



From the Principal

Tēna koutou katoa
Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou

Tihei Mauri ora – kia tau te rangimārie!

Lent is a time to really dig deep into the meaning of the Passion of Christ...and as we head into the holiest of weeks – Holy Week – our contemplation can go deep too:

‘The cross was Jesus’ voluntary acceptance of undeserved suffering as an act of total solidarity with the pain of the world’ (Richard Rohr).

Reflecting on this mystery of love can transform our lives.

Kia pai te ra whakataa – have a restful weekend.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER TIMETABLE CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED MARY

Mass of Chrism	Tuesday 4 April, 6pm
Holy Thursday	6 April, 7pm (no 8am or 12.05pm Mass)
Stations of the Cross	Friday 7 April, 9am
Passion of the Lord	Friday 7 April, 3pm
Holy Saturday	8 April, 7pm
Easter Sunday	9 April, 7.30am, 10.30am, 6pm

UPCOMING DATES

6 Apr	Holy Thursday and last day of Term 1. School finishes at 1pm
7 Apr	Good Friday
24 Apr	Accord Teacher only Day
25 Apr	ANZAC Day
26 Apr	Start of Term 2
3-6 May	Sound of Music Production
11 May	Swimming Sports

HAZEL RODNEY NATIONAL ADVISORY GROUP SUCCESS

A huge congratulations to Hazel Rodney, a Year 13 student and school your Mission Leader for 2023. Hazel has been appointed by the Hon. Jan Tinetti, as a member of the National Youth Advisory Group.

The purpose of the Youth Advisory Group is for youth to share their experiences, perspectives and insights on education with the Minister.

Hazel will be officially welcomed at a Hui in Wellington in May. This is such a fantastic opportunity for Hazel, she is a young lady that gets things done.

We're incredibly proud of you.
CONGRATULATIONS HAZEL!



*Wishing you a blessed and holy
Easter, with nothing but smiles,
sunshine, and lots of sweet treats.
Have a wonderful Easter and
holiday break.*

Happy
Easter



Celebrating our Students

Toloo Secondary Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to Lavelua, Alpa and Xuan who each received the Toloo Secondary School Scholarship (STEAM). They received \$2,000 to go towards school fees or a digital device. Scholarships aim to inspire and support Pacific students in their engagement with STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths. **Could this be you next year? Applications for 2024 Scholarships open in July.**



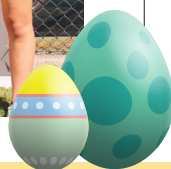
Cassie Wise, Year 10

Congratulations to Cassie Wise, who took out the prestigious honour of coming second in New Zealand for the High School section of Calf Club NZ with her beautiful calf BUBBLES.



Baylee Wihapi, Year 10

Congratulations to Baylee who was Runner-up at the Waikato Secondary School Tennis Champs 2023 on March 14th. She played Annabel Chapman from St Peter's in the Final. Baylee, along with her sister Laekyn are currently competing in the NZ Secondary Schools Tennis Cup at Lugton Park, Hamilton. Best of luck to both girls.



YEAR 11 – FRENCH CLASS

Last week our Year 11 French class braved the rain to visit the new Alliance Française offices and celebrate the Week of Francophonie, a celebration of French speaking countries.

We learnt some interesting French idioms, Kahooted to see what we knew about Francophonie and were treated to some traditional French crêpes and delicious drinks! It was lovely to be hosted by our former French language assistant Salomé.

Vive le français!



Pre-Adolescence

===== A course for parents of children 11-13 years old =====

Topics Include
 * Challenges of adolescence * Adolescent partying * Communication within marriage

Venue: Trust Waikato, 4 Little London Lane, Hamilton
General Session: April 30, June 4, July 2
Session Time: 2:30pm-4pm

Cost: \$100 per couple includes afternoon tea and course materials *Register by April 9 to receive \$30 off the course fee
Registration: <https://forms.gle/huPanKwGXic1eE7> **Enquiries:** femhamilton@gmail.com

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YEAR 9 – TECHNOLOGY ROTATIONS

Students have been enjoying a taster class of either Fashion, Digital, DVC or Food. They will move on to another option, before regrouping to choose which class to join for a bigger project later next term.

Students with Miss Skudder created teddy bears, focusing on stitching and using leftover fabrics. Mrs Smith's group worked on hand stitching details, with design and peer critique steps along the way.



