



*Living the Mission
through:
Ako
Manaakitanga
Wāhine Toa*

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

TERM TWO

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM TWO

Fri 5 July
End of Term 2

Mon 22 July
Term 3 begins

Wed 24 July
Year 13 Ako@Home

Thur 8 August
Year 13 Ako@Home

Wed 14 August
Year 12 Ako@Home

Fri 16 August
Founder's Day Mass

Tues 20 August
Year 13 Ako@Home

Friday 23 August
Progress reports to portal

TERM THREE

Mon 2 Sept
Subject/Manaaki
Conferences

Wed 4 Sept
Subject/Manaaki
Conferences

TERM TWO
Mon 29 Apr—Fri 5 July

TERM THREE
Mon 22 July—Fri 27 Sept

TERM FOUR
Mon 14 Oct—Thurs 12 Dec

TERM ONE 2025
Tues 28 Jan
Course Confirmation
Year 13 Leadership

Wed 29 Jan
Welcome Mass for new
families and boarders return

Thur 30 Jan
Powhiri & start of classes for
all students

Thurs 6 Feb
Waitangi Day
Friday 7 Feb
School closed



*Ka koa te hunga hohou rongo
Blessed are the Peacemakers*

Principal's Peace



Kia ora e te whānau, ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa mō te tau hou Māori. Mānawatia a Matariki! I hope you have all enjoyed some whānau time over the Matariki long weekend and that the upcoming school holidays will provide some much needed rest and recharge for everyone. There has been so much winter illness in our community, and I know these bugs have been hard to get over.

Congratulations to all the candidates who were confirmed by Bishop John last Sunday. It was wonderful to gather as a faith community at St Joseph's Church with so many of our school whānau present for this special holy Sacrament. Thank you too, to all of you who volunteered as student leaders for Confirmation preparation. May God bless you all on your faith journey in the years to come.



Since mid-term we have had much to celebrate as a school. At King's Birthday we gathered with all the RNDM Mission Sisters' schools in Hamilton for Mission Cup Netball and Te Toa Hockey. We came home with both trophies! Congratulations to both teams and thank you to all the coaches, managers and parents who were there to support the teams. We acknowledged this success with a rose ceremony in assembly. (see p 12 & 13)

Immediately after King's birthday weekend, we celebrated Sacred Heart Feast Day with Mass at school and then our annual house singing competition. This was a special occasion, and we were so proud of all the students who performed with their houses. The standard was exceptionally high this year; making it tough for our judges. (see p 15)



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Openly Engage with Community

Principal's Peace continued

Term 2 is huge in the music calendar, with multiple events and competitions. Well done to everyone who has performed this term. We were so proud of our Year 7 and 8 choir, The Trebles for their success at the Big Sing. They were directed by **Philippa Drinkwater** and Year 13 student, **Ella Bartlett** and did us proud. Congratulations on your Gold Medal and the trophy for Best Performance of a NZ song (a song written by our Guitar teacher, **Julian Raphael**). (see p 6)

From 19 – 21 June, a team of 5 staff members attended the Catholic Education Convention in Wellington with over 700 delegates from all over Aotearoa. This was the first time in 6 years that the convention has been held due to Covid interruptions. It was a blessing to gather with our colleagues from other Catholic schools, the staff of the Dioceses, priests, religious and all 6 of our bishops to embrace the theme: Tūhono Whakapono – Together One Faith Community. We were nourished and challenged with inspiring and uplifting local and international keynote speakers, workshops and opportunities to connect. Woven throughout the convention were opportunities to be tūturu Māori, tūturu Katorika: authentically Māori, authentically Catholic. It is a blessing for us to have the support and guidance of our Catholic faith community.

In staffing news, we wish **Mrs Helen Manning** all the very best for her retirement at the end of this term. Mrs Manning is in her 14th year as our Food Technology teacher at Manawa Tapu. During her time with us, Mrs Manning has shared her love of kai and manaakitanga with so many students and staff members. Our new Food teacher, **Mrs Julia McNeil** will start with us during Term 3. We will also welcome a new fixed term Teacher Aide, **Tracey Brear** to our school for Term 3 and Term 4.



