

...message from our Principal, John Maguire



Kia ora tatou ngā whānau,

I am constantly reminded of the power of student leadership and voice each day in the College. Our student leaders can almost wave a wand and get their peers to respond and engage so enthusiastically. Mahi Toi is a classic example of this. If you had the privilege of attending our showcase concert last Friday night in our school gym, you would have evidenced student leadership and voice in action! The whole event - from the planning, set up, performances, sound, lighting and clean up the following day - was all lead by our students. At our school assemblies, on the sports field and throughout the College we again evidence student leadership in action, setting the tone for engagement and participation. This week at assembly, our year 11 and 12 Religious Education students presented the social action outcomes they have designed and created in response to a social issue they are passionate about. Through such presentations, and the example set by their peers, our students are empowered to reflect, learn and bring about a deeper awareness and action to address the significant injustices faced by many within our community and across the world. Within our students there is a desire to serve, to see Christ in others and be Christ to others - what an absolute privilege to be amongst.



"...Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God..." [The Beatitudes 7 - 9]

Our new Board of Trustees will take office at our first Board meeting on Tuesday 2 July. We welcome our new parent representatives Katrina Taylor, Selwyn Mason, Dave Ashcroft, Chris Ward, Iain Hall and new staff representative Roman Birch. Our new trustees join their fellow trustees, Fr Bill Warwick, Ann Ritchie, Sarah Binns, Markelle Ward, student representative John Noble and myself to complete our Board of 12 Trustees. The board is well supported by our board secretary Shona Erasmuson. At this time I wish to acknowledge and thank our long serving trustees who end their term and are stepping down from the board; Nicky McDonald, Lisa Dunn, Hans Peter Froeling and Justine Butler. We thank our departing trustees for their commitment and service while serving on the Board. Each has provided outstanding governance and leadership service. This has enabled extensive growth in the learning and schooling opportunities provided for our Garin community.

I remind you all that enrolments for 2019 are open. We have our Parent Information Evening in our school library on Wednesday 24 July and our Open Day on Wednesday 31st July. If you have family or friends considering secondary schooling for their children, please encourage them to contact our school office for inquiry and an application pack.

The Matariki cluster of stars are in the sky and we are uplifted by the celebration of the start of the Māori New Year. A time to celebrate new life, to remember those that have passed and to plan for the future. Today Garin College is represented by our kapa haka group lead by our Ngā Amorangi Rahania and Christian at our inaugural Kāhui Akō cultural festival where all twelve schools in our Kāhui Akō will be represented. We wish them a most joyful celebration. Mā te Atua koe e tiaki - May God be with you
Ngā mihi nui,
God Bless
John Maguire



Martine McCabe

Take a Moment:

*Matariki hunga, Matariki ahunga nui.
Matariki has many admirers, Matariki brings us together*



Mahi Toi 2019

The home-based showcase concert was a great back-to-the-future move this year, bringing the community into our process at the time of energetic creation. The effort put into the House Dances this year was amazing. All four houses put up a piece to be proud of. There was the yeehaw energy of McCauley's western style, the razzamatazz of MacKillop's musical extravaganza, the precision and formations of Barbier, and the quirkiness of Aubert's Bob Fosse inspired dance. The festival brings winter warmth to the whole school, and is highly anticipated every year. The acts are kept secret and no direct teacher help goes in. What comes out of the woodwork is amazing. Students that teachers are struggling to motivate in class will suddenly be leaping around in a lip-sync, or submitting a stunning photo and everyone is seen in a new light. Everyone shares their talents.

