
NAPIER GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

Te Kura Tuarua mō
ngā Kōhine o Ahuriri



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Ad Lucem - Towards the light - Ki te Marama



A person nurtured in the community
contributes strongly to society.

Tangata ako ana i te kāenga, te tūranga
ki te marare, tau ana.



Principal's Welcome

KIA ORA KOUTOU

Napier Girls' High School has shaped and influenced the lives of young women since 1884.

We value tradition and aspire to the highest in education. This is reflected in our vision: **"Inspiration from the past, learning, contributing, empowering for today and tomorrow."**

Our students consistently achieve above the national average in national qualifications. This reflects the personalised learning and innovative approach to teaching and learning that is a feature of our school.

Holistic education underpinned by sound values is important to us, and we have a proven record of outstanding achievement in the sports and cultural areas.

Our values and traditions create a safe, inclusive learning environment. Excellent relationships exist between our staff and students. Teachers are

dedicated professionals who work hard to develop the full potential of each student.

We have many traditions that create a safe, caring environment where students gain a sense of belonging. We have sound pastoral and career systems to ensure students are known and given appropriate individual guidance and support during their years at Napier Girls' High School.

Our on-site school hostel, Hewett House, offers quality residential accommodation for 170 students. It is a supportive, caring living and learning environment.

Our aim is for each girl to develop and leave school an intelligent, confident, caring young woman, well prepared to take on the many varied and exciting challenges of their future. It is a real privilege to be involved in the education of young women.

DAWN ACKROYD



Our History

Ad Lucem – Towards The Light Ki te Marama

Napier Girls' High School opened on January 29, 1884 with thirty nine pupils and one boarder. Miss M.E Hewett was the founding principal. The original school course included English, French, Latin, German, Drawing, Singing and Callisthenics.

Today, Napier Girls' High School has a roll of about 1,000 students. It has a strong tradition of successfully educating girls, as well as national success in a wide variety of sporting and cultural activities.

Napier Girls' High School

Inspiration from the past, learning, contributing, empowering for today and tomorrow

Napier Girls' High School provides high quality education, resulting in outstanding Scholarship and NCEA results. This is achieved through:

- Personalised learning
- Extension programmes
- Learning Support
- Extensive leadership opportunities
- Future Focus education
- Facilities and opportunities which allow e-learning to be integrated into all eight learning areas of The New Zealand Curriculum
- Year 12 & 13 Academy courses
- Highly qualified teachers
- Peer tutoring
- Mentoring
- Year 9 Orientation and Peer Support
- Scholarship programme
- Literacy and Numeracy enhancement



Academic

PERSONALISED LEARNING

Our aim at Napier Girls' High School is to develop a broad relevant and challenging learning environment to enable every student to reach her highest academic potential, as well as gaining the essential skills and values for life beyond school.

Napier Girls' High School stands on its proud history and tradition but we have a clear commitment to provide personalised learning that will ensure students are successful now and in the future.

Accelerate learning where students can do multi-level study, for example level one NCEA whilst in Year 10, Scholarship in Year 12 and university papers in Year 13.

Another feature of our personalised learning is the provision of e-learning. BYOD is well established in our school and as a result, all students have access to etechnology.

Our girls excel in NCEA gaining outstanding results at all levels, including Scholarships.



Let it be one alone
that stands among the
other stars in the sky.
Waiho rā kia tū takitahi
ana ngā whetū o te rangi.

