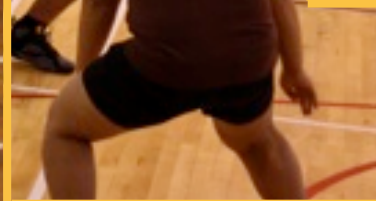




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FROM THE TOP



Dear Parents and Friends,

It is hard to believe that the term is all but over ten weeks is too short a time to cover the entire academic syllabus required at Senior level, let alone the usual marathon of inter-House sport and cultural events and to watch the prescribed number of Rugby World Cup games. But still, we appear to have succeeded in meeting the multitude of deadlines and, as a House, we have fronted all activities with well-practised and presented teams. The Peart rate of success has been commendable, with a final placing in the top three positions in the majority of House events. In House Football we won at both Senior and Junior level, made the semis in Senior Hockey, with the Juniors taking out the Championship. In Rowing, we finished a creditable 3rd, Senior Water Polo 2nd, Badminton 3rd, Squash 3rd, Basketball 3rd, not forgetting Cross Country, where we were placed 2nd in Championship which was an outstanding achievement. On the Rugby field, Peart has had a very strong showing at all levels; the passion and enthusiasm were truly a sight to behold, even if the semi finals were our greatest achievement. In House Golf, we have just won the final which is great news, as in recent years we have only managed to be runners-up. So that is the sport in brief, I invite you to read on to get a blow-by-blow account from our various Sports Captains.

Academically, we have had some extremely good results throughout the term and Ashish Pandey, who is our Captain of Academics, has given out a mountain of chocolate for worthy recipients of scholarly endeavours from first in class, five 'A' grades, to scholarship aggregate marks. I hope that all Peartonians will be hitting the books over the holidays as the CIE candidates will be into their external exams from day one next term, so good luck and good studying.

In the cultural arena, Peart has starred as usual with: Dan Chong, Joesph Moukhtar and Peter Xu in the Orchestra, Daniel Ieremia, Simon Li, Nick Taylor and Peter Xu in the Big Band, and in singing voice with Chapel Choir and the King's Voices we have :

Altos : Denzel Panama, Daniel Ieremia, Seb McCracken

Tenors : Hanson Unasa, Connor Cowley, Jonathan Mulijadi, Yuki Shimahara

Bass: Sam Goodwin, Chris Gollin.

In Kapa Haka and involved in the Rugby World Cup Opening Ceremony : John Brewin, Matt Olo-Whaanga, Johnathan Aoina, Talapo Uivaa.

Currently starring in Junior Drama, Charles Jennison and recently back from filming "Kiwi Flyer" in the South Island, Ed Hall. Not forgetting starring roles in KC Idol by: Jordan Darrow, Dan Chong, Matt Olo-Whaanga, Johnathan Aoina and Talapo Uivaa. Back Stage and lighting included Peart House's Adam Ramsdale, Matt Tieu and Tom Richards.

Around the House, it has to be stated that the year thirteen body of Prefects continue to do an outstanding job. Lewis Simmons as Head of House has 'set the bar high' and he, along with his Deputies Johnny McHardy, Jordan Darrow and Ashish Pandey are not happy unless these standards are met, if not exceeded. Our Prefect ranks have swelled to a startling fifteen strong, including Hannah Laity, who is our girls' coordinator. This number merely reflects the calibre of this year group.

It is also at this time of term that the year twelve students make a speech to the House regarding their personal leadership aspirations and those that they hold for the House in the following year. To date, we have had an interesting array of articulate verbiage. The real proof of course will come when these ideas and promises see the light of day and action in 2012. For parents and Peartonians who are unaware of the leadership process, I will just briefly outline what occurs at the House. Once the year twelve body have completed their speeches, the House and its Staff vote on who they want to see in the five top positions. Two weeks ago the whole year twelve group spent time over a weekend with me to set out the game plan for next year. In November Term IV, five candidates from Peart will join those from other Houses at Ahuroa on one of two College Prefect Leadership Selection Courses. I am responsible for this course and am present throughout both weeks, as is my Associate Housemaster Mr Steve Walker. At the conclusion of the Ahuroa experience, decisions are made and announced relative to College and House positions. I will also add that for Peart, the House vote determines the top five positions with the only variance being that the boys decide the candidates and I decide which person is best suited for each of the five jobs available. Whilst this sounds like a popularity contest, you would be surprised at how

astute our young men are in knowing who can and cannot lead, who the 'show ponies' are, and which individuals are actually the 'real deal'. Peartonians realize that it is imperative to get this right, as the success and enjoyment of the year relies heavily on the students in these positions.

