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DEAR PARENTS AND FRIENDS

When you have been away for a term you have plenty of time to reflect on things. A Headmaster asked me when I was overseas what makes Lindisfarne special, and I have pondered over this, and this term have had my initial thoughts confirmed. It is the people that make the College what it is today.

Schools around the country and between countries, vary enormously. Even in Hawke's Bay, we have a wide diversity of secondary schools operating in our province. Each school has its own culture, an intangible thing to describe, but the foundation on which a college flourishes or staggers.

Our culture at Lindisfarne has been influenced by many things; History – the influence of Old Boys, Teachers and past Rectors, the mix of boys from both rural and urban backgrounds, the similar values that the parents and wider Lindisfarne community hold to, the Christian Dimension which legitimises the sense of family that permeates our central philosophy.

It is the people though that make this place special. Firstly the parents, and sense of ownership that the wider Lindisfarne community has for its school. What makes people such as Mr. Ross Blackwood (foundation 1953 pupil) fly down from Auckland after retirement to donate and present an Athletics trophy? How is it we can raise \$30,000 at a Wine Auction with only 140 people in attendance? How do you get 120 family members to "work on the gate" at the A. & P. Show over a three day period? What spurred 16 families to donate significant sums this month to the school's Performing Arts and Events Centre? These are hard things to quantify. But when you stand in the A. & P. tent at Gisborne or Hawke's Bay Show, you realise that you are part of something special. Whether they were successful academically or not, Old Boys speak with pride of their association with the College, and the parental body are enthusiastic about supporting its various activities.

We should not forget the contribution of the parents and boys that have gone before us, they have laid the foundations and provided us with the top class facilities that we enjoy today.

Then there is the staff, a group of committed professionals we have working with your sons.

People that are doing what they do because they have a passion for young people, and their personal development. Our Common Room is full of people who exemplify what is best about the teaching profession. They have high expectations both of your sons and of themselves. They are well prepared and organised for lessons, and then are willing to go the extra mile organising sporting, and cultural activities outside normal teaching hours. However it is not just the teachers that enable Lindisfarne to function, it is people such as the Kitchen Staff, the Ground Staff, the Cleaners and our Office Staff, that enable us to operate in a smooth and efficient manner.

Finally, there are the boys - impressionable, willing to learn, and be moulded, prepared to take risks (at times a few too many!), and try things outside their comfort zone. The vast majority of our young men are decent young men who want to do what is right and best for themselves. Sure a few stumble on the way, but I am impressed with how many have got things together by their senior years, emerging as the best advert that a school can have for itself.

There are many parts that make a successful organisation. It is important to be aware of each groups' input and contribution. I, for one, appreciate the people that make up the Lindisfarne community, and make it the special place I am proud to be a part of.



Lindisfarne College Old Boy Ross Blackwood presenting his trophy for outstanding performance in Athletics and Cross Country to winner Hugo Beamish

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM FOUR 2004

Week 5

NOVEMBER:

Monday 1	No Jacket Days until the end of the year. Year 7/8 and Year 12 Examinations commence.	
Tuesday 2	Oswald House Year 13 Chapel.	8.25.a.m.
Wednesday 3	Junior organisation of Year 9/10 Outdoor Activities. Senior Tutorials.	2.45.p.m.
Thursday 4	Cambridge Year 11 I.G.C.S.E. Mathematics Examination.	a.m.
Friday 5	BLAZER DAY. Year 7/8 and Year 12 Examinations conclude. N.C.E.A. candidates meeting, <i>Aspiring Performers Concert.</i> LAST DAY FOR YEAR 11/13 (Examination leave from 3.30.p.m.)	1.00.p.m. 2.15.p.m.
Saturday 6	Exeat after sport.	
Sunday 7	No evening chapel.	

Week 6

NOVEMBER:

Monday 8	MID TERM BREAK. Boarders' Return.	8.30.p.m.
Tuesday 9	Cambridge Year 11 I.G.C.S.E. Mathematics Examination	a.m.
Wednesday 10	EXTERNAL N.C.E.A. EXAMS BEGIN <i>Level 1 Chemistry</i> <i>Level 3 Chemistry</i> <i>Level 4 Physical Education</i>	a.m. p.m.
Thursday 11	<i>Level 1 Mathematics</i> <i>Level 4 Chemistry</i>	a.m.

Friday 12	Level 1 College Council Meeting. BLAZER DAY. Year 9/10 Examinations conclude. No N.C.E.A. Examinations.	French p.m. 1.30.p.m.
Sunday 14	PARENTS' AND FRIENDS' CHRISTMAS DINNER. No Chapel.	6.30.p.m.

Week 7

NOVEMBER:

Monday 15	Level 1 Level 3 Year 12 Work Experience.	English Statistics a.m.
Tuesday 16	Level 3 Level 4 Year 12 Work Experience.	English Statistics a.m.
Wednesday 17	Level 1 Level 3 Level 1 Level 4 Year 12 Work Experience. School finishes early. Boys excused after lunch. Staff involved in Professional Development. Year 12 Course Completion Date.	Accounting Accounting Science English p.m. 12.30.p.m.
Thursday 18	Level 1 Level 3 Level 4 Level 1 Level 3	Physics Physics Accounting History History p.m.
Friday 19	BLAZER DAY. Level 1 Level 3 Level 4 Level 4	Geography Geography Physics History a.m.
Sunday 21	No Evening Chapel.	p.m.