Curriculum Planner

LEARNING AREAS	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11 NCEA LEVEL 1	YEAR 12 NCEA LEVEL 2	YEAR 13 NCEA LEVEL 3
ENGLISH	English	English	English	English	English
LANGUAGES	Languages Te Reo Māori French Spanish Japanese	Languages Students continue with the Language studied at Y9	Languages Te Reo Māori French Spanish Japanese	Languages Te Reo Māori French Spanish Japanese	Languages Te Reo Māori French Spanish Japanese
MATHEMATICS	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics Mathematics & Statistics Mathematics - Numeracy Standards Mathematics - Comprehensive	Mathematics Mathematics & Statistics	Mathematics Mathematics-Calculus and/or Mathematics-Statistics
SCIENCE	Science	Science	Science Science Comprehensive Science Alternative Science	Science Earth & Space Biology Chemistry Physics Horticulture	Science Earth & Space Biology Chemistry Physics
TECHNOLOGY	Technology Digital Food Textiles Materials Graphics	Technology Students study 1 Technology subject for the year	Technology Digital Food Nutrition Textiles Materials Graphics	Technology Digital Food Nutrition Textiles Materials Graphics	Technology Digital Food Home Economics Textiles Materials Graphics
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Social Science	Social Science	Social Science History Geography Economics Accounting Employment Skills	Social Science History Classical Studies Geography Tourism Economics Accounting Employment Skills	Social Science History Classical Studies Social Studies Geography Tourism Economics Accounting Young Enterprise
HEALTH & PHYSICAL WELL-BEING	Health & PE	Health & PE	Health & PE Physical Education	Health & PE Physical Education Sports Studies	Health & PE Physical Education Sports Studies
THE ARTS	The Arts	The Arts	The Arts Visual Arts Art Design & Photography Music Drama	The Arts Painting or Printmaking Design Photography Music Drama	The Arts Painting, Print-making or sculpture Design Photography Music Drama
VOCATIONAL COURSES			Primary Industries NGHS Computer Academy	Primary Industries Primary Industries Trades Academy Gateway	NGHS Business Academy Gateway



With a peaceful mind and respectful heart, we will always get the best results.

Mahia i runga i te rangimārie me te ngākau māhaki.

Our innovative learning environment

Safe, secure, inspirational.

The ideal learning environment.

Building on a proud heritage, Napier Girls' High School offers a vibrant teaching and learning environment to equip each student with the skills to thrive in tomorrow's world.

All classrooms have the latest e-learning technology.

MCCARTHY BUILDING

- Modern specialist science laboratories and horticulture unit.

SPENCER BUILDING

- Includes the Library Learning Centre, modern language and mathematics classrooms.

HAGUE BUILDING

- A well-equipped Social Sciences learning area.

NIXON PERFORMING ARTS SUITE

- A state-of-the-art facility accommodating music, dance and drama.

WALKER BUILDING

- Housing modern textiles and food rooms, technology workshop, including facilities for wood, plastics and jewellery, visual arts and the English suite.

JAMES GYMNASIUM

- With volleyball and basketball courts and personal fitness area, outdoor pool and tennis/netball courts.

SCHOOL HALL

- Used for assemblies.





Caring for our girls

Senior Leaders, Deans and Teachers keep an eye on every student, tracking her progress in consultation with family.

The guidance network helps every student to feel she is a valued member of the school community and she is developing self-esteem and relating well to others.

- Senior Leaders take a close interest in all students and are available to any student when required.
- Deans oversee the progress of all students in a year group. Parents and students consult with the dean about subject choices, behaviour, classroom and health issues.
- The Vertical Form Teacher is responsible for all students in their form class. The Form Teacher encourages form members to become fully involved in school life, both academically and in extra-curricular activities, as well as keeping an eye on her well-being, ensuring the holistic development of all students.
- The School Counsellor assists students with personal, educational or vocational concerns.
- The Future Focus Team provides information and advice to students about their future plans. This includes tertiary and vocational training, job requirements and course selection.
- The Learning Team identifies and provides learning programmes and strategies to assist all students to reach their potential.
- The Well-being Team assists our students to feel good about life and to function as well as possible.

Celebrating our Cultural Heritage

Kaupapa Māori is integrated into many aspects of learning at Napier Girls' High School. A pōwhiri welcomes Year 9 students and new learning staff, hui are held with parents and whanau and the school boasts a strong kapa haka.

