Greetings from St Bede's

12 February 2016

In this period of Lent, two happenings this week prompt these thoughts. First the funeral of a cricketing team mate of mine, and secondly the remarkable story of Jake Bailey, the head boy of Christchurch Boys' High School last year.

On Wednesday, the Reverend Mike Hawke, an Anglican Minister officiated at the funeral of fellow cricketer Andrew John Hintz, who tragically died at the age of 52, after losing a battle to cancer.

Reverend Mike, well known as a keen cricketer himself, made reference to the fact that "Hintzy" was being buried on Ash Wednesday. His subsequent reflection I will endeavour to encapsulate as part of this message.

He told the story of an accident he had had as a child. The scar it left on his arm even years later is a physical reminder of a scary and dangerous moment in his childhood. He then went on to speak of the scar of cancer on so many sufferers such as Andrew. This leads me to reflect upon the story last night about Jake Bailey, as he battled with cancer, one could see how cancer had scarred his life.

The Reverend Hawke continued speaking about the emotional scar in the lives of Andrew's family...his wife and two school aged children. The scar on their hearts that comes from the physical departure of a husband and a father.

He likened the scar we all have to the ashes we receive on Ash Wednesday which remind us of our human frailties, whether it is illnesses or mistakes we make. In ancient times people who committed sins dusted their bodies in ashes to show repentance. The act of having ashes placed on our foreheads shows that we aren't perfect and we acknowledge we make mistakes, which scars us. We therefore need to ask forgiveness from God.

Scars of all varieties, heal slowly, sometimes quickly. If we were to follow the Easter message, those scars are our Good Fridays. However, as people of hope we believe there is an Easter Sunday.

Jake Bailey, the recent old boy of CBHS is a person of hope. It radiated through in his interview on Seven Sharp last night as he celebrated the news of a remission after three months of agonising treatment....if you like that was his Good Friday.

Like wise in a message of hope to Andrew Hintz's family the scar in their lives, their Good Friday, would in time change to be their Easter Sunday and that their physical loss will diminish, while the memories of a good man, son, husband and father will never fade.

The newsletter as always records there is plenty on already. We are off to a good start.

Until next week

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Justin Boyle Rector

BEDEAN COMMUNITY NEWS

Please remember in your prayers:

- Matt Ryall (Yr9) and his family on the recent passing of his grandfather.
- Richard Chandler, who tragically passed away yesterday.

We ask for continuing prayers for those who are in hospital or unwell in our Bedean

College Notices

Mrs Nola Kilpatrick
Deputy Rector – Curriculum
Provisional NCEA results

Interim results have been released to schools. A snap shot of our participation rates shows the follow:

Community.

NB Year level not NCEA level (National % in brackets)								
Yr11	90%	(83.6)		Merit	32%	Excellence	13%	
Yr12	92%	(87.4)		Merit	29%	Excellence	12%	
Yr13	79%	(81.3)		Merit	27%	Excellence	13%	
University Entrance		65%	(54.8%)				
Literacy Level 1		99%	(91%)					
Numeracy Level 1		98%	(89%)					

Yesterday we acknowledged the success of our Yr13 students in their NCEA Level Two results and presented the Academic Honours Pockets at their assembly. Those highlighted in **bold** achieved more than 80 excellence credits and receive our Gold award. Congratulations to:

Archelle	Abalos	James	McCrea
Cameron	Bartlett	Connor	McSweeney
Maui	Brennan	Samuel	Moore
Sion	Davies	Peter	O'Connor
Jack	Dixon	Matthew	Pemberton
Sam	Johnstone	Joshua	Read
Hamish	Laing	Morgan	Scragg
Justin	Lee	Jaime	Sequeira
Benjamin	Mattingly	Caleb	Simpson

Scholarship results have been released this week. We congratulate the following on their success:-

Justin Jordan Biology

Tom Crean Agriculture & Geography

Reviews and Reconsiderations for 2015 NCEA & Scholarship external examination results.

Students who sat NCEA examinations last year will now be receiving returned exam answer booklets. They must check all answer booklets for errors and talk to their teacher or the HOF if unsure. They may be eligible for additional credits.

