



1 April 2021

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Students

Our newsletter is a bit of a bumper issue as we head into Easter. Thankfully, we have had a busy Term with the lockdowns having minimal impact on all our activities.

In many ways we are fortunate to have Easter now, a time of peace and reflection. A time to catch our breath. A time which is so important because all Christianity revolves around the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Whatever your household believes I do hope that you can take some time to remember why we pause at Easter, and to find peace and love as a family.

I hope you enjoy reading about our wider SKC family...

Sports round up results, as they have become available:

## **Auckland Triathlon Results**

### **Individuals:**

U19 Girls: Sophie Spencer 1<sup>st</sup>

U16 Boys: Coen Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, Joshua Gordon-Glassford 3<sup>rd</sup>

U16 Girls: Olivia Rooney 1<sup>st</sup>, Izzy Banister 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **Teams:**

U14 Girls: Amelia Duff, Olivia Kay and Cleo Hancock 2<sup>nd</sup>

U16 Girls: Leni Webster, Maddie Ballard, Emmerson Garrett 3<sup>rd</sup>

U19 Girls: Alex Champion, Ruby Spring, Isabella Champion 1<sup>st</sup>

U16 Boys: Sunny Sun, Callum Cruickshank, Adam Morrison 3<sup>rd</sup>

## **NZSS Triathlon Champs – Taranaki**

NZSS Triathlon Champ U19: Sophie Spencer 1<sup>st</sup>

NZSS U16 Mixed Team Relay (4 person): Izzy Banister, Joshua Gordon-Glassford, Olivia Rooney, Coen Anderson 1<sup>st</sup>

NZSS U13 Mixed Team Relay (4 person): Dorothy Anderson, Alex Bishop, Holly Bishop, Ben Archer 2<sup>nd</sup>

## **North Island Water Polo Championships**

The NISS Water Polo Championships in Wellington indicated how the sport is growing. There were 13 boys' teams and 16 girls' teams from around the North Island. Our girl's team won 5 of their 6 games and placed 5<sup>th</sup> overall. This is I believe, their best result ever. Their only loss was to Diocesan A who placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall.

The boy's team drew 1 and lost 5 games but still placed 8<sup>th</sup> overall. We only lost 9-12 to Rangitoto who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and lost 12-14 to Westlake who were 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. They scored 54 goals and conceded 67. It was stated by a few people that Saint Kentigern cannot be taken lightly at the Nationals in a few weeks time.

## **NZ Rowing Championships**

With the cancellation of the 2020 NZ Secondary Schools Rowing Championships as well as the North Island Secondary School Championships this year, it was decided that Saint Kentigern College would take the whole rowing squad down to Karapiro to compete in the end of season Maadi Cup Championship Regatta. Near perfect conditions made for very competitive racing

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throughout the week, there were close to 2,700 athletes competing this year which put a lot of pressure on crews to perform or face elimination early in the regatta.

Although Saint Kentigern College did not pick up any medals, they made several finals where all crews performed gallantly in their respective events. The rowers now take a break to focus on their winter sport and get themselves ready for next season. Please click the following link to see the rowing promotional video: <https://vimeo.com/510929481/99e5392e3e>

### Girls Cricket

The 1st XI Girls' cricket team won 3 of their 5 games at tournament and finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Team Captain Emma Child had a superb tournament scoring 51, 80 not out and 81 not out with the bat while also taking 2 wickets for 9 runs. Throughout the tournament the Saint Kentigern College team improved both in the field and with the bat and thoroughly enjoyed their week.

### Boys Cricket

We are currently in 1<sup>st</sup> place with one more game to be played this Term and then concluding in Term 4.

### Athletics

25 students competed for the College at Mt Smart in wet and windy conditions on Tuesday. There were a number of top 5 results, but highlights were Gold for Peyton Leigh in the 1500m which is a new Auckland Schools record that's been held for 33 years. Congratulations Peyton!

2 x Gold medals to Hannah Riley and Natalia Rankin Chitar in the Senior Girls  
4 x Gold medals to Siale Pahulu (100m, shot put, discus, 4 x 100m relay)

We had 4 relay teams competing yesterday and all medaled!

