

CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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# CHRONICLE



# New Boarding Facilities

**Order is emerging from the chaos that has disrupted the river end of the School campus for most of this year.**



Walters House. Part of the original 1890s residence.

As soon as the 1996 school year finished demolition workers arrived to raze all but the original 1890s two-storey limestone residence of Walters House. At the same time pathways at the southern end of the campus were ripped up, trenches prepared and new service lines were laid for water, electricity, telephones and computing networks. The Preparatory School was fenced off to keep the children safe from the building activities. Then work began in earnest.

The new Walters House includes two spacious wings of well-defined living, sleeping and study areas for eighty-five junior and senior boys. The original residence will be the boys' library and recreational facility. Residential accommodation is provided for the Head of House Graham Ferguson, Assistant Head of House Robin Dunn and House



The bulldozers razed all but the original building.

Mother Jenny Turner and their families. There is also accommodation for three single Resident Tutors. The orientation to the river provides an attractive and expansive outdoor recreational area.

During 1997 all Walters and McClemans juniors (Years 7, 8 and 9) were accommodated in the Parry House building with access to the usual dormitory, study and recreation facilities.

Walters and McClemans seniors (Years 11 and 12) were accommodated in McClemans House, each boy having study and sleeping cubicle facilities and the use of existing recreational areas.

Artist's impression of the new Walters Boarding House.

Walters and McClemans Year 10 boys were accommodated in temporary, comfortable, fully serviced, carpeted and air-conditioned buildings containing dormitories, bathrooms and verandas. During 'prep' they studied in the School Library, fully supervised by boarding staff.

This temporary accommodation will be used again in 1998 when McClemans (Senior) and Parry (Junior) Houses will be linked and refurbished to bring them up to the same standard as the new Walters. The combined McClemans-Parry facility will be known as McClemans House. Again residential accommodation will be provided for Head of House Neil Saggars, Assistant Head of House Peter Wray and House Mother Carole Holloway and their families as well as for three single Resident Tutors.

Staff and boys are looking forward to moving into new Walters House next year. A review of pastoral care has led to an increase in the number of families living with the boys. The Head of Boarding, Mr Graham Ferguson, who is also the Head of Walters House, says: "The new boarding development is tremendously exciting and the boys will have a real feeling of being with adults who genuinely care for them". He believes that "the boarders are totally involved in the School" and there is a "real sense of community amongst the boarding population".

*The new Walters House will be officially opened on Speech Night, 5 December 1997, and will be in use from the beginning of 1998.*

The redevelopment of boarding facilities is the first project on the School's Master Plan. It has been funded mainly from School reserves and borrowings. Meanwhile plans for the next major project - the Library Resource Centre - are under way. A large portion of the cost of this project will come from the best start in life fundraising campaign which all members of the School family are being asked to support.



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# From the Headmaster's Desk

## Coming of Age

The last issue of Chronicle was number 21. It seems only yesterday we bundled the first one into the mail. And all edited by the redoubtable Mrs Jan Broun! To mark Chronicle's majority we have given it a face lift. We hope that you approve.

## A Day in the Life

Today began with Chapel and Assembly. A typical Thursday, and a typical Assembly program.

A rock band played a wonderful piece; driving rhythm, yet soulfully melodic. Lead guitarist David Thompson had made his own instrument, finely crafted wood glowing with varnish and metal-flecked paint. What a sound!

We welcomed Professor Fiona Stanley. She came to thank our cadets who at the drop of a slouch hat helped the Child Health Research Institute. Following that a representative of the Leukaemia Foundation thanked Romsey House for raising \$1,500 in support. Each year all Houses take on similar challenges.

The Chaplain thanked the hoys who helped at Synod. I welcomed our new Director of Cricket, whose brief is development of the game from Years 1 to 12. We offered good wishes to our Solar Car Challenge finalists (and heard later that day that they had won the State Championships). I reminded the boys that our Cadet Unit was on show on Saturday at the WA Cadets Presentation Parade at Leeuwin Barracks, to be awarded the trophies for Confidence Course, NavEx, Unit Efficiency, and Top Unit in the State.

School surfing competition awards were presented. There were congratulations for all involved in the latest edition of our literary magazine, Impressions. Prize-winning cover artist Ben Garwood received his award. Two current School

art exhibitions were announced. Pennants and trophies were awarded to the many Years 8 to 12 teams successful in the Western Australian Debating League and AHISA competitions. Ten boys received plaques for being in the top 400 of the 90,000 students who sat the Royal Australian Chemical Institute examinations... six of the ten had perfect scores! On top of that, I had the pleasure of awarding David Thackaberry a gold medal ... for gaining the highest mark of all Western Australian participants in the 1997 Australian Science Competition!

*Week by week Assembly celebrates a tremendously wide range of challenges, activities and personal bests, not just for high flying students or sportsmen, but for every boy willing to participate and make a difference.*

## Support

This edition of Chronicle reflects that sense of celebration, with a special emphasis on serving the community beyond School walls. Our boys want to lend a hand. So do parents and old boys, giving moral and practical support not only in the wider community but also in building the best possible learning community at Christ Church.

I am tremendously appreciative of the efforts made by so many to raise almost \$1 million to launch the best start in life campaign. The generosity of the first 130 donors inspires us as we take on the challenge of raising another \$3 million over the next three years. Thank you.

# The best start in life

**The best start in life campaign was launched on 30 April 1997. The goal is to raise \$4 million to supplement the cost of the building projects in Stage One of the School's Master Plan.**

Led by Campaign Chairman John Hughes, John Poynton, Rod Shea and Ray West (chairing the Leadership, Key and General Gifts Committees respectively) are working with small teams of volunteers to approach all School families for donations. The immediate task is to attract more team members as it takes a long time to make contact with School families, explain the projects and answer questions. Even so the progress to date has been very heartening indeed.

*At the time of Chronicle going to press 180 families have been approached and 13 J have pledged to the best start in life campaign. Donations of almost \$ 1 million have been received from these supporters - an excellent response.*

All School families will be approached in due course. When considering how you might help please remember that many of the School's present facilities are the result of the generosity of former School families and that your donation will contribute to the long-term plan to maintain first-class teaching and learning facilities for countless Christ Church boys both now and in the future.

Christ Church Grammar School acknowledges, with sincere thanks, the following donors who have who have supported **the best start** in life fundraising campaign:

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In addition there are 14 Anonymous Donors

Donations received after 15 October 1997 will be acknowledged in the next issue of **Chronicle**.





# FOUNDATION

## Wills and Bequests

Christ Church Grammar School actively seeks gifts from members of the School community by way of bequests. Last year the Mitre Society was formed to honour those donors who include the School in their wills.

**Since the launch of the Mitre Society in May 1996 expressions of interest have been received from thirty-five people or families, with eleven of these confirming a bequest to School.**

This positive response will, in time, contribute greatly to the continuing development of Christ Church and help protect it against declining Government funding.

A bequest is an especially helpful method of providing support to the School. It is a lasting way



of investing in the future of Christ Church Grammar School; of helping students in need; providing scholarships; enhancing the School's broad curriculum and providing funds for buildings and projects beyond the normal scope of the School's financial means.



Dr Keith Currie (1924-31) and Archivist Wendy Hillman. Dr Currie, who was Captain of School in 1931, is the most recent member of the Mitre Society.

*Your bequest, large or small, will play an important part in the future of the School.*

If you are considering a bequest it is strongly recommended that you discuss the matter with Andrew Baird, the School's Bequest Officer, to see how your interests can best be accommodated with the School's interests. Literature about bequests and wills is also available. Please contact Andrew Baird on (08) 9442 1528 for further information.

Dr C M Robin Gray (teacher 1960-67) receives his Mitre Society membership lapel badge from the Headmaster at an Old Boys Reunion held in the Savage Club, Melbourne.



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Christ Church Grammar School Old Boys' Hockey Club. (B2 Grade). Premiers 1936. Back Row: P R McRostie (Captain), J K Barsden (Vice Captain), R Counsel, S Simmons, I Bateman, W AVinden. Front Row: J E Nielsen, A B Giles, A W Nielsen, H T Bird, N G Barsden. Photograph donated to the Archives by Ray Counsel.



## Donations to the Archives

RAY COUNSEL (1928-32) donated a photograph of the Christ Church Grammar School Old Boys B2 Grade Hockey Team, 1936. It is interesting to note that the team won the premiership after coming second in the Challenge Cup. He also donated his blue and gold striped Old Boy Blazer. It is a wonderful acquisition for the School Archives.

Ray Counsel 1997 wearing his 1930s Old Boy Blazer.

KEITH CURRIE (1924-31) donated a further collection of Aboriginal artefacts to the School. Beautifully decorated baobab nuts and a pair of kadicha shoes are amongst the latest acquisitions.



John Stanton and Carly Lane. In December 1995, and again in early 1997, Dr Keith Currie (1924-31) donated collections of Aboriginal artefacts to Christ Church. In April of this year School Archivist, Wendy Hillman, invited John Stanton, Curator of the Berndt Collection at the University of Western Australia, and his Assistant, Carly Lane, to view the collection so that they could help identify and date the artefacts. They were impressed with the collection.



PETER POTTER (1939-45) donated a 1945 Fete program: Demonstration by Christ Church Grammar School Senior Cadets and Juniot Red Cross. The program cost six pence and afternoon tea one shilling, all proceeds for the West Australian Junior Red Cross Crippled Children's Home. Peter also donated a 1949 Old Boys' Association Annual Ball ticket. In those days the cost of a double ball ticket was nine shillings and four pence plus three shillings and fourpence tax!

