

SHC Heartbeat

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart



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From the Principal

Kia ora koutou katoa	Namaste
Talofa lava	Welkom
Fakaalofa lahi atu	Herzlich Willkommen
Kia orana	Witamy
Mālō e lelei	Nĩ hǎo
	Mālō ni

Mana Tangata

A Heart for the People

- ♥ I treat others the way I would like to be treated
- ♥ I actively listen to my teachers and peers
- ♥ I take responsibility for my actions
- ♥ I encourage others

Of late, the media is constantly reporting on the alarming attendance statistics across New Zealand. We know the importance of regular attendance at school and how critical this is for our students' futures. The evidence is clear that every day of school matters. Missing school leads to lower achievement and reduced options when leaving school.

We expect all students to attend daily unless there is a legitimate reason for the absence such as illness or bereavement, and we expect that parents and caregivers will work with us to ensure their student attends regularly.

A missed school day is a lost opportunity for students to learn and grow.

We are in the second week of Lent, and we are encouraging students to use this time to focus on the real meaning of this time. Our aim is to live Lent with a purpose and to focus on prayer- our relationship with God, fasting- giving up something that gets in the way of this relationship with God, and giving- how can we give back to God.

"During Lent, let us find concrete ways to overcome our indifference." Pope Francis

Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Maria Potter, Principal

PPTA Teacher Strike – 16 March

On Thursday 16 March the PPTA are planning a full day strike of PPTA members covered by the Secondary Teachers' and Area School Teachers' Collective Agreements.

As most of our staff are union members the school will be closed for instruction but will provide supervision for students under 14 years of age if alternative arrangements cannot be made.

Please let the school know if your student will require supervision by emailing college@sacredheartcollege.school.nz

Bring a can! Lenten Food Drive

On Tuesday 14 March, we are having a non-uniform day and canned food collection for the Lower Hutt Food Bank.

One of our school values is Mana Tangata, a heart for the people. This means caring and looking after the people inside and out of our school.

Please bring a can of food to the Lawson Foyer before school or at morning tea or lunchtime on 14 March.

The House with the most cans will receive House Points.

Let's Talk About Languages

Let's Talk About Languages is a community consultation evening about language learning at SHC. It is for staff, community members, parents, and caregivers to talk about supporting our students as language learners and our aspirations for languages at SHC.

Come along and korero in the SHC library on 23 March at 6.00pm.



What's On

Check the school calendar at www.sacredheartcollege.school.nz

Week 6B

Theme: Mana Tangata

Sea Week

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| 7 Mar | Athletics Day
Whānau Hui & BBQ (6.00-7.00pm) Atawhai |
| 8 Mar | Ticket Sales – St Pat's Junior Dance
Homework Club (3.30-4.30pm) Library
Pacific Parent Fono (6.00-7.00pm) Library |
| 10 Mar | Netball for Beginners Trials (lunchtime) Gym
Sea Week Movie (lunchtime) E16
St Pat's Junior Dance |
| 11 Mar | Netball Senior A Trail #2 (9.00am-12.00pm) |

Week 7A

Theme: Mana Tangata

Irish Language Week

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| 14 Mar | Non-Uniform Day –Lenten Canned Food Drive
Peer Support (2.35-3.20pm) |
| 15 Mar | Homework Club (3.30-4.30pm) Library |
| 16 Mar | PPTA Teacher Strike – School Closed for Instruction |
| 18 Mar | Netball Trial #1 (9.00am-4.00pm) Gym |

Looking Ahead

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| 21 Mar | Lourdes Feast Day |
| 23 Mar | Let's Talk About Languages (6.00-7.30pm) Library |
| 23-25 Mar | DOE Silver Qualifying Journey |
| 27-31 Mar | Summer Tournament Week |
| 29 Mar | Board of Trustees Meeting (7.00-8.30pm) Library |

