



From our Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa
Nga mihi nui ki a koutou

My contribution to this Pānui is brief because there is little more to be said beyond what these images can convey, given the state of the nation since last Friday. In times like this, we often turn to ritual, karakia and the wisdom of our ancestors. It is to the wisdom of Barry Brailsford, in his taonga 'Song of the Old Tides' that draws me into contemplation. His poignant collection of long forgotten, ancient stories, from many iwi and ancestors, resonate deeply, 'for the words are born of tides universal and truths that abide, truths that every generation strives to find'.

Something to contemplate ... there is no word in the old (Māori) language for fear: "when the storm gathers on the ocean, we turn our waka to meet it, not in fear but with respect. When we carry the stone over the high passes, and snow falls, we face the cold that kills, not in fear but with respect". There is no word in the ancient lore for enemy: "those who come in anger are 'wild friends', to take the life of another is to destroy your own, for we are all One Heart, One Family and One World. We walk with reverence for all life and honour the spirit of creation every day". Each of us carries a 'gathered pool of suffering' that underlies our waking moments. And that is the secret of our Hope. It takes each of us in turn, once we find the will, to become the difference that will make the difference: "we have the power to drain those ancient pools of their hurt and move humanity forward". The atrocity of last week has certainly brought the pain of the nations into the light, distorted the harmonious past, when the 'people and the spirit of the land were one', and impinged its discomfort on the present.

So, from a migrant, who has made Aotearoa her home, and in the poignant words of Barry Brailsford once again:

'All born of this land are of this land.
All who sleep beneath the mountains of this land are of this land.
All who call this land home are of this land'.

Kia inoi tātau...let us pray
Ma te maramatanga
Ma te Aroha
Ma te kaha e whakau
Te whakaaro nui te Ao
Tihei mauri ora

May light, love and courage
Realise the dream of peace on Earth
May we choose life!
Age Quod Agis.



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

INTERIM REPORTS

Interim reports for all students were emailed last Friday 15 March.

JUNIOR MEET THE TEACHER MEETINGS

Meet the Teacher meetings this year are being held in April for students in Years 9 and 10. These are to be held on:

Thursday 4 April from 5.00-7.00

Monday 8 April from 3.30-5.30

We will be using the School Interview site again this year so that parents can make interviews on the day and time that it suitable for them. We also encourage students to attend these meetings which can be booked online from 25 March. Click on the link here: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code-e8euy

MID-YEAR REPORTS

Mid-Year reports will be emailed by the end of Week 6 in Term 2 for students in Years 11-13, and the end of Week 8 for students in Years 9-10. In Week 10 we plan to have Progress Report meetings for students in Years 11-13 and their parents. Further details about these meetings will be published later in the year.

Cushla Jackson
Deputy Principal
Curriculum

OPEN DAY

Thursday 9th May

11.00 – 12.30pm

1.30 – 3.00pm

Click on the link below for more info:

[New Enrolments](#)

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

NZ Athletic Championships

An impressive weekend on March 9th & 10th by our two Sacred Heart athletics stars competing in the New Zealand Athletic Championships in Christchurch.

Krystie Solomon

U18 800m GOLD

Kayla Goodwin

U20 100m hurdles GOLD

U20 Long Jump GOLD

U20 Triple Jump GOLD (NZ Record) 12.86m

Senior Women Long Jump GOLD

Senior Women Triple Jump GOLD

4 x 100m relay WaiBop team GOLD

4 x 400m relay WaiBop team BRONZE

Both ladies competed to the best of their ability with pride and determination. Congratulations!

Volleyball

Ella Poynter has been selected to play in the Waikato Under 15 Volleyball team. Congratulations!

NISS Rowing Championships

On the 9th-10th March the SHGC rowing team competed in the North Island Secondary School championships with some great results:

A Final

Gold - Girls U16 Coxed Four: Sinead Cooper, Brooke Pitchford, Holly Watson, Ashlie Turner, Emma Ritchie

Silver - Girls U16 Coxed Eight: Paris Staheli, Savannah Freeman, Holly Watson, Brooke Pitchford, Kyla Turner, Kate Missen, Sinead Cooper, Ashlie Turner, Annika Mills

Bronze - Girls U17 Coxed Four: Quinn Tierney, Brooke Pitchford, Louise Goodwin, Sinead Cooper, Maddie Stephens

6th Place - Girls U18 Novice Coxed Four

6th Place - Girls U17 Single - Louise Goodwin

7th Place - Girls U16 Coxed Quad

U18 Novice coxed quad made the B Final and Girls U17 Double made the C Final.