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# SCHOOL



## Scholarships

The School takes pleasure in announcing the award of Scholarships for 1998 to the following hoys:

### COUNCIL ENTRY SCHOLARSHIPS

**Sam Brophy-Williams**

Mosman Park Primary School

**Clement K C Chan**

Christ Church Grammar School

**David M Drakes**

Christ Church Grammar School

**Dylan J Foley**

Christ Church Grammar School

**Benjamin A Mather**

North Cottesloe Primary School

### MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

**Ping-Yuan Hsu**

Christ Church Grammar School

**Benjamin Woffenden**

Christ Church Grammar School

### THE JOHN CHILVERS

### OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

**Robert Thorley**

Cooke Point Primary School, Port Hedland

## Maths Awards

The Australian Mathematics Competition attracted more than 530,000 entrants from thirty-six countries, including 440,000 from Australia.

Bill Mailes, Head of Mathematics, reports that Christ Church entered 524 students in the competition. Thirteen of those boys have received Prize Certificates, a cheque and a Prize lapel pin.

The prize winners are Christopher Heyes (Year 8); Henry Fang (who received a Special Certificate for the best result in the School), Richard O'Sullivan and Mark Peters (Year 9); James Andrewartha, Paul Tilbrook, David Solomon and Michael Collin (Year 10); Michael Molinari, Hsien-Wern Chan and Tony Ma (Year 11) and David Thackaberry and Peter Andrewartha (Year 12).

As well, thirty-one boys earned Certificates of High Distinction, placing them in the top two percent of the entrants, 128 earned Certificates of Distinction for being in the top fifteen percent of entrants, and a further 190 earned Certificates of Credit.



A Coast to Scarp Field Excursion formed part of the Year 11 Geography course. Teachers Richard Wait, Rosemary Cawley and Peter Brien took their students to the John Forrest National Park where they sketched and took field notes of rock formations and the waterfall.



# Breaking Barriers

This year the general theme of the staff's annual professional development seminar was Promoting the Quality of Teaching and Learning. Dr Simon Clarke, the School's Professional Development Officer, described it as an exercise to break down curriculum barriers. An integral component of the proceedings was a series of curriculum workshops presented by guest speakers and various sections and departments of the School.



During Dr Peter Whitmore's Chemistry Instrumentation workshop he demonstrated the use of pH probes which are replacing the use of test tubes in the laboratory, swimming pool and kitchen. He is watched by Cam Ha Sheehan. Peter Williamson, Kathryn O'Connor. Alistair McNeil, Terry MacGill, Trevor Richards and Michael Daddi.

The main objectives were to:

- promote reflection, discussion and action about curriculum related issues
- inform staff about the latest teaching and learning strategies occurring in different areas of the School
- facilitate a more cohesive curriculum, especially in the middle years of schooling.

The opportunity for teachers to examine the curriculum from a holistic standpoint rather than from the usual departmental perspective was most enlightening. Furthermore, the exercise was timely as it occurred on the eve of the Curriculum Council's publication of its draft curriculum framework. It is hoped that the seminar helped to set the scene for what promises to be a rigorous debate on curriculum matters over the next few months.

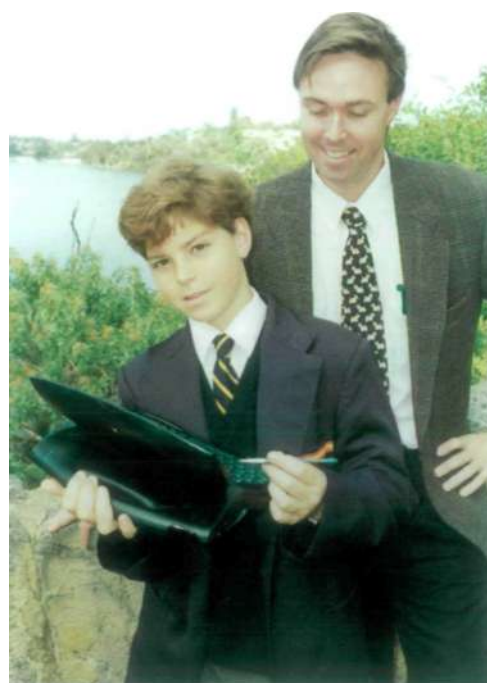
Peter Murray looks on as Phillip Adams (Year 8) communicates with his keypal on an Apple Emate computer.

# Keypals

A Global Communication Email Exchange Project has been set up by Information Technology (IT) Mentor Peter Murray.

Initially Peter called for expressions of interest from Senior School staff. When commitment to the project was guaranteed he created and installed student email accounts and the necessary software.

A message was posted to the Intercultural E-Mail Classroom Connections server requesting email exchange partners for Christ Church. Interested teachers from other countries made contact. Initially there was a tremendous amount of communication between Peter and the overseas teachers to discuss what the students would write about and how to get the mechanics right.



The objectives of the project are to enable students:

- to use email software
- to use email as a means of communicating on a global scale
- to learn about other cultures and environments
- to discover the interests of overseas peers
- to increase written communication skills.

The project now involves five Year 8 Social Science classes, two Year 10 English classes, one Year 11 English class and one Year 11 English as a Second Language class. The countries involved are South Africa, Sweden, Germany (three schools), Canada, USA (three schools) Japan (two schools) and Israel.



Over 130 boys are involved in the project. From the start they have been tremendously enthusiastic.

Most students have three to four email partners from the countries mentioned. On average they receive a message every second day. They are not only keen to get their own mail but also to see what sort of messages their fellow students are receiving. So far the project has been extremely successful, with some warm relationships developing between Christ Church students and those across the planet.

Peter believes this to be a valuable exercise in establishing global links, exploring other cultures and experiencing life in other schools. Furthermore, the boys gain much from reinforcing writing techniques and learning new IT skills.

## Brisk Tempo

So many good sounds have been emanating from the Music Department at such a rapid rate that it is quite breathtaking.

Roy Rimmer, Director of Music, reports that as part of the new combined operations policy with Methodist Ladies' College (MLC) a newly formed Chamber Choir at twenty voices sang a full Evensong at St George's Cathedral in June.

A new Symphonic Winds Orchestra under the direction of Steve Williams now rehearses each Thursday evening. The members have already enjoyed a weekend camp at Point Walter, given Assembly performances at MLC and Christ Church, gained an Outstanding Award at the first attempt in the Senior Division of the Ministry of Education's Band Festival at Penrhos College and participated in the recent MLC concert.

One hundred and fifty students from both schools



were involved in wonderful performances of the Lionel Bart musical *Oliver* in Hadley Hall.

The Christ Church Guitar Ensemble under Director Murray Bishop also achieved an Outstanding Award at the recent Guitar Festival held at Churchlands Senior High School. The Concert Band (conducted by John Bates) and the Jazz Bands (under Thane Mandin) enjoyed a spirited day at the Toodyay Festival of the Arts in July.



Ben Woffenden on saxophone and Jason North on trombone at the combined social at MLC.

The visit of Melbourne Girls' Grammar was much enjoyed. Forty-five girls were billeted with Christ Church and MLC families. Concerts, workshops, assembly performances (The Grieg Piano Concerto was especially praiseworthy), visits to other schools and a lunch hour concert at the Cathedral were parts of the busy program. The week culminated in a combined band bash and social for the three schools at MLC.



Haslett Grounds. David Thompson, Tom Jasper and Michael Collin played at MLC.

The Christ Church Concerto Night was held on Friday 12 September. The standard of performance was high throughout this remarkable evening involving fifteen soloists in Concertos with the two orchestras. The concert ended with a fine performance of Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* with soloist Aiden Jackson. John Bates conducted the piece.

The Advent Carol Service will be held in the School Chapel on 3 December. Come along and sing. Everyone is welcome.

Jonathan Brooksby performing at the combined band bash and social for the three schools at MLC

At Kassel a street advertisement for the magazine **Art** reflects a passing blue tram.



The Rock Band Competition was a popular drawcard on House Arts Day. Timothy Dawkins (Year 11) performed on electric guitar in the Battle of the Bands.



Art, Drama and Music all featured strongly on House Arts Day on 23 September. Even the School dustbins were transformed into art forms.



## The Real Thing

Thanks to the generous support of the Parents' Association Art Teacher Gisela Zuchner-Mogall was able to visit numerous art exhibitions in Germany and France during the mid year holidays.

In Berlin she was overwhelmed by 'Art of the 20th Century' held in the Walter Gropius Haus and comprising the work of 145 artists. She said: "It is always breathtaking to stand in front of the originals, to be so close to art works normally admired in books only - especially when one lives in WA."



Gisela visited the Picasso Museum in Marais and the Rodin Museum in Paris. A particular treat was the huge retrospective devoted to Fernand Leger's work in the Centre Georges Pompidou. As

Gisela Zuchner-Mogall.

Gisela's teacher in Germany, Werner Kausch, had been Leger's pupil it was very special for her to view this selection of 220 paintings and drawings.

The biggest portion of Gisela's time was spent in Kassel visiting the amazing 'documenta X', the World Exhibition of Contemporary Art which has a 20 million deutschmark budget. She has written a detailed report of this and no doubt her art students will profit from her stimulating experience.



