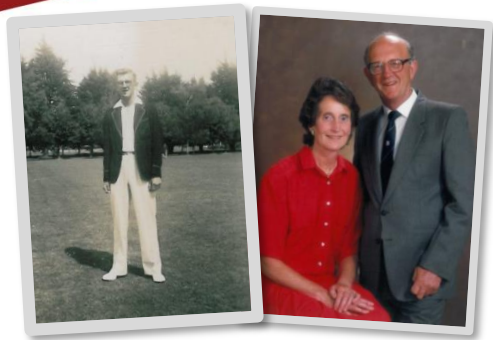


# ST BEDE'S COLLEGE

## *Keith Stopforth Memorial*

### SCHOLARSHIP



Keith Stopforth (1932 -2013) was a student at St Bede's College from 1945 to 1949. He was born and lived in Hokitika for most of his life, before retiring to Christchurch.

During his time at St Bede's, he was a keen rugby and cricket player, representing the College in both sports. In his final year at the College Keith was part of the First XV rugby team and First XI cricket team. The 1949 First XV was noted in College history due to going through the season unbeaten.

Keith travelled from Hokitika on the West Coast and was a boarder during his years at the College.

Following his time at St Bede's, Keith returned to Hokitika. Both Keith and his late wife, Rosemary were keen members of the Old Boys Association and attended many events, dinners and College Masses. Upon returning to the Coast Keith established a Bedean group and ran various social functions.

As a family we would like to acknowledge the involvement of our father, Keith at St Bede's College and for the profound affect his years at St Bede's had upon his life. He valued the education he received and attributed a lot of his later achievements to the years spent at St Bede's. He had a deep commitment to his Catholic Faith and was hard working and generous to the Diocese and people of the Hokitika Community. He said he was grateful for the teaching he had from the priests at St Bede's, and said his life was enriched by the experience.

Keith went on to be a successful businessman, supporting his immediate family as well as many other individuals and organisations in his lifetime. In the spirit of his generosity, his family would like to continue to support the College and its students.

The Stopforth Family connections to the College include Keith and Rosemary's son and grandson who attended the College, as well as his brother, Graham.

#### ***The Recipient/s:***

- Will be selected by the Rector of St Bede's College. No applications accepted. Strict Criteria applies.
- Is asked to provide a personal acknowledgement of the scholarship to the Trustees of the Stopforth Family Trust.