

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	Nǐ hǎo Mālō ni

Year 11 Prize Giving

11.30am
Wednesday
30 October 2024
SHC PAC

Kia ora e te whānau

Two Sundays ago we reflected on the reading from Mark 8:27-35, where Jesus poses the profound question to his disciples, "Who do they say I am?". This moment reveals that the path of the Messiah is not one of power and authority, but rather one of sacrifice and humanity. Jesus, in his humanity, teaches us how to embrace our own humanity and compassion for others.

As we move forward in our school community, we are currently in the process of shortlisting and interviewing candidates for our 2025 student leaders. We are also gathering feedback to help shape our focus for 2025. This period of reflection invites us to ask ourselves, "For whom am I here?".

As a Catholic school, we strive to embody a community of faith that upholds the dignity of every individual. Let us consider how we can better serve one another and ensure that our actions reflect our values.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement as we nurture a spirit of service and compassion in our school community.

Ngā manaakitaka

Katrina Kerr-Bell, Principal

Year 11 Prize Giving

We have made the difficult decision to have a separate prize giving for our Year 11s. We made this decision due to the number of whānau that were unable to fit into the PAC. The Year 11 Prize Giving will be on Wednesday 30 Oct at 11.30 am.

NCEA Workshops over the Term Break

Over the holiday break there will be workshops offered to students. These are advertised in the school notices and in the year level Teams pages. We encourage students to take up these opportunities.

Year 11 NCEA

After Prize Giving in Weeks 4, 5 and 6 there will be workshops run where additional credits will be offered. These are highly recommended for any student who is worried about achieving Level 1 NCEA. More information about this will be sent to Year 11 whānau and students.

Onesie Fundraiser

This year we raised \$518 for Wellington Free Ambulance.

What's On

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

Key Dates Term 4

Week 1

16 Oct Sport and DOE Awards Evening (6.30pm) PAC
17 Oct Pō Whakanui Success Evening (6.00pm) PAC

Week 2

24 Oct Mana Pasifika 5.15pm refreshments, 6.00pm start

Week 3 Tokelau Language Week

28 Oct Labour Day
30 Oct Year 11 Prize Giving (11.30am) PAC
31 Oct Year 12 & 13 Prize Giving (6.00pm) PAC

Week 6

18 Nov Year 10 Camp
19 Nov Year 10 Camp
Volleyball Junior NISS
20 Nov Year 10 Camp
29 Nov DOE Gold Practice Tramp

Week 8

4 Dec Year 9 Marae Day #1
5 Dec Year 9 Marae Day #2

Week 9

9 Dec Junior Wellbeing Day
11 Dec Junior Prize Giving and Mass

Year 10 Market Day

Market Day is something that all the girls look forward to once a year. This year my group decided to fill little tins with hairclips, lip balm and keychains. We decorated them with lace and pearls and sold them. Some other things I know were sold were lemonade, mochi, bookmarks, soap, slime, scrunchies and so much more. Usually Market Day is held inside the Lawson Foyer, but this year it was so sunny and blue outside that we had the stalls in the outdoor area between Mission House and Lawson Foyer. It was such a great day, and the atmosphere was lovely. Now I can't wait to see what the new Year 10s sell next year.

Lily Herdman (10BUS)

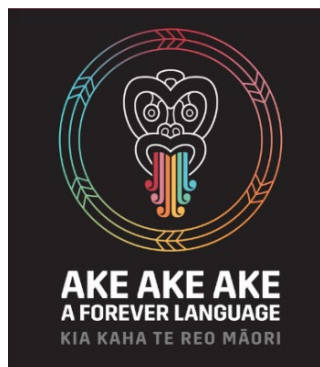


Te Wiki o te Reo Māori

Due to exams, the events are being led by the Juniors.

We had a fantastic week of celebrations which included daily Whakatauki, a Junior Kapa Haka performance, Māori board games.

On Friday we enjoyed seeing all of our Māori students wearing their Iwi and hapu clothing. The week concluded with kai.



Spelling Bee

Four Sacred Heart College students, **Riana Bautista** (9RL), **Keona Machika De Leon** (9RL), **Celestine Duhaylungsod** (9BD) and **Kc Sturm** (9RL), competed in the Aotearoa Spelling Bee Lower North Island semi-final this term. They exhibited their spelling skills and word knowledge superbly in competitive oral rounds. Well done, to our Year 9 spellers who are already preparing for next year's competition.



