

Living the Mission through: Ako Manaakitanga Wāhine Toa

Sacred Heart Girls' College Manawa Tapu New Plymouth

TERM FOUR

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2020



DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 25 Nov: Year 7 Retreat

Fri 27 Nov: Teacher Only Day

Mon 30 Nov: Orientation Afternoon, 1pm, Events Centre

Fri 4 Dec: Year 7/8 Big Day Out

Tues 8 Dec: Junior Prizegiving, 10.00am, Events Centre School finishes for the year

2021 TERM DATES:

Term One Thurs 4 Feb—Fri 16 Apr

Term Two Mon 3 May—Fri 9 July

Term Three Mon 26 July—Fri 1 Oct

Term Four Mon 18 Oct—Wed 15 Dec

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Principal's Peace



Kia ora whanau

The last few weeks have been action packed recognising, rewarding achievement, and reflecting on the year that was before NCEA externals began. The Class of 2020 shared reflections of their time Living the Mission at Manawa Tapu before carrying their candle beyond the college gates. A series of traditional college events have been held, ranging from Māori and Pasifika Graduation, Sports Prizegiving, Senior Prizegiving, Thanksgiving Mass and Graduation Dinner. Each event has been special in its own way, and allowed us to appropriately acknowledge and celebrate the contribution and legacy of our students. Thank you to those of you who were able to join us for some of these iconic Manawa Tapu events. Thank you for making the time and talking with me. We will miss your families.

My key message to students at Senior Prizegiving was "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." This year, we were flung into the liminal space between the known and the unknown; there was little time to prepare and decisions needed to be made hastily in a period of uncertainty. This uncertainty was like the life of a disciple was, anything but safe, comfort-driven or unchallenging. Christ's life, death, and resurrection was a completely unprecedented moment in history, and the varied reactions of his disciples from unfailing loyalty and martyrdom to complete rejection and betrayal speaks to the fragility of the human condition. As the first disciple, Mary's life suggests that the unprecedented is not to be avoided, as it brings to birth new seasons of growth, selfreflection and insight. Despite the prophecies of Simeon describing a sword that would pierce her heart, Mary and Joseph continued their leap into the unknown and Jesus "grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him." Like the disciples, we made it through.

The 2020 Sacred Heart Girls' College Dux is **Alice Fleming**, our Proxime Accessit is **Frances Chow**. Congratulations to these two hardworking young women who are worthy recipients of these top academic honours. **Jorja Murray** was the recipient of the Centennial Cup, the college's supreme award, for the student who best exemplifies the values of the Mission Order and the Special Character of the college.

As has become tradition, there was great anticipation around the naming of the 2021 Head Girl Team. Congratulations to next year's head students: **Nell Brown**, Head Girl, **Eve Hagenson**, Deputy Head Girl Special Character and **Ann-Mariya Tomy**, Deputy Head Girl Student Council.

> 2021 Head Girl Team, from left; Eve Hagenson, Nell Brown and Ann-Mariya Tomy



Principal's Peace continued

Along with other Taranaki schools, we will be having a Staff Only Day on Friday 27 November to prepare for changes to NCEA. These have been organised by the Ministry of Education, the New Zealand Qualifications Authority, NZEI Te Riu Roa, and PPTA Te Wehengarua, Click <u>here</u> for further details about the focus of these days. I look forward to the school participating in the changes in this space.

Thank you to our PTFA for their more than generous donations this year, especially to the Leigh Sanfelieu bench which will be fixed to the new Science labs by the end of the year. Thank you to the Class of 2020 for their thoughtful leavers' gift of a donation as well to this project.

This is a busy time of year with concerts and sporting events. In each of these, teachers / volunteers have built a wonderful whānau environment, which I know the students greatly appreciate. It is noticeable how often; the students are watching each other, when they could be doing anything else. The supportive relationships being built through activities between these students is what life should be about. It is a joy to see the success these teams have had. It is even more joyful to observe the fun they are having whether they are winning or losing because of the connections they are making.

I think the following whakatauki is appropriate here: *Tangata ako ana i te kāenga, te tūrnaga ki te rarae, tau ana* "A person nurtured in the community contributes strongly to society".

