



# Sacred Heart Girls' College

## Manawa Tapu

## New Plymouth

*Excellent Education  
That Embraces  
Gospel Values*

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Mon 23 July:**

First day of Term 3

**Mon 30 July—Fri 3 Aug:**

Arts & Cultural Week

**Mon 6—Wed 8 Aug:**

WITT Taranaki Science & Technology Fair

**Sat 11 Aug:**

Dinner Dance  
The Devon Hotel

**Wed 15 Aug:**

Mass of the Assumption

**Fri 17 Aug:**

Year 13 Retreat

**Mon 20—Fri 24 Aug:**

Pathways Week

**Mon 3—Fri 7 Sept:**

Winter Tournament Week

**Fri 7 Sept:**

Study Day Year 12-13  
Year 8 Retreat

**Mon 10—Fri 14 Sept:**

AIMS Games

**Thurs 13—Thurs 20 Sept:**

Mock Exams

**Mon 24 Sept:**

Year 12 Retreat

**Wed 26 Sept:**

Founder's Day Mass

**Thurs 27—Fri 28 Sept:**

GEMS Pathway Interviews

**Term 3**

Mon 23 July—Fri 28 Sept

**Term 4**

Mon 15 Oct—Wed 12 Dec

TERM 2

NEWSLETTER

JULY 2018



## Principal's Peace



Kia ora whanau

Welcome to our July newsletter and the last day of Term 2. You will be aware that we made Mid-Year Reports available to you on our portal at the end of last week for the first time. It is our understanding that this transition was successful with very little in the way of caregiver feedback, with the old adage 'no news is good news' our benchmark. On page 6 of this newsletter, you will find a link to a survey about our school reports.



Not only are we interested in your experience of accessing reports via the parent portal, we are also interested in how useful you find our written reports in their current format. Thank you for taking the time to let us know what you think. I have encouraged the students to sit alongside their caregivers in the reading of their reports. Teachers have provided detailed comments regarding each learners' progress, and important next steps for accelerating learning. Your daughter's GEMS teacher is the best contact should you have queries.

You may be aware the Ministry of Education are currently conducting several reviews, including both the review of Tomorrow's Schools and the review of NCEA, with 6 Big Opportunities having been mooted by a Ministerial Advisory Group, for discussion, and opportunities for feedback provided.

On page 6 of this newsletter, you will find an invitation to participate in the discussion, by way of following the on-line link provided, or by attending a public workshop here at Sacred Heart on Thursday 26 July at 7pm. This public meeting will be hosted by the Ministry of Education, and their contracted facilitators, Core Education, and is being held in our staffroom. You will find an online link to register your interest, also on page 6. Please have your say.

Our hardworking and committed PTFA are in full swing organising the Dinner Dance, to be held at The Devon Hotel on 11 August. We are looking forward to a fun and fabulous time together, and invite you to purchase your tickets through our school office. If you wish to gather a group of friends together, tables of 10 are available. The host is TVNZ's Hadyn Jones of Fair Go and Good Sorts fame and there are a number of great auction items up for grabs, including sporting memorabilia, artworks and some other cool, quirky offerings. The night will conclude with The Bald Eagles playing until late. Be quick, tickets are on sale now!



*Principal's Peace continued over page*

# School News

## Principal's Peace Cont.

In staff news, we have welcomed our new sports coordinator, Aroha Lynch, to Manawa Tapu. Aroha is known to many in the community, especially in football circles, and she has family connections with both St Pius X School and Sacred Heart.

In Week 3, Term 3 our new Hostel Manager, Susan Evans will arrive. This ex-pat New Zealander comes to us highly recommended from an International school in South Korea where she has gained significant experience in boarding. Susan arrives with her husband Rob, a Science teacher, who we will put to work immediately with some part time work.

Thank you to Leah Shoemark who has done a sterling job in the role of Interim Hostel Manager whilst we have patiently worked through the recruitment process of replacing retired Hostel Manager, Maree Baker. All the very best to Mary Mustchin who is on leave for all of Term 3 undergoing major knee surgery. Liz Gooch will be relieving in Religious Studies and Pathways and Elizabeth Poole, who has careers and pathways experience, will be assisting with transitions and pathways counselling.

It has been a long term, and the weather hasn't necessarily helped, however the days are getting a little longer and the school holidays are now upon us. The students can be congratulated on the excellent way in which they have conducted themselves throughout the term and I wish each and every one of our Manawa Tapu rangitahi a safe, happy and rejuvenating break.



**Paula Wells**  
Principal



The cross at night outside SHGC entrance.

