

Bishop Lyons 2020

The Bishop Lyons' Shield Competition is a public speaking tournament held between the 7 Catholic Colleges of the Christchurch Diocese:

Saint Thomas of Canterbury College, Saint Bedes' College, Marian College, Villa Maria College, Christchurch Cathedral College, Roncalli College (Timaru) and John Paul II College (Greymouth).

This year we will host the prestigious event and many people are involved in showcasing our wonderful students and school to the whole diocese.

Our theme for this year is "He waka eke noa" (We are all in this together) and we look forward to a weekend of building relationships, strengthening the ties between our school communities and, of course, competition.

Our team is strong: we are led by Cormac Gallagher (2020 Culture Captain) in what will be his 5th Bishop Lyons' Competition.



Debating: Jack Cuniffe, Isaiah Ong, Cormac Gallagher

Religious Questions: Francis Costas, James McLennan, Luke McLaughlin

Senior prep: Mitchell Wall

Junior Prep: Callaghan Jones

Impromptu: Daniel Fogarty

Scripture Reading: Jake Harding

And the Swing Debate team: (a non-competitive team to make the draw balanced)

It's been a while since we won the Shield back in 2010... as you can see from the photo a few things have changed for my waistline, the school uniform our post-quake city...



The plan for the weekend is set and we warmly welcome all guests, volunteers, supporters, family, friends and old boys:

Date	Time	
Friday 20 th March	12pm	Principals' Meeting
	4.30pm	Powhiri
	5.15 pm	Light supper for participants
		Registration
		Team photos taken
	6.15pm	Impromptu Speech Competition
	6.15pm	Debate Prep – All teams 60 minutes
	7.15pm	Debate – Round 1
Saturday 21 st March	8.30am	Scripture Reading Practice
	9.00am	Mass Practice
	9.00am	Debate Prep – all teams 60 minutes
	10.00am	Debate – round 2
	11.00- 12.00pm	Lunch for staff and coaches
	12.30pm	Junior Speech Competition
	1.45pm	Senior Speech Competition
	2.45pm	Debate Prep – finals 60 minutes
	3.45pm	Debate Final Competition
	5.00pm	Free time, Dinner & Entertainment set up
	6.00pm	Mass at Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church, Sockburn
	7.00pm	Dinner and Entertainment
Sunday 22 nd March	8.30am	Scripture Reading Competition
	10.30am	Religious Questions Competition
	12.00pm	Coaches Meeting & Lunch
	1pm	Prize Giving & Final Blessing with Bishop Paul Martin

Yours in Christ

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