# FutureSchool

**Generous grants from both Parents' Association and Auxiliary enabled Kyrne Holloway, Director of Information Technology, to observe the application of information technology to educational practice and to study library layout and use in schools in the USA and UK. The highlight of his trip was a concentrated course at the FutureSchool Institute (FSI) at Brewster Academy, New Hampshire, USA.**

Brewster Academy, a private school catering for 300 Year 8-12 students, was run along [tradition.il](#) lines until about five years ago. Now it is based on the School Design Model. Kyrne was surprised to find that Dr Alan Bain, Deputy Head of Brewster and the creator of the model, was an Australian who had worked at UWA and that he was supported by Dr Clive Dimmock, also from UWA.

Components of the School Design Model were explained by members of the Brewster faculty or guest speakers during the twelve-day course. These were put into practice during workshop sessions.

Course participants, issued with a 650 page handbook and a workbook, were divided into groups and set many tasks. At the end of the first week each group had to describe a real or imagined school, its strengths and weaknesses, any barriers to change and its aims. At the end of the course each group described how it had restructured its school based on the content of the course.

Like all students at the school, course participants were provided with lap top computers. Every desk in the school is supplied with a power outlet and a network connection. Almost every aspect of the day to day running of the school involves the use of the computer which is totally integrated into the life of the school and seen and used as an everyday tool in the same way as we would use pencil, paper or telephone. The computer is integral to the classroom, enabling teachers to structure any given lesson to the various abilities and backgrounds of the students in the class.

The Model was evident in the computing manager's office where the infrastructure was designed to ensure that computer use was integrated seamlessly into the administration and

curriculum. The school-wide network even extends to the residences so that students may have full access to all programs at all times.



Kyrne found Brewster to be a dynamic, exciting and inspiring place. He was most impressed with the School Design Model. In particular he found great value in the deliberate and intentional way in which curriculum framework, selection of best practice teaching methods, use of physical space, educational philosophy, school organisation, professional development,

technology and evaluation were planned as part of the whole and how it was accepted and realised that each influenced the other. He believes Christ Church can only gain by adopting many of the processes he learnt about. He stresses the need for and the importance of continual staff professional development at each and every stage and recommends that Christ Church have more than one representative at the next FSI course.

Kyrne Holloway aboard the **Judge Sewell** on Lake Winnepesaukee beside which Brewster Academy is situated.

A side view of Brewster Academy



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# Teaching on Water

**Instead of teaching Nautical Studies at Christ Church Ron Jensen spent five months this year teaching in a floating classroom.**

West Island College of Montreal, Canada, began the Class Afloat project in a Polish vessel in 1985. Their purpose designed Concordia, a 57 metre Barquentine, set sail in 1992. The vessel can hold forty-eight students, six academic staff and nine professional crew in two and four berth air conditioned cabins, each with its own en suite.

*The concept is to provide Year 11 and 12 girls and boys with first hand experience of the history, culture and geography of other countries while attending formal classes in all the major academic disciplines and learning about sailing and teamwork.*

While some on board have completed their secondary education and are taking a 'year out' before heading off to college, most require a good result in their final exams at the end of the voyage for entry to college. Although the ship lacks some facilities like science laboratories, there are no distractions from TV and telephones and the students have their subject teachers close at hand for extra tuition.

The cost for a two semester voyage is US\$24,000 (single semester US\$14,000). Spending money and expenses to travel home at Christmas must be added to this. The cost should be kept in perspective and related to typical boarding school costs, with the added bonus of the student seeing much of the world. Some students have worked to contribute to their costs and some have gained sponsorship.

The 1996-97 voyage started August 1996 in San Diego in the USA and included Mexico, Galapagos Islands, Easter Island and Pitcairn Island amongst the many ports as they headed through the Pacific Ocean to Brisbane and Darwin. From Bali the students returned home for Christmas, re-joining the ship in late January in Port Klang (Malaysia).

Ron Jensen joined the journey in February. His ports of call included Penang and Langkawi in

Malaysia, Male and Rasdu Atolls in the Maldives; Jeddah (Saudi Arabia); Sue: (Egypt); Odessa (Ukraine); Kykonos, Naxos, faros and Crete in Greece; Valetta (Malta), Cagliari (Italy); Malaga (Spain); Gibraltar; Lisbon (Portugal); St Malo (France); Ostende (Belgium); Oslo (Norway) and C Copenhagen (Denmark).

Despite the travel Concordia is a secondary school and students are required to sit exams set by the Alberta and Quebec Education Authorities at the end of the second semester. The real bonus is the opportunities the students have to develop into far more mature people. Many factors on board influence this, not the least being the tough conditions. For many it is the first time away from their parents and they quickly learn to become responsible for their own actions. Tiredness, stress, working aloft in rough conditions and living in close proximity to one another adds to the experience. Valuable lessons are learned from having to deal with their own highs and lows and learning to be tolerant of others.

*Off the ship, students looked at and experienced the culture of each of the fifteen countries visited. The whole gamut of dealing with communications, both verbal and written, currency exchange rates, travel, local customs and so forth, enhanced that experience.*

Towards the end of the voyage, when students were asked their nationality, they were likely to reply; "World citizen of Canadian-American background".

Ron says: "Ultimately all on board were bonded by the experience and the friendships formed will last a lifetime. The final departure from the ship was extremely emotional ... as with many experiences of this sort only those who actually share the experience can fully understand and appreciate the value."



# Journey of Discovery

**The Torres Strait Islands expedition opened the hearts and minds of twenty Year 10 and 11 boys and staff members Mary-Jo Alvarez, John and Heather Norris and Mick O'Sullivan.**

The seeds for this journey were planted during the 1996 visit to the School of Father Saibo Mabo, the nephew of Eddie Mabo. It took Religious Education, Social Studies and Ethics teacher Mary-Jo Alvarez twelve months to bring it to fruition.

Meanwhile Mary-Jo taught the boys in her classes about respect for others, care for the land, racism

gone through and words could not express the sorrow and shame we felt".

Next day the group flew to Hope Island in the Torres Strait, then on to the beautiful island of Warraher. This 'dry' island (the islanders having made the decision to ban alcohol), with a population of approximately two hundred, has a primary school but teenagers must go to the



Boys and staff pose against a backdrop of wondrous ancient Aboriginal rock art.

and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history and culture. Guest speakers, videos and discussions on Aboriginal practices and a visit to the Aboriginal collection in the Western Australian Art Gallery widened the boys' understanding.

The boys and their parents helped with fundraising for the trip with a jumble sale, sausage sizzle, car washing, selling roses for Mothers' Day, the bottling and sale of wine and a luncheon.

The big adventure began when the party flew to Cairns in July. The next day they had fun exploring the Great Barrier Reef while learning valuable lessons in ecology. That evening old boy Dr Ernest Hunter (1959-65) spoke to them about the history of Aborigines in Queensland. As one Year 10 boy wrote in his diary: "This opened the group's eyes. ... We could see what they had

mainland for further education. The island has its own generator, radio station and running water and the people take great pride in their simple houses and perfectly tended gardens. They are trying to develop industries and to become self sufficient. Not only was this a ground-breaking visit for the Christ Church group, but the Islanders, who prize their seclusion, had not had such visitors before. Any initial wariness was quickly dispelled. The visitors were taken fishing and hunted for turtles and turtle eggs for the evening meal. Later everyone joined in a great game of basketball. The Christ Church boys were really impressed by the friendliness and generosity of the Islanders.

All too soon the group returned to the mainland for their eight day overland journey by 4 WD bus back to Cairns. The timing of their visit to Bamaga at the top of Cape York Peninsula was ideal. This Aboriginal-Torres Strait Island



The Australian, Torres Strait Island and Aboriginal flags fly together at Bamaga.



Standing at the northernmost point of the Australian continent.

community was commemorating National Aboriginal and Islander Day and the boys joined in the celebrations learning weaving, coconut carving, bush medicine, traditional dancing and games.

The party camped at Punsand Bay for two days, exploring the surrounding monsoon rainforests and old settlement sites. At Panjinka, at the tip of Cape York Peninsula, they found they were 3620 kilometres from Perth.

Travelling down the varied and spectacular country



In ceremonial dress at Bamaga on National Aboriginal and Islander Day.

In June 1996 the Environment Club became a regular Friday afternoon activity for Year 10 boys. It was led by Jarrad, Andrew and Michael Pavlos.

A major project at the Zoo was to clear, clean, paint and decorate a display area (garden and

of the Peninsula the group passed through national parks and Aboriginal lands, explored the landscapes and absorbed much local history. At Split Rock, the surrounding area once a great hunting site, they saw examples of Aboriginal rock art dating back thousands of years. They could understand how in ancient times art was the written language of the people. Afterwards they camped near an Aboriginal ceremonial ground.

The party passed through Jardine River, Mungkan Kaanju, Lakefield and the Daintree National Parks, their first-hand experiences of the rainforests increasing their awareness of these precious areas. Eventually they reached Cairns from where they flew back to Perth.

Mary-Jo was extremely pleased with the boys' response to their experiences. Although they had lots of fun there was a strong learning component to the expedition and she believes that their hearts and minds were opened to new perspectives.

Classes on the issues facing Aborigines continued until the end of term and the boys were recently privileged to listen to Mr Fred Chaney speak about the Mabo and Wik issues.

It is hoped that there will be another Torres Strait Island expedition in 1999.

## The Environment Club

The Christ Church Grammar School Environment Club was established in July 1995. The two founding members, Jarrad Scott and Andrew Humphrys, were in Year 10. An association with the Perth Zoo commenced in August of that year and it has continued to this day.

sheltered structure) for the endangered Carahy cockatoo species. This was officially opened in November 1996.

Other projects at the Zoo have included working with the orang-utans and making time enrichment implements (toys) for them, general cleaning and painting and preparing summer houses for the wombats.