*Photo taken by*  
Mr Ross Hunter

*Happy Holidays!*

## School Holiday Office Hours



### **Week 1**

Monday 9 – Tuesday 10 July OFFICE CLOSED  
Wednesday 11 - Friday 13 July Office open 9am—3pm

### **Week 2**

Monday 16 – Tuesday 17 July OFFICE CLOSED  
Wednesday 18 - Friday 20 July Office open 9am—3pm

## HOMESTAY REQUIRED – International Student

### CARING FAMILY REQUIRED TO BE A HOMESTAY HOST - INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FROM JAPAN, TERM 3

For information about remuneration and details, please contact the International Student Co-ordinator,  
Margie Smith on: (06) 753 7457 or 021 828 683  
Email: [international@shgcnp.school.nz](mailto:international@shgcnp.school.nz)

# School News



## The Year of the Korowai

In memory of past Principal, Diane Kawana

### *Dinner Dance*

**The Devon Hotel**

**Saturday 11 August 2018**

Welcome drink from 6.30pm

Dress: Dinner attire

**M.C. TVNZ's**

**Hadyn Jones**

**of Good Sorts and Fair Go**

*Ticket: \$80 — meal, live auction and band  
purchase through the school office*



*Queries: [ptfa@shgcnps.school.nz](mailto:ptfa@shgcnps.school.nz)*

*Whiria te tangata Weave the people together*

# School News

## Catholic Chapter



From early June, the liturgical calendar of the Church has returned to 'Ordinary Time.' During Ordinary Time, the Church's prayers and selections of readings from Scripture follow Jesus in his public ministry. The Church selects teachings from the life of Jesus so that we can be reminded of how to live a Christian life – to forgive, accept others generously, be healed and serve as instruments of healing, seek peace, live humbly, pray and trust in God's care.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

*"Go into the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation"*

Mark 16:15

On Sunday 10 June, seventeen students received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Joseph's Church. Bishop Charles anointed them with the oil of chrism and sealed them with the Gift of the Holy Spirit. This sacrament completes their initiation into the faith community/whakapono and the mission of the Church. Congratulations to: **Olivia Bernet, Jaimieze Cerda, Frances Chow, Anna Conley, Georgia Cooper, Scout Court, Leah Evans, Katelyn Hopkins, Jessica Mehana, Jorja Murray, Emma Reumers, Jorja Rosser, Danelle Sadler, Charlotte Vickers, Anna Waayer, Stella Webby** and **Cornelia Chan** (previously confirmed in the Auckland Diocese). May you continue to grow in your discipleship of Jesus. Congratulations also and grateful thanks to **Jessie Hau, Emma Kingi, Elizabeth Mosquera** and **Lillian Parker** who were part of the leadership team that prepared the students for Confirmation.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Following a period of preparation with our College Chaplain, nineteen students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on June 21 in Mary's Chapel. This sacrament celebrates God's gift of reconciliation and peace. We examine our present relationships in the light of the Gospel's message of love.

*"Let us learn to live with kindness, to love everyone, even when they do not love us."*

Pope Francis

Congratulations to Margaret Hurley, sister of Sister Connie RNDM, who was presented with the Benemerenti Medal at 8.30am Mass on June 10. The Benemerenti Medal is a prestigious honour awarded by the Pope to members of the clergy and the laity for service to the Catholic Church. Originally established in the late 1700s as an award to soldiers in the Papal Army, the medal was extended in 1925 to the clergy and the laity for outstanding service to the Church. Margaret was nominated for her musical contributions in the parish and the wider community, her unwavering support of families and for her long service to teaching.

*"Serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received"*


1 Peter 4:10

### Catherine Landrigan

Director of Religious Studies

Kia ora tātou

This week I made a face to face submission at parliament. This was a first for me. The topic was David Seymour's Euthanasia or assisted suicide Bill. With me was a young Wellington doctor, Caroline Newson, who works in acute psych medicine.

Check out my Facebook page to see something of what I presented:  BishopCharlesDrennan

Euthanasia would be a deeply regressive or backward step for New Zealand. We pride ourselves on being a progressive nation. This Bill points to the opposite. It is a cause for national shame or whakamā.

*+ Charles*

Bishop Charles



# School News



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## Attendance Dues Notice – July 2018

*We thank all parents and families who have and are continuing to pay their Attendance Dues on time or who have a payment arrangement with us.*

- Attendance Dues statements will be posted in the first week of July, requesting payment of the 3<sup>rd</sup> instalment, plus any arrears from the first two instalments and/or previous years, by the **31<sup>st</sup> July 2018**.
- The instalment amounts are:  
  - \$111.75 for each Primary student (Year 0 – 8) and
  - \$223.50 for each Secondary Student (Year 9 – 13).
- If you don't already have a payment plan in place and would like to set up a payment arrangement please contact the Attendance Dues team to discuss payment options.
- One off payments by credit card or debit card (Visa or Mastercard only) can be made using our website: [www.pndiocese.org.nz/education/dues](http://www.pndiocese.org.nz/education/dues).
- The Attendance Dues team - Marcy, Susan and Mark may be contacted on **0800 200 208** or by email: [dues@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:dues@pndiocese.org.nz).