Māori student leadership is actively supported. A Manu Taki is a prefect role of Māori leadership. She is supported by the kāhui Māori, a group of Year 12 and 13 students who are elected by the school. The senior Māori students are trained as mentors for juniors, the guiding philosophy being the 'tuakana teina' (big sister, little sister) relationship. Māori are also well represented in form captain positions.

Through active participation, a sense of pride and belonging has been fostered among Māori students, and this is reflected in academic results. The overall achievement of Māori and Pacific Island students exceeds national averages.



**Ngā mihi nui ki a
koutou ngā kaipānui**

Nau mai haere mai

**Ko te manu e kai ana i
te miro, nōna te ngāhere**

**Ko te manu e kai ana i te
mātauranga, nōna te ao.**

**The bird who feeds
on the miro berries – her
domain is the forest.**

**The bird who feeds
on knowledge – the
world is hers.**

Sport

An active soul is a healthy soul.
Mauri tū, mauri ora.

PARTICIPATING AND CONTRIBUTING

Napier Girls' High School is committed to fostering and encouraging participation and excellence in sport.

Many of our teams and young sportswomen excel at regional and national level.

We have annual sports exchanges with Palmerston North Girls' High School and Tauranga Girls' College.

Many of our students and members of the wider school community, staff and whanau are involved in coaching and managing. This enables Napier Girls' High School to offer the following sporting opportunities.

