

Te Kura Tuarua Kōhine Ki Ahuriri



NAPIER GIRLS'
HIGH SCHOOL



Napier Girls' High School





Ki te mārāma
Whānau mā, whāia te mārāma e
Patua te whakamā, kaitiaki e
Tū mai Pania, Tū mai wāhine toa
Manaakitanga
Tū mai Pania, Tū mai wāhine toa
Whānaungatanga

Kia Mataruahou te tū (E tū!)
Kia Hukarete te oranga
Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana
Whānau mā, whāia te mārāma e
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Mihimihi: Principal's Welcome



Welcome to Napier Girls' High School |
Te Kura Tuarua Kōhine Ki Ahuriri – where
our rich traditions and core values have shaped
the lives of rangatahi/young people since 1884.

We believe that every one of our students possesses unique talents and it is our vocation to nurture and develop these taonga/gifts to their fullest potential.

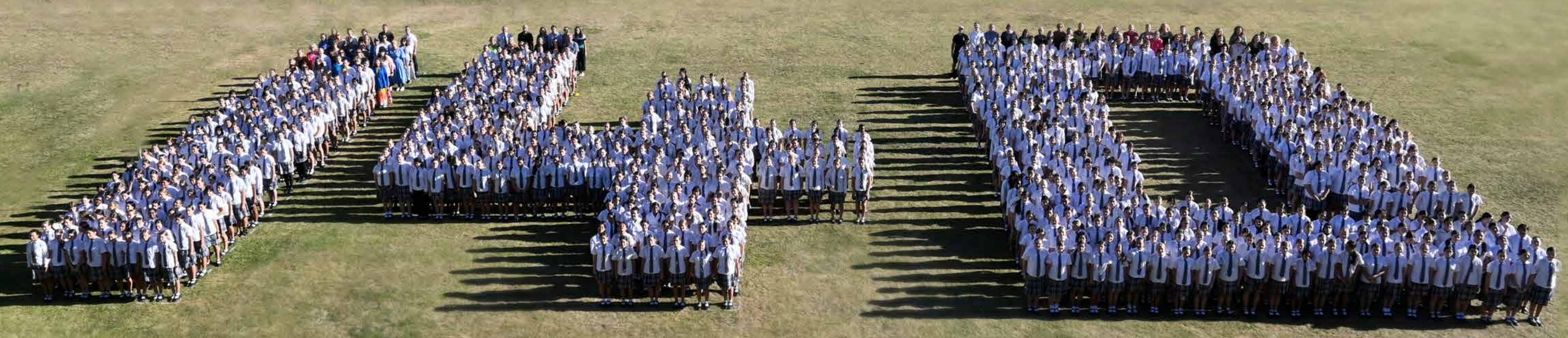
Our kaupapa: “Empowering ākonga to achieve success and fulfilment, for themselves, whānau and community” is underpinned by our core values of Manaakitanga – respect and caring; Kairangi Whaiaro – personal excellence; and Whānaungatanga – relationships and connection. With our commitment to providing sound pastoral care to ensure wellbeing and our traditions creating a sense of belonging, the success of every student is assured. Our students consistently achieve well above the average in national assessments, reflecting the personalised learning and innovative, culturally responsive teaching that is a feature of our school.

We invite you to join us at Napier Girls' High School | Te Kura Tuarua Kōhine Ki Ahuriri. Together, let us continue the proud legacy of empowering the rangatahi that are our future.

Ngā manaakitanga

DAWN ACKROYD
Tumuaki





Our History



Ad Lucem – Towards The Light – Ki te Mārama

Napier Girls' High School opened on **January 29, 1884, with 39 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 young people, as well as national success in many **sporting and cultural activities.**

Our Values



At Napier Girls' High School, our core values of **Manaakitanga** (respect and caring), **Whānaungatanga** (relationships and connections), and **Kairangi Whaiaro** (personal excellence) are woven into the fabric of every aspect of our school life. These values permeate our curriculum, extracurricular activities, pastoral care, and interactions, guiding and inspiring all our school community to embody the principles in their daily lives.

《》 MANAAKITANGA

“When we look after people,
we enhance their mana and our own.”

Manaakitanga is evident in the warm and inclusive atmosphere where manuhiri (visitors) are warmly greeted, and staff and students interact respectfully and kindly. As a wellbeing school, we support students to strengthen their hauora. Senior leaders, deans and kaiako/teachers watch over every ākonga, tracking their progress in consultation with whānau. We focus on developing self-esteem and relating well to others, helping every student feel valued in the school community.

