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DEAR PARENTS AND FRIENDS

The end of an academic year brings with it a mixture of emotions - sadness, regret, relief and joy.

75 boys and many of their families leave Lindisfarne in 2004. The majority of the parents of these leavers have made significant contributions to the College over a long period - e.g. to Galas, A. & P. Shows, P. & F. activities, the Uniform Shop, and in support of sporting and cultural activities. Many will naturally have a sense of sadness that their daily contact with the College is nearing an end. To all those parents and friends of the school, I thank you for your contribution to the College, and for your support and loyalty. We hope you will keep in touch, inform us of the proud achievements of your sons, and keep abreast of the College's progress through the "Highways" and the "Farne Affairs".

To the Leavers, we wish you the strength and courage to take the opportunities as they present themselves. Our belief is that we have laid a positive platform for you, but that it is up to you to decide on the individual pathway for your "success" in your life. One of this school's principal aims has been to challenge you, so that you develop the confidence and the toughness to face life's future challenges.

In my prize-giving speech I talked about the benefits that come from life's failures. Every boy leaving has experienced some heart-rending disappointment or failure, whether in the classroom, in sports or in friendships. You might have worked really hard and got a mediocre result, while the boy next to you does seemingly nothing and gets an **A**. You go all-out in practice and hardly get a start, and someone half as committed as you, is a star.

It is precisely at that point when you are under pressure of conflicting simultaneous demands, or when you are knocked down, your face in the dirt, that you discover who you are. In that moment of truth you have to decide whether you are going to cut and run, or stay and fight. I have found myself, like many parents, in the dirt a number of times. It is impossible to overstate how terrible and gut wrenching such moments are. One of the joys of middle age is that you have gotten up often enough to have confidence that you can do it again, tough as it is. Each time that you are able to get up and overcome defeat, you add a new muscle for the battle of life.

It is a goal of this school to prepare the small group of leavers each year, to courageously face up to life's inevitable demands, setbacks and injustices, and therefore

to have developed the inner strength to be great citizens, good fathers, and even our future leaders in society. Hopefully through experiencing difficulties you will also grow to understand, with compassion, the suffering of others.

I wish all those leaving, the courage and strength, to positively face up to the challenges before them.



Mr Christopher Robertson (1954-55) presenting the F H Robertson Memorial Trophy for Senior Impromptu Speaking to Bradley Richards

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM ONE 2005

Week 0

JANUARY:

Monday 24	Yr 13 Boarders Camp Departs.	(a.m.)
Tuesday 25	New Boarders Orientation Day. Secondhand Uniform Shop open	9.30.a.m. 10.00-3.00.p.m.
Wednesday 26	Yr 13 Boarders Camp concludes. New Staff Induction.	9.00.a.m-Noon
Thursday 27	Teacher Only Day - Full staff and Curriculum meetings.	8.30.a.m.
Friday 28	Teacher Only Day - Thinking Maps Prof. Development.	9.00.p.m-4.00p.m.
Sunday 30	Prefects' Leadership Training. Secondhand Clothing Uniform Shop open. Year 7-9 Boarders arrive. Welcome to New Parents on the Homestead Lawn. Existing Year 8 and 9 Boarders arrive	9.30.a.m. 2.00-4.00.p.m. 4.00.p.m. 5.00.p.m. 8.30.p.m.

Week 1

JANUARY:

Monday 31	Year 7 to 9 first school day (normal grey uniform). Boarder Prefects/Peer Support Leadership Training. Year 9 Induction Programme. Parents' & Friends' Association and Meeting - New Parents' Welcome. Year 10 to 13 Boarders Return.	8.30.a.m. 9.30.a.m-3.00p.m. 1.15.p.m. 5.15.p.m. 8.30.p.m.
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FEBRUARY:

Tuesday 1	JACKET DAY. Normal Classes Year 7 to 13. Beginning of Term Chapel Service. I.D. Photos. Full School Assembly.	8.25.a.m. 9.15.a.m. 11.15.a.m.
Wednesday 2	House Meetings. Swimming Standards.	2.15.p.m. 2.30.p.m-4.00p.m.
Thursday 3	<i>H.B. Earthquake Commemoration.</i> Chapel. College Council Meeting.	1.45.p.m. 1.30.p.m.
Friday 4	BLAZER DAY. Photos- New Boys, Prefects, Academic Tie Winners. Assembly – Honours ties presentation.	12.45.p.m. 1.45.p.m.
Saturday 5	No Exeat for all Boarders. Summer Sport trials.	
Sunday 6	<i>Waitangi Day. Old Boys Summer Sports Exchange.</i> Boarders Tabloid sports/activities. Evening Chapel and Communion Service.	7.30.p.m.

Week 2

Monday 7	JACKET DAY. House Assembly. Curriculum Leaders Meeting. Swimming Standards.	1.45.p.m. 3.30.p.m. 3.30-4.45.p.m.
Tuesday 8	Summer Sports practices begin.	3.30-5.00.p.m.
Wednesday 9	Swimming Standards.	2.30-4.00.p.m.
Friday 11	BLAZER DAY.	
Saturday 12	Possible start to Summer Sports competition.	
Sunday 13	Summer Sports Exchange vs St. Paul's Collegiate in Hamilton: 1st XI and Colts Cricket Junior & Senior Tennis Teams. Evening Chapel Service.	7.30.p.m.

Academic Excellence

N.C.E.A. and University Bursary 2003.

The introduction of N.C.E.A. seems to have made access to information more difficult, so it has taken us a considerable time to get performance indicators on how other Boys' Schools and Decile 10 Schools performed in last year's External Examinations.