Week 8

NOVEMBER:

Monday 22	Level 1 Level 3 Level 4 Level 1 Level 3	Agric/Hort Agric/Hort Geography Economics Economics p.m.
Tuesday 23	Common Room meeting. Level 3 Level 4	3.30.p.m. Calculus Economics a.m.
Wednesday 24	Level 3 Level 4 Level 4	Classical Studies Classical Studies Calculus p.m. a.m.
Thursday 25	Pastoral Care Meeting – Board Room. Level 1 Level 3 Level 1 Level 3 Level 4	12.30.p.m. Biology Biology Japanese Japanese Te Reo Maori a.m. p.m.

Friday 26	Year 9 & 10 Outdoor Education Activities. BLAZER DAY. <i>Level 4 Biology</i>	a.m.
Saturday 27	Last day of Summer sport.	
Sunday 28	No Evening Chapel.	

Week 9

NOVEMBER:

Monday 29	Assembly (Year 7-10 in attendance). Senior Boarders' return. 4.30.p.m. CAROL SERVICE – COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE- BLAZERS.	8.25.a.m. 7.30.p.m.
	JACKET DAY. <i>Level 1 Music</i> <i>Level 3 Music Practical.</i> Prize-giving practice – compulsory attendance for all pupils. Preliminary prize-giving in Gym – parents welcome.	a.m. 8.30.a.m.
	PARK RELAY. Year 11, 12, 13 sign out. Return text books, library books complete clearance process. LEAVERS' CHAPEL SERVICE WITH HOLY COMMUNION. LEAVERS' DINNER.	11.15.a.m. 6.00.p.m. 7.00.p.m.

DECEMBER:

Wednesday 1	BLAZER DAY. Final Assembly. END OF YEAR PRIZE-GIVING. Afternoon tea for leavers and prize winners on Homestead Lawn.	8.30.a.m. 1.00.p.m.
Thursday 2	TEACHER ONLY DAY. Staff Meeting.	9.00.a.m.
Saturday 3	N.Z.S.S. Track and Field championships - Hamilton.	
Sunday 4	N.Z.S.S. Track and Field championships - Hamilton.	

Academic Excellence

Great Results in Australian Mathematics Competition.

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

42 students received credit (top 35% of candidates), **36** achieved Distinction, and **2** received High Distinction Awards (top 1% of candidates). Once again the school's results were consistently above the National Mean in all age groups - most pleasing was the big increase in Distinction awards – up from 30 in 2003 to **56** in 2004.

Distinctions : (Top 10% of candidates)

Year 7: **Jonty Coats-Harrison, Nirmil Gopalakrishnan, Richard Gush,
Brandon Sermaine, Ryan Smyth, Sean Stewart.**

Year 8: **Aaron Murphy, Gajan Srikumar.**

Year 9: *Richard Clarkson, Ryan Davidson, Ben Goodwin, Jonathan Hackney, William Perry, David Rycroft, Alex Winsley.*

Year 10: *Antony D'Esposito, Pulkit Gupta, James Harty, Tim Jones, Thomas Kim, Stuart McKelvie, James Tod.*

Year 11: *William Clayton, Andrew Dykes, Robert English, Grant Fortune, Matthew Goodwin, Matthew Rose, Matthew West.*

Year 12: *Gareth Bayley, Michael Luke, Ashley Stewart.*

Year 13: *Michael Eales, Robert Ferguson, David Hooker, Joshua Bird.*

High Distinction: *(Top 1% of candidates in their level).*

Daniel Bentall - Year 10

Jun Kwon - Year 11

Excellent Performances in Australian Economics Competition.

Of the 40 students that sat the Australian Economics Competition:

3 gained High Distinction (top 5% Nationally)

9 gained Distinction (next 15%)

16 gained Credit (next 30%)

12 gained Participation (bottom 50%)

High Distinction: *(Top 5%)*

- *Andrew Dykes (Jnr Div)*
- *Michael Eales (Snr Div)*
- *Jordan Williams (Snr Div)*

Distinction: *(Top 20%)*

- *Nick Bibby (Snr Div)*
- *Joshua Bird (Snr Div)*
- *Jacob Bullot (Jnr Div)*
- *Andrew Foddy (Jnr Div)*
- *David Hooker (Snr Div)*
- *Jun Kwon (Jnr Div)*
- *Rory O'Connor (Snr Div)*
- *Rhys Owen (Snr Div)*
- *Rupert Robertshawe (Jnr Div)*

Otago Problem Solving:

Our more able mathematicians in Yr 7 and 8 entered the Otago University Maths Dept. Problem Solving Challenge. This is a national mathematics problem solving challenge over five months, involving about 35,000 Yr 6 to Yr 8 students.

9 of our students reached the excellence standard, and have been awarded certificates (9 achieved merit standard).

Excellence Awards went to:

Year 7: *Colin Chisholm, Jonty Coats-Harrison, Nirmal Gopalakrishnan, Richard Gush, Andrew Hill, Brandon Sermaine.*

Year 8: *Gajan Srikumar, Michael Tiffen, Luke Gilmore.*

Gajan Srikumar scored **24/25** which meant he achieved in the top 1.2% of students nationally, and was awarded a book voucher.

Theme:	<i>"What if – The choices we Make in our lives".</i>	Theme:	<i>"Determination determines our direction in life".</i>
Sermon:	<i>Michael Eales</i>	Sermon:	<i>Joshua Bird</i>
Reading:	<i>Thomas Syme</i>	Reading:	<i>Easton Nicholas</i>
Prayer:	<i>Victor Ahipene</i>	Prayer:	<i>Kirk Dalziell</i>

Oswald House

Theme: *"Carpe Diem Seizing the Day".*

Sermon: *Bradley Richards*
Reading: *Mark Bull*
Prayer: *David Hooker*

Durham House

Theme: *"An appreciation of ours, and others, unique talents".*

Sermon: *Jordan Williams*
Reading: *Ryan Harper*
Prayer: *James Ault*

The following is the OSWALD HOUSE SERMON delivered by Bradley Richards.

