

Living the Mission through: Ako Manaakitanga Wāhine Toa

Sacred Heart Girls' College Manawa Tapu New Plymouth

TERM TWO

NEWSLETTER

JULY 2022

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM TWO

Fri 8 July:

Last day of Term 2

Wednesdays:

Y13 Ako@Home

Thurs 4 Aug:

Sports Exchange at SHGC
—St Mary's Wellington

Fri 12 Aug:

Y12 Ako@Home

Fri 19 Aug:

Y7 & Y8 Teacher Only Day

Mon 22 Aug:

Y9-13 Teacher Only Day

Fri 26 Aug:

Founders' Day Mass

TERM THREE

Mon 25 July — Fri 30 Sept

TERM FOUR

Mon 17 Oct - Fri 9 Dec

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Principal's Peace



Kia ora e te whānau, ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa. Ko te tūmanako, kia ora ō tātou whānau

A warm welcome to you all, I hope you and your whānau are well after all the sickness we have had in our community this term. Thank you for being so understanding when we needed to roster some year levels home last week. I hope the holidays will be a restful and refreshing time for all of us and that we all stay well!

It has been wonderful to be able to gather for Mass as a faith community this term for Sacred Heart Feast Day. After a whole year of Covid restrictions limiting our gathering sizes and visitors to school, we have enjoyed welcoming our parents and caregivers back to share the Eucharist. We are privileged to have some of our Sisters of the Lady of the Missions living nearby and we treasure our connection with them. Thank you to Sister Veronica, Sister Mary and Sister Colleen for joining us for Mass. We are also grateful for Sister Colleen's time in school with some of our learners each Thursday. This term, we have resumed our connection with our brother school and welcomed Mr Tim Stuck and the Head Boy team from FDMC at Mass. Our Head Girl team accompanied me to Mass at St Joseph's for their Founders Day too.

This term we have connected closely with our Parish and it was heart warming to gather with so many of you for Confirmation last Sunday night. Our prayers are with all of you who have confirmed your Catholic faith and we pray for God's blessing as you continue your journey with Christ. Thank you to all of you who volunteered as sponsors and leaders. I know this has been a spiritually rich time for you too. A special thank you to Rain, our Youth Minister for your leadership and guidance and for making a difference for our young wāhine toa.

Thank you to St Joseph's Parish for hosting us for our Year 13 Formal on 18th June. Congratulations to the student leadership team who put this special occasion together. The venue was perfect and our students have continued with the new direction that was taken last year. The Formal was an inclusive, manaaki enhancing event where our young wāhine toa were encouraged to think of others while preparing for their own special celebration of their Year 13 year. This year, Year 13 have chosen to support the Little

Fighters charity with some fundraising encorporated into their Formal planning. They also hosted a Mass at St Joseph's with most of the year group participating or attending to thank the Parish. We would like to thank the PTFA for their support with catering the event. We are all agreed that this was one of the best Year 13 Formal occasions ever!

Head Girl Team; Maria Christina Passmore, Ella Barrett and Briar Dravitzki



Principal's Peace continued

Continuing with the theme of school and home working together, I would like to turn your attention to cellphones and the impact they have on our health and particularly the hauora of our students. In Year 7 and Year 8, where students hand in their cellphones for the day, we are seeing the benefits for learning and interpersonal skills. We have continued with our Interaction Revolution, with teachers and student leaders offering activities at lunchtime to counter the call of the cellphone!

From Term 3 we will be making a concerted effort to support our Year 9 to Year 13 students to take their focus off the phones and use their attention span more profitably. It is not practical for us to take all of their phones in each day, but we will be insisting that they are either in a bag or handed in every lesson. Please support us with this move by having a discussion at home. Please also refrain from texting or ringing your child during class time. If you have an urgent message, please ring the office and they will deliver this to the classroom. Take the time to look at the resources from NetSafe offering help when things go wrong online (on page 7), so we can work together to keep our rangatahi safe.

