

BIRKENHEAD COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Friends

We wished Mr Mathewson and Mrs Plummer safe travelling yesterday as they left for several weeks in Germany where they will be attending Trade Fairs to do with international students, and also visiting agents, and the parents of students who are currently at Birkenhead College.

Next week the 'mock' exams for senior students begin. This year most teachers have finished their course teaching by now and these exams will be a full dress rehearsal for the NZQA exams. Students should be treating them very seriously.

Do come to our Arts Awards celebration on Tuesday evening. It has been a big year for many students in various cultural activities, and in Art, Drama, Music, and Textiles, and this is a chance to recognise their talents and achievements. It is always a fun, glamorous, and exciting occasion.

Rugby League

BC 60- Glenfield 10

Another good game played by BC. **Kyle Fredrick** topped the tackle count with 14. **Peter Napier** scored 3 tries. Player of the day was **Ete Taulii**.

Thank you for your support. Next game is against Hato Petera @ Hato Petera, 4pm Wednesday.

CONGRATULATIONS to Year 13

student **Connor McLay**! Connor had his article on the state of parenting and 'stranger danger' published in last week's *College Herald* and received a generous JB Hi-Fi voucher for his efforts. He is the second senior student from Birkenhead College to have their writing published in the newspaper.



For all you writers out there, get involved with the *College Herald* by seeing Mrs Elliott or, if you are a senior, by joining the Senior Writers' Group next Tuesday after school in the library.

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Rugby World Cup



Two of our Italian International Students, **Marta Gagliardi** and **Gabriele Giachetti** captured for the front page of the Italian newspaper *Corriere della Sera*!

Italian students had a ball at the Australia vs. Italy game on Sunday. Sadly a loss in the end but a draw at half time was a fantastic start to Italy's campaign.

BC Rugby, End of Year Dinner/Prize Giving

Thursday 22nd September, 5pm in the Café. Sausages will be provided, bring some food to share with your team mates. All players and supporters welcome.

Simply by paying your school donation you could

WIN AN XBOX 360 -

If your school donation is paid by the end of September, you could win an Xbox 360.

Be in it to win it, pay now!



Pre-order your School Yearbook

The School Yearbook will remain at \$15 for this year. To ensure that you receive your copy, please pay **before the 31st October 2011**.

Monday 19 September is Day 2

R C Page, Acting Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2011

TERM 3

Week 8	Tue 20 Sept	ARTS AWARDS
	Fri 23 Sept	Senior Exams start
Week 10	Thu 6 Oct	SPORTS PRIZEGIVING
	Fri 7 Oct	Junior Progress Reports
	Fri 7 Oct	Last day of Term 3

TERM 4

Week 1	Tue 25 Oct	First day of Term 4
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HOST FAMILIES WANTED

We are looking for loving families to host AFS students from all around the world aged 15-17 who are coming to the North Shore/Rodney districts for between 3 and 12 months next year. This is a fantastic opportunity to experience another culture and perhaps learn another language as well as gain a new family member. It is such a rewarding experience. For more information on the students or on AFS, please contact Su Vincent on 0942 65030, mob: 021 251 4302 or hosting@afsns.org.nz



Did you see anything?

On Wednesday afternoon a blue Toyota Camry belonging to one of our parent coaches (hockey) was hit by another car in the car park. If you know anything about it please phone the Executive Office, Mrs Asselbergs, on ext 804.



Birkenhead Artisan Market

Saturday 17 September

9am - 1pm

Highbury House,
110 Hinemoa Street,
Birkenhead.



A small but perfectly formed market with something for everyone. Come down for a coffee and pastry, browse the arts and crafts and find that something special.

TOP TEAMS

Congratulations to the following teams:

Netball

Year 9/1 beat Westlake 31-14
Year 10/1 beat Takapuna 28-22
Year 10/2 beat Rangitoto 33-28
Team 2 beat Carmel 31-13

Badminton

BC 1 beat Rosmini 6-2

Curling

Congratulations to Birkenhead College Adviento – **Eleanor Adviento, Jake Farrell, Kelsi Heath and Connor Cowling** – who took out the Auckland Secondary Schools Mixed Championships last evening with a fine 11 -0 win over Massey High School. The team were overall top team in the competition.