I hope you are able to spend some valuable time with your young person over the school holidays. If they are a senior student, I hope they have a break but I also hope that they spend some time preparing themselves for the final term and the upcoming NCEA exams.

As I conclude I am watching our Year 10 students head out to the TSSSA modified sports week. It is wonderful to see our girls walking and supporting each other. It is humbling and a timely reminder that we are all called to mission and ministry, and that we can, and should, give of ourselves freely for the benefit of others..."Let us love, not with words but with deeds" (Pope Francis).

Ngā mihi nui

Andrew Murray Acting Principal



"Te whakahou i te taha wairua"



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Thanksgiving Mass





Thanksgiving Mass was celebrated by Father Vui on Tuesday 3 November at 10am in the Events Centre.













"Te whakahou i te taha wairua"

Nourish Catholic Character

The Month of November

The month of November has traditionally been dedicated to remembering all those who have died. In the words of St Teresa of Kolkata:

'November begins with two beautiful days, the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls. Holy Mother Church remembers all of her children, to whom she has given the life of Jesus through Baptism ...We all know that during this whole month we give them extra love and care by praying for them and to them.'

> Eternal rest grant to them O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.



We remember November 5, 1881

He hōnore, he korōria ki te Atua I runga rawa, He maungārongo ki te whenua, He whakaaro pai ki ngā tāngata katoa.



Honour and glory to God above, Peace unto the land.

And goodwill to all people.

The people of Parihaka encountered grave injustice. Hostile colonial forces invaded their streets, fields and homes on 5 November 1881. Inspired by Scripture and prophetic courage, under the leadership of Te Whiti o Rongomai and Tohu Kākahi, they decided to 'fight' violence not with more violence but with peace. They turned their cheek and sang in their streets and offered bread to the invaders. Only faith in God can explain such a conciliatory response.

We remember at this time the choices made by the people of Parihaka. In the face of adversity they chose to act with dignity at a time when aggression was met with aggression. They chose to meet violence with peaceful resistance, unlawful arrest with calm acquiescence and unjust legislation with determination.

We pray for the people of Parihaka today as they continue to strive to uphold the values of their tūpuna: caring for their land and people and working peacefully with determination for a future that will sustain and nurture their mokopuna and the wider community.







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Nourish Catholic Character

World Day of the Poor

Parishes around the world observed Pope Francis' 3rd World Day of the Poor on Sunday 15 November. The World day of the Poor is a new celebration on the Catholic calendar, created by Pope Francis at the end of the 2015-2016 Jubilee Year of Mercy.

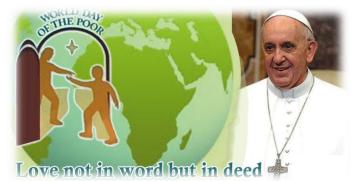
In his document concluding the Jubilee year, *Misericordia et Misera*, Pope Francis asked that Catholics celebrate this new celebration as a special day every year on the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time, which this year falls on November 15.

"It is my wish that ... Christian communities will make every effort to create moments of encounter and friendship, solidarity and concrete assistance ... if there are poor people where we live who seek protection and assistance, let us draw close to them." (Pope Francis). The Pope also reminds us of the fundamental Catholic belief that Christ is found in every human person.

"Let us love, not with words but with deeds." Pope Francis

Let us all remember these words as we approach the season of Advent.

Catherine Landrigan Director of Religious Studies



Advent Blessing

Ecumenical Liturgy to mark the beginning of Advent

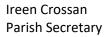
The Catholic Parish of New Plymouth extends a warm welcome to the students and staff of Sacred Heart Girls' College to join with the local Anglican and Catholic communities in a combined liturgy to mark the beginning of Advent.

The Advent wreaths of all communities will be blessed during this liturgy. This combined liturgy is being held at the recommendation of The Anglican Roman Catholic Commission in Aotearoa New Zealand who have circulated a recommended liturgy for the occasion.

The Advent Wreath Blessing is a lovely way to start the preparation for Christmas.

The liturgy will be celebrated Wednesday 25 November at St Joseph's Church, Powderham Street, New Plymouth at 7.00pm.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office.



