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 Nĭ hǎo Mālō ni

Mana Tipuna

A Heart for Ancestors

- ▼ I wear my uniform with pride
- ▼ I respect all cultures and different points of view
- ♥ I help others when needed
- ▼ I am a positive role model in building our sisterhood

Tēna koutou katoa e te whānau

It has been a very busy two weeks full of heart. It was wonderful to welcome so many students and their whānau to our open mornings last week. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all who attended our recent Open Days. It was wonderful to see such strong support from our community and to have the opportunity to showcase all that Sacred Heart has to offer. If you haven't already enrolled for the upcoming academic year, please note that enrolments will close on Thursday, 4 July.

Looking ahead, staff and students have been working so hard and we are so looking forward to supporting them at HuttFest on Thursday, 4 July. This promises to be a fantastic event showcasing the talents and spirit of our school community. I've had the pleasure of attending some of the Kapa Haka and Pasifika rehearsals, and I must say, they look impressive! It's inspiring to see our students' dedication and pride in their cultural identity through their performances.

As we approach Matariki we have the chance to remember the past, celebrate the present and plan for the future.

E te Ariki

We give thanks to those we have loved who have passed on. May we remember that we are guardians of this earth and that all we do honours the gifts of those in our lives and the planet we live on.

Amen

Kia tau te rangimarie - God's peace and blessing upon you.

Katrina Kerr-Bell, Principal

Kōrero ā Whānau and Attendance

Thank you to all of the whānau that were able to attend Kōrero ā Whānau on Wednesday this was a good opportunity to discuss how we can work together to achieve your student's goals. If you missed this and would like to meet, please contact your student's Ako teacher and/or Dean to make a time. As we celebrate the shortest day and the days have gotten much colder, we are mindful of colds and flus. We also know that it can be harder to motivate our young people to get to school.

The goal for attendance is that **all students are at school for the start of the day at 8.45 am** and that 80% of students are at school 90% of the time. If your student is unwell, keep them at home and notify the school office. If you are struggling to motivate them, please make contact with us.

Sacred Heart Cathedral

Katrina Kerr-Bell, Head Student **Mckayla Ruaburo** and **Zara Joe** our Special Character leader represented the College at the opening Mass for the Sacred Heart Cathedral on Friday 14 June.



For Whānau of Year 11 Students

Researchers at the Education Review Office (ERO) are doing new research about NCEA Level 1. They want to know about your child's learning and assessment this year because there have been some recent changes to NCEA Level 1. Your answers can help with future decisions about the NCEA qualification and supports for the school. *Please help* by completing the survey on this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HSZ2RPR

Combined 110ED and 130ED Camp

In week five, 43 of our Year 11 and Year 13 Outdoor Education students spent the night camping in the Orongorongo Valley. Students tramped into Turere Lodge, set up their tents, cooked their kai and toasted some marshmallows all under the watchful eye of our experienced Year 13s. Students showed manaakitanga for one another, working together as a group to ensure we all had a safe and enjoyable trip. It was great to see students developing resiliency as they learnt how to cross rivers, build shelters and spend the night in the bush without the comforts of home - including wifi! Well done to all. *Mrs Fiona Trappitt*



120ED Led Adventure

In Week 5, the Year 12 Outdoor Education class led an adventure for the Y7/8 syndicate of Ss Peter and Paul school. This adventure was a bush walk up Te Whiti Riser and some outdoor education activities at Te Whiti Park, including tent building, toasting marshmallows and a scavenger hunt to teach map reading skills. We had beautiful weather for the adventure and our Year 12s did us proud with their awesome leadership skills.

Miss Nicola Pollard



What's On

Check the school calendar at www.sacredheartcollege.school.nz Week 9A - Theme: Mana Tipuna

Matariki Celebrations

24 Jun Yr 9 Sport Academy Day (Gym)

Junior Poly Group Practice (3.30-5.30pm) PAC

25 Jun Avila Feast Day

Yr 12 RST Church Trip

Senior Poly Group Practice (2.45-4.00pm) PAC Poly Group Dress Rehearsal (6.00-7.00pm) PAC

26 Jun Māori Achieve (1.35-2.15pm) A1

Homework Club (3.30-4.30pm) Library

YAFA (3.30-4.30pm) Library

Kapa Haka Rehearsal (5.00-7.00pm) St Bernard's School Board Meeting (3.30-4.30pm) Library

27 Jun Staff vs Students Volleyball (lunchtime) Gym Poly Group Practice (3.30-6.00pm) PAC

28 Jun Matariki Public Holiday

29 Jun Poly Group Practice (10.00am-3.00pm) Gym

Week 10B - Theme: Mana Tīpuna

Last Week of Term

Jul Junior Poly Group Practice (3.30-5.30pm) PAC
 Jul Poly Group Practice (2.45-4.00pm) PAC
 Itinerant Music Concert (6.00-7.00pm) PAC
 Māgri Achieve (1.35.2.15pm) A1