## School donations claims to IRD

Families are entitled to claim their school donations each year. It has come to our attention that some of our community have received letters from IRD stating that some of our school donations don't qualify and have been removed from the total claim. Some families, on the other hand, have been paid out 100% of their donations. To our knowledge, this is the first year this has happened and we are working with IRD to find out why there is inconsistency with this year's tax refunds.

As per the **Ministry of Education Circular 20113/06 Payments by parents of students** that all Board of Trustees of state and state-integrated schools are required to abide by notes that **Board of Trustees and Proprietors are able to request donations and may suggest an amount for a general or specified donation. It also notes that we should inform parents that these qualify for an income tax credit from Inland Revenue in relation to donations made to the school.**

The Board of Trustees have classed our donations correctly as per the above Ministry of Education rules. If you have received a letter stating that some donations have not been paid then please ring the school office or email Maree Sutton [msu@shgcnp.school.nz](mailto:msu@shgcnp.school.nz) or Liz Goldsworthy [accounts@shgcnp.school.nz](mailto:accounts@shgcnp.school.nz). With your permission, we can then forward your contact details on to the local IRD office who have agreed to look into anyone who is having issues on any unpaid school donations.

The following is a website who can help you with your claim:  
<https://www.schoolrebates.co.nz/>



# School News

## NCEA Review

Kōrero

Mātauranga

Join the conversation

### You are invited to shape the future of NCEA

The government's review of NCEA is now underway, and people all over the country have started talking about, and sharing their ideas and experiences of NCEA - the challenges, the successes and what we can do better in the future.

If you would like the opportunity to get involved, find out more about the 6 Big Opportunities, and have your say, come along to one of 20 public workshops across New Zealand.

Workshops start on 25 June and finish on 26 July.

**The New Plymouth public workshop is set to take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July at Sacred Heart Girls' College, beginning at 7pm.**

**Book now:** <https://conversation.education.govt.nz/events> or TXT 5811

The interactive workshop is open to everyone. We want you to share with us your ideas and thoughts about NCEA and how we can strengthen the qualification – we are listening!

We want to make it as easy as possible for everyone to participate in this conversation and invite everyone to get involved - online or on paper, at workshops or hui, or through social media – you choose.

The NCEA Review is part of our national conversation on the future of education in New Zealand. It's about building not just a better education system, but the world's best, for all our children and young people.

More information about the NCEA review, the Big Opportunities and ways to participate can be found at: <https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/ncea-have-your-say/>

## Reports Portal



### Mid-Year Reports

Mid-year reports are now available for viewing on the parent portal. An email was recently sent to all caregivers with details on how to access the reports through this medium. If you have any difficulty, please contact the school. Caregivers and students are able to access the report through the portal. If you have a couple of minutes, we would love to receive some feedback about reports.

Access a survey about reports here: [survey on reports](#)

## Counselling Service

### Counselling service at SHGC

We welcome Ms Linley Clark. Ms Clark is training to be a counsellor and has her placement with our Counsellor Ms Wendy Payne. She will be at school most Wednesdays for the rest of the academic year to develop her counselling skills. Students may access Linley by calling into the Counsellors office or emailing [lcl@shgcnp.school.nz](mailto:lcl@shgcnp.school.nz).

The same confidentiality agreement stands with Ms Clark, as all counsellors are bound by – this is that discussions remain confidential unless the student is at risk, when of course she will be in touch with parents.

# School News

## Use of devices at school

At Sacred Heart Girls' College, we operate a high trust model when it comes to the use of devices. We believe that restricting or blocking access is counterproductive and instead focus on educating the community about safe appropriate use of devices. At the GEMs interviews in Term 1, we provided families with a booklet on the expectations of using devices and some links to presentations on screen time and online safety. You can find these on our school website and we encourage you to do so.

Currently, we believe that every student from Year 7 – 9 has access to a device for her learning. This is either via school-provided Surface tablets, classroom PC's or BYOD. We are in the process of distributing devices to students at Year 10 who need them. Senior students, who do not have their own device, are able to borrow laptops from the library for use in class. This enables your daughter to access a wide variety of learning opportunities, however, it also brings with it some responsibilities on your daughter's part.

During school time, it is expected that your daughter uses her device for learning. This means respecting the boundaries put in place by each subject teacher. These will differ based on the teacher, course content and type of lesson that has been planned. If your daughter is unsure of what is appropriate use of her device in a given class, she should speak to her teacher.