Whānau Hui

Thank you for those who were able to make it, feedback areas for development are:

- Let students know at the start of the year the criteria for Pō Whakanui awards
- Pronunciation of awards
- Success rate of Māori students Year 11-13
- Tertiary post school profiles – celebrating Māori Success and role models throughout the year
- Communication regular open sharing and updates
- Proactive approach
- Suggestions on what help looks like for whānau to engage with
- Māori guest speakers

Sport and DOE Awards Evening Pō Whakanui Māori Success Evening

Note Sport and DOE Awards start at 6.30pm on 16 October, and Pō Whakanui at 6.00pm on 17 October, in the PAC.

For Pō Whakanui we welcome Rēwena Bread. Please let Whaea Tawai know if you can offer.

We have fantastic ex-student guest speakers for both events.

2025 Term Dates

Term 1

Wednesday 22 January	School Office Opens
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Week 1

Tuesday 28 January

- Year 9 Orientation Day
- Course confirmation for other Year levels

Wednesday 29 January

- Year 9 Special Character Day
- Course confirmation for other Year levels

Thursday 30 January

- School Starts for all students

Week 11

Friday 11 April	Last Day of Term 1
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Term 2

Monday 28 April - Friday 27 June

Term 2 Dates School closed:

Thursday 29 May	Teacher Only Day
Friday 30 May	Teacher Only Day
Monday 2 June	King's Birthday
Friday 20 June	Matariki

Term 3

Monday 14 July - Friday 19 September

Term 3 Date School closed:

Monday 25 August	Mid-Term Break
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Term 4

Starts Monday 6 October

Catholic
Social Services

people helping people āwhina tātou

GAME ON!

AN 8 WEEK PARENTING COURSE JUST FOR DAD

WE SUPPORT DADS TO BE THE BEST DAD THEY CAN BE FOR
THEIR KIDS

WE EXPLORE WHAT WE WANT FOR OUR KIDS AND WHAT WE
HAVE TO DO TO MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE

LEARN.CONNECT.SHARE



WHEN: STARTS WED 23RD OCTOBER, 2024
6.30PM - 8.30PM
WHERE: NET PASIFIKA HUB
2 DUDLEY STREET
HUTT CENTRAL

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT US
RECEPTION@WN.CATHOLIC.ORG.NZ
OR RING FRANCIS 021 0887 4824

Forum on Housing sponsored by the Ecology Justice and Peace Commission

Saturday 28 September

10.00am-3.00pm

St Bernadette's Church Hall, Naenae, Lower Hutt

Adequate housing, a place to call home, is fundamental to living a life of dignity. The Forum on Housing will raise awareness about housing issues in Aotearoa, and provide an opportunity to consider our personal and collective responsibilities as Church. Keynote speakers will provide an overview of current housing issues and group discussions will surface responses for action and advocacy.

This forum is for everyone concerned about housing issues. For more information, please contact Deirdre Meskill, d.meskill@wn.catholic.org.nz; phone: 04 385 8642.

A contribution of finger food to share for lunch is appreciated.

Teenage Sleep Timing Matters



Message from University of Otago:

University of Otago is seeking views on later school start times (no earlier than 9:45am) for Year 12 and 13 students' sleep health and wellbeing.

Click the link below to access our short University of Otago research survey for students (age 16+), parents, teachers and principals, and Board of Trustee members of NZ high schools. The research is funded by Cure Kids and the study has been approved by the University of Otago Human Ethics Committee #22/105.

<https://blogs.otago.ac.nz/teensleep/>

Further enquiries, please contact teensleep@otago.ac.nz

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Support Life Sunday 2024

Sunday 13 October is a day of Prayer for Life for Catholics in Aotearoa. This year's theme is the importance of human dignity. Recognition and acceptance of our infinite human dignity commits us to a new coexistence that develops social relationships in the context of authentic community.

[Dignitas Infinita, paragraph 6]

Every person matters... always!

#infiniteDignity

Mana Tangata Mutunga Kore
Infinite Dignity



SUPPORT LIFE
SUNDAY 2024
TAUOKONA TE
RĀTAPU WHAKAORA