



# Newsletter

Thursday 8 June 2017



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

*Nga mihi nui te whanau o Craighead. Tena koutou katoa.*

### 2017 House Choir Competition

Congratulations to all those involved in ensuring high quality performances for this year's keenly contested House Choir Competition. Each of the four Houses were most impressive, with polished performances of the compulsory item, the National Anthem, followed by their own choice of song track. Local adjudicator Mrs Adrienne Woods, was so impressed that she could separate each House by only one point! Extra thanks go to the House Captains, the conductors and those who played musical instruments. Well done, Te Raki!

### Support Staff

Craighead is very fortunate to have wonderful support staff. Congratulations to **Mrs Chrissie Wilson** who celebrates thirty years (today) of invaluable service, initially as a Boarding Supervisor, then working tirelessly in our Laundry. At Assembly this week, we took the opportunity to introduce our new Science



Technician, **Mrs Catherine Clark** (left), to the school community. Mrs Clark shared her journey upon leaving school, through her decision-making around what to study at University, eventually settling upon completing a BSc and then the Postgraduate

Programme in Forensic Science (Auckland). From there, she worked for the Australian Federal Police, developing a passion for fire investigation. Her message was to "pay attention to opportunities that present themselves because you never know where they may take you".



**Chrissie Wilson (centre) with Spotless Catering Manager Kerina Brown (left) and colleague Andrea Skudder.**



**Senior Cross Country runners—L-R: Kate Jackson, Anna Hayward, Ashleigh Meyer, Sarah Templeton and Phoebe Trollove**

### Aoraki Cross Country

Congratulations to all students who competed in the Aoraki Secondary Schools' Cross Country, held yesterday in perfect weather conditions on the challenging Mountainview course. All of our students ran extremely well, with **Amanda Shallard** and **Phoebe Trollove** winning the Junior and Senior individual titles. Strong overall performances saw Craighead feature in the team events. Full details will be published in next week's newsletter.

God Bless, **Lindy Graham**

*B.G. Cresswell*

## Dates for your Diary

### JUNE

Fri 9	Karen Boyes, Y11 Study Skills
Mon 12	ICAS Writing Competition Regional Chamber Music competition, Auditorium
Tue 13	STAC Winter Exchange, Christchurch Aoraki Cycling
Wed 14	ICAS Spelling Competition SCPSSA Cross Country
Thu 15	Craighead X Factor, 7pm, Auditorium
Fri 16	Y11-13 Drama trip to Christchurch Y11-13 Parent/Teacher Interviews 3.45-5.30pm
Sun 18	SC Interschools' Equestrian, Sandalwood Trophy, Orari

**For further dates, please refer to the School website calendar.**



## REPORTS AND LEARNING CONFERENCES

Mid-year reports for **Year 11-13** students will be available at the end of this week. **Year 9 and 10** reports will be available at the end of next week. You will have access to the reports on the KAMAR portal and then you will receive a posted copy. We invite parents and students to meet with subject teachers to discuss progress and achievement.

Please book your appointments on [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz), or telephone the school office, 03 688 6074.

**Year 11-13 Learning Conferences:** Event Code **uc8vz**  
Friday 16 June 3.45-5.30pm and Tuesday 20 June 7.00-9.00pm

**Year 9 and 10 Learning Conferences:** Event Code **4fert**  
Friday 23 June 3.45-5.30pm and Tuesday 27 June 7.00-9.00pm

**Year 7 and 8 Reports** will be posted at the end of the term.



**Wednesday 15 June, 7pm**

**Craighead's Turley Auditorium**

**\$2 entry—All Welcome!**

### Meet —Georgia Jurasovich Te Raki Deputy House Leader 2017



As I look back at my time at Craighead, I realise how quickly the last five years have gone by. I started out as a nervous Year 9 student, keen to make new friends and experience high school life. Craighead soon gave me the confidence to immerse myself into the academic, cultural, and sporting opportunities available. Now approaching my last few terms, I am sad to say that this is my final year at Craighead.

The variety of opportunities available at Craighead keeps my school life interesting. So far, I have been a member of Craighead Hockey, I have enjoyed participating in the annual Stage Challenge, and also completed a Barista course and Lifeguard course here at school. This year, I have enjoyed being a member of the Social, Tutorial and Health committees, while also becoming a Peer-Support leader.

I feel blessed this year to work alongside Hanna Devries in leading a great group of girls as Te Raki House Leaders. I love working with the younger year groups, spreading House spirit and assisting them in the various annual House competitions we have here at Craighead. This gives me the opportunity to contribute to the culture of the school before I head to University of Canterbury next year.