Dan Allan

Results



Overall Junior Winner of Mahi Toi 2019
Amy and Zoe Clark

Overall Senior Winner of Mahi Toi 2019 **John Noble**



RAW—Wearable Arts

Junior Solo:

- 1st place** Cherry Moore
- 2nd place** Eve Dunne
- 3rd place** Aylish Inwood

Junior Group:

- 1st place** Jaavani Harrison, Sarah Theunissen, Hannah McBride and Amelia Tye
- 2nd place** Katie Mills, Zoe Clark, Amy Clark and Skyla Kroupa
- 3rd place** Rosa Babington, Amy Jukes, Brenna Shellock and Emily Mason



Senior Solo:

- 1st place** Hamish Thompson
- 2nd place** Kane Chilton
- 3rd place** Helen Mackay

Senior Group:

- 1st place** John Noble, Zara Harris, Margeaux Harris, Bridget Noble
- 2nd place** Olive Derecourt and Emma Jones
- 3rd place** Annalise Edwards and Rhiana Sinclair

Supreme Winner:

Nigella Ching



"Faith Facts" Week 9 Term Two

At Garin College we seek to "encounter Christ" in the things that we do everyday through our interactions, words, actions and behaviours. In 2019 we have focused on three areas in which we can see the face of Christ.

1. Information (the faith we know) through Religious Education, as taught to students in the classrooms.
2. Formation (the faith we celebrate) through the rituals and liturgies we constantly hold at the College.
3. Transformation (the faith we live) among us so that in turn we become the hands and feet of our Lord to a community where the less fortunate and the wider community experience and encounter Christ through our service and our love.



An example of this Transformation aspect has been the student centered learning projects Year 11 & 12 students have completed. A recent Year 12 group called " Kaitiaki Taiao" have focused on the Catholic Social Teaching Principle of Stewardship and the Zero Carbon Act in Aotearoa. As part of this they have researched and analysed the current planting scheme of 1 billion trees by 2028 and provided some solutions in order for Aotearoa to be Carbon Neutral by 2050.

An extract of their report is below:

"Over the course of Yr 12 Religious Education Social Action programme for the past two weeks, we have researched about New Zealand's efforts towards keeping New Zealand's environment clean and preventing the spread of climate change. We discovered the Government's "1 Billion Tree Movement", which aims to have planted one billion trees by the year 2028. The movement started in 2016 and as of the time of writing, they have planted 24,635,933 trees, and they also aim New Zealand to become carbon neutral by the year 2050. But only 2.5% of the aim has been planted over the past three years and therefore at this rate they are not going to be able to reach the goal as we only have 9 years left until the deadline. At the current rate it is going to take a total of 120 years to plant 1 billion trees".

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LEARNING ASSESSMENTS

Senior Religious Education students are currently completing assessments on their term two topics. The assessments can be completed in various manners outside of a traditional essay or report. Please take time to discuss with your son/ daughter what they have been learning and how they will present their learning in Week 10.



Year Level	Topic of Learning
Year 11	A Call to Social Action
Year 12	Living out the Catholic Social Teaching Principles
Year 13	Ultimate Questions

GARIN COLLEGE HELP!!!

Garin College would appreciate your help in receiving any framed images of Christ or crucifixes that will be used in our Sacred Space. Please email jeremycumming@cloud.garincollege.ac.nz or please come into the College Office.



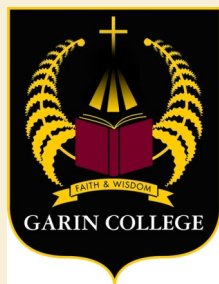
"Faith Facts" Week 9 Term Two cont...

GARIN COLLEGE CARITAS UPDATE



During Tuesday's Assembly we celebrated the work of our Garin College student body and the mahi of Megan Ritchie & Jediah Frethey (Christian Service Leaders). Caritas Aotearoa provided the College with a certificate of thanks and a special mention for the \$4,436.70 that Garin College raised as part of the Walk - a - Thon that took place in March. These funds will go towards Caritas' work in South Sudan that focuses on emergency food supplies, peace building workshops and agricultural training.

