

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

Early Finish

School finishes at 12.30pm
on Monday 13 May
Buses are on their normal
timetable

Welcome back to Term Two. On the last day of Term One we farewelled Principal, Maria Potter. Maria was at Sacred Heart College for just over nine years and had a huge impact on the lives of many young people. We thank Maria for the service she gave to the College and wish her all the very best for the next chapter in her life. On Tuesday 4 June, we will be welcoming Mrs Katrina Kerr-Bell to Sacred Heart College. Katrina will be the 12th Principal that Sacred Heart College has appointed since it was founded in 1912.

This term brings much excitement as we see the final stages of Mission House being completed. I would like to thank all those involved in making this happen.

As we settle into our core business of teaching and learning, it is important to acknowledge the triangle of support between the school, whānau and students that is needed for our students to reach their full potential. We encourage you to talk to your students about their learning and contact the school if you have any questions or concerns.

This term we welcome two student teachers into the school, Michaela Budge (an ex-student) and Michael Lowe. We also welcome two Young Church Tuākana, Annie Watson and Jess Devery, who will be with us until the end of November.

We are thankful for the dedicated staff we have at Sacred Heart College, and the guidance and support they give our students. With many changes afoot within the education space, they continue to keep up-to-date professionally and thrive on being the best educators they can be.

We are looking forward to a calm Term 2 and welcome you to come to the College to connect with us either through learning conferences, or sporting or cultural events. We would love to have you here.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa
Maria Kerr, Acting Principal

CAA Examinations for Years 10 and 11

A separate email has been sent to whānau about these compulsory examinations happening in Week 4 and 5 of this term. Students will be informed in Week 2 if they are not sitting these examinations. Students must have logged onto the NZQA website to create an account and most importantly ensure that they have their username and password kept in a safe place. NZQA is the keeper of these, not the College.

If students feel that they need extra help with preparation for the examinations, follow the link below:

www.boostyourlearning.co.nz/courses

There are also practice examinations on-line through the NZQA website.

Uniform Shop

From the start of next term (22 July), the uniform shop will be cashless. The uniform shop accepts Eftpos, credit card, PayWave, and Government payments.

Orders through the website are paid by online banking.

Tuesday hours are now 1.00-3.00pm.

What's On

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

Week 2B - Theme: Mana Tipuna

9 May Big Sister (3.30-4.30pm) Library
Poly Group Practice (3.30-4.30pm) PAC
10 May SHC Junior Dance – Poly Club Fundraiser

Week 3A - Theme: Mana Tipuna

13 May School Finishes at 12.30pm – PPTA PUM
Junior Poly Group Practice (3.30-5.30pm) Library
14 May Senior Poly Group Practice (2.45-4.00pm) PAC
O'Shea Shield Rehearsal (7.00-9.00pm) PAC
15 May Māori Achieve (1.35-2.15pm) A1
Homework Club (3.30-4.30pm) Library
Production Legally Blonde Jnr. (7.00-8.30pm) PAC
16-18 May O'Shea Shield
16 May Big Sister (3.30-4.30pm) Library
Poly Group Practice (4.30-6.00pm) Library
Production Legally Blonde Jnr. (7.00-8.30pm) PAC
17 May Non-Uniform Day – Pink Shirt
Production Legally Blonde Jnr. (7.00-8.30pm) PAC
18 May Production Legally Blonde Jnr. (7.00-8.30pm) PAC
18-19 May Noho Marae

Phones

The students have experienced Term 1 with "phones away for the day".

As of Term 2, the government's official ban on cellphones in school is in place. Please click the link for more information. [Government's official ban on cell phones](#)

If you need to urgently get in touch with your student during the school day, please ring the school office.

Daily School Bus Conveyance Allowance

Is your student eligible for a Ministry of Education SESTA Conveyance Allowance?

SESTA is a daily school bus conveyance allowance - a contribution to the cost of transporting students to school or to their nearest school bus route. It is paid each term and not intended to be a full reimbursement of the transport cost. [Link to Ministry website and some information on this allowance](#)

To qualify for a daily school bus conveyance allowance, students must meet all four eligibility criteria:

- They are attending their closest state or state-integrated school
- They live at least 4.8 km from the school (for Years 9-13)
- There are no suitable public transport options
- There is either no school bus available, or they live more than 2.4 kilometres from the nearest school bus route

Year 10 Speeches

The Y10 Speech Finals were held on April 5.