In staffing news, we welcome **Aaliyah Kere-Rako** back to our kura as a Teacher Aide. Aaliyah has a passion and enthusiasm for working with our rangatahi and we are honoured to provide the first steps in her teaching career. Karawhuia Aaliyah!

Aaliyah Kere-Rako

Ka koa te hunga hohou rongo. Blessed are the peacemakers.

Kororia ki te Atua ki runga rawa, Maungarongo ki runga i te mata o te whenua, Whakaaro pai ki ngā tangata katoa ahakoa kō wai, Pai mārire.

Barb Costelloe Tumuaki – Acting Principal



Two upcoming important events on the Board calendar

1. Principal recruitment process

The Board has called for applications, with a closing date of Wednesday 13 July, 4pm. The Board is looking to appoint a new principal starting Term 4, 2022, or by negotiation.

2. BOT Triennial Elections

The community will soon receive communication around Board elections. Nominations close 3 August, and election day is 7 September. There are 5 parent representative positions on our Board.

Ngā mihi Stephen Hill

Presiding Member, Sacred Heart Girls' College Board



Nourish Catholic Character

Sacred Heart Feast Day

Our Sacred Heart Feast Day was held on Thursday 23 June.

Year 11 Retreat

Year 11 Retreat was held on Friday 1 July. The focus was volunteering in the community.

"I liked the retreat because you could see the importance of volunteering and helping people in your community, and how it makes you feel good".

Michelle Hurley

"The retreat this year was very cool to experience and be a part of. I think it was good for us to learn about how we can volunteer and support our communities in small ways".

Madi Hook

"This year's retreat was a very good experience. It was more interactive and engaging, and it opened me up to the different ways I can serve the community".

Thea Irys Lacanaria



Pictured above, Rain, our Youth Minister





Year 13 Formal

On the 18th of June, our Year 13 class of 2022 had the annual Sacred Heart Formal at the St Joseph's church hall. We, the Head Girl Team, along with the help of our amazing formal committee, Mrs Gadsby and Mrs Rilkoff were tasked with making it a night to remember, which I think it's fair to say we did.

Our theme was A Night In Paris and as a part of our new charity aspect for the formal, we chose as a year group to raise funds for our chosen charity Little Fighters. Little Fighters do amazing work for families with children or parents struggling with life threatening illnesses, the trust's main focus is to help families who need a boost when times are tough. Our Year 13 group were excited to help where we could with this amazing charity and we were able to raise over \$900 to donate to them to help families in our community in need.

We would also like to send out a massive thank you to the PTFA who were an amazing help in organising the food for the night and organising the pack up of the hall the next day.



Above; the Formal Committee

Thank you to everyone who made this formal a night to remember!

Sarah Mulligan

Head Boarder, Year 13

International

International student **Minju Kim** receiving Excellence for Level Two.

Minju visited her family in South Korea during the last school holidays. This was an exciting time as she hasn't seen them for two and a half years due to Covid restrictions.

Congratulations Minju.



Sports Administrator — Fixed-term, Part-time

We are currently seeking to employ an administrator to work with our Director of Sport. This is a fixed term position of 5 hours per week and is term time only for 16 weeks from Week 2 next term. The days and times will be negotiated with the Director of Sport.

The primary purpose of this position is to provide administrative support to the Director of Sport. This role assists in the organisation, promotion and management of a variety of sporting events, teams, coaches, managers and volunteers.

The successful applicant will:

- Have a knowledge of sport organisation in general
- Have excellent communication skills
- have excellent organisational skills with an attention to detail
- enjoy working with young people and be student focused in their approach
- establish and maintain positive relationships with students and their parents, staff, external providers, tutors, and volunteers

Applicants should send through their CV and a covering letter to explain their suitability to Jeremy Taylor, Acting Deputy Principal—<u>jta@shgcnp.school.nz</u>

Applications are open until Thursday 21st July 4pm.