Sheryl Gardner, English Teacher and Head of Hill House, coordinates the Environment Club, liaising with Tony Jupp and Eveline Reed at the Zoo.

Jarrad Scott (right) at the Perth Zoo with a young elephant and its keeper.





# Food for Thought

**Imagine never being able walk barefooted or sit on grass, wondering if your food is contaminated by radiation and living with the fear of your children being born with defects.**

In August the Centre for Ethics welcomed two visitors from the Russian city of Bryansk, which is just 100 kilometres north of Chernobyl. Natalia Dicun, a forty-two year old psychologist and Andrei Krychtop, a twenty-six year old photographer, were in Australia to talk about the dangers of nuclear power.



Given the history of Chernobyl and the surrounding area which remains highly contaminated following the 1986 accident, their stories had great poignancy. Natalia heads an organisation called 'Temple of Nature'. Andrei was recently awarded a prize for setting up an exhibition of photographs, drawings and stories entitled 'Chernobyl through Children's Eyes'. Their sobering message was not lost on the 350 Christ Church students who heard their stories and saw the art work of the Russian children, nor on those who attended the public meeting in the evening.

In late August the Centre for Ethics, in association with the Fremantle Children's Literature Centre, held an afternoon with Gary Crew whose books are read by many young people. The eighty students from the Preparatory School and forty Year 10 boys also heard readings from other authors including Sheryl Gardner from the Christ Church English Department. Another contributor was old boy Michael O'Hara (1960-71) whose illustrations appear in Gary Crew's books.

The newly formed discussion group, run by Canon Frank Sheehan and Mrs Mary-Jo Alvarez, attracted seventeen students to the Centre for Ethics. The topics included the limits to freedom that are experienced by school students. It was a lively evening, enhanced by the presence of girls from St Hilda's and MLC.

An adult discussion group is also part of the Centre for Ethics program. The subjects of the first two meetings, 'the notion of the secret' and 'the river as symbol', proved to be very stimulating.

## Instep

INSTEP (Innovative Skills Training and Education Program) is now in its second year of operation at Christ Church. The aim of the program is to provide realistic training in the workplace for Year 11 and 12 students. It is a joint school and industry placement strategy enabling students to work towards secondary graduation using both school, work place and, in some cases, TAFE learning environments.

Andrei Krychtop, Canon Frank Sheehan and Natalia Dicun.

School INSTEP Coordinator Elizabeth Langdon reports that this year twenty students are benefiting from the program.

Typically the program is a two year, two stage undertaking. Currently seven students are completing their second year, nine have commenced in Year 11 and four



Josh Sandford has accepted an apprenticeship with Toyota Scarborough.

have started in Year 12. Students involved in their first work placement are assessed on their demonstration of a number of generic or transferable skills that are relevant to every work environment. More advanced students work to demonstrate competency in skills more specific to their chosen industry.

An innovation for 1997 has been the establishment of INSTEP Plus programs which provide training partnerships between an organisation and TAFE. Currently three students are participating in the Myer Training Partnership

(retail) and two in the Toyota Training Partnership (automotive). These programs are proving to be particularly effective as they provide an opportunity for students to get a taste of TAFE and complete courses of study while still at school. The aim is to help them make a smooth transition between school and the 'real world'.



INSTEP Coordinator  
Elizabeth Langdon.

INSTEP Plus relies heavily on the willingness of employers to share their expertise and time. The boys are most appreciative of the opportunities. Many have been able to strengthen their understanding of particular careers. The Christ Church Parents' and Old Boys' Associations have offered to participate. Elizabeth says she encourages employers to seriously consider

becoming involved in this worthwhile initiative.

As the year draws to a close Elizabeth is pleased to report that Joshua Sandford has been offered and has accepted a motor mechanic apprenticeship at Toyota Scarborough. Many other students are organising their applications to TAFE colleges while others are gearing up for holiday work. As a direct consequence of their work placements many boys have been offered part-time work and some have received wonderful references. Elizabeth pays tribute to the students who have made the most of the opportunities available to them through this program and hopes they will continue to go from strength to strength and become assets in the workplace.

## Business Tour to Indonesia and Brunei

**The School's third Business Studies Tour was to Indonesia and Brunei in June and July. The triumph of partnership between the thirty-eight students and five staff ensured that the tour was educationally stimulating and enjoyable.**

The Business Studies Tours are unusual because no formal travel agents are involved. Itinerary coordinator Peter Wray liaises with airlines and hotels as well as old boys and parents who are able to assist, so that each tour is tailored precisely to the requirements of the students.

Each boy received a gift at the  
Pt Dynaplast Factory in Jakarta.

The three tours have now spanned seven countries

and each has had its own special flavour and character. All Economics and Commerce Department staff (Lloyd Haskett, John Norris, Kim Bolto, Martin Whittely and Peter Wray) have taken part. Brochures have been published for each tour. At a time when the people of Asia were pondering on the media driven comments of the Independent member for Oxley, it was heartening to see thirty-eight young students meet the people of the region in an honest and friendly manner, as true ambassadors for their country.

The group first travelled to Jakarta on Royal Brunei Airlines, a major sponsor of the tour. They were met by Mr Santoso Symkoputro who organised the Jakarta leg. (Mr Symkoputro's son Kennard is a Year 9 Walters House boarder.) The group stayed at the Alpine Hotel in the old quarter of the city, an establishment run by Kifi and Aichu Firdaus who both studied at tertiary level in Perth. A whirlwind series of tours included visits to Pt. Budi Muaratex textile factory, Pt. Dynaplast plastic moulding factory, the Lippo Bank, the Jakarta Stock Exchange and a very informative tour of Sekolah Pelita Hapa, a private school at Lippo Karawaci. The visitors saw a school very similar in aims and objectives to their own. The students were also briefed by old boy John Winzar (1963-74), Senior Trade Commissioner with Austrade in Jakarta. The visits were highly informative and







The Business Studies group at the Shell Petroleum Refinery in Brunei.

the questions asked by the students showed a deep interest and understanding of business and culture in the region. The recreational program included a visit to Ancol Dream World, an excursion to the Safari Park in the mountains adjacent to Jakarta, and a frantic day of shopping when the boys took advantage of lower prices and their bargaining techniques to secure many gifts and souvenirs. The visit was concluded with dinner at Planet Hollywood. A feature of the Tour was the way in which Christ Church parents offered their hospitality and time. The group was accompanied daily by parents. Among those kind enough to participate were Santoso and Peggy Symkoputro, Hadi and Lenny Taufik, Widia and Caecilia Utomo, Andrianto Setyadi, Antonius Darsana and Ay Ay Karim. The students left Jakarta exhausted, but with many exciting and happy memories of a vibrant, if traffic locked, city.

In Brunei Darussalam the group stayed at the Riverview Hotel which is owned by Mr Ang, father of Alvin in Year 12. This provided a most comfortable base for a series of visits and excursions organised by old boy Jin Yong Lira (1982-86). Old boy Michael Gilmour (1971-82), who works aboard the Sultan's yacht as first mate, made himself available to assist the group and talk to the boys about life in Brunei. Visits included the Bornei Press, Interline Roofing, Brunei Shell Petroleum, The Maura Port Authority and Butra Djajanti Cement works. There was also a visit to the historic Kampong Ayer and a briefing by Australian High Commissioner Neal Davis. An enjoyable day spent at the Jerudong theme park was a highlight for many of the boys. The tour was rounded off by a spectacular laser show on the final evening.

## Educators Visit

Mr David Edwards from Phoenix English Language Academy guided a party of leading educators from Indonesia during a four day visit to Perth.

On 7 July Christ Church played host to the group. The fifty-four principals of Junior and Senior High Schools and Education Department heads from East Java were divided into three groups led by School Marshal Bob Lehman, Archivist Wendy Hillman and Registrar John Leach. One interpreter was found for each group.

Time was all too short and it was not possible for the visitors to complete the tour of the campus. However, they were delightful, very cheerful and most impressed by School facilities. Morning tea was served in the staff room after the tour and presentations were made to express the visitors' appreciation to the School.

A group of the visiting Indonesian Educationalists pictured with School Registrar John Leach.



The 1997 Year 10 Dance, the second organised by the Parents' Auxiliary, was great fun. The Physical Education Centre vibrated to the, 'Shock Me' theme which fired the imagination of the boys and girls.



## Air Traffic Control

**Christ Church is one of five pilot schools participating in the Asthma Foundation's initiative to change the way teenagers view asthma.**

Boarders Campbell Paterson, Jeffrey Pearse, Ray Deutscher and Shenton French accompanied Trish Cahill, Sister in Charge of the School's Medical Centre, to a special morning tea at Kings Park with the Minister for Health to mark the launch of the **Air Traffic Control - Asthma Can't Stop Me** campaign,

The Foundation has produced a Teachers' Asthma Education Kit called Air Traffic Control - Asthma Can't Stop Me containing lesson plans, work sheets, background notes, transparencies and guidelines for managing asthma in schools.

The School's current asthma management program was developed eight years ago in response to the increasing number of students

presenting with the condition. It is based on the view that it is important to teach young people to manage their own asthma by providing them with continuous education about it and offering readily accessible support programs during their school years.

Boarders are assessed in the same manner as day boys but are, additionally, 'peak flowed' twice daily and shown how to manage their own medication, under the supervision of the nursing staff. Boys become aware of the need to recognise early signs of asthma and the necessity of seeking help immediately. This, in most cases, prevents asthma attacks.

