

The President of SPANZ (Secondary Principals of New Zealand Inc) Tom Parsons put the cat amongst the media pigeons when they picked up on his 'Comment' Newsletter to member Principals. Under the heading 'saving normal', he questioned whether students regarded as 'quirky' when he was at school, are now over-diagnosed. His frustration arose from the logistics around ever growing special assessment conditions for examinations. It is a discussion worth having. Fortunately, we live in a time when medical and psychological specialisms give us a much better understanding of intellectual and learning processes, with undeniable advantages in designing

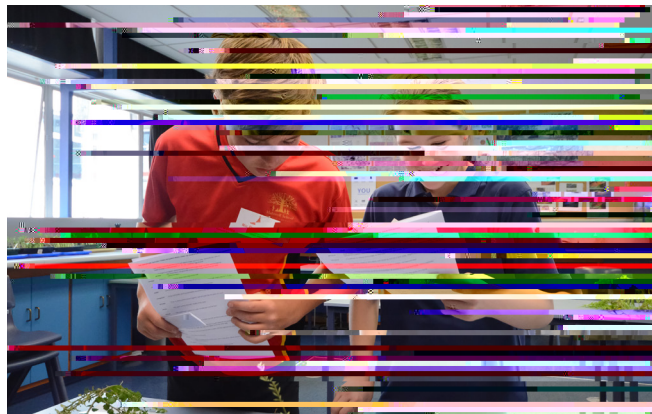
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Polo Tournament

This year Christ's College have five teams playing in the South Island Interschools Polo tournament. Included in the teams are Louis Davidson and Archie Cameron...



Year 7 Science Competition

The science labs were buzzing with excitement on Wednesday 19 November as we held our annual Year 7 Science Competition. With nine different teams competing...



In just 10 days, Rupert Whyte will be in Sri Lanka helping

Digital Safety Workshops for Year 9 Thursday 27 November

As part of our Digital Citizenship programme, we have invited John Parsons to run Digital Safety courses for our students. Unfortunately the workshops scheduled for September were postponed, but John will work with Year 9 students and English teachers on Thursday 27 November. Feedback after the Headmaster's informative School of Thought conversation with parents last term showed that Internet safety is of concern to them.

John Parsons is an Internet Safety and Risk Assessment Consultant to schools, the private sector and the health sector, providing specialist advice and direction on the safe use of Digital Communication Technology. He will talk to students about strategies and ways to share information to help them communicate in a safe and responsible way in the digital world.

In the [29 October issue of Black & White](#), ICT Director, Mr Paul Rodley set out some tips for parents in 29 enorHrthe3ohn Parsons isnterIn the