Over the last two years, it has become a habit of mine to flick on my stereo on Sunday nights at 7.p.m, and listen to the High Performance House on Radio Sport (other than the weeks I'm at Chapel, of course). Guests on this show haven't been limited to sports stars, indeed a wide range of people have been featured, with the likes of Mike McRoberts, and Richard Noble being featured in the past.

Anyway, the idea with the High Performance House is these guests come on, talk about their experiences, how they have got to where they are, and give a little advice for everyone out there listening. With each different guest, I have tried to listen out for the pieces of advice that are the same. Without fail, each of the individuals who have starred on this segment has talked about two things:

- living life to the full
- and following your dreams

One of the most recent guests on the show was Dick Hubbard. Successful in the business world and now in local body politics, Dick is well-known for his motivational sayings and anecdotes which he sends out with his Clipboard newsletter in boxes of Hubbard's cereal. One of the stories Dick likes to tell goes like this:

A man lived his entire life without taking a risk. He stayed within his comfort zone and never failed once in his life but consequently didn't succeed at much either. One day he died and the family went to cash in his insurance. Upon investigating however, the insurance company did not pay out. Why? They decided that, given his track record, the man had not lived at all and therefore could not have died.

Naturally, we all want to make the most of our lives, and if I were to run a quick survey around the room about what you all want to do with your lives, very few of you would say "I want my life to be mediocre, boring and meaningless". Ten years down the track however, if we were to ask you to describe your life at that exact moment, some people would be forced to use those words. Because like it or not, very few people live life to the full. They ignore the many doors they have open to them, and instead set out in life living out the ambition someone else has bestowed upon them. All this does, is mean that our individual potential for greatness is never fulfilled.

The poem Mark shared with us today encapsulated the manner in which we should live out our life. Its title, "Carpe Diem" means "seize the day". There are two moments I will never forget of my time at Lindisfarne. The first is the first time I heard those words, Carpe Diem. Mr. Welch, in his leaving address to the school, talked about the importance of seizing the day, and gave a list of all the opportunities available at Lindisfarne. I think his list was so elaborate of opportunities at Lindisfarne that he listed a few of them two or three times. Nevertheless, the motto of Carpe Diem has not left me since.

I think everybody in this chapel, has had reinforced by others standing where I am today, the importance of taking opportunities, so I'm not going to go down that path. In any case, Carpe Diem means more than just to take opportunities, Carpe Diem sums up those two key things all of the guests on the High Performance Hour have talked about. Live life to the full, and follow your dreams. The two ideas go hand in hand.

At a time when the leavers are making their final decisions for next year, I encourage you to look deep inside yourself and consider: am I really doing what I want? Because it is not possible to live life to the full following someone else's dream, be it the dream of your parents, your teachers, or your friends. Living life to the full is about following your own dream.

To the rest of the school who aren't leaving just yet, don't think this message applies any less to you. Following your dreams and living life to the full starts today. Every decision you make, and every opportunity that you take, will impact on where the second thing I will never forget of my time at Lindisfarne comes in. Henry Willis, in his Head Prefect's service of 2000, talked about the poster he had above his bed in his cube. The poster read: Every morning in Africa the gazelle wakes up and realises it must outrun the fastest lion or it will die. Every morning in Africa the lion wakes up and realises it must outrun the slowest gazelle or it will starve. The moral of this story is that regardless of who you are, you better wake up and start running.

It has become almost cliched in these chapel services, but I urge you to appreciate what you have at Lindisfarne, and come to school every day with the mentality that you too want to run. This school gives you better opportunity than most others to make yourself the best person you can be, and live life to the full. But above all, if you have a dream - follow it. No amount of others telling you what is best for you is going to be fulfilling at the end of the day. People with dreams and ambitions are becoming a precious commodity in society. If you have one, go for it and don't let anything stand in your way.

Don't be the man who says in ten years time that they feel their life is mediocre, boring and meaningless. As Robin Williams says in the film "Dead Poet's Society", "*Carpe Diem boys! Seize the day! Make lives extraordinary!*". Follow your dreams, and live your life in a manner that ensures your family can collect on your life insurance.

HIMALAYAN TRUST FUNDRAISING.

On Friday 15 October four boys involved in the recent trip to Nepal - **Hayden Smith, Jayden Mellsop, Ryan Newton** and **David Hooker**, gave an excellent report to the school at assembly.

We were fortunate to have as our special Guest at that assembly, Mr. George Lowe. He was a key part of the assault team of climbers who gathered on the slopes of Mt. Everest in 1953, when Sir Edmund Hillary made his famous ascent of the world's highest peak. A Hastings man, Mr. Lowe spent 11 days above 23,000 feet, constructing the approach up the Lhotse face, and carrying gear essential for the climb to the top. In 1955 to 1958 he, along with Hillary, were part of "The crossing of Antarctic" expedition. In 1989, with others, Mr. Lowe set up the Sir Edmund Hillary Himalayan Trust, which exists to provide financial support and other help for Sherpa people.

The fifteen boys, Mr. Dunlop and Mr. Rennie, all got a lot from their two week adventure, and felt that it was important to contribute to the great work undertaken by Sir Edmund Hillary and the Himalayan Trust, for the people of Nepal.

All Lindisfarne students, prior to Labour weekend, were provided with a pledge form, with the aim that they would find work over the break with the proceeds of their efforts going to the Trust. Each of the boys involved in the Nepal trip also donated \$250 pp to the work of the Trust. I was very impressed by the enthusiasm of the boys for this working charitable cause, and we were able to raise **\$8,000**. We hope Sir Edmund will visit the school early in 2005, and personally collect a cheque, in recognition of the students' efforts.