Finally, I would like to thank the PTFA for organising our next fundraiser: “Sacred Seedlings”. This is an exciting initiative involving planting native trees at 800 Trust. This will be launched on Tuesday 23 July. Look for further details in a communication at the start of next term!

Thank you too, to Teacher Aide, **Bernadette Forsyth** and our wonderful **Year 13 Faith in Action** class for your ongoing commitment to our school canteen. This school service is very much appreciated.

Our theme for 2024, “Kua tae mai ahau kia whiwhi ai te ora, te ora maha”, “I have come that you may have life and have it in abundance.” certainly seems apt this term. We are incredibly blessed to offer our students so many wonderful opportunities to enrich their learning experience. They are encouraged to make the most of this.

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. (*Glory to God in the Highest, peace on earth and goodwill to all people.*)

Barbara Costelloe
Tumuaki—Principal



Nourish Catholic Character

'Chaplaincy



Chat'

This term it has been so special to accompany and support girls with sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Well done to all the girls involved! It has been a joy to work with them all in preparation for their sacraments.

Following on from their Baptisms, **Ruva** and **Charlotte**, joined by **Ella King**, then completed their Reconciliation and First Holy Communion programmes in preparation for their Confirmations. **Ruva** and **Charlotte** made their first reconciliations and first holy communions at the Parish's Confirmation camp, while **Ella** made her Reconciliation and First Holy Communion at a Class Mass in our Mary Phelan Chapel. Both services were very special as we celebrated with the girls on these sacraments they made. **Sophie** and **Maranatha**, along with 12 other girls, are now completing their Reconciliation Programme as they prepare to make their Reconciliations at the beginning of Term 3. The



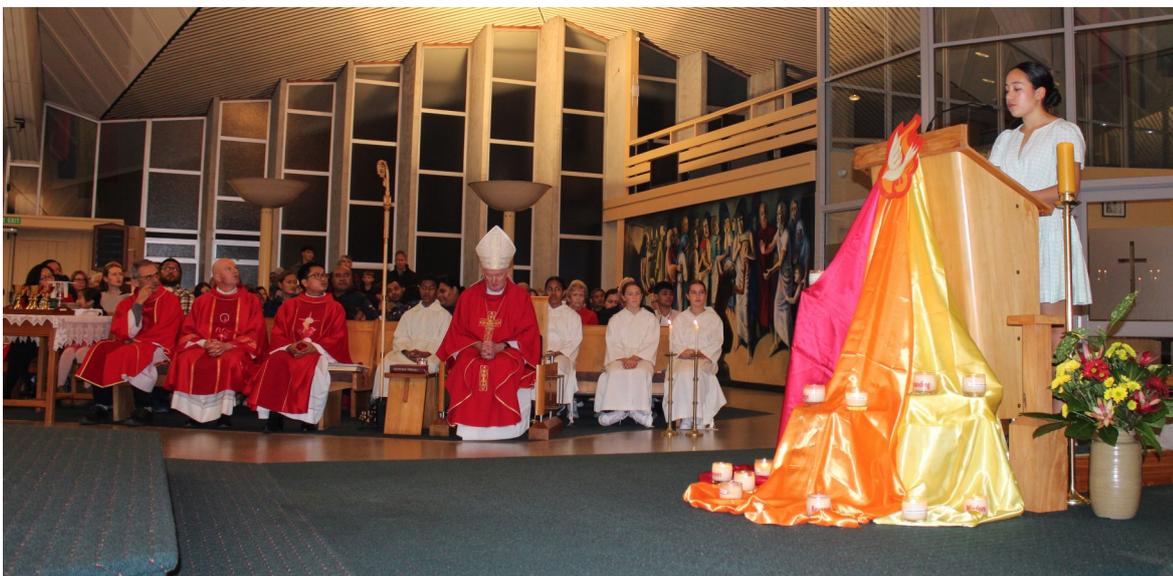
First Holy Communion programme then directly follows, with the girls making their First Holy Communion at Sacred Heart's Founders' Day Mass in Term 3.