Students' knowledge of asthma is continually reinforced in first aid classes. All first aid boxes contain Ventolin as preventative medication and nebulisers have been purchased for use on school camps, Koorngal Outdoor Education Centre activities and Cadet unit programs. Nursing staff provide teachers with inservice training in the function and use of these. Classroom cleaning and the planting of vegetation on campus has also received attention to keep dust and pollen counts as low as possible. Underpinning the asthma care program is the aim to empower each boy to manage his own condition safely and effectively whilst leading a normal school life.





## In the Fast Lane

Although Christian Murchison, Year 12, cannot drive in public roads until he turns seventeen in November, he is one of Australia's brightest young motor racing stars.

Christian has already had years of experience leaning and racing in New Zealand. He was State karting champion in 1995 and 1996 then skipped the traditional step from karting to Formula Vee and jumped straight up to Formula Ford racing.

Australian motor sport rules require a minimum age of sixteen. Christian found the regulations in New Zealand more accommodating and started racing there when he was fifteen. Driving a Van Diemen RF95, he made an auspicious debut at a major international Formula Ford race. Undaunted by the 21-strong field packed with world stars, Christian started from the back of the grid, stormed to an impressive fifth outright - and set the fastest lap.

"I'm aiming at the State title this year," he said.

However battery failure in one heat of the West Australian Formula Ford Championships on 21 September 1997 cost Christian the title. He ended up second overall. He is, nonetheless, a rising star in motor sport and well worth watching.

## Confirmation

On 7 September eighteen Christ Church boys and two Methodist Ladies' College girls were confirmed in the School Chapel by Bishop David Murray.

The young people were each presented with a book donated by the Parents' Auxiliary and after the service they attended a reception at the Headmaster's residence with their parents, sponsors and visitors.



David Bruse, Bishop David Murray, Susan Bruse and Noel Jones (Year 11) at the reception following the Confirmation Service in the School Chapel. Noel, a Walters House boarder from Wyalkatchem, was sponsored by Mr and Mrs Bruse.



Christian Murchison.  
Photograph by courtesy of  
Community Newspaper Group.



Nicholas Davis, Andrew Smith and David Bryant with the prize winning banner.

## Beyond the Boundaries

Each year the Town of Claremont invites local schools, community groups and artists to submit designs for banners to be displayed in St George's Terrace and The Galleria Shopping Complex during Local Government Week. The 1997 competition theme was 'Beyond the Boundaries'.

At Christ Church the Year 7R class had been studying Local Government and the boys picked five important areas of responsibility to illustrate. Art Specialist Hilary Brooke selected eight of the boys' designs and submitted these to the Claremont Council for judging.

Andrew Smith's design won the Town of Claremont's Banner Competition.

As time was short the Council said it would not be able to have the banner professionally screen printed, so Andrew Smith, David Bryant and Nicholas Davis worked with Hilary and completed the work in two days, painting it on to a 2m x 3m banner provided by the Council.

The Mayor of Claremont attended a Preparatory School Assembly to present a \$50 book voucher prize to Andrew and another to the School.

## Science Technology Competition

Some very interesting and novel entries were submitted for the Preparatory School Science Technology Competition.

Boys were required to explain and demonstrate their project and were subjected to questioning by fellow students and teachers.

The winner of the Year 5 and Under category was Arjun Kumar for his fine demonstration of the distillation process to produce pure water.

In the Year 6 - 7 category Robert Kelly was Highly Commended for his Fish Attracting Device, a combination of float, lure and burley distributor. Ben O'Driscoll won this category for his useful and original solar powered swimming pool surface leaf scooper.

## Chess

The annual JSHAA Chess Competition was again held at Cathedral Grammar School in Bunbury, hosted by Mr Ross Kay, the Head of the Junior School. Dr Julian Paynter, a member of the Bunbury Chess Club eagerly gives of his time to conduct this event according to the rules of the WA Chess Council.

Twenty teams from boys, girls and coeducational independent schools competed.

The perpetual trophy for Boys' School Teams remains in the possession of Christ Church, having been won last year, its inaugural year, by a team from the School.

The Christ Church Team members, Justin Teng, Darryl Chua, Joseph Luo, Kenny Chew and Paul Pracilio, played extremely well to be outright winners - taking out every round.





## Eagles Drop In

During the period West Coast Eagles players Nick Stone and Josh Wooden worked at the Christ Church Archives and Book Room they found time to pay a visit to the Preparatory School. They spoke to an enthusiastic audience about the very strict routine which players at their level must

follow, the hours of training, gym work and medical checks, as well as the frustration of having to be ready to play each week but not necessarily getting a game. The Eagles received a huge welcome from the Prep boys and answered their many many questions.

Local heroes Nick Stone and Josh Wooden with some of their many fans.



The Class 7R Model Solar Boat Challenge encourages the exploration of the potential of solar energy through the design and construction of working models powered by the sun shining on solar cells. The objective is to develop boats that will effectively travel, in the shortest possible time, along a guide line suspended above the water from one side of an eight lane fifty metre swimming pool to the other. The boys displayed their models on Open Day at the Preparatory School.

Hugo Stanley-Cary. Chris Dunn and Patrick Telford.

Nicholas Davis and David McMorow.



Samuel Cribb, Andrew Winterbottom and Justin Teng (all Year 6G) with the Aboriginal display, a feature of the Preparatory School Open Day. The boys made many of the 'artefacts'.

## Elders Visit

Four Aboriginal Elders from Wagin - Alan Kelly, Jenny Ma, Angus Wallam and Charlie Williams - visited the Preparatory School in June, accompanied by Shelley Parsons, secretary of the Wagin Aboriginal Progress Association.

Angus sat with groups of boys telling them of his childhood and how now, aged 70, he could still hear and understand the messages from the flora and fauna of the bush.

Jenny enthralled the young boys with her Aboriginal story reading in the Library.

Alan took the Year 3 boys to the river where he showed them how to draw with charcoal. With 6G boys he demonstrated his use of watercolour and the boys set to work on their own paintings of bush land.

The visitors also managed to spend some time talking to the staff about the School's Aboriginal Studies Unit and enthusiastically gave suggestions and ideas to include in program.



Equipped with gloves and plastic bags the Prep Boys 'made a difference' by cleaning up the environs of Christ Church Grammar School on Keep Australia Beautiful day.

## Speech Competition

The annual Preparatory School Speech Competition was held in the Chapel on Friday 20 June.

Each of the Year 6 and 7 classes put forward their best two speakers, selected from a class competition. From a field of ten speakers George Wong, Dylan

Foley and Nick Wilson were highly commended. Mark Desebrock of Year 6 was declared the winner of the 1997 title.

From this group of team of three will be entered in the annual Penguin Club Speak Up Award.



# Famine Fighters

**Famine Fighter Day in the Preparatory School was a great success thanks to the enthusiasm of the boys and the support from parents and staff.**

For this World Vision enterprise the boys went without their normal lunch and instead could purchase a bowl of plain rice for a small sum. Brian Jeffries, the School Catering Manager, cooked the rice and a team of volunteer mothers served it. The boys had obtained as many sponsors as

possible who agreed to donate to the Appeal if the boys could endure the ordeal of a rice-only lunch.

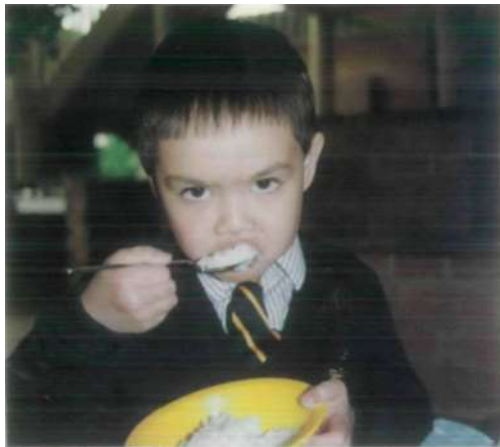
The Preparatory School raised \$5020 for the Appeal - an outstanding result which it is hoped will help many famine-stricken families.



These Year 1 boys eat a rice-only lunch to support World Vision.

Andrew Sutherland.

Elliott Gosling.



Jonathan Lam.

Ryan Alciaturi.



Alex Trumble.

Matthew Dicoe.





The boys of the Preparatory Education Support Unit were sad when Mrs Susan Shivnen and her family returned to Michigan, USA. Sue worked as an Aide in the Unit for eighteen months and her special skills were greatly valued. Sue Shivnen (left) is pictured with David Fairthorne, Nick Turner, Brendon Russell, teacher Jo-Anne Piller, Matt Bovell and Blake Stransky.

Luke O'Donnel with some of his Prep. School supporters.

Nick Sinclair, Michael Bingemann and Dylan Foley play pool with Frank Donahue and Liz Moxham at the Respite Centre.

## New Friends

Each Tuesday three different boys from Year 7 visit the City of Nedlatuls Respite Centre which caters for younger people with a physical disability. The boys talk with the people, play pool, computer chess, scrabble, jigsaws and help with the cooking.

Preparatory School Deputy Head Jenny Vincent drops the boys at the Centre and picks them up about three hours later. She finds that the boys invariably enjoy the experience and make new and positive discoveries about people with disabilities.



## Prep Boys Assist Luke

Luke O'Donnel was travelling around Australia in November 1995 when he fell ill in Melbourne from a freakish bacterial infection. When he woke from his coma the following January he had no limbs. He would have died if all his limbs had not been amputated.

Luke was told he would have to spend up to two and a half years in Royal Perth Rehabilitation Hospital but he went home to Halls Head in November, a year after he was admitted to hospital. He had hooks where his hands used to be but he was determined to do better than that.