The office will be closed during the July School Holidays

Enrolment queries, email:

dst@shgcnp.school.nz

Property queries, email:

businessmanager@shgcnp.school.nz

All other queries, please email:

admin@shgcnp.school.nz





PTFA

Openly Engage with Community

Rose Ceremony Criteria

Manawa Tapu Criteria to be awarded a Rose

To earn a rose at one of these ceremonies, students will have earned something at a national level:

- Student is a National Champion
- Student is a New Zealand representative in an Arts, Sports, or a Cultural Event
- Student has won an Iconic Mission College Event, and/or a category of an Iconic Mission College Event
- Student has won a National Event, and/or a category of a National Event

If you think your child qualifies for a rose, please contact the office at admin@shgcnp.school.nz

PTFA

SHGC PTFA has had another busy term.

In May we had our AGM that incorporated a meet and greet as well as a tour of the school for all of our Sacred Heart whānau. We welcomed Sharyn Watson as our new Chairperson, Bronwyn Macey as our Treasurer and welcomed the continuation of Kim Watson as our Secretary. We wish to acknowledge and express our thanks for the dedication and commitment of our outgoing Chairperson Mary-Elizabeth Hagenson who remains committed to our PTFA.

We have had the pleasure of supporting our Year 13 students with catering to celebrate their journey at SHGC. Thank you to all those who gave up their time to support this event. It was a pleasure to work with our amazing young women and be a part of their special evening.

Your PTFA continues to operate our Pre Loved Uniform store. We continually welcome your donations of unwanted uniforms so we can help and support those that require them.

PTFA meetings are now returning to a face to face gathering on the first Monday of every month in the SHGC staffroom at 7.00pm. We welcome all whānau and friends of the college to be a part of our committee.

God Bless PTFA

PTFA Raffle Winners

The PTFA would like to thank all the Sponsors for their support and donations towards the raffle: TAFT, Beck Helicopters, Marsh Ltd, King & Queen Hotel Suites, PHI Helicopters Int, Pak'n'Save.

We would also like to thank the school community for selling the raffle tickets, we made a profit of \$7,692.00, which will go towards the refurbishment of the Chapel.

Thank you once again for all your support and congratulations to all the winners listed below:

1st Prize	Liz Law	Ticket # 3143
2nd Prize	Leahn Simeon	Ticket # 8046
3rd Prize	Jason Holdem	Ticket # 2202
4th Prize	Lilah Malili	Ticket # 4081
5th Prize	J Souness	Ticket # 8028
6th Prize	L Wakeling	Ticket # 1694

Raffle Winners!

Lucky Draw Winner: Tayla Jane, Year 8



Matariki Tu Rākau **Memorial Native Planting Project**



Kia Ora! The Komiti Kaitiaki from SHGCNP have some exciting news. We are going to be creating a new memorial with native plants, this will develop into a green space full of native trees and plants that will be enjoyed by all for many years to come. This project will commemorate the Sisters of our Lady of the Missions

All members of the Manawa Tapu community are welcome!

When:

1:00 pm on the 30th July 2022

Where:

Sacred Heart Girls' College New Plymouth School Field.

Bring:

Shovel or spade, be prepared to get your hands dirty!

refreshments are provided.

See you all there!



A HUGE thank you

to Betts and Bishop for doing the earthworks and preparing the site for planting.

NetSafes home page for parent advice

https://www.netsafe.org.nz/advice/parenting/

7 steps for parents

https://www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/

TikTok advice for parents

https://www.netsafe.org.nz/tiktok-advice-for-parents/

Understanding young's people's online challenges

https://www.netsafe.org.nz/understanding-young-peoples-online-challenges/

The Case for Making Classrooms Phone-Free

https://www.edsurge.com/news/2022-06-06-the-case-for-making-classrooms-phone-free



Elizabeth House Hostel



Kia Ora tātou

How wonderful it has been to be able to welcome families and visitors back into Elizabeth House again. We have had some fun times this term. So many high moments. What a privilege it is to be in such a place. To parents, caregivers, and our greater hostel community, thank you so much for supporting staff changes and processes, as we seek to keep our boarders feeling safe, cared for and happy. Due to illness both at the hostel and school, we have had to shuffle some 'normal procedures and staff' to keep the place ticking along. Boarders have adjusted to these changes, and I have been super proud of them all. Ngā mihi nui koutou.