We've also started up Adoration and Bible Study in our Mary Phelan Chapel here at school. These alternate weekly, so check the daily notices and the Special Character/Chaplain's noticeboard in student foyer for days/times of these. My thanks goes to **Hannah Montalla**, Deputy Head Girl Special Character, and other

Special Character Council leaders for the work you've put in to helping get these two initiatives off the ground! It is great to work with you all and I look forward to watching these two groups grow and evolve.

I pray you all have a happy and blessed holiday!

Amelia Luke, Chaplain



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Health and Safety

Our duty teachers have noticed some unsafe driving behaviour around the intersection of Pukaka Street and Paynters Ave and around the pedestrian crossing. Cars pulling in and out of the verge on the corner of Pukaka street are creating a hazard at peak drop-off and pick-up times. From the beginning of Term 3, we will be trialling the placement of road cones at this location between the hours of 8.15am – 8.30am and 3.10pm – 3.30pm. There are accessible drop off points at the off ramps on Paynters Ave.

Safe drop off and pick up points

Road cones will be placed here at peak times



Cell Phones

A reminder of our cellphone expectations: All Students – cellphones are not to be used or seen during school hours (8.40am – 3.10pm). Cellphones can be turned off and left in the students' bag or left at home. Students are not to carry them on their person during the school day.

If you need to contact your young person during the school day you can either email them or ring the school office and a message will be passed on.

We really appreciate the role caregivers have and the support they provide in helping our students meet Manawa Tapu's behavioural expectations. If you would like to discuss any pastoral issues, please contact your daughter's Manaaki Teacher in the first instance.

Jeremy Taylor

Deputy Principal—Hauora

Prestigious Awards

If you think your child has met the criteria below for a **Rose Award**:

- ⇒ For **ALL Sporting success** please contact Kerry Yates, our Sports Manager—kya@shgcnp.school.nz
- ⇒ For any **Art/Cultural or Academic** success, please contact admin in the first instance—admin@shgcnp.school.nz

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 has **won** a National Event, and/or a category of a National Event
- Student is a **New Zealand Representative** in an Arts, Sports, or a Cultural International Event
- Student has **won** a Mission College Event, such as O'Shea Shield

Note: Principal's Awards are awarded at the discretion of the Principal for other outstanding achievements.



Strengthen Ako and Poutama

Rock Quest

Congratulations to our Year 9 Rockband ***Klueless*** who performed for the first time on the Showplace stage at RockQuest this year. They wrote their own song and can be very proud of their performance.
Eloise Moorby, Amanda Guo, Samantha Eligado, Ruby Smither, Sophia Guo.



Trebles

Our Year 7 & 8 choir – The Trebles – recently sang as part of the Kids Sing Competition, at the TSB Showplace. They sang beautifully, jointly led by Philippa Drinkwater, and Year 13 student **Ella Bartlett**. They represented SHGC magnificently. The girls were awarded the only Gold Award of the afternoon. They also won the Trophy for Best Performance of a piece of music by a NZ Composer, singing “Leave your Troubles Behind” composed by our Guitar Tutor – Mr Julian Raphael. So congratulations to Philippa and **Ella**, The amazing Trebles, and Mr Raphael.



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Chamber Music

This year we had 10 groups participating in the Taranaki Region of this National competition. These entries represented months of practices, and all of our groups can be very proud of their performances.

Our Year 7 Group **Fiddlesticks** (Elsie Rose, **Olivia Seguin**, **Kayla Concepcion**, **Belle Williams** – Violins, and **Natalia Verbeek** – Piano) won the Newcomers Award, performing like musical professionals.

Our Guitar Group **Chitarre Armoniche** won the Adjudicator's Choice Award. Congratulations to **Hazel Wong**, **Elvina Kwong**, **Georgia Jeffrey** and **Mackenzie Hall**. They were coached by our Guitar tutor Mr Julian Raphael.