N.C.E.A. Level One Comparisons Boys' Schools in New Zealand (45 in total)

Percentage gaining Excellence "Top Ten"

1.	Hato Paora College	21.0%
2.	Hato Petera College	16.5%
3.	Scots College	15.6%
4.	St. Paul's Collegiate	15.2%
5.	Wellington College	14.5%
6.	Hutt International Boys'	13.5%
7.	Rosmini College	12.9%
8.	Lindisfarne College	12.2%
9.	Westlake Boys' High School	11.8%
10.	Christ's College	11.7%

Other Neighbouring Schools

Palmerston North Boys' H.S.	8.4%
Napier Boys' H.S.	7%

Decile 10 Schools in N.Z. (28 in total).

Percentage gaining Excellence "Top Ten"

1.	Epsom's Girls' Grammar	19.2%
2.	Waikato Dio School for Girls	18.6%
3.	Carmel College	18.2%
4.	Christchurch Girls' H.S.	17.2%
5.	Westlake Girls' High School	14.9%
6.	Wellington College	14.5%
7.	Wellington Girls' College	14.3%
8.	Rangitoto College	13.6%
9.	Hutt International	13.5%
10.	Wellington Dio (Nga Tawa)	13.1%

Lindisfarne College was placed in 13th place (with 12.2%), but eight of the schools above us were Girls Schools.

Percentage gaining Achieve or better "Top Ten"

Hutt International Boys'	85.6%
St. Paul's Collegiate	85.5%
Lindisfarne College	84.8%
Dilworth School	83.6%
Wellington College	82.6%
Christ's College	81.6%
Scots College	79.8%
John McGlashan College	79.5%
Westlake Boys' High School	78.8%
St. Peter's College (Auckland)	77.9%

Other Neighbouring Schools

Palmerston North Boys' H.S.	75.7%
Napier Boys' H.S.	66.5%

Percentage gaining Achieved or better "Top Ten"

Wellington Dio. (Nga Tawa)	93.6%
Carmel College	90.6%
Epsom Girls' Grammar	88.6%
Woodford House	88.2%
Wellington Girls' College	87.8%
St. Hilda's Collegiate	87.1%
Waikato Dio School for Girls'	86.1%
Hutt International Boys'	85.8%
Lindisfarne College	84.8%
Christchurch Girls' H.S.	84.2%

In this category eight of the top ten were Girls Schools.

University Bursary Comparison Boys' Schools.

Percentage gaining A Bursary "Top Ten"

1.	Auckland Grammar School	58.4%
2.	Westlake Boys' High School	56.1%
3.	Tauranga Boys' High School	51.5%
4.	Timaru Boys' High School	50.0%
5.	Christ's College	48.9%
6.	Rosmini College	48.8%
7.	St. Paul's Collegiate	48.1%
8.	St. Kentigern College	46.8%
9.	Wellington College	45.6%
10.	Lindisfarne College	44.6%

In percentage of boys gaining a B Bursary or better, Lindisfarne was placed 23rd. In evaluating the results one must take into account that Lindisfarne promotes almost all its Yr 12 into Yr 13, and has no non-academic "Higher School Certificate" only courses.

Against the Decile 10 schools in the A Bursary or better category we were placed 12th, and in the B Bursary or better we were placed 28th.

AUSTRALASIAN LANGUAGE RESULTS.

We recently received the results of the following students' excellent performances in this challenging examination:

French Results: *Antony D'Esposito*) *Distinction in both reading and listening*
 James Harty)
 Bernard Klos)
 Robert Isaac) *Distinction in reading*
 Joel Mason)

Japanese Results: *Beginners level:*
 Thomas Kim *Distinction in listening and credit in reading*
 Intermediate level:
 Sang-Heon Lee *Distinction in both reading and listening.*

YEAR 9 & 10 RESEARCH PROJECTS.

The Year 9 & 10 Research projects were recently completed and assessed by their class teachers and then judged by Mrs. Harrison (Year 9) and Mr. Anderson and Mr. Ellis (Year 10). The Year 9's were required to research aspects of local Maori culture including history, personalities, and myths and legends, while the Year 10's project title was: "***The Year my Grandmother/Grandfather was the age I am now***". These projects are designed to introduce, and familiarise the boys, with research techniques, as these are an increasingly important part of the current educational framework. Emphasis is placed on ensuring that boys use a variety of sources, and are analytical and discriminating, about those sources, and do not merely 'cut and paste' chunks from the internet. Some outstanding work was presented this year, and some of the bibliographies were so extensive that they would not have been out of place on a doctoral thesis! Because of the high standard, it was decided this year that first, second and third placing would be given in each year group, rather than a single overall trophy prize as has been the case in the past.

Year 9: *First:* *Dean Murphy*
 Second: *Oliver Peacock*
 Third: *Karl Van Der Linden*

Excellence Awards:

Matthew Arcus, Richard Dobson, Alexander Dysart, Joseph Harris, Sam Hartree, Timothy-James Penman, Arama Wakefield-Sciascia, Alex Winsley.

Merit Awards:

George Abernethy, Richard Clarkson, Stuart Davidson, Samuel Eames, Jeremy Ennis, George Goodwin, Jonathan Hackney, Harry Hewitt, Richard Laming, Seung Yeon Lee, Kurt McCormick, Scott McIntosh, Joel Mason, Jesse Newson, William Stoddart, Adam Wouldes.

