

Sacred Heart College

Te Kāreti o Ngakau Tapu
“Hearts and Minds in Harmony”



Napier

September 2009

Open Day

We opened our doors and welcomed our community on Sunday 23 August.



*Each young woman learning for life in a Catholic faith environment.
Kia tipu, kia puawai i raro i ngā parirau o te Hahi*

Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Whanau,

Over the past few weeks the Sacrament of Confirmation has been received by young people from our Parishes. Our congratulations to these girls; please keep them in your prayers as they grow in their spiritual journey. Year 9 and 10 have had Retreat sessions recently. These times for reflection and engagement in spiritual and personal relationships have been led by Mr Bill Dysart and Mrs Margaret von Hartitzsch our Youth Ministry team. Ask your daughter about her Retreat experience.

The Education Review Office, ERO, is halfway through their visit to us. Meetings with the BOT, staff and students, classroom visits and documentation all contribute to their findings which will be presented to the BOT as a verbal report next week.

Y11, 12 and 13 students will be receiving school examination results this week. It is now very important that they set goals for improvement and development in each subject. They have been given guidance and documentation to help with this planning. Another good strategy is to regularly check your daughter's Record of Learning on the NZQA website. Go to www.nzqa.govt.nz, and on the NCEA tab log in, enter her name and national student number for an update of achievement. The final day for senior students is Wednesday 11 November before **NCEA exams begin on Monday 16 November.**

Next Tuesday afternoon we will host sports coaches and managers as a gesture of thanks for all the excellent support during Winter sport. It has been very exciting to witness the performance of teams across so many codes achieving at high levels. Thank you to the dedicated group of parents, staff and senior students who generously organise our sports teams.

Our building programme has entered Stage 4 with the start of the Social Science development. The Food Tech room is now functional and boasts six student kitchen units and a teacher demonstration kitchen that makes many of our staff quite envious!



Open Day was a great success as we showed off all that makes Sacred Heart so special. I am enrolling many wonderful young girls and meeting families; we will do all we can to meet their hopes for the future.

Our Pasifika fono last week was attended by over 40 members of our community where interesting discussions were shared for Pacific girls' achievement. These ideas will be included in our planning for 2010. On **Wednesday 21 October at 6pm, our Maori community hui** will be held at Te Aranga Marae in Flaxmere. An invitation is extended to all our Maori whanau to share a meal and ideas about Maori student achievement.

The change in seasons marks the change from winter to summer uniform. It is obvious some girls' jerseys have frayed cuffs that look particularly untidy. If this cannot be repaired at home, Mrs Clode our Textiles teacher, assists girls to sew repairs at Break 2; send your daughter along. Our uniform is special; your support to ensure it is worn neatly at all times is appreciated.

A final word again from the Catholic Convention; St Francis of Assisi said, 'Go and preach the Gospel, and if necessary use words'.

Regards and God's blessings — Steve Bryan, Principal

Special Character

Our Catholic Character is alive and well with many activities on the calendar. The Youth Festival in Palmerston North was truly inspiring and enjoyed by all.

Brendan Malone from Family Life International talked to Year 9 on 'Discerning what you want in the media' and to our Year 10 about 'Sexuality'. We encourage speakers into our school. They give our students plenty to think about.

We will be supporting the St Vincent de Paul National Conference on Friday at their opening Mass. Our own Vinnies group will be working with students from Fairhaven school next Friday.

Our Year Level Masses continue on Thursdays. You are very welcome to attend. Dates will appear in your daughter's diary.

Year 10 have been on Retreat this week. The theme was "We are Gifts". Retreats give students 'time out' to reflect on their spiritual journey.

Last week was Social Justice week. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. Our annual Hot Food Day coming up next term is one way of 'living our faith'.

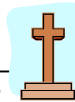
- Mrs Oliver, Director of Religious Studies

We congratulate our students who were Confirmed as adult members of the Catholic Church and were welcomed by their Parishes at ceremonies over the last few weeks. It is great to know these students were prepared to take this

step of final initiation into the Catholic faith. We pray they will now take an active roll in their Parish and school faith communities ... Jordan Anderson, Greta Dinneen, Michaela Doohan, Hannah Foley, Kahlia Fryer, Sophie Gittings, Leticia Gyde, Kayla Healey, Winona Johnson, Anna Mooney, Hannah Oosthuizen, Erinna Schroder, Veronica Verwey, Amy

West, Aimee Zaloum.