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Senior Prizegiving

Performing Arts Awards		
Samantha Lusty		Jane Healy Cup for Drama
Jorja Murray		Broughan Trophy for Senior Public Speaking
Sophie James		Senior Dance Medal for Performance and contribution
Music Awards		
Eve Hagenson	Senior Music Medal for Classroom attitude & achievement & co-curricular involvement	
Ruby Hosking	Music Trophy for Musical Composition	
Lydia McCaul	Choir Cup For Enthusiasm and participation in the school choir	
Jorja Rosser	Orchestra/Band Cup For Enthusiasm and participation in the school band	
Frances Chow	Kusalic Cup for Outstanding Contribution to Music in the College	
Art and Technology		
Ellen Barnao-Young	Moana Clothing Trophy For Achievement in Senior Fabric Technology	
Ella Barrett Ava Hill	MacManus Trophy for Diligence Year 11 Fabric Technology	
Ruby Hosking	PhotoLife Senior Photography Award	
Ruby Keegan	Millennium Cup for Outstanding Enthusiasm in Art, Year 13	
Milla Bridgeman	Magazine Cup for Outstanding Service to Sacred Heart Girls' College Magazine	



Pictured from left, 2020 Head Boarder Team; Fionnghuala Lynch (Deputy Head Boarder Special Character), Emma Delehanty (Head Boarder), Annabelle Bradley (Deputy Head Boarder Events), and Mrs Susan Evans, Hostel Manager.

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Senior Prizegiving

Māori Student Awar	Māori Student Awards		
Tiana Capper	Tawhirikura Māori Student Taongafor an outstanding balance of academic, sporting, cultural and special characterattributes		
Caitlin O'Connell	Ransfield Whānau Taonga for outstanding senior academic achievement		
Jorja Simpson	Mahi-aa-iwi Community Service Taonga for outstanding service and involvement within the community		
Amelita Peters	Measina A Samoa Feaunati Tanoa Award for diligence in all cultural values		
Academic Awards —	Year 13		
Baillie Kronfeld	Centenary Prize for General Literary Excellence in the College and the Head of Faculty Prize for outstanding achievement in English		
Baillie Kronfeld	McLay Family Cup for Academic Excellence in Year 13 English		
Baillie Kronfeld	V A & J Frost Cup for High Achievement in Humanities, Year 13		
Lauren Jacquemard	L A Alexander Trust Award for Senior Biology		
Alice Fleming	Overall excellence in Mathematics and Science in Year 13		
Frances Chow	Rotary Club of New Plymouth North Cup for Achievement and Diligence in Mathematics and Science, Year 13 plus the 1,000 scholarship.		
Lauren Jacquemard	Kirk Award for High Achievement in Social Sciences (History and Geography – the student needs to do both), Year 13		
Paige Wright	Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award for excellence in education to employment success		
Shauna Johnson	Symonds History Cup for overall excellence in History		
Jorja Murray	Margaret Patricia Wells Trophy for Senior Contribution to the O'Shea Shield		
Cornelia Chan	Janaya Horgan Cup for a deserving student who has shown leadership in one or many aspects of SHGC		
Emma Reumers	Leavers' 2009 Diligence Cup		
Emma Reumers	Lonza Award for effort and enthusiasm in Level 3 Chemistry		
Charlotte Bish Jenna Newton Paige Wright	New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing Support Work		

Senior Prizegiving

Academic Awards — Year 11				
Holly Kleinsman	Award for High Achievement in Maths and Science			
Academic Awards — Y	ear 12			
Ann-Mariya Tomy	Leary Family Cup for Maths and Science			
Sophie James	Award for High Achievement in the Arts Year 12 (Social Sciences)			
Eve Hagenson	A & A Brett Cup for Contribution to Special Character in Year 12			
Major Sports Awards				
Sarah Mead	Keegan Stark Trophy Chosen by Sports Leader for Major Contribution to Sport in 2020			
Awards				
Scout Court	Karen Scott Award This award recognizes courage and persistence in the face of adversity.			
Frances Chow	Crawford Cup for All-Round Excellence, Year 13			
Samantha Lusty	Gabby Devine TrophyTo be student-nominatedTo be open to a recipient of any year levelTo be a recipient who demonstrates the following attributes:*Kind*Inclusive*Altruistic*Giving to those most in need*Demonstrates the above attributes authentically, in a natural expression of selflessness			
Frances Chow	Costello Family Cup for Proxime Accessit			
Alice Fleming	Dux of Sacred Heart Girls' College Cup Top Scholar Year 13. Receiver of the Ricoh Scholarship			
Academic Excellence				
Holly Kleinsman	Shanika Fernando Award for Academic Excellence in Year 11			
Eve Hagenson	Murray Family Cup for Academic Excellence in Year 12			
Leadership Awards				
Head Girl	Jorja Murray			
Head Boarder for leaders	hip in the hostel Emma Delehanty			

