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Team means "Together Everyone Achieves More"

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experience of a lifetime



Directors Corner

We are only moments away from the end of term one - with only two sleeps to go! Boarders are looking forward to a change of routine and environment, and we wish you all an enjoyable time together.

A few points to note:

DAY SCHOOL

- ☞ A reminder that winter uniform is to be worn next term. This includes a school tie, blazer for senior students, jersey, navy blue tights (for the girls), long sleeve shirts/blouses and blue/black scarves.

BOARDING

- ☞ We are currently reviewing our Disaster and Earthquake Procedures and will discuss this with the boarders at the beginning of next term
- ☞ The boarders took the church service at Central Church, Palmerston North on Saturday 10 April 2011. The staff members who were present praised the boarders, saying how affirming the message, praise singing and testimonies were.
- ☞ Thank you to all parents/caregivers for your support and prayers as we continue to educate, encourage and empower our students in Christ.



Spiritual Emphasis Week

Over the past week we have been privileged to have Graeme Frauenfelder as our speaker at our Spiritual Emphasis Week. Graeme is an ex-student of LAC who travels the world as a 'clown' to bring warmth and encouragement to people and places where there is distress. Two years ago he was in Mongolia ministering to the earthquake victims there after their horrific earthquake. Graeme's theme for our students was to be the hands, eyes and ears of God in our communities, bringing encouragement and hope to each other.



Prayer time



Special item from the boys!





NEW PLYMOUTH CHURCH SERVICE

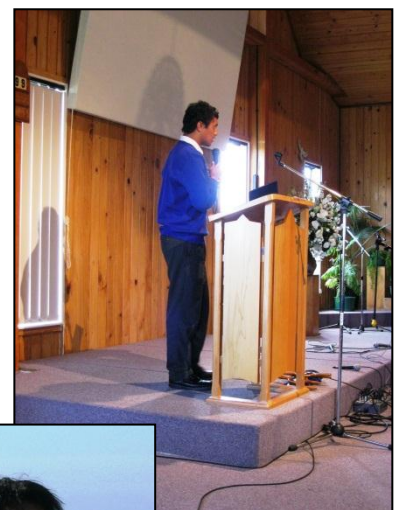
The boarding students and deans spent the day at the New Plymouth Seventh-day Adventist Church on 19 March. They took the church service in the morning and spent the afternoon sightseeing some of the best natural attractions that New Plymouth had to offer.

Some students sang, some prayed, some welcomed, one did a children's story, some were interviewed, and still others presented small sermonettes. The service culminated with all of the boarding students coming together to sing a choir item entitled 'None but Jesus'. The members of the New Plymouth SDA church were very welcoming and hospitable.

Sightseeing included a big rock to climb, black sand dunes to leap down, a beach to explore, a park to play in, and a beautiful white bridge which resembled the bones of a whale.

The students mentioned many highlights from the trip. Maria Kumu said that the highlight of the day for her was, "When we went to the beach - we watched this man drive up a steep, sandy hill and he made it to the top!" She had never seen anything like that before. She also said, "I liked running down the sand dunes." Ryan Burrows said that the highlight for him was, "Going out and seeing the sights" and also, "when we climbed the big rock, there was a nice view at the top." Blessing Jaboon commented that he enjoyed the "singing and the preachers." He also had a good time "going around the city and visiting places and meeting different people".

Overall the New Plymouth trip was a great experience for everyone involved, and a great opportunity to share about Longburn Adventist College and our mission.



woo hoo!!



TARANAKI WEETBIX TRYATHLON & MUSEUM TRIP



The Yr 11/12 Classics class took a trip to New Plymouth to assist with the Weetbix Tryathlon. It was an experience of a lifetime.

On the way to New Plymouth we visited the museum at Puke Ariki. The museum visit impressed me in two ways. Firstly, it gave me an understanding of the history of New Plymouth. Secondly it gave me an insight into the way of life of the first Maori tribes who inhabited the Taranaki as we saw some of the tools they would have used.

Tasha said, "The Puke Ariki museum was interesting, learning about when Maoris first came to New Zealand". In a newer section of the museum called "What If?" we were provided with iPads. We could interact with the display screens on the ipads to see the possible outcomes that could have resulted from changing different variables in the history of the Taranaki.