Candidates will be able to apply for a review or reconsideration by logging in and clicking on the relevant link in their Learner login. Reconsideration applications and payments are made on-line and for review applications, candidates must download their personalised review form, complete it, then send it in with the relevant examination booklet or portfolio.

Applications for NCEA reconsideration and reviews must be made by 19 February 2016. For more information see: http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/reviews-and-recons

A review should only be requested for a processing error and carries no fee.

Candidates can apply for a reconsideration if they believe that their work has not been marked. This carries a fee per standard.

- Applications for reviews and reconsiderations for NCEA externally assessed standards close on Friday,
 19 February but students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.
- Scholarship reviews and reconsiderations close on Friday, 4 March.

Students who do not have access to a computer should contact NZQA on 0800 697 296 for a copy of the reconsideration application form.

It is advisable for students to talk to their teachers prior to applying for a review or reconsideration.

Student Documents: NCEA Certificates, Record of Achievement & School Results Summary Reminder:

students need to order from their Learner login any documents they are eligible for and want copies of. NCEAs, Record of Achievement and, for school leavers, the School Results Summary **will not** be automatically sent to students in April as they were in the past.

Weekly Notes

These will begin next week.

NCEA Information Evening Wednesday March 2, 2016 7-8 pm Performing Arts Centre

Dr Rachael Hawkey Head of Faculty – Arts

A Tragic Passing

We were shocked and saddened to learn of the sudden death of Richard Chandler on Thursday. Mr Chandler had taught piano and bassoon as part of the itinerant teaching staff at St. Bede's for well over twenty years. His students benefited enormously from his dedication to music and his high standards, and a number of students received top NCEA grades due to his teaching. It was a joy to hear him playing from down the corridor during his lessons. He will be greatly missed and we offer our deepest condolences to his family. RIP.

Mrs Amanda Surridge Learning Support

Peer Tutors

We are looking for responsible Year 12 and Year 13 boys who would like to be Peer Tutors on a Thursday morning from 8 – 9am. If any boys would like to tutor can you please ask them to come to the Learning Support room to sign up.

Special Assessment Conditions (SAC)

All Year 11 - 13 boys receiving Special Assessment Conditions (SAC) for NCEA need to come to the Learning Support Room to sign their Student Applications as soon as possible.

Could I also ask any parents who have not yet sent in feedback regarding the SAC conditions their son's used last year for the NCEA exams to do so as soon as possible.

Reader/Writer assistants

We are in need of volunteers to assist as reader/writers for our students. The job is enjoyable and no prior knowledge is needed. The role would be suited to anyone who enjoys working with young people. If you are unable to volunteer your time, and you have a son who requires learning support assistance, we would be very grateful of any donations to cover the cost of support that your son will be receiving. Please contact me regarding either being a reader/writer or making a donation assurridge@stbedes.school.nz

Parent Information Evening

We are holding an information evening for the parents of students who require learning support on Monday, 29 February from 4 – 5pm in the College staffroom. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible. Please RSVP to Amanda Surridge@stbedes.school.nz if you are interested in attending

Whaea Kaycee

Maori Teacher

St Bede's Whānau Committee Hui

Event Whānau Committee meetingPlace St Bede's College swimming poolTime Thursday, 18 February, 5pm-7-pm

All the Maori students at St Bedes College and Whaea Kaycee have agreed to start a whānau committee. This committee would be run by whānau and students. Collectively we wish to promote Maori in many areas of the college. It would be great to hear your ideas on how we could approach this. Next Thursday on the 18th of February at 5-7pm, there will be an informal barbeque that we wish you all to attend; all family and tamariki are welcome. It will be held at school in the pool area, if you could bring a plate of food that would be awesome, it can just be a small contribution. We wish to develop a sense of family connection and whānaungatanga. This will hopefully be the start of a regular whānau committee. If you require a ride we can arrange to pick you up and drop you home.

If you are going to attend the barbeque could you please get back to us through Whaea Kaycee's cell phone number on 0212900753 or reply to this

Mauri Ora, hope to see you there.

email by Monday the 15 February.