Deans oversee the progress of all students in a year group, following the year group from Year 9 to Year 13. Parents and students consult the dean about subject choices, classroom and health issues. Our two professionally trained Guidance Counsellors can support and assist students with any challenges.

The Wellbeing Team assist our students to feel good about life and to function as well as possible. We use the digital tool Pulse to support student wellbeing. Pulse uses 60-second weekly check-ins to help assess wellbeing levels across the school. It provides a channel for students to speak up and contributes to positive culture building by encouraging gratitude.

《》 WHĀNAUNGATANGA

“The connections we hold
with others give birth to new ideas.”

Whānaungatanga is cultivated through strong connections and a sense of belonging within our school community, where relationships are nurtured, collaboration is encouraged, and diversity is celebrated.

Our vertical form classes help create a sisterhood that lasts for a student's time at the school. Each form class contains students from all five year groups, enabling a sense of community, mentorship, and support across different year levels. Older students can serve as role models and mentors for younger students, while younger students benefit from the support and guidance of their older peers. The vertical form pastoral system promotes a sense of belonging and continuity throughout a student's journey in the school.

Year 9 ākonga participate in our Tuākana Teina peer support programme with student leaders from their vertical form. This helps them to transition smoothly into secondary school, and to connect with their form class whānau.

Kāhui Māori is our student council that helps integrate kaupapa Māori throughout our kura, led by the Manutaki (Māori Prefects).





《》 KAIRANGI WHAIARO

“A greater leader creates opportunities for others.”

At Napier Girls' High School, we recognise that each individual possesses unique talents, aspirations and potential for growth. Through an inclusive personalised learning environment, we inspire our students to strive for their best in all they do. Our dedicated kaimahi/staff are committed to fostering a culture of continuous improvement, encouraging students to set ambitious goals, overcome challenges, and realise their potential.

Extension opportunities are available for all. For example, ākonga can be accelerated to study a subject ahead of their year group. University papers can be completed in the final year of school. We offer NZQA Scholarship in a wide range of subjects. Our tauira excel in NCEA gaining outstanding results at all levels, including Scholarship.

The Future Focus Team provides information and advice to students about their plans. This includes tertiary and vocational training, career pathways and course selection.

The Learning Support Team identifies and provides learning programmes and strategies to assist all students to reach their potential.

By promoting a holistic approach to education that emphasises academic achievement, leadership skills, and resilience, we empower our students to become confident, self-directed learners prepared to excel in a dynamic and ever-changing world. At Napier Girls' High School, we celebrate the journey of self-discovery and growth, guiding each student towards their path to personal excellence.



“Whaia te iti kahurangi ki te tuohu koe he maunga teitei.

Pursue excellence – should you stumble, let it be to a lofty mountain.”

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 Media Studies
Languages	Languages Te Reo Māori French Spanish Japanese	Languages Students study one Language	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 Comprehensive Numeracy Mathematics	Mathematics Mathematics & Statistics Mathematics Comprehensive	Mathematics Mathematics - Calculus Mathematics - Statistics Mathematics & Statistics
Science	Science	Science	Science	Science General Science Biology Chemistry Physics	Science General Science Biology Chemistry Physics
Technology	Technology Digital Technologies Food Technology Textiles Technology Materials Technology Design & Visual Communication	Technology Students study one Technology	Technology Digital Health Studies (Food & Nutrition) Textiles Product Design Design & Visual Communication	Technology Digital Food & Nutrition Textiles Product Design Design & Visual Communication	Technology Digital Food Textiles Product Design Design & Visual Communication
Social Sciences	Social Sciences	Social Sciences	Social Sciences History Geography Commerce Employment Skills	Social Sciences History Classical Studies Geography Tourism Economics Accounting Employment Skills	Social Sciences History Classical Studies Social Studies Geography Tourism Economics Accounting Business Studies
Health & Physical Well-Being	Health & PE	Health & PE	Health & PE Physical Education Health Studies	Health & PE Physical Education Sports Studies	Health & PE Physical Education Health & Physical Education Home Economics
The Arts	The Arts Art Music Drama	The Arts Students study one Art	The Arts Painting & Printmaking Design & Photography Music Drama	The Arts Painting Design Photography Music Dance Drama	The Arts Painting Design Photography Music Dance Drama
Vocational Courses			Primary Industries	Primary Industries Trades Academy	Trades Academy



“Whāia te
mātauranga
hei oranga
mō koutou.

