FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dear Parents

There was great excitement last week as Year 1 celebrated the culmination of their HSIE unit on Knights and Castles, with a Medieval Banquet. Looking splendid in costume, the boys shared information about chivalry and battle and performed plays and dances before sitting down to a banquet in the ‘Great Hall’. Well done to boys, staff and parents who organised and supported the event.

Each year at this time, our boys reflect on their progress and set three goals to guide their development through the next six months. The first goal is social and relates to interacting with others. The second goal is physical and focuses on achieving a personal best in an area of PE or sport and the final goal is academic and here the boys choose an aspect of their own learning to which they can bring positive change. Do talk with your son and encourage him to set realistic and attainable goals.

The coming break will provide an opportunity for families to relax together. For the 72 boys from Edgecliff and St Ives who form the combined Preparatory Schools Orchestra, it will bring a week of performance and touring in New Zealand. The boys leave on Saturday morning and will for some time be billeted with families from King’s School Auckland. The final concert, to be performed in Holy Trinity Cathedral Auckland on Wednesday 29 June, will feature local schools and Sydney Grammar in a performance of a commissioned work ‘Escape at Bedtime’ by David Hamilton.

I wish everyone a restful and happy holiday.

HEADMASTER’S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following boys who have earned Headmaster’s Awards this fortnight.

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Mrs R J Lee

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FROM THE DIRECTOR OF STUDIES
Premier's Reading Challenge—the Grammar Challenge
This week we drew the names out of the hat for our most recent Grammar Challenge. We had so many boys’ names in the hat, we decided to have a winner for each grade. Congratulations to Zenith Hui (Year 6), William Potter (Year 5), Zachary Chew (Year 4) and Jerome Yip (Year 3). All four boys won a lovely new book to read.

My hope for the holidays is that boys can get back to reading entirely for pleasure. With so many boys having finished the PRC now, it’s a chance to choose what to read as personal choice. Once the habit of reading is developed, it’s important to keep is growing. Take your son to the local library and spend a morning hunting for some great new authors. You never know who you’ll meet there! Roald Dahl, Matthew Reilly or even Emily Rodda, the shelves are full of great authors…

Cyber Safety
With holidays approaching, can I take this opportunity to remind you to be aware of what your sons are doing online. It is so easy for boys to spend unsupervised time on the computer if parents are busy. Please take the time to remind your sons about cybersafety and the importance of self-monitoring their own ‘chat’ and ‘surfing’. A friend of mine recently told her son he should not type anything he didn’t want his grandmother to read. I thought that was a good test of what is appropriate and what is inappropriate. At St Ives we like to think that our Respect, Co-operation and Friendship Code should exist online too.

FROM THE MUSIC MASTER
Music Term 3
All ensemble rehearsals and all instrumental music lessons recommence from the first day of Term 3.

Attend-a-Lesson Week
Diary Date: During Week 3 (1-5 August) parents are warmly invited to come along and sit in on their son’s instrumental music lesson.

FROM THE SPORTS MASTER
Holiday Camp
We still have a few vacancies in each camp. Sports on offer include rugby, football, tennis, basketball and golf. If you would like your son or daughter to attend on any day(s), please leave a message on my phone 9488 6320, and assume all is well.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF INFANTS
Over the last two weeks, the following boys have successfully implemented the Social Skill of the Week - 'Joining In’ or ‘Including Others’:

- TrB  Reuben Bishop & Henry Cattley
- TrE  Heath Clarke & Kasra Roushan
- IM  Regan Benedetti & James Castle
- IW  Spencer Selikowitz & Alexander Panikian
- 2C  Laurence Ball & Alexander Ringrose
- 2F  Ethan Choy & Hugo To

Next term (Tuesday, 19 July), Kindergarten will display their class work at the K-2 Entrance.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE
In Week 8 of Peer Support, we focused on the family. In order to encourage people to be more resilient, we need to help them find the people who can support them. The boys were asked to remember the things that they have learned to do with the help of various family members. This lead to activity that showed the boys how the support of their family members can help them to be more resilient.