Whilst we are discussing the year twelve body of fine men, I would just like to pass on my thanks to the Donnelly Brown families for organising and hosting an excellent year group get-together, I know that the boys, staff and parents really enjoyed the social gathering and it helped reconnect parents and put faces to names- an excellent initiative.

On a completely different subject, I am sure that parents are well aware that the College has recently had drug dogs through all of the Houses and most of the student vehicles at School. Peart come out with a clean bill of health, but this was not so for some other Houses and, to date, the College has lost three students with more pending further enquiries. King's is doing all in its power to ensure a safe environment for its student body and this type of operation will be undertaken periodically to ensure that this is so. It is also worth noting that as per the College Rules and Conventions (which can be found in the front of the student Prep Diary) "the College reserves the right to require the withdrawal of a pupil (or if necessary, expel a pupil) in the event of a pupil's gross misconduct or behaviour outside the school, which in the opinion of the Headmaster, has brought or is likely to bring the school into disrepute." I repeat that the College is committed to uphold its name and ensure that the campus is a safe environment for students to be in and that we will leave no stone unturned to ensure that this is so.

Not such a great note to finish on but unfortunately this is the situation and the College is doing all in its power to address it. There is little more to add, except please enjoy the rest of this Press and I hope that you and your family have a happy and healthy holiday break.

All the very best and I look forward to seeing many of you next term.

Kind regards,

D.C. Macpherson
House Master



FROM THE HEAD



Term Three has proven to be Peart's most successful, staging a sudden challenge for the top of the sports shield, along the way gaining the best results we have seen in recent years.

The term began with Cross-Country and the best result that we have seen in our five years at the College. The power-house of cross-country, Parnell, fell from the top ranking for the first time in over five years, which saw us claim a hard earned second equal placing alongside them as Selwyn took first place. All of the boys have to be thanked for their efforts on the day and the weeks of practices leading up to the event. The two-week delay gave us the opportunity to get more practice in, which is partly responsible for the great placing that we were able to achieve on the day. Our placing in Cross-Country has followed Peart's trend of 2011, being one of our best sporting years in recent times, continued with our prowess over the many other sporting events during the term, which has seen Peart place highly in all events and win both Junior and Senior Football along with the Junior Hockey competition.

All of the teams that have competed this term have represented the House incredibly well, along with the coaches that have led them. It is from all of this success on the pitch that Peart experienced a sudden surge up the rankings in the sports shield, falling just short of 1st place behind Selwyn House. To match our sporting achievement, our academic and cultural success is also at a very high level and, whilst there no longer is a shield to prove it, we can comfortably consider ourselves as the Best All Round House in the College, achieving the main goal that Peart sets at the start of every year. We may not come out of this year with a shield like we occasionally do but, rest assured, that there is no House that can match us overall in the College.

Next term becomes very interesting as the Y12's take over the house as the leadership selection process is in full swing. Mr Macpherson and all of the prefects have seen great work coming out of the Year 12's as they begin preparations for House Supper, and the only message that we can give them is to ensure that they don't sit back and enjoy the ride, but get involved and make sure that their name is known around the place, and known for good reasons. With that being said, there are also exams around the corner so ensure that you find a good balance between work for your exams and work for the House.

Term Four will go very quickly, with everyone sitting exams at some point, so my only advice to everyone would be to remember that for some people, exams start in two weeks – there is less time than you may think and whilst these are called holidays, they really are a mix between holiday and study. If you want to gain a good mark in your exams, spend a little bit of time each day revising for each exam and by the start of Term Four you will be in a much better place towards achieving the grades you want.