While surgically implanted prosthetic arms look like living arms with fingers that can move and grasp objects in response to the brain's commands, they cost \$20,000 each. Through the effort of his many supporters, such as the Preparatory School boys, Luke will be able to have new arms.

In June Luke, accompanied by his mother, came to meet and thank the Preparatory School House Leaders who had organised a fund raising day and raised \$1,000 towards the cost.

Luke told the House Leaders about his illness and how he copes with various tasks now. The boys asked lots of questions. Luke flew to Sydney the next day to commence the process of being fitted with and learning how to use his new arms.

# Helping to Preserve Wild Life —

Kristin McGurk (niece of Head of Physical Education Shane McGurk) and David O'Sullivan (son of the Assistant to the Bursar (Works) and Cadets Quartermaster/Training Officer Mick O'Sullivan) rode bicycles around the world in 1996-7 to raise money for the World Wild Life Fund.

Boys from the Preparatory School donated to this cause from their Chapel collection and some Year 7 boys wrote letters to the pair when they were in Europe.

On her return Kristin visited Christ Church to talk to the Prep boys about some of her experiences. Afterwards she showed her photograph albums to the boys who had sent her letters.

David was in India at the time. Kristin rejoined him in Darwin in July to commence the last stage of their epic journey, the 16,000 kilometre ride to Perth.



Kristin McGurk shows her photographs to Alessio Fini, Oliver Telford, James Beresford, Max Ward, Michael Cullingford, Darryl Chua and William Hughes.

# Blanket Appeal

The Preparatory School's second Blanket Appeal for Anglicare resulted in thirty blankets being donated to needy families. Anglicare was very grateful for the caring attitude displayed by the students.



The Most Reverend Dr Peter Carnley, Archbishop of Perth, presents another Anglicare collection box to Ben O'Driscoll, Adam Hammond, Nick Wilson and Preparatory School Captain Michael Bingemann. School Chaplain Canon Frank Sheehan (seated) is pleased with the way the Preparatory boys have continued to support Anglicare.

Year 7 Nicholas Wilson and Nicholas Sinclair help with the Blanket Appeal.



Jester Malcolm Hardwick, a fine Master of Ceremonies at the Medieval Banquet.



Nicholas and Jeffrey Leach, Rob and Adrian Heavens and Wesley and Richard Adams at the Year 12 Fathers and Sons Breakfast.

The Year 12 Fathers and Sons Breakfast in Term 2 was again well attended and highly motivating. The guest speakers were Associate Professor Don Smart from Murdoch University and his son, old boy Tim Smart (1984-89). They compared their schooling and their approach to work



opportunities. The differences in attitudes and expectations between the generations provided valuable insights for the other fathers and sons.

## Auxiliary Activities

**Once again the Parents' Auxiliary has been busy and productive.**

The Classical Guitar Group and the Recorder Ensemble, led by Murray Bishop and Jackie Ewers respectively, welcome the Medieval guests.

Their Koorngal Picnic at the beginning of Term 2 was a huge success. Andy Froude, the Director of Koorngal, talked to the visiting parents about the aims and achievements of the Outdoor Education program and arranged demonstrations of various camp activities. Everyone enjoyed the picnic lunch, the highlight being the entertainment provided by Helen Wilson and the Preparatory School musicians.

Picnic day at Koorngal



The high point of the year was undoubtedly the fund raising Medieval Banquet in the School Refectory in June. The guests, attired in the most fantastic costumes, were welcomed by the Classical Guitar Group and the Recorder Ensemble led by Murray Bishop and Jackie Ewers respectively.



While the guests imbibed mulled wine and feasted on Medieval fare Colleen Wallace and Arthur and Glenys Pate sang traditional Elizabethan songs. As in Medieval times many of the company engaged in raucous behaviour throughout the evening including an outrageous episode of bread-throwing!

Parents are reminded that the joint Parents' Association and Parents' Auxiliary Annual General Meeting will be held in February 1998. Joining such School organisations is a great way to meet other parents and become well informed about School activities. Do give your support to these groups.



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## Great Breakfast

**More than sixty Year 13 Mothers returned to the School on 18 September for breakfast in the Refectory.**

Much camaraderie builds up between parents during their time together at the School so it is always great fun to catch up and swap news and memories.

All former Christ Church mothers are welcome to join the Year 13 group which holds a couple of functions each year, usually a breakfast or lunch and a film morning. It is an easy way to keep in

touch and if you would like to be included on the Year 13 mailing list please contact Mrs Betty Chisholm, 60A Riley Road, Dalkeith 6009, telephone 9389 9639.



Maxine Culley, Val Kilderry and Margo Styles at the Year 13 Breakfast.

King Arthur (Senior Master John Norris) presides over the Medieval Banquet, flanked on his left by Queen Guineveve (Heather Norris) and Nigel the Protector (Deputy Headmaster Ray House). On King Arthur's right sit Maid Marian (Cam Ha Sheehan) and Friar Tuck (School Chaplain Frank Sheehan).



# Antarctic Research

**"The place itself just takes your breath away."**

When SIMON EDWARDS (1983-87) graduated from UWA he tried to join an Antarctic expedition but was told he lacked research experience. He responded by setting up his own consultancy company and doing collaborative research with UWA's Gravity Wave Group. His next attempt was successful and from October 1994 to March 1996 he worked on a range of research projects at Mawson, the oldest of the four permanent scientific research stations operated by the Australian Antarctic Division. The population of Mawson is around thirty-five in summer and eighteen in winter.

Bound into the Antarctic ice is a unique environmental record that stretches back more than 200,000 years. Core samples of the ice and the air that was trapped when it fell as snow provide a continual historic record of the Earth's climate and other variables.



Simon Edwards against a backdrop of penguins in an Antarctic summer landscape.

Simon's studies included the luminous Aurora Australis, the ionosphere and cosmic rays. He explains: "The upper-atmosphere physics program I was working on aims at establishing a baseline of temperatures and wind speeds in the middle and upper atmosphere regions in order to monitor global climate trends and to gain an understanding of the magnetic interactions between sun and Earth. I was involved in about thirteen experiments, two of which were optical and had to be run during the hours of darkness - so a lot of that work was done in winter."

"In mid-winter there is only about 40 minutes of

twilight. The sun does not rise and your metabolism slows right down. In summer the reverse happens; at its peak the sun doesn't set."

Simon said: "Those who are tolerant and reasonably sociable tend to survive the close-quarter living better than loners, particularly during the long dark winters. Because it's a close-knit community, you have to get involved - and once you are there you can't get out until the next summer. When personal problems occur the community has to try to carry that person through. However the extraordinary environment is sufficient compensation for most."

Antarctica is the driest, coldest, windiest continent on Earth (wind speeds can reach up to 320 kilometres an hour) yet despite the severe climate, over 500 species of algae have been found, along with about 125 lichen species, some growing a millimetre every 100 years.

"The place itself just takes your breath away and being there gives you a chance to break away and look at society from the outside. That's something everyone should try to do if they can. It also strengthens your commitment to conserving the environment," says Simon, who has returned to run his own consultancy company, Deep Design, in Fremantle.

## Envious

**JAY LAWREY'S (1966-72)  
schoolboy interest in boating has  
not abated.**

After leaving School Jay studied at Curtin University (then named WAIT) for a time before joining a boat building company and becoming addicted to "the wonder of form and function represented by all watercraft". He studied under many masters of boatbuilding both here and overseas, being for a time the boatbuilder in charge of the Historic Boats Collection at the West Australian Maritime Museum.

To subsist between adventures such as the first two years of the Leeuwin's operation and delivering yachts around Australia (including the Viking replica to Cairns), he operated a small boat shop specialising in museum quality restorations.

After the death of his father in 1992, Jay closed the

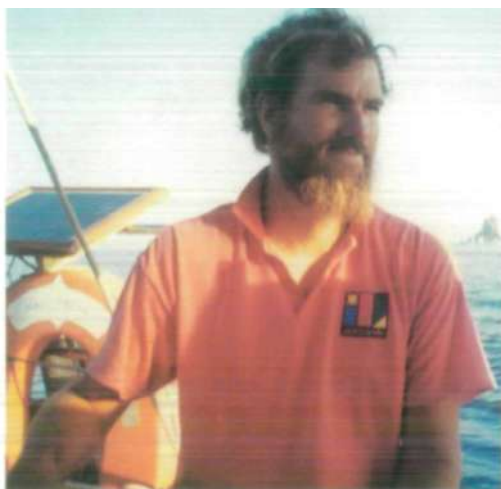


# OLD BOYS

business. He went to Victoria, bought a lovely 32 foot, 50 year old yacht, sailed her back to Perth and refitted her. In October 1994 he went cruising accompanied by his mother whom, he says, "has celebrated her 75th birthday for several years now!

For the next ten months they sailed through South East Asia, Sri Lanka, the Maldives, the Red Sea, the Suez Canal, Israel, Cyprus, the Greek islands, and the Corinth Canal to Dubrovnik in Croatia (during the blockade), then back to Turkey. Jay's mother returned to Perth and he wintered over there. Last summer he cruised north into the Black Sea along the Turkish coast and up to Poti in the republic of Georgia. At the end of the year he delivered a 35 foot yacht from Istanbul to Annapolis in the States.

In March Jay returned to Turkey, sailed to the Dardanelles for Anzac Day, then back across the Eastern Mediterranean to Malta, Corsica, the south of France and through the canals to the United Kingdom where he spent the winter.



Jay Lawry off the south coast of Peloponnesus. Greece, in August 1995.

