



## Tena koutou katoa

**Leader's Commissioning Chapel Service**—Our first Sunday evening Chapel for the school year was centered around our Year 13 students as they look to lead the school for 2019. School Leaders and House Captains were presented with their badges associated with a formal leadership position. All Year 13 students are considered leaders as they demonstrate leadership qualities in many ways—through serving on our numerous committees and assisting both staff and younger students around school. We thank those parents who joined us for this special occasion.

**Academic Colours Assembly**—It is always a pleasure to acknowledge outstanding academic effort and attainment. The provisional data indicates that we again compare favourably with similar Decile 8-10 schools nationally. We were delighted with the large number of students who met their own academic goals for 2018, and especially the number of students who gained overall Endorsements – both Merit and Excellence.

OVERALL ENDORSEMENTS in NCEA 2018	CRAIGHEAD	DECILE 8-10 SCHOOLS
Level One Endorsements (Excellence and Merit)	91.1%	70.7%
Level Two Endorsements (Excellence and Merit)	67.4%	56.9%
Level Three Endorsements (Excellence and Merit)	50%	54.2%

As is the custom with many schools, those attaining over 50 credits at Excellence level in NCEA Levels One and Two received an Academic Colours badge for their blazers. Congratulations to all recipients. Our Top Scholars were also named and awarded an Elite Badge – congratulations to Emma Jarvie and Milly Ford (Level One NCEA), and Amy Xie and Tayla Cvitanich (Level Two NCEA). The Year 13 Scholarship is offered to reward a student who has already made a contribution to the life of the school and a commitment to taking responsibility for her own academic learning. This scholarship is to assist her to complete her schooling in preparation for Tertiary Studies. Congratulations to both Sarah Dunbar and Amy Xie, dual recipients of the Year 13 Scholarship for 2019.



**Miss Annabel Coulter**, winner of the inaugural Great Kiwi Bake-off last year, was warmly received as our guest speaker. Annabel was in Year 13 at Craighead in 2017, and shared her anguish of having torn all the ligaments along the top of her hip socket after 13 years of dedicated training in classical ballet. This significant injury resulted in Annabel requiring time off school in Years 12 and 13, while recovering and coming to terms with having to give up ballet for good. To her credit, she still managed to achieve an overall Excellence endorsement for Level Three! She then turned to her other love, that of baking. She left us with this message "The old saying that we never know what is around the corner is true – if you seem stuck where you are now, remember you won't be there forever, and what is happening now is developing you for what wonderful things are to come". We

were privileged to have Annabel join our Assembly and wish her all the best as she embarks on her studies at Le Cordon Bleu cooking school in Wellington, to ultimately become a pastry chef.

**February Board of Trustees Meeting**—The first Board of Trustees meeting for the 2019 year was held this week. As it is an election year for Boards of Trustees, the Chair and Deputy positions remain unchanged. Mr Antony Ford is our Chairperson and Mrs Andrea Leslie the Deputy Chairperson. Director of Sport Mrs Alicia Mabey gave a report covering her first year in this newly established role and also shared the vision for the Sports Advisory Council going forward. Mrs Mabey has developed systems for the operation of our new gymnasium and fitness centre, and for the hire of our wonderful facilities. She has worked hard on coordinating and aligning all aspects of Craighead Sport, which includes clear lines of communication with students, their families and the wider community. Head of Curriculum, Ms Lara Hearn presented a summary of our interim NCEA results for 2018. The Ministry has made a change to the way the data is reported in that it is now all **roll-based** rather than **participation-based** (see the link to the article included in this newsletter). Our overall results remain very strong and mostly well above the results achieved by Decile 8-10 Girls' schools. A full summary will be provided when the confirmed data is signed off in May.

**Summer Quadrangular Tournament and National Club Rowing Championships**—We have a lot of students competing in their various sporting codes at present and wish them all the best with their various pursuits over the coming weeks. Best wishes to our teams going to St Hilda's Collegiate School in Dunedin to represent Craighead at the Summer Quadrangular Tournament (Swimming, Touch, Debating, Volleyball, Tennis). We also wish our Senior Rowers all the best at the National Club Rowing Championships held at Lake Ruataniwha next week.

*L.G. Coulter*  
**God Bless—Lindy Graham, Principal**



**Congratulations to the recipients of Craighead Academic Colours for 2018, awarded to students who achieve NCEA Levels 1 and 2 endorsed with Excellence. These awards were presented at yesterday's Assembly by Old Girl Annabel Coulter, winner of The Great Kiwi Bake-Off last year:**

**Level 1:** Nicole Arundell, Kristie Brown, Rose Cottier, Molly Devries, Rosa Dobbs, Angel Ellerbroek, Milly Ford, Charlotte Howe, Eve Hyslop, Danielle Jarvie, Emma Jarvie, Zoliekah Judd, Plum Li, Amber Murray, Mila Rollo, Sophie Tucker, Emma van de Klundert, Isabella Wilson, Alexandria Hutton

**Level 2:** Tayla Cvitanich, Sarah Dunbar, Isellah Gordon, Shannon Hodgett, Meg Schmack, Prudence Scott, Meghan Templeton, Amy Xie, Ella Yeatman

## Meet Renae Cocking— Deputy Head Girl 2019

Just like that, it is already 2019 and my final year. As a new student it is normal to feel anxious about the unknown. As an eager Year 9 Renae, I saw this as an opportunity, set some goals and to grow as a young woman. Now as a Year 13 student, I can reflect on my journey and feel proud and satisfied, especially with my selection as Deputy Head Girl for 2019.