Cultural Participation

Inter-House Drama Festival.

On the last day of Term Three, the Annual Drama Festival saw each of the Houses produce a couple of scenes from a comedy. I have reproduced Arts Prefect Bradley Richards description of the morning's excellent entertainment:

"While some may remember it for the falling sets, the more perceptive of you will recall that the 2004 House Drama Festival was one to be remembered for its outstanding quality. Easily the best festival in the last 5 years, each House had a tasteful mix of humour which – I'm sure you will agree – kept you all laughing, but didn't have grandmothers reaching for cakes of soap to cleanse the actors' mouths afterwards.

First up on the day was **Cuthbert House**, whose play "Visiting Hour" was markedly altered from the original. It soon became evident this was to accommodate the likes of the running Dan Weekes-Hannah tribute. This certainly was not the only feature of their play, and Cuthbert also took out the honours for best integration of break dancing and hiphop into a 1970's script. This, unfortunately, was all they took out, finishing fourth – much to the detriment of director Henry Lyons' long locks. Nevertheless, Cuthbert must be commended for rising to the occasion.

Next was **Aidan**, who probably had the best script of all of the houses to work with in "Rinse the blood off my toga". A good script does not necessarily translate into a winning performance though, so full credit should be given to the efforts of best directors Hadley Boyle and Gareth Bayley. Along with a host of solid cameo performances and strong leads in Michael Williams and George McIlldowie, Aidan put together the most cohesive performance of all the houses and thoroughly deserved their victory.

Durham House too had a good script to work with, and did no disservice to the comic genius of the Fawlty Towers episode "A Touch of Class" in coming third. Jeremy Ansell, despite being several octaves lower than his TV counterpart, was a convincing Sybil and together with James Pearson who played Basil showed some good on-stage chemistry. James was at times scarily like Basil and had clearly gone to great lengths in preparing his characterisation. Special mention must also be made of his impromptu acting. When it seemed all around him was collapsing he showed an amazing ability to throw the onus back on Sybil for causing the chaos on stage – no doubt an ability which will prove an asset in relationships in years to come.

Finally was **Oswald House**, who had the pressure of the favourites tag riding with them, due to the fact they've won most of the other House activities this year. Such pressure was well channelled by those on stage, and best actor Simon Luke was the ultimate example of the cast rising to the challenge. Oswald's performance will be remembered for the skill in which three people in particular took on the task of playing more than one character. Thomas Rutledge as Timu the Enchanter and Officer, and Logan Smith and Simon Luke as gospel brothers, soldiers and guards of questionable sexuality, were equally convincing in each of their different characterisations, and deserved the positive comments they received from the adjudicator. Overall, it was an effective interpretation of "In Search of the Holy Grail" and a worthy second placegetter".

The acting, set preparation and general organisation of each of the Houses was of a very impressive standard. Mrs. Mary Kippenberger, adjudicator, commented "I was impressed with the attitude and talent on display. I was particularly impressed with the feeling of support both that the boys gave each other, and the audience gave the boys. I thought the boys involved were fantastic".

Tremendous result in Nga Manu Korero Speech Contest.

In Term Two **Tane Huata** won the English speaking section of the regional of the Nga Manu Korero Speech competition. This entitled him to represent the region at the Nationals, which were held in the final week of Term Three at Palmerston North.

On Tuesday 14 September, Tane travelled down to Palmerston North, and was supported by members of the Kapa Haka group at the Official Powhiri, to which the Minister of Maori Affairs Horomia Parekura attended. On the Thursday, Tane spoke with a speech topic "That Racism thrives when there is a lack of Knowledge". He gained a commendable third place in the Sir Turi Carroll Junior English section. Tane presented a well structured argument, and spoke confidently in front of the large audience. We are very proud of his achievement in coming third in New Zealand in this very prestigious National competition.

Cultural Colours:

At the Performing Arts Concert, on Wednesday 20 October, Cultural Colours were awarded for 2004.

A full list of recipients of Cultural Colours for excellence in performance, skill and technique in Arts or Cultural activities area are:

Debating: *David Hooker, Bradley Richards, Jordan Williams.*

Public Speaking: *Bradley Richards, Robert Ferguson, Victor Ahipene.*

Technical: *Angus Greer, Ben McKelvie.*

Music: *James Ault, David Hooker, Neil Reese, Benjamin Hunt, Matthew West, James Wilburn.*

Kapa Haka: *Te Amohanga Rangihau.*

A number of students received colours in two areas: **David Hooker (Music, Debating), Bradley Richards (Public Speaking, Debating)** - an indication of their wide and significant contribution to culture within the College. In the case of Bradley Richards, he is only the second student in the College's history to achieve his Associated Speech Board Diploma in both Public Speaking and Performance of Speech and Drama. He was also selected in the Hawke's Bay Debating Team to compete in the Russell McVeigh National Debating competition.

Brad has made an outstanding contribution as Arts Prefect: co-ordinating the House drama, compeering public performances, and assisting with the organisation of various College cultural activities.

Awards for Excellence in Cultural Pursuits.

At the Sporting and Cultural Prize-Giving on Thursday 21 October, Excellence in Cultural Pursuits awards were presented to the following boys who have made a significant contribution to cultural activities within the College this year:

Public Speaking: *David Hooker, Mark Bull.*

Drama: *Henry Lyons, Jayden Mellsop.*

Technical Services: *Joshua Bird.*

Music: *William Story, Allan Peychers.*

Henry Willis, Head Boy in 2000, was the guest speaker at the Prize-Giving and spoke clearly using considerable humour. It was the first time that both the Sporting and Cultural cornerstones have been honoured at such an occasion and the positive feedback indicates that it was a successful innovation appreciated by boys and their parents.