Term Four will be tough with exams and all, but all of the effort that you put in will give you great success in whatever you do, so get into it and make the most of the time you have between now and the end of the year.

Lewis Simmons
Head Of House



CROSS COUNTRY



After consistently high performances in the first two major sporting events of the year, Athletics and Swimming Sports, where Peart placed 3rd in both, we were chasing an even better showing in the House Steeplechase competition.

This year, the format of the competition took a slightly different turn following the abolishment of the Merritt Shield after last year. As always, the points system was split into two parts; the ‘Championship’ segment, which is calculated based on the top 8 runners in each age group of every house; and the ‘Participation’, which factors in the average placing of every runner in each age group as well as the total number of runners in each house running. However this year, only points from the Championship ranking would go towards the House Sporting Cup, and Participation would determine who would eat the prized Cross-Country cake.

As every year, in the pursuit of the best possible performance as a House, in accordance with the 2011 prefect body’s goals to try and win Cross-Country, the house started training for Cross-Country halfway through Term 2, not long after we had practised our House Music performance seemingly non-stop. Training went excellently, with boys putting in the hard work around the track and around school to improve their fitness and each working towards making a significant mark on Cross-Country day.

Unfortunately, when the big day came around, we were met by gale force winds, sleety rain and icy temperatures and so, in the interests of most rational runners, the event was postponed by two weeks. This meant that training would continue for even longer, but the extra work paid off on the day, with Peart shining strongly in all areas of the event.

In the championship rankings, Juniors finished 3rd, Intermediates finished an excellent 2nd, Girls were 6th and Seniors 5th, to place Peart 2nd= with Parnell, coming closely behind Selwyn in first. Peart finished 6th overall in the participation which is in no way reflective of the amazing effort that everyone put in on the day.

I would like to thank, more than anything, the boys of the House for the success we enjoyed in Cross Country. It is the House sporting event in which every student truly can contribute as much (or, in other Houses’ cases, as little) they are able. This was most definitely the case this year, and the effort that the boys put in on the day to overcome the physical exertion as well as the mental barriers on the day were commendable.

Ashish Pandey
Head of Sport



FOOTBALL



Senior Football

Having lost the final to Selwyn last year the boys and I were keen to inflict revenge immediately with a first round match up against them. Despite their boasting of having the New Zealand representative in their team we were very confident that we could contain and ultimately defeat Selwyn. With it locked 0 - 0 at halftime it could have gone either way but, late in the game, we were able to get our revenge and record a 2 - 0 victory that would see us play School in the next round.



take the trophy we came out firing in the second half and within 5 minutes had found the equalizer we desperately needed, an outstanding low driving shot scored by **Lee Ter Huurne**. With the minutes counting down we were awarded a penalty, which **Sam Klippel** coolly slotted to put us up 2 - 1 with only moments remaining. The team was able to hold off Greenbank's late attempts and eventually won 2 - 1 and with it the Senior House Football title for 2011.

Lee Ter Huurne
Captain of Football

Playing against School, we were very confident of making it through to the final and managed to be leading 3 - 0 at halftime. However some complacency came into our game and we soon found ourselves conceding 2 quick goals to set up a tense finish. However the team settled down and were able to finish off the game in style, eventually winning 7 - 2 and setting up a clash with Greenbank in the final.

The 2 week gap between the semi and final allowed for some friendly banter between the teams leading up to the game, which was quickly upon us. In our toughest game we knew we had to be at our best to ensure we brought the trophy back to Peart, having lost it last year. As the game kicked off and the nerves settled we soon found ourselves 1 - 0 down at halftime. Not willing to let Greenbank



FOOTBALL



Junior Football

Junior football was coached by **Matt Kenward** and myself, **Byron Groenewald**. The Junior House Football team always showed promise, looking to follow in the footsteps of the Senior House team who won their competition.