The Arts

IMMERSED IN DANCE

Recently our Year 11, 12 and 13 dance students attended a workshop with Lauren from the Royal New Zealand Ballet at School. Our senior students were lucky to experience this class and learn repertoire from the RNZB's 'Tutus on Tour'. The very next day we headed to the theatre to view the RNZB's live performance. We even managed to spot some of the repertoire we learnt in our workshops! Such an inspiring couple days. We are so thankful for the experience.



MAGICAL MUSICIANS

Introducing two of our itinerant music teachers:



Glenn Richards

Glenn has been involved with Brass Bands for many years, holding principle cornet seats, playing and directing all over the world. We are extremely fortunate to have such an experienced and high level musician guiding our ākonga to new musical heights. Thanks to Hamilton City Brass Band for allowing us to rehearse in their rooms.



Fergus Byett

Fergus has been one of the private piano tutors at SHGC since 2020. He is a graduate of the University of Waikato Conservatorium of Music, where he gained First-Class Honours in Piano Performance under Katherine Austin in 2022. He is currently pursuing his Masters with Dr. Rae de Lisle. For the duration of his undergraduate studies Fergus was a Sir Edmund

Hillary Scholar, and he is also a past winner of the UoW Chamber Music Competition and a finalist in both the UoW Concerto Competition and the UoW Bach Competition. Fergus' choral and orchestral compositions have won national awards, and he has recently received commissions from Cantando Choir and the choir at Southwell School, as well as the Taupō Concert Band. In 2022, he scored a short film. Fergus still has a couple of places free for either piano or composition lessons. These lessons are on a rotation basis during the school day.

Please email/text Lynn if you would like further information or to sign up. ljameson@shgcham.school.nz mobile 027 438 1750.

AUCKLAND MODEL UNITED NATIONS (AMUN)



AMUN is where youth come together to discuss the things that impact the world today, such as the refugee crisis, patient autonomy, nuclear weapons, free speech and fair elections. Fran Bascon and Mia Gaier represented Panama and Nigeria respectively and had to vote on bills through the lens of their country and their country's ideals.

AMUN was held at Auckland University over two days in March – filled with new friends, new perspectives, and newfound confidence. This is one of many UN Youth events – NZMUN (New Zealand Model UN) will be happening soon, so keep your eyes peeled for that!

The next event in Auckland will be the Model Asia Pacific Forum – this event is focused on countries, pressing matters and governing structures in the Asia-Pacific region of the global order.



HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

We are looking for caring Homestay hosts in the Waikato to welcome our international students.

Please email: lcowen@shgcham.school.nz



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Last week we had a visit from a teacher (Shintaro Takada) from Kosei Gakuen Girls' Junior & Senior High School, in Tokyo, who came to visit two of his students, Naho and Hana. The girls took him on a tour of the school, explaining (in English!) about the various locations.

Also, our Japanese international students treated their homestay families and the school community to a cultural performance. Our Kapa Haka girls reciprocated with a moving performance of their own, followed by a shared lunch.

It is the time of year when we say Sayonara to many of our Japanese students who are here for just one term. Six girls had their last day last Friday, and a further six left us today. We wish them well!

We welcomed a new long term student, Fiona Lin, from China, and look forward to hosting more short term groups later in the year.



NOTICE BOARD

Physio at School

Winter sports are just around the corner! Take advantage of Active Health Physio who are onsite every Tuesday & Friday, 9am – 12pm in the Physio Room, next to the Fitness Centre. Please see the Student Centre for info, or you can book directly with the link below. No ACC surcharge for initial appts. Follow up appts – \$20. <https://tinyurl.com/2dfjb7pc>

Set Free Youth Festival – 18-20 April 2023

SET FREE YOUTH FESTIVAL is just around the corner (Years 10-13). Head over to youthfestivals.cdh.nz to find out more information and sign up.

Accounts Reminder

When setting up payments from **Sacred Heart** or **Mission College** please remember to put your **child's student ID** in as the reference.

PUBLIC NOTICE



1st April, 2023

Sacred Heart Girls' College, Hamilton
Board of Trustees
Casual Vacancy for an Elected Trustee

Due to a resignation on the Board a casual vacancy has occurred on the Board of Trustees for an elected Parent Representative.

The Board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.

If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the Board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the Board to hold a by-election should email: A Stocks, Presiding Member, c/o V Leddy, Board Secretary: botshgc@shgcham.school.nz
By: Saturday 29th April, 2023

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