The day after we arrived in New Plymouth we volunteered, along with other schools and work groups, to help run the Taranaki Weet-Bix Tryathlon. We had jobs like helping get the kid's breakfast, showing the kid's where to be stationed and, in mine and Daniel Arama's case, changing rubbish liners. The day was a huge success and there was a massive turn out.

A few of the comments from boarders that went include:

"I enjoyed splashing little children with water, because it was a fun way to cool them off, and not getting grilled for it." - Priscilla

"We loved the food!" - Sharna

"The Tryathlon was cool - we got to volunteer and help out the community, as well as represent LAC and have an awesome time!" - Jess

"It was fun congratulating the kid's as they ran through the Weet-Bix chute." - Priscilla

By Narada Kapao (Y12)

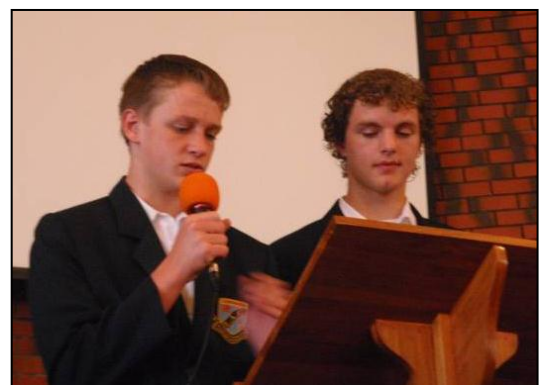


CENTRAL CHURCH SERVICE

On 9 April the LAC boarding department was invited to lead the worship service at Central Church. This involved the boarding students gaining experience in collecting the offering, leading the singing, participating in special items and preaching. For many of the students this was a new experience as many had never been required to speak in front of so many people before. Everybody had the chance to participate.

While this was not the first time the boarders have led out in worship, it was certainly the most challenging this year. Previously the boarders had taken the service at New Plymouth Church. The main difference was that there was a much larger congregation at Central.

The comments received from the congregation at the end of the service were amazing. These comments came from church members, LAC teachers and Mr Sharp, the Principal of LAC. They were much appreciated by all the boarders





Volleyball Nationals

Term 1 has been an exciting one for LAC volleyball. In addition to playing every Monday in the Manawatu Interschool Volleyball League, two teams competed from March 20 - April 1 in the Nationals Secondary Schools Volleyball Championships that were held in Palmerston North.



A girls team was entered into the Nationals for the first time which was a great experience of endurance and fair play. A huge thank you to Bex Tihi (coach) who stepped in 3 weeks before Nationals to coach the girls volleyball.



On Monday April 11 the finals for the Manawatu Interschool volleyball were held. Our girls were placed runner up while the boys won, for the second year in a row. Boarders made up 95% of the teams with all students enjoying the opportunity to extend their learning outside the classroom. Well done to all who participated!



BOYS TEAM MEMBERS:

Ikani Maka, Jono Simpson, Narada Kapao, Ryan Burrows, Andrew Murcott, Jeremy Davidson, Setephano Noovao (sub).

GIRLS A TEAM MEMBERS:

Khayla Pakutoa, Rana Walker, Maria Kumu, Stella Marsters, Nesa Telea, Ruby Whittaker.

GIRLS B TEAM MEMBERS:

Teigan Fenton, Raumiria Pura-Hollings, Dorisha Kimi, Holly Melville.

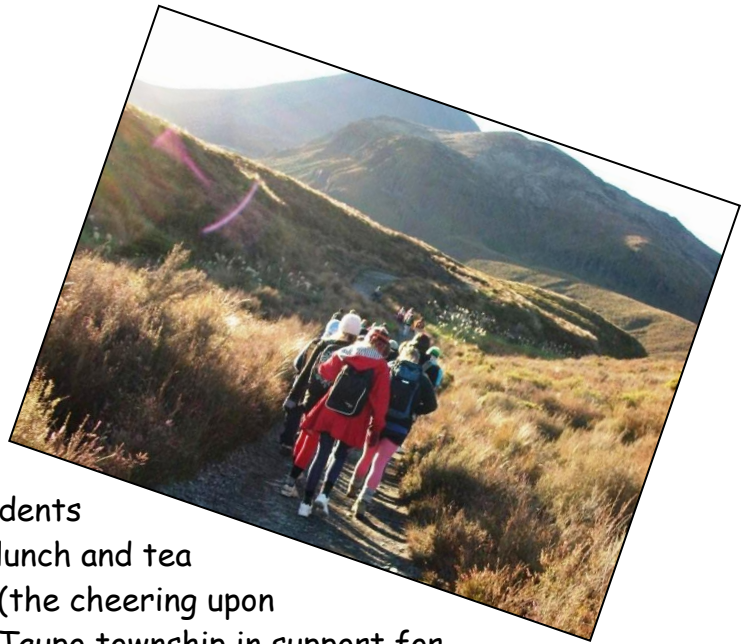


Aim for the moon, that way, even if you miss you'll still be amongst the stars!
– W. Clement Stone