Birkenhead Juniors – **Kurt Haynes, Scott Gannaway, Troy McLaren** – lost a close Boys final to Long Bay College 4 -3 to finish 2nd in the Boys Championship. The Birkenhead Girls team lost in their semifinal last week but finished 3rd overall in the Girls Championships.

Arts for Christchurch

Sunday, 18 September

12 noon - 3pm

A fundraising event by North Shore Youth Council. Come along and enjoy an atmosphere of fun and entertainment featuring the many and varied arts talents of North Shore Youth and raise money for Christchurch in the process. Great raffles will be running. There will be entertainment, stalls and food.

Entry is by gold coin donation. Bring the whole family! All proceeds to the Red Cross Christchurch Appeal.

Venue: Albany Domain Hall, cnr Albany Highway & Albany expressway.

www.artsforchch.weebly.com

Community Notices

The information given is printed as a service to parents. The school neither endorses nor recommends any offers or proposals made.

Roots and Shoots

Our students planted 500 native seedlings on the school grounds this week. Thanks to Jan from the Kaipatiki group for her help and advice with the planting.



Microsoft Developer Visits 10DTA

Recently the Year 10 Digital Technologies class was very lucky enough to have a lesson with Lynn Langitt, Senior Developer Evangelist for Microsoft in Southern California.

For the last 10 years Lynn has been working with SQL Server and has now had two technical books on SQL Server published, (both on Business Intelligence).

Lynn has a strong interest in creating software aimed at getting young people into programming and is the co-founder of www.TeachingKidsProgramming.org. She also is a volunteer on the biggest electronic medical records project implemented in sub-Saharan Africa – SmartCare.

During the lesson at Birkenhead College Lynn introduced the class to **Small Basic**, a program that has already been used to introduce hundreds of children to programming. A fantastic lesson that was enjoyed by students and teachers.

Check out Small Basic on the website shown above.



SENIOR EXAMINATION TIMETABLE TERM 3 2011

level	Friday 23/9 Day 6	Monday 26/9 Day 1	Tuesday 27/9 Day 2	Wednesday 28/9 Day 3	Thursday 29/9 Day 4	Friday 30/9 Day 5	NOTES
11	11MAX	11ENG 11ECM (2 Hrs)	11ART (RE)(C12) 11ECO	11SCI	11ASC (1 Hr)	11ART (PF) (C5)	ALL exams 3hrs unless otherwise stated.
12	12ECO (2 Hrs) 12MUS (D4)(2 Hrs)	12BIO	12ART (C5) 12JAP (T13)	12ARH 12ACC 12DRA	12HIS 12PHO(C11) 12FRE (T11)	12SPF (Field/gym) 12GRA(C2) (2 Hrs) 12FDT (1½ Hrs) 12DTP (C6)	
13	13FDT (1½ Hrs) 13ARP (C5) 13DRA (D1) 13CHE	13ACC 13PHO (C11) 13JAP (T13)	13ENG 13ECI 13TXT (C9)	13MAS	13ECO (2½ Hrs) 13MUS (D4) (2 Hrs)	13DTW(C6) 13SPF (Field/gym)	ALL exams in the OLD GYM unless otherwise stated.
14		14ES1A (E1/E2) (1½Hrs)					
Periods 1,2 & 3 9am to 12							
11	11TXT(C9) 11MUS(D4)	11HIS 11DTA(C6)	11GEO 11DRA (2 Hrs)	11JAP (T13) 11FRE (T11)	11ACC (2 Hrs) 11PED (1½ Hrs)	Catch-up exams & Clashes	You should arrive 15 minutes before your exam starts.
12	12PHO(C11) 12MAT	12ENG 12ECM	12GEO	12CHE	12PHY 12TXT (C9)		
13	13BIO 13FRE(T11)	13PHY 13MES (Schol)	13MES 13HIS 13TXT (C9)	13MAC 13GEO 13ARH	13ENG (Schol) 13DTA(C6)		Photography students must confirm exam slots with subject teachers.
14		14EAP (E1/E2) (2Hrs)		14ES2A (E1/E2) (2Hrs)			
Periods 4,5 & after school 1 .00pm to 4.00pm							
N A M E	Subjects	E.g. 11HIS					Students should highlight their individual exam timetable on this sheet.
	Exam time	Thursday 9am					

Students with exam clashes must see Mr McKissock in C1 at lunchtimes before Wednesday 21th Sept. It is your responsibility!