

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

Mana Whenua

A Heart for the Land

- ♥ I care for God's world
- ♥ I leave classrooms clean and tidy
- ♥ I help keep the school litter free
- ♥ I respect all school property

As we pass the midpoint of this term, senior students are completing their NCEA examinations, and our junior students are making the most of a wide variety of opportunities made available in the last few weeks of the year. Year 9 and Year 10 Wellbeing Day, Year 10 camp, Year 9 Marae visit and Duke of Edinburgh day, as well as a variety of sporting events, are all in the calendar. These opportunities give students an opportunity to experience their learning in many ways and with different staff and often in different locations.

Thank you for your ongoing support helping us keep our students engaged in this learning and attending every day. He waka eke noa – we're all in this together.

If you need to communicate with school about any of the end of term activities, please contact your student's kaiārahi in the first instance.

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

NCEA Exams

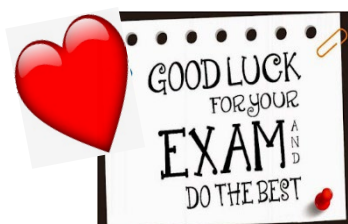


We are now nearly halfway through the examinations and students are working hard to achieve their academic goals. It is great to see so many students taking the opportunity to attend extra tutorials.

NZQA has sincerely apologised for the disruption that may have been caused for students in their digital examinations.

Our most affected examination was the CAA Numeracy which was sat by our Year 10 students. We congratulate them all for how they conducted themselves and for their patience while paper versions were being sourced.

NZQA are continuing to work with their technology vendor as they scale up the capacity of the system.



What's On

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

Week 6B

Theme: **Mana Whenua**

NCEA Exams

13 Nov Year 10 Exams
15-16 Nov Year 10 Exams
17 Nov **Staff Only Day – Ministry of Education**

Week 7A

Theme: **Mana Whenua**

NCEA Exams

20 Nov Year 10 Exams
22 Nov Māori Achieve

Looking Ahead:

27-30 Nov School Production Auditions (3.30-5.30pm) PAC
28 Nov Talanoa Feedback to Parents (6.00pm) Library
29-30 Nov Yr 9 DOE/Marae Days
30 Nov NCEA Exams Finish
1 Dec Junior Wellbeing Day
SHC Junior Dance
4-6 Dec Yr 10 Camp
Peer Support 2024 Training
7 Dec Last Day Uniform Shop Open in 2023
8 Dec Junior Prize Giving (11.30am-1.00pm) PAC

See our website for [Start of Year Dates 2024](http://www.sacredheartcollege.school.nz)

Gifted Learners Award

Moriah Sopoaga and **Li-Yin Lin** (Languages Club Leaders) received a Gifted Learners Award from the Ministry of Education this year to pursue their interest in languages. They were able to use this award to visit Otago University and Logan Park High School. At Otago University they met with Associate Professor Antonie Alm (Head of the Languages and Cultures Programme) to talk about the future of language learning in NZ. At Logan Park they joined Mrs Sue Kim's Languages classes to learn Korean. We are very grateful for these opportunities facilitated by Gifted Education and wish Moriah and Li-Yin success in their tertiary study and hope their love of languages continues to grow. *Mrs Bronwyn Davies*



Young Enterprise Scheme (YES) Team

Our Young Enterprise team, United Publications, comprised of Year 12 students **Jasmin Kaur** (CEO), **Zara Joe** (Operations), **Ysabelle Balao** (Finance), **Paris Nguyen** (Sales), and **Mckayla Ruaburo** (Marketing), have achieved an incredible amount this year. They created a language starter book for young immigrants, introducing Te Reo Māori and NZ Sign Language and teaching everyday English words that children are most likely to come across. A photo of an item and the English word for it is provided, and there is a space for the learner to write the item in their own native language, connecting English to their roots. This is the main focus of the book,

with a few pages on Te Reo and NZSL at the beginning, and English retention activities at the back.

At the recent Wellington Regional YES Awards United Publications were finalists for three awards, Team of the Year, CEO of the Year, and the One to Watch (which they won).



This year, they have managed the following:

- Top in the wider Wellington Region across all challenges (score of 96.25/100)
- Top in the Wellington Region for their pitch
- Runner-up in the NZ AID Programme Award for solving a development problem - second in the country
- Won the 'One to Watch' regional award for the company most expected to have promising results after the YES year
- Selected to pitch at the 'Slush'd' event in Wellington
- Met with the Ministry of Ethnic Communities at The Beehive
- Chosen to MC for an event held by the Upper Hutt Multi-Cultural Council.

Congratulations. Your mahi is inspiring and you all have bright futures ahead.

10PAS Production

In Week 2, the Year 10 Performing Arts class showcased their many talents in the production "Lost in a Dream: The Adventures of Alice and Dorothy". Our class had been working very hard on this production for many weeks leading up to the big day. The production consisted of singing, acting, music and a little bit of dancing. From learning our lines and music, to performing on stage in front of our whānau, all the students showed heart and soul to deliver an outstanding production that we can all be very proud of. It was great being able to showcase to our family and friends how hard we worked for the last term. Thanks to the backstage crew for making sure everything ran smoothly, and a special thanks to our two wonderful teachers, Mrs Laidler and Ms Kriechbaum. We couldn't have done it without you. *Matilda Smith (10MN)*



Te Omanga Hospice Garden of Appreciation Ceremony

On Thursday 9 November, our kura was invited to support the Te Omanga Hospice Garden of Appreciation Ceremony. This event celebrates the lives of those that have passed away whilst in the care of Te Omanga Hospice throughout the year, as whānau are offered the option of purchasing an engraved brick to memorialise their loved ones in the Garden of Appreciation. The ceremony features a 'blessing of the bricks', musical performances and speeches from the Rotary Club of Wellington, Te Omanga Hospice, and Hutt City Council.

