



*Living the Mission  
through:  
Ako  
Manaakitanga  
Wāhine Toa*

**Sacred Heart Girls' College  
Manawa Tapu  
New Plymouth**

TERM TWO

NEWSLETTER

JULY 2020



## Principal's Peace



### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### Fri 3 July:

Last day of Term 2

#### Mon 20 July:

First day of Term 3

#### Thurs 6 Aug:

Y7 & Y8 Learning  
Conferences, 2pm—  
7.30pm  
School as usual

#### Fri 7 Aug:

Y7 & Y8 Learning  
Conferences, 8.30am —  
3.30pm  
No school for Y7 & 8

#### Fri 14 August:

Founders' Day Mass,  
10am in the Events Centre  
House Singing 2pm in the  
Events Centre

#### Fri 25 September:

Last day of Term 3

### 2020 TERM DATES:

#### Term Three

##### Weeks 1-4:

Mon 20 July—Fri 14 Aug

- Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri -  
3.20pm finish
- Wed - 3.00pm finish

##### Weeks 5-10:

Mon 17 Aug—Fri 25 Sept

- Mon—3.20pm finish
- Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri -  
3.00pm finish

Kia ora whanau

Welcome to our end of Term 2 newsletter. We have experienced tumultuous times in recent months as a nation in navigating the uncharted waters of a global pandemic. The social, emotional and financial implications of lockdown are something we will be continuing to experience and absorb for some time yet, and we have an obligation to remember that whilst we might be largely unaffected in comparison to populations the world-over from a health perspective, there are significant detrimental wellbeing and financial impacts on many in our own backyard.

Moving through the Alert-Levels conservatively, in a carefully considered way as a college community has been deliberate with a cleaned-down curriculum providing clarity and simplicity at a time when other aspects of young lives were somewhat topsy-turvy. I recently engaged in an hour-long Zoom meeting with the ERO team, who were interested in our management of the lockdown experience, and learnings we have taken from being thrown in to the unexpected.

As a result of our lockdown experience, and learnings that have been gleaned from gathering student, caregiver and teacher voice, we continue to make changes to our offerings. From the beginning of Term 3, our Year 13 cohort will experience Ako@Home one day a week for the remainder of the year. We look forward to the autonomy, independence and resilience that learners exhibited during lockdown spilling over into everyday life, and look forward to better preparing them for life beyond the school gates as they transition from school to 'real life' in just a few months' time. There will be slight timetable adjustments for learners from the beginning of Term 3 to assist with logistics.

Bringing back the joy of being a Sacred Heart girl is very much on the agenda, and we are looking forward to Founders' Day celebrations on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August, with Mass in the Events Centre at 10am, followed by House Singing at 2pm. Co-curricular and extra-curricular activities will become more common-place, however we continue to be mindful of the financial implications that Covid-19 has had on our community with an emphasis on no-cost or low-cost local offerings. Please find an updated Manawa Tapu – The Golden Rules poster on page 5 of this newsletter. Within, you will see adjustments to school finish times across Term 3, with a commitment to earlier finish times in the latter part of Term 3 in response to community voice.



# Openly Engage with Community

## Principal's Peace continued

This week, our very own Ms Pauline Koorey featured in the Education Gazette, in which she was interviewed around her 2019 sabbatical inquiry associated with our korowai project.



The story of a korowai being woven in memory of former principal, Diane Kawana, that simultaneously tells the story of growing cultural competency and responsiveness at Manawa Tapu that embraces our history of a Mission school, makes for a delightful read; and we're pretty proud of Ms Koorey too! Find the article from p. 22 of the Gazette [here](#).

In our previous newsletter, I mentioned Principal Sabbatical from August 17<sup>th</sup> until November 6<sup>th</sup>. During my absence, the college will be in very safe hands with the experienced Mr Murray taking the reigns as Acting Principal. Recently, our Leader of Learning Science, Mr Jeremy Taylor, was appointed to the leadership team for the duration of Principal Sabbatical and will fulfil the responsibilities currently held by Mr Murray as DP Senior school. Mr Taylor will be an integral member of the leadership team with a raft of leadership experience to draw from. I am delighted that Meg Nicholls will re-join our Science faculty from the beginning of Term 3 in a part time, fixed term capacity. Meg is well-known by our students, and a highly-respected teacher. We look forward to welcoming her back.