Te Puawai



Reverie



Heart Strings



Anyone for Coffee



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Showquest

Showquest 2024 – A Mission of Wahine Toa

This year, we had the opportunity to lead the Sacred Heart team for ShowQuest. We have been working since November 2023 to conceptualise the piece, choreograph, direct, design stage pieces and costumes and get to competition in Palmerston North. This took a lot of time and hard work, but with a supportive cast behind us and two amazing teachers, Mrs Gadsby and Mrs Cronin, we managed to get our piece stage ready and came out with several amazing awards. Our piece this year was about the life journey of our school's foundress, Euphrasie Barber. It focussed on her many life challenges and struggles, but how with her own perseverance, resilience and the support from her Mission Sisters, she managed to achieve her goal of setting up mission schools across New Zealand. We conveyed this message in our piece through dance, drama and singing. We competed in the Manawatu competition and were awarded Whetū Rangatahi (Star of the Show) – **Sienna Asi, Bryah Edwin** and **Georgia Jeffrey**, Best Drama, Best Styling, Best Live Music, Highly Commended Lighting, Highly Commended Video Wall, and 2nd Place overall. We are so proud of our amazing cast and all of our achievements with ShowQuest 2024.

Sienna Asi, Ellie Edgcombe, Sindiso Mpofu and Esmé Pease



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Wearable Arts

We also had three senior students enter the Toi Wearable Art competition which was part of the Showquest Palmerston North event. Congratulations to those students who entered, there were over 80 entries this year. Special mention goes to Year 13 **Maddie Olley** who won a prize for excellent construction. Well done **Maddie**.



Market Day



The Year 11 Commerce class held another successful market day on 26th June. Hundreds of students were treated to some fabulous home baking and savoury goodies at lunchtime, and everyone had a thoroughly great time. The market day was part of an internal assessment where students were required to plan for and run their own businesses.



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Nurture Hauora

HIP HOP

HUGE SHOUT OUT TO 3 SHGC HIP HOP DANCERS - Selected to attend International Champs in Arizona, USA!! We are proud to announce that after a highly competitive national Hip Hop Dance competition recently held in Auckland, our Junior Varsity Mega crew "THE SOCIETY" finished 3rd in their respective division. They have been selected to represent New Zealand at the HipHop International dance championships in Phoenix, Arizona! The crew comprises dancers from various schools around Taranaki including four crew members from Sacred Heart Girls College - **Rania Bennett, Siena Nicol Verlade, Isla-Jane Moodie and Georgia Hinga** This is extraordinary girls!!! We are super proud of you and wish you all the best for your competition in August in Phoenix, Arizona, USA!!!



NZ ATHLETICS

Well done to **Paige Scannell** and **Sinead O'Sullivan** who were representing the NZ athletics team at Oceania Area Champs in Fiji this past week.

Paige was part of the NZ Womens U18 4x400m team who won a bronze medal, and she placed 5th in the Womens U18 800m.

Sinead competed in the 5000mtr race walk on the track. She had a great race coming in 4th in U18 girls with a time of 29.22.97.

Both girls had an amazing time away with the team, and have made us so proud. Very cool to have 2 SHGC girls in the team!

RUGBY

Our 1st 15 rugby team have had another successful season in the Chiefs Manawa competition finishing in 3rd place. We won home games Vs Tauranga Girls High School, NPGHS and Taupo-A-Nui and lost against competition winners Hamilton Girls High School. We had three away games and got hard caught wins against Wesley College and Hamilton Girls High School 2nd 15 but after a close game vs Rotorua Girls High School were behind on the scoreboard at full time.

We farewell five special team members this year who have made significant contributions to SHGC rugby - **Louise Blyde, Eva Martin, Michelle Hurley, Tiani Kensington** and **Kate McQuaig**. We wish them well on their rugby journey. A huge Thankyou to Jay Millar, Isaac Gulliver, Dean Spicer and Mrs Moffitt for your dedication to this team.



