

SHC Heartbeat

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart

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From the Principal

Kia ora koutou katoa
Talofa lava
Fakaalofa lahi atu
Kia orana
Mālō e lelei

Namaste
Welkom
Herzlich Willkommen
Witamy
Nǐ hǎo Mālō ni

Senior Prize Giving
Monday
30 October 2023
7.00pm

The energy and enthusiasm that has marked the beginning of this term has been contagious. In Week 1 we celebrated the successes of our students in both DOE and Sport awards and Pō Whakanui, and last night we had a full house at our Mana Pasifika celebration.

These celebrations are about identifying the variety of areas that our students excel in and celebrating them in a manner and positive spirit that defines and reflects our school community. From leadership to service to excellence, our students amaze me with their talents and their willingness to share these with others.

Congratulations to all students who have received and will receive awards this term.

This is the beginning of what promises to be a fantastic term and I look forward to sharing it with you all.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa
Maria Potter, Principal

Prize Giving Monday 30 October at 7.00pm

Students are asked to be there by 6.30pm.

Full summer uniform with blazers - no jerseys or vests. Year 13 wear their school ties. Hair is to be tied up. Footwear: either plain white socks with black leather lace up shoes or Roman sandals.

Supper will be provided at the conclusion for our school leavers. Year 13 are asked to bring a plate.

NCEA

NCEA examinations start on 6 November and finish on Friday 30 November. Our examination manager Kath McGuinness has been through the process with all students. As a follow up, a power point has been posted on Teams for students to familiarise themselves with the NCEA procedures. Please get your student to show you this power point.

All students must calendar the day and time for all their examinations.

- Admission slips will be handed out next week. Students must bring their examination admission slips with them. Once issued to students, these must be kept in a safe place.
- Study leave commences from Tuesday 31 November.
- If students are coming into school for tutorials, they may wear non-uniform. They must sign in and out on the Vistab outside S2.

Most students will have returned school resources eg books. If these are outstanding, they must be returned to the library by 1 December. This includes laptops on loan.

What's On

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

Week 3A Term 4

Theme: Mana Whenua

Gagana Tokelau Language Week

- 23 Oct Labour Day – School is Closed
- 25 Oct Māori Achieve Homework Club
- 26 Oct Y13 Leavers' Mass Y13 High Tea

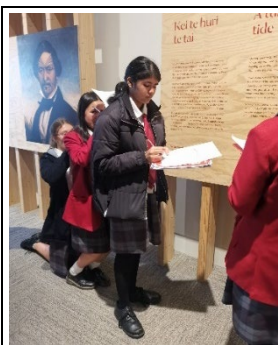
Week 4B

Theme: Mana Whenua

- 30 Oct Senior Prize Giving – 7.00pm start
- 1 Nov Māori Achieve Homework Club
- 5 Nov CSW Sport Awards

Looking ahead:

- 6 Nov NCEA Exams Start
- 8 Nov School Board Meeting (7.00-8.30pm) Library
- 13, 15, 16 Nov Y10 Exams
- 17 Nov Staff Only Day – Ministry of Education**
- 1 Dec Junior Wellbeing Day
- 4-6 Dec Y10 Camp
- 8 Dec Junior Prize Giving



Year 10 Social Studies

Year 10 Social Studies classes walked down to the Dowse Art Museum during August/ September to visit Nuku Tewhatewha as part of their studies of the Kīngitanga Movement. Built in 1856 by Wiremu Tako Ngātata (Te Āti Awa, Ngāti Ruanui, Ngā Ruahinerangi, Ngā Iwi o Taranaki) it is the only survivor of eight pātaka constructed in support of the Kīngitanga. A Pākehā family, the Beethams cared for Nuku Tewhatewha for 120 years after Ngātata leased his land to his friend, William Beetham on the condition he cared for Nuku Tewhatewha. In 1982 Nuku Tewhatewha was returned to Te Awakairangi and into the care of the Dowse with the blessing of Te Te Āti Awa. It is a significant national taonga for students to explore in terms of unity, peace, resistance, struggle and partnership.