3 Jul Māori Achieve (1.35-2.15pm) A1 Homework Club (3.30-4.30pm) Library Kapa Haka Rehearsal (5.00-7.00pm) PAC 4 Jul Year 9 2025 Enrolments Close Today

HuttFest

Looking Ahead

20 Jul Mission House Open Viewing (9.00am-11.00am)

22 Jul Start of Term 3

Gold DOE Ceremony

On Saturday 15 June Principal Katrina Kerr-Bell and I had the pleasure of attending the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award Ceremony at Government House.

I would like to say a huge congratulations to two of our former students, **Mikayla Hall** (2023) and **Emily Groen** (2021) on their amazing efforts to achieve this Award.

Mikayla says "The activities that I did during the Award provided pathways to future opportunities beyond DOE. My commitment and demonstration of service remains a foundation for my active role modelling and coaching others.", and Emily says "This Award has impacted me by getting me more connected with my local community through service and adventure. I have made many new friends and had exciting experiences through the encouragement of my valued mentors and teachers.".

Miss Kath McGuinness, DOE Coordinator



Nicola Medway, Mikayla Hall, Kath McGuinness



Kath McGuinness, Emily Groen

Sāmoan Language Week

Talofa lava, mālō le soifua maua ma le lagi e mamā.

Vaiaso o le Gagana Sāmoa happened during week 5, which was a two-day week for our whole school. That did not dampen our spirits to put on a simple celebration for our girls. The theme for Vaiaso o le Gagana Sāmoa this year was "Tautua i le alofa, manuia le lumana'i – Serve in love for a blessed future".

On Monday 27 May, we had the flag raising ceremony and our Sāmoan class sang the national anthem with pride. Lunchtime saw Sāmoan students having dance performances in the gym, to showcase our dance brackets that we have put together. This was followed by a shared lunch with some of our parents over lots of amazing food provided by students, parents as well as our Sāmoan teacher. It was an opportunity to interact with and bond with each other.

On Tuesday 28 May, we did a General Knowledge quiz about Sāmoa and we had the rest of the day to commemorate our culture by dressing up in our best puletasi and sei. The teachers were also provided with a Sāmoan morning tea to have a taste of some of our local dishes. Overall, it was heartwarming to get the chance to acknowledge and celebrate who we are here at Sacred Heart.

Fa'afetai tele lava to my fellow sisters for the hard work, not forgetting Ms Taeao, Ms Li'a and especially to Mr Nofoaiga, our Sāmoan teacher, for organising this celebration. Ia manuia tele le vaiaso o le Gagana Sāmoa i Niusila nei.

*Verona Parker**



HuttFest Tickets are on Sale

My E-Tickets (myetickets. co.nz)





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.



Sport

Mission Cup - Led by Deputy Principal Maria Kerr, our Senior A Netball and 1st XI Hockey teams travelled to Hamilton to compete in the Mission Cup tournament over King's Birthday weekend. The teams did extremely well, being awarded the Fair Play Cup, showing our school values and positivity towards the other schools.

Netball - Mission Cup was a fun trip for our netball team. It was a great opportunity for our girls to get to know each other more and to create new bonds with other schools as well. Overall, we did an amazing job working together both on and off the court, coming a very close second in the netball competition. A huge thank you to Renee Kassey and Peter Miller for their awesome support over the tournament. **Verona Parker, Captain**

Hockey - The hockey girls didn't quite get the outcome they were expecting but they kept their heads up high and fought through the amazing teams that our Mission sister schools had. We are very proud of the way we played and are looking forward to the rest of the season, with our weekly games, St Mary's Exchange and Winter Tournament Week. Massive thank you to our coaches, Hugh Rosemergy and Subs Narasy who supported us throughout all the games and Tara Kumar who made sure everyone was fed and everything ran according to plan.

College Sport events - The College Sport Wellington swimming event was held at Huia Pool on Friday 14 June. Sacred Heart had Sophie Martin, Libby Clarke, Tia Cox and Madeleine Wilson compete. Some of the highlights were Sophie Martin's strong results in Girls 15 and over, placing 3rd in 100m Individual Medley, 1st in 100m Freestyle, and 2nd in the 50m Freestyle. Madeleine Wilson competing in Girls U15 placed 3rd in the 50m Freestyle.

Ella Zara Kumar and Harriet Rosemergy, Co-Captains

Congratulations

Charlotte Philpott (10GT) is the Wellington Family Speedway's Ministocks Driver of the Year - Female, and Personality of the Year.