Year 10: *First:* *Nikhil Gopalakrishnan*
 Second: *David Owen*
 Third: *Andrew Harrison*

Excellence Awards:

Daniel Bentall, David Crocker, James Eastcott, Pulkit Gupta, Timothy Jones, Kurt McRedmond, William Parker, Michael Price.

Merit Awards:

Ben Adye, Heath Arnott, Jack Barley, Drew Bibby, Oliver Boaler, Aidan Collin, Matthew Eales, Jeffrey Ebbett, Hamish Forbes, Scott Fortune, James Harty, Jack Hopkinson, Robert Isaac, Benjamin Liddle, Samuel McCormick, Samuel McHardy, Stuart McKelvie, Mark McRobbie, Raymond Munn, Robert Peychers, David Roper, Thomas Rutledge, Adam Skudder, Matthew Woods.

Christian Dimension

Year 10 Service Awards:

Fifteen boys received their Service awards at the recent Preliminary Prize-Giving. Each of the students (who received a certificate and badge) completed a minimum of ten hours service to those in our community in need. Boys who achieve "Excellence", completed 20 hours or more of voluntary service. We thank them for living out the School's motto "**High Ways in the Heart**", and congratulate them on their willingness to help others.

Participation Awards:

Matthew Woods, Graeme Gannon, Matthew Eales, Lucas Simcox, Andrew Geddes, Ryan Watts, Brock Faulknor, Brad Stafford, Jacob Brownlie, Scott Fortune, Jeffrey Ebbett.

Excellence Awards:

James Chittock, Alexander Lyons, Mark Smith, Jack Barley.

Duke of Edinburgh Awards:

Bronze Awards were presented to **twelve** Year 10 boys who had completed a one year course of study in this prestigious award:

Cameron Elliott, Jeffrey Ebbett, Robert English, Scott Fortune, Nikhil Gopalakrishnan, James Hair, Aaron Harry, Mark McRobbie, Duncan Salter, Kim Speedy, Ellis Spurrier, Lucas Simcox.

Peer Support Leaders:

Once again Year 12 were selected as Peer Support Leaders for 2004. These senior boys worked with Year 9 students, particularly in Term One, to ensure that their transition into Secondary School was a smooth one. We thank the following boys for their service and assistance of Junior students in the College:

Henry Lyons, William Story, Angus Greer, Nicholas Walker, Simon Jones, Matthew Lascelles, Allan Psychers, Benjamin McKelvie, Glenn Wylie, Michael Luke, Stuart Van Heerden, Rurehe Taylor, Gareth Bayley, Michael Carroll, Thomas Harper, Benjamin Smith, Gerry Claudatos, Charley Crasborn, Clinton McCarthy, Hadley Boyle, Jayden Mellsop, Fergus Knight, William Reynolds, Tamahiri Hape, Neil Reese, Hayden Smith.

College's Student Council:

This year the Student Council was restructured to ensure fair representation from each of the Houses. Co-ordinated by Deputy Rector, Mr. Robert Mangan, the Student Council have met regularly throughout the year to discuss issues specific to the student body. Head of School Jay Sorensen has chaired the meetings, while Jordan Williams, Student Representative on the College Council (September 2003-September 2004) has acted as Secretary. Representatives this year have been:

	<u>Senior</u>	<u>Junior</u>
Aidan:	Victor Ahipene	Dan McIldowie
Cuthbert:	Joshua Bird	William Findlay
Durham:	James Pearson	Matthew Curd
Oswald:	James Dixon	Ben Parkes

Contributions to Houses:

The contributions of senior students to their Houses was recognised at the Preliminary Prize-Giving:

Aidan:	Sam Moore
Cuthbert:	Kirk Dalziell
Durham:	Jordan Williams
Oswald:	Bradley Richards

Each was selected by the student House leader, as making a significant organisational contribution to House activities in 2004 - both sporting and cultural.

Student led Chapel Service:

During N.C.E.A. Examinations morning worship was taken by the following boys:

Year 9:

Theme “Forgiveness”

Sermon: Brad Sickler

Reading: William Cooper

Prayer: Samuel Reynolds

Carol Service Concludes a successful year of Worship:

The Annual Carol Service was again very well supported by members of the College community. I congratulate the various boys who took part, and the staff involved in the “Heavenly Chorus”, on their performances. A big thank you to all those who generously donated to the Hastings Food Bank. Your gift will hopefully bring a little more cheer into the lives of a local family, struggling financially this Christmas.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Rev. Warren Fortune for his excellent contribution to the College’s Christian Dimension, and all the staff and boys who have contributed sermons, readings and prayers for worship. The huge family support for Sunday evening Chapel services has been really appreciated and valued. We recognise that at times it is difficult, or inconvenient, to attend these evening services, but we believe that it is important, that parents and boys are able to have the opportunity of taking part in worship together at the College.

Cultural Participation

Lindisfarne Wins the Provincial Intermediate Debating Competition.

Following on from the success of Senior debating teams, the Intermediate side met Iona College in the Hawke’s Bay Secondary Schools’ debating final.

Lindisfarne’s team of **Jeremy Ansell**, **Armando Neris** and **Matthew West** affirmed the moot “**that the happy man doesn’t work**”. Our first speaker, Jeremy Ansell, spoke about the degrading routine of work life, this was followed by Armando Neris’s effective rebuttal of the Iona speaker, and comparisons between what makes people happy and unhappy, Matthew West finished the Lindisfarne argument, with a discussion of the dangers of over work. The boys defined work as “paid employment”, and then built a persuasive and effective argument around this definition.

