



From our Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa
Nga mihi nui ki a koutou

We can't deny that Spring has arrived and we have much to look forward to as the landscape begins to change colour and the blossoms bloom around us. Euphrasie Barbier reminded her Sisters: 'We enjoy excellent air, the garden ... and everything is particularly suited to contemplation', and I would like to remind our senior students that the time for contemplation has arrived! Whilst the imagery of our Cherry Blossom trees in bloom is light hearted, the message is serious: success takes time and requires a commitment of the heart to honour our potential by capitalizing on our God-given gifts and talents as learners: me aro ki te hā o Hineahuone - 'take heed the strength and dignity of women!'

This week, along with schools across the country, we have celebrated Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. A particular thanks to our Māori Perspective Leaders, Nikita Toia and Amber Kealy, for their creativity and energy in preparing activities for our kura, that contribute to the stewardship of Te Reo Māori as a dynamic and rich language. This has been an opportunity to celebrate, enjoy and explore one of our official and beautiful languages, Te Reo Māori. This year, the kaupapa has been 'Kia Kaha te reo Māori - Let's make the Māori language strong!' It's all about using te reo Māori to keep it alive and schools play a very important part in that undertaking by encouraging respect for Te Reo Māori, supporting the revitalising of the language and being role models of commitment to a national toanga. As a kura, we were able to kick start the week in the Diocese by hosting the second Miha Māori at the Cathedral. We were joined by our Kāhui Ako schools as well as parishioners from as far south as Rotorua. This was a significant event for our kura and our Māori students who led us in karanga, waiata and karakia.

Our PTFA was a great support, once again, providing assistance with kai and the clean-up afterwards. Thanks also to Marian School for the use of their facilities. It was an uplifting experience for all concerned and we are deeply grateful for the ongoing support from Karen and Peter Moeau. In addition, we are indebted to Mrs Brebner, Director of Faith and Mission, for her initiative to lead our kura in this collaborative, creative and contemplative liturgy. Thanks to all involved.

It was a busy time for the Kapa Haka group who had also visited St Columba's Catholic School. We were welcomed with a whakatau from the whole school, and our students performed their repertoire of waiata, poi, rakau and haka. Afterwards, they led workshops with the younger students to fine-tune their rakau skills and poi. It was a great example of Tuakana/Teina in preparation for welcoming the Year 8s as Sacred Heart girls next year. Ka Pai ngā wahine toa.

If you have been following us on Facebook, you will know about the achievements of our sports teams who competed at high levels in Hockey, Football, Lacrosse and Netball at the Winter Tournament. All these teams have represented our College with boundless dedication, passion and loyalty to their team, coaches, managers, families and their sport. In particular, our Football Team made history by getting to the final, only to be held to a penalty shootout. Losing by one goal, our young women, who had been the epitome of Age Quod Agis throughout the tournament (as had all the players) were as gracious in their loss as they had been in their wins. We are very proud of the teams' endeavours by the many hours of training, preparation, games and skill development throughout the season. Ka pai.

Please encourage your daughter to continue with a summer sport for the benefit of her wellbeing ... or sing in the choir, or perform on the stage, or join Kapa Haka, or meditate or learn a musical instrument; do whatever it takes to be healthy and well, with positive relationships and hope for a future: Mahia i runga i te rangimārie me te ngākau māhaki - with a peaceful mind and respectful heart, we will always get the best results.

Have a restful weekend.

Tihei Mauri ora - kia tau te rangimārie!

Our Vision

Ignite the Passion: inspiring young women to change the world - me aro ki te hā o Hineahuone.

We live the virtues of Faith, Hope and Justice.

Our charism is expressed through **Communion, Contemplation, Mission.**

CURRICULUM NEWS

NCEA

Students can keep up to date with their credits for NCEA by visiting the NZQA website and using their NSN and self-generated password. It is here that students obtain their examination results so it pays to become familiar with using the site before the external results arrive.

Advance Notice

Senior Prizegiving will be held on Friday 2nd November at 10.30 am. Junior Students are not required to attend school on this day.

WAIKATO SCIENCE FAIR



Samantha Brown has been working towards her Silver Crest award and entered her Science project in the Waikato Science Fair. She won 2nd in her category and 2nd overall for Year 11-13 students. Her research was titled Binaural Beats and the effect on the human brain.