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NZ SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

We are super proud of our 8 runners who went to Christchurch 15-16 June and ran brilliantly in the NZSS Cross Country. Some incredible personal best times were achieved by these amazing, gutsy girls. We couldn't be prouder of your efforts team! Our 8 runners were:

Cassie Colbourne, Jane Doyle, Caitlin O'Sullivan, Sinead O'Sullivan, Paige Scannell, Pieta Smith, Ariane Tauwhare-George, Lily Winters

Coach - Jordan Haylock. Manager - Tracy O'Sullivan



RIPPA RUGBY

Wednesday 12 June we had 60 Year 7 & 8 students take part in the annual Rippa Rugby tournament at the New Plymouth Racecourse. A great day out for all involved.

A massive thank you to our Year 9 students **Azalia Faga, Keri Graham, Hope Hirini-Crow, Quinn Parker-Bishop, Anika Pryor, Rosa Sergent-Shadbolt, Isabel Shinoj, Tia Ora Stephens-Ranger, Elissa Strohmeier and Teia Te Moana** who refereed on the day, you did a great job!

A huge congratulations to our Fly Like a Rip team of **Amaya Ellis, Carter Ireland, Harriet McMillan, Pippa O'Sullivan, Anyah Pelletier Morales, Silei Ponga, Isabella Prince, Billie Stenning, Lilly Thompson, and Peyton Wratt** who won all their games on the day and have qualified for the Taranaki Rippa Finals Tournament.



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TE TOA AND MISSION CUP

WINNERS WINNERS WINNERS ... Te Toa Shield Hockey Tournament

SHGC Hamilton hosted the Mission Cup (netball) and Te Toa Shield (hockey) this year. Outstanding competition and sportsmanship were shown by all teams involved.

Congratulations to our 1st XI hockey team that clinched the Te Toa Shield title for another year! Outstanding effort team. We won all three of our games against SHG Lower Hutt, SHG Napier and SHGC Hamilton. All the matches were competitive.

Our last game against SHGC Hamilton went down to the wire in a nail-biting, hard fought final's match!

Congratulations to both teams. Our captain (Hayley Coogan) scored a field goal in the 4th quarter to secure our win and the overall victory of the Te Toa Shield for 2024. Our team played with determination, pride and total commitment to win this match. Expectational effort team!

Special acknowledgement to our coach Karla Ralph, Manager Kim Pennington, and all our supporters cheering us on during Te Toa Shield. Thanks also to Mrs Costelloe for supporting us and learning more each game about the excitement and thrill of hockey.



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This year's Mission Cup was awesome! The standard of netball played in each game was exceptional and it was a great build up to LNISS for the girls. We built connections both on and off the court within our team and with players from the 5 other Mission Schools. The girls played hard each game and always left everything out there on the court, we developed as a team and as individuals, which was reflected in our final results, winning overall and bringing the trophy back home for the second year running

We won 5 of our 6 games with a close fought loss to our sisters at SHGC Lower Hutt. This game showed us further areas for improvement and work-ons as we now prepare for LNISS in September.

Eva Martin



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TIMBER TRAIL

Over the 5th-6th of June the Year 13 PE and WAHO class completed the Timber Trail in the Pureora Forests. Over the experience we came across many historical and cultural signs on the trails as we cycled our way through the first 40km which involved climbing to the top of Mt Pureora. The views throughout the journey were incredible, this included overlooking the vast landscape of native forests from huge hanging swing bridges. Once we finally reached Camp Epic the group had to get settled in before we ran out of daylight. We set up tents around the large open fire, cooked our dinner outside under the shelter, and roasted marshmallows during our fantastic overnight adventure in the great outdoors. After a chilly night in our tents, we were ready to go the next morning to finish the Timber Trail with another 40km day of beautiful views, fun downhill sections and sore legs. Well done on completing the 85km journey.



Nurture Hauora

House Singing



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School Holiday Office Hours

The school office will be closed for the duration of the school holidays. We will reopen at 8.00am on Monday 22 July 2024.

Enrolment queries will be addressed on our return. Please email Denise at dst@shgcnp.school.nz

For any property queries please email Claire at cgy@shgcnp.school.nz



Honey for sale

We have Yummy honey from Eltham Apiaries available from the school office.



Sales help to contribute with expenses for the wonderful experience students have at Year 7 camp.

1kg pot
\$15.00

For any sporting success or queries—please contact the Sports Department:

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