I am incredibly honoured to take up this leadership role and am already thoroughly enjoying working alongside Meghan Templeton, Head Girl. We have a real energy and enthusiasm to share our ideas with the school, with great support from Ms Graham and our amazing Year 13 group. This year, with our theme of Hauora, the Māori concept of well being, we will focus on one of the four concepts each term; Physical, Mental, Social and Spiritual.

I am a very keen sportswoman—during my four years at Craighead I have participated in numerous sports, both competitively and socially. My chosen sports are Football, playing for the First XI team since Year 9, and Touch, playing for the Senior A team since Year 10. I have also played representative Football for South Canterbury for six years and have been a member of the very successful West End Women's Football team for two years. I have coached several CDS sports teams and joined various clubs, groups and committees—such as the Student Council, Sports Committee, Student Volunteer Army and Choir. I thoroughly enjoy these extra curricular activities as it allows me to mix across all Year groups.

It certainly looks like 2019 will be a full and rewarding year. I am excited to maximise my role and give back to my school before I transition to becoming a Craighead Old Girl in 2020.





**Congratulations to our Junior House Leaders for 2019:**  
**Te Hau-a-uru**—Millie Dickson and Kate Mackenzie  
**Te Rawhiti**—Lucy Crawford (absent) and Lily Evans  
**Tonga**—Emily Jane-Clucas and Isobel Sharp  
**Te Raki**—Wihanke Kruger and Alysha Bradley



### FROM THE BOARDING HOUSE

#### Weekend activities...

Friday 15 February Beach Walk  
 Saturday 16 February York St Art Gallery / CBay  
 Sunday 17 February Skating at Marine Parade

Mrs Tracy Dockrill—Acting Director of Boarding  
 Email [dockrilltr@craighead.school.nz](mailto:dockrilltr@craighead.school.nz)



### 2019 Craighead Parents and Friends

Our first meeting for 2019 will be held on Friday 8 March, at 1 pm, in the Turley Auditorium. Anyone is welcome to attend. This is a great

opportunity for new parents to hear about how Craighead Parents and Friends supports the school and we welcome any ideas you may have for Parents and Friends for 2019.

Parents and Friends are supporting several upcoming events around school, for which we require some help:

**Wednesday 20 February** Year 7 and 8 Parent Information Evening and Barbecue—we require 3 or 4 helpers in the Dining Room, from 6.20pm-8pm  
**Friday 1 March** Athletic Sports—we require helpers for the barbecue  
**Wednesday 6 March** Year 9 Parents Buffet dinner—helpers required from 6.15pm

Please contact Tracy McLeod if you can help with any of the above events or would like further information regarding Craighead Parents and Friends:  
 Phone 027 609 0656 or email [dtamcleod@outlook.com](mailto:dtamcleod@outlook.com)

Our Year 13 Commissioning Service was held on Sunday evening and was well attended by parents of 2019 School leaders.



Left: Deputy Head Girl **Renae Cocking** with her parents Andrew and Jodi, and her sister Ebony



Right: Head Girl **Meghan Templeton** with her parents David and Teresa.

### DIARY DATES...

#### FEBRUARY

Sun 17-Tue 19 Summer Quad Tournament—St Hilda's, Dunedin  
 Wed 20 Y7&8 Parent Information evening and BBQ, 6-8pm  
**Fri 22 Swimming Sports, CBay**—compulsory attendance for all students  
 Sun 24 Aoraki Touch tournament, Oamaru  
 Mon 25-Tue 26 Y12 Geography Field Trip, Mt Cook  
 Thu 28 Y11 Parents NCEA information evening, 7.30pm—Turley Auditorium

### Swimming Sports—Friday 22 February, 9.00am-2.45pm

Bus students and boarders will be bussed from school to CBay. All other students are expected to meet for a roll check at the pool at 9am. At the end of the sports, bus girls will be bussed back to school, boarders will walk back and daygirls will be dismissed from CBay. Parents are welcome anytime during the day and may collect their daughters from the pool.

### NCEA Information Evening—Thursday 28 February, 7.30pm

This short presentation is to assist parents in understanding how the NCEA qualification system works at Craighead. We welcome all parents but it is especially designed for parents of Year 10-11 students who have started NCEA subjects this year, or will start in 2020.

### CRAIGHEAD UNIFORM SHOP—for new uniform only

Opening every Friday—3.30-4.30pm—EFTPOS available  
 Contact **Angela Fairbrother**, [baz.ange@xtra.co.nz](mailto:baz.ange@xtra.co.nz) or 027 223 2503 if you have any queries

### CRAIGHEAD SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Dates coming up...  
 Friday 1 March, 22 March, 5 April and 3 May—3.30-4.30pm  
 Cash or cheque only at Second Hand Shop

**The Second Hand Uniform Shop** welcomes current uniform in clean and tidy condition, especially PE gear, blazers and summer shirts—please ensure kilts and blazers are dry cleaned.  
 Items for sale need to be individually labeled with your name, address and phone number and left at the School office.



### ENROLMENT-BASED MEASURE OF NCEA ATTAINMENT FROM JANUARY 2019

NZQA and the Ministry of Education have made changes to the way NCEA and University Entrance attainment is measured. They have consulted with schools on this new measure which will be in use from January 2019. Please use the following link for further information: <https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/studying-in-new-zealand/secondary-school-and-ncea/find-information-about-a-school/secondary-school-statistics/enrolment-based-measure/>

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



### UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YEAR 13 STUDENTS

MoneyHub, a consumer finance website, has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2020. The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Maori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list. Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available. MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success. For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit:  
<https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html>