has been well rewarded with significant growth in playing numbers and ability.

1ST XV TENANCIOUS IN PRESBYTERIAN QUAD TOURNAMENT

The 19th Annual Presbyterian Rugby Quadrangular, was hosted by Scots College in Wellington. Lindisfarne drew a physically imposing St. Kentigern's College side in their preliminary match. After exerting enormous pressure in the first ten minutes, for little or no reward, St. Kentigern's scored against the run of play. Securing more possession, the Aucklanders looked impressive on attack, especially from the centres. At half time Lindisfarne trailed 12-0 and St. Kentigern's added another try soon after. **William Walker** scored after a sustained period of attack, but missed tackles, enabled our Presbyterian brother to score to push the score out to 29-5.

The play-offs for third and fourth, featured the same sides who have contested this fixture at the previous eight Quads - Lindisfarne and Scots College. Unfortunately the visitors struggled to rise to the occasion, Scots deserved the 25-10 victory, as they played with more hunger and tactical nous.

Thanks go to **Mr. David Bovey** and **Mr. Grant Gilbert** for the enthusiasm and commitment shown in the coaching of the side over the season.

UNDER 15 RUGBY TEAM FINISH THIRD IN REMBRANDT FINE ARTS TOURNAMENT

The Under 15 team came into the 2007 Tournament unsure of how good they really were, having scored a convincing victory over Rathkeale, and then being beaten by Wanganui Collegiate in the Inter-school fixtures. But they knew that if they played to their potential, then there was no reason why they could not consider themselves worthy of finishing in the top half of the Tournament, and so to finally finish in third place was a very pleasing result.

Pool play on Thursday, saw the Lindisfarne team pitted against St. Peter's School from the Waikato, and it was disappointing to be beaten 13-17 by this team, when they could have so easily won, had it not been for a short period in the second half of the game that St. Peter's were allowed to score all of their points. This result, placed in jeopardy any chances of the Lindisfarne team making the final. The second pool game was against the highly fancied Scots College team, who had 'shredded' Palmerston North BHS the day before. It was a very tense encounter, which saw the Lindisfarne team rewarded for maintaining structure and discipline in their game, and they were able to win this one by a mere 3-0. The Friday afternoon game was against Palmerston North BHS, who were yet to record a win, and the Lindisfarne team went onto the attack in this game, scoring 7 very good tries to eventually win 37-0.

This meant that the final placings in this pool were in a delicate state, with three teams all recording 2 wins and a loss each. So it came back to the number of tries scored, on which St. Peter's were clearly superior and so they immediately progressed to the finals on the Saturday against title holders St. John's. Scots and Lindisfarne had both scored the same number of tries in their three games, and to Scots College disappointment, Lindisfarne progressed to the 3rd/4th play-off, since Lindisfarne had beaten Scots in pool play.

This meant that Lindisfarne had to match up against Wanganui Collegiate, who had beaten them earlier in the year, and so this was a pay-back opportunity, that Lindisfarne desperately needed. This was to be Lindisfarne's match right from the beginning, as they took the game to their opponents who appeared disinterested and lacking in any motivation to make a fitting contest of the game. **Lindisfarne played extremely well to win the fixture 19-0, scoring 3 good tries, and to deservedly finish 3rd overall for the Tournament.** St. Peter's went on to win the final 23-0 over St. John's College (Hastings).

As the Tournament progressed this Lindisfarne team grew in confidence and self belief. By the final match they were playing a game that indicated what they were really capable of, with many players performing exceedingly well. It was a most enjoyable Tournament, played in brilliant conditions, superbly organised and coordinated by Mr. Francis, and is most likely to be the highlight of the season for a number of these young players, many of whom will go onto bigger and better things in 2008.

Sincere thanks must go to **Mr. James Francis, Director of Sport**, who has organised the U15 Tournament for the past six years. Mr. Francis has done a wonderful job, calmly and efficiently coordinating, what is a huge logistical challenge. The Tournament annually provides extremely positive publicity for our College, and we appreciate Mr. Francis' key role in successfully cementing this U15 competition in so many schools' junior calendars.

Final Placings:-

St. Peter's School	(1)	St. John's College	(2)
Lindisfarne College	(3)	Wanganui Collegiate School	(4)
Scots College	(5)	Whangarei Boys' High School	(6)
Palmerston North Boys' H.S.	(7)	Rathkeale College	(8)

CLAY TARGET SHOOTING TEAM MAKES IT FOUR WINS FROM SIX REGIONAL EVENTS

The Clay Target Shooting team, has continued their fine run of form in recent regional events **winning the Palmerston North Shoot** and the **Eastland Shoot** and being narrowly beaten by current National champion, Napier Boys' High School in the Patangata Shoot.