Junior Football kicked off with a very comfortable win over a strong Selwyn House; 1-0 was the final score. The dominance we showed did not result in goals, nevertheless a solid effort was put in by all the boys. Captain **Sam Turner** and fellow centre back **Sam Kenward** had great games at the back.

The second game and semi-final was against School House. I think it was fair to say that we were hard done by. After being one goal behind at the end of the first half, the ref awarded us a goal, 'nekk minit' it was overruled due to an 'offside' call. The score line remained 1-0 to School House. The lads never gave up and fought back to level it up, a fantastic goal by **Ko Regunathan** emulating Ashley Young to smash one top right. The end score was 1-1 and Peart won 5-1 on corners. Key players for this game were **Alex Panaho** and **Henry Miller**, bossing the Midfield.

This put the Junior House team into the final against Greenbank. We put in a quality training with one day to go, in the blistering cold and pelting rain, focussing on retaining possession and running off the ball. The team looked



superb playing against Greenbank - almost like Barcelona. Greenbank never did settle into the game and barely created anything. That was for the brief moments they did have the ball. At half-time, Peart were one goal up due to great play by **Henry Miller** working well with **Alex Panaho**, and **Ko Regunathan** using the wide channels well. The second half was much of the same. Peart turned up the heat and were much more clinical, showing dominance in all aspects of the park. A highlight was a stunning free kick from **Sam Kenward** that rattled the cross bar and just couldn't make its way in. **Henry Miller** slotted 2 more goals, earning his hat trick and the nickname 'King Henry the 3rd'. **Sam Kenward** deservedly scored a stunner of his own to put the game beyond doubt. Peart defeated Greenbank 4-0 to win the Junior House Football title for 2011.

Byron Groenewald
Coach of Junior Football



RUGBY



Senior Rugby

The Senior Rugby team, captained by 1st XV member **John Brewin**, came up against strong first round competition in the form of School House. The Peart side was relatively inexperienced, with a number of players having their first taste of Senior House Rugby.



The first half was a close contest despite a dominant School House first half performance, and Peart were only down by two tries at half time. The boys knew they were still in with a chance if they could hang in there. Just after half-time, Peart scored and **Lee Ter Huurne** kicked a fantastic conversion from the sideline, into the wind, to leave Peart only a try behind. However, gallant defence all afternoon led to some tired boys out there and the School House backs showed their class, running in some late tries to make the score line 26-7, unreflective of the tough encounter between the two sides. Strong games were had by **Tom MacGibbon**, **George Cashmore** and captain **John Brewin**.

Matt Galloway
Captain of Rugby



Intermediate Rugby

The Intermediate Rugby team faced problems even before the first game, with a number of players unable to attend practices due to senior mock exams, and captain **George Cashmore** sustaining a neck injury in Senior House Rugby a few weeks prior.

Despite this, the team pitched up quietly confident against first round opponents, Parnell. The first half was hotly contested, with a well drilled Parnell side going ahead into the break 12-7 ahead. The Peart side knew they were right in the game and turning around with the wind at their backs turned on a fantastic second half display, showing true guts and determination to out-class and out-muscle the opposition 28-12. Man of the match was **Sam Turner**, who kicked 4 out of 4 conversions and scored a brilliant individual try. The next game will be played against Averill in the final week of term.

Matt Galloway
Captain of Rugby

Junior Rugby

The Junior Rugby team had another tough competition, having to play in the eliminator against Averill. The team had a couple of practices leading up to the match and smashed Averill 59 – 5. Averill scored the first try, and then Peart scored the next 10 tries with great performances from the Panaho brothers, Troy

Darrow, Yuki Shimahara, Oscar Shepperson,
Tom Brown and Jack Laity.



Peart then came up against the tough Selwyn team. At half time Peart was down only 5 points. But in the end Selwyn were too tough winning 26 – 7. Although it was a loss, players of the day were Seb McCracken, Chris Khouri, and, again, Jack Laity. So a hard competition for the team, taking into account that 10 out of the 14 players were novices at the game. So, well done to the Team and let's go for it again in the year of 2012.