The college continues to be in a position of extreme roll pressure, as we are at the maximum number allowed for by law. Our Proprietor's Board and Board of Trustees remain resolute in doing all it can in meeting the obligations of our Integration Agreement in meeting the aspirations for Catholic education for those in our community who seek it and qualify for it. Most disappointingly, in recent times, we have had no choice other than to apply our Priority in Enrolment Procedures, and have been forced to decline entry to students who meet Preference Criteria. We are continuing to work with the Ministry of Education in presenting our desperate need for an increased Maximum Roll and are hopeful of an outcome before the end of this year. We are currently conducting enrolment interviews for Preference students whose families are seeking enrolment at Sacred Heart in 2021 in Year 7 and in Year 9. To be considered for enrolment in 2021 applications needed to be with us by the end of Term 2. Our Priority in Enrolment Procedure is rigorously applied in discerning enrolment. A copy can be found [here](#).

It has been a long term. Not only because of the 12 weeks we have been open, but because of the way in which the term has played out. Engaging with digital wellbeing and digital learning and teaching during lockdown led to a time of transition and adjustment in moving to a new normal once back at school with new protocols and limitations that have continued to morph and change. Now we have reached the end of this mammoth term, it is time to rest and rejuvenate in order that we return to the college ready for the challenges, excitement and joys that lay ahead, renewed by the spirit; te whakahou i te taha wairua.

**Paula Wells**  
Principal



# Nourish Catholic Character

## Renewed by the Spirit



### Pentecost

On May 21st, Pentecost Sunday, the Church commemorated the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples as tongues of fire. Pentecost is especially important for the Diocese of Palmerston North, which is consecrated to the Holy Spirit

*I te Wairua o te Kotahitanga  
United in the Spirit*

The name Pentecost (Greek *pentecoste*, “fiftieth”) originally referred to the Jewish Feast of Weeks which fell fifty days after Passover. This feast celebrated the first fruits of the harvest offered to God and also the giving of the Law to Moses. The early Church gave it Christian significance, rejoicing in the ‘first fruits’ and the ‘new law’ heralded by Christ’s resurrection. Today we celebrate Pentecost as the conclusion of the Easter season, fifty days after Easter Sunday. Conscious of the missionary zeal which galvanised the apostles into a united body, we often think of Pentecost as the birth of the Church.



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

Mark 16:15

### Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants

The theme, “Where is your brother or sister?”, was taken from Pope Francis’ Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* in which he challenges us not to look the other way, but to recognise our migrant brothers and sisters who are experiencing exploitation. This theme is particularly topical given the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Pope Francis acknowledges that the task of overcoming human exploitation takes “courage, patience and perseverance”, but it is a task that we all must take part in. He challenges us “to open our eyes, to see the misery of those who are completely deprived of their dignity and their freedom, and to hear their cry for help.”

The Catholic Church in New Zealand celebrated the diversity that migrants and refugees bring to our community on Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup>.



*“I was a stranger and you received me in your homes.”*

Matthew 25:35

There are many circumstances that could lead to someone becoming a person without a home. Christ encourages us to go out and meet those without homes, affirming their worth and helping them seek a solution to the challenges they face.

### Sacraments

Following a period of preparation with our College Chaplain, 15 students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on June 30th 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

7 students are preparing to be baptised on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. We pray for all these students as they take the next step on their sacramental journey.

# Nourish Catholic Character

## Sacred Heart Feast Day

The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart in the Catholic liturgical calendar. The feast day, this year celebrated on June 19<sup>th</sup>, has particular significance for the College, as the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions chose to dedicate many of their schools to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Due to COVID-19, our celebration this year looked a little different. Our senior students led us in a whole school liturgy focussed on God's great love for us and his message that we are his agents of love and mercy in our world.



## Liturgy

On the 9<sup>th</sup> June, Sacred Heart had its first gathering once Level One was announced. A student-led liturgy in light of the Black Lives Matter movement in USA, took place. Taking initiative, the students led the assembly in prayers and scripture reading that helped students and staff learn and understand the discrimination and injustice being faced by people of colour, especially in USA. The liturgy left everyone in a reflective mood and a chance to greatly appreciate the beautiful multicultural Sacred Heart community we are.



Words by **Ann-Mariya Tomy**  
Board of Trustees Student Representative

## International

International students having a get together for dinner.