The adjudicators Messrs Wyn Drabble (Hawke’s Bay Today), Stephen Hensman (Deputy Principal St. John’s College) and Ian Findlay when commenting on the standard of the debate stated that “it was the best Intermediate Debate that they have had the privilege of listening to”, and “that both teams had shown outstanding debating ability”. The debate was awarded to the Affirming team, Lindisfarne College.

Both of our College teams in the Intermediate division have gone well this year, with the other team just missing out in the final after an earlier defeat in the season – an encouraging indicator of the depth of oratory and debating skills within the College.

It is many years since the College has won both the Hawke’s Bay Senior and Intermediate Secondary Schools’ Debating titles. The Junior team had still to contest the final at the time of writing this report.

Contribution of Speech Monitors Recognised.

Senior students play a key role in our Oral Communication programme. They give their own free time, to prepare other students for oral assessment, and to assist with the teaching of grade examinations. Without the assistance of the Speech monitors, the College would struggle to operate such a large and comprehensive range of courses. We are extremely grateful for their help.

In 2004, 14 senior students were presented with Service Awards, and their Speech Monitor Badges. The number of monitors is directly proportional to the increased numbers involved in private lessons. This year’s Speech Monitors for 2004 were:

Victor Ahipene, Charley Crasborn, Angus Greer, Robert Ferguson, Henry Lyons, Benjamin McKelvie, Jayden Mellsop, Bradley Richards, Benjamin Smith, William Story, Stuart Van Heerden, Nicholas Walker, James Wilburn.

Musicians Thanked:

Music is a vital part of daily life at Lindisfarne, starting with the Pipers who call the students to Assembly, and then pipe the staff across from the Homestead over to the Hall at 8.25.a.m each day, to the Symphonic and Jazz Bands and Chapel Ensembles who provide the entry and exit music, and the accompaniment for the daily Hymns. In addition, the Concord Symphonic Band tends to be often the public face of Lindisfarne at many community events. A dedicated group of 45 students play on a regular basis, and their commitment is impressive. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking them for the key role that they play in our College.

CONCORD SYMPHONIC BAND

Flute: *Jacob Bullo*
Clarinet: *Dean Napier, Jacob Brownlie*
Alto Saxophone: *Allan Peychers, Jamie Rasmussen, Nicholas Adye, Zane Stevenson, Hugo Beamish, Heath Arnott.*
Tenor Saxophone: *James Wilburn, Rupert Robertshawe.*
Baritone Saxophone: *Samuel Eames.*
Trumpet: *Benjamin Hunt, James Ault, Robert Peychers, Jonathan Hackney, Phillip Burgess.*
Trombone: *David Hooker, Neil Reese, Timothy Jones.*
Euphonium: *Aaron Harry.*
Bass Guitar: *William Story, Avinash Rao.*
Percussion: *Bradley Watkins, Christopher Jamieson.*

PIPE BAND

Pipers: *Matthew West (Leader), Neil Marriott, Ashley Stewart, Benjamin Sutherland, Angus Greer, William Andrews, Samuel McGregor, Guy Hammond.*
Side Drummers: *Matthew Lascelles, Robert Lascelles, Jonathan Gee.*
Tenor Drum: *Lance Hope.*
Bass Drum: *Glenn Wylie.*
Drum Major: *Benjamin McKelvie.*

JUNIOR CONCERT BAND

Flute: *Dean Murphy, Benjamin Goodwin.*
Clarinet: *Dean Napier, Christopher Starck, Gajan Srikumar, Timothy-James Penman.*
Saxophones: *Duncan Hope, Brad Sickler.*
Trumpets: *Samuel Bain, Jonathan Hackney, Gregory Thomsen.*
French Horn: *Rhys Williams.*
Trombone: *Timothy Jones.*
Bass: *Hamish McNicol*

In addition to those mentioned above, **Hamish Thomsen, Jack Hopkinson** and **Simon Luke** have assisted with the Rhythm section of the Jazz Band.

New Zealand Speech Board Results:

The following students sat their final national speech examination in October and results are as follows:

ASSOCIATE DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC SPEAKING

Bradley Richards (ASB)

Mark Bull (ASB)

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Grade Seven

Honours: *Michael Williams, Patrick Scammell, Hugo Beamish, Robert English, Benjamin Harvey, Ryan Ennis.*

Merit Plus: *Tyrone Coetzee, Kim Speedy, James Murdoch.*

Grade Six

Merit Plus: *Timothy Jones, James English, Thomas Ellingham, Andrew Harrison, Scott Fortune, Adam Skudder, Jock Ironside, Jack Barley, Aidan Collin.*

Grade Five

Honours: *Angus Hildreth, Richard Clarkson, Jonathan Hackney, Samuel Harvey.*

Merit Plus: *Zane Stevenson, William Perry, Samuel McNair, Jeremy Ennis, Lee Trezise, Charles Greer.*

Credit Plus: *Harry Hewitt, Sam Hartree, Kurt McRedmond, Ryan Watts, Jack Barr, Karl Brough, Matthew Whyte, William Parker.*

Grade Three

Merit: *Jack Moughan.*

SPEECH AND DRAMA

Grade Seven

Honours: *Jeremy Ansell, Jun Kwon.*

Merit: *James Pearson, Christopher Mackie.*

Grade Six

Honours: *Alexander Bevin, Alexander Lyons, Mark Smith, Samuel McHardy, James Tod, Tane Huata, Brendon Reid.*

Merit Plus: *Jeffrey Ebbett, George Butler, Hamish Forbes, Samuel McCormick.*

Merit: *James Lansdown, Benjamin Stephens, Drew Bibby, William Walker, Sebastian Logan, Ben Adye, Andrew Crocker.*