During instruction time, when the teacher is speaking, it is expected that earphones are removed, laptop screens are lowered and phones are off or in 'Do not Disturb' mode. This ensures that there can be no confusion about your daughter's attention and engagement in the lesson. Social media and online streaming sites should not be used during class time unless specifically requested by the teacher.

During school time, if you need to contact your daughter, **please do so via the office or wait until lunchtime**. Texting or ringing your daughter directly can be disruptive to the class and their learning.

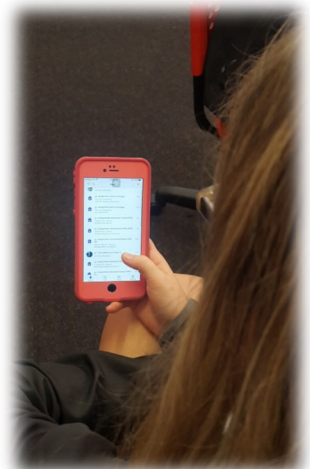
We have filters in place to keep students safe online at school. There has, however, been some discussion amongst students lately about the use of VPN's to bypass filters and this causes concern.

VPN stands for Virtual Private Network. It is used to connect your device to another company's network via the internet. If a VPN is used, the school can no longer guarantee the safety of your internet searches or your data. There are a lot of risks when passing your data through someone else's network. <https://restoreprivacy.com/free-vpns/> is a very good article that highlights those risks.

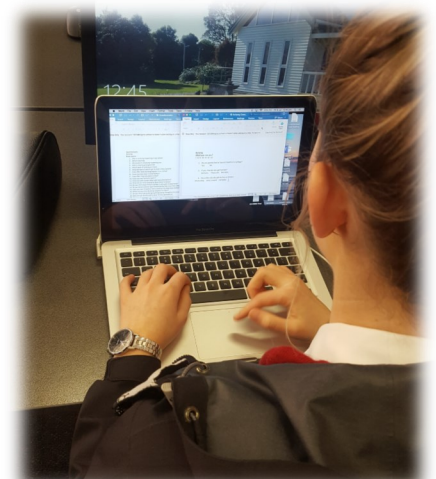
Examples of VPN risks include:

- Third party access to your data, including fraud, where your personal data is given to third parties without your knowledge.
- Stolen bandwidth and
- Browser hijacking which will direct you to partner sites without your permission.

If you have any further questions about the use of devices at the College, please visit our website.



Using phone for Teams



Using device for learning

# School News

## GEMS — July update

The winter term has allowed for a combination of both study periods to continue during GEMS time and having a range of guest speakers to address the students. The girls have benefited from using this time wisely and some of the girls chose to listen to the visiting speakers (QRC, Rotary Club, and Fulton Hogan). Well-done for participating in these opportunities.

Week Nine of this term was dedicated to Wellbeing. There were many activities arranged for the girls to participate in during the week. At GEMS time, all the school attended an assembly where our local wellbeing advocate, Paul Rangiwahia, spoke. Paul is the creator of A mental WOF and I AM (so) Worth It – a guide to being awesome.

Next term the focus will be on future pathways. This is a very important time to consider options. Have a wonderful holiday. Keep safe, keep well and be kind.



## Accelerator Programme

During Term 2 multiple Sacred Heart students participated in the Accelerator Programme originally created by Jonathan Young. Students expressed their interest in their potential future workforce, for me it was a placement at Southern Cross Hospital and for Emily it was Quinn Law Barristers and Solicitors.

On Monday evenings, we attended a one hour session at our allocated business where we furthered our understanding of these possible career paths. Afterwards we met for a mentoring session where we would discuss with business leaders from around Taranaki about employable attributes and characteristics and why they are so important as we head into our future careers.

This programme was very beneficial as it taught us not only efficient work habits but life skills that are invaluable in the real world. For us it has given the much needed confirmation that we are indeed pursuing a career that will suit us as individuals.

We highly encourage other senior students to get involved with this programme as it such a great opportunity to reaffirm or discover their true calling in life.

By **Olivia Stewart**  
and **Emily Forsyth**





# School News

## English

### Ronald Hugh Morrieson Writing Workshops

#### Short Story Writing Workshop: Thursday 7 June Opunake High School

Six students attended this workshop accompanied by Ms Abigail Rilkoff: **Anya Darling, Nell Brown, Caitlin Goonan, Baillie Kronfeld** and **Katelin Gallagher**. The workshop was run by Mary-anne Scott and focused on techniques on how to improve one's writing such as how to build an effective character.