## Old Boy to Head Canberra Grammar

**SIMON MURRAY (1958-65) is to take up the position of Headmaster of Canberra Grammar School at the start of Term 3, 1998.**

Simon attended Christ Church from the age of six, changing to Geelong Grammar for the final years of his secondary education. He is a Life Member of the Old Boys' Association.

After leaving school Simon studied Arts at Curtin University, graduating with majors in Sociology and Biology. He also has Education and Teaching qualifications.

He now has some twenty-five years experience as a teacher and housemaster at day and boarding schools. Since 1991 he has been Headmaster of Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School, a co-educational school with 530 students from Kindergarten to Year 12, including 110 boarders. Before becoming Headmaster at Bunbury, he was a boarding housemaster and Head of the Biology Department at Scotch College.

Simon is married to Patsy; their children are thirteen year old Julia and eleven year old Charles. Simon's brother PETER MURRAY (1972-82) is Mentor of the Christ Church Information Technology Department.



Simon Murray.



# Saltbush the Answer

MICHAEL LLOYD (1955-59) has found that saltbush is the answer to achieving productivity from poor land. He has planted twenty percent of his 2250ha Lake Grace property to different species of saltbush and plans to increase this area.



He says saltbush offers the double-edged benefit of reversing degradation while providing a return for the farmer.

Michael crops 600ha of his property to wheat, barley, oats, lupins, faba beans and canola and runs 4000 Merinos for wool.

He believes the property's carrying capacity has increased by about 900 sheep as a result of the saltbush. The sheep cut 6.5 kg a head, which he says is about 1 kilogram above the district average, and the tensile strength of wool is higher.

Michael has not found it difficult to get sheep to graze saltbush but says fresh water is vital in the management system.

His sheep graze on saltbush once the pastures dry off" about late October. It appears the saltbush is more palatable and nutritious at this time, due to the lower salt level in the new shoots.

Once the cereal crops have been harvested in November and December, the sheep are grazed on the stubbles, and the saltbush is allowed to regenerate. When the grain in the stubble is exhausted the sheep return to the saltbush.

Michael explains: "This provides the sheep with a reasonably nutritious diet throughout the summer-autumn period, when the traditional annual pastures have low nutritional levels".

Last year Michael was invited to give a paper on his work to an International Workshop on Fodder Shrubs held in Tunisia.

## Academic Awards

On entering the combined Science/Engineering undergraduate course in 1992 TEN SAN ONG (1989-91) was awarded a University of Western Australia Overseas Student Scholarship. He consistently achieved excellent grades and was awarded the prestigious Royal Australian Chemical Institute Prize in Chemistry in 1994. He has now been received the Hamersley Iron Prize in Materials Engineering, which is awarded to the best student in the final year of the Materials Engineering course.

VINCENT BUON KIONG LAU (1992-93) was awarded the Engineers Club Prize in 1994 for obtaining the highest marks in the first year of an Engineering and Mathematical Sciences degree at the UWA. Since then he has achieved highly, receiving the Graduates Association Prize in Engineering award in 1995 and the Institute of Engineers Australia Prize in 1996.

## Family Ties

J L (Jim) BARSDEN (1960-70) and his family have a long association with Christ Church.

Eleven years after leaving School Jim joined the grounds staff and for the past sixteen years his mam responsibility has been the care of the lawns and tennis courts. He left in May to give more time to Perth Exotics, the Mundijong wholesale plant nursery he runs with his wife.

Jim's father Dr NEIL BARSDEN (1931-36) and his uncle HARRY BARSDEN (1926-31) are also old boys of the School, as is his lawyer brother RICHARD BARSDEN (1959-70).

Harry Barsden's sons PETER BARSDEN (1955-56), DONALD BARSDEN (1960-61) and IAN BARSDEN (1958-62) are also old boys.

Ian's son PAUL BARSDEN (1986-92) is an old boy too, while Don's son James Barsden is a Year 9 pupil at the School.

# Old Boys' Association Reunions

"... and in addition the Association shall encourage social interaction between its members."

The above quote is from the Constitution of the Christ Church Grammar School Old Boys' Association  
With five Reunions this has been a bumper year for 'social interaction'.

## The Class of '87.

For their first official reunion since leaving School fifty-five leavers from the Class of '87 gathered for a casual cocktail function at the Albion Hotel, Cottesloe on Friday 22 August. ADAM COLLINS (1983-87) co-ordinated the function.

DAVID COX (1983-87) sent a facsimile from Canada: "The world is really a small place. On Monday I received a telephone call from John Day (1983-87). We inaugurated the Toronto chapter of the CCGS Old Boys' Association in a very festive evening which also doubled as a ten year reunion. Please pass our regards to the other members of our class, we hope their reunion runs smoothly."



Hamish More (1985-87) and Tim Roberts (1976-87)



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Charlie Perkins (1981-87).



Andrew Wisbey (1983-86).



Ben Sudlow (1983-87),  
Brad Potter (1983-87).  
Sean Stevens (1986-87) and  
Craig Van Heurck (1983-87).

Simon Hoffman (1981-87).

Andrew Milner (1983-87).

## The Class of '77.

The 20 Year Reunion was held at Steve's (Nedlands Park Hotel) on Saturday 24 May. Even if they did say so themselves, the reunion relived a year of:

- great characters and academics
- legendary sportsmen, and
- Mime damn tine drinkers and larrikins!

ROBERT DONALDSON (1973-77) was joined by HOWARD CEARNS (1969-77), JEREMY SHELLABEAR (1971-77), ANDREW HASLAM (1971-77) and MARCUS HOLMES (1966-77) on the organising committee. Having a dislike of formal class reunions they arranged a casual barbecue for fifty-three of their former classmates.





The Class of '72.

## The Class of '72

Forty-five old boys attended the 25th Reunion Luncheon at the School including IAN GREGORY (1961-72) and DAVID SWAN (1961-72) who came from New South Wales. After a brief Chapel service by Canon Frank Sheehan, with a reading by CRAIG WHEATLEY (1968-72), the old boys posed for a group photograph. Following a tour of the School the group lunched in Sandover Dining Hall. MARK CADDY (1967-72) proposed the toast to Absent Friends and TONY PARKER (1968-72) the toast to The School. It is understood that a few of the lads continued on at Steve's afterwards.

Peter Harley (1959-67), Lindsay Coleman (1960-68) and Gerald Moss (1960-66).



Mark Harrison (1963-67), Gordon Davies (teacher 1966-74) and Ken Watts (1963-67),

## The Class of '67

RON PACKER (1961-67) headed an organising committee of PETER HARLEY (1959-67), GEOFF POTTER (1963-67) and ROB JOHNSON (1963-67) to arrange their 30 Year Reunion Dinner at Stephanies Restaurant at Steve's on Friday 9 May. ROD EDDINGTON (1963-67) travelled from Victoria for the occasion and ROB CAMTBELL (1960-67) came from New South Wales.



Some of the 1967 School Leavers enjoying themselves at Stephanies.



# Annual Dinner

Close to three hundred old boys attended the Annual Dinner in the Golden Ballroom of the Sheraton Perth Hotel on Friday 20 June. President ROBERT McICENZIE (1963-70) welcomed the guests.

The book Akos Kovacs: An Hungarian-Australian Odyssey was launched by guest speaker Senator Dr ALAN EGGLESTON (1953-59). Author DAVID MASON-JONES (1956-66) and publisher PHILLIP MATHEWS (1951-56) were present. JOHN CARROLL (1949-55), who painted the cover picture, presented the original to Akos. The limited hardcover edition sold out immediately. Paperback copies are still available from the Foundation Office, telephone 9442 1528.

Old responses die hard! Any restlessness amongst the troops was immediately quelled when 'Kosh' stepped to the podium to give his address. Throughout the course of his speech a pin could have been heard dropping!



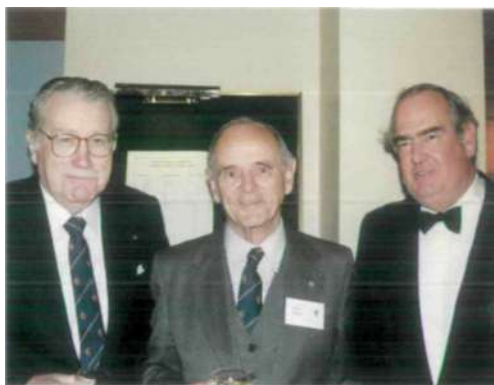
Keith Holt (1964-71), David Fardon (1969-73) and Rob Parker (1970-74)

Paperback copies of Akos Kovacs: An Hungarian-Australian Odyssey are available from the Foundation Office for \$25.00 including postage. Telephone orders to Foundation Officer Andrew Baird on 9442 1528.

David McNamara (1952-56) and Phillip Mathews (1951-56).



Akos Kovacs with the Shellabear brothers - Jonathan (1973-79) Christopher (1969-74) and Jeremy (1971-77).



Joe Lord (1929-38), Peter Moyes (Headmaster 1950-81) and Bob McCarthy (1952-57)



Trevor Manuel (1970-74), Cliff Punyanitya (1968-74) and Bryce Nock (1969-74),

Adam Robertson (1980-87), Toby Browne-Cooper (1985-87), Winton Willesee (1983-87) and Jason MacLaurin (1983-87).