Grade Five

Honours: *John O'Halloran, Isaac Scott, William Buchanan, Samuel Reynolds, James Holden, Angus Davidson.*

Merit Plus: *Tom Parrant, Jack Crowley, Benjamin Volz, Matthew Arcus, Alex Winsley, Samuel Eames.*

Credit Plus: *Brad Sickler, Adam Firman, Kadin Pearcey, Benjamin Goodwin, Andreas Claudatos, Jesse Newson, Scott Pearson, Aaron Hapi-Smith.*

Pass: *Kristian Treneman.*

Grade Four

Honours: *Duncan Hope, Aaron Murphy.*

Merit Plus: *Zak Kettle, Zachary Meyer, Koal Berkahn-Greer, Thomas Yule, Jordan Waterhouse.*

Credit Plus: *Graeme Lander, George Mackie, Jack Crasborn, Michael Tiffen, Matthew Burnside, Gajan Srikumar, Michael Drinkwater, Rupert Ellis-Jones.*

Grade Three

Honours: *Nirmal Gopalakrishnan, Jonty Coats-Harrison, Todd Titter, Hamish Cowie.*

Merit Plus: *William Averill, Colin Chisholm, Carl Anderson-Wall, George Greville, Zak Watson.*

Credit Plus: *Sean Stewart, Kieran Goodall, Samuel Tod, Monty Morgan, William Andrews.*

Congratulations to **Jake Firman, James Eastcott, William Findlay and Nikhil Gopalakrishnan** who sat their first module of Grade Seven and passed with Honours. They are getting a head start on this exam before NCEA swallows up too much of their precious time next year.

The marks for Grade Five and up will be rounded off and will appear slightly differently in "The Chronicle".

Speech NZ offers a scholarship for students who achieve Honours in all modules. Those who will be applying are: **Jeremy Ansell, John O'Halloran, Angus Hildreth, Richard Clarkson.**

Awe-Inspiring Talent at Junior Concert.

On the afternoon of Friday, 5 November Year 7, 8, and 9 students who are talented in cultural areas put on an "Aspiring Performers Concert" for parents and the Junior School. The range and the depth of talent on display was extremely impressive, and we congratulate all those who put on Singing, Dramatic, Oratory or Musical performances.

Aaron Murphy (Poetry), Duncan Hope (Piano), Timothy-James Penman (Clarinet), William Andrews (Bagpipes), Koal Berkahn-Greer, Thomas Yule (Drama), Geordie Dearden, Samuel Martin, Tony Kim (Guitar), Jonty Coats-Harrison, Nirmal Gopalakrishnan (Drama), Richard Gush (Piano), Christopher Starck (Clarinet), Gregory Shirras (Piano), Neil Marriott (Bagpipes), Duncan Hope (Drama), Gajan Srikumar (Piano), Dean Napier (Clarinet), Matthew Burnside (Vocal), Samuel Eames (Saxophone), Anthony Lai (Piano), Graeme Lander, Koal Berkahn-Greer, Zak Watson, George Greville (Theatre Sports), Zane Stevenson (Saxophone).

Sporting Endeavour

First Cricket XI Play in Semi-Finals of National Knockout:

On Wednesday 27 October, the 1st Cricket XI played off for the right to represent the lower North Island region, in the Finals of the New Zealand Secondary Schools' One-Day Competition. If they won their game against St. Paul's Collegiate, they would be one of the top four N.Z. Secondary Schools' Cricket sides, contesting the Gillette Cup.

The game started well with **Israel Dagg** picking up the wickets of the St. Paul's opening batsman, and then their New Zealand U18 representative S. Fitzgerald, and having St. Paul's at 2 for 28. However, the luck went the opposition's way when they benefited from some lusty batting, with 90 runs scored off the last 15 overs, to amass a very respectable 232 runs.

In reply, Lindisfarne never really got the chance to establish any substantial partnership, on target at the fifteen over mark, the middle and lower order, with the exception of **Mark Bull**, never really fired. Our Hamilton visitors emerged with a comfortable win.

The Senior Cricket side can be very proud of their achievement this season. They won the Senior Men's One-Day Competition in the 2003-2004 season. They got to the last eight in the prestigious Gillette Cup defeating Tauranga Boys, Napier Boys, Gisborne Boys in the process – only the fifth Lindisfarne College side to advance to this stage of the National Knockout Competition.

Year 9 Cricket Team Wins the right to Represent the Province.

Lindisfarne's third form Cricket Team, won all three of its mid-week knockout games recently, to progress to the quarter finals of the Junior National Cricket Competition.

They played Taradale H.S. at home in their first game scoring a creditable 196 for 8 in their 40 overs. **Richard Dobson** with a quick 32 was supported by **William Perry** and **Jacob Smith**, in a match winning partnership of 90 runs – Jacob scored 46 and William 53. **Richard Laming** turned the game Lindisfarne's way, when he took 6 for 22, when Taradale, in reply, were dismissed for just 106 runs.

In their next match against Hastings Boys' High, Lindisfarne again batted first, and posted a respectable total of 167 - **William Perry** contributing 49 runs and **Richard Dobson** 40. In their turn at bat Hastings Boys were in early trouble and their middle order was blown away by **John O'Halloran** who took 5 for 7. Hastings Boys were all out for 47 runs. A convincing win to Lindisfarne by 120 runs.