In our final Peer Support session of the term, we further developed the idea of belonging. Having looked at the role of the family in the previous week, we focused our thoughts and ideas toward our network of friends. The boys identified all the groups to which they belong and the friends they have in each group. The activities were designed to encourage the boys to appreciate the wide network of friends they have and the importance of humour between friends.

Discuss the ways your son uses humour to show their friends that they care about them and encourage them to do these things regularly.

We will have two more weeks of Peer Support next term to complete the program.

I would like to congratulate all the Peer Support leaders in Year 6 for the excellent jobs they have done this term with their respective house groups.

Mr M J Tait

Ms L A Dorn
Sport Promotion Afternoons:

**Rugby:** will be held on the first Friday of Term 3, 22 July. Please see the note sent home on Wednesday.

**Football:** will be held on Friday 29 July. This is the session that was postponed last week. All boys who submitted a form will be catered for. If you would like your son to attend and did not fill out a form originally, please leave a message on my phone 9488 6320.

The coaches and I wish you a good break filled with activities and fun. We will resume Winter Sport and all other sport on Tuesday 19 July.

Mr R C Baker

**FROM THE ITALIAN MASTER**

I congratulate Year Six on the outstanding Italian cooking projects they recently completed and presented to their peers. They demonstrated much pride in their achievements. It is wonderful to see their creative and delicious menus, expert planning, organisation, culinary skills and effort. Bravissimi! I would like to thank families for assisting and supporting their sons in what I hope was an enjoyable and rewarding experience for all. Family and home are at the heart of all good Italian food. The boys enjoyed some gelato after their presentations.

Year Five has recently been on a virtual tour of the Galleria Ferrari in Maranello. The boys have created some very interesting customised versions of the famous ‘Enzo’ Ferrari. Buone vacanze, ragazzi.

Mrs J A Matheson

**FROM THE CHESS CO-ORDINATOR**

**There is no Chess Club for Week 1 of Term 3.**

Good luck to Kevin and Rowan Willathgumuwa, Michael Ni, Max Smith, Kevin Tong and Marcus Loane as they represent the School in The 2011 Scot’s Chess Challenge tomorrow.

Next Term will see the commencement of the School Champion Chess Competition. All boys involved in this competition have been notified. The **Senior Division** will be played on **Monday mornings at 7.30am** in 3H classroom and the **Junior Division** will be played on **Friday mornings at 7.30am** in 3H classroom.

Mrs S J Hardwick
CALENDAR OF EVENTS 19 – 23 JULY

TUESDAY 19 JULY

- Term 3 Commences
- Senior Spoken English - Class rounds commence
- 10:00am Assembly (3-6) (Start of Term 3)
- 3:00pm Winter After School Sport Training Resumes

WEDNESDAY 20 JULY

- 7:30am – 8:20am Ball & Boy – Football (2-4)
- 8:50am – 9:25am Peer Support Groups – Session #7

THURSDAY 21 JULY

- 1:00pm – 1:30pm Visit to Sir Eric Woodward School
- 3:00pm – 4:30pm ‘Beauts and Beauties’ – Rehearsal – Hall

FRIDAY 22 JULY

- 7:30am – 8:20am Ball and Boy – Football (5 & 6)/Rugby (2-6)
- 10:00am Assembly (Tr-2)
- 2:45pm – 4:30pm Rugby Development Day
- 3:00pm Chess Round 8
- Newsletter

SATURDAY 23 JULY

- Winter Sport Round 8

2011 Term Dates

Thursday 27 January – Orientation Day (New boys)
Term 1 Friday 28 January – Wednesday 6 April
Term 11 Wednesday 27 April – Friday 24 June
Term III Tuesday 19 July – Friday 16 September
Term IV Monday 10 October – Tuesday 6 December (Presentation Day)

2012 Term Dates

Monday 30 January – Orientation Day (New boys)
Term 1 Tuesday 31 January – Thursday 5 April
Term 11 Thursday 26 April – Tuesday 26 June
Term III Thursday 19 July – Friday 14 September
Term IV Monday 8 October – Tuesday 4 December (Presentation Day)