Over this term we have had some great wins. We have recently celebrated many of our boarders who have achieved excellence in their area of skill and expertise. **Katie Bestall** (athletics), **Arnika Watson** (swimming). Both received awards in assembly recently.

Our SHGC 1st XV rugby are doing amazingly. We have a strong boarder representation within the team. Some of our seniors and juniors have also done extremely well and are now playing Taranaki representative rugby for their age groups. Equally, we have girls playing their hearts out within their chosen sport teams; basketball and hockey etc. Well done to our boarders for keeping fit and looking after their wellbeing in some way, be it sport or other extracurricular activities. The opportunities to participate are bountiful.

A big congratulations to our hostel leaders, **Sarah Mulligan**, **Millie Wisnewski** and **Eibhlin Lynch** who have worked hard to breathe fun back into the hostel again, by adding some fun activities to our itinerary.

This term not only did we connect with Francis Douglas Memorial College and enjoy a bit of a quiz competition followed by a social, but we also had a bit of in-house fun too. Many of our juniors invested quite a bit of their spare time choreographing dance routines for our 'much loved' 'Dancing with the Boarders' competition. Our finale was last week, and the winners were Rhiannon Crowley and Haidee Christie! An outstanding performance. We were so pleased to have support from whānau on the night of the final. Admittance was a gold coin, and all proceeds went to the 'I Am Hope' charity – supporting mental health needs across our nation; https://www.iamhope.org.nz/.

Next term we are looking forward to a netball competition, our hostel feast evening, and our Year 13 leavers' dinner before our seniors settle into some serious study.

I hope you all enjoy a wonderful break with whānau. Stay safe, warm, and healthy.

Kind regards

Marina Walsh

Hostel Manager



Dancing with the Boarders winners; Rhiannon Crowley and Haidee Christie



Awesome judges; Annaliese Hurley, Katie Bestall and Macy Sinclair



Contestants; Brylee Robertson, Katie Schrider, Crystal Jordan, Reese Gardner, Melah Sinclair, Maddie Drought, Paige O'Neill and Ava Picard



Crowd favourites; Bernie Vanner and Rosie Bradley



Best dressed;
Emerson Bertie and
Olivia Adams

Astronomy School

Tara Stevens of Year 13 has been chosen to attend the 2022 Elaine P Snowden Physics & Astronomy school this July. Only 20 students nationwide are selected to attend this all expenses paid five-day event.

The programme consists of a mix of seminars and practical work. Tara will spend two nights at the University of Canterbury's Mt John Observatory at Takapō | Tekapo and explore our cosmic neighbourhood with modern astronomical instruments. There will be a trip to Aoraki | Mt Cook national park to walk the Hooker track and explore the geology of the region. Back at the University of Canterbury, she will learn about the universe's past, present and future, the life cycles of stars, planet exploration, extra-terrestrial life and more.

A highlight of the programme is meeting fellow students with the same astronomical interests and making new friends.

Congratulations Tara!

Photo: the night sky above the Mt John observatory (UC photo credit)

John McLellan Science Teacher



Year 9 Science

Year 9 classes have been studying how the eye works as part of their unit on Energy and Light this term.

Classes have been dissecting cows eyes to get a closer look at the parts and function of the eye which they found very interesting.



Strengthen Ako & Poutama

Music

NZ Symphony Orchestra Workshops

On Wednesday 1st June several of our musical groups were very fortunate to have workshops with some players from the NZ Symphony Orchestra. This was an initiative from the Orchestra and was free to our students. 7 players came and ran 8 workshops over 2 hours, with the entire music department filled with the sounds of fabulous music.

