



# King's Week

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## RESPONSE TO FILM - ENGLISH CLASS

Students in 9Cr English have been working on an essay about the Academy Award winning The Lost Thing by Shaun Tan. Below is a piece of writing from Max Parkes and a photo of the boys hard at work.

Tan created The Lost Thing to show us about what happens when you grow up and lose your imagination, but also he shows what's happening to us in society at the moment and what could happen in the future.

Tan expresses both of these things in a scene where The Lost Thing has just walked through the archway into "Utopia", his new home, leaving Shaun on the other side in his own world. The film techniques that Tan uses are colour contrasts (the red of The Lost Thing and the grey of the surrounding buildings and people). He also uses long shots to capture the whole picture of what's going on to create a better effect. When the door slides down, closing the gap between the two worlds, Shaun is obviously curious about it because he bends down to try and look more closely at The Lost Thing's world. Also there is a sense of sadness between Shaun and The Lost Thing as they part. The Lost Thing wants him to come with him but Shaun beckons him to go on without him, as if he knows he would never fit in there, just like The Lost Thing didn't fit in in his world. Clearly we can see that there are a lot of things going on in this scene and quite a few of Tan's ideas are used. To name a few - It signals the end of Shaun's childhood and his imagination fading as the door shuts and this is seen to full effect in later scenes. Also it shows that there is always a sort of "Utopia" out there or a place of imagination with things that make no sense to us. This is a sad scene. It shows the parting of The Lost Thing and Shaun but there is much more to the scene than what meets the eye. The main moral of this scene is to not let your imagination leave you as you grow up because it can lead to other things such as losing your creativity and individuality.

## RECORDS SET AT OTAGO SECONDARY SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Below are details of the records set at last weekend's Otago School Athletics competition. Good luck to all boys competing at the Otago/Southland competition this weekend.

Flynn Murdoch 80m Hurdles 12.20

Alex Brown 3000m Walk 17:58.65

Sam Gouverneur 400m Run 51:43

## FUNDRAISING FOR JAPAN

Last weekend we had boys selling sausages at Mitre 10 as a part of their fundraising efforts to go to Japan next year. The support from the local community was very positive. Students involved at the time this photo was taken were, (from left) Johnny Nguyen, Campbell Craig and Ollie McColl. Photo by 'Bindi Boo Photography'. Look out for the next fundraiser, flower bulbs, in the near future.



## VOLLEYBALL REPORT

Last weekend was a very busy one for Volleyball with all teams playing and also the Otago Senior Champs being contested. From Friday night it was a real case of some mismatches with Year 9 teams playing Year 10's and vice versa. The highlight was the previously unbeaten Thunder losing to an experienced and big Otago Boy's Year 10 team but not before playing their hearts out and only being narrowly defeated 18 – 16 in the third set.

Unfortunately the Otago Champs ended in ultimate disappointment, especially for the A team, but the B team walked away with their heads held very high. The A's did not play their best Volleyball when the pressure came on and lost heavily to Bayfield. A better performance was put up against Otago Boy's taking the third set but credit must be given to the opposition who were the better side on the day. The B's probably exceeded expectations taking a set of the A's and easily beating the only other school B team in Bayfield B. To front up to the harder competition and perform with the attitude they did speaks volumes for this team. Special mention to the year 13's in the B side – Rawiri Wereta and Mahana Cabral.

Monday night was a better story with both the A and B teams beating their respective opponents from Bayfield. Most pleasing was the straight sets win for the A team, avenging their loss on Saturday. They played with an energy not seen this season and hopefully this will give the team the lift they need before heading away to nationals in three week's time.

### Week 5 Fri 11<sup>th</sup> /Sat 12<sup>th</sup>/Mon 14<sup>th</sup> March

Yr 9 Thunder v OBHS 10 White; Lost 1 – 2 ; POD James Nicolson

Yr 9 Strikers v OBHS 9 White; Lost 1 – 2; POD Angus Cameron

Yr 9 Stars v BHS 9 ; Lost 0 - 2 ; POD Duncan Trevithick

Yr 10 Renegades v OBHS 9 Blues ; Won 2 - 0; POD Kane Wylie

Yr 10 Rebels v OBHS 9 White; Won 2 – 0; POD Tumai Cassidy

### Otago Schools Tournament -Fri 11<sup>th</sup>/Sat 12<sup>th</sup> March

#### Senior A

Beat Bayfield B 3 – 0

Beat King's B 3 – 1

Lost Bayfield A 0 – 3

Lost OBHS A 1 – 3

Finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall

#### Senior B

Lost OBHS A 0 – 3

Lost Bayfield A 0- 3

Lost King's A 1 – 3

Beat Bayfield B 3 – 1

Finished 4<sup>th</sup> overall

### Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Senior B v Bayfield B; Won 3 -0 ; POD – Mahana Cabral

Senior A v Bayfield A; Won 2 - 0 ; POD – Orion Marshall

*Below; Sam Ryan hits a winning spike v Bayfield last Monday.*



## WEEKLY NOTES

THERE WILL BE NO WEEKLY NOTES NEXT WEEK (24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, WEEK 8). WEEKS 8 AND 9 WILL BE COMBINED AND PUBLISHED FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH.

### KING'S WATER POLO

#### RESULTS FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

King's Oxford	V	Taieri College 1sts
4		2
King's Cambridge	V	Kavanagh College 1sts
2		4
King's 1sts	V	OBHS White
5		9

### KING'S CRICKET RESULTS

#### SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

1st XI	vs	OBHS 1 <sup>st</sup> XI	
159 ALL OUT		160-5	Lost by 5 Wickets
2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	vs	Kavanagh 1 <sup>st</sup> XI	
128-5		126 ALL OUT	Won by 5 Wickets
3 <sup>rd</sup> XI	vs	John McGlashan College 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI	
169-5		168 ALL OUT	Won by 5 Wickets
4 <sup>th</sup> XI	vs	Otago Boys High School Y10A	
126 ALL OUT		127-3	Lost by 7 Wickets
5 <sup>th</sup> XI	vs	Taieri College	
177 ALL OUT		263-5	Lost by 86 runs
6 <sup>th</sup> XI	vs	Otago Boys High School Y9B	
102 ALL OUT		208-9	Lost by 106 runs
7 <sup>th</sup> XI	vs	Kavanagh College 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	
63 ALL OUT		174-5	Lost by 111 runs

### BECAUSE THERE'S ROOM...

#### MUSIC ASSEMBLY WEEK 6