On Friday, August 17th, two shooting teams travelled to Palmerston North to defend the Team's trophy which they won last year in the Palmerston North Shoot organised by Palmerston North Boys' High School. 55 competitors attended this event, and by the end of the day our **A team** of **Jesse Friedlander, Graeme Gannon, Hamish Gannon, Digby Hewitt** and **James Tod** had narrowly beaten Napier Boys' High School to take out the Team's Event by a margin of just 3 points.

To cap off a successful day our shooters also excelled in the individual event. **Graeme Gannon, Hamish Gannon and James Tod** all shot possible in different disciplines. In the shoot off **Graeme Gannon won the Points Score Event** and **Hamish Gannon** was **third** in the Single Rise event. **Graeme Gannon** was then involved in a shoot off with one other competitor, for the **best overall shooter for the day**. Unfortunately he lost this to be **second in the High Gun category**.

The second regional competition for our team was held at **Patangata** on Sunday August 25th over the mid term break. Shooting against 60 other competitors, the A team got off to a fantastic start with all five team members shooting 20 out of 20 targets in the first event. Napier Boys' High School also shot well, to be just 2 points behind in this event, which set the standard, with an extremely close competition between the two schools throughout the competition. After two other events Napier Boys' High School just headed off our A team, to win the team event by the smallest of margins, just three points.

In the individual event, **Graeme Gannon, Digby Hewitt, Hamish Gannon, Aidan Collin, James Tod and Wilson Collin** all shooting possibles and went to competition in shoot offs for the various events.

After shoot offs, **Digby Hewitt emerged third in the Single Rise, Graeme Gannon Second in the points score and Hamish Gannon second overall for the day. Wilson Collin's possible, in his first year of competitive shooting, was most encouraging.**

The final regional shoot before the National championships, saw our team competing against 80 shooters in the **Eastland Shoot** on September 2, in Wairoa. Our A Team, started the day well, to be a few points ahead of Napier Boys High School in the team event, with Karamu and Central Hawke's Bay College also posting competitive scores. In the second event, the Points Score, Lindisfarne did not drop a single target and used the second barrel to shoot only five out of the 75 targets, to establish a commanding lead to eventually take out the **Brownlie-Bell Cup by 12 points**.

Individual standings saw **Digby Hewitt, Graeme Gannon, Hamish Gannon, James Tod** and **Jesse Friedlander** all shot possibles. From the shoot offs, **Jesse Friedlander was second in the Points Score event**, while **Graeme Gannon went one better to win the Points Score and finish third overall for the day**. After the Eastlands Shoot this was **Jesse Friedlander's** third competition for the A team and he was presented with his shooting badge.

From the six Provincial Shoots this year, the A Team has won four, with Napier Boys' High School the current National champion, winning two.

We congratulate the boys on the consistently high standard of shooting that they have displayed over the past term and we wish them every success in the upcoming National championships.

CONVINCING FATHER FISHER TROPHY WIN

Father Fisher, was a passionate Rugby coach and teacher who taught at St. John's College in the 1950's and his name adorns a Rugby trophy that has been contested between St. John's and Lindisfarne Junior Rugby players since 1975 (i.e. drawn from Year 9 students from the D, E and F grades).

Despite recording an historic victory at Lindisfarne in 2006 (i.e. Lindisfarne's first win since 1999), Lindisfarne travelled to St. John's with some nervousness, given that they had not won at this venue for the past ten years.

From the kick off, Lindisfarne proved too strong in the backs, leading by 60-0 at half time and **138-0** by the time the full time whistle went. 18 of the 22 tries were scored by the backs with **Anaru Wakefield-Sciascia (6), Tony McKinnie (5), Pirini Hadfield (2), Thomas Alison (2), Waka Smit (2), Angus Beaton, Jimmy Ellis-Jones, Oliver Morrison, Taylor Howatson** and **Sam Wallace** also scoring and **Oliver Morrison** kicking **ten conversions**.

RUGBY TEAMS MAKE FOUR FINALS OF HAWKE'S BAY SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2nd XV, D Grade (A), E Grade (A) and E Grade (B) Rugby sides, all qualified for finals of the respective Provincial and Secondary Schools competitions. With Lindisfarne once again having the most teams of any school represented in the H.B.S.S. Finals day.

The Mr. Mangan and Mr. Rogers coached 2nd XV, met a strong Napier Boys' High School 3rd XV in their finals. With injuries in key positions in the backline. Lindisfarne struggled to contain the pace of the Napier Boys' High School team, with Napier Boys' being the winners. The Second XV side has had an extremely successful season, with victories over 1st XV's from Havelock North, Flaxmere and Wairoa and competitive results against strong St. John's College and Central Hawkes Bay and our own Lindisfarne 1st XV sides.