- Mrs von Hartitszch, Youth Minister



Prayers please for members of our community who are either ill or supporting loved ones in illness. We pray for God's blessings over them all.

Year 13 Tertiary Visit to Wellington: Thirty-one eager students set off by bus to Wellington on Thursday 27 August. On arrival, they sampled what Wellington city had to offer in the way of food, entertainment, backpacker accommodation and even an earthquake. On Friday the girls visited a wide variety of tertiary training venues including Massey University (Wellington), Victoria University, Wellington Nanny College, New Zealand Institute of Sport, Sir George Seymour Tourism and Travel College and for the first time a group of students travelled by train out to Porirua to find out what the Police Training College had to offer. A very busy and productive visit where students were able to investigate first hand study options for next year.

- Mrs Halford, Careers Advisor



Academic Excellence

Social Studies Y9: "Sustainability": Briar Dransfield, Zofia Gyde, Anita Noetzli, Stella West, Adela Wypych

Social Studies Y10: "Peace not Pieces": Laura Carrad, Sophie Elers, Georgia Irvine, Kristi-Rose Nicholas, Caitlin Rowe, Crystal Soper, Katrina Wright

English Yr10: "Descriptive Writing": Molly Cotter, Aden Dick, Holly Gillies, Hipera Kelly, Sarah Nikolaison, Hinemaria Onesi, Anna Price, Kehlsi Ramsay, Alexandra Simpson-Smith, Jeanie Su'a

English Y10: "Response to Literature": Shelah Abdullah, Stephanie Boyd, Shelby Coleman, Molly Cotter, Sarah Cotter, Noelle Faka'osi, Viivale Gafa, Holly Gillies, Georgia Hill, Hipera Kelly, Petra Minehan, Alanna Morgan, Sarah Nikolaison, Hinemaria Onesi, Anna Price, Sarah Sandilands, Alexandra Simpson-Smith, Jeanie Su'a, Bryny Whittaker

Science Y10: "Acids in Action": Shelah Abdullah, Courtney Bilby, Laura Carrad, Holly Gillies, Anna McCarrey, Alanna Morgan, Sarah Sandilands, Jeanie Su'a

English Y11: "Creative Writing": Kate Aitken, Kate Epplett, Hannah Foley, Litecia Gyde, Esther Harrington, Kayla Healey, Melanie Hinton, Saachi Kepa, Nivana Manson, Frances Maxwell, Jessica McCleary, Anna Mooney, Gurpreet Nijjar, Clare Silverwood, Annie Wilson

Science Y11: "Carry out a practical scientific investigation with direction": Zoe Petterson, Chelsea Price, Tayla Ward

English Y11: "Speech": Stephanie Anderson, Hayley Dransfield, Melanie Hinton, Nivana Manson, Georgia O'Grady, Kate Petherick, Usoaliitania Seumanutafa, Annie Wilson

Visual Arts Y11: "Face to Face in Aotearoa": Sophie Anderson, Laura Ferrick (with Distinction), Hannah Foley, Kirsty Gordon, Esther Harrington, Siobhan Hughes, Roseanna Ward, Holly Weston

Visual Arts Y12: "Iconic Landscape": Meg Horrocks

Geography Y12: "Carry out and present guided geographic research": Brooke Harwood

Geography Y12: "Explain a contemporary geographic issue and evaluate": Brooke Harwood, Anna Taylor

English Y12: "Research": Annaliese Halpin, Sarah Jeffares, Jemma Lyster, Stacey McCourt, Nicola O'Malley, Sabrina Turner

English Y12: "Creative Writing": Brooke Harwood, Meg Horrocks, Nikita Nicholas

English Y12: "Research": Brooke Harwood, Nikita Nicholas, Rachel White

Physics Y12: "Demonstrate understanding of electricity and magnetism": Tarverpreet Boparai, Lorraine Crasta, Ampili Mathews, Christina Noetzli, Michelle Porter

Physics Y13: "Carry out a practical physics investigation with guidance that leads to a mathematical relationship": Emma Hinton, Veronica Noetzli

History Y13: "Research": Rebecca McGrail

Geography Y13: "Carry out and present geographic research with consultation": Jessie Eagle, Holly Girven Russell, Katie Jenssen

Geography Y13: "Analyse a contemporary geographic issue and evaluate courses of action": Jessie Eagle, Katie Jenssen

Physical Education Y13: "Appraise performance and review a programme for performance improvement for self in swimming": Abigail Neave

Culture



Pasifika fono: At St Peter Chanel Parish Centre on Wednesday 2 September parents, girls and teachers gathered to share a meal, ideas and entertainment. A sumptuous meal was enjoyed. Group talks about Values and Visions of Sacred Heart College and its students were shared and the Pasifika group performed items for everybody's enjoyment. It was a wonderful night



celebrating the contribution Pasifika families make to Sacred

Heart College.