On the overall points table we finished 17th equal with Gisborne Boys High School (9 points each), out of 100 schools. This is an improvement from last season where we placed equal with five other schools for 33rd place.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

I returned from a busy and successful marketing trip this week, just in time to welcome a group of nine girls from Sacred Heart School in Sapporo, Japan, as well as another Japanese student. They will be here for three weeks and have a busy programme planned.

Two of our staff accompanied some of our short term students on an trip to Spellbound Glowworm Caves and the Otorohanga Kiwi House. This was a wonderful day out and enjoyed by all.

Julie Radice

Director of International Students

SWIMMING SPORTS

The individual champions were:

Junior: Ella-Rose Crooks

Intermediate: Jordyn Williams

Senior: Maddison Williams

Congratulations!

House points were as follows:

1st	Barbier	997
2nd	Siena	733
3rd	McKillop	666
4th	Lisieux	498
5th	Avila	490
6th	Aubert	382



BOT ELECTIONS

If you can share your skills you can be a trustee

YOUR RETURNING OFFICER IS:
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For more information follow the link below.
 Link: [School Trustee Elections](#)

Becoming a school trustee could be one of the most rewarding roles you have.

Being a school trustee is an important role that needs people with a range of skills and experiences, who believe in making a positive difference to our children's learning. Step forward and nominate yourself or someone you know by filling out a nomination form available from your school. Learn more at www.trustee-election.co.nz

BOARD ELECTIONS

Board elections are being held on Friday 24 May, 2019. The Board of Trustees is hosting a drop in session for anyone considering putting their names forward for Parent Representative positions on the Board. This is also the ideal opportunity to find out what is involved in becoming a Parent Representative.

The session will be on Monday 8th April 2019, between 6-7pm, in the St Catherine's room, located in our main Administration block, entry off Clyde Street. Parking is also available behind the Chapel across the road (entry via Notre Dame Court). If you have any queries please contact the Board Secretary, Mrs Vivienne Leddy on 07 856-7874 ext 2856.

GET TO GO CHALLENGE

On the 13th of March, four Sacred Heart students and four St John's College students combined forces to compete in two mixed teams at the Hillary outdoors Get2go Challenge. The event is an adventure race consisting of running, biking, orienteering and mystery challenges. Toby, Brooke, Kyla and Danny placed 3rd overall with a total score of 1010 out of 1050. Although we placed 3rd, we placed 1st in the mixed team division too. Sam, Karson, Peyton and Alicia placed 12th overall with a total score of 640, and they placed 4th in the mixed teams division.

The event was a great day and a very exciting build up to the 6 hour event coming up in June.

We did everything from running to biking to solving word puzzles. The Get2go Challenge was a blast and we look forward to further events like this.



PARENT PORTAL

To keep you up to date and informed about events at the College, check out the Calendar and Daily notices on the Parent Portal. You'll find details regarding: Student EOTC activities, Parent and Community events, Sporting activities and Assessments. Click on the link here: [Parent Portal](#)

WE NEED YOU!



We are seeking Coaches and Managers for the following codes: Netball, Hockey, Football, Touch and Lacrosse. If you would like more information, have any questions or are keen to assist, please contact Mark McAlley, Director of Sport Development – 856 7874 ext 2837.

UPCOMING DATES TO DIARY

- 25th March Summer Tournament week
- 25-29th March Maadi Rowing Championships
- 26-29th March Waka Ama Championships
- 27th March Showjumping
- 2nd April Waikato Secondary School Swimming
- 4th April Junior Meet the Teacher Evening
- Hall (5.00-7.00pm)
- 6th & 7th April NISS Athletics
- 8th April Junior Meet the Teacher Evening
- Hall (3.30-5.30pm)
- 12th April Early Finish at 1.30pm

PLEASE NOTE:

- 29th March Students by Appointment only Day
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MĀORI AND PASIFIKA WHĀNAU DINNER

Ngakau Tapatahi
 Wednesday 19th June, 6.00-8.00pm
 Watch this space for more details!

SHGC SPECIAL CHARACTER STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The Board of Trustees (BoT) invites applications from Year 10-12 students to apply for a Special Character Student Scholarship award, from a fund of up to \$2000.00.