In the **D Grade A Final**, Lindisfarne coached by **Mr. Kidd and Mr. Hapi-Smith**, played Karamu High School. Karamu started strongly to score the first points in the form of a in the form of a penalty and Lindisfarne replied with an **Aaron Hapi Smith try** which was converted. Karamu came back scoring a try just before half time to lead 13-10 at the break. The first quarter of the second half proved decisive, with **James Buxton** having to run 50 metres, before scoring in the corner and then scoring in the same corner for Lindisfarne to take a 20-13 lead. This sparked Karamu into action and they put real pressure on the Lindisfarne defence, which responded with grit and determination. The Lindisfarne line held solid and we took out the match with the score unchanged.

In the **E Grade A final**, the **Mr. Bramley coached side**, met a Hastings Boys' High side that had pace and flair on counter attack. Little separated the two teams and the score was locked at 10 all at half time, after **Henry Bridge** scored Lindisfarne's solitary try. Hastings Boys' scored twice late in the game to win 24-10. Lindisfarne fought hard and contested throughout, and can be proud of their performance.

In the **E Grade B final**, the **Mr. Ellis coached side**, took on Taradale High School, a team that had beaten them just a month earlier. However, Lindisfarne really applied themselves, with backs and forwards combining well and they kept the Taradale side under constant pressure. Lindisfarne lead 16-6 at the break, with converted tries to **Edward O'Sullivan** and **Jordan Waterhouse**. They quickly cemented their advantage with a try to **Nick Herries** early in the second half and dominated the game, only conceding a late run away try. The final result being a 21-14 win to Lindisfarne.

We are extremely pleased with the performance of our Rugby teams over the season. The 3rd XV defeated 1st XV's from Havelock North, Wairoa and the Colenso-Tamatea combined team, while four other Rugby sides made H.B.S.S. finals and almost all our other teams finished extremely high up in their competition rankings.

SOCCER EXPERTISE INJECTED INTO THE COLLEGE'S COACHING PROGRAMME

This year, following on from the use of ex Zimbabwe Cricketing International, Mr. Shaun Davies and Provincial Softballer, Mr. Grant Dean's assistance with technical and coaching support for summer sport, we have brought in professional Soccer coaches to supplement the development of our teaching staff's coaching skills. Five coaches from the Hawke's Bay Academy and Maycenvale Soccer clubs, have been working with our boys and coaches and have had a profound impact on lifting the level of Football played within the College. We have greatly appreciated the assistance we have received from:-

Mr. Jonathan Gould - National Development Officer Football N.Z. A former Celtic and Scotland International Soccer player, Mr. Gould is a current parent and Hawke's Bay United Head Coach. He is studying for his UEFA 'A' licence and has assisted Lindisfarne Soccer teams for the past two seasons.

Mr. Matt Chandler - Academy Manager. Mr. Chandler has worked as Academy Manager in the professional game in England, including Wycombe Wanderers, Brentford and Premier League club Reading Football Club. He has coached N.Z. U14 level and is one of the few people in N.Z. to hold the prestigious UEFA 'A' Licence.

Mr. Leon Birnie - H.B. United Academy Coach. A product of local football, Mr. Birnie has played for H.B. United in the N.Z.F.C. He has coached the Maycenvale first team and has his International coaching licence, the highest N.Z. coaching award.

Mr. Graham Fyfe - H.B. United Academy Coach. Mr. Fyfe is a previous professional footballer for Celtic and Cheltenham. He has played two seasons in the N.F.C. and has his Academy licence.

Mr. Grant Hastings. Mr. Hastings has played for various football clubs throughout the country and has both his National and International coaches licence.

Each of our Lindisfarne coaches have benefited from learning new drills, skills and techniques, which can only help to lift the profile, structure and performance of our Soccer sides. We look forward to continuing our association with this talented and highly skilled coaching team in 2008 and thank each of them, for their crucial input in the 2007 winter sports season.

JUNIOR B SOCCER TEAM MAKES KNOCK OUT FINAL

After winning their grade the **Mr. Findlay coached Junior B Soccer side** were given the opportunity of competing in the Division A Junior Soccer knockout competition.

Facing a confident Napier Boys' High School A side, they performed way above expectations to win an exciting quarter final match 4-3. In their semi-final they followed this up with an equally impressive win over the Lindisfarne's Junior A side.

In the final they faced a star studded Taradale High School A team, which had six Hawke's Bay representatives in their side. Although losing 6-0 they had at least three good scoring opportunities and played with real spirit and skill.