In the final game, for the right to represent the province, the side played on a very poor pitch at Napier Boys' High School. Lindisfarne won the toss and made 166 runs, after a good effort, in trying circumstances. **Richard Dobson** 42, **William Perry** 41, and **Isaac Scott** 17 n.o. made the most significant contributions with the bat. Napier Boys struggled in the conditions, and were dismissed for just 54 runs. **Adam Wouldes** bowling with real accuracy and pace took 5 for 9, **Richard Laming** 3 for 20, and **Jacob Smith** 2 for 17.

As a result of their fine performances the team now play off in the inter-provincial section of this New Zealand Competition – playing the Wairarapa Bush representatives, Rathkeale College, in Term One 2005.

Success at the National Athletics Championships:

12 students travelled to Hamilton with Mr. Murray Smith and Mr. Robert Mangan to compete in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Athletics Championships from 3 – 5 December.

It was exciting to have 12 athletes in National Secondary Schools' Champs in Hamilton, involved in the Secondary Schools' College games, this year's event being much closer. Competing along with 2000 other athletes it was a very big meeting of all of the best young athletes in New Zealand. As expected, the standard was exceptionally high across all events, and it was a real credit to the 12 Lindisfarne athletes that they were able to perform as well as they did in this quality company.

Best performing of the 12 was **Charles Greer** who collected the only medal of the group with a bronze in the Junior 200m. In a very competitive field of Junior sprinters Chad was able to make the final in both the 100 and 200m, and to achieve a 3rd in the 200m was an outstanding performance. **Loui Mitchell** was the next best with a 4th place in the Junior boys' javelin. His 45 metre throw only narrowly missed 3rd place by 59cm. Loui has a very bright future in this event. **Logan Smith** made the semi-finals in both the 200m and 400m but was unlucky not to progress into the final in his favoured 200m, missing the final 8 by a mere 0.04 seconds. **Ambrose O'Halloran** made it into the quarter-finals of the senior 100m and was placed 12th overall in the senior javelin of over 40 throwers. **Kurt McRedmond** who has just recently come to track running was very unlucky not to progress in the Junior 800m despite his personal best performance of 2 min. 12 sec. Kurt went on to perform well in the Junior 4km road race also. Of the road racers **James Holden** was the best performer with a 14th place of over 125 runners in the Year 9 3km event. **Rawiri Maniapoto** made it through to the quarter finals in the Junior 100m but unfortunately did not make the cut of final 8 in the long jump. Similarly **Daniel Clements** was not able to make the final 8 in Senior long jump or triple jump, but still finished well up in the field. **Ryan Ennis** and **Andrew Crocker** also finished well up in their fields in the Junior 4km road run. It was unfortunate that **Sam de Terte** did not progress past preliminaries in the Senior 400m after 2003's outstanding national performances. Sam is still young in this senior age group though, and was the next best qualifier to go through to semi-finals in Hamilton.

Finally, in the Junior 3000m **Hugo Beamish** finished a very creditable 7th, finishing only 4 seconds behind the lead runners, who in the blustery conditions ran very well.

The only disappointment to come out of this weekend was the disqualification of the senior boys 4 x 100m relay team in the preliminary rounds. This team looked capable of making this final, and to be one of many teams disqualified, was very disappointing, but should not influence all the real successes that came out of what was a very positive experience for both athletes and coaching staff.

Gold and Silver in Claybird Shooting.

Lindisfarne students did outstandingly in the recent New Zealand College Games held in Hamilton on 4/5 December. 70 of New Zealand's top young shooters (from twenty schools) who had achieved a 93% average throughout the year, were invited to compete.

In the Single Rise, Year 10 student **Digby Hewitt**, took out the Gold Medal. Digby shot 25/25 and was involved in a shoot out, with five other older and more experienced shooters. Digby, showing a real strength of character, and coolness under pressure, took out First place in the competition.

In the team event, **Peter Hewitt (Yr 12), Digby Hewitt, and Kriston Chadwick (Yr 11)** competed in the Points Score event (where competitors get 3 points for shooting the target with their first barrel, 2 points with the second barrel, and if they miss with both barrels lose 3 points). The Lindisfarne team at the end of the competition were tied for second and third place, and were involved in a shoot off with Waiuku College which they won by one point, to take out the silver medal. We are very proud of the boys' fantastic achievement against the best secondary school shooters in the country. In wet and windy conditions the boys showed the depth of shooting talent that exists within the College. Each of the shooters can look forward with confidence to next year's Nationals.

Junior Tennis Continues to be in Great Heart:

The Junior Tennis VIII played Napier Boys' High School on Saturday 20 November. Napier played well in the Doubles winning the top and bottom pairings in the very close encounters, and the scores were locked at 2-2 going into the Singles.

Lindisfarne's dominance and greater all round strength showed through in the singles winning seven of the eight matches: **Zak Bode** winning 9-7 after being down 1-6 earlier in the match, **Ben Volz** 9-1, **James Holden** 9-1, **Scott Fortune** 9-3, **David Owen** 9-4. A convincing win to Lindisfarne 9 matches to 3.