Please forward brief details of student news and achievements to [Katie.Mackenzie@craighead.school.nz](mailto:Katie.Mackenzie@craighead.school.nz)





## HOUSE CHOIR RESULTS 2017

- 1st: Te Raki  
2nd: Te Hau-a-uru  
3rd: Tonga  
4th: Te Rawhiti



Congratulations to the winners of the Craighead Open Day



Mathematics Challenge:

Year 6: Charlotte McKenzie  
Year 8: Rosie Winter

Congratulations to Amanda Shallard (Y9) who entered the Canterbury Schools' Cross Country, held in Christchurch on Tuesday 30 May, finishing 14th out of 95 Year 9 competitors—a tremendous effort.



## DATES COMING UP...

- University of Auckland, Parent Information Seminar**  
Tuesday 13 June, 7-8.30 pm—Addington Raceway, Christchurch
- Occupational Therapy Information Evening** (Otago Polytechnic)  
Tuesday 13 June, 7-9pm—School of Occupational Therapy, Dunedin
- Ara Open Day, Christchurch Campus**—Thursday 15 June, 2pm-5pm
- Check websites or contact the Careers Office for further details



...and you are invited!! **Friday 30 June 2017, 7-11pm**

**CDS Parents and Friends** invite all parents and staff to join them for a night of mid-winter fun—catch up with friends and make some news ones within the Craighead community—entertainment by **DJ Vinyl Man**.

Limited tickets available—\$20 from the School Office  
Cash bar, finger food provided

The YMCA has just launched its **2017 South and Mid Canterbury Youth Survey**, to coincide with Youth Week. Their Resiliency Toolkit is one initiative that grew out of young people having their say through their 2014 and 2015 Youth Surveys. Survey results collated from information collected from the High School students in our region, is shared widely with local government and the youth, social services, education, health and business communities. Please use the following link:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017YouthSurveyYMCA>



The **Year 13 Geography** students recently had a very successful field trip to Vanuatu. The sun shone (following a cyclone several days earlier) and there were smiles all round as the people of Mele Village received the hundreds of pencil cases the Craighead Global Citizens had collected. Thank-you to everyone who donated items, especially Year 7, who won the Golden Globe as recognition for their efforts, and to 11BM, for their generosity and thoughtfulness.



## NEWS FROM THE BOARDING HOUSE

### Weekend Outings

- Saturday 10 June:** Trip to Christchurch  
**Friday 16 June:** Games night  
**Saturday 17 June:** Trip to Tekapo Springs (leaving 9.00am)

**Mrs Yvonne Thompson—Director of Boarding**



## KAREN BOYES STUDY SKILLS SESSION

Tomorrow, Year 11 students have a Study Skills session with Karen Boyes, Director of Spectrum Education, an internationally recognized organization for developing teaching and learning skills in both teachers and students. Karen has a background in teaching and has been awarded NZ Educator of the Year, 2014, NZ Speaker of the Year, 2013, and NZ Businesswoman of the Year, 2001. As Year 11 begin NCEA this year, this is the best time for them to receive this support.

We are grateful to the Craighead Parents and Friends Association who have granted \$3000 towards the cost of the session, significantly reducing the cost to parents.

**UNIFORM SHOP**—Open every Friday in Term Two—3.30-4.30pm  
**EFTPOS is available at the Uniform shop**

**SECOND HAND SHOP** Friday 30 June and 28 July, 3.30-4.30pm  
**Cash or cheque only at Second Hand Shop**

The **Second Hand Uniform shop** is run by the **Craighead Old Girls' Association**. Our shop is situated beneath the stairs in the auditorium. The shop sells tidy, good quality uniform. We sell on behalf of the vendor retaining 20% of the sale price which goes towards Craighead Old Girls' scholarships. We have a steady supply of stock and are very grateful to the many families who forward unwanted uniform to the shop.

If you have uniform to sell, please label each article with your name and address and leave at the school office. The office can supply the labels. I am always looking for help in the shop, so if you are an Old Girl and would like to contribute in some way, please get in touch.

**Vicky Steven—03 6861752**

Let's talk about **Depression...** [www.mindfulme.nz](http://www.mindfulme.nz)

Attend a two-session course on 28 June & 5 July, 56 Bank Street, Timaru  
Contact Christine Macfarlane—[chris@mindfulme.nz](mailto:chris@mindfulme.nz), 021 284 3040