SUMMER

- Athletics

Bowls

Cricket

Lifesaving

Orienteering

Rowing

Swimming

Equestrian
- Sailing

Softball

Tennis

Touch Rugby

Triathlon

Volleyball

Waka Ama

Cross Country

WINTER

- Badminton

Basketball

Canoe Polo

Football

Hockey

Netball

Swimming
- Rugby

Skiing

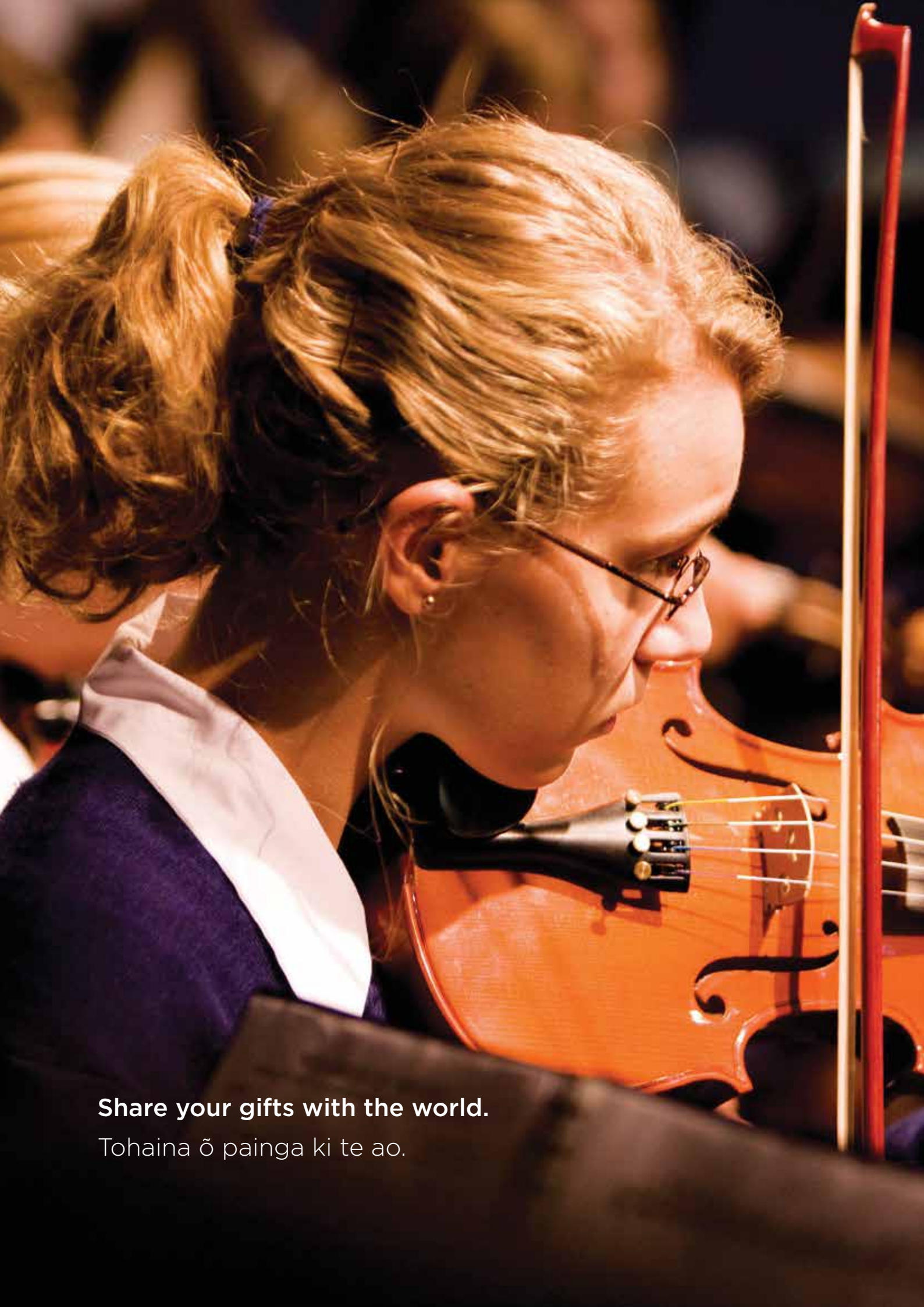
Squash

Table Tennis

Cross Country

Gymnastics

Shooting



Share your gifts with the world.
Tohaina ō painga ki te ao.

Cultural

Performing to an audience is a special test of character. We encourage the practice and performance of music, dance, drama, kapa haka and public speaking to promote personal development and the expression of students' unique talents.

Choirs

School Choir, Ad Lucem Choir, Napier Girls' High School/ Napier Boys' High School Choir, Barbershop Chorus.

Instrumental Music Groups

School Orchestra, Chamber Music Groups, Concert Band, Ukulele Orchestra, Flute Choir, Rock Bands, Guitar Group.

Instrumental Tuition

The school has the following instruments available for the students to hire:

Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Oboe, Bassoon, Trumpet, Trombone, Drums, Keyboard/Piano. We also offer voice tuition.

Performance Groups

Drama Club, Theatre Sports, Stage Challenge, Kapa Haka, Pacifica, Wearable Arts, Debating and Dance.

Other Co-curricular activities and clubs

Computing, Chess, Amnesty International, The Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Awards, Art Club, Enviro group, Key Club, Young Enterprise.





Hewett House

Hewett House Hostel sits on Napier Hill and prides itself on providing a safe and happy boarding experience.

There is a sense of belonging in our hostel, where girls from a variety of backgrounds come together to share their schooling experiences and learn to live together in harmony.

The hostel supports the holistic development of our students' academic learning by a Prep Programme, support from a dedicated liaison teacher and access to e-technologies.

We offer the opportunity for extra-curricular participation and leadership opportunities.

The hostel is a warm, caring and safe home where, around the clock, girls are nurtured by a team of experienced supervisors and support staff, ensuring their safety and well-being. The hostel operates a full commercial kitchen which provides tasty nutritional meals for the girls from breakfast through to supper.

The years spent at Hewett House enable girls to be confident in their own abilities, to be leaders and to have tolerance and empathy for the people around them. Our girls leave Hewett House with lifelong friendships, well equipped with the skills to take on the challenges of life beyond school.



International Our global connection

FOR THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE

Napier Girls' High School is a vibrant teaching and learning community where a successful education pathway is created for every student to enable her to reach her highest potential to become confident, innovative, adaptable and successful in life.