# Openly Engage with Community



Sacred Heart Girls' College  
Manawa Tapu

Unite  
against  
COVID-19

## Manawa Tapu – The Golden Rules Term 3 2020

### Unwell?

1. If you're sick, stay at home
2. If you become sick at school, we'll arrange for you to be isolated, and then to go home
3. If you develop flu-like symptoms, caregivers are to contact GP or Healthline 0800 611 116
4. If you're home sick, access your schoolwork on TEAMS



### Hygiene and Safe Distancing

1. Wash your hands regularly with soapy water for at least 20 seconds and then dry them
2. Often touched surfaces disinfected daily
3. BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) daily, fully charged; including those on loan from school
4. Practise sensible distancing when in unfamiliar environments



### Routines

1. Monday and Friday Manaaki 8.40am- 9am
2. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8.40am - Period 1 Prayers and Notices
3. Wet Day lunchrooms designated (Y13 sign-out permitted)
4. Weeks 1-4 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 3.20pm Finish
5. Weeks 1-4 Wednesday 3pm Finish
6. Weeks 5-10 Monday 3.20pm Finish (Assembly/Deans Hui 2pm on Rotation)
7. Weeks 5-10 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 3pm Finish
8. Year 13 Ako@Home every Wednesday



### Activities

1. Low-cost or no-cost local extra-curricular activities permitted
2. Sanctioned School Sport at discretion of Director of Sport
3. External venue hire permitted on application
4. Founders' Day celebrated Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August in Events Centre; Mass 10am, House Singing 2pm

### Especially for Caregivers

1. All visitors please sign in at the office utilising electronic sign-in
2. Visitors encouraged to track own whereabouts; Ministry of Health QR Codes displayed
3. If your child is sick, please keep them at home
4. If your child is sick, please contact the school office absentee line
5. If your child is sick, please contact your GP or phone Healthline 0800 611 116
6. The first point of contact for all other matters is your child's Manaaki/Homeroom Teacher
7. All essential information will be emailed to caregivers, with an APP Alert
8. **Please keep Pukaka Street traffic-free — it is a no parking zone**



# Openly Engage with Community

## Holiday Office Hours

**OPEN, first week:** Monday 6th—Friday 10th July, 10.00am—3pm

**CLOSED, second week:** Monday 13th—Friday 17th July



## Reusable Jute Bags

FOR SALE



Great for a variety of things, sports gear, grocery shopping, school books and much more!

These can be purchased at the school office (cash sales only),  
\$10.00 each.

## Honey for sale — in stock now!

There is plenty of yummy honey from Eltham Apiaries available from the school office, or by contacting Ross Howarth [rho@shgcnp.school.nz](mailto:rho@shgcnp.school.nz)

Honey sales help to contribute with expenses from the wonderful Year 7 camp that students experienced at the beginning of this year.

*Winter has arrived - honey and lemon drinks, honey on crumpets... it's always good to have honey in your cupboard!*

1kg pot  
\$19.00



## Sheilah Winn

We are very excited to announce that one of our groups that entered in the Regional Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival have made it through to Nationals. Congratulations to **Petra Harris** and her team of outstanding actors. **Petra** directed a 5-minute scene from Julius Caesar. We wish the girls the best of luck for Nationals.

Nationals usually take place over Queens Birthday weekend. As a result of lockdown, they have now had to make the competition online and push performance dates out. The regional director is going to send through more information later this week regarding dates for Nationals, along with the adjudicator's comments.



# Strengthen Learning and Teaching

## Virtual Careers Expo

Thursday 18th of June | 12pm to 8pm Friday 19th of June | 9am to 5pm Online (on-demand)

- Visit more than 30 stands hosted by exhibitors from across New Zealand
- Chat live to staff and student ambassadors
- Head to the Webcast Hub for on-demand video presentations
- Explore the virtual campus
- Attend from the comfort of your own home (or school)

Even in unusual times like these, our students still have important decisions to make about their futures. With so many careers fairs being cancelled or postponed this year, the NZ Virtual Careers Expo has brought several New Zealand top providers together to give you the expo experience, virtually! Attendees will have full access to the Virtual Expo Hall, where you can interact with exhibitors, ask questions, and access useful resources that will help you choose the right path. The Virtual Careers Expo is a unique opportunity for you to explore some of the country's best tertiary education and pathway providers and get the information you need to map out the next steps on your career journey, all from the comfort of your own home.

Click on the link to register <https://www.mediadesignschool.com/virtual-careers-expo?>

## Geography

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 12 Geography went to Te Papakura o Taranaki to complete the research that was interrupted due to COVID-19. It was great to get out and about again even though the weather was a LOT chillier than it would have been in March!