Senior Debating Team takes out Hawke's Bay Title.

Our Senior Debating team defeated a team from Taradale High in the final of the Senior Hawke's Bay Secondary Schools' competition on Thursday 21 October. **Brad Richards, Jordan Williams** and **David Hooker** successfully negated the moot "That competition is only for winners". Before three adjudicators, the Senior team members convincingly delivered their argument, and successfully rebutted the points put forward by their opposition.

The team has been undefeated throughout 2004 - winning the Hawke's Bay Russell McVeigh Debating competition, the Shirley Wane Trophy for their annual debate against Scots College, and with Bradley Richards and Jordan Williams selected to represent Hawke's Bay in the National Championships held in July in Wellington.

The depth of Debating within the College is shown by the achievement of **Matthew West, Armando Neris**, and **Jeremy Ansell** making the Hawke's Bay Intermediate Final, and **William Findlay, Antony D'Esposito** and **Timothy Jones** contesting the Hawke's Bay Junior Semi-Finals. Both of these teams will compete later this Term in their respective finals.

Success in Oral Communication in Term Three.

Oral Communication assessments took place during the last week of Term Three for the two classes involved in the Year 9 & 10 notations.

Advanced Intermediate (Year 10). (Miss Warmke)

Distinction: *Andrew Crocker, Ryan Hill, Sam McCormick.*
Highly Commended: *Ben Adye, Oliver Boaler, Ewan Boyle, Robert Couchman, Matthew Eales, Brad Foley, Zachary Furniss, Charles Greer, Reihana Manaena, Raymond Munn.*

Commended: *Jack Barr, Karl Brough, David Owen, William Parker, Brad Stafford.*

Intermediate (Year 9). (Mrs. Jones).

Distinction: *Matthew Harper, Sam Harvey, Sam Eames, Richard Laming, Dean Murphy, Ben Sutherland.*

Highly Commended: *William Cooper, George Goodwin, Dallon Gregory-Hunt, Aaron Hapi-Smith, Michael Hodgkinson, Tom Hunter, Scott McIntosh, Sam McNair, Sam Reynolds, Brad Sickler.*

Commended: *Adam Glasspool, Dean Napier.*

Two students completed the highest level of assessment for this qualification:

Advanced Senior: *David Messerschmidt - Distinction*
Tamahiri Hape - Highly Commended

National Speech Award to James Lansdown:

At a special ceremony James Lansdown (Year 9) was presented with a Special Award for his outstanding performance in his Trinity Effective Communication Grade 7 Examination, which he sat in 2003 at Hereworth School. James gained one of the highest Distinction marks for a practical Trinity Examination in New Zealand for 2003.

To recognise this excellent achievement, in being only one of 13 students nationally to achieve this extremely high standard, he was presented with a hand inscribed certificate and cheque.

Sporting Endeavour

Commendable Performance in Claybird Championships:

Our Senior team travelled to Christchurch in the first weekend of the September holidays, to compete in two days of shooting with the South Island Championships held on the first Saturday of the break and New Zealand Championships on the following day. 320 of the best shooters from all around New Zealand competed over the two days, making for an intense competition.

South Island Championship - Jay Sorensen Single rise Champion:

Possibles were shot by **Peter Hewitt** and **Jay Sorensen** in the 15 bird single rise. In a shoot off with 27 other competitors in appalling weather conditions Jay shot with real composure to win the South Island Single rise.

In the point score **Jay Sorensen** and **Bernie Gunn** shot well having only two second barrels and scoring 58/60. The team was placed a creditable 11th out of 52 in this competition.

Top point scorer on the day for Lindisfarne was **Jay Sorensen**, who had shot all 50 targets for the day, and had used only two second barrels. Jay's excellent shooting earned him a commendable **third overall** and his overall placing and his win in the single rise championships were outstanding results against the best shooters from around the country.

New Zealand Championships.

On the Sunday, the boys faced worsening weather conditions with freezing gale force southerly winds and rain.

In the single rise competition it was **Guy Hammond** who shone. Shooting a possible, the young up and coming shooter, made a good attempt in his first shoot off at the Nationals to finish 11th overall. **Peter Hewitt** also shot consistently to finish in 10th place in the N.Z. Single Rise Championships.

After the points were added for the points score, Lindisfarne finished **13th out of the 64** secondary schools represented - a respectable performance in trying conditions.

Another great result in the 'New Zealand Postal Shoot'.

At the National Prize-Giving Lindisfarne was awarded second placed in the 'Winchester Postal Shoot' – a competition won by the school for the first time in 2003. The Postal Shoot is an annual competition which is shot "at home", with officials present with the results posted and then tallied. The Lindisfarne team of **Jay Sorensen (Captain), Sam Barns-Graham, Ben Harper, Digby Hewitt** and **Peter Hewitt** performed outstandingly for a second year in a row, in this prestigious competition.

Four Lindisfarne Shooters Selected for NZ. College Games.

This year Clay Target Shooting has been included in the New Zealand College Games, which are held annually in Hamilton in December. Lindisfarne has four of the 45 Clay target shooters invited from schools all around New Zealand to take part in this event. The individuals chosen had to have an A Grade percentage. Based on their results for the year **Jay Sorensen, Peter Hewitt, Kriston Chadwick** and **Digby Hewitt** were selected for the event – a good indication of the high standard that these four shooters have been consistently achieving.

Final Sporting Colours:

As a result of their consistent high level of performance throughout the year Shooting Colours for 2004 were awarded to:

Jay Sorensen
Peter Hewitt

This year marks a milestone in that it sees **Mr. Paul Sorensen's** longstanding association with the Clay Target Shooting Team come to an end. Mr. Sorensen has done a great job coaching boys and given up time to co-ordinate the team's involvement in a large number of shoots annually around the country, and I wish to publicly

thank him for his commitment and dedication. I would also like to recognise the excellent input of **Mr. Dave Hern** who has provided valuable specialist coaching input for the boys.