Napier Technical Memorial Band: On 4 and 5 September Katherine Dunstall, Natasha van Tuel, Jamie O'Malley and Michaela Doohan played in the National Concert Band Festival in Rotorua. The girls had a fabulous time and the band was awarded a Bronze medal for their performance. Katherine and Natasha also received a Silver medal for their solo pieces. Well done girls!



Itinerant Music Lessons – Enrolments and re-enrolments are now being accepted for tuition in 2010. Tuition is available in the following instruments:

Violin, Viola and Cello : Flute : Clarinet and Saxophone : Guitar (and Bass Guitar) : Piano and Keyboard : Voice : Percussion (Drums)

As an extra incentive for new students wishing to commence tuition in stringed instruments, there will be NO HIRE FEE for violin, viola or cello in 2010. Students currently in the programme will receive enrolment information with this newsletter. Students who are not currently receiving tuition and would like to learn an instrument in 2010, please collect an Itinerant Music Programme Information sheet from the office. A reminder to parents and caregivers that fees are now due for Term 4. The deadline for 2010 enrolments is October 31 2009.

 Discount tickets are available through the school to students and parents for **New Zealand Symphony Orchestra concerts during the year.** The dates for the remainder of the 2009 concert season are: **Wednesday 30 September and Thursday 5 November.** Ticket prices are SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED. We encourage students to take advantage of these cultural opportunities. Students may collect a letter from the office with further information.

We regret to advise our Arts Festival has been cancelled.

Congratulations to our Y9 debating team who had a 'smashing' victory in the last limited preparation debate against C.H.B. The team has won 5 out of 6 debates.

Sport

With the onset of Spring, winter sports are well and truly concluded. A huge thank you to those who have returned gear promptly. Recent sporting highlights include our senior Canoe Polo team who won the local B2 grade competition. They acquitted themselves well throughout the season, often against male opponents! We wish them well when they travel to Otaki on 19/20 September to participate in the U/18 Wellington Regional Solstice Tournament.

The 2nd XI Football team coached by Amber McHenry won the HBSS 3rd Division this season. The girls withstood real pressure in their final game against Havelock North and made a tremendous effort in the second half. Well done girls! Commiserations to our Junior Basketball and D grade Canoe Polo teams who fought gamely but came second in their respective finals.



On Monday 14 September, Year 10 students Molly and Sarah Cotter competed in the annual HBSS Equestrian Event hosted by Woodford House. Both girls competed in dressage and show jumping events. Molly obtained first place in one of her jumping events. Sarah came first in her dressage test. A wonderful effort!

Summer sports on offer in Term 4: cricket, lawn bowls, summer hockey, tennis, touch rugby, volleyball and (hopefully!) waka ama. These are mainly for Years 9 and 10.

Details will be available this week. Those interested need to sign up at Long Form Time on Thursday 24 September. I advise students to make wise choices and not over commit themselves. Any offers of assistance by way of coaching, managing, transport, etc. would be much appreciated!

The challenge is out there for all juniors to participate in a sport next term. Why not try something new? To our senior students: best of luck with your study and remember to balance this with plenty of exercise, fresh air, sleep and healthy food!

- *Robyn Hocking, Sports Co-ordinator*

Snow Sports: On Friday 4 September 18 of our Year 9 and 10 students travelled to the Ski Haus at Tongariro National Park. After a good feed of roast chicken and a good sleep all were eager for the day ahead arriving on the slopes at 8.30am to don their warm gear (which included bright pink sashes and fluro zinc!) and strap on the snowboards. The slopes were busy with other high school students, but our girls managed to cram in a good 7 hours of skiing. The weather the next day was much warmer and after fully mastering Happy Valley it was homeward bound, full tummies at Burger King and arriving safely early evening. It was such an awesome weekend and the girls can't wait until next year!