PRAYER



Heavenly Father,
We thank you for the gift of our Catholic faith
And the giftedness of people
Who share the Church's mission of
Educating the young people
So that they may recognise the face of God
In spite (or even in) the brokenness of this world.
We ask you to bless and continually inspire us
That we may always seek your holy will
Grant that we may faithfully live out
The ethics of justice and love
As we realise our identity
And mission as a Catholic college.

PARISH/ COLLEGE LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

During Term Three Year 13 Garin College students will be analysing the response of the Catholic Church to a range of Ethical issues such as Pornography, Artificial Intelligence, Technology & Euthanasia. The programme runs from September - November and will involve guest speakers and experts of these particular issues. We are opening up our classrooms for Parishioners to learn alongside the young people of our College. You will have the opportunity to share your thoughts and opinions as well as learning about how and why the Church responds to these current challenges. The Garin College Religious Education Faculty view a Parish/ College partnership as being imperative to the development of our young people in faith. The classes operate during the day (Monday - Friday). If you are interested in this opportunity please email Jeremy on jeremycumming@cloud.garincollege.ac.nz



Kia ora from the Garin Health Team

Wow, we are at the end of week 9 already. Term 2 is almost over, and what a busy term it has been! With that in mind, please remember: this time of year it is normal for stress levels to be high, and people are often feeling quite burnt out. Seeing a counsellor/therapist can be a great way of managing this.

Within New Zealand culture there is an amount of stigma that exists around counselling and therapy. We are working to break through that.

Talking and connecting is a basic human need; we are social creatures, and there is nothing wrong with asking for help if you are finding it hard on your own.

Humans are made to talk to other people, and doing that through therapy is totally okay.

Here are 5 things that your therapist wants you to know about therapy

1. Therapy doesn't mean unduly dredging up the past.
2. A good therapist can help you to develop your own resources and give you tools that can help you in the future.
3. Therapy can help you to understand, and explore the role of your emotions
4. Therapy can help you to understand yourself better.
5. Therapy can help you change the lens in which you see your life, or reframe your life story.

Just a reminder that we really aren't scary!

Enjoy your weekend and the last week of term,

Nga mihi, The Garin Health Team

Garin Mathix 2019



Well done to our teams who competed in the Mathix competition on Wednesday night. Not placed this year but our teams competed really well.

Jack Hateley, Josh Hobden, Zoe Clark, Amy Clark

DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP for Women



Is meeting on **Saturday 13 July at 2pm.** This month we are going to study a piece of scripture using the Lectio

Divina method.

Come and join us and maybe learn something new.

We look forward to seeing you in the Parish Centre at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, William Street, Richmond. Contact Mary 03 5410770.

For more information. www.dove.org.nz



EARTH & SPACE CAMP

ESC

Earth & Space Camp is bound to be a far-out mission, launching students to the edge of space and returning them to earth. Details of the itinerary for this far-out mission can be found here:

<https://hakaeducationaltours.com/private/ministry-of-inspiration-usa-2010/>

If you have big curiosities, a great willingness to learn & explore new ideas, an eagerness to participate in REAL teamwork, including fundraising, fill out the application – extra pages expected - and fly it back to the ESC team.

Nuts and Bolts:

- September holidays 2020-two full weeks
- 1 week NASA Space Camp, 1 week Los Angeles STEAMS
- For Year 10-13 in 2020
- Cost approximately \$10000 plus insurance
- 15 spaces available
- Application Due Monday, 5 August by 5pm. *Application form available on website link above.*
- Selection of participants, Saturday 10 August

**INFORMATION Meeting:
6 pm, 4 July at Nelson College Staff Room.**

KAMAR PORTAL - REPORT COMMENTS

Parents please keep checking for report comments on the Kamar portal. Seniors are available, juniors will be from week 10.

The information about how to find on the portal :

- Once logged in to the Portal, from the menu bar, choose **Results**, then **Current Year Results** as shown
- You will find results, progress grades and comments for each subject in this section.
- The Te Aho report - our fortnightly student engagement report - will continue to be available through the Kamar Parent Portal. This is found under the Class Efforts tab as seen above

