



# King's Week

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*Building Men for Life*

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## LANGUAGE PERFECT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Year 11 French students are busy competing in the Language Perfect World Championships, which runs from May 18-28. Students of French and Japanese are putting in long hours in a bid to win Bronze (1000 points), Silver (2000 points), Gold (3000 points) or Elite (10,000 points). Leading King's students at the moment are Mace Parker (French), Thijs Hoedemaker (Japanese) and Josh Moylan, Eli Passmore and Jonty Wispinski (French), who have all earned over 3000 points!



## FUTURE ECONOMISTS HEAD TO WELLINGTON

A Year 12 team of Sam Howell, Mackenzie Gibson, Tarn Ockwell and Toby Black are contesting this year's NZ Treasury Schools' Challenge. The theme of this year's challenge is social inclusion. Currently they are researching and writing a 2000 word essay where they have to identify three groups in NZ society that are not fully participating, design policies to promote social inclusion and evaluate them against the NZ Treasury Living Standards framework. This is the first stage in the competition. After the first round of judging, the best teams will be invited to present their policies to a judging panel of Treasury analysts and staff from Victoria University in Wellington. The boys have been working collaboratively outside of class time on this project. There will be a few late nights to ensure the deadline for submission is met this week. They are pictured with the NZ Treasury staff who came down for regional training in April.



## NEW TROPHY FOR SPORTS AWARDS

A new trophy will be introduced and awarded at this year's annual Sports Awards in November.

The trophy has been kindly donated by Mr Ray Bell, an ex pupil who was selected as King's first All Black in 1951.

Ironically, Mr Bell never played for the school's 1<sup>st</sup> XV but was prominent in his junior years playing rugby for King's and, fittingly, the trophy will be awarded to the most valuable Junior Rugby Player.

Pictured is last year's recipient Jack Clement receiving the trophy from Mr Bell.



## SMALL CHANGE FOR A BIG CHANGE

Congratulations everyone! The money we raised has been sent to Nepal to build one of about 30 shelters (see below). A family will be housed in the structure, no bigger than the glass house we have in our back garden, and costs around \$200NZD.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this great cause.



## KING'S HIGH SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

Some of you will know that if you search for King's High School on Facebook, there are two "official" page results. However, only one of these pages is maintained by King's and the link to that page is below;

<https://www.facebook.com/KingsHighSchoolinDunedin?fref=ts>

You can also access our page directly from the King's High School website; <http://www.kingshigh.school.nz>

Please ensure that you follow the correct page to ensure you receive up-to-date and correct information about the school.

## ART DEPARTMENT REQUEST

The Art Department is looking for scraps of fabric and any old unwanted dressmaking supplies to use for sculpture.

Also we are on the hunt for Supermarket plastic bags. If these can be dropped off at the school office it would be much appreciated!

## CAREERS INFORMATION

### The Dunedin Careers Expo

#### Explore your future

June 2, 7pm-8.30pm Public Session

June 3, 9am-3pm School Session

Venue – Edgar Centre, Portsmouth Drive, Dunedin

Everyone is welcome to attend the Dunedin Careers Expo public session, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm – 8.30 pm. A great opportunity to get information about future options and pathways. King's is having lots of careers focus during the month of June and the Careers Expo is a great place to start.

#### Ready to Launch!

#### Helping your teenager prepare for work and learning

Tuesday, June 2 6pm-7pm Westpac Lounge, Edgar Centre

PUBLIC ENQUIRIES TO: [tess.livingstone@careers.govt.nz](mailto:tess.livingstone@careers.govt.nz)

Helping teenagers successfully launch into work or tertiary study can be a worrying time for parents. Come and hear our panel of school, tertiary and Government career and study advisors talk about practical tips and guidelines for helping your young person work out a sense of direction, get a head start on building their employment skills; gain required foundation qualifications and know what to expect in the workplace or the lecture theatre. Then stay on and explore the 2015 Dunedin Careers Expo with your son or daughter.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO...

### NATHANIEL WALLACE-NEILL - SOFTBALL

Nathaniel Wallace-Neill has been selected to play softball in the U15 New Zealand ISA Team.

He will be traveling to Brisbane / Surfers Paradise for warm up games and training camps on Monday 28th September and then Adelaide for the South Australia Softball Association Labour Day Tournament 3rd, 4th, 5th Oct.

### KING'S RUGBY DRAW 30<sup>th</sup> MAY

#### SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY

KING'S 1<sup>ST</sup> XV V ST KEVINS COLLEGE 1<sup>ST</sup> XV

@ KINGS 1, 1pm

KING'S U16 COLTS V KAIKORAI VALLEY COLLEGE U16

@ BATHGATE NO.2, 11:15am

KING'S U15 WILDCATS V LOGAN PARK HIGH SCHOOL 1<sup>ST</sup> XV @ BATHGATE PARK 3, 11:15am

KING'S U15 TIGERS No game due to Queen's Birthday

KING'S U14 PANTHERS V TAIERI COLLEGE JNRS

@ KINGS NO.2, 11:15am

KING'S U14 TIGERS No game due to Queen's Birthday

KING'S U14 WILDCATS No game due to Queen's Birthday

## DUNEDIN PUPILS TASTE RICH POOR KNIGHTS

Two King's High School students are elated after recently returning from a life-changing trip to Northland's Poor Knights Islands Marine Reserve - widely regarded as one of the best diving destinations in the world. There they snorkeled in clear seas with 18m visibility, explored the famous archways of the Poor Knights Islands and lost count of the number of colourful subtropical fish species they saw.

Student Arlo Munro said he "couldn't believe the diversity of fish life I saw."

For Oliver Niblock, "This trip has felt like winning the golden ticket from Charlie and the Chocolate factory."

The students won the trip for themselves and a parent each, for their contributions to marine conservation through a competition run by the marine education programme – Experiencing Marine Reserves (EMR). King's High was the first school in Otago to receive the EMR marine education package, which included talks, fish identification session, snorkeling practice at Dive Otago and then a guided snorkel in the open sea.

The not-for-profit EMR program is run by the Mountains to Sea Trust, with the aim of introducing kids to the sea and to witness the abundance of fish life in marine reserves, where they can gain an insight into how marine ecosystems function. There are active EMR programs in many regions of New Zealand, but this is the first year EMR has been available in Otago.

The EMR competition was aimed at raising awareness of the need for marine conservation in New Zealand. Arlo Munro's entry was a letter to the editor of the ODT putting the case for establishing marine reserves in Otago, which is the only region in New Zealand without any marine reserves (Marine Protected Areas). He argued that "marine reserves are one of the foundations of the new sustainable world we are trying to create" and that they are "wet libraries" – places where people of all ages can visit and learn about the sea.

Oliver Niblock won the artwork section of the competition with a spectacular quilt depicting Otago's coastline and marine life. The key message was to protect and preserve the sea for future generations.

Both students said the trip has given them a new outlook on the marine world. They think Otago is really missing out by not having any marine reserves and they are determined to help fix this by lobbying for protection of parts of the Otago coast.

*Image by Darryl Torckler – Hannah Molloy, Arlo Munro, Oliver Niblock and Simon Niblock*

