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SMALL SCHOOL ~ BIG HEART ...

GARIN COLLEGE

Great to see you again

Last weekend's tenth jubilee celebrations provided a great opportunity for past students all around the world to catch up with classmates from the last decade.

The day began with Mass in Stoke at St Francis of Assisi where the new processional cross built by Tech teacher Vince Fox was blessed, and the Memorial Book recording the passing of three Garin students and three past pupils was also blessed.

Head Teacher John Boyce delivered the homily where he talked about the development of the school's Catholic Character and our particular focus on social justice.

Later everyone assembled around the Garin amphitheatre with their picnics and barbecues and started the reunion game of recognising the adult faces of kids they went to school with, and enjoying the memories in Denis Moriarty's "nostalgia dome" in the library - ten years of information.

Kyle Proffit had organised a concert featuring an array of the talented musicians and singers Garin is becoming known for - and everyone was really impressed by the confidence and ability of Kieran O'Connor, Veronica Mitchell, the Peasant subset of Chris Phillips, Abby Phillips and Joe Corban-Banks, and then The Peasants (with Georia Nott and Holly Tippler - and Caleb back to fill in for Rupert).

It was a great day - and a big thank you to the key organisers, especially Cathy Ellis, Mike Aronsten, Joan Panzer, Leonie Haines, and Alan Hinton.



Yr 13 Journey - Camp Seals out-swim humans ..again

This year's highlight at camp was, of course, swimming with the seals again. It is quite a surreal activity, and to see and experience these magnificent creatures in their natural environment where they excel in water skills and frolic with snorkelers, truly brings us all closer to God and the wonders of creation.

A key aim of the trip is to reflect on the year ahead, and to promote the group's mission of providing great leadership and good example in the school. Through a range of activities and workshops including sailing an old time sail boat, swimming with seals, completing an orienteering hike, hosting a concert for the locals, interviewing local personalities, camping, sharing food, preparing liturgies and experiencing reflective moments, our students bonded well to truly come together as an effective student leadership team. We look forward now with optimism and confidence as these students begin their collective task of making 2012 another memorable year in the schools' history. Special thanks go to our loyal supporters Danny and Lynn of Sea Safaris and Laurence and Grace of Steadfast sailing for their unique experiences, and the rest of the residents of French Pass for hosting us over the three days.



GARIN NOTICEBOARD: events, advertisements & information

Lockers at Garin

If your child wants to use a locker at Garin this year, they need to bring \$20, plus a suitable lock to the school office and choose an available locker. There are limited numbers available now.

Timetables

All students received a timetable on Day 1. The paper contained two copies: one for sticking in their student diary and one for keeping in a safe place. Garin will be asking students to contribute 20c towards the cost of printing a replacement timetable.

Fridges

Do you have an old fridge that you are no longer using? We have recently given our spare fridges to the Hostel who are now cooking all their food on site. If you do, please contact Mr Moriarty at Garin on 543 9488, email denismoriarty@garincollege.ac.nz.

IceCream Containers

If you have any spare containers can you bring them to the school office for Mrs Walker.

Emailing Staff

If you want to email staff at Garin College you can simply use the person's name @garincollege.ac.nz, e.g. tracystock@garincollege.ac.nz.

Updating Student Details

Having student information correct and up-to-date is important to us. If you do have a change of address, phone, mobile, email or a change in circumstances we would appreciate your letting us know by email at: achieve@garincollege.ac.nz or by phoning us on 543 9488. To receive information from us, such as the weekly newsletter, mailouts such as reports or simply needing to contact you by phone during the course of the day

means that the information we use is what is held in our student database at that time.

Anniversary Raffle Winners

The winners of the weekend raffle go to Damian Sims (meat), Phil Donaldson (Toastie maker) and Pat McEntyre (phone).

CatholicTV.net

Join us this week on www.catholicTV.net for the beautiful words of Rosemary Menzies. Are you the God. Great for sharing with a friend.

CALENDAR

- Monday 20th February
 - ♦ Senior Marae Trip
 - ♦ Gillette Cup Cricket
- Tuesday 21st February
 - ♦ Arts Sign up
- Thursday 23rd February
 - ♦ Athletics Day

... from Head Teacher John Boyce



It has been a great week with the reunion last weekend and our Opening Mass and Investiture of our Student Leaders today. Leadership is an important part of Garin life—and is integral to holistic education.

We have eight leaders who lead the whole school, and another 20 who have important leadership roles in houses and across the school for particular functions. As well, we expect other senior students to take responsibility for various tasks and projects through the year.

And as leaders at Garin, we try to follow in Jesus' footsteps: working to make things happen for others! So here are our 2012 Student Leaders.



School Captains: Christian Service: Tessa Moffat and Nick Allison, Learning Joel MacManus Kate Fahey, Arts Georgia Nott Isaac Thomas, Sport Brodie Sidwell Kaylah Erasmus.

The House Captains and deputies responsible for Service, Learning, Arts and Sport: Aubert—Callum Turner, Alice Chapple, Hanna Parnell, Logan McConchie, Tom Nicholson. Barbier—Ambro Lynch, Marielle Van Zoelen, Chris Sinnott, Holly Tippler, Cheyenne Sigley, McAuley—Lewis Saunders, Tom Goodman, Whitney Green, Nina Lenihan, Ethan Hyndman, MacKillop—Rupert Wockner, Yolandi Van Staden, Aleisha Van Kerkhof, Ashley Windleburn-Williams and Conor Carr.