This team has had an extremely successful year beating St. Paul's Collegiate 10-2, Rathkeale 10-2, and Napier Boys' High School earlier in the season to help win the Doug Storkey Memorial Trophy. As an unbeaten side they have their photo placed in the Longroom, and we congratulate squad members: **Nikhil Gopalakrishnan, David Roper, David Owen, Daniel Hair, Pulkit Gupta, Ben Volz, Ben Goodwin, James Holden, Adam Glasspool.**

Other unbeaten Summer Sides:

- **The Senior Tennis VIII** who in their traditional Inter-School fixtures defeated Scots College 10-2, Rathkeale College 10-2, St. Paul's Collegiate 18-6, and Napier Boys' High School 6-3. Team members in 2004 have been: **Samuel Barns-Graham, Andrew Clayton, Kael De Herrera, Nicholas Walker, John Alexander, William Walker, Andrew Harrison, Charles Greer, Ben Humphreys.**
- **3rd Cricket XI** - This side started the season in the B Grade and won all eight games in that competition. As a result they were promoted to the A Grade where they now compete against the 2nd XI's of most schools. This term they have had wins against our own 2nd XI and St. John's 2nd XI. The team was well led by **Benjamin Hopkinson. Aidan MacMillan** was the best batsman with an aggregate of 239 runs at an average of 30, while **Bernie Gunn** was the highest wicket taker with 15 wickets at an average of 10. Team members in 2004 have been: **Benjamin Hopkinson (Capt), Timothy Damen, David Hooker, Christopher Logan, Justin Ryder, James Hodgkinson, Bernie Gunn, Jarred Bird, Benjamin Harper, Matthew West, Aidan MacMillan.**
- **3A Cricket Teams.** The 3A played in a competition with largely fourth form teams in the competition. They have played 11 games for 10 wins – their only loss being against the Lindisfarne 4A side. In the final for their grade they defeated 4A, and so winning their championship. Team members in 2004 have been: **Alex Winsley, James Lansdown, Richard Laming, Matthew Harper, William Perry, John O'Halloran, Benjamin Morrison, Benjamin Stephens, Andreas Claudatos, Angus Davidson, Isaac Scott, Samuel Harvey.**

Other Sporting Highlights:

Since the last Newsletter a significant number of cricketers have achieved personal milestones:

Five Wicket Bags:

- **Tom Wallace** - 5 for 6 off five overs for the 2nd XI Cricket team against Napier Boys' 3rd XI.
- **Sebastian Logan** - 5 for 28 (see also Hat trick) for the Colts Cricket side over Hastings Boys' H.S.
- **Ryan O'Sullivan** - 5 for 29 for the 1st XI against Central Hawke's Bay College.
- **John O'Halloran** - 5 for 7 for the Year 9 Cricket team against Hastings Boys' High School.
- **Adam Wouldes** - 5 for 9 in the Year 9 Cricket team against Napier Boys' High School.

The best bowling figures though were achieved by **Matthew Curd** who playing for the 3B Cricket side in an impressive display of quick bowling took five wickets for no runs off his five overs against Karamu High School (Matthew amazingly scored 67 n.o. in the same match).

Six Wickets Plus:

- **Benjamin Smith** - 7 for 23 (see also Hat trick) for the 4th XI in their match against Lindisfarne 5th XI.
- **Richard Laming** - 6 for 32 for the Year 9 Cricket team against Taradale.

Two boys achieved the special feat of taking a **Hat Trick**:

- **Benjamin Smith** in his seven wicket haul for the 4th XI.
- **Sebastian Logan** in his five wicket bag for the Colts Cricket side.

In 25 over Cricket scores of 50+:

- **Samuel Reynolds** scored 67 not out for his 3B side against St. John's College.
- **Matthew Curd** scored 67 not out for the 3B Cricket team against Karamu High School.
- **Hamish McNicol** scored 52 not out for 4A Cricket team against Central Hawke's Bay Colts.
- **Richard Laming** scored 63 not out for the 3A side against St. John's College.

A Century:

- The 3A Cricket team played against our 4A team in a 35 over match to decide the grade winner. 3A amassed 208 runs for the loss of only two wickets, and went on to defeat the 4A team who were dismissed for 112. **Alex Winsley** and **James Lansdown** combined in an opening partnership of 154 runs, Alex going on to score an outstanding 106 not out. His century included 13 fours, and was notable for the way he defended the good balls, but dispensed the poor balls to the boundary.

Other Sports:

- Intermediate A Softball team enjoyed a good win against Huntly School, Marton. **Matthew Burnside** scored two home runs, and **Jordan Waterhouse** pitched well to come out with a 13-2 victory.
- Congratulations go to past pupil **Eric Hancox** (Lindisfarne student 2001-2003) who has been selected for the New Zealand U18 Basketball team.

Performing Arts and Events Centre – Stage Two ready to Start

Construction of Stage Two of the Performing Arts and Events Centre will start over Christmas. This \$520,000 development will give us a new Physical Education and Health Classroom, Gymnasium Viewing Gallery, Fitness Centre and new storage area for the P.E. Faculty. Morgan Builders expect the work to be completed around May.

The past month we have continued to get solid support from the Lindisfarne community for the Events Centre project, and the total raised sits at **\$446,465** pledged. Our most recent donations have been received from:

Parents: **Collin Family**
 McIldowie Family
 Rittson-Thomas Family
 David and Vanessa Hildreth
 Jeremy and Sophie Hunter

Old Boys: **Nicholas Stewart**
 William Livingston
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Cameron Houston Wins Award

Year 8 student Cameron Houston has been awarded a national prize, recognising young people with potential to become future leaders in New Zealand. The award is one of only seven presented in the country.

The award created by the Child Development Foundation allows the seven winners together with parent, guardian or caregiver to attend an eight-day Outward Bound (Leaps & Bounds) course, giving them a unique opportunity for shared adventure and learning in the peaceful surroundings of the Marlborough Sounds. The seven award winners and parent/caregiver will also be special guests at a Charity Dinner to be held in Auckland on Saturday, 12 February 2005.

The Child Development Foundation, in partnership with the Outward Bound Trust, has developed these new awards to honour and recognise the achievement of our young people, and to provide them with an opportunity for further personal development at the country's premier education venue at Anakiwa.