Tom Caulton
Coach of Junior Rugby



BASKETBALL



Senior House Basketball marked another hotly contested House competition, in which Peart once again displayed their heart on the court, looking to back up from a solid performance from last year. **Tom Rutherford-Lay** made his debut in the side, co-incidentally earning the prestigious captaincy role due to his defensive knowledge and outside shooting prowess.



Our first game was considered a walk-over as the side went blow for blow with Averill house, their abilities surpassing our pre-game expectations. Peart managed to get the win and move through to the semi-finals against a surprisingly skilled and athletic Selwyn team. Our resident custodian of the squad **Ollie Orme**, with the help of year 10 prospect **Carlos McCoy** prepared to steady the ship from behind the arc. Selwyn hustled their way with the help of the basketball gods to a 10 point lead at the end of the first half.



With wise words from the side-line and a productive team huddle, Peart stepped back onto the court with a revised strategy and a spring in their step. The second half was a battle of the big men with **John Brewin**, **Lee Ter Huurne** and **Tom Rutherford-Lay** putting up the majority of points and levelling the scores with 45 seconds left on the clock. However the squad was pipped at the post after Selwyn hit a free throw before the final whistle blew.

Congratulations to all the boys who showed up on the day and went down valiantly. Special thanks to our captain, Tom, and Carlos, for his outstanding work at point guard in only his second year at the college.

John Brewin
Captain of Basketball





HOCKEY



After a disappointingly early exit from the competition last year, the Senior House hockey team arrived bright and early on a Saturday morning with the full intent of winning, and winning well. In the first round, we encountered St John's, and, though on paper, the match was fairly even, Peart were far too strong for St John's, winning 3-1 in a competent display of short passing and accurate goal-shooting. Goals went to **Tom Warren** and two to **Cameron Gibbons**.



This meant that we progressed to the semi-final, where we faced a Selwyn team consisting of regional representatives in the First XI and players with far more experience than our considerably younger team. Nonetheless, strong defence from **Ashish Pandey** and **Dan Chong** kept Selwyn within reach throughout most of the match, but eventually they won 3-0.

Ashish Pandey
Captain of Hockey



INDOOR ROWING



The lads (and girl) put in an awesome effort in this year's Indoor rowing competition. We had one person from each year group and one girl to row 500 meters on the erg in a relay.



We gave it a stellar effort, leading for the first leg of the row, but were just taken by St John's. Peart finished in third place overall. Special mention to **Matt Olo-Whaanga**, who gave it his all despite it being his first time rowing.

The rowers were **Matt Olo-Whaanga** (Year 9), **Sam Turner** (Year 10), **Sam Crompton** (Year 11), **Charlie Brown** (Year 12), **Emily McGarry** and myself.



Matthew Towle
Captain of Rowing



WATER POLO



The Senior House Waterpolo team did very well this year, coming second to Selwyn in the final and beating Parnell and Marsden in the round robin.



The team confidently beat Parnell 6-2 with a solid team performance, in particular Sam Crompton in goal. Next we faced Marsden, whom we beat in a sudden-death penalty shoot-out.

The game was very tight, with a couple of school waterpolo players in the Marsden team, solid performances from Jono Kennedy-Till and Matt O, in particular Johnny Reid, who scored the goal in the shoot out and Max Hunt who blocked the first shot from Marsden. After this hard fought to battle, we faced a very strong Selwyn team who we unfortunately lost to in a game that could have gone either way. Selwyn, with a couple of stand-out players, pulled away from the start and we could never pull back the lead.



There was plenty of support from the Peart body, which I am sure helped, and we hope to take out the title next year.

Max Hunt
Captain of Water Polo



CHESS



Peart has quietly dominated the Inter-House Chess Competition year in and year out and, heading up to it this year, many in the House were expecting nothing different.

After much discussion, four people were selected to represent the house; Simon Li (Year 9), Nick Yan (Year 9), Jonathan Muljadi (Year 12 and Hanson Unasa (Year 12). Heading into the competition as 1st seed, (from last year's victory), we were lucky enough to be given a first round bye, giving the team some much needed preparation time for our first game.