#### Research Writing Workshop: Thursday 7 June SHGC Library

The Ronald Hugh Morrieson Research Writing workshop was hosted by Matt Rilkoff of the Daily News. He started with a timeline of technology from the 1800's to 2018 and to consider inventions which have influenced our lives. Suggestions from a sewing machine to a segway, ideas were shouted out. Once, 'electricity' was shouted out, he questioned us, "Why is this important?" We attempted to answer his question, but he kept repeating, "Why is this important". He made us question ourselves and why we were saying what we were. Eventually he explained that from a topic such as inventions of technology, we must look at the bigger picture. After explaining the use of technology in our daily lives, he asked us to consider the wider implications of online shopping, food and industrialization. My group chose online shopping and we reached the conclusion that online shopping would do more harm than good for humanity. (Kate Conley)

**KOOL BOOKS** is an English Faculty Initiative to promote reading across the school. Four fridges have been set up as 'mobile libraries'. The idea is for students to have a bit of fun and to have easy access to readable books. Books are issued based on an honesty system and should be returned within two weeks. As strong Wāhine Toa, we are relying on students to be honest and to follow the rules of the fridges. DONATIONS OF INTERESTING BOOKS ARE MOST WELCOME!

Thank you to the Year 9 student hub of: **Natalie Shaw, Sarah Mulligan, Lyrissa Fontaine, Bellah King, Laura Bannister** and **Tara Stevens** who are running *The Lime Green Reading Machine*.

Thank you also to **Madison Carroll, Caitlin Goonan, Cornelia Chan** and **Liana Williams** for painting the fridges.

Anne McSweeney  
HOF English



# School News

## Year 7 Writing



### WAR IN GALLIPOLI

ANZACS - Australia, New Zealand Army Corps. This was the name of those who fought for our country in war. ANZACS fought for many days many nights and many years. But only in their second year of war was when they went to Gallipoli. ANZAC day commemorates the day that the ANZACS landed in Gallipoli. It is where a lot of soldiers died while fighting in that long war that seemed to last a lifetime.

Before the war - The day leading up to men leaving New Zealand to fight was filled with intrepidation. The soon to be soldiers eager, looking for an adventure. The parents having the fear that they won't see the children again. For many, lying about their age was easy, they didn't see the point in an age limit, they only felt the enticement of being able to travel and have an experience like no other, but not know the harsh future of it all. It was anything from a great adventure, it was a sacrifice and they hadn't yet learnt the danger of it.

The children – started on the 19<sup>th</sup> of February in 1915 when the ANZACS landed in what's now known as - ANZAC cove. For the soldiers the days were full of dread. For the mothers, sons, uncles and grandparents days full of fear that there would come a day where they would get the letter that could mean its all over. But for the children the days full of learning, but the learning of the good side of war. When the children got to school they started with a flag raising ceremony to acknowledge the soldiers before they could go into the classroom, then for the rest of the day. Making packages, learning military like skills and reading journals about what was happening. And sadly the children only learnt about the good things happening and not about the more than 130,000 soldiers that died while fighting.

The battle of Gallipoli – it was a revolting sight, a pile of those that have not survived, a bulging tent of the sick and injured, blood covered ground and soldiers with guns for miles. The battle went on for 8 long months. For soldiers always a fear of getting blown up by shells or getting shot or in some cases being blown up while digging a trench, but they wouldn't show their fear, they all stayed strong for their family.

I have learnt to be more thankful of what I have and what I am able to do because if there was a war, including my country, I would be terribly scared and I would be worried for my life and the life of others. I don't think that the damage caused by the war, the land ruined, animals killed and families destroyed by lies, sickness and death. The aftermath continued to hurt the few soldiers who managed to return home.



Written by  
**Sarah Wells, Year 7**

## Leadership Skills

Year 13 students attended a two day Leadership Skills Course held in Elizabeth House Hostel.

It provided them with skills to develop self esteem and leadership using videos, role-plays and group discussion.



# School News

## Year 7 Writing



### That Was War

Remember When we Sprinted across  
The hot cracked soil  
The soles of your feet coming to a boil  
Carrying heavy burdens, our legs starting to wobble  
The dead, Brave men lying lifeless on the ground makes you feel a bit aghast  
The heat starting to get to you  
That was war

Remember that time, lying on the  
Ground and fuzzy haze is all you  
See?  
Pulling the trigger, Hearing the Bang  
And feeling the adrenalin Rushing  
to your head  
Scared and afraid  
That was war

Remember the irony?  
Seeing your best mate being carried Away  
Knowing you may never See him again  
The fire and smoke Choking me  
Lying on the ground  
That was it  
That was war



Written by  
**Olivia Perry, Year 7**

## Year 9 Social Studies

### 9E Walk to Pou Tutaki (Fitzroy's Pole)

Mrs Gadsby's Social Studies class has been learning about migration and its impact on indigenous groups. The Pou Tutaki was placed at the Waiwhakaiho River in 1848 as a reminder of the agreement that Pakeha settlement was not to extend past the river. It seems ironic that the replica Pou (commissioned in 1940) is situated amongst an industrial and shopping area.