Year 13 Retreat

Year 13 Retreat was held at Silverstream Retreat during Week 4. The students took part in two days of reflective activities and did some planning for the year. On the Monday night Father Patrick came in and led a liturgy alongside some of our leaders. The experience focused on everyone's relationship with God through how we treat one another. Overall, the retreat was a beautiful time with lots of friendships solidified, new relationships built and spiritual growth. *Ms Paula Davies, DRS*



Gabrielle Cabauatan – Head of Special Character

Kia Ora Whānau, my name is Gabrielle Cabauatan, and I am very blessed to be your Head of Special Character for 2023. Leadership has always been an aspiration of mine ever since I came to SHC. I'm so grateful for all the opportunities SHC has provided for me especially this role. Little Year 9 Gabrielle would be so proud right now!



In my time outside of school I love to dance, especially in the styles of tap, jazz and contemporary. I also really enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I wouldn't be the person who I am today without the support and love of my beautiful family. Through all the NCEA exams and to my dance competitions, my family is always right beside me. Additionally, I love serving at our parish, Te Awakairangi, on a Sunday and enjoy attending youth groups.

I'm so excited for the year ahead and all the upcoming opportunities and events for our SHC community.

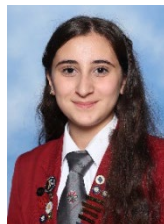
Stay safe and God bless always x

Hailey Elya – Head of Culture

Marhaba, my name is Hailey Elya, and I am your Head of Culture for 2023.

I am so excited and honoured to represent such a great and important part of what makes each and every person who they are.

I was born in New Zealand, but I can humbly say that my roots, values and pride will always come from the beautiful culture of Iraq. I love my family unconditionally. They never fail to encourage me and bring a smile to my face. I also enjoy reading, dancing and partying to some good music. I love all things fashion and accessorising great outfits, but most of all I live for my faith. I can't wait to experience another great year with everyone and am pumped see what great things we can achieve.



Mrs Maria Kerr

Tēnā koutou katoa, talofa lava, mālō e lelei

My main roles in the leadership team are professional development, health and safety, education outside the classroom, relational practices, and student leadership. I also have oversight of Years 10 and 12.

I have come from a curriculum background in Health and Physical Education but like to connect with ideas and people across our college learning areas.

I have a passionate belief that building strong relationships between the learner, school, whānau, and community is essential to the growth, wellbeing, and academic success of each learner. I am committed to ensuring our school is culturally responsive and a place where all students feel a sense of belonging.



Sport

Junior White Sox Congratulations to **Aayla Toman** who has been selected for the Junior White Sox U16 Team. Aayla will travel to the USA in June and will play in the Top Gun Invitational Tournament in Kansas City.



Touch Wellington Under 16 mixed: Congratulations to **Acacia Hemera**, who was Vice Captain Wellington U16 Mixed team, which recently attended the New Zealand Youth Touch Rugby Nationals held in Christchurch. Acacia had an amazing campaign and really showed her worth and skill. Acacia and another female player were scoring and dominating boys. That is no easy feat at Nationals level.

Rowing Championships Congratulations to the following rowers who attended the New Zealand Rowing Championships in Twizel. **Josèe Procter** won Silver in the Women's Novice Coxed Eight. **Erin Anderson**, **Peyton Loader** and **Milla Sowerby** (cox) won Bronze in the Women's Club Coxed Eight. **Lily Casley** made the A Final in the Woman's Intermediate Coxed Four.

Rugby League Congratulations to **Delta Tuleaga Chadwick**, **Riana Le'afa-Paki**, **Faith Schwencke** and **Aayla Toman** on being selected to play for the Wellington Orcas 9's U16 Team.

Futsal Our Junior Red Team had a lovely 8-4 win on Thursday, they played in great spirit and some promising team play developed as they got to know each other better through the game. It will be an exciting season watching them develop and have fun.

Homework Club
Wednesdays
3.30-4.30pm
SHC Library

