



From the Head of Junior School

Dear Parents of Junior School Students

Welcome back to existing Junior School girls and their families and a very warm welcome to new girls and families. The girls are looking refreshed and full of vitality ready for the new school year. Welcome, also, to new teacher Mrs Chris Lees in Y6. Since the announcement at Prize Giving of staff leaving, Mrs Lisa Vos has resigned to take up a promotion as a deputy principal and, although we will miss her significant contribution to College life, we are delighted for her and she leaves with our very best wishes.

Over the next few weeks, the girls will be busily involved in a range of activities, classroom programmes, specialist lessons, swimming sports preparation and Life Education lessons. We fully understand that it takes a while to adjust to the changes a new school year brings, and even longer to a new school. Parents are encouraged to contact us if they have any concerns they wish to discuss. The teachers and I are all keen to work in partnership with parents to ensure girls can make the best of their school life. Dealing with matters early may save a more complex problem later on.

Form teachers welcome parent contact, and although they may not be available to answer calls or email during the day, they will be in touch with parents as soon as possible. If you have difficulty contacting a teacher, you may wish to do so through your daughter's dean (see list below). Should you desire information about your daughter from one of her specialist teachers please make the enquiry via the dean who will ensure that you receive the information you request.

Deans may be contacted at:

Senior Dean, Dean of Y1-2

Mrs Glenys Waller glenys.waller@stcuthberts.school.nz

Acting Dean of Y3-4

Ms Lesley Brewer lesley.brewer@stcuthberts.school.nz

Dean of Y5-6

Miss Sue Armstrong sue.armstrong@stcuthberts.school.nz

Dean of Y7

Miss Susannah Marshall susannah.marshall@stcuthberts.school.nz

Dean of Y8

Mrs Sheridan Watts sheridan.watts@stcuthberts.school.nz

Any questions parents may have about curriculum at the College may be addressed to the Junior School Assistant Principal, Ms Talbot. The newly appointed Y7 and Y8 deputy deans are also able to answer questions about the general curriculum in their respective areas.

Assistant Principal

Ms Margaret Talbot margaret.talbot@stcuthberts.school.nz

Y7 Deputy Dean

Mrs Wendy Wood wendy.wood@stcuthberts.school.nz

Y8 Deputy Dean

Mrs Jan Walls jan.walls@stcuthberts.school.nz

In the absence of the Y7 or Y8 dean, Mrs Wood deputises for Miss Marshall and Mrs Walls deputises for Mrs Watts. In my absence, Ms Talbot deputises for me.

We look forward to meeting with parents over the next few weeks at the various events scheduled in the Term 1 Calendar, which is available on the College website: www.stcuthberts.school.nz

Mrs Elizabeth Battersby
ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL
HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

Student Health Centre

The College nurses ask parents to keep children at home if they have infections that are easily spread, particularly gastroenteritis in the hot weather we experience in Term 1. Such infections take a few days to recover from and can move rapidly through a class if children return too soon. We request that parents allow an additional 24 hours once vomiting has stopped before sending girls back to school.

Chaos at the School Gate Programme

"St Cuthbert's College is participating in the Auckland City Council's **Chaos at the School Gate** programme. It involves placing parking officers on patrol outside schools to observe non-compliant behaviours and issue tickets to those illegally parked.

The Chaos at the School Gate programme has been very successful and is helping to reduce the danger to children as well as improve traffic flow around schools."

CHANGE OF DATE FOR Y7 AND Y3 CHAPEL SERVICES

Our Chaplain, Reverend Telford will be on leave, following surgery, over the next six weeks, which necessitates an exchange of the Y7 and Y3 Chapel services. The new dates and times are as follows:

Y3 Sunday 1 March
Y7 Sunday 3 May

We apologise for this unanticipated change. Our Y1-6 Religious Education teacher, Mrs Sue Porter will conduct the Y3 Service. Reverend Telford is looking forward to seeing Y7 students and parents at their service in May.



COLLEGIATE CENTRE NEWS

KidZone Holiday Programmes

KidZone made good use of the College facilities during the summer holiday. Planned and taught by Mrs Kerry Hales and Miss Felecia Tomich, with assistance from senior college or university students, the programme provided a safe, interactive play space for children from a range of schools. Families value the care provided, with a mix of planned activities daily and the freedom for play. Many of the children have attended for four or five years. Based in the Junior School Multi-Purpose Room, the activities flow to the break-out space, the playground, the Ellis Courts, the Gym and of course, the swimming pools. Numbers are capped at thirty children per session. The programme will run again in the April Holidays from Tuesday 14 – Friday 24 April. Enrolment forms will be available mid March. Completed forms must be received by the Collegiate Centre to reserve places. Enrolment forms are available on our website:

www.stcuthberts.school.nz/Collegiate_Centre/School_Holiday_Programmes, KidZone, from Reception, After School Care or the Collegiate Centre.

