

From our Acting Principal Mrs Cat Roberts

**Tēnā koutou katoa
Nga mihi nui ki a koutou**

Here we are at the halfway point of Term Two already – where have those weeks gone?

Senior students will be well in assessment territory now, and whānau will be receiving reports in the upcoming weeks. This is a great opportunity to discuss your daughter's learning with her. Senior Progress Report Meetings will be following these reports, and we look forward to having you here at the College to meet kanohi ki te kanohi.

We are well into winter weather, and therefore students should all be wearing their winter uniform. Hoodies and non-regulation tops are not appropriate substitutes for our school jersey and blazer. We appreciate the support of parents in ensuring that our high standards in regard to school uniform are being met.

With the winter weather also comes the cold and flu season. If you are keeping your daughter home due to illness, we would ask that you notify the school so that we can keep our attendance records accurate. This can be done by phoning the school or emailing absences@shgcham.school.nz on the morning your daughter will be away.

As you will be aware, teachers across the country at both Primary and Secondary levels joined for combined strike action this week. The decision to take this action has not been made lightly. However it has been made to signal just how important it is that issues around education are addressed. We have sent communication regarding further action set for the upcoming weeks. We appreciate that this is an inconvenience, and hope that the government will move swiftly to work with the union to find a suitable resolution.

The busyness of Term Two continues. As a number of our students head to Wellington to compete in Mission Cup and Te Toa tournaments this weekend, we wish them all the best. I would also like to take a moment to congratulate all of our students involved in the Arts Showcase. Their time and commitment to developing their talent was evident in what was a spectacular show. It is heartening to see so many of our students exemplifying our school motto: Age Quod Agis.

UPCOMING DATES TO DIARY

31 May - 2 June	Mission Cup
3 June	Queens Birthday
4 June	PPTA Rostering Home of Year 9 Students
10 June	Matariki Starts Tough guy/Tough girl Challenge Young singers in Harmony (Regionals)
11 June	PPTA Rostering Home of Year 10 Students
12 June	Sports Photos
13 June	Cultural Photos
14 June	Students by Appointment only



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.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIAL JUSTICE RETREAT

St Vincent de Paul's Social Action and Education Team travelled from Auckland to speak to our students and run a retreat about how to ethically and effectively engage with members of our community who may need love and support in times of difficulty.



SACRED SAINTS - PERFORMANCE AT A MAYORAL FUNCTION



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Our Director, Julie Radice, has returned from a very successful marketing trip to Vietnam. New markets in Nepal and India also look very promising.

Some of our international students showcased their musical talents at the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary this week. Pictured is Tsz iu Chan.



A number of our girls were also involved in the Art Showcase and Year 11 drama group.

13 - SHGC STUDENTS IN MUSICAL



13 is starring our very own Sophie Brown and Jenny Lewis. Spot the great advertising on the back of this bus!

To purchase tickets to 13, click on the link here: [Tickets](#)
Final show is on Saturday, 1st June.

GATEWAY

Waikato Institute for Leisure and Sports

As part of the Waikato Institute for Leisure and Sports Studies, several of our Gateway placement students - Kelsey Fletcher, Luciana



Ferguson-Wilson, Grace Hawkings, Taylah Kennedy, Libby Webber and Rangī Pira, planned and organised a "Have a go day" where they introduced 150 local primary school pupils to six different sporting codes. This activity utilised leadership, teamwork and problem solving skills to name a few. Positive feedback was received from local primary school teachers attending and the children's obvious delight and enjoyment on the day was apparent.



Beattie Rickman Legal

Amber Lumo is fortunate to be completing her Gateway placement at Beattie Rickman Legal to gain an insight into the law profession. Many thanks to John Wiltshire - Director and Samantha Torok - Legal Secretary (pictured) and the Beattie Rickman Legal team for providing such a collaborative and supportive working environment.



Countdown

Kenyah Matangi and Shakyra Clark have joined the supportive team at Countdown, St James and Countdown, Te Rapa on a Gateway placement. They are gaining industry skills and knowledge while rotating through the different areas such as bakery, delicatessen, online orders, butchery and produce. Kenyah is pictured working in the produce area and Shakyra in the butchery.



SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Hockey

Halle Scurrah (Year 12) was selected for the U18 Midlands Hockey Women's Team 2019. Congratulations!



ART SHOWCASE