Upcoming Events

February Week Three

Confirmed as a Bedean, tbc

Mon 15 BOT Meeting

Tues 16 Athletic Sports

Yr9 Benedict & Colin Parent Meeting 5-6.30pm

Canterbury S.S Tennis Champs

Wed 17 Wednesday Sport Starts

Yr9 McCarthy & Mannix Parent

Meeting 5-6.30pm

Thu 18 Athletics Day Two

Canterbury S.S. Triathlon Champs

Yr9 Redwood Parent Meeting,

5-6.30pm

Fri 19 Class & individual photos

Week Four

Sun 21-Tue 23 Silverstream Cricket Exchange—

away

Tue 23 CANDO Cards

Thu 25 Academic Assembly Fri 26 Junior Dance

Sat 27 Canterbury SS Touch Champs

Week Five

Mon 29 Learning Support Parent Information Meeting, 4-5pm

MARCH

Wed 2 NCEA Info Evening, PAC 7pm

PTA Meeting, 7.30pm, Staffroom Wed 2-Fri 4 Yr13 History Field Trip

Thu 3– Fri 4 OPU Lake Guyon

Sat 5-Sun 6 Canterbury Rowing Champs-

Lake Hood

ST BEDE'S COLLEGE SPORT

Mrs Clare Kissick Director of Sport

Wednesday Summer Sport

Wednesday summer Sport starts this Wednesday, 17 February, please make sure your son checks the sports noticeboard to see where they are playing and at what venue they are playing.

Cricket

GIVE CRICKET A GO IN 2016

It may be the first week of school but cricket at St Bede's is well placed for another successful year. This year ten teams will represent St Bede's in the Christchurch Metro competition and this represents a significant increase in playing numbers.

Touch

We wish all our students well who are playing for Canterbury teams in the National Touch tournament that is being held in Christchurch this weekend.

Swimming Sports

We had a great day on Tuesday with every student enjoying the day and all swam for house points. The winning House was Colin, Redwood was close behind then Benedict, Mannix and McCarthy needing to make amends at the Athletic Sports.

Championship races will be held one afternoon within the next few weeks with a team picked to attend Canterbury Secondary School Champs on Thursday, 31 March.







Rowing Meeting

OARSOME O'FARE

This is a great fundraising night for all rowing schools and is held at McKenzie and Wills in Blenheim Road on Friday, 19 February, tickets are available from the school office and cost of \$25.00 per ticket.

This will see the annual silent auction fundraiser again take place at McKenzie & Willis between 5.30-8.00pm. This is a great opportunity to support the fundraising efforts of all those secondary schools with rowing crews. St Bede's Rowing has some great prizes on offer and extra tickets available for sale. The \$25 ticket gets you entry to the event, along with wine and nibbles and the chance to bid on some awesome items.

Get together with a group of friends and make a night of it. If you can't make it along you can still bid on any of the prizes....which include:

- Night for Two at The George in a premium executive suite, with breakfast
- Night for Two at Hotel Montreal junior suite, with breakfast
- Hanmer Family Package (which includes entry to the pool, mini golf and Village Cruiser ride)
- Corporate Team Entry to Mud Sweat & Tears
- Original Art
- Mountford 2011 Pinot Noir
- Lamb
- Weekend at Tekapo Holiday Home
- \$1,000 Radio Advertising Voucher
- Corporate Box at Christchurch Races
- All About You beauty vouchers
- V for Hair hair salon vouchers
- House Plant pack to the value of \$200 from Zealandia
- Home Garden pack to the value of \$200 from Zealandia
- \$100 Countdown grocery vouchers
- \$100 meal voucher from Curator's House
- Cricket bat signed by Brendan McCullum

Contact Bernie Campbell on stbedesrowingchch@gmail.com or 027 484 7229 for more details and to secure your tickets.

Football update

St Bede's College Football Club is holding their **Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, 2 March** in the College boardroom at 7.00pm. This club is responsible for running all Football in the College and if your son intends to play then you are encouraged to attend this meeting. The Club is also looking for parents to take positions on the committee as they have lost six long serving committee members.

St Bede's College policy is that all students are encouraged to play sport for the College.

All grades of Football start on Saturday, 2 April.

All students wishing to try out for the 1st XI have a training run 18, 23, and 25 February.

Under 19 and Under 17 trials are on Sunday, 28 February and 6 March at 1.00 to 3.00pm on the back fields. Under 15 trials will take place on Sunday, 28 February and 6 March at 10.00 to 12.00pm on the back fields.