Our junior Jazz band and seven of our Chamber Music groups were involved, and the students have appreciated the advice and mentoring they received.





Lunchtime Concert

On Wednesdays at lunchtimes, a series of concerts are being held over winter. Entry is by koha, and each concert is different.

On Wednesday 1st June, after having had workshops all morning, several of our musicians boarded a bus and headed to the Whiteley Methodist Centre.

It was the turn of our SHGC Musicians to present a concert, featuring several of our Chamber Music groups and our senior choir. This was a great opportunity to practice performing, with several of our younger musicians

doing so for the first time, and was also excellent preparation for the upcoming Chamber Music and Big Sing competitions.

The girls performed beautifully to a very appreciative audience.





Strengthen Ako & Poutama

Chamber Music Regional Competition

This competition was held on Wednesday June 8th at the Whiteley Methodist Church. SHGC had 10 groups playing this year, with students from Year 7 to Year 13. We were part of the reason the Taranaki region had more new groups than any other region in NZ this year.

All students performed beautifully, many for the first time in this setting, where the focus was on small groups playing together.

Two of our groups – *Ensemble Floriade* (**Bethanie Luke, Yashitha Murugaiyen** and **Harriet Healion**), and *Keys from the Heart* (**Sienna Asi, Elvina Kwong** and **Bryah Edwin**) were awarded Highly Commended awards,
2 of the highest awards on the night. I am very excited about 2023 – with
so many students keen to continue playing in small groups.







Big Sing 2022

Big Sing this year was not held in Taranaki, due to uncertainty around covid alert levels, audience size and singing inside when plans were being finalised. So our senior choir *Manawa Musica*, along with Vernon's Vocals

from FDMC and Jubilate Singers from NPGHS headed to the Palmerston North event, held in the Regent Theatre. The event attracted 20 choirs and was adjudicated by one of NZs top Choral Conductors and Composer – David Hamilton.

Our girls worked hard over many lunchtimes, early mornings and Sunday afternoons – and performed magnificently. On the night we were awarded the Palmerston North Choral Society Award for outstanding choir with student accompaniment, acknowledging the violin playing of Isabelle Fabish. Huge thanks to our Director Philippa Drinkwater for her time and expertise, and also to Helena Harvey – ex-SHGC student – who came along to help with the choreography.



Strengthen Ako & Poutama

Writing Competition

Ronald Hugh Morrieson Writing competition

This month our students had the opportunity to work with some talented writers and mentors to strengthen their writing skills. Earlier this month a small group of students attended a poetry and short story workshop at Hawera High School. These workshops were run by Robert Sullivan and Airini Beautrais who are judging the poetry and short story sections of the competition. The students had a great day learning about what makes an effective piece of writing and trying out some techniques to improve their own writing.

On June 29th we were also lucky enough to have a workshop on non-fiction writing run by the editor of The Daily News, Matt Rilkoff. He worked with a large group of students discussing the power of true stories and encouraging each of them to share their own stories with the world. Some fantastic ideas were generated across the three sessions, so here's hoping these moments of inspiration sprout into some strong competition entries.



Abigail Rilkoff

Leader of Learning English

Attendance Dues Information – July 2022

Thank you to all families who have made payment or have made contact and organised payment arrangements for Attendance Dues this year.



The third statement for Attendance Dues 2022 will be emailed or posted by the end of this week. Emails will be sent from **Diocese of Palmerston North Attendance Dues Team**dues@pndiocese.org.nz and may appear in your junk/spam folder.

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.

Our bank details for payment:

Name of Account: Diocese of PN Account Number: 02-0630-0237950-04

Our contact details are as follows:

0800 200 208; or

dues@pndiocese.org.nz

Reference Number: "please ensure you enter your account reference number"

The Attendance Dues team are happy to advise options that will help your family to pay your Attendance Dues. Please make contact to discuss payment options.