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Senior Prizegiving

Awards

Jorja Murray



Centennial Cup

This is the school's supreme award. The Centennial cup is awarded to a Year 13 student who has best exemplified the values of the Mission Order and who lives what the school believes to be its special character. The values that exemplify the special character of Sacred Heart are:

- Mission
- Excellence
- Charity
- Simplicity
- Modesty
 - Generosity

- Inclusiveness
- Hospitality
- * Humility
- Contemplation
- Social Justice

Congratulations



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I ō Mahi Katoa, Mahia



Alice Fleming

Frances Chow is the Sacred Heart Girls' College Proxime Accessit for 2020.

Frances is awarded the Costello Family Trophy for academic excellence in Religious Studies, Statistics, Music, Geography, Chemistry and Physics. She plans to study Science and Music at the University of Auckland in 2021.

Alice Fleming is the Sacred Heart Girls' College Dux for 2020.

The Award of Dux of Sacred Heart Girls' College celebrates supreme academic success at Year 13. She has shown academic excellence in the subjects of Religious Studies, Calculus, History, Biology, Chemistry and Physics. She plans to study out of the University of Auckland in 2021.

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"Renewed by the Spirit"

Frances Chow

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Sacred Heart Girls' College Manawa Tapu

Manawa Tapu – The Golden Rules—Level 1

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. Sensibly social distance from one another; no touch; no shared breath
- 2. Wash your hands regularly with soapy water for at least 20 seconds and then dry them
- 3. Use hand sanitiser provided when you enter and leave classrooms and shared spaces
- 4. Often touched surfaces disinfected daily
- 5. The canteen will be open with safe social distancing and food-handling measures
- 6. Bring your own filled water bottle daily
- 7. BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) daily, fully charged; including those on loan from school

Routines—**Term 4**

- 1. Monday, school finishes 3.20pm
- 2. Assemblies will be held
- 3. Tuesday—Friday, school finishes 3.00pm

Especially for Caregivers

- 1. All visitors please sign in and out at our school office
- 2. Please keep Pukaka Street traffic-free
- 3. If your child is sick, please keep them at home
- 4. If your child is sick, please contact your GP or phone Healthline 0800 611 116
- 5. If your child is sick, please contact the school office
- 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









Pathways

Recognising student success in achieving New Zealand Certificates 2020

We are proud to recognise the success of Jenna Newton, Rebecca Dunn, Charlotte Bish, Molly Tyrrell, Paige Wright and Kyla Blair-Hamill. With the exception of Kyla, these girls completed the New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Support Work) Level 3. Kyla completed the New Zealand Certificate in Youth Work Level 3. These certificates bring good numbers of NCEA credits and qualify the girls to enter employment in roles such as HCA (health care assistant). They are also a stepping stone to a higher level certificate, diploma or degree.



Charlotte Bish and Paige Wright

The girls completed successful placements at workplaces such as rest homes, TDHB at Taranaki Base Hospital and Taranaki Young Peoples' Trust. I thank these employers for their support of our students and their excellent relationships with us. Student/employer engagements are valuable for our students and meaningful for employers. Our students gain confidence, experience and employability skills that are essential for future employment.

I commend the girls for their commitment and diligence over the two-year completion of these New Zealand Certificates. Paige says, "I really enjoyed my placements and they gave me insight into what these types of jobs are actually like. They confirmed for me that nursing is my pathway. I am looking forward to starting my study at Massey University (Wellington) next year". Charlotte said, "I found the course interesting and beneficial. I learnt a lot about physical and mental health that many people of my age do not know. I've got extra knowledge which will support my nursing training. I am excited to begin my nursing degree at Massey University (Palmerston North)".