9E walked to where the original Pou is thought to have been and to see the new one, reflecting on the history of conflict over land in our local area.



# School News

## Music

### Taranaki Chamber Music Regional Final

This nationwide annual event has been running for over 50 years, and this year was held at St Andrews Church in New Plymouth on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Each year we have had more students involved and this year was again a very successful year for our young performers.

The Sacred Heart Flute Trio – comprising **Emma Prendergast**, Y9, **Ellen Crowley**, Y10 and **Cornelia Chan** Year 11 – played beautifully, earning very positive comments from the adjudicator.



**Fiona Glennie**

**Frances Chow** played Violin as part of a mixed-schools group – *Vivacious Vivaldi* – earning a Highly Commended award.

**Frances** was then joined by **Cornelia** and two students from FDMC to play in the group *What's It Four?* This group played LIBELLUM, an original piece by Y12 student **Fiona Glennie**. The group, and **Fiona**, won the Original Composition Performance Award, including a voucher for \$50.

A huge congratulations to all those involved.



Flute Trio: **Cornelia Chan, Ellen Crowley and Emma Prendergast**



**Frances Chow**

### Trebles

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> of June the Junior choir, the Trebles, sang at the Taranaki Kids Sing Festival. We sung *Hine e Hine* by Princess Te Rangi Pai, *Believe* by Liz Marsh and *Count on Me* by Bruno Mars. The Trebles won the Gold Award - winning the Kids Sing; and The Spirit of the Festival award across Kids Sing/Big Sing competitions. This award also included a \$250 cash prize. The Trebles put a lot of hard work into our performance and we would like to thank our amazing director Philippa Drinkwater, and Mrs Hunter for accompanying us on the Piano. We are now preparing for our next concerts coming up in Term 3.

**Bethanie Luke and Ella Butterworth** - Trebles Voice Captains Term 2 2018

### Choir Performances coming up

The choirs have several engagements over the remainder of the year, with dates being confirmed shortly. The Trebles will be performing with the Taranaki Youth Orchestra in September, and also have visits to a Rest Home and a Friendship club planned.

In Harmony have a performance later in the year with other local choirs, and there is also a Musical Showcase planned next term, featuring many successful groups that have performed throughout the year. Details coming soon.



# School News

## Music

### Big Sing

This year our Senior Choir, renamed *In Harmony* participated in the local final of the national Big Sing competition. This is our first year with singing teacher Philippa Drinkwater, with the choir being bigger this year than it has been recently, so it is great to see so many students involved. They performed beautifully and can be proud of the progress they have made this year. The adjudicator awarded them a Commended Certificate, a great achievement. Well done.



### Rock Quest

The Regional Final of Rockquest was held at the TSB Showplace on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June. This is always a great night of original music, demonstrating the variety of talent we have here in Taranaki!

This year SHGC had only two entries, **Ruby Hosking**, Y11, and **Laura Griffiths**, Y13, both in the Solo/Duo section. They both performed well and can be proud of what they accomplished.

**Laura** won this section, defending the title she won in 2017.

Well done to these two students.



Laura Griffiths

### Music Performances

The end of term 2 is traditionally a time of music performances, both for NCEA, and for the various competitions and festivals available for the students to perform. Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> of June had several students performing for an audience, quite a daunting thing for anybody to do!



Anna Mead



Rebecca Wells

It has been a pleasure to see the results of months of lessons, workshops and rehearsal.

### Caritas Sing Out for Justice

7N and 7H and a few 8W students performed their song 'Korowai of Love' having received second place at the Caritas Sing Out for Justice Competition. See our Facebook page to watch this performance.

Pictured are some of the musicians, from left; **Mrs Nicola Hill, Isabelle Fabish, Mrs Wells, Bethanie Luke, Charley Butler and Violet Parker.**



# School News

## Pink Ribbon Breakfast

On 26<sup>th</sup> of May Cathy Quigan hosted a Pink Ribbon Breakfast in aid of New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation. Over 40 women came to the staff room to enjoy a coffee and share some lovely kai whilst being entertained by Mrs Brown, aka Morris West.

Pink Ribbon Breakfast isn't just about coming together and having an incredible time, it's also about doing some good. By taking part we have helped all those affected by breast cancer, as well as moving one step closer to our vision of zero deaths from breast cancer. Over \$1600 was raised and will go towards helping fund research and support for those affected.

A special thanks to **Kendal Moore** (Yr 12), her mum **Jenny Moore** and **Holly Radcliffe** (Yr 10) who gave up their Saturday morning to help out.