Over the season the **Junior B's played well above their ranking, winning ten of their twelve games and in the process scoring 54 while conceding just 18 goals.**

SKIERS EXCELL IN PROVINCIAL AND NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Saturday September 8th, our **Senior Ski team** once again **won the Hawke's Bay Ski championship at Whakapapa.** **Tim Harker** was outstanding recording the fastest overall time for the day and taking out the **fastest Junior Male** and the **overall fastest male titles.** **Richard Clarkson was the fastest Senior male skier.** The Junior team members were placed as follows:- **First- Tim Harker; Second - Jack Harker; Third - Jonty Coats-Harrison, while Jason Taylor was fifth.** The **Senior team won the over competition** with 102 points and were 4 points clear of our sister school, Iona College.

On Sunday September 9th and Tuesday, September 11th, Lindisfarne competed in the N.I.S.S. Ski championships at Turoa. Entering a Junior team only, due to the benchmark NCEA examinations, the College team faced secondary schools who have huge Ski budgets and students for whom Skiing is their major sporting focus.

On day one, the N.I.S.S.S.C. students competed in the Giant Slalom event. This consisted of a single time trialled race on one of two tracks designed for juniors. Lindisfarne skiers performed creditably, with **Jonty Coats-Harrison (13th) and Jack Harker (25th)** were the best finishers, with other skiers finishing 63rd, 98th and 106th.

On Day Two, students competed in a Dual Slalom event. Results were used from the first day's event, for students to compete against the skier who had been ranked one above or one below themselves. This is a straight win or loss event with no times being taken, with the first to the bottom receiving maximum points.

After both events were completed, our final placing was twenty sixth equal of the 98 teams competing, with little separating 10th to 30th place. The boys' results in the Junior men's section, consisting of 135 competitors were:-

- **13th** - **Jonty Coats-Harrison**
- **24th** - **Jack Harker**
- **60th** - **Taylor Howatson**
- **97th** - **Julian Maurenbrecher**
- **105th** - **Jack Jardine**

WINTER SPORTS COLOURS AWARDED FOR 2007

These were presented by Mr. Callum Thomsen, Old Boy (1990-1994). Callum recently won the prestigious and tough New Zealand Young Farmer of the Year contest - only the third winner from the East Coast of the North Island.

This year's recipients of colours, have shown excellence of performance, skill and techniques, as well as unselfish dedication and commitment to their chosen sports. Senior students who received winter sports colours were as follows:-

Soccer: Richard Dobson, Andrew Geddes, Adam Glasspool, Alex Winsley

Hockey: Jonathan Gee (Double Colours), Alex Bevin, Hayden Crossman, Andrew Harrison

Rugby: Simon Luke, Ben Parkes, William Walker, Thomas Parsons

Squash: Alex Winsley

Cross Country: James Holden (Double Colours)

FAIR PLAY AWARDS FOR WINTER SPORTS TEAMS

Fair Play recipients were recognised at a special sports assembly, for the outstanding quality of sportsmanship and fair play that they have displayed throughout the just completed winter sports season. At all times, the boys chosen by their coaches, have played hard but fair, and have been a credit to their team, coaching staff and to the College as a whole.

The recipients were as follows:-

<u>Hockey:</u>		<u>Rugby:</u>	
1st XI - Jonathan Gee		1st XV - Willie Walker	
2nd XI - *Alexander Lyons		2nd XV - Jock Ironside	
3rd XI - Nathan Scott		3rd XV - *Graeme Gannon	
4th XI - Rowan Sandford		Under 16 - Henry Melville	
5th XI - Wilson Collin		D Grade A - Jack Crasborn	
6th XI - Ben Adye		D Grade B - Hugo Rittson-Thomas	
Int. School A - Joel Willetts		E Grade A - Jock Barns-Graham	
Int. School B - Matthew Taylor		E Grade B - James Gunson	
		F Grade - Hayden McNeil	
		Under 15 - George Willis	
<u>Soccer:</u>		<u>Basketball</u>	
1st XI - Matt Woods		Senior A - Matthew Whyte	
2nd XI - James Lansdown		Senior B - Harry Whyte	
3rd XI - Adam Firman		Junior A - Henry Hunter	
4th XI - Tom Alexander		Junior B - Angus Schaw	
Junior A - Sam Martin			
Junior B - *James Yule		<u>Squash</u>	
Junior C - Brandon Sermaine		Senior - *Alex Winsley	
Junior D - Simon White		Junior - Sean Bayley	
Int. A - Robert Wellwood			
Int. B - Nicholas Forbes		<u>Cross Country</u> - James Holden	
<u>Alternative Sport</u>		<u>Badminton</u> - Thomas Addis	
Senior - Matthew Arcus			
Junior - Todd Titter			

* = Special Prestigious Awards

A SUMMARY OF SENIOR WINTER SPORTS PERFORMANCE

Rembrandt Fine Arts Lindisfarne 1st XV

The 2007 season saw the introduction of a good many players to 1st XV Rugby, after 17 of last year's squad had left. That experience proved difficult to replace and despite some encouraging performances, a number of close losses would leave a feeling that the 2007 season was a frustrating one.