Paige is also the recipient of the Prime Minister's Award for Vocational Excellence valued at \$2000. This award recognises education to employment success. I congratulate Paige for this award which is thoroughly deserved. I would also like to thank Jilly for her support and involvement and also Jo Titchener from Careerforce who is a superstar in the way that she teaches and supports our students.

Warwick Foy

Leader of Learning Pathways

Honey for sale — in stock now!

There is still plenty of yummy honey from Eltham Apiaries available from the school office, or by contacting Ross Howarth <u>rho@shgcnp.school.nz</u>

1kg pot \$19.00

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



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Sports News

TSSSA Girls' Summit

This event was a new initiative by TSSSA and was held on the first Wednesday of the term, at Knox Church in Waitara. It was an opportunity for Year 10 from various North Taranaki schools to come together and talk about hauora, nutrition, and physical preparedness both in life and for sport. The girls participated in sessions on "Ko wai au (Who am I)", Functional Movements, Meal planning and healthy eating, and Media/Body Image. It was a great day of learning and fun for all.



Who Am I—making poi

TSSSA Road Relays

Held in the rain on Monday October 19th at Brooklands Park, the annual Road Relays event involved girls from Years 7-13. There were huge numbers in the Year 7/8 category, and smaller numbers in the older age groups as it clashed with some school exams, and prizegiving.

The Sacred Heart Junior Girls' team of **Jessica Yates, Riley Grylls, Danae Hancock,** and **Georgia Meads** finished 3rd, and in the Senior Girls event Team Yeetbix (**Frances Chow, Sophie Steenson, Nell Brown** and **Fionnghuala Lynch**) fresh off their Hillary Challenge adventures, came 1st, with SHGC Purple – **Madison Neale, Eibhlin Lynch**, **Harriet Healion**, and stand-in Junior

Sarah Wells – finished 3rd.

Great work girls in slippery conditions.



Danae Hancock





Pascale Wigley and Kate Berrington-Smith

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TSSSA Touch

Another rescheduled event from earlier in the year, Touch was held at Stratford High School on Tuesday 20 October. There were 7 Sacred Heart teams, 5 junior and 2 senior who predominantly played in the social sections.

It was a great day out, no rain, and a fun bus ride home. A special thank you to the girls who stepped up and refereed other games when they were not playing themselves.

Basketball

Congratulations to our Senior A team who finished 3rd in the Basketball NZ Central Zone Invitational tournament in the October holidays, beating Rotorua High School 58-43.

A special "Well Done" to **Caitlin O'Connell** who was named in the All Stars 5 tournament team.

Congratulations also to **Teghan Omelvena-Ngatai** and **Raquel Sampson** (reserve) who have been selected in the Taranaki Thunder Women's 3x3 team to contest the NBL Schick 3X3 Cup, 12 - 14 November, in Invercargill.

Congratulations to **Gemma Walsh** who was named in the tournament team at the recent U17 Basketball National Championships. She was the top Taranaki scorer with a game average of 21 points.





Chloe Roylance (Year 8) competed at the Manawatu Show Hunter Championships over the October holidays and in her two sections she got 4th and 1st overall. This was a North Island event with 48 riders from around the North Island in her classes and it was held over 3 days. Well done Chloe!





For sports news, please contact Ms Aroha Lynch, the Sports Co-ordinator, by emailing her at 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.



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Cross Country

On the last Wednesday of Term 3, the annual Taranaki Year 7/8 Cross Country Champs was held at the A&P Showgrounds in Hawera. After not being able to compete in many events this year, Sacred Heart had a van load of young runners keen to battle the wind and drizzle

over the 3km farmland course. A special congratulations to **Paige Scannell** who finished 4th in the Girls 12yrs, out of 89 runners! Other results:

Girls 11 Yr – Charlotte Yates 31st, Anais Avery 49th, Isla Fabish 53rd, Courtney Green 59th, Mercedez Breman 87th, Kassia Rolfe 112st

Girls 12Yr - Elliana Luke 50th, Luci Strachan 58th

Girls 13Yr – Freya Stolte 18th, Sienna Watson 19th



Cricket

Congratulations to the following girls who have been named in Taranaki Cricket training squads this year:

Year 7 – 8: Brianna Mitchell, Simone Heath and Callie Visser

Year 9 – 10: Sophia Bolton, Sophie Campbell, Zoe Ellerton-Kelly, Heidi Johns and Emily Shelver

Year 11 – 13: Sarah Allen, Lilly Steele and Eva Vanner.