Senior Girls 1500m	1 <sup>st</sup>	Peyton Leigh
Senior Girls Long Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>	Hannah Riley
Senior Girls Triple Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>	Hannah Riley
Senior Girls Shot Put	1 <sup>st</sup>	Natalia Rankin-Chitar
Senior Girls Discus	1 <sup>st</sup>	Natalia Rankin-Chitar
Senior Girls Javelin	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Natalia Rankin-Chitar
Junior Boys 800m	1 <sup>st</sup>	Tim Wallace
Junior Boys 100m	1 <sup>st</sup>	Siale Pahulu
Junior Boys Shot Put	1 <sup>st</sup>	Siale Pahulu
Junior Boys Discus	1 <sup>st</sup>	Siale Pahulu
Intermediate Boys 100m Hurdles	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Liam McKenzie
Junior Girls 100m	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sienna Moyle
Junior Girls 200m	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sienna Moyle
Intermediate Girls 100m	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Katelyn Quay-Chin
Intermediate Girls 80m Hurdles	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Katelyn Quay-Chin
Intermediate Girls Long Jump	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Katelyn Quay-Chin

### Relays

Junior Boys	1 <sup>st</sup>
Junior Girls	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Intermediate Boys	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Senior Girls	2 <sup>nd</sup>

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## **Orienteering**

This years' Eastern Zone Sprint Series was decided off 3 events (usually 6). The top 15 of each age group are invited to the finals. We have 18 students that have been invited to race at the AKSS Sprint finals on Sunday 11 April this is a 2-event final, and the average gives overall placing.

Notable finishes for Eastern Zones were as follows:

### **Senior Boys:**

1<sup>st</sup> Thomas Cranefield

3<sup>rd</sup> Jeremy Kleine

### **Senior Girls:**

1<sup>st</sup> Kelly McKinnon

### **Intermediate Girls:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Olivia Rooney

### **Junior Boys:**

1<sup>st</sup> Blake McKinnon

## **Polo**

Congratulations to Andrew Pugh (Year 11) who was part of the team that won the Northern Polo Association high goal handicap tournament for the Nicholson Trophy. This is an annual two-day competition for all polo clubs in the northern region. Andrew was part of an experienced team which also included a Saint Kentigern College ex-pupil, Olympia Elworthy-Jones.

From the Arts....

## **SKC Jazz at National Jazz Festival**

On Wednesday the Saint Kentigern College Big Band and Premier Jazz Combo competed at the 43rd National Youth Jazz Competition in Tauranga. The event was livestreamed and results on how they went are to be announced soon...



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## Royal New Zealand Ballet

At the end of last year Mr Wilcox worked with two of our dance students Lukas Maher and Joshua Douglas towards submitting their applications to the Royal New Zealand Ballet to be a part of the RNZB Mentor Programme. Hundreds of aspiring young dancers applied across New Zealand. Both Josh and Lukas were accepted along with 22 other aspiring young dancers.

The mentoring programme offers committed and aspiring young dancers to be mentored by the Royal New Zealand Ballet dancers and Artistic Team, spend time with them during each season and get an inside experience of life as a professional dancer. This is a one-year programme and students accepted into this programme complete the following:

- watch an RNZB company class
- observe rehearsals conducted by RNZB Artistic staff
- spend time backstage during productions
- receive two complimentary tickets to selected performances
- spend one-on-one time with RNZB dancers/mentors throughout the year
- participate in exclusive master classes
- spend two days in Wellington at the RNZB's home to observe company class and rehearsals, take part in activities such as classes and workshops and be immersed in all aspect of the professional dancer's life, including visits to the costume shop

### Still to come this term:

Cricket Girls – final game 7 April

Tennis – Auckland Teams Championships completed 7 April

Tennis – Auckland champs of champs completed 8 April

Auckland Swimming Champs - completed 14 April

Water Polo Premier Teams - Auckland Competition Girls semi-final TBC

### April Holidays

Waterpolo – NZ Champs

Yachting – NZ Team Racing Champs

Our Senior School Musical, 'Catch me if you Can' takes to the stage from Tuesday 13 to Thursday 15 April. Tickets are available at Event Brite (<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/142439567581>).

Reminder that the Parent / Tutor conferences were cancelled after the second lockdown, however parents will be able to make bookings with their Tutor if required in June.

I wish you an enjoyable and restful Easter and I look forward to seeing the students back on Wednesday 7 April.

Fides servanda est



Russell Brooke  
**COLLEGE PRINCIPAL**

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