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# GIBB E-NEWS: TERM 2 (WEEK 7-9)

## STUDENT AFFAIRS

### **Mid winter Christmas Dinner**

This was a great night. Thanks to Roni for her superb food, to the 'gappies' for the sounds and to the Gibb House mums (Michelle Peter, Angela Desborough, Karen Marshall, Brigid Wellwood, Barbara Craig and Donna Clifford) for the work they did to set up the dining room which looked spectacular. The house singing was a special boarding moment. These types of Gibb House events do really highlight its family spirit.

### **Recent 1st XV games**

An outstanding draw against Mana College (one of the recent powerhouses of Wellington secondary school rugby) has set the 1st XV up brilliantly for the rest of the season. Boarders scored all of the points – Jackson Garden-Bachop kicked a penalty and conversion while Nick Wellwood scored a try that any outside back would have been proud of.

An even more outstanding result occurred last weekend. For the first time ever the Scots 1st XV beat the Wellington College 1st XV. The 19-17 victory was based on tenacious defence and a never say die attitude. While it was a true team effort there were a number of boarders who stood out – Wellwood, Umaga, Garden-Bachop, Watisoni, May, Peter and Bradbrook. And again boarders scored all of the points This was a truly amazing day for rugby at the college. The support on the sideline typified the spirit of the team and college.

Wanganui Collegiate fixture: Results – 1st XV won, hockey won and football won.

Lindsfarne College fixture: Results – 1st XV lost, hockey won and football lost

### **Weekend activities**

Recent activities have included paintball, H2O Extreme and a movie. Lots of support at home sports games and recent World Cup viewing has meant the boys have been very busy.

### **'Gappies' Farewell Dinner**

This was held on Monday night and was a fitting occasion to thank and farewell George, John and Will. Chris May's speech summed up the tutors' contribution to the boarding house brilliantly, the haka was a powerful farewell gift from a group of senior boys and Phil's quiz provided some light relief. The tutors have been magnificent mentors to the boys and supporters of the staff. We thank them and wish them well for the future.

### **Leadership Days**

These were held last week (Year 9 on Tuesday and Year 10 on Wednesday). The focus for Year 9 was 'Leadership in Action' and for Year 10 'Politics & Leadership'. These days proved to be popular with the boys. They also exposed a number of junior boarders who have genuine leadership potential. Nick Healy and Cameron Kaipuke were awarded Sir Peter Blake Leadership pins for leadership potential.

### **Merit Awards**

These were given to Ben Johnstone and Michael Liu at the final school assembly.

### **Underwater hockey**

Fergus Griffin-George and Tim Corbett competed for the school at the recent regional championships. The senior team placed 3rd and the junior team won their division.

### **“All Round Man” promotional video**

This was launched last Friday. This is a great production that stars our own Chris May. A young man with a lot of talent.

### **Duke of Edinburgh’s Hillary awards**

Henry Gribben has been awarded a gold medal.

### **End of term activity – 10 pin bowling**

This was held at The Lanes on Wednesday night. While the quality of bowling was mixed the event was very enjoyable. The highlight for was Chris Poppe’s bagpipe tribute to the Gap Tutors who are leaving at the end of the week. His playing was that good that someone from the public paid him \$20 to play a couple more tunes.

Report feedback:

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact me. We have already put into place supervised senior prep and tutoring opportunities. Parent teacher interviews are scheduled for Wednesday 28 July and Thursday 29 July – I will send out interview time sheets early in term 3.

Boarding House Reports

These are due out in the holidays.

The new [Gibb House photo gallery](#) is now available.

## GIBB HOUSE COMPETITION

Longball: Fountaine, Thompson & Kelway

Christmas Carol singing: Kelway, Thompson & Fountaine.

10 pin bowling results will be available next term.

Current standing:

1st Kelway

2nd= Thompson

2nd= Fountaine

Next term the following events will occur: table tennis, volleyball, quiz, haka, Xbox challenge, indoor cricket and Beacon Hill Run.

## REMINDERS

1. Cookbook Sales Competition: a reminder about the challenge I have made to all of the boarders to get in behind this competition. It is another great opportunity for the boarders to prove just how much this place means to them. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

2. Contacting teaching staff by email – surname & 1st letter of first name @scotscollege.school.nz eg [hallg@scotscollege.school.nz](mailto:hallg@scotscollege.school.nz)

Term 3 events

Boarders return (number 2s): Sunday 18 July

Gibb House Parents’ Meeting: Sunday 18 July @ 7pm

School starts: Monday 19 July

EXEAT Weekends:

Friday 6 August – Sunday 8 August

Friday 27 August – Tuesday 31 August (Founders’ Weekend)

Gibb House ski trip: Saturday 11 September

Term 4 events

EXEAT Weekends

Friday 22 October – Monday 25 October (Labour Weekend)

Friday 5 November – Sunday 7 November

End of Year dinner: Sunday 31 October @ The Pines

And a final thought.....

While the boys are on holiday they must remember to:

Help out at home.

Complete any school work that has been set.

Review their term 2 performance & progress and re-establish their goals for term 3.

Rest up.

Have an enjoyable time.