Indeed, the final balance sheet of 9 wins from 19 games was disappointing, but the team's biggest loss was by 26 points; six of the other losses were by less than 10 points. Included in these close games were the traditional fixtures against Scots and Rathkeale - both one point defeats, that should have been comfortable victories, but for missed opportunities and errors at crucial times.

This was perhaps a pattern throughout the season - plenty of territory and possession, but even after spending a good deal of time on attack in many games we often could not convert pressure into points, and goal kicking was something of a problem: 16 conversions from 69 attempts is a compelling statistic.

There were a good deal of positives, however. The forward pack was more than competitive, both at set pieces and in general play. The scrum was strong and the lineout worked efficiently. Some good tries were scored in the backs and despite injuries, disrupting the backline during the latter part of the season, replacement players worked well.

Season Record: Played 19 Won 9 Lost 10. Points For 398 Against 287

Senior Players to Leave the 1st XV this year:

Thomas Ellingham	-	Capt. 2007, loose forward	-	54 appearances - 25 points
Chad Greer	-	Wing	-	55 appearances - 86 points
Jack Barley	-	1st 5/8, fullback	-	53 appearances - 158 points
Ben Parkes	-	Openside flanker	-	50 appearances - 5 points
Willie Walker	-	Half Back	-	33 appearances - 55 points
Loui Mitchell	-	Centre	-	25 appearances - 40 points

1st XI Soccer

Without a doubt this has been a huge year for the 1st XI, both with the number of games being played and the quality of the results. A total of 23 matches have been played with the regular Hawke's Bay League season, local knockout cup competition, Inter-school Fixtures and Tournament Week in Palmerston North.

The earlier part of the season was a little disappointing, as we finished 5th in the local competition. Highlights of the two rounds came with a first round win over Taradale 2-1 and a second round win over Hastings Boys' High School 2-0. Although there was a general feeling of disappointment at this stage of the season, the best was yet to come and the improvement in the team was extraordinary. Without a doubt the success of the team in the games to follow can be attributed to the influence that Grant Hastings (Professional Soccer Coach) had on the team, as he helped Mr. Petersen to mould them into a highly competitive and structured unit.

The knockout cup saw us finish in the top four but losing to our nemesis Taradale 3-1 in the semi finals. This was an exciting game of which we had our opportunities, but were denied by a tenacious Taradale side.

Interschool Fixtures

Our interschool programme was highly successful as it was last year and we managed to keep all three trophies with the following results.

Versus Scots	-	won	2 - 0
Versus Rathkeale	-	won	5 - 0
Versus Wanganui Collegiate	-	won	3 - 1

Winter Tournament in Palmerston North (Linwood Cup)

This was a fantastic week of football for our boys as they took on many larger schools from the Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, Manawatu, Wanganui and Wellington regions. After topping our pool with two excellent wins over Otorohanga 3-0 and Spotswood 4-2, we were down to play Tawa in the quarter finals. This game we won by 3 goals to 1. The following day versus Francis Douglas we eventually won after full time, extra time and finally a penalty shoot-out.

To the final and once again we were up against Taradale High School from Hawke's Bay who proved too strong and snatched the winner with eight minutes remaining, to beat us by 1 goal to nil.

A fantastic tournament with great results. Standout players at the tournament being **Andrew Geddes, Richard Dobson, Adam Glasspool, Alex Winsley** and **Andreas Claudatos**. **Andrew Geddes scoring 6 goals** in the tournament. The team had a superb week, playing exciting and attractive football and definitely deserved of being runner up, in a tough 16 team competition against some very strong schools who had performed well from their region, to qualify for this prestigious tournament.

Senior Players to Depart

Andrew Geddes (Striker)	-	Captain, played 57 games, capped 2 times, Colours 1, scoring 35 goals.
Hamish McNicol (Defender)	-	Played 38 games, capped 2 times, scoring 1 goal
Sam Mc Hardy (Defender)	-	Played 36 games, capped 2 times
Jake Firman (Midfield)	-	Played 30 games, first time Cap
Matt Woods (Midfield)	-	Played 25 games, first time Cap
Stuart McKelvie (Defender)	-	Played 23 games, first time Cap
David Owen (Defender)	-	Played 23 games, first time Cap

1st XI Hockey

The 1st XI has completed another busy season of 34 games. We began at the A.N.Z.A.C. tournament in Auckland with wins against Bethlehem College and A.G.S. 2nd XI, a draw with Rosehill College and losses to A.G.S. 1st XI and Tauranga Boys'.

In the local competition we played in the Premier Men's competition and were placed 2nd to Napier Boys' High in the first round. In the second round, with the two central regions teams returning, we finished 5th out of the 10 teams involved.