Israel Dagg Selected as N.Z. U17 Representative.

Recently it was announced that Israel Dagg had been named in the New Zealand Under 17 Rugby Squad consisting of the best 44 young rugby players in the country. The squad will assemble at the Adidas Institute of Rugby in 2005 in the first week of the April holidays.

Israel is the twelfth student from Lindisfarne to be selected to represent his country at Under16/17 level, the last being Hamish Natusch in 2000. Other Old Boys have included:

J. Timu, A. Bell, T. Randell, J. Cullen, M. Lowry, M. Carney, A. Hume, N. Hutchinson, J. Mathieson, C. Johnston, and H. Natusch.

Athletics – Lydiard Cup Success.

This event, held in Hastings on Saturday 16 October, was a good opportunity for the College's elite athletes who will be competing at Nationals later in the term, to race and to measure their preparation at this stage of the term. Whilst Lindisfarne did not win the Arthur Lydiard Cup, it finished strongly, in 3rd place, behind the much bigger teams of Hastings and Napier Boys' High Schools. Highlight of the day would have to be the senior 4 x 100m relay convincing win. The team comprised **Ambrose O'Halloran, Sam de Terte, Daniel Clements and Logan Smith.** They comfortably beat Hastings, Napier B.H.S's and Havelock N.H.S.

Results were as follows:

Ambrose O'Halloran	-	2nd 200m A Grade – Senior 2nd Senior Discus 1st Senior Shot Put.
Logan Smith	-	1st 100m B Grade 2nd 200m A Grade 1st Long Jump – Senior
Rawiri Maniapoto	-	3rd A Grade 100m – Junior 1st Junior Long Jump
Hugo Beamish	-	1st Junior 3000m 2nd Junior 900m
James Holden	-	2nd Junior 3000m
Tom Pritchard	-	3rd B Grade 200m – Senior 4th Senior 800m
William Reynolds	-	2nd B Grade 100m - Senior
Tim Kershaw	-	4th B Grade 100m – Senior
Daniel Clements	-	2nd Senior Long Jump

Other Notable Highlights.

Cricket.

The second half of the Cricket season started very positively with the **following achievements on the first weekend of play:**

- In 25 over cricket, 55 n.o. was scored by **Antony D'Esposito** playing for the 4A cricket team against St. John's College. Antony then turned out for the Colts Cricket team that afternoon against Napier B.H.S. and replicated the effort going out for 50 runs. Antony received the **fifty bat** for his effort in morning cricket.
- **Five Wicket Bags** were earned by **Jay Sorensen**. On the Saturday afternoon he bowled with control and accuracy to take 5-31 against the Taradale High School 1st Cricket to give Lindisfarne a comfortable win.
- **Six Wicket Bags** went to **Jacob Smith** who took 6 for 30 in the Colts cricket team win over Napier Boys' High School. **Sam McGregor** took 6 for 22 in the 5th XI Cricket team win over St. John's College.
- Two **Hat Tricks** were achieved in the first Saturday of Cricket.
 - **Charley Crasborn** had to wait six months to complete his hat trick. Charley bowled two Hastings Boys' High School players with his last two balls of a game in Term One. On Saturday he had the batsman caught at cover with his first ball against the Lindisfarne 3rd XI, to secure a remarkable hat trick.
 - **Vaughan Mayhead's** hat trick was more orthodox but no less creditable. He took three wickets with three deliveries in the 3B win over Havelock North High School. Vaughan finished with tidy figures of 3 for 10 off his three overs.
- During the September holidays the 1st Cricket XI won a match against a visiting school from Auckland, Kelston Boys' High School. On a damp wicket Lindisfarne batted well to make 214 for 6 in their 50 overs with **Mark Cowie 87**, **Michael Carroll 46** and **Jay Sorensen 37** making significant contributions with the bat. In reply Kelston made just 110. In their first competition game they easily accounted to Taradale H.S. 1st XI as they built for their Gillette cup semi-final against St. Paul's Collegiate just after Labour weekend.

Soccer.

A detailed list of Lindisfarne Soccer Reps for 2004 is as follows:

- **Luke Gilmore, Andrew Hill and Adam Glasspool – Hawke's Bay U14 Representatives.**
- **Adam Glasspool** is also a Central Federation U14 Rep and plays in a Tournament at Napier in December.
- **Richard Dobson, Adam Wouldes - Hawke's Bay U14 Representatives.** Richard has been selected for U14 National Academy.
- **Ben Hunt, Jun Kwon, Ryan Ennis – Hawke's Bay U15 Representatives.**
- **Gerry Claudatos - Hawke's Bay U16 Representative and Central Federation U16 Representative.**

Skiing and Snowboarding.

In the last week of Term Two, the Ski and Snowboard teams competed in the North Island Secondary Schools' Competition, at Ruapehu Ski Fields. On Saturday and Sunday 11/12 September the skiers competed in the Hawke's Bay Championships. **Hugo Beamish** and **Sam Moore** emerged with the fastest Junior and Senior time in the Slalom, and overall the team was placed second behind Iona College.

Unfortunately the N.I. Ski section of the competition was cancelled due to poor weather, while the snowboarders were competitive in better conditions later in the week. I would like to thank Mrs. Wrenn for her tremendous commitment to skiing this year, and in previous seasons. The boys have really appreciated her willingness to give up her weekends to assist them to get to the slopes for practice. We thank Mrs. Melanie Harper and Mrs. Marianne Hewat for their assistance in managing this year's snowboarding team.

Yachting.