Notices

Uniform Shop Important Dates:

Monday (Y8 Induction Day) - 23 November	2.00—4.00pm
Thursday—3 December	3.00—6.00pm
Wednesday—27 January 2010	3.00—5.00pm
Thursday—28 January 2010	6.00—8.00pm
Friday—29 January 2010	10.00am—2.00pm
Monday—1 February 2010	2.00—4.00pm

Contact: Mrs Kerri van Tuel—8353.761. Please leave a message if not available.

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Bus Tickets Term 4: Don't forget to purchase your Term 4 bus tickets for the Taradale and Tamatea runs. Remember, tickets are essential to board these buses.

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Payment of Accounts: Please keep these payments coming in as end of year is looming and we would appreciate all accounts to be paid as soon as possible.

Arts Festival ticket refunds have been credited to your accounts.

Mathematics 2009: Results from both Mathematics competitions have arrived. This year we had nine Year 9 and 10 students enter the National Bank Junior Mathematics Competition. We congratulate Georgia Hill who gained a Merit award. This means she was placed in the top 15% of the approximately 4000 Year 10 students from throughout New Zealand who sat the competition paper.

In the Australian Mathematics competition we had eight students enter. Olivia Lawrence and Kendra Ryan are to be congratulated for gaining marks in the top 20% of the Year 9's from New Zealand who sat. Georgia Hill, Olivia Lawrence, Mariah Millington, Anna Price, Kendra Ryan and Jeanie Su'a all gained credit certificates.

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Science Week 2009: The EIT Hawke's Bay Science and Technology Fair was held 20 and 21 August. Our teams were entered in the Science Quiz, Technology Challenge and Titration competitions. Ampili Mathews, Christina Noetzli and Michelle Porter's team was placed 4th in the Science Quiz and Stephanie Anderson, Angela Ho and Cassandra Hall's was placed 18th. We had four teams entered in the Technology Challenge and even though they were not placed, they had a lot of fun. Our senior Titration team of Jessie Eagle, Holly Girven Russell and Abigail Neave were placed 1st. Congratulations girls for your fantastic efforts and for representing our school so well and willingly.

- Zandra Mitchell, Science Technician



Calendar

25 Sept	Term 3 ends 3.15pm
October	
12	Term 4 begins
15	Hot Food Day
21	6pm: Whanau hui, Te Aranga Marae, Flaxmere
22	Senior reports issued 1.05pm: Y11 Mass Y12 Leadership programme begins
23	H.B. Anniversary Day
26	Labour Day
27	6.30pm: BoT Meeting
28	Bishop Peter visit—Y13
November	
5	Y13 Reflection Day
6	Push Play
11	3.15pm: Y11-13 on exam leave
12-18	Y9,10 exams
16	NCEA exams begin
19	1.05pm: Y9,10 Mass
23	Y8 Induction Day
27	Y9 Aquatics
31-4 Dec	Y10 Camps
10	11.00am: Prizegiving 7.30pm: Mass of Thanksgiving
11	Term 4 ends

Sacred Heart College Deans ...

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Library Corner!



A school in Boston, USA, has just made a radical change – they have given away all their books from their library because they believe the way of the future is 'digital'! Some NZ school Librarians have polled their students as to whether or not they would prefer to read a book or to read a digitalised copy. Overwhelmingly the results have shown students prefer a book! Call me old-fashioned but me too! I'd like to share this little poem.

What is a Book?

by Lora Dunetz

A book is pages, pictures, and words
A book is animals, people and birds;
A book is stories of queens and kings,
Poems and songs – so many things!
Curled in a corner where I can hide,
With a book I can journey far and wide.

Though it's only paper from end to end,

A book is a very special friend.
The last week of term is our Library Week. Our theme is –'Escape, Explore, Discover'. We have lots of activities planned to connect our students and staff with this wonderful tool.

- *Maryanne Macintosh-Wright,*
Library Manager

P.T.A. News: The raffle has been drawn. The winners:

Ticket No. 1049—Brian Berkett;
0548—Carla Gilmour; 1115—Margaret Brown.

All winners have been notified. Money raised from the raffle was \$3887.25. Thank you all for your support in this fundraiser for our College.

- *P.T.A. supporting our*
College and our girls