In recognition of her success she has been invited to the Kudos Awards. The Kudos Awards are the region's prestigious Science excellence awards, where the industry meets to recognise and celebrate the groundbreaking research and discoveries from the Waikato. This is a Science showcase and highly educational and aspirational for students who attend, and especially to be recognised among the region's best for 2018. The Kudos Science Trust will be recognising the top three Science Fair students at the Awards on Thursday 27th September. Congratulations Samantha, we are very proud of your perseverance and achievements.

ASIAN SCIENCE CAMP - BY NIKITA RAMAN

I was extremely privileged to be one of five students in New Zealand selected to attend the Asian Science Camp in Manado, Indonesia in August. This is an annual forum which aims to enlighten youth, through discussion and dialogue. This promotes international friendship and cooperation among students of the next generation in Asia. On this camp we were able to meet and engage with many Noble Laureates and world class researchers allowing us to develop and add to our scientific aspirations. We attended many lectures, visited a local college and explored their science labs and facilities, had a thrilling beach day and went jet boating. We created posters answering questions about Ocean Pollution, and shared a cultural evening where each country represented gave a presentation of an aspect of their culture. Asian Science Camp has definitely been one of the highlights of my year, it was unbelievably educational and exciting and I am sure the friendships I have made with the other New Zealanders and with those from around the world will last a lifetime. I would like to encourage all those who have a passion, to follow their dreams because you might just find yourself pursuing an incredible opportunity such as I found myself doing at Asian Science Camp in Indonesia.



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NZ CHINESE LANGUAGE WEEK

NZ Chinese Language Week takes place from the 23-29 September.

Join 1.051 billion speakers of Mandarin worldwide (Wikipedia, 2010) by learning a few key words and phrases this NZ Chinese Language Week.



Check out the school library display during NZ Chinese language week to learn more about China and Chinese culture. If you'd like to learn Mandarin visit: <https://www.rosettastone.com/learn-chinese/>

English	Mandarin	Phonetic
Hello	Nǐ hǎo	Nee how
Thank you	Xièxiè	Shieh shieh
How are you?	Nǐ hǎo ma	Nee how mah
You're welcome	Bié kèqì	Boo ke chee

GET2GO CHALLENGE - BY BROOKE PITCHFORD

A few weeks ago eight girls had the opportunity to go and compete in the 2018 Get2Go Challenge along with a group of St John's boys. We split into two groups and competed against other schools in a



variety of events that were exciting and challenging. The events



included orienteering, kayaking, stand up paddle boarding, a mystery team challenge and mountain biking. Thanks to the parents and teachers, we were lucky enough to do some training before the day to get to know each other and learn some tips for some of the activities we

would be doing (mountain biking & kayaking.) It was great working with St John's students and overall it was a super fun day and a great experience, coming out with some great results.

WRITING COMPETITION



Congratulations to Lucy Lowe who has won the 125 Years of Women's Suffrage Writing Competition, run by the Hamilton Branch of the National Council of Women. Her essay was about why the voting age should be lowered to 16. Lucy has won a cash prize and she will present her work at the Suffrage 125 Function at Sky City on the 19th of September.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

NETBALL

Congratulations to the following Sacred Heart Netball players who were acknowledged at the Hamilton City Netball Centre Prizegiving:

Zxy Cullen (U15A) Most Improved Player.

Erin Tickelpenny (U15B) Most Valuable Player.

The U15B Rep Team was awarded the Team of the Year. Melissa Bowkett and Alicia Craig are also part of the U15B team with Erin Tickelpenny.

Anna-Gloria Biladi (U19), Zxy Cullen, Erin Tickelpenny, Melissa Bowkett and Alicia Craig represented Hamilton City Netball at the National Champs Tournament held in July.

Hamilton City Netball Centre Representative teams also competed in WBOP Zone Age Group Tournament and Zxy Cullen was awarded the Most Valuable Player of the U15 WBOP Zone, in that tournament.

LACROSSE

Congratulations to Zoe Cayanan, Scarlett Halifax, Abby O'Toole, Anika Salisbury, Louise Hildrick who were selected to represent the Waikato U15 Lacrosse, at the NZ Championships in September. They will travel to Melbourne to compete at the Australian Championships.