This year the Secondary School's title was awarded to Napier Boys' High on the men's results rather than having a play off. In our two encounters we had drawn 0-0 and lost 1-2, so we were disappointed in being denied a play-off against them.

The inter-school games saw our first losses in several years. The 2-6 loss against Wanganui Collegiate was a fair result, but the 3-0 loss to Scots was a real shock. At least we maintained our dominance over Rathkeale with a 5-2 win.

The highlight for the team was a second placing in the Mayhill Cup Tournament of 16 teams, where we deservedly won a place back in the India Shield for 2008. In the final against Hutt International Boys' School, we were 2-2 at full time and 2-2 after 7 minutes of golden goal extra time. We then lost on penalty strokes 4-2.

The Captain for 2007 was **Jonathan Gee** who ends his association with the team after **107 games and 38 goals spread over 4 seasons**. The top goal scorers were **Ryan Davidson with 28** and **John O'Halloran on 32**. The season also saw **Sam Reynolds** develop as a goal scoring winger with 17 goals. The team will miss experienced players like **Hayden Crossman (70 games), Andrew Harrison (88 games) and Alex Bevin (92 games) next year**, but there is certainly enough talent in the College to ensure another successful season in 2008.

OTHER SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS:**Round The Lake Relay**

Twenty four boys travelled to Wanganui on Monday 3rd September, to compete in the annual relay around Lake Virginia, accompanied by Mr. Allen, Mr. Brown and Mr. Mangan. Teams are made up of four runners who each completed a two kilometre lap.

The Intermediate team ran strongly to finish in 10th place out of 20 teams. **Jack Drury** had the fastest run of this team, which consisted of **Max Emmerson, Morgan Taylor** and **Lachlan Faulknor**.

Lindisfarne had two teams in the year nine age group. The A team of **Fergus Wares, Tony McKinnie, Angus Schaw** and **Angus Beaton** finished in **13th place out of 25 teams with Fergus Wares in 8.14 minutes and Tony McKinnie in 8.15 minutes** being the two fastest members of the team. The Junior B team acquitted themselves well finishing 11th out of 14. The members of this team were **Alex Winstanley, Scott van Heerden** and **Scott McNeil**.

In the Junior boys grade, the A team of **Monty Morgan, Jesse Hunter, Sam Robertson** and **Jock Barns-Graham** were 10th out of 15 and the B team of **Ben McCarthy, Andrew Hill, Henry Hunter** and **Brett Sceats** were 5th out of 17. Monty Morgan with a time of 7.27 minimum was the fastest of our Junior runners.

In the Senior boys event, **James Holden** started strongly to be the third placed senior boy after the first lap. He was backed up by **Andrew Crocker, Michael Drinkwater** and **Scott Schaw** to bring the team into 10th place out of 22.

E.C.N.I. Road Race

Lindisfarne College only had just two representatives at this annual event held on the 13th September, due to the Year 9 ski camp and senior exams.

Monty Morgan ran strongly to gain 7th place in a time of 15 minutes and 11 seconds, while **Brett Sceats** was 21st in 16 minutes and 32 seconds.

Woodford House Equestrian Event

The Woodford House Secondary Schools' Equestrian Event was held on Monday 17th September at the Equestrian Park here in Hawke's Bay. 28 teams took part, including one from Lindisfarne. Our team consisted of **Fraser Tombleson, Tom Forbes, Harley Cushing, Robert Wellwood, Oliver Jarden** and **Nick Forbes**. The boys rode well with 3 placings in the showjumping and one in the dressage. They finished 4th in the Showjumping section and 5th equal overall.

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STUDENT LEADERSHIP:**Election for the Student Representative on the College Council**

Our present student representative, **Stuart McKelvie**, is close to completing his one year term on the College Council. Stuart has done an excellent job representing the viewpoint of the student body on the College's governing body. Stuart has provided fine feedback on student matters to the Council and proved thoughtful and considerate in the input he has provided on the matters under discussion, particularly over the issue of student use of motor vehicles.

This year's election saw - **Alexander Dysart, Daniel Ellingham, Angus Hildreth, James Lansdown** and **Shaun McCoskery** put themselves forward for election. These candidates addressed the students at a special assembly on Tuesday, September 18th. This year's election was a hard fought race won by **Angus Hildreth**.

EXTENTION TO THE COLLEGE LIBRARY

In Term Four construction will commence on an additional recreational reading area for the Library.

*View of the Extension from the Homestead Lawn towards the
East side of the Library*

The reading room will have a walled courtyard in which we hope to plant many of the species referred to in the plays of William Shakespeare. Librarian, Mrs. Bev Harrison has done a wonderful job prompting and encouraging our boys to read for pleasure and we have seen a significant increase in the numbers of fiction books issued for recreational reading purposes. Educational research shows there is a clear link between boys recreational reading and their academic progress. All six English classes commence with a period of silent sustained reading and this new reading room will enable us to progress even further in this key influence on student achievement.