Mrs Anna Peszynski, HOD Social Sciences

Senior Friendship Group and Lower Hutt Volunteer Awards

On Thursday, 31 August, our national finalist barbershop quartet, *Four-Ever Yours*, and *Te Rōpū Reo Manawa*, our school choir, were invited to perform at the Hutt City Baptist Senior Friendship Group in the morning, followed by a captivating performance at the Lower Hutt Volunteer Awards celebrating the Wellington Airport Community Awards and Civic Honours in the evening.

The morning began on a harmonious note as the two groups gathered at the Senior Friendship Group, a beloved community organisation that brings together individuals from different walks of life. The group's rendition of "Bridge Over Troubled Water" resonated deeply with the audience, touching hearts and eliciting emotions. Stephanie Portugal beautifully accompanied the group on the piano.

Our Performing Arts students are grateful for the opportunity to connect with the community and to showcase their musical prowess. It served as a reminder of the power of music to uplift spirits, heal hearts, and bring people together.



(photo right) credit Mark Tantrum Photography

Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award

As part of their service for the Duke of Edinburgh Award, **Xanthe Williamson** (10NP), **Arden Doherty** (10MN), and **Daisy Robinson** (10NP) have been making some delicious baking for the families at Te Omanga Hospice. The Hospice really appreciates what these students are doing. Xanthe, Arden and Daisy love the fact that they are helping others in our community at a difficult time.



Gabrielle Dominique Cabauatan

On 14 and 15 October **Gabrielle Dominique Cabauatan** (13BH) danced in her last competition. Gabrielle has shared her amazing talent with the school since she was in Year 9. We have watched her grow into the incredible performer she is today. Gabrielle won a nomination for the National Young Performer (PACANZ) for Tap Dance for 2024 and on Sunday, at the Champion of Champions, she placed 1st at the 14 and over category. At the conclusion of the Champ-a-holic Dance Competitions, Gabrielle was given the Technicality Award for Tap and was declared the Supreme Champion for the whole competition. We are very proud of Gabrielle and wish her every success for her future in Dance.



Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 11-15 Mahuru 2023 Whakanuia Te Wiki o te Reo Māori

Sacred Heart College celebrated Te Wiki o te Reo Māori from 11-15 September 2023. This year we planned an activity for every day of the week. We started our day with a Karakia each morning with the whole school. We raised the tino rangatiratanga flag. We read pūrākau and pakiwaitara to each other and played games. We also performed and sang a well-known Māori waiata.



We planned a special activity with the school. At 12.00pm, Thursday 14 September we asked the school to stop for a moment to remember this time and date in 1972 when the petition for Te Wiki o te Reo Māori was presented to Parliament. It was a time to remember this event and those who worked hard to organise this petition and we celebrated this occasion by speaking te reo Māori to each other or using a favourite Māori phrase or word with each other.

Nō reira tēnā koutou katoa I tautoko I Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. Na **Hine-Marama Elliott** (10MN), me **Prezley Easthope** (10MC)



Message from the Attendance Dues Team

We are getting a new data base which will be going live by the end of the year. This will include a Parent Portal at some stage, which will mean parents can log in and see their account balance and manage their account details. This secure self-service platform will also allow you to make payments. Watch this space!

All communication by us, is now via email so please check that emails from dues@wn.catholic.org.nz do not go to your Spam/Junk Inbox so that you receive all communications from ourselves.

If you are paying by regular instalments your account should be paid by the end of November, or by payment plan as agreed by us. It is preferable to have a regular instalment that keeps your account in hand.

