



Dear Son of Saint Kentigern School

Firstly our thoughts and deepest sympathies go out to all of you with friends and family involved in the Christchurch earthquake. It has been an emotional year so far for all with not only the destruction in Christchurch but also the devastation of the earthquake off the north east coast of Japan. The School was able to use the “double your money” initiative offered by BP for the Christchurch earth quake appeal and as a result the Saint Kentigern School community has so far donated over \$11,000.00 from our Mufti Monday and other fund raising initiatives.

Sons of Saint Kentigern School Update

A note from the Principal – Mr Geoff Burgess

Sports Successes:

Cricket - 1st XI Won back the Klippel Shield (against Kings School) after losing it early in the season.

Soap Box Derby - Saint Kentigern School placed 3th in the regional finals on 27 March earning a berth in the national finals to be held on Sunday 10 April.

Swimming - Year 5/6 Swim team won the Remuera Zone Swimming Championships and the Field Open Relay Cup

Tennis - Year 5 and Year 6 Tennis teams won Division A of their respective Remuera Zone Tournaments

Touch Rugby – SKS White Team (5-7 year olds) won the College Rifles Touch Tournament

Music and Arts Successes:

Lewis Eady Music Awards: Gold awards for the Jazz Band, Recorder Ensemble and two soloists. Silver Award for the Jazz Quartet and 3 soloists

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat one of the most successful shows produced by the School enjoyed a 4 night and one matinee season in September.

Speech - Alden Anderson was runner up in the Middle School Zone Speech competition. Liam Braithwaite was runner up in the Senior section of the Remuera Lions Speech competition.

Academic Successes:

NIWA Science Fair awards:

Andrew Black 3rd place in Physical World and the Science Teachers Association Silver Award for original research: *Where is the Best Wicket for Beach Cricket*

Kristian Metzler MOTAT Bronze Award for original technology *Quake Arch*

Five boys received highly commended awards

ICAS High Distinction awards:

English: 9 awards

Science: 11 awards. **Medal for top NZ score: Daniel Mar Year 5.**

Mathematics 12 awards

Service:

Saint Kentigern School raised \$9,600+ for World Vision and is presented with one of 20 National scholarships for this achievement. The Award was given to Dylan Parshotam.

Year 8 2005 School Leavers B-B-Q – held December 12th 2010

A fantastic, relaxed afternoon was enjoyed by the boys and parents at the Year 8, 2005 School Leavers' B-B-Q. It was great to see the boys catching up with friends and teachers and chatting about their plans for the year ahead. The feedback from both the boys and their parents was extremely positive so the plan is to repeat the occasion this year for the Year 8, 2006 School Leavers. The date for this year is **Sunday 11th Dec at 4.30 in the Jubilee Sports Centre.**

Sons of Saint Kentigern School Golf Day

The Sons of Saint Kentigern School Old Boys' Golf Day was held at the Royal Auckland Golf Club on Friday 4th March. It was a tremendous occasion and by all accounts enjoyed by everyone. Unfortunately the date wasn't terribly favourable for many being so early on in the calendar year but the 50 players who did manage to steal some time away from the office thoroughly enjoyed themselves and are looking forward to a repeat performance next year. The prizes were first class, with the first prize being a trip to Queenstown, staying at Old Boys' John Martin's 5 star "The Spire" hotel and a round at the Hills. Flights were donated by Greig Leighton, current parent and Old Boy of SKC from APX American Express.

We have been invited back by the Royal Auckland Golf Club and they have kindly made the offer for the tournament to be held a week later which hopefully be more favourable for many. The date planned for the second round of the Old Boys Golf Day is **Friday 10th February, 2012** so make sure to pencil it in—we're planning to double the numbers for next year.