Nurture Hauora

Sport

Winter sport has been in full swing throughout Term Two. The wintery playing conditions and seasonal sickness including Covid isolations, has affected weekly team numbers but the majority of teams have been able to participate in their games.

We have over 51 teams entered in various competitions playing netball, basketball, rugby, hockey, football, and volleyball – that's well over half the school participating in team sport for the winter – Tu meke! Here's a snapshot:





Hockey - 4-2 Winners over NPGHS - July 1st

2022 Netball Winners - Premier 2





Senior Basketball vs Tauranga Girls' College

Year 7-8 Volleyball



Nurture Hauora

Congratulations to:

Sophie Campbell – who has been selected to attend the NZ Football Women's U17 training camp, in Auckland, 18-24 July.



Chloe Roylance – awarded the Taranaki Jumping Pony Rider of the Year. She has competed nationally all year; won multiple events and championships including one in Hawkes Bay that needed 3 wins in one day and that had never been won before; and 11th in the national Grand Prix after only entering the Grand Prix halfway through the series (jumping 1.35m).



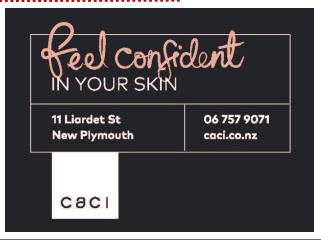
For sports news, please contact Ms Aroha Lynch, Director of Sport, by emailing her at aly@shgcnp.school.nz

TSSSA Events

Term Two has also been a busy term for TSSSA events. Cross Country, netball, futsal, 3x3 basketball, squash and badminton.







Who to Contact at School		
My child is sick and cannot come to school today	Ring the school office 758 5023 and leave a message on the absentee line, or use the School APP. This absence is coded M.	
My child is required to self-isolate as someone in our household has Covid-19	Ring the school office 758 5023 and leave a message on the absentee line, or use the School APP. This absence is coded F.	
My child was home self-isolating but now has Covid-19	Please email <u>admin@shgcnp.school.nz</u> to give the update or ring the school office 758 5023.	
My child is having an issue with a particular subject or is having issues with working at home on Teams.	Please email the subject teacher on: (teachercode)@shgcnp.school.nz You can then arrange a time for a phone call or a visit if required.	
[Subject teachers will contact a caregiver if they have concerns]	Note: the teacher codes are 3 letter codes, eg jta for Jeremy Taylor. A full staff list is found on our website accessed from the "Contact Us" page or this link: http://www.shgcnp.school.nz/our-school/staff/	
My child is having an issue with more than one subject or other aspects of school, or she has a home or health situation that the school needs to know about	Please contact your child's Manaaki Teacher: (teachercode)@shgcnp.school.nz	
	The first port of call for most concerns should be your child's Manaaki Teacher	
There is something more serious happening with my child. She might be being bullied (online or in person), she might be struggling with a mental health issue or there might be something going on in her personal or family life that is a bit more confidential. Any absences due to anxiety or complex health needs associated with Covid-19 will be coded E until a Dean changes these to F.	For more serious pastoral care needs please contact your child's Dean. Year 7: Ross Howarth rho@shgcnp.school.nz Year 8: Sheree Rangiwahia sra@shgcnp.school.nz Year 9: Claire Tate cta@shgcnp.school.nz Year 10: Carly Avery cav@shgcnp.school.nz Year 11: Amanda Brown abr@shgcnp.school.nz Year 12: Joan Hodson jho@shgcnp.school.nz Year 13: Emily Scott esc@shgcnp.school.nz	
For any other issues not covered here, or if you are unsure of who to contact.	Please ring the school on 758 5023 and our office staff will help you out.	

School APP

We have a Mobile App for important school messages. To download the App click this link. http://shgcnp.apps.school.nz/share/
Free and easy to use, download our school App now. You will be able to access: Daily

Notices, Upcoming Events, Alerts, Links, Important contacts and more.