2018 SPORTS AWARDS – NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the major trophies for our 2018 Annual Sports Awards recipients, are now open.

Click on the link below to see the criteria for the following awards:

<http://shgcham.school.nz/sports/>

- SHGC Ashby Trophy for Junior Sportswoman of the Year
- SHGC Don Wilson Cup for Services to Sport 2018
- SHGC Ihaia Rosebowl for Outstanding Contribution to Sport 2018
- SHGC Kaverman Family Trophy – Outstanding Sports Person of the Year 2018
- SHGC Team of the Year 2018
- SHGC Wintec Sports and Exercise Science Trophy 2018

Nominations close on the 21st September 2018. If you have any queries in regards to our Sports Awards, please feel free to email: sports@shgcham.school.nz

UPCOMING DATES TO DIARY

17 - 21st September - Caritas Social Justice Week

22nd September - Winter Sports Prizegiving

23rd September - Rowing Information Open Day

23rd - 29th September - Chinese Language Week

24th September - BOT Meeting

27th September - Full School Assembly

28th September - Character day: Dress up fun

1st October - School Holidays

ROWING INFORMATION OPEN DAY

All current and new rowers, along with their families, are invited to our information open day.

When: Sunday 23rd of September 2018 @ 11.30am

Where: Hamilton Rowing Club (Grantham Street)

You will get to meet the coaching team, led by Head Coach Kylee Corboy, and SHGC committee members.

You will receive a 2018-19 season information booklet (including fees) and can check out the boats and storage/training facilities. Light refreshments will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact the SHGC Rowing Club Manager: Matt Watson Ph 0212213509 or email mattandvanda.watson@gmail.com



WINTER SPORTS PRIZEGIVING

Celebrate the success and completion of the Winter Sports Season. Bring along a plate to share!

When: Saturday 22nd September, 4pm - 6pm

Venue: Sacred Heart Girls' College Hall

HIGH ACHIEVERS COMPETITION

September 16th saw the inaugural High Achievers Concert for the Sacred Heart Music Department. Students auditioned over a two week period and the top students were chosen to perform at the concert. Our two judges (Bridget Greenslade and Martin Griffiths) were very impressed with the high standard of the presentations and awarded Caitlin Hernandez the



Supreme Achiever award for outstanding performance of the evening. There were four different categories: Piano, Vocal, Instrumental and Group, each assessed as Junior, Intermediate and Senior. We are grateful to the staff of The Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the generous loan of the venue and look forward to this becoming a much anticipated yearly event at Sacred Heart.

NZ ECONOMIC'S COMPETITION AWARD

Congratulations to Aylish Waldron, Year 13 Economics student, for her success in the prestigious NZ Economics Competition. Aylish will be presented with her High Distinction award and prize at the national ceremony taking place at Auckland University next month. The competition tests students' knowledge of economic theory and current economic issues and Aylish's award puts her in the top percentage of Economics students around the country.



STUDENT ABSENCES

For all Student Absentees, including away from school, appointments or late to school, please report to the following:

Email: absences@shgcham.school.nz

Phone: 07 856 7874 ext 2852

FOOTBALL

The 1st XI Football team spent Tournament Week at the Maurice Hulme Tournament in Rotorua's International Stadium. The girls' played outstandingly in their pool play, winning four and drawing one game to leave them finishing top of the table, ready for playoffs. In the quarter finals, they beat Long Bay College 2-1 with a last minute goal from Chelsea McCaig to win. In the semi finals, they beat Waikato Dio 2-0 with goals from Kayla Goodwin and Danielle Brdanovic. They got to the finals to play Marist and what a nail biter! Marist scored in the first minute of the game and held us off until Kayla Goodwin scored a goal in the dying seconds, to take us to extra time. Ending up in penalties, we lost 5-4 and finished second overall. The girls played with hearts on fire and were a credit to their school and families. They showed grit and resilience playing in adverse weather conditions and on torn up ground.