Cathy Quigan and Mrs Brown



## PowerCo Future Tech Show

The Sacred Heart Student Avengers volunteered to help at the recent PowerCo Future Tech Show.

Over the two days of the show, they helped visitors navigate the world of Virtual Reality, walking the plank at 20 stories high, riding rollercoasters and fighting aliens. They taught them to fly drones and ride segways, all with a helping hand and smile on their face. They did themselves and the College proud in how they conducted themselves over the two evenings.

The organisers were grateful for their manaakitanga and extremely impressed by how well they carried out their roles.

Well done girls!



# School News

## TOPEC

TSB TOPEC: Final Year 10 Camp for 2018—Mon June 18<sup>th</sup> - Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> 10H and some extras made up this final group of students to complete our Year 10 camps this year.

Director Steve Ralph, his band of merry instructors Seton, Josh and Zoe again provided our students with activities that challenged, pushed, inspired and created soul searching moments that 'made memories'! Leaving school on a dreary wet, wet, heavy raining, thunder and lightning Monday morning showed these girls were made of great mountain strength stuff. I'm sure when we pulled up to TSB Topec it was at least 3 degrees colder than school. The rain never let up and the stormy thunder and lightning pierced through Seton's welcome, introduction and hut allocations.



The morning activities were mud run/river safety/ABL activities. Such is the nature of TSB Topec that looking at the weather conditions activities are re-evaluated so the mud run was put on hold and ABL & river safety were good to go. The weather and elements govern everything so Tuesday was set for rafting. Wednesday was a dry day even though it was raining however the activities were all land based and our girls really appreciated it. Thursday had activities of bridge swing, abseiling, high ropes, and getting ready for the overnight tramp. All campers went on the overnight camp/tramp and Friday morning on their return were some very tired and cold bodies. Our weary campers warmed up, cleaned up, packed up and ate up before thanking TSB TOPEC staff and heading home.

Thank you to our SHGC staff of Claire Tate Y10 Dean, Loren Armstrong, Melissa Seddon, Barb Costelloe, Narelle O'Byrne for staying overnight and Jane Sanfelieu for visiting. Well done especially to our Wāhine Toa young women.

## Willie Apiata visit

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June, Jessica and I were privileged to be invited to a talk with Victoria Cross recipient Willie Apiata. He spoke about his life journey, leadership, wellbeing and resilience. It was an honour to be able to hear some of Willie's insights and experiences and to be able to talk to him about looking towards the future. We were both very grateful for the opportunity and learnt a lot about what it means to trust in our decisions and instincts.

### Tayla Simpson

Pictured with Willie Apiata:

Left; **Jessica Mehana** and  
Right; **Tayla Simpson**



# Sports News

## Sports Contact

There are many girls from our school who achieve some fantastic results in their chosen sports however these results are not always relayed to the Sports Department. We want to be able to acknowledge these achievements in the school newsletter, social media or in assemblies and need everyone's help to ensure we don't miss anyone out. Please let Ms Aroha Lynch, the Sports Co-ordinator, know by emailing her at [sport@shgcnp.school.nz](mailto:sport@shgcnp.school.nz), leaving a note with the details on it at the sports office or messaging through the Facebook page SHGC Manawa New Plymouth.

## Farewell and Welcome



**Nicola  
Watson**

It was sad to say goodbye to Nicola Watson in the middle of June who left us to get back into the banking industry. Thank you Nicola for everything you did for the students and their families to help make sport more enjoyable and accessible at Sacred Heart Girls' College. You will be missed!!

It is with much pleasure we welcome Ms Aroha Lynch as our new Sports Co-ordinator. Aroha comes to us with vast experience in the sports field, both locally and further afield. We look forward to having

**Aroha Lynch  
Sports Co-ordinator**



## TSSSA Table Tennis

**Elsa Ho** was our sole representative and did SHGC proud taking away the Senior Girls' singles title.



**Elsa Ho**

## TSSSA Badminton

Six students went to NPGHS to compete in singles and doubles games on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. A lot of fun was had by all involved with a few wins and a few losses.

It was great to see the girls involved in umpiring other games too.



## Rugby

**Tiana Davison's** NZ U18 7's team has made the cut and the New Zealand Olympic Committee have agreed to send the team to the Youth Olympic Games.

Awesome work **Tiana** - good luck.



**Tiana Davison**

We have set up specific Facebook page for the PE/SPORTS Department called *SHGC Manawa New Plymouth*. Please add us as a friend so we can keep you in the loop on what's happening in this area of the school.





# Sports News

## Rugby League

Big congratulations to **Aaliyah Kere-Rako** and **Kalsta Sofeni** who have been selected for the Paddock to Plate Butchery Taranaki Sharks Under 15 Girls' Squad for 2018 who will participate in the Upper Central Zone tournament held in Rotorua on the 14th/15th July.