This year, alongside our more traditional methods, some students trialled using their devices and Survey 123 to collect data on location, measuring distances and altitude. While battery life was a challenge, it was a good experience overall. We managed to fit in a side trip to the North Egmont Visitor Centre to collect some secondary data and we also got to see more than a foggy view from this side!



# Strengthen Learning and Teaching

## Year 13 Ako@Home Parent Help Sheet

Welcome to Year 13 Ako@Home which will occur every Wednesday for the rest of the year. Our Ako@Home programme is designed to be flexible and accommodating when it comes to your daughter's learning. This programme is designed to help transition your daughter to the next step.

At Sacred Heart Girls' College, we have a range of on-line platforms available to support your daughter's ongoing learning through '**AKO@HOME**'. Our staff will use a range of communication methods including:



### What is expected of your daughter?

She needs to follow the timetable. She does not need to wear uniform, but appropriate dress is expected for live lessons.

There will be no NCEA due dates on this day.

She may email her teachers throughout the day.

### What if she is sick or has a work placement in Pathways?

She is not expected to work if she is sick. If she has a work placement or has a course, she needs to attend it.

### What if my daughter does not have a device or has poor internet connection?

If she is not able to access the online resources, for whatever reason, please contact your daughter's teacher. There will be a designated room at school for Ako@Home, for those who need to be in school.

### What about Elizabeth House students?

Year 13 Boarders will work in their rooms at Elizabeth House. Teaching staff will supervise them from an office in the Hostel especially designed for Ako@Home support.

### Will teachers arrange tutorials or workshops at school on Wednesdays?

At this stage, no. However, as we grow Ako@Home this may be explored.

The following are reminders for our Year 13 students:

Some things to remember:

Check your email in the morning – this will be where you find notifications from your teachers, in the form of email, Teams and APP notifications

Follow your timetable for the day – we would recommend that you create a routine as you would normally have on a school day, a schedule that has regular breaks and study time in manageable chunks.

Find a good place to work – a space at home that is comfortable, where lighting is good and where you can work without distractions. You should work on a laptop or computer, remember that your phone is too small for long periods of time and not recommended as a learning tool.

Find a support person – many of us need someone that holds us accountable to deadlines. Perhaps one of your parents/caregivers might check to make sure you have a work plan. Alternatively, maybe you and another student in your class could check in with each other. For those of you who spend hours on games or social media, a support person will be essential to ensure good timetable habits with managing screen time.

Check you have the contact details for your Dean or GEMS teacher.

As a College we are committed to a safe, collaborative and supportive learning environment for all. We ask that you engage in respectful learning behaviour to ensure that we can all participate in a caring and connected online community. If you have any questions, please contact [me](#), Andrew Murray, Deputy Principal.



# Nurture Hauora

## The Good News for Year 13

The Good News has been prepared for the Class of 2020 in recognition of a final year of the college that has been unlike anyone could have imagined, with a global pandemic raging the world-over. New Zealanders have made tremendous social and economic sacrifices, and the impacts of locking our country down continue to be far-reaching. The Manawa Tapu Class of 2020 are trail blazers in that the established traditions of being a Year 13 Sacred Heart Girl have been tested at every turn, allowing for re-visioning and renewal to occur. The Good News is that there are some exciting plans for Year 13 to look forward to from the beginning of Term 3, Covid-19 dependent:

### **Ako@ Home; every Wednesday**

Every Wednesday from the beginning of Term 3, Year 13 will access their learning digitally. Our lockdown learnings from Ako@Home have been significant, and we look forward to offering this ever-improving and evolving programme with Year 13 for the remainder of 2020. There will be timetable changes from the beginning of Term 3 to ensure the digital learning offering is equitable.

### **Founders' Day; Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August**

We're looking forward to celebrating Founders' Day Mass at 10am Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August in the Events Centre, followed by House Singing at 2pm. Year 13, under the direction of House Leaders, will lead the college in preparation for House Singing Weeks 1-4 of Term 3.

### **School Finish Times**

Weeks 1-4 there will be a 2pm meeting time to allow for House Singing Preparation three days a week. School finish 3.20pm, apart from Wednesday 3pm. Weeks 5-10 school finish 3.20pm Monday only, finish time Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 3pm. Mondays all term, Assembly and Deans' hui will be held at 2pm on rotation.