YEAR 13 CAMP

Year 13 camp was held at Taupo/Turangi Christian Camp in Mission Bay, Taupo. The purpose of the camp was to allow the Year 13 students to bond and build a better relationship with each other - boarding and day students alike.



Some of the experiences included: 3 to 5 students sharing a room, everybody eating breakfast, lunch and tea together, completing the Tongariro Crossing (the cheering upon completing the walk was amazing), busking in Taupo township in support for Multiple Sclerosis, the Amazing race, rafting and the long bus ride!

All year 13's had a great time as demonstrated by the comments from some of the year 13 boarding students below:

Setephano: I thoroughly enjoyed the fellowship - seeing all the students happy and mixing well. Is heaven going to be like that? I enjoyed getting to know some of the other senior students.

Jonathon: The Tongariro crossing wasn't so bad. It was nice at first but soon got very tiring and by the end I had sore feet and muscles. We were fortunate as it was a beautiful day, allowing us to enjoy the fantastic scenery along the way.

Ryan: The Amazing Race in town was great. We had to run around 3 blocks of the Taupo township looking for clues. Busking in town was also amazing - our group of 3 collected \$70 for MS.

Raki: DeBretts Thermal Hot Pools was the grandest! Soaking in the hot pools was so relaxing for everyone. After the hot pools we enjoyed the bbq tea cooked up by our own master chef Mr Henry (bus driver).

Hiro: Water rafting was the greatest experience! I would do it again! Thank you to all the staff involved in making the Year 13 camp possible.



BOWLARAMA!!

One of the final activities for the boarders for Term 1 was an evening at Bowlarama, ten-pin bowling. Boarders dressed up for the theme of 'fluoro'. This theme saw quite a number of different interpretations from the boys and girls.

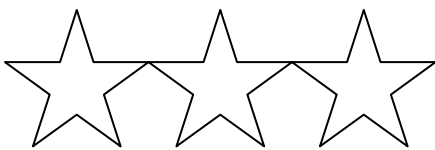
At the venue, UV lights were switched on to increase the glowing effect of the bowling balls as they made their way towards the pins. Various methods, some slightly unorthodox, were employed to knock the pins over. But however it was done, a great time was had by all.

More great memories had been created to add to the 2011 first term at LAC!



Ikane & Damian make a difference!!

Ikane and Damian, Year 12 students, were actively involved in collecting noodles, clothing, toys and cans during Term 1 for those from Christchurch who relocated to Palmerston North after the earthquake. The goods were donated on 12 April to the Salvation Army, along with some cash that was collected. Thanks to Ms Dyer for her support.



CONGRATULATIONS to Tasia Nakao(Y12) and Alvina Nakao (Y13) for receiving the Year 12 and 13 Deans Awards, respectively, for Term 1. Well done!

IMPORTANT: end of Year Dates

	Year 13	Year 11/12	Year 7/8/9/10
Last Day	Tuesday 1 Nov	Tuesday 8 Nov	Friday 9 Dec
Prize giving (Graduation for Y13)	Friday 4 Nov Saturday 5 Nov	Tuesday 8 Nov	Friday 2 Dec

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Upcoming Events

APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					SEW	
10	11	12	13	14	15 FYI #3 End Term 1 Boarders return home	16
SEW (Spiritual Emphasis Week)						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Boarders to return to LAC	2 Term 2 starts	3	4	5	6 Preparation for Mothers Day	7 Interchurch Games
8 Mothers Day Duties	9	10 Teacher/Parent Interviews	11 LAC Cross Country	12 Otago Uni visit for Y13	13	14 Theme Night
15	16	17	18 Manawatu Cross Country	19 Assembly - Asian Aid Massey visit for Y12	20 FYI #4	21
22	23 Studylink visit for Y13	24	25	26	27 World Vision Famine	28 Rollerskating
29	30	31 Visit by Brent Costley, Massey Uni				