**Aaliyah Kere-Rako**



**Kalsta Sofeni**

## Adventure Racing

Congratulations to our combined senior SHGC/FDMC Adventure Racing team who got 1st place in the North Island 6-hour Hillary Challenge race.

This secures them a place in the Hillary Challenge national final in 2019. Awesome news!



## Basketball

Congratulations to our Intermediate A Basketball team who were runners up in the annual Hawera Intermediate Schools tournament at the end of June. The team played really well and their only loss was against Auroa in the final.

**Nina Syrus** and **Louise Blyde** were named in the tournament Team. A great warm up for AIMS Games in September.



## Rippa Rugby

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June, Ross Howarth and Andrea Taylor accompanied over 60 students to the Rugby Fields at New Plymouth Racecourse for the annual Year 7 and 8 Ripper Rugby tournament.

This year there were record entries and it was such a beautiful day. Although, possibly not that warm to be running around in bare feet which was a requirement! None of our teams came away tournament winners, but we had two teams play in the semi-finals. Throughout the day lots of fun was had, many tries were scored and friendships made. A big thank you to the parents who managed each team during the day.



# Sports News



## Te Toa and Mission Cup



Our annual mission schools' sports exchange took place over Queen's Birthday weekend in Napier. Both our Netball and Hockey teams travelled in convoy on the Friday to be welcomed by Sacred Heart, Napier with a powhiri. Saturday and Sunday morning was filled with excellent games and lots of fair play.

The highlight was our 1<sup>st</sup> X1 Hockey team coming away with the Te Toa trophy, winning all of their games. Our senior A Netball team finished a credible 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Rose Ceremony

The 1st XI Hockey Team were presented with a rose at assembly on Monday 11 June.

*Back—from left; Briar Atkinson, Kaleigh Morris, Charlotte Schirmer, Jordan Grylls, Mrs Wells, Mia MacGregor, Mia Crow, Niamh McLean and Isabela Guerra Medina*

*Front—from left; Alex Shearman, Marianne Lynch, Georgia Goonan, Erin Adams, India Ralph, Alana Butler and Brianna Kempson*

*Absent: Caitlin Goonan*



Four students travelled to Wellington to participate in the Sheilah Winn competition. This included a Shakespeare Workshop, 2 days watching Shakespeare performances, and a visit to the Beehive where they heard Miranda Harcourt speak.

**Samantha Lusty** won a trophy for the 'Extraordinary Performance Award' (only 3 are given and there were about 600 students entered).

**The group** were awarded the 'Outstanding Movement and Dance Award' and 'Outstanding Imagination and Commitment to the text Award'.



*Pictured from left; Georgia Jones, Samantha Lusty, Miah Francis, Mrs Wells and Petra Harris*



A rose was presented to **Hannah O'Connor** for finishing first place in the 2018 New Zealand Cross Country Championships.

# Sports News

## NZSS Cross Country

We had a group of 13 girls and 2 parents head across to Taupo on Friday 15 June to compete in the above event on Saturday 16 June, and participate in the Relays on Sunday 17 June. This is the biggest field we have sent to this event in a while.

Congratulations to all girls competing, as they represented the school with pride and they should be proud of their achievements. Thank you to Annie O'Connor and Leonie Honeyfield for accompanying the girls.

Senior Girls

**Hannah O'Connor** 1<sup>st</sup>

Year 9 Girls 6 person team 4<sup>th</sup>

**Ella Barrett, Sophia Bish, Briar Dravitzki, Harriet Healion, Emma Shotter and Keighley Simpson**

Senior Girls 6 person team 9<sup>th</sup>

**Aimee Foy, Tessa Honeyfield, Mia MacGregor, Aleida Muller, Hannah O'Connor and Anna Waayer**



**Hannah O'Connor—1st place**

**Erin McKenzie** also competed but had to withdraw due to injury in the Junior Girls' race.

**Hannah** was also named in the NZSSAA Paper Team and named as Captain in the team to go to Sunshine Coast in August.



Year 9 Girls Team: **Ella Barrett, Harriet Healion, Sophia Bish, Briar Dravitzki, Keighley Simpson and Emma Shotter**



Senior Girls Team: **Aimee Foy, Anna Waayer, Mia MacGregor, Aleida Muller, Tessa Honeyfield and Hannah O'Connor**

**Good Luck**

Best of luck to all students competing in regional and national tournaments over the holiday break.

We look forward to hearing of your successes.

## School News

# WITT TARANAKI SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FAIR



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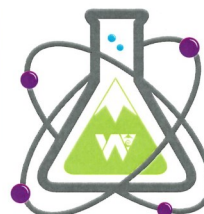
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