We have had the pleasure of supporting this event over the last couple of years and this year *Four-Ever Yours*, the Sacred Heart College Barbershop Quartet, **Angel Wood**, **Skyla Cribb**, **Emeline Pusa**, and **Moala Fifita**, performed beautifully. **Angelina Stanley** also performed a moving piece on the piano and the students received plenty of positive feedback following their performances. Thank you to Te Omanga Hospice for providing us with the opportunity to support this very special event. *Mr Mike Isaacs*



College Sport Wellington Sports Person of the Year Awards

We had 12 students listed as finalists in this year's prestigious College Sport Wellington awards, which is the largest number of nominations for some years. We are delighted to announce that we had four winners across a number of codes, which is a huge achievement for our school.

Jessica Patea
Rugby League Player of the Year



Maya McLay
Water Polo Player of the Year



Josie Tapa
Touch Player of the Year



Mikalah Hall
Student Official of the Year



CSW Sevens Tournament

On Labour Day a team of Sacred Heart students entered the College Sport Wellington Sevens Tournament. After a competitive day on the field, we made it to the final and sadly lost to St Mary's. Placing second meant that our team qualified for the National Condor Sevens Tournament which will be held in Tauranga on 2-3 December. We are excited to announce that with the support of parents of the team and sponsorship we will send 14 players to Nationals. Thanks to our coach and manager Naph and Nella Sulisi for taking the team to both tournaments.



CSW Touch Junior Regional Tournament Champions

On Thursday 9 November the Junior A Touch Team had great success at the CSW Junior Touch Tournament. We breezed through our pool matches with a 11-1 win against Newlands and a 5-0 win v Heretaunga, which meant we made it into the semi-finals against St Mary's. The SHC team continued to dominate with speed, nifty set plays and great teamwork, so ended up winning this game 5-1.

In the final we met Queen Margaret College. This team had some skilful and speedy players but they were no match for the SHC Junior As who won the game 6-1, thus making them College Sport Wellington Junior Touch Champs for 2023.

Thanks to our most valuable coaches Tessa and Nev, and Team Managers Anthony and Melinda Yee, Mere Macu, and Del Vena.

Well done to all the Junior A players who were a delight to coach and watch play some fabulous touch.

Miss Claire Risk – Coach / Manager



CSW Junior Kī-o-Rahi Regional Tournament Champions

On Wednesday 8 November our kura sent a Year 9 team and a Year 10 team to the College Sport Wellington Regional Junior Kī-o-Rahi Tournament held at Rongotai College.

For many of our students this was their first time playing the sport at a competitive level. Students represented Sacred Heart College with pride and participated with amazing energy and enthusiasm. They can be very proud of their efforts.

The Year 10 team was particularly successful winning every game in pool play, going on to beat Wellington East Girls College 27-23 in the final, making them Regional Champions in the Girls Division. Kia mau te wehi!



Volleyball CSW Regional Tournament Junior Champions

Last weekend the Junior Lions and Junior Cubs volleyball teams attended the CSW Junior Volleyball Regionals. A tough tournament filled with great teams. We are very proud of all the effort shown by both teams. A big thanks to our coaches and managers who made it possible to attend. A big shout out to our Junior Lions who pulled through to collect the win over WGC in the finals, going undefeated throughout the tournament. Three Sacred Heart players made the tournament team, **Ashlee Yee**, **Meleane Pole'o** and **Sydney Roma**. Huge congratulations to Sydney Roma for winning MVP for the tournament.

Thanks to our amazing coaches Tessa, & Nev and Team Managers Anthony and Melinda Yee, Mere Macu and Del Vena.

Kayla Little (10MC)

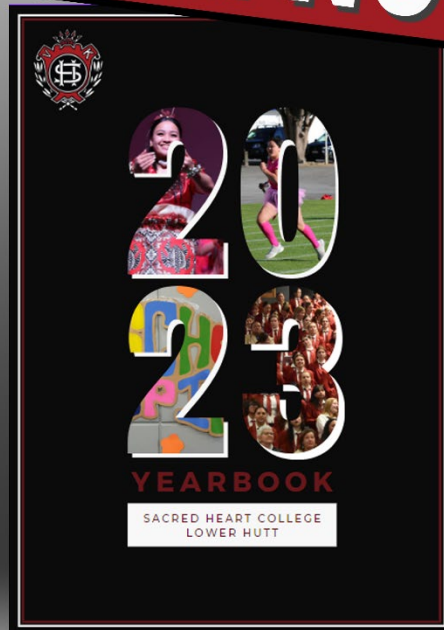
GIRLS REGIONAL CHAMPIONS



ASHLEE YEE TEYLAH ALAINU'UESE MIA-LOINE SO'OTAGA MELEANE POLE'O
SUEANNA WILLIAM-AH KEN KAYLA LITTLE HINETAI PORTER-SAMUELS JAJA MAULOLO
YASMIN HOLSTED-RUSSO CHRISTINE S'AU SYDNEY ROMA (ABSENT: PREZLEY EASTHOPE)

THE SACRED HEART COLLEGE LIONS

ORDER NOW



**\$32 + \$9 for delivery or pick
up from SHC school office from
5th February 2024.**



Te Awakairangi Parish School Whanau

You are invited to

Te Awakairangi Parish Combined Mass

SUNDAY

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9:45 AM

DECEMBER

Walter Nash Stadium

Taita