### **Big Sister/Little Sister Events**

We will re-institute Big Sister/Little Sister events from Term 3. New ideas for events are to be shared with your Dean and/or Hauora Leaders.

### **Sport and EOTC**

Sacred Heart Girls' College will participate in regional NZSSC sanctioned secondary school sporting events as provided by sporting organisations. TSSA will provide some local sporting opportunities across Term 3 and Winter Tournament Week, that we will participate in at the discretion of our Director of Sport. Local, low-cost or no-cost co-curricular and extra-curricular activities may also occur.

### **Graduation**

We are delighted to be planning for a celebration of the Class of 2020 with a series of Graduation events including:

- Senior Prizegiving Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November SHGC Events Centre 7pm
- Thanksgiving Mass Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November SHGC Events Centre 10am
- Glammed up Grad Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November The Devon Hotel 6.30pm

Glammed Up Grad will allow the students to attend a poignant, formal event with two whānau guests, marking the end of their time as students of Manawa Tapu, signifying and celebrating a transition to adulthood. We look forward to working with the Class of 2020 in planning a night to remember.

Paula Wells  
Principal

# Nurture Hauora

## Sports News

### Returning to Sport – COVID 19 Level 1

Thank you for your patience as we slowly return to sport this term. It has not been an easy term for anyone. Due to the current situation several teams needed to be changed and we thank the girls and families for accepting these changes gracefully. Unfortunately, it is very hard to please everyone. We have also had to consider our Coaches and Managers availability post COVID-19, so again many thanks to those who have volunteered their expertise to help our girls develop. Over the past couple of weeks, it has been wonderful to see the teams out on the field, court and turf, practising for the season ahead. We think we are finally there, so good luck for the season.

Due to the winter sport season being reduced, all local sporting organisations have reduced their association fees. This is reflected in the amount you now need to pay for your daughter to participate in her chosen codes. Please see the table on the next page to the changes in fees which you are expected to pay. All tournament expenses have been removed. If you have already paid the larger amount, a credit will be allocated to your account. The Finance Officer will be in contact soon as to how you would like to allocate that money. A refund can be given but you will need to provide the finance team with bank account details. Please be patient as this is sorted.

### Sports Fee Credits

If you have paid the original amount, your sports account will be in credit. If you have paid for any other sporting event that has been cancelled this year, you will also be carrying this credit on your sports account.

Please contact our Finance Officer, Liz Goldsworthy, at the school office; [lgo@shgcnp.school.nz](mailto:lgo@shgcnp.school.nz) to discuss how you would like to re-allocate sport credit balances.

**Please ensure all fees are paid by Friday 24 July 2020**



For sports news, please contact Ms Aroha Lynch, the Sports Co-ordinator, 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.



# Nurture Hauora

## Reduction to Sports Fees

<b>Netball</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>NOW</b>
Premier	\$300	\$170
Senior 1	\$110	\$100
9A & 10A	\$125	\$95
All other teams – Year 9 to 13	\$110	\$90
8A#	\$130	\$70
Year 7 & 8	\$85	\$70

<b>Basketball</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>NOW</b>
Senior A & Junior A	\$300	\$165
Senior B	\$135	\$100
Junior B	\$135	\$70
All other teams – Year 9 to 13	\$80	\$60
Intermediate A	\$130	\$65
Year 7 & 8	\$85	\$65

<b>Hockey</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>NOW</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> XI	\$300	\$205
Other teams Year 9 – 13 (Development/Red)	\$160	\$145/135
Intermediate A	\$190	\$95
Years 7 & 8	\$135	\$95

<b>Football</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>NOW</b>
Central Football – Saturday League	\$300	\$95
Central Football – Wednesday League	\$80	\$70
Intermediate A	\$130	\$70
Year 7 & 8 – Central Football League	\$85	\$70

<b>Rugby</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>NOW</b>
Rugby - Year 9 -13	\$50	\$40.00
Rugby 7's – Year 9 – 13 only (Condors Tournament)	\$300	TBC

# Strengthen Learning and Teaching

## WITT TARANAKI SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY DIGITAL FAIR 2020

ONLINE ENTRIES  
DUE 24TH JULY

### SECTIONS

- **POSTERS**  
Theme: Tiaki Te Moana -  
Caring for the ocean
- **JOURNALISM**  
"What is the best sustainable energy  
option for transport in Taranaki?"
- **PHOTOGRAPHY**  
Theme: Symmetry
- **DRAWING**  
Theme: Symbiosis

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