Having been drawn up against a strong St John's side, our task was set to be a tough one, though we were more than capable of achieving. All four games were extremely competitive but, unfortunately we were given the short end of the straw, drawing 2-2 with St. John's, with St John's going through having won the game with the highest seeded member.

A huge credit and thank you must go out to this year's team as two members were Year 9's and 3 members were representing the House in this event for the first time. Next year the standard will be just as high and hopefully, with a bit more experience in the team, we can return that trophy that has grown to love Peart.

Hanson Unasa
Captain of Chess



NETBALL



The House Netball competition was merely a ‘challenge’; its result had no consequence on the Sporting Cup. However, anyone present on the Saturday morning or in the week leading up to this competition would know that this competition meant a great deal to the Houses. Though netball is not traditionally played by boys, it is a hugely fun game that boys can be very good at!

Teams were limited to a maximum of ten players, with three girls affiliated to the boy House required to be on court at any time. Otherwise, all normal netball rules applied, and it was here that the Peart boys’ knowledge of the rules saved embarrassing obstruction and contact calls.

In the first round, we met Major and were far too proficient in all areas of the court, winning 16-5. **Ashish Pandey** at centre and **Lee Ter Huurne** in the shooting circle both had strong games.

In the semi-final, Peart faced Parnell and started very strongly, finishing the second third 9-6 in the lead with all the momentum. However an unfortunate final third, where the shooters didn’t get enough quality service from mid-court and they weren’t able to take their opportunities, allowed Parnell to claw back into the game and win in a very tight match 12-11. **Latafale Auva’a** and **Lewis Simmons** had particularly strong games.

In the bronze match, Peart came back from their disappointing semi-final to completely overpower School House 16-5. **Lewis Simmons** had several classy intercepts and **John Brewin** used his basketball background to baffle defenders with his unorthodox shooting technique.

Ashish Pandey
Captain of Netball



BADMINTON



Success in House Badminton has always been frequent in Peart's history and, with this year's team consisting of three 1st team players, Peart headed into the competition as one of the favourites. Our first round match drew us against Parnell and, in destructive fashion, Peart won all three games, with Evan Clinning particularly impressing as a stand-in reserve. The semi-finals saw us pitted up against the 1st seeds, St John's and, with the best player in the school as well a number of other highly accomplished badminton players, Peart unfortunately lost in an extremely close tie 2-1. Although it was disappointing to not make the final, credit must go out to the team of **Cameron McLeod, Jonathan Muljadi, Tom Richards, Simon Li** and **Evan Clinning** for their hard work and, with a young squad, hopefully Peart will be competing yet again next year.

Jonny Muljadi
Captain of Badminton



SQUASH



The House Squash team consisted of **Nick Lawton, Tom (Stanislas) Caulton, Cameron Gibbons, Paddy Foss, Angus Mabin** and **Jono Hill**.

The team's first match was against Major house. Things got off to a good start with **Tom Caulton** and **Cam Gibbons** winning their matches respectively. **Angus Mabin** and **Jono Hill**, however, lost in two tight matches, leaving it to a count back. This process was very nerve-wracking, but we came through in the end to set up a semi-final with School House.

Tom Caulton decided he would play, regardless of his chest infection. He battled hard but lost by a small margin. **Nick Lawton** pulled off a good win to level the overall score, however **Cam Gibbons** couldn't put away his opponent and gave School House the advantage.

With that loss for Peart, School House could not be denied the victory and went on to win. Overall, the standard of squash that was played by Peart was surprisingly good, considering many of them had barely played much squash before. They definitely did not disappoint with their efforts.

Tim Peters
Captain of Squash



AWARDS



Endeavour Awards

Daniel Iremia
Simon Li
Nicolas Yan

Excellence Awards

Matthieu Olo-Whaanga 9A5
Vinu Abeywickrama 10 A1
Lewis Simmons

Endeavour & Excellence Awards

Sam Goodwin
Ashish Pandey

Service Ties

Thomas Donnelley