As well we acknowledged other leaders: Board of Trustees: Joel MacManus; Head Librarians: Aleisha Van Kerkhof, Danielle Mintrom; Head Students of Hostel: Ethan Hyndman, Bronwyn Taylor; Head Of International Students: Alex Park; Stage Challenge leaders: Holly Tippler, Hannah Robinson, Hanna Parnell, Hamish McIntosh; Nga Amorangi: Dakota Sigley, Ethan Hyndman; Peer Tutor Leader: Norina Gasteiger; Webmaster: James Smith; Moodle Master: Joshua Coote.

Financial Stress

With rising costs, families are under pressure at the moment. There are a lot of costs associated with education, and if you need to talk to Business Manager Ron van Drunen about a delay in payment or an AP, please give him a call.

We don't collect the Attendance Dues, but if you are struggling to pay them each term, please ask him for a form and we will see if we can help.

Gifted & Talented

If you are interested in your child participating in the Garin Gifted and Talented (GATE) programme for Years 9 and 10 and are an entering family to the Garin community, please stop by the office and fill out a parent recommendation form. If you'd like more information about the programme, please contact Amy Cornelisen directly at amycornel-

isen@garincollege.ac.nz

NZQA Reviews

Students should download personalised forms from their Learner Login for both reviews and reconsiderations. Applications for reviews and reconsiderations for NCEA externally assessed standards close on Friday 17 February. Scholarship reviews and reconsiderations close on Friday 16 March.

NZQA Documents

Reminder to senior students that they need to order any documents they are eligible for and want copies of. These include: NCEA's Record of Achievement and, for school leavers, the School Results Summary which will not be automatically sent to students in April as they were in the past. Students can also see and pay outstanding fees. Please use your Learner Login to access all documents.

Year 9 Journey

The Year 9 camp is called Base Camp as it is designed to establish bonds between new students and introduce them to the Journey programme and inspire them to give it a go. The 2012 journey got off to a great start with the camp being held in week 2. There was spectacular weather and a great group of student to work with. Vertical Limits, who provide the inspectors, always look forward to working with Garin College and this year was no exception. Students were polite, helpful and most enthusiastic in taking part in all the activities. Canyoning was the most popular involving climbing, swimming and jumping into deep pools of cold water. The head instructor commented that This was the only group ever to do the glow worm cave without talking and relying upon torches. Our thanks goes out to the teachers who braved the activities and now have to catch up on their responsibilities and thanks to Vertical Limits for providing our students with a valuable, well-structured and safe two and a half days.

Cricket Tour to Auckland

At the beginning of December the Garin senior cricket team travelled to Auckland to play against Sancta Maria College for the Garin Shield.

On day one Garin batted first and posted a modest score of 99 with contributions from Brodie Sidwell (30) and Chris Sinnott (25). Sancta started well but Garin struck back and had Sancta at 90 for 7 with Brodie, Chris, Paul O'Regan and Rupert Wockner sharing wickets. However, the last three batsmen proved difficult to remove and Sancta went on to post a score of 170.

The second day proved to be a wash-out as the heavens opened and no play was possible. This meant that Sancta retained the Garin Shield. Once again, the two teams went to Mass at the Howick parish, Father Garin's first parish in New Zealand.

There was no doubt on the Sunday that Garin were winners in the bowling alley! The team would like to thank The Mainland Foundation for their considerable support.



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- ★ *Congratulations to Isaac Thomas who successfully auditioned for a play called "The Show Must Go On". The show will be performing at the Whitireia Theatre from 25-27th February.*
- ★ *Well done Amy Coulton who has recently competed in the Swimming Nelson Marlborough Age Group Championships in Blenheim. Amy came 2nd in the 800 metre freestyle, 1st in the 400 metre freestyle and 2nd in the 200 metre freestyle in the 14 year age group swim.*
- ★ *Photo of stockmarket game winners receiving badges at Garin's assembly on the 14th February 2012. the winners were: First place: Jack Keenan, Sam Harrison, Frank Quin, Jansson Ford. Second place: Jess Brooks, Keely Kira, Elizabeth Mitchell, Fiona Saunders, Amy Newman, Third place: Padraic O'Regan, Daniel Baukhhausen, Campbell Rollo, Liam Campbell*



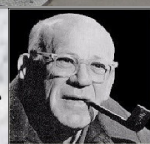
- ★ *Congratulations to Joel MacManus and Brodie Sidwell, both of whom have been selected to play for the Nelson Under 19 Basketball team.*

Senior Cricket Team on Show

Next Monday and Tuesday our senior cricket team will be playing in the Gillette/D'Arcy Cup series at Greenmeadows, Stoke. If you get a chance to watch them in action it will be well worthwhile as they've had a pretty successful season so far. Coach Andy Leonard has high hopes.

Take a Moment ...

Fear comes from uncertainty. When we are absolutely certain, whether of our worth or worthlessness, we are almost impervious to fear. Thus a feeling of utter unworthiness can be a source of courage. ... Eric Hoffer



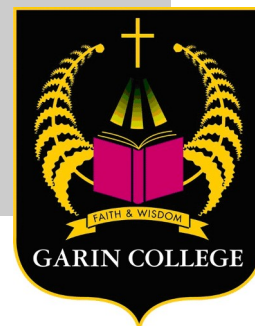
EVERYONE WELCOME!

JOIN THE TEAM NOW

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KAPA HAKA

- EXPERT TUTOR
WAYNE HIPPOLITE
- TUESDAY AFTERNOONS
(2.20PM—4.20PM)
- NO FEES
- PERFORM AT SCHOOL
EVENTS & COMPETITIONS
- LEARN MAORI ARTS—
HAKA, WAIATA, POI
- GREAT FUN & GREAT
EXERCISE



Rotorua Boys & Girls High School students

SIGN UP FORMS AT THE OFFICE
OR SEE MRS A FOR DETAILS