



Sacred Heart
Girls' College
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AGE QUOD AGIS



From our Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa
Nga mihi nui ki a koutou

In my last Pānui, I mentioned our Year of Hope – Tūmanako – and the many messages about the Contemplative Heart, Whanaungatanga and ‘anything is possible’ that the community receives. Euphrasie Barbier was herself a contemplative and she encouraged all her sisters to practice the art of listening with the HEART:

“I wish you great fidelity to silence...find the way to get more time for withdrawal and contemplation’ (1886)

Contemplative prayer is the prayer of silence. It is to ‘be still and know’ that God is God (Psalm 46:10).

Contemplative prayer follows Jesus as he withdraws ‘to deserted places to pray’ (Luke 5:16).

Contemplative prayer is opening the door of our HEART to Jesus, who is patiently knocking (Revelation 3:20).

Contemplative prayer is tuning the ear of our HEART to the small voice of God that is not heard in the wind, earthquake, or fire (1 Kings 19:11-12).

Contemplative prayer is Mary sitting quietly at Jesus’ feet listening intently (Luke 10:38-42).

Contemplative prayer is being with God and loving God with all your HEART.

Try it...and Behold the Wonder of Change!

Tihei Mauri ora - kia tau te rangimārie!

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UNITED NATIONS YOUTH CONFERENCE

Every year the New Zealand United Nations Youth program hold the prestigious United Nations conference at Victoria University, Wellington. Students across the country apply for the limited places available at this conference and Sacred Heart were fortunate to send a delegation of five girls.

The event consisted of conferencing, debates, discussions and meeting many like-minded people. This event changed us because it opened our eyes to new career pathways such as politics, law and international affairs.



Throughout the event, we met students, organisers and other public speakers that inspired us to look beyond our school years, towards potential pathways in life. Through attending this event and being amongst such

passionate people, we were inspired to be active global citizens. This was also an amazing opportunity to meet people from around the country and create long lasting networks and friendships.

The event was a great combination of formality and enjoyment. The ambience of formality was created through the serious debates and the business formal attire we were expected to wear. A gala was also held to get to know all the other delegates and organisers and to cement friendships we made over the 4 days at Conference.

The event was truly amazing and we would strongly encourage students to get involved. If you would like any more information about up and coming events please contact the schools UN Youth Ambassadors, Jennifer Kim and Maggie Lowe.



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

Subject Choice and NCEA Information Evening – Wednesday 14 August

To help Year 10-12 students and their parents understand NCEA and various subject requirements, an information evening will be held on Wednesday 14 August at 7.00 pm in the school hall.

Year 11 Students have been sent a survey, to rank their subject preferences. Once we have this information back, they will be provided with further information to help them make their subject choices.

This year students are required to make their option choices on-line. Students will be sent an email providing them with a link to the Senior Course guide and a google form which asks them to make their option choices for 2020.

Assessment Week

Week 6 (26 - 30 August) is assessment week for senior students. The majority of subjects will run practice examinations which are an important opportunity for students to gauge their progress against the national standard. Practice assessments are based on the requirements for the external examinations and indicate to students those areas where they need to focus to improve before the final examinations in November. The results from these examinations may also be required as evidence, if your daughter needs to apply for a derived grade due to unforeseen circumstances at the time of their external exams.

Some subjects will use assessment week to offer further assessment opportunities, while others will use the time to undertake internal assessment. Students will be given a copy of the examination timetable and the timetable will also be published on the school website. Students in Years 11-13 will be on study leave during assessment week and are only required at school when they have an examination scheduled.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Last week we took 28 of our International Students to Spellbound Glow worm caves and the Otorohanga Kiwi House. It was a great opportunity to learn about, and experience, aspects of New Zealand's unique natural environment. It was a wonderful day-trip for our students.



This week we welcomed Kanokkul to our school community and waved goodbye to Tichawlee. At the moment we



have 39 students from seven countries. Nine of the girls are recent arrivals and are settling in well.

A few of our students need a home stay family for a few weeks over September/October. If you are able to help, please email our Home Stay Coordinator Sue Devonshire: sdevonshire@shgcham.school.nz

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Squash

Congratulations Maia Kelly, who has been selected as a non-travelling reserve in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Squash team to play in the International Trans-Tasman Squash Series.



Netball

Alicia Craig and Alana Oliver have been selected for the North Island B Grade tournament team after representing Hamilton City U15 Netball Rep teams, at the National Netball tournament. Congratulations!



Cheerleading

Congratulations to Elle Neil-Webber and Ashleigh McRae (Year 9 students), who are part of the Allstar Xtreme Riot Level 3 Hamilton team, who won Silver medals at the Battle in the Bay



Cheer Sports Competition, at Mt Maunganui. They competed against some skilled teams from around the North Island. The Allstar Xtreme Riot will be competing again in Auckland in two weeks.

Waikato Catholic Kāhui Ako Te Hui Ahurea

Māori and Pasifika Cultural Festival
Saturday 17th August
10.00am – 4.30pm
Activate Church
11 Bisley Road, Enderley, Hamilton

UPCOMING DATES TO DIARY

13 August	Junior Get2Go Challenge
14 August	Whānau Hui (6.00pm) NCEA & Course Information Evening Years 10-12 - Hall (7.00 - 9.00)
15 August	Full School Mass - Feast of the Assumption (1.30pm)
16 August	Chanel Shield
19 August	TEACHER ONLY DAY

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