Lindisfarne competed in the Spring Secondary Schools' Teams racing regatta, hosted by the Sandspit Yacht Club at Algies Bay, in the second week of the September holidays. 10 teams from Napier through to Keri Keri competed in 90 races over the two days. The regatta was aimed at development of the boys' skills using the new NZ420 boats. Lindisfarne's crew performed creditably with good wins in particular over Keri Keri and Whangarei Boys' High School.

N.Z. Tae Kwon Do Championships.

Easton Nicholas did exceptionally well in the recent N.Z. Tae Kwon Do Championships held in Palmerston North. Easton representing the strong Hawke's Bay Club gained a gold medal in the Welterweight 2-1 section.

Easton won the final with a knockout approximately 30 seconds into the second round. He had previously won the North Island Championship, and earned the right to contest the New Zealand title in his division.

Golfing Achievement.

Reihana Manaena and **Aidan Macmillan** were selected to represent Hawke's Bay at the Junior Inter-provincial Golfing Society's Championship, for the Booth Shield, held at the Stratford Golf Club on the weekend of October 23 to 25. The Hawke's Bay team, made up of 6 junior boys and 3 girls, finished in seventh place. Reihana had an excellent third round paring the course for a 71 net and 69 net. Reihana has since been selected, as one of eighteen players, to attend the 2004 National Coaching School based in Hamilton on December 6th – 9th. Reihana will work with three N.Z. Coaches over the three days. All of the current groups of professionals including Grant Wake, Philip Tataurangi, Eddie Lee and Gareth Padderson have attended such coaching schools conducted by N.Z. Golf. We congratulate Reihana on being selected for this excellent opportunity.

Surf Lifesaving.

Three students – **Samuel Eames**, **Scott McIntosh**, and **Sean Collins** competed in the Still Water Surf Lifesaving Championships on 25-26 September at Kilbirnie Pool in Wellington. Competing in four man teams for the Waimarama S.L.S.C:

- **Sean Collins** earned a Gold Medal in the U19 Rescue Relay, and a Silver in the U19 4 x 50m swim with obstacles.
- **Scott McIntosh** gained a Bronze in the Under 14 4 x 50 Relay swim with obstacles.

Sam and Scott plan to complete their Surf Bronze medallion this year, and will assist with voluntary patrols this summer at Waimarama.

Racquet and Bat Championships.

Squash Championships:

Senior Champion	- James Tombleson	Runner-up	- Mark Bull
Intermediate Champion	- Thomas Jackson		
Junior Champion	- David Owen	Runner-up	- Alex Winsley

Badminton Singles Championship.

Senior Champion	- John Alexander	Runner-up	- Ben Humphreys
Junior C	- Alex Berkahn-Greer	Runner-up	- Dan McIldowie
Intermediate School C	- Koal Berkahn-Greer	Runner-up	- Michael Drinkwater

Badminton Doubles Championship.

Senior Champions	- John Alexander & Bernie Gunn	Runners-up	- George McIldowie & Ben Humphreys
Junior C	- Sebastian Logan & Alex Berkahn-Greer	Runners-up	- James Holden & Dan McIldowie

Table Tennis Championship.

Senior Champion	- Sam Barns-Graham	Runner-up	- Kael De Herrera
Junior Champion	- James Holden	Runner-up	- William Walker

Dinner and Wine Auction an Outstanding Success

The Dinner and Wine Auction held at the Mission Estate Winery on the evening of 8 October, was extremely successful. Organised to secure funds for equipment for the new Fitness Centre in Stage Two of the Performing Arts and Events Centre development, the evening saw in excess of **\$30,000** raised. This is an

incredible total and thanks must go to present parent **Mr. Neville Smith** for his key role in the co-ordination and organisation of the event. Mr. Smith's energy, enthusiasm and Hawke's Bay contacts, proved a crucial factor in the wonderful success of the fundraiser.

Mr. Smith was ably supported by a committee comprising of Mrs. Rosemary O'Connor, Mrs. Sue Gunn, Mrs. Anne Averill and Mr. Rob Hay, who did a great job in contacting local Vineyards. Over fifty present Lindisfarne families donated wine, and I thank all those who gave bottles for the Auction – your support was really appreciated.

Thanks and congratulations go to the three young artists **Mark Cowie, Joshua Bode** and **Rurehe Taylor**, and their Art teacher **Miss Rachel Collins** who gave their time and skill to paint five pieces of superb Art work for the Auction – earning just under **\$5,000** of the total raised.

From the start of the evening, where the Pipe Band made a real impression as they played the guests into the event, to the food and atmosphere of the Mission, and the generosity of those who attended, it proved a superb event, raising a far greater amount for the Performing Arts and Events Centre than expected. **Once again a big thank you to all those who made it such a success.**

Performing Arts and Events Centre.

The past month has seen a real increase in the number of donations for the Performing Arts and Events Centre. To date the total raised stands at **\$437,365** pledged. Our most recent donations have been received from:

<u>Parents:</u>	<i>Bostock Family Eames Family David and Mary-Clare Reynolds Jeremy & Sophie Hunter Bruce and Raewyn Davidson Laming Family Max & Raewyn Goodall Jack & Melanie Harper Tom & Julie Holden</i>
<u>Old Boys:</u>	<i>Mossman Family Rob Hay</i>
<u>Companies:</u>	<i>Kingdom Music Diamond Dry Cleaners Apparelmaster Services Meshmakers Ltd. Reinforcing Steel & Mesh Ltd.</i>

I continue to urge all families to consider a grant of \$500 or a small weekly automatic payment to give the College Council the confidence to commit to the \$1.5 million final Stage – the 250 seat Auditorium, new Oral Communication Classroom and Practice Room, and the expansion and upgrade of the existing Hall/Chapel.