Dressage

Congratulations to **Mikey Wildermoth** who won the New Zealand youth section (12 - 16 years) of the FEI world dressage challenge on her pony Thumbellina II.





Netball

Apologies to the girls selected in Netball Taranaki's U14 Development team, who were inadvertently left off last term's newsletter.

Congratulations on your selection and performances at the tournaments.

U14 Development₋ Sahara Cameron, Lily Fergus, Hannah Lobb, Florence Parker, Stella Rae, Alyssa Seed, Charlotte Stokes and Freya Stolte.

Sacred Heart girls filling 8 of the 12 spots – Well done!



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Get2Go

This event had to be postponed during August due to Covid restrictions, so it was a well-trained group of Sacred Heart girls who turned up at Lake Rotomanu on Thursday October 29th, to compete in this annual National event. Our teams matched up with FDMC boys to form teams of 8 and complete challenges within a specific timeframe. In the morning the teams completed three activities: a water challenge involving paddle boards and kayaks; a mountain bike team relay; and a water and puzzle group initiative. In the afternoon the groups were split into 2, and each group had to complete a separate rogaine activity amassing points for each station visited. The teams did exceptionally well, especially since some of them only met their teammates that morning.





Hillary Challenge

Congratulations to **Frances Chow, Sophie Steenson, Nell Brown** and **Fionnghuala Lynch** who competed in the Macpac Hillary Challenge Final during the second week of the holidays.

The Macpac Hillary Challenge Final is undoubtedly the toughest adventure competition for high school students and the battle for first is intense because it is a prestigious and highly coveted title for schools to achieve. The event requires a high level of physical and mental fitness, and being a team sport, members need the ability to work together under stress. The final is held each year at Hillary Outdoors Tongariro, lasting 5 days, and is **only open to a total of 12 teams**, each consisting of 8 students from Year 12 or 13. The teams are scored on their skill, speed and endurance during a 5-day series of outdoor adventure challenges, including a 2-day rogaine style

wilderness expedition and a multi-sport race on the final day. In true adventure racing tradition, the exact details of all challenges will be kept secret until the event.

In combination with teammates from Francis Douglas, the SHGC/FDMC team finished as the 4th best team in the whole country. An amazing effort girls, and we hope the scratches, bruises and blisters, have all disappeared by now.



Rugby

Well done to the following girls who played in the Kendra Cocksedge U15 Girls North vs South game during the holidays.

Team Broughton – South – Bethany Cook, Michelle Hurley, and Hilary Vanner.

Team Blyde – *North* – Campbell Smith, Claudia Read, Eva Martin, Louise Blyde, Maddy Davison and Tiani Kensington.





Rugby 7s—Year 7/8

The annual TRFU Rugby 7s tournament for Year 7/8s was held on Wednesday 21 October at the TET Stadium in Inglewood. Many thanks to Jay Millar and Chris Moffit who took a day off work to coach and manage the team. Due to Covid, there was no Intermediate rugby season this year, although a few of the girls have been playing in the boy's grades on Saturdays. With no Aims Games to aspire to either, this was finally a tournament the girls could play in, and they played well - winning all their games bar one.

What a great result team! (Youtube link: https://youtu.be/UIjVabE7IHY)

Tennis

The Taranaki Year 7/8 Tennis Champs were also held on Wednesday 21 October at the Pukekura Tennis Club. There were three girls donning the red & white colours for Manawa Tapu – **Sasha Maclean, Monique Hayes** and **Cassie Colbourne**.

With only 9 girls in this age group, the girls ended up playing each other at some stage during the day. Congratulations to **Sasha** who made the semi-finals of the main draw; and to **Monique** who made the final of the consolation draw.