After School Care

We are very fortunate to have Mrs Sandy Thomas who is a trained teacher and Miss Tash Kahu running After School Care - they have created a welcoming environment for the girls. Bus students attend for half an hour per day while full sessions run from 3.00-5.30pm. Afternoon tea is provided followed by time for play and homework. Students love to attend and many do so before and/or after music, drama or sports practice. Families find this very helpful as students are welcome on a regular or casual basis. However, enrolment forms must be sent in before students can be accepted. For those booked on occasional days, parents must advise ASC in advance so staff know when students are expected. This information and any cancellation should be left on the After School Care phone line 520 8250 ext 7692 which is cleared at 2.30pm daily.

Enrolment forms are available from our website, After School Care, Reception or the Collegiate Centre.

Other After School Activities

Fine Young Artists: 3.30-5.30pm Mondays beginning 9 February (still accepted 16 February). Contact details: Lexie Loof, ph 520 2062, 027 482 1939, lexie.loof@xtra.co.nz

Karate: Tuesdays and Thursdays 5.30-7.30pm in the Gym. Contact details: Geraldine Hannaford ph 021 468 248, geraldine.hannaford@gmail.com

Tennis: Goran Marsic from the Parnell Tennis Club takes coaching on the Ewen Courts beginning Thursday 12 February. Senior lessons Mondays from 3.30pm and Juniors, Thursdays from 3.00pm. Contact details: Ph 377 9393, 021 167 7460, TennisPro@lear.net.nz

The Stow Austin Dance Studio: Saturdays 9.30-10.15am for students aged 5 to 7. Contact details: Marie Stow ph 376 0074, 0275 456 778, info@stowaustinstudio.co.nz

Collegiate Centre Contacts

Mrs Heather Foy, DDI 520 8470, Fax 520 8379

heather.foy@stcuthberts.school.nz

Mrs Sally Lawrence, DDI 520 8378, Fax 520 8379

sally.lawrence@stcuthberts.school.nz

Forthcoming Events

Wednesday 4 February – Friday 6 March

Life Education bus

Tuesday 10 February, 6.00pm – 7.30pm

Information Evening:

Musicians' Injuries Prevention and Management Programme, Joan Holland Auditorium

Monday 16 February

Y8 Leadership Day

Friday 20 February

Y1-4 Picnic at Pt Erin

Friday 20 February

Y7-8 Picnic at Cornwall Park

Monday 23 February, 7.00pm

Meet The Teachers, followed by Parents and Friends' Cocktails

Tuesday 24 February

Y3-6 Swimming Sports

Thursday 26 February

Y3-6 Swimming Sports Saver Day

Friday 27 February

Y7-8 Swimming Sports

Sunday 1 March, 9.30am

Y3 Family Chapel Service

Monday 2 March

Y7-8 Swimming Sports Saver Day

Sunday 8 March

Fun Day Out

Tuesday 17 March

Remuera Zone Swimming (Y5-6)

Friday 20 March

Junior School
St Cuthbert's Day Service

Saturday 21 March, 12.30pm – 3.30pm

Open Day

Wednesday 25 March

Y7-8 Parents Information Evening:
Maths

Thursday 26 March

Mufti Day

Tuesday 31 March

Remuera Zone Summer Field Day
(Y5-6)

Tuesday 31 March, 9.30am

Asian Friendship Group

Wednesday 1 April

Foodbank

Thursday 2 April

Y5-8 Student-Led Conferences

Sunday 5 April, 9.30am

Y8VU, 8WA, 8WL
Family Chapel Service

Sunday 5 April, 10.15am

Y8 Morning Tea

Sunday 5 April, 11.00am

Y8CR, 8MS Family Chapel Service

Monday 6 April

Y5-8 Student-Led Conferences

Wednesday 8 April

Y8 HPV Immunisations

Thursday 9 April

End of Term 1

Asian Friendship Group

The Asian Friendship Group warmly invites all Asian parents to a morning tea on 31 March in the Melrose Lounge at 9.30am.

We look forward to meeting you there.