The Napier Girls' High School International team assists all international students to

- Reach their academic goal.
- Improve their language skills.
- Experience and enjoy New Zealand culture through an extensive programme of trips and activities including outdoor education.
- Become fully involved in school life.
- Experience safe, caring, comfortable environments in homestay and hostel accommodation.
- Form lifelong friendships and links with New Zealand.

Empowering our learners

Learning to Lead

Napier Girls' High School provides many opportunities to empower our learners, building on their confidence and leadership skills.

THE FOLLOWING OPPORTUNITIES ARE OFFERED:

- Junior leaders
- Form Captains
- Peer Support
- Sports Coaches/Captains
- Cultural Co-ordinators
- Librarians
- Board of Trustees Representatives
- Tech Angels
- Prefects
- Manu Taki
- Kahui Māori
- Pacifica Leader
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Alliance of Girls' Schools Leadership courses
- Year 9 Pike Ake award
- Year 10 Poutama award
- Year 11 Matariki award
- Year 13 Ad Lucem Award



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STRATEGIC PLAN 2017-2021

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

What we learn

Develop a broad, relevant and stimulating learning environment ensuring that every student realises her highest academic potential and is equipped with essential skills and values for life beyond school

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

With whom we are connected

Establish interactive links with the school family and wider community to enhance every student's opportunities at school and beyond

IDENTITY AND VALUES

Who we are

Ensure values are embraced and practised by all to develop our school and hostel kaupapa so we are inclusive and responsive to individuality

TEACHING AND LEARNING

How we learn

Retain and seek highly qualified staff who will actively deliver the vision of the school, facilitating learning for every student

RESOURCES

What we need in order to learn

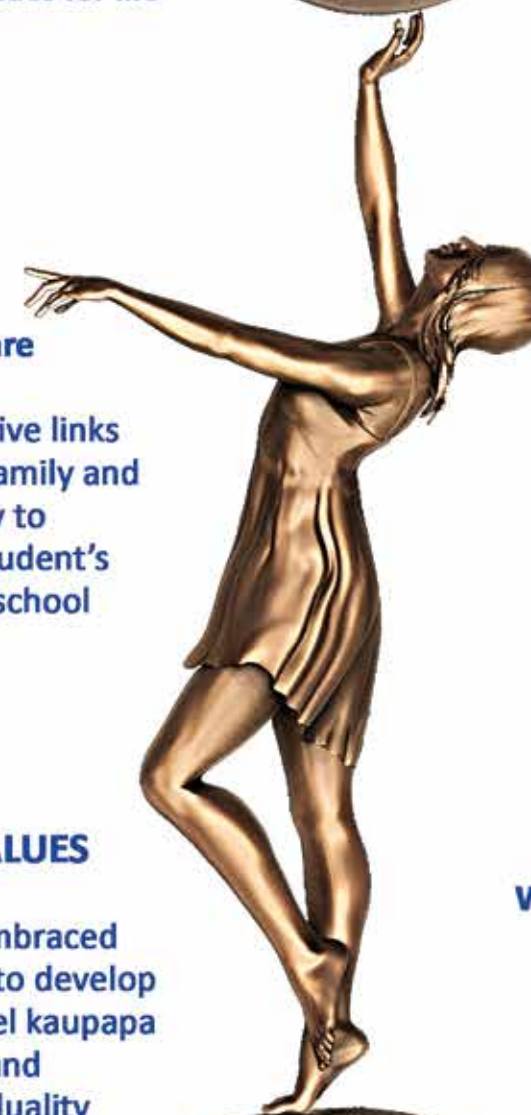
Provide resources and manage risks to deliver broad-based learning which meets the needs of staff and students, whether academic or vocational

TRANSITION

Where our learning is taking us

Prepare students for further education and careers

Inspiration from the past, learning, contributing, empowering for today and tomorrow



MISSION

Building on its rich heritage, Napier Girls' High School offers expansive teaching and learning and a vibrant community where all students are challenged and offered the means to reach their highest potential, enabling them to be confident, innovative and resilient global citizens.



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Let us keep close together, not far apart.

Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa.



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