# Walkabout

Dr HOWE SYNNOTT (1963-67) was a hoarder before studying Medicine at UWA. He graduated in 1975, taking out the prize in gynaecology. After four years in general practice Howe returned to study and in 1987 became a Fellow of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists. A country boy at heart, he found a piece of paradise in the Northern Tablelands of NSW. He has been in private practice as a psychiatrist in the university town of Armidale for the past ten years. Howe and his wife Anthea have three daughters and live out of town on a small farm. •

When Kojonup brothers ROBERT (1985-89) and DAVID (1983-87) WARBURTON left School and returned to the family farm they planned their cropping to provide supplementary grain in an almost total sheep enterprise. Their response to low wool prices was to turn to cropping in a big way. Their belief that you make money from research led them to crop according to best practice recommendations. The first paddock of wheat they planted (Stiletto) won a Top Crop Award. They now grow wheat, canola, feed and malting barley, lupins, triticale, oats and faba beans on forty-five percent of the property and Robert is the co-ordinator of a group of twenty-two farmers known as the Kojonup Croppers. •

ROSS MILLS (1964-69) and his wife Sue have turned their Morrockdong Farm in Brookton into a learning experience. They provide accommodation, meals, transport, fully supervised daily programs and study and project materials for student groups wishing to do research in the wool and grain industries and conservation tanning. They've even built in relaxation sessions such as bushwalking in a nature reserve of native flora and fauna, photography, swimming and environmental studies. Interested youth groups may contact Ross and Sue at home on (096) 426053. •

Many of our old boys have pursued a career in stockbroking. It is extremely difficult keeping track of them but we do know that SIMON YEO (1982-86) recently moved south to set up an office for Paterson Ord Minnett in Busselton and MARK BARBOUTIS (1981-85) and ADRIAN BRANT (1974-86) have moved to Sydney with Hartley Poynton. Also in Sydney are ROB TOWNER (1982-86) with Paul Morgan Securities, PAUL STAINES (1981-85) and ANGUS DOBBIE (1983-87) with ANZ Securities and MARK FERGUSON (1980-85) with BT Securities. Meanwhile we are represented on overseas stock exchanges by ROBERT WITTENOOM (1977-78) with ANZ Securities in New York; his brother

CHARLIE WITTENOOM (1971-78) with HSB Capel James in Hong Kong; JOHN HUI (1976-84) with Keppel Securities in Singapore and JASON LEE (1989-91) with K and N Kenanga in Kuala Lumpur.

JONATHAN DEUTSCHER (1989-93) comes from a rural background and boarded at Christ Church for five years. On the basis of his outstanding TEE he was awarded a Chancellor's Scholarship in Engineering at Sydney University. Having changed to the Faculty of Science, Jonathan has completed his degree, majoring in Computer Science and Geophysics. He is now doing Honours in Geophysics. For the past four years his place of residence has been Wesley College on the University campus. This year sees him take on the added responsibility of Senior Student while representing the College in rowing, basketball, rugby, soccer, debating and drama.

After a lengthy stint as the Corporate Treasurer for the Ricegrowers' Co-operative in Leeton, NSW, DAVID LETTS (1972-77) has moved to Sydney to take up a position as a Senior Manager with Bankers Trust Australia.

The Indonesian President Director of WA gold mining company Aurora Gold is none other than JOHN VERNON (1958-63). John's currently directing operations at the Toka Tindung project beneath the Dua Sudara extinct volcanoes on the northern tip of Sulawesi.

Earlier this year PETER GRIBBLE (1960-64) was invited to present a series of lectures in Hanoi, Vietnam, on the Practice of Quality. The thrust of his address was to a number of highly qualified Vietnamese engineers who will be responsible for the commissioning and ongoing operation of a new US \$100 million plus automotive assembly plant on behalf of Ford Motor Corporation and its joint venture partner. •

After spending six months sailing in the Caribbean ANDREW MASLEN (1975-84) traipsed off to London to seek his fortune. Before long he landed a job with Tradition SA, an international derivatives broker. In an endeavour to update his work visa and by way of a change he did a three month stint in the company's Lausanne office. That was in 1994! Now married, Andrew is still enjoying the Swiss lifestyle and indeed the responsibilities that go hand in hand with married life.

Old boy lawyer STEWART BOGLE (1969-70) has joined the Perth office of Corrs Chambers Westgarth as an expert on public transport issues. Previously Stewart was a corporate lawyer with the WA Government Railways Commission and then



Divisional Manager of the Corporate Services Division at Perpetual Trustees. In 1993 he established his own public transport consulting practice. His clients include the WA Department of Transport and the National Rail Corporation. 86

We've heard that JIM BOGLE (1970-77) is working in the Blue Mountains of NSW directing a thriller movie called In the Winter Dark, based on the novel by WA author Tim Winton.

After leaving School, former Walters House Captain ROB FLETCHER (1972-76) gained an Arts degree from Curtin University (WAIT) then headed off to Japan in 1982. Fascinated by the South East Asian lite style he accepted the culture, learned the language and opted to settle in that part of the world. He is currently living with his son and daughter in Taipei, Taiwan, where he is the General Manager of the Domestic Appliances and Personal Care Division of Phillips.

GLENN FRETWELL (1987-91) came to McClemons House from Lake Varley. He graduated from Curtin University in 1996 with Honours in Business Agriculture. Earlier this year Glenn took up the position of Trading Manager - Oil Seeds, for the Riverland Oil Seed Processors Pty Ltd in Numurkah, Victoria. I

Two young old boys who have done exceedingly well in hockey of late are GUY BOLTON (1990-94) and SCOTT WEBSTER (1989-93). Both were selected in the Australian Under 23 team which recently completed a successful overseas tour. In fact it may not be long before we have our second old boy hockey Olympian!

A handful of young old boy footballers have also enjoyed success recently. JAXON CRABB (1995-96) gained selection in the Australian Under 18 football team. He has been playing League this season for Claremont, along with HAARON BOKHARI (1991-95) and SHAUN O'BRIEN (1991-95). Meanwhile SIMON HOWARD (1991-96), RUSSELL HILLMAN (1992-96) and SCOTT GIBSON (1991-96) have been members of the Claremont Colts and ALAN NIVEN (1992-96) has played Reserves for South Fremantle.

Three of our old boy architects have well established practices in Fremantle. A key interest for both RALPH HOARE (1965-70) and RICHARD HAMMOND (1957-66) is in promoting conservation. They both pride themselves in the restoration of heritage buildings - Ralph in Fremantle and Richard in East Fremantle. Meanwhile MARTIN GROUNDS (1956-63), who lives in North Fremantle, has captured a love for the outdoors through his Balinese style designs. While working out of his

Fremantle office Martin enjoys designing resorts for the South East Asian tourist industry.

When former Captain of School MICHAEL WHITFORD (1976-80) left Christ Church he studied for the Bachelor of Business degree at Curtin University then entered the Corporate world of finance. Last year he was Vice President Corporate Finance for Citibank in Sydney. After marrying Gretchen earlier this year he opted for a career change and a move interstate. Now living in Adelaide, Michael has commenced studies in Dentistry at Adelaide University!! Come the turn of the century our Vice President will be a happy budding young dentist.

ROBERT COALES (1982-93) recently graduated a Bachelor of Arts in Politics from Murdoch University and is now working as a research officer for Monica Holmes MLA, Southern River. Having also done Officer Training with the UWA Regiment, Rob is now a 2nd Lieutenant posted to the 7th Field Battery, Royal Australian Artillery and assists as an instructor with the Christ Church Cadet Unit.

SVEN FUNKE (1984-88) intends to make his mark in the hospitality industry. One of the inaugural Swiss Diploma graduates from the Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School in 1993, Sven went straight to Dusseldorf to perfect his German and learn about hotel systems. He then worked for fifteen months as a corporate trainee with the Southern Pacific Hotel chain. In April this year he was appointed Assistant Manager at the Perth Park Royal. I

In April WILLIAM KIRBY (1990-92) partnered Michal Klem, Grant Hackett and Matthew Dunn to blit: the field, in a new world record time, in the 4 x 200 m freestyle relay, at the world short course championships in Gothenburg. He also finished fifth in the final of the 200 m freestyle. Amazingly William is the only WA swimmer to lay claim to being a world record holder.

JESSE IRA HALL left Christ Church in 1975. At the time his mother was the School Librarian. Jesse became a social worker with the Department of Community Welfare in Kalgoorlie then returned to the USA with his parents. Having recently visited our School site on the WWW and communicated on a couple of occasions by email, we now know that Jesse is married to an Attorney, has a two year old daughter and lives in Danville, Pennsylvania, where he is employed at a large medical centre as a health care administrator. He received his MBA from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business in 1985. Meanwhile his parents live in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



## COMING EVENTS

### 1997

- 17 Nov School Art Exhibition commences
- 18 Nov Year 10 Venture commences
- 29 Nov The Don Fraser Rowing Club WINE FAIR  
School Refectory 5 - 8 pm
- 3 Dec Advent Carol Service, Chapel 7.30 pm
- 5 Dec Preparatory School Speech Day, Chapel 9.30 am  
Senior School Speech Night, Chapel forecourt 8 pm

### 1998

- 31 Jan ORIENTATION DAY for new Year 8-12 boys,  
Chapel 9 am  
Parents' Association Sundowner 6 pm
- 2 Feb COMMENCEMENT OF TERM 1
- 24 Feb Senior School House Swimming Carnival,  
Superdrome 6 pm
- 27 Feb MID-TERM BREAK through to 2 March
- 13 Mar Quads Swimming Carnival 7 pm
- 20 Mar Inters Swimming Carnival, Beatty Park 7 pm
- 28 Mar Head of the River Rowing Regatta,  
Canning Course, 9 am
- 9 Apl TERM 1 ENDS