Financial assistance is available to families experiencing financial hardship (loss of income/redundancy, family reasons, etc). It is a condition of the assistance application that the family has an affordable regular payment in place. You apply for this assistance with the school.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us: Phone: 0800 462 725 Email: dues@wn.catholic.org.nz

Pō Whakanui Māori Success Evening

Pō Whakanui was held on 12 October 2023 celebrating and acknowledging the successes of our Māori students. The theme was Matariki with the awards connected to and named after individual stars in the Matariki cluster. The awards were presented by past pupil Dr Emma Wehipeihana (Ngāti Tukorehe, Ngāti Porou). Thank you to Whaea Frost, Miss Tia Brown, and the team for a wonderful celebration.

Peyton Loader
Tupuārangi Award



A star representing gratitude and appreciation. Awarded to a student in recognition of her mahi towards sharing of herself in the work of our tupuna. This student has shared her skills and her time with others.

Tracey Tupuivao
Waipunarangi Award



Waipunarangi reminds us that what you give to others comes back to you. Awarded to a student for her extraordinary commitment to her te reo Māori me ona tikanga, who shares her knowledge of Mātauranga Māori to make connections with other students.

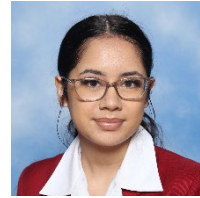
Jade Hudson
Tupuānuku Award



Tupuānuku is linked to Papatūānuku and the produce from the land.

Awarded to a student who has demonstrated kindness and humility and demonstrates, school values.

Jordan Allen
Hiwa-i-te-rangi Award



This star is connected to growth and shows promise for the future.

Hiwa-i-te-rangi is the youngest of all the stars in the cluster so it is fitting this award will go to a young achiever. Someone who has shown great potential in her schoolwork and in everything that she does for her education.

Fanua Rimoni
Ururangi Award



Ururangi is described as a star that represents the hard work that impacts the community health and wellbeing. This award is a recognition of the student's contribution to school Hakinakina and Hau ora.

This award goes to a student who has represented her kura, whānau, hapu and iwi.

Rangitiare Graham
Waitī/Waitā Award



These stars are both connected to water. Waitī is the star connected to fresh water that is essential for health and wellbeing and used for all manner of Māori ceremonies.

Waitā represents the ocean and sea creatures.

This award is for a student who shows manaakitanga. She shows kindness, is generous, and hospitable. This student demonstrates the ability to uplift and support others.

Arabella King
Pohutukawa Award



This star serves as a reminder to reflect on the individuals who have enriched our lives and contributed to our journey.

This award goes to a student who carries the mana of past pupils into the present, embodying the legacy of those who have walked the school before them. She upholds our school values in every aspect of her school life, exemplifying the essence of service, always giving back to the school community and nurturing an atmosphere of unity. She carries the torch of those who came before, lighting the way for generations to come.

Hinerautekau Tamatea-Turi Rei
Matariki Award



Matariki is our Tuakana Award.

This award goes to a student who has demonstrated courage, passion, perseverance and leadership, in all things Māori. She is the guiding star, giving her time to lead others with aroha, patience, and strength.

Sport News

Sport Awards

Thank you to everyone who attended the Sport Awards last week. Most importantly thanks to our guest speaker, Jackie Patea-Fereti for her inspiring speech about her Rugby journey.



Madison Wos Isabel To'ia

The top award winners were:

Student Coach of the Year - Brennan Cup	Maya Iti 12JK
Netball Umpire of the Year - Stechman Cup	Erin Henley 13PH
Coach of the Year	Jodi Robertson and Josh Powell
Team of the Year	Senior A Touch Team
NZ Representative - Rugby League NZ Māori 17s Kōtiro	Fanua Rimoni 11LE
NZ Representative - Rugby League NZ Māori 17s Kōtiro	Riana Le'afa Paki 11TK
NZ Representative – Basketball U16 Samoa National Team	Leah Ah-Ken 12EB
NZ Representative - Softball White Sox U16 & U18 Teams	Aayla Toman 12MI
Sporting and Academic Excellence - Lara Andrews Cup	Jaden Asiata 13LP
Outstanding Contribution to Junior Sport - VHS Cup	Zarlya Collings 10SD
Outstanding Contribution to Senior Sport - Sport's Department Cup	Josie Tapa 13TN
Team Spirit and Sportsmanship - Leifi Netball Cup	Aamai Roberts 10EM
Best All-Rounder - Keeting Trophy	Isabel To'ia 11DH
Junior Sportswoman of the Year - Clare Duggan Cup	Madison Wos 9BN
Senior Sportswoman of the Year - Keelty Trophy	Isabel To'ia 11DH

A full list of sport awards recipients is in the school website news section.