Cricket Draw for Saturday, 13 February 2016

ST BEDE'S TEAM	WHO YOU ARE PLAYING	VENUE	STARTING
1 ST XI (Also playing Sunday)	Christ College 1st XI	Christ College 1	10.30 am
2 ND XI	Christ College 3rd XI	St Bede's College 1	10.30am
3 rd XI	CBHS5thXI	Straven 6a	
Colts	Christ College Colts	Christ College 3	10.30am
Youth XI	North West 3rd XI	Burnside Park 5	1.00pm
Year 10A	South West Year 10	Catholic Cathedral College	1.00am
Year 9A	CBHS9ABlack	St Bede's College 4a	10.30am
Year 9 Red	Christ College	CC Metro 5	1.00pm
Year 9 Black	Shirley Boys' High School	St Bede's College 5a	1.00pm
Year 9 White	Middleton Grange	Rannerdale Fields 1	1.00pm

For all Cricket information click on St Bede's College Cricket Club website www.stbedescricket.school.nz

Athletics

A huge congratulation to **Tom Moulai** who competed in the International Street Mile, in Christchurch last weekend, where Tom finished a very credible 5th place ahead of Tom was Nick Willis, Rowan Gregson, Brent Robinson who are all Olympic champions and Brad Matters who is the 4 time New Zealand title holder for 800m. Well done Tom and we look forward to watching you run on Tuesday and Thursday at our College Athletic Sports.

St Bede's PTA

PTA Welcomes All Parents & Staff

The St.Bede's PTA are welcoming new members in 2016 (we do that every year ①) and already have plans for some fun ways to raise funds to help the boys and the College.

Want to know more about this fun loving and fund raising group? Come along and meet us at our AGM on Wednesday, 2 March @6.45pm in the Staffroom.

Not a Committee person but still want to help? Join the new 'Friends of the PTA'. We will email only a few times a year when we need extra help for an event. It's easy.... send your email address to Tracy at tracy@allaboutyou.co.nz As is said, 'Many hands make light work!'

We look forward to your support, either as a committee member, as A Friend of the PTA or at one of our fabulous fundraiser!

Community News

Bus Service

A notice to all parents, inviting those in the east of ChCh, to consider using a bus service which goes from Sumner, via the Oxidation ponds and Queen Elizabeth Drive to St Bedes? If interested, could those parents please contact me on 021 815 051. Liza Sparrow

Weekly Parent Prayer Group for St Bede's College

'For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them' Mathew 18:20

There are just over fifty people, made up of parents, Old Boys and supporters of St Bede's who have made a commitment for pray for the needs of the boys, teachers, staff and families of this mighty school. As the new school year begins, we welcome any new members to join.

This group prays wherever and whenever God allows them time – be it in the car, garden or a dedicated quiet space. Also, three or four people from the group meet in the School Chapel each Tuesday at 2.15 pm to pray together.

With the blessing of the Rector, the group subscribes to a weekly email from Irene Maguire – a parent and a Pastoral Associate from St Joseph's Parish. Irene contacts the group weekly via email with any prayer requests for that week, along with the regular prayers for all the general needs of the school.

If joining this group sounds like something you would like to do - that is to pray for your son and the school - please contact Irene on <u>i.maguire@clear.net.nz</u> or 0276229415 for more information.

Street Talk - Defensive Driving Course - NZTA Approved Course

Cost \$170 includes 4 sessions in class & 1 hour practical session

Held: St Bede's College after school 3-5pm

Dates - Monday, 22 February, Monday, 29 February, Monday, 7 March, Monday, 14 March

Enrol on line at www.fusiontrust.co.nz or e-mail Carolyn@fusiontrust.co.nz

Text: 027 229 8018

Sign-up sheet: Mrs Davidson's office

Why you should attend a defensive driving course? Whether you're on your learner or restricted licence, you'll still reduce the time to your full licence by 6 months.

Yes, you can drive yourself on a restricted licence – but only at certain times or with an experienced driver. You can't take your family, or your friends, anywhere. You can't be on the road between 10pm and 5am without risking fines, demerit points or being uninsured if something happens. It's for your own safety, but wouldn't it be great to reduce months off this time as well as making yourself safer on our roads?