Cameron is eligible for the award as he suffers from Cystic Fibrosis. This national recognition is for students who have overcome difficulties in life, but continue to strive for success. On the same day Cameron found out about receiving the award, he was also awarded four prizes at the major Senior School Prize-Giving Ceremony.

Change to the Boarding Houses for 2005

Mr. Des Dunlop's 3 year contract as Director of Boarding finished at the end of this year, and Mr. Dunlop indicated that he would not be taking up the option of a two year extension, and instead will return to Auckland. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Des, for the tremendous job that he has done over the past three years running the Boarding Hostel. He has worked hard to enhance the positive culture within the Hostel. Des has encouraged the boys to take responsibilities for their own actions, and changed the Boarding Prefects' role to more of a mentoring one.

As many Boarding parents will be aware, with the conversion of the staff flat at the rear of Campbell into a House, we were looking in 2005 at introducing an extra Boarding Dean into our structure (i.e. at the Year 11 level).

For Next Year the following personnel will look after the different levels:

<i>Junior House (Yr 7-10)</i>	<i>Mr. Murray Richardson</i>
<i>Middle House (Yr 11 only)</i>	<i>Mr. Matthew Allen</i>
<i>Senior House (Yr 12 and 13)</i>	<i>Mr. David Bovey</i>

Our next **Boarding Administrator** will be **Mr. Glen Petersen**. Mr. Petersen will manage the Boarding House, and look after the leave needs of Year 7 to 10 students. Mr. Allen will be in charge of all leave for Year 11, and Mr. Bovey leave for Year 12 and 13.

In 2005 with a Boarding roll approaching 200 boys, we feel the extra staff will enable the personalised contact that Boarding parents desire. Communication of leave requests was getting unwieldy this year. For Health and Safety reasons we intend tightening up on Senior boys leave in 2005 – with special emphasis on where Senior boys are travelling on a leave weekend, and the mode of transport being used.

Parents' and Friends' Association

Reminder of Secondhand Uniform Dates:

The Parents' & Friends' Association want to remind parents, that they would like all secondhand clothing that you would like sold this Christmas break, to be handed to the Office as soon as possible. **All uniforms offered for sale must be washed, dry-cleaned, and in very good condition.**

SALE DATES FOR DECEMBER AND JANUARY:

Wednesday, 15 December 2004:	10.00.a.m – 3.00.p.m.
Tuesday, 25 January, 2005:	10.00.a.m – 3.00.p.m.
Sunday, 30 January 2005:	2.00.p.m – 4.00.p.m.

2005 Gala Day Confirmed:

The Chairperson of the P. & F. Association's Gala sub-Committee confirmed that next year's Gala will be held on Sunday, March 13. Mr. Mackie asked that if you are clearing out your garage or basement over the Christmas Break, you could put items aside for sale at the Gala. The Gala is the College's big Annual Fundraising, and the P. & F. Association would appreciate the assistance of as many people as possible on the day.

Aprons Available as a Christmas Gift.

A reminder that we have for sale a Unisex French Style single strap Apron. These are available in two colours – black or white for \$45. They would make an excellent Christmas gift for a spouse, grandparent or friend of the College, and can be purchased from the College Office.

Haircuts and Colouring

In the week leading up to Prize-Giving I had to send 34 boys to the College's Hairdresser. I would really appreciate, if prior to the boys return in January, **all boys** could have their hair cut so that it is not touching their ears or collar. I certainly reserve the right to have it cut at the School's hairdresser if I believe it does not conform to the School's standards.

A small number of boys regularly have their hair blonded or dyed during the long Christmas break. All hair must be returned to their normal hair colour before the commencement of School. Likewise a hair product is not acceptable in boys' hair.

Special Dates to Note

The *Chronicle* and all *Testimonials* will be posted *mid January*.

The *School Office* will be closed from *23 December, 2004 - 17 January, 2005*.

Concluding Remarks

I would like to thank the boys, parents and the wider Lindisfarne community for their excellent support of the College this year. 2004 will be viewed as a very successful one; our students topped the province for the percentage of A Bursaries and ranked highly in the key indicators of success for N.C.E.A. Level One; students and staff made a great contribution in producing thought provoking morning Chapel Services; we raised \$8,000 for the Sir Edmund Hillary Himalayan Trust, and lived out our motto "Highways in the Heart" by giving time and monetary support to many other charities; the total raised for the Performing Arts & Events Centre went from \$50,000 to \$450,000; three students were selected for the National Concert Band, while five others gained their A.S.B. Diploma in Public Speaking or Speech and Drama; many of our sports teams enjoyed considerable success.

But probably more important than all of the above was the fact that the culture within the College remained extremely positive; your sons showed a willingness to work hard, often out of their comfort zone to achieve a goal; and boys, staff and parents worked side by side in order to get the best possible outcome from the year.

To the 76 students and their families who leave Lindisfarne in 2004, we wish you all the best in the future, and hope you will stay in touch with the College.

May God bless you and your families over the Christmas Holidays. I hope we are able to share quality time with our families, and get a chance for a relaxing break.

Yours sincerely,

G.W. Lander,
RECTOR.



Ryan Harper
Dux 2004



We farewell Mr
and Mrs Dunlop...

and Mrs Wrenn



Attractive renovations
to Campbell Villa



Ambrose O'Halloran (above)
and James Holden (left)
competing in the National
Secondary Schools' Athletics
Championships in Hamilton



2005 Head Prefect, William Reynolds