PERFORMING ARTS AND EVENTS CENTRE FUNDRAISING GATHERS MOMENTUM

Wine and Art Auction a great success

On the evening of Friday September 7th, the College hosted its second Wine and Art Auction at the Cheval rooms at the Hawke's Bay Racing club.

160 past and present parents, and friends of the Lindisfarne community attended the highly entertaining evening, bidding for 58 lots in the main auction and 17 lots in the Silent Auction - **donated wine, holiday weekends, fishing and hunting trips, Art work and Black Caps and Warriors playing shirts/jerseys.** We received tremendous support from Lindisfarne families associated with the Hawke's Bay wine industry and thanks must go to the organising committee - **Alwyn Corban, Kate Radburn, John Van der Linden, Grant Edmonds, Rosemary O'Connor, Sue and Alan Gunn, Heather and Richard Gregory, Jenny and Charles Dobson** who put in a huge amount of time and effort into sourcing wine from local vineyards and proved extremely generous in donating their own product for either auction, or for consumption on the corporate tables. The following businesses also kindly purchased tables on the night - **A.N.Z., Morgan Builders, Tumu Timbers, Stephen Greer Motors, Brebner Print, Crasborns, Nimon and Sons, Rembrandt Fine Art** and we thank them for their enthusiastic and kind support of this major fundraiser.

Presented with a passionate and persuasive auctioneer, Mr. Andrew Holt, those in attendance bid generously and the College raised just over **\$29,000** which will go to assist with the fit out of the kitchen and serving area of the new Auditorium and Events Centre.

Mrs. Sally Gaddum, Parent and talented Gisborne artist, **painting raised \$900**, while Lindisfarne Art teachers - **Mr. Bryn Corkery's painting of Cape Kidnappers raised the highest amount for a lot on the evening of \$1050.** **Miss Kristen Forster's rural vineyard scene raised \$400.** Paintings by creative and talented young student artists **Daniel McIldowie, Matt Humphreys, Alex Stoss, Chris Fryer (photo) and Ewan Boyle and Chris Stoss** all were enthusiastically received by those gathered for the evening fundraiser.

Since our August newsletter, we have had a really positive response to the invitation to sponsor seats or make donations towards Stage 4 of the project (i.e. 350 seat Auditorium, Atrium and Oral Communication classroom, new front car park and Tennis courts). We thank the following for their support:-

Businesses within the Lindisfarne Community

Toops Wholesale Ltd.
Pope Electrical Ltd.
JCL Cleaning
Panton Plumbing
Freeman Decorators
HSM Security

Old Boys

Matt Stevenson
David Mossman
Bill Johnston

College Supporters

Terry Longley & Son Ltd.

Trusts

Lindisfarne College Foundation –
Wine Auction Proceeds

Parents

Law Family
Jaques Family'
Mayhead Family
McKinnie Family
Whitfield Family
Crowley Family
Newland Family
Smeith Family
Todd Family
Gregory Family
Stevenson Family
Wass Family
Boyle Family

Grandparents

Mrs. Nola Bayliss
Mr. Ted & Barbara White

Total funds raised to date stand at **\$714,900**. Parents wanting to sponsor one of the seats in the new Auditorium (i.e. \$1500 or \$500 spread over three years), can contact **Special Projects Manager, Mr. Rob Hay directly - Phone 8731136 Ext. 7056**. We are certainly on target to raise \$1.0 million for this project by the end of December 2007.

MAINTAINING UNIFORM AND DRESS STANDARDS

As mentioned at least once a year in newsletters, one of the points of difference of Lindisfarne College is our adherence to high standards. In last year's Community Survey 32 families (16% of respondents) stated that the promotion of high standards - of work, values and discipline was what they identified as Lindisfarne's Special Character (i.e. the third highest category of the survey).

As we are all aware, part of the challenge of becoming an adult is taking responsibility for the standards of your own personal presentation. The way you dress and are groomed have a significant impact on the impression you create, on those around you. Some Lindisfarne students at times struggle with self management skills. A mature young man shouldn't need to be told when he needs a haircut, he should recognise that it needs doing and make the necessary arrangement.

With regard to the College's expectations regarding grooming:-

- We require that **hair colour** should be natural (i.e. no blinding or artificial colour).
- That hair should have **no product** added to it (such as gel or hair wax).
- That it be **kept short in length and low in height** (hair should not touch the collar or ears and it should not be clumped or higher in the middle of the head i.e. a mullet look).
- That it be **well kept, combed and set down** (it should not stick up or be spiked).

