



GARIN COLLEGE

"Small School, Big Heart..."

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.....message from the Principal, John Maguire



Kia ora tatou ngā whānau

This week I was pleased to represent Garin College at the powhiri to welcome Maureen Phillip's to the Principalship of Saint Paul's. Matua Simon lead the powhiri with the support of our Maori Student Leaders, Warena Boyles and Georgie Miller. The wonderful Haka and beautiful Waiata performed and sung by the Saint Paul's students was a powerful and uplifting reminder of the significance of Maureen's appointment for the children and community. We wish Maureen every success and pray that God will support and guide her in her school leadership. We look forward to our ongoing connections with St Paul's School.

Following the retirement of Garin's Deputy Principal, Mr Denis Moriarty last term, the Board of Trustees have advertised and shortlisted applicants for the position of Deputy Principal. The BOT Appointments Committee will be interviewing the shortlisted applicants during the coming week. I am sure you will keep the Board in your thoughts and prayers as they deliberate on this important decision they have to make.

This week's Parent Evening was well attended by parents and students who have shown an interest in attending Garin in 2017. Thank you to the many staff and students who so proudly showcased the Academic, Cultural and Sporting opportunities Garin has to offer prospective students. I particularly wish to acknowledge and thank Joseph McCashin for his music performance and our student speakers Thomas Heaton, Valentino Monopoli-Pimm, Tegan Gibbs-Fleming; your spirit and leadership shone through. In no better way than through our students, the Special Character of Garin College was witnessed by our prospective families and students.

This week and last week we were pleased to travel to St Canice's School, Westport and St Mary's School, Blenheim with our students to speak and perform music. The children in these schools' enjoyed the visit and had fun interactions with our students. Garin's tradition of visiting and maintaining links with the Catholic schools in the top of the south is valued by our contributing schools.

The year 12 and 13 students are now preparing with excitement for the Garin Ball next weekend. We look forward to sharing this evening with the parents of the year 13 students. Parents are encouraged to communicate and make suitable arrangements with their children to ensure the evening of the Ball is a safe and enjoyable night for all.

Have a great weekend,

Mā te Atua koe e tiaki - May God be with you
John Maguire

Academic Success



Congratulations to Rosie Schulz and Ellie McDonald who passed with Merit the Otago University Theology Course CHTH 131 *God and Ethics in the Modern World* gaining 18 credits at Level 5.



Ollie Moulder past pupil and currently an adult student at Garin College, passed his first semester papers: Medieval Europe B, History of the World B-.



Garin Open Day

Due to Garin having Open Day on Wednesday 10 August, school for Garin students will finish at 2.50pm on that day. Buses will run at the normal time.

Student Course selection 2017

Subject selection for 2017 has been opened.

Students select subjects on the "DreamCatcher" program located on the school intranet home page.

Parents and caregivers are expected to be a part of this process by sitting down with their child as they complete this process.

There is also a Selection evening on Monday 8 August from 4.30 to 5.30 where Head of Faculties, Subject Leaders and Careers staff will be available to answer your questions.

Lost Property

There is some items of clothing/footwear (not uniform) in the lost property at the school office. Please feel free to come in and check for items which your child may be missing. It will be available until 12 August. After this date the items will be donated to St Vincent de Paul.

CALENDAR

- 8 August Course Selection 2017
- 10 August Open Day (school finishing at 2.50pm)
- 13 August Garin Senior Ball
- 26 August 2017 Enrolments Close

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Tuesday 9 and Wednesday 10 August 1 to 4 pm.

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Take A Moment...

Education is the key to unlock the golden door of freedom.

George Washington Carver