Initiation this year was done proudly by the seven new team members and Chris the coach! They all thought they were heading for a swim at the hot pools when really they were

going for a quick dip in the Blue Lake and then had a sprinkle of egg and flour thrown over them whilst posing for a team photo!! Some had more than others turning them yellow, but nothing a warm shower couldn't wash off. Then the good sports and the rest of the team got that well deserved hot pool soak!

They have the opportunity to play at the start of next year for a chance to secure a place in the National Tournament. Go girls! We would like to thank the coaches and parents who made Tournament week a success.



LACROSSE

The Sacred Heart Premiere Lacrosse team attended the Nationals at Hillcrest High School. Our first game against Hamilton Girls High School was a challenging game that led to a close loss of 5-7. Our second game was against Mount Albert Grammar and we had a good win of 10-8. We played against Te Awamutu College and Cambridge High School and sadly lost both games but were still happy with our quality of play. Our second game against Hamilton Girls High School was tied at halftime and we played a hard and fast game, but due to a few slip ups they were able to get ahead by two goals by the end. Our last game of the tournament had us playing again against Mount Albert Grammar, with a final score of 13-2 to us. Our final result was 6th overall. The tournament was filled with fun (both on and off the field), lots of sun (because our gazebo flew away), and good quality Lacrosse played. We all enjoyed playing and it was a great experience for all who were involved. Each game played during the tournament, had a 'Player of the Game' that was decided by the Umpires. Our certificates were awarded to Zoey Cayanan, our goalie and Ashley Karl and Aimee Pilkington, our field players, who both received this award three times. A big thank you to our coach Georgia Clarkin-Rush, our assistant coach Mike Rush and our very dedicated manager Megan Johns. Also a very special thank you to everyone who came to our games or supported us throughout the tournament.



TOURNAMENT WEEK

NETBALL

Last week our Premier Netball Team attended 'UNISS' (Upper North Island Secondary Schools) Netball Tournament, which was held at Blake Park, in Mount Maunganui. At the beginning of the week we played against some of the top secondary schools in the North Island, including Westlake Girls College and St Kentigern College, and although not getting the results we were hoping for, we fought hard and it was an awesome experience playing against teams with immense talent and experience. Throughout the week we played ten games altogether, losing the first seven and winning the final three games which was an awesome end to a tough week, especially for our four Year 13's who were able to finish their five years of playing netball for Sacred Heart on a high. Despite a challenging week at UNISS, we had an enjoyable time growing closer as a team and gaining more experience in the game, which our Premier netball team can hopefully learn from and build on for next season. It was awesome for the younger players in our team to experience their first UNISS tournament and play against some of the top secondary school netball teams in the country! The week enabled the girls to show determination, by holding their heads high and persevering. We are extremely proud of each other and our efforts this season overall and are looking forward to seeing the new netball talent coming through in the Premier team next year.

Caroline Maggof and Anna-Gloria Biladi



HOCKEY

The 1st XI Hockey Team headed to Whangarei for Tournament Week playing in the top tier AON Federation Cup and Marie Fry Trophy. The first game for the team was against the 2017 tournament winners, Iona College and unfortunately the girls lost 2-4 after holding Iona at 2-2 for most of the game. Next was Hamilton Girls High School which was lost 0-1 and the final pool game was against St Kentigern ending in a 2-2 draw. The Team finished third in their pool on goal difference and played off for the Marie Fry Trophy. Day three was a hard fought battle against Timaru College and the girls won 3-2 sending them into the Quarter-finals against Orewa College.

The Quarter-final against Orewa was another tight game with the team just missing out on the semifinals by a loss of 1-2.

Day five the team played Hillcrest High School and were 1-1 at full time. The teams went to drop-offs with Sacred Heart winning 2-1 in extra time. It was nice to get

a win over Hillcrest High School after being defeated by them during the local competition.

Our final game was against New Plymouth Girls High School which we won 3-2 and finished fifth overall. It was a great way to finish off a fantastic season and tournament.

The highlight for the tournament was the fabulous team culture that was displayed on and off the field, and this was recognised by another school. Miss Gunn received a lovely email from a school who had watched the team play and acknowledged the team's exceptional sportswomen who showed real care and love for each other. They enjoyed watching the special send-off for the Year 13 players at their final game for Sacred Heart.

Great tournament girls, we are super proud of this amazing Hockey Team.

Michelle Jamieson