The results were:

- 1st **Olivia Fairfield**
2nd **Mia-Lo'ine So'otaga**
3rd= **Mamele Salesa and Madeleine Wilson**

Congratulations to all 16 finalists from Year 10.

Olivia will now represent SHC in Junior Prepared Speech at the O'Shea Shield in Napier next week. *Mrs Julie Knowles*



Message from Archdiocese of Wellington

The Archdiocese of Wellington attendance dues team is in the process of sending out school fee notices, but due to the implementation of a new software system (CathConnect), some may experience a delay or inaccuracies. We appreciate your patience as the team works diligently to distribute all statements and address your inquiries promptly. Thank you for your understanding during this transition.

Enrolments

Our enrolment process is underway this term and will include two Open Mornings which are wonderful opportunities for students and their whānau to visit Sacred Heart, meet staff and other students, tour the school, and ask any questions they might have about being a student here. We love this opportunity to showcase our successes so if you know anyone considering enrolling with us, we would appreciate you passing on this message.

Open Morning Bookings

Email enrolments@sacredheartcollege.school.nz or phone 04-566 1089 opt 4 to book for an open morning visit at one of the following time slots.

Wednesday 12 June

9.00am-10.30am or 11.00am-12.30pm

Thursday 13 June

9.00am-10.30am or 11.00am-12.30pm

Enrolment Applications

Access the online enrolment form and other information on our website at [Enrolment](#)

ANZAC Day

A beautiful but windy morning at the Riddiford Gardens, Lower Hutt Cenotaph to remember our fallen soldiers and those who are still serving overseas. A huge thank you to **Zara Joe and Penny Stanfield** for laying a wreath on behalf of Sacred Heart College.



Reopening Weekend Celebrations at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Wellington

Friday 7 June

- 7.30pm Mass of Thanksgiving
- Cathedra (Bishop's chair) will be returned to its place
- Cathedral doors will be opened again.

Saturday 8 June

- 8.30am Morning Mass
- Day of Adoration follows Mass – groups, parishes and chaplaincies are invited to lead an hour
- 5.00pm Ecumenical celebration of Evening Prayer

Sunday 9 June

- 10.00am Cathedral Parish will celebrate 'homecoming' Mass
- 11.00am Brunch follows morning Mass
- Afternoon Tours of the cathedral offered
- 7.00pm Evening Mass will bring the weekend to a close

Congratulations

Speech and Drama teacher, Rebecca Reed, has won a prestigious scholarship to London's Globe Theatre.

As well as workshops and seminars at the Globe over the term break, Rebecca will spend time at the Royal Shakespeare Company. Congratulations Rebecca.

Haere rā Mrs Potter

On the last day of Term 1 we farewelled our Principal of nine years, Mrs Maria Potter, in a special assembly.

Mrs Potter was an ex-pupil of Sacred Heart College and came to us in 2015 from Opunake High School. During her time as Principal, she worked diligently alongside the staff to support the school's Special Character, embrace diversity, and enhance the sense of belonging for all ākonga and their whānau. She accomplished some major achievements and led the school through some significant challenges including Covid-19, staff bereavements, and losing the iconic Mission House.

The school paid tribute to Mrs. Potter's commitment and service to Sacred Heart College through speeches from both Boards, representatives from the Māori and Pacific communities, her whānau, head students and student representatives from each year level. There were cultural and musical performances and the farewell finished with our resounding school haka.

She will be missed, and we wish her all the best in her future endeavours.



Sacred Heart College & St. Bernard's College
Production of...

LEGALLY BLONDE

The Musical JR.

15th - 18th May
SHC PAC
Start Time: 7PM
\$15 - \$20 Tickets

Purchase from
link below or
SHC social media
pages

Buy Tickets Here: mytickets.co.nz/d/shcsbclegallyblondejr

<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">Music & Lyrics by Laurence O'Keefe and Nell Benjamin</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">Book by Heather Hach</p>
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">Based on the novel by Amanda Brown And the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer motion picture</p>	
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.7em;">Original Production by Hal Luttfig, Fox Theatricals, Dorí BerinStein, James L. Nederlander, Independent Presenters Network, Roy Furman, Amanda Lipitz, Broadway Asia, Barbara Whitman, FWPM Group, Ruth Hendel, Cheryl Wiesenfeld, Hal Goldberg, David Binder, James D. Stern, Douglas L. Meyer, Stewart F. Lane, Bonnie Comley, Robert G. Bartner, Michael A. Jenkins, Albert Nocciolino and Warren Trepp; Produced in association with MGM Onstage, Darcie Denkert and Dean Stolber</p>	
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