Interested in Hosting an International Student in 2024?

As part of our international programme, we have a group of students from Shibuya Makuhari High School in Tokyo, Japan coming to visit us from 8-20 March 2024. Shibuya Makuhari has been visiting SHC for a number of years now, and they love coming to our school.

We are currently looking for host families, who have a child attending SHC next year. We would like to place one international student per family.

The Homestay Fee is \$310 per week. You will need to provide the student with their own bedroom (if available), or, they can share a bedroom with your own child. They must sleep in their own bed which has adequate linen and bedding. A trundler bed or bunk bed is also suitable, however a mattress placed on the floor will not be acceptable. You will need to provide the student with three meals a day and organise transport to and from school.

If you are interested in hosting an international student from Shibuya Makuhari High School, please contact our Homestay Coordinator as soon as possible at homestay@sacredheartcollege.school.nz and ask for an application pack. Please note, all persons 18 years or older who live on your property will need to be police vetted. We cannot offer you a student if anyone in your household has a criminal conviction. Our Homestay Coordinator will also visit your family and view the accommodation.

Mana Ora Trophy - SHC vs SBC Water Polo Donated by Mikalah Hall

Mikalah Hall (13LP) organised the inaugural SHC v SBC Water Polo Match in March this year which raised \$700 for Relay for Life. Mikalah also arranged a trophy for the event which was presented at the Sport Awards for the first time last week. The Trophy was carved by Joe Kemp of Lake Rotoma, and is currently on display in the Lawson Foyer.

Mana is described as the power of being, and states that it must be upheld and enhanced. Mana is a foundational aspect of the Māori worldview and is seen as key to every aspect of life, including people, places, and things. The protection and enhancement of mana is important to notions of hauora (health). Mana is also about knowledge, respect, humility, and contribution, and has a spiritual dimension.

Ora is described as a state of well-being. Ora means to be alive, well, and safe. When our ora is protected and safe, we flourish. As a state of well-being, Ora is also about life, vitality and being cured, recovered and healed.

Relay for Life is all about celebrating the people in our communities who are cancer survivors and the people who play important supporting roles in the lives of so many - our Carers. Fundraising helps cancer patients and their whānau get the care and practical support they need and helps protect future generations of New Zealanders by helping to fund ground-breaking cancer research and vital prevention programmes.

Tapa Cup for Service to School Sport

Thank you to the Tapa Whānau who generously donated a Cup for the Sports Awards this year. We did not have a cup for this previously and appreciate the importance of this new award.

Golf

Congratulations to **Uryah Time** (12SC), who last weekend won the Wellington Golf Incorporated Women's Matchplay Championship 2023.



Water Polo

Abbie Wallis (12JK), **Lucy O'Toole** (11SN), **Millie Abbott** (11SN), **Kerryn McAndrews** (11BG), **Emily Molenaar** (10EM), **Molly O'Toole** (10MN), **Madeleine Wilson** (9BN) and **Maya McLay** (9BR), were selected to play in the Hutt Water Polo U16 girls' team at the Div 2 National Championships held in Auckland during the holidays. Captained by Lucy O'Toole the team made it through to the gold final, coming up against a side they had lost to in pool games. Coached by SHC old girls Megan Thomson and Brydie Pye, a strong performance from the team in their final game saw them win 5:3, securing the Division 2 championship. Goalie Maya McLay was also named girls MVP.