Fantastic Support from Parents' and Friends'

It is very heartening for the boys and staff of the College to experience the level of support that we have had this term, with the Wine Auction and more recently the Hawke's Bay A. & P. Show Fundraiser. Once again we had a great response for a call to assist with manning the gates at the Hawke's Bay Show in the three days leading up to Labour Weekend. **104** of the 370 families provided helpers. An amazing **150** manned the gates or sold tickets for the Show over the three days. Special thanks must go to Parents' & Friends' Secretary **Mrs. Angela Hewitt**, for the excellent job she did in co-ordinating the event, and liaising with parents.

Lindisfarne Second Hand Uniform Shop

How does the shop work?

- The shop is staffed by volunteers from the parents.

- Uniforms are checked, priced and entered into the computer under the seller's name.
- When sold, the details of the purchaser and the price of the item are all entered into the computer under the seller's name.
- Twice a year payments are made out to the parents, less 20%, which is returned to the Parents' and Friends' Association.
- **THE SECOND HAND SHOP IS OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY DURING THE TERM FROM 3.30.P.M TO 4.00.P.M.**

We are becoming very overstocked with items that are not selling at all. From now on we are not accepting any more footwear - no school shoes, no sneakers, no rugby or soccer boots. We are also not able to sell any school equipment e.g. shoulder pads, rugby headgear, cricket boxes, shin pads etc. All these items will be kept for 6 months, and if not sold, will be discarded.

All second hand clothing needs to be **washed, dry-cleaned** and in **very good condition** when handed in to ensure good quality second hand clothing.

SALE DATES FOR DECEMBER AND JANUARY

Wednesday 15 December 2004

New Boarders' Orientation Day – Tuesday 25 January 2005

Boarders' Returning Day - Sunday 30 January 2005

**PLEASE BRING ALL SECOND HAND CLOTHING TO THE SCHOOL
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT IT CAN BE MARKED AND READY
FOR OUR SALES.**

**Any enquiries about the uniforms or the shop – please contact
Suzanne Rose Phone: 877 2229**

Exeat Weekend

There will be buses running on **Monday 8 November** for boarders returning to Lindisfarne, at the normal departure times.

Phone: 878 4554 if you want to book direct, or the bookings can be done through the School Office. Usual bus service applies to **Friday 5 November**.

Lindisfarne P & F Aprons Available as a Christmas Gift

A group of parents spent many hours over the Winter months cutting and sewing a **Unisex French style single strap apron**. These are being sold for **\$45**, available in two colours – black or white, and would make an excellent Christmas gift for a spouse, grandparent or friend of the College. I would encourage parents to consider purchasing an apron, and support this worthy Parents' & Friends' promotion.

New Constitution for Parents' and Friends' Association

Messrs Peter Bull, Mark Harris and Simon Scannell have redrafted the old Rules for the Lindisfarne Parents' and Friends' Association. The new draft is available at the College Office upon request. We invite interested parents to look at the draft, and make relevant submissions. The new 'Rules' will be presented for ratification at the 2005 A.G.M. of the Association.

New Security Gates at Front Entrance

To discourage pedestrians and vehicle traffic through the College grounds out of normal school hours, we have installed gates on the front entrance to the College. These Gates will be closed in the evening (i.e. around 8.30.p.m most days, and at 6.00.p.m on Saturdays) and when normal school is not operating parents can open

the gate from the Pakowhai Road entrance by entering the **Code 2259** on the key pad attached to the left-hand gate pillar. The Gates will automatically open for a parent leaving the school, once their vehicle crosses the sensor pad on the driveway.

As a result of the new Gates the lane marking on the driveway has been redone. The right hand lane clearly indicates that you can only go straight ahead, and cannot turn right into Pakowhai Road. **For the safety of the students, and pedestrians crossing this busy road, please do not turn right out of the main College Gate.**

Website Continues to Grow in Popularity

"Hits" on the Lindisfarne College website (www.lindisfarne.hb.school.nz) continue to grow with 114,853 hits in June alone, and 101,887 in August. Parents seeking up to date news and photos of special events make up a significant number of the website visitors, but the bulk of the "Hits" come from prospective parents, and those wanting information about the College. Congratulations must go to Mr. Rod Dowling and Mr. Edward Yardley for continually striving to keep the website up to date, relevant, and interesting to view.

Assistance Requested for A.F.S. Programme

The Hawke's Bay Chapter of AFS Intercultural Programmes is seeking voluntary Host Families for new AFS students arriving in the New Year.

All students provide their own spending money and have full medical insurance. All that is required from a host family is food, a bed (sharing a room is OK), and the same loving care that is provided to other family members. Your world will never look quite the same again when you have an additional family member from the other side of the world!

Host families come from all walks of life -

***If you are interested please phone National Office 0800 600 300
Or local contacts Gillian 878 6726 or Chrissy 878 274***

Concluding Remarks

We are now in the busy end of the school year. Year 7, 8, and 12 are presently sitting their Examinations. Year 9 and 10 start theirs next week, and the Year 11 and 13 students start their N.C.E.A. Examinations in a fortnight.

In barely four weeks we will be in the final week of the school year. I hope to see many of you along at the Annual Christmas Carol Service, Leavers' function, or the End of Year Prize-Giving.

Yours sincerely,

G.W. Lander,
RECTOR.



The Dining Room beautifully set up for the Boarders' Dinner



The Pipe Band welcoming diners to the recent fundraising Wine Auction at the Mission restaurant

Himalayan Trip



Flying into Lukla



Sale of boys' art works at the Wine Auction

Himalayan Trip



Walking up the valley on a swing bridge built by the Himalayan Trust



First Camp at Monjo



Right:
Being passed by a yak train at 4000m.