Purpose:

The intention of this award is to provide a financial contribution to a student/students to attend a Special Character event. Ideally, the scholarship would be awarded to a senior student who has demonstrated Special Character (Mission, Communion and Contemplation).

Application and Procedure:

Students may apply up to 12 months prior to the event, although the Board of Trustee's financial commitment is in the year the event takes place. Whilst the Scholarship is intended for a senior student, all applications are considered on the strength of the candidate meeting the set criteria. The Scholarship fund could be awarded for up to four students who satisfactorily meet the criteria.

NB:

- A financial break-down must be provided in the application to indicate how the scholarship will be spent (for the purpose intended).
- Students are to apply using the template provided. An additional short video in support of the application is permitted.
- Students may only apply once.

Criteria:

- The Scholarship can only be used for the purpose stated.
- The Student is able to identify in detail how they are demonstrating and are putting into practice, Mission, Communion and Contemplation both in and out of the College.
- The Awardee must indicate (in their application) how they intend to 'give back' to the school – this could be in the form of organising a Special Character event; input into Year 13 Leadership Camp; assisting with Retreats etc.
- It is intended that the successful applicant would address the BoT upon their return, and either speak at an Assembly and/or write a report to be published in the schools newsletter/magazine.

Selection Process:

The Student Representative on the BoT, along with the Staff Representative, will take responsibility for advertising the Scholarship. Once advertised, applicants are invited to apply in writing to the BoT. From here, a shortlist will be drawn up by the Staff Representative, Student Representative and a Bishop's/Proprietor's Representative (from the BoT). If necessary, an interview will take place. The decision of the selection committee will be final. The successful applicant will be notified by the BoT Secretary in writing.

Timeline for 2019 applications:

Week 10/Term 1 – 1-5th April 2019

Notification of applications for student scholarship announced in the newsletter, student notices and website.

Week 2/Term 2 – Friday 10th May 2019

Applications close 3.30pm

Week 3/Term 2 – Friday 17th May 2019

Selection decisions made, interviews if necessary

Week 4/Term 2 – Friday 24th May 2019

Successful applicants announced

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

We are fundraising for a set of 16 x Laptops, for full-school use. We'd like to invite you to pre-order your 2019/2020 digital Entertainment Book Membership, or hard copy Entertainment Book.

The Entertainment Book membership will be valid from 25th March 2019, which gives you an additional 9 weeks for free! By ordering now you will also take advantage of the bonus Early Bird Offers included, which are only available when you purchase an Entertainment Book before 1st June 2019.

Click on the link here: [Early-Bird-Offers](#)

You will receive hundreds of valuable offers which include deals at many restaurants, cafes, movie tickets, activities, accommodation, travel, car hire and services galore. To see what deal's are available in the Entertainment Book, click on the link here: [Entertainment Flickbook](#)

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Please don't hesitate to share this great offer with family and friends! For further details please contact Nic Davis: hearts@shgcham.school.nz or phone: 856 7874 ext 2801

HURRY! Bonus Early Bird Offers. Limited Time Only.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

Pictured is a piece from 'Heart to Heart' – a newsletter for the Sacred Heart Girls' College Community, in 2000. It shows past students that had returned as staff members.

LEGACY OF LEARNING

Back:

Mrs Teresa Cargo (nee Russell), Mrs Cathy Ryan (nee Stewart), Mrs Helen Brierley (nee Waters), Mrs Christine Cavanagh, Ms Sandy Smith, Mrs Cecilia Brown (nee Hore)

Front: Mrs Susan Law (nee Garvey), Mrs Lorraine Mooney (nee Noble), Mrs Christine Muggerridge (nee McLaughlin), Mrs Vivienne Leddy

Above is a photograph of past students that have returned to Sacred Heart Girls' College to pass on their experience of a Sacred Heart Girls' education to present day pupils.

And here are our current group of alumni now working to pass on the spirit of Age Quod Agis: (back row, L-R) Ayesha Holmes, Monica van Oostrom (nee van den Eijkhoff), Zoe Vaile, and (front row L-R) Kylee Corboy, Ilona (Daisy) Morris (nee McLaughlin), Kathleen Wilson, and (absent) Vivian Leddy (nee Smith).



If you have any stories, photos, or memories that you'd like to share, then please do get in touch with me, Kirsten Elliot, by calling the school library on 8567874 ext 2813 or emailing me at kelliott@shgcham.schol.nz