The College Council bylaws, give the Rector the authority to send a boy to a hairdresser to ensure that their hair conforms to requirements. I would have no compunction in sending a repeat offender to the barber for a number 3 haircut. But **would prefer the boys themselves took responsibility** for the maintenance of their hair. **Can you please ensure your son returns in Term 4 fresh from a new haircut.**

While on uniform issues, a significant number of boys seem to lack a sufficient quantity of grey socks, when wearing their grey trousers. Short grey socks are acceptable, but white socks are not. Boarders need at least six pairs of short/long grey socks over a normal school week.

PARENTS' AND FRIENDS' SECONDHAND CLOTHING SHOP

The Parents' & Friends' Secondhand Clothing Shop is presently gearing up for sale days. Now is the time to start sorting out uniforms to sell. Parents wishing to sell items in the sales must have the clothes into the office by **Tuesday 11th December**. **All items must be freshly laundered, and be in good condition.** Blazers **must** be dry-cleaned.

- The first Sale Days will be: Friday 26th October - 11.30 - 2.30 p.m. (Orientation Day)

- Further Sale Days will be listed in our next Newsletter.

REMINDER RE BIRTH CERTIFICATES

The new Ministry of Education requirement states that in 2008 all boys need a Birth Certificate on file. Any families that haven't yet sent a copy of their son's Birth Certificate, need to do so as soon as possible as we need these by December 2007. Please post or Fax to - 06 8786955.

KEY DATES EARLY IN TERM FOUR

We draw your attention to a number of key events that will be held early in the Term Four calendar.

In **Week Two** (i.e. the week prior to Labour Weekend), on the evening of **Wednesday 17th October** we will be hosting the **Annual Performing Arts Concert in the Hawke's Bay Opera House**. On that day, boys will finish normal classes at **12.20 p.m.** and once they have finished their lunch, Dayboys are free to go at approximately **12.45 p.m.** All boys are expected at the Opera House at **6.45 p.m.** for the concert. The evening provides an opportunity to showcase the cultural talents of the boys in the school, and is well supported by Parents' & Friends' of the College. The next day **Thursday 18th October at 1.30 p.m.** we will be hosting our **Annual Sports and Cultural Prizegiving**. All parents are welcome to attend this event, at which a past Head Boy will present the awards.

On that same day, Fathers' and Sons are invited to the **Fish, Chips and Quiz night on Thursday evening**. The past two events have been a huge success and we advise Fathers to book their tickets early as numbers are limited to just 150 dads and their sons.

Some of you with new sons to the College will be involved in the **Orientation for New Boys in Week Three (Friday 26th October)**. We hope as many as possible of you will attend the **Parents' & Friends' Christmas Dinner** at which there will be the **Annual Address to the Haggis** in Week 4 (on **Friday 2nd November**).

CONCLUDING REMARKS

As the frenetic Third Term passes into memory, we approach the crucial Academic Term. All Year 11, 12 and 13 boys have just completed Benchmark examinations, and will be aware of how much work they will have to put in before the start of the NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 examinations in just six weeks time.

It is crucial that all senior students dedicate a significant portion of their September break to revising course work covered over the year. The fourth term will go quickly, so a revision timetable must be drawn up by each student, coordinating the schedule of study in the lead up to the examinations. A consistent, persistent and self disciplined approach to study is crucial to success in National qualifications. Parental assistance in helping boys to balance social, co-curricular, and scholastic commitments would be greatly appreciated.

While many of our Year 10 boys will face their first experience of N.C.E.A. Examinations this year, all Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students all have Junior End of Year examinations in Week Six or Seven.

The past ten weeks have been extremely successful for the College, its students and staff. We have enjoyed considerable success with our Concord Symphonic and Concord Junior bands gaining an unprecedented four Gold medals, a large number of sports teams making the finals of their respective Provincial finals, our 1st XI Soccer and Hockey sides making the finals of the National Tournaments, and a third placing in the prestigious N.Z. Monetary Policy challenge. We have had quality guest speakers address the school and inspirational messages at both Chapels and Assemblies.

To all those parents, boys and families, who sent or expressed kind messages of support during my brief absence due to ill health in mid term, my sincere thanks. We certainly are fortunate to be part of a supportive, uplifting community and my wife Judith and myself, were heartened to be the recipients on this occasion.

I wish all the boys, staff and your families a safe and relaxing September break.

*May our Lord Jesus Christ watch over you
God bless you all*

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GRANT LANDER,
RECTOR:



Aidan congratulating Oswald on their victory in the House rugby



The members of the Nepal trip ready themselves for departure

Longo Reo Te Kooro leaps high to contest the ball



Mr. Smith, Coach U15 team, looks on as pressure exerted on Wanganui.



Mr. John Snowling with the boys travelling to Notre Dame



Boys Haka the 1st XI in their match against Rathkeale



Auctioneer Mr. Andrew Holt encourages bids at the wine auction

Sam MacKay with his world Optimist Trophy