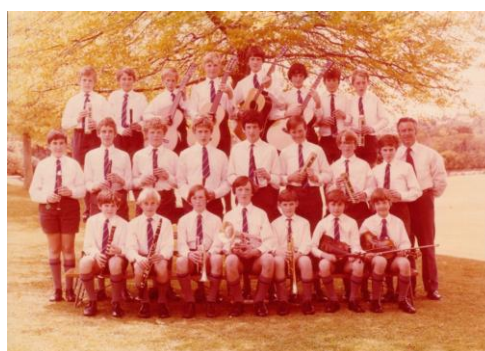
Summer Soiree

The Parents & Friends Association provided an outstanding night of entertainment, fine food and wine and most importantly fun at the Summer Soiree held on Saturday 19th March at Mantells on the Water. The live and silent auctions proved very successful with fantastic auction items made available by many kind donors. The event raised over \$61,000.00 for the Schools Vision 5 Development Fund – a great achievement in these difficult times.

Upcoming Events – Save the Date!

Sons of Saint Kentigern School Decade Dinner 1969 – 1979

Preparations are underway for the Decade Dinner for Old Boys and staff who attended Saint Kentigern School between 1969 – 1979. The evening is now planned to take place a week earlier than mentioned in the last Old Boys' Newsletter so keep the evening of **Friday 17th June 2011** free to join us for a night full of entertainment, great wine and food and plenty of laughs. We had to change the date due to a clash with the Year 8 (Form 2) social disco! Invitations and more details to follow but for starters can you spot yourself in any of the line-ups below?



What are they up to now?



Old Boy of the School, Reilly Hodson was selected to sing alongside the NZSO on Saturday 2nd April at the Bruce Mason Centre in Takapuna as part of a star studded evening to raise money for the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal. The celebrity line-up included Dame Malvina Major,

Paul Potts, Tim Beveridge, The Lady Killers (Tina Cross, Suzanne Lynch, Jackie Clarke and Taisha) and Ray Woolf just to name a few. The evening managed to raise \$150,000 for the Red Cross Christchurch Appeal. Well done and keep up the good work Reilly.

If you find a story about an Old Boy please share it with us! Email Tracey at development@sk.school.nz

Honors Tie

Peter Nelson in conjunction with the School and the Trust Board have developed an "Honors Tie" to recognise Old Boys who have made a significant contribution in their field or have achieved excellence at the highest level. We welcome your nomination of any Old Boy that you feel is worthy of being awarded the Honors Tie. Please email Tracey at development@sk.school.nz

Cornerstone Supporters

Saint Kentigern School proudly announces Winger and APX American Express as Cornerstone Supporters to the School for 2011. Cornerstone Supporters are a new initiative for the Development Office this year; the name reflecting the substantial and meaningful support that these companies have committed to the School for 2011.

Many people already know Winger as a great supporter of the School. In recent years, the company has assisted the School both in its Capital Project endeavours during the building of the Jubilee Sports Centre and with major events organised by the Parents and Friends Association. General Manager, Wayne Leach and his family of Amanda, Timothy, Georgia and Ava are familiar figures here at School and we would like to thank them for their on-going support.

Winger Motors Limited now has five franchise dealerships in the Greenlane area and has fleet managers available to assist with vehicle requirements for companies.



APX are also delighted to be on board as a Cornerstone Supporter of the School and look forward to working together with the Development Office on delivering the partnership. The Leighton family of Greig, Caroline, Jordan, London and Spencer joined us in 2009 when Jordan started in Year 1.

APX is a name our community is already familiar with, noted for their generous support of our 1959-1969 Sons of Saint Kentigern Decade Reunion last year, and this year's Summer Soiree with the donation of exciting travel prizes.

APX, formerly known as Atlantic and Pacific Travel, joined with American Express and now provide cost effective, tailored corporate travel solutions for a wide range of businesses and industries.

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The School thanks Wayne Leach and Greig Leighton for their significant support and contribution.

Please remember to support those that support us.

Upcoming Events

Boardroom Lunches – if you, or a group of you are keen to come and join us for lunch at the School and hear about what is going on around the campus, and our plans for growth and development please give call Tracey Melville-Smith on 520-7695 or email: development@sk.school.nz