Seek after
learning for
the sake
of your
wellbeing.”

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



Sports | Hākinakina



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

Our teams and athletes consistently achieve at regional, national and even international levels. With active involvement from students, kaiako, and the wider community in coaching and management roles, alongside annual sports exchanges with Palmerston North Girls' High School and Tauranga Girls' College, we provide a rich array of sporting opportunities at Napier Girls' High School.

Research shows that at a girls' school, there is higher participation in sports.

This enables us to offer the following codes:

WINTER

- Air pistol shooting
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Equestrian
- Fitness & conditioning
- Football
- Hockey
- Netball
- Orienteering
- Rugby
- Skiing
- Squash
- Swimming
- Table Tennis

SUMMER

- Athletics
- Canoe Polo
- Cricket
- Equestrian
- Fitness & conditioning
- Futsal
- Ki O Rahi
- Life saving
- Rippa Rugby
- Rowing
- Rugby 7s
- Sailing
- Tennis
- Tennis Lessons
- Touch Rugby
- Triathlon
- Volleyball
- Waka Ama
- Water Polo

Performing Arts | Toi Whakaari



Performing Arts

Performing to an audience is a special test of character. Participating in Performing Arts enhances communication skills, boosts confidence, and promotes empathy, encouraging personal development and the expression of our students' unique talents. It also equips taura with tools for navigating diverse social and professional landscapes gracefully and effectively.

Music

Choirs: Ngā Ihi o te Rā (school choir), Ad Lucem (auditioned choir)

Instrumental Tuition: Cello, Double Bass, Clarinet, Drums, Keyboard, Bass Guitar, Guitar, Vocals, Violin, Viola, Private Piano

Instrumental Groups: Orchestra, Chamber Music, Concert Band, Rock Bands

Clubs: Music Theory Club, Songwriters' Club

Culture

Kapa Haka - Whakangāhau (Social), Whakataetae (Competition), Pasifika

Drama

Drama Club, Theatre Sports, Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival, TheatreFest, Private Speech and Drama lessons

Dance

Dance Club, DanceNZMade, ShowQuest

Public Speaking

Debating, Speech Competitions
Ngā Manu Kōrero



“Poipoia te kakano kia puawai.
Nurture the seed and it will blossom.”

“ Mā mua ka kite a muri, mā muri ka ora a mua.

Those who lead give sight to those who follow, those who follow give life to those who lead.”



Learning to Lead | Hautūtanga



At Napier Girls’ High School, we believe developing leadership skills in students across all year levels is crucial for fostering a well-rounded educational experience.

Leadership

Leadership abilities empower students to collaborate effectively, take initiative, and inspire others. By instilling leadership qualities early on, schools cultivate confidence, resilience, and a sense of responsibility, equipping students with the tools to navigate challenges and contribute positively to their communities. This holistic approach to education enhances academic success and cultivates future leaders capable of driving positive change.

Service

Encouraging students to serve their school cultivates a sense of ownership and empathy. Service activities foster teamwork, reinforce academic concepts, and instil lifelong values of altruism and civic engagement. This involvement benefits the school community and equips students with essential skills for their future endeavours.

Napier Girls’ High School provides many opportunities to develop leadership and give service:

- Prefects
- Manutaki
- Kāhui Māori
- Form Captains
- Tuākana Teina Peer Support
- House Leaders
- Junior leaders
- Sports Coaches/Captains
- Librarians
- Student Representative on the Board
- Tech Angels
- The Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Award
- Outdoor Pursuits - Centre Leadership course
- Year 9 Piki Ake Award
- Year 10 Poutama Award
- Year 11 Matariki Award
- Year 12 Haumāuiui Award
- Year 13 Ad Lucem Award
- International buddies
- Interact
- Envirogroup
- Teen Ag



Hewett House



Hewett House Hostel perched atop Mataruahou, Napier Hill, is dedicated to providing a nurturing and secure environment.

We foster a sense of belonging among our diverse community of rangatahi, who come together to share their schooling experiences and learn to live together in harmony.

The hostel supports the holistic development of our students' learning through an evening Prep Programme, and guidance from an Academic Dean, ensuring their academic journey is supported and enriched.

**“Let us keep close together, not far apart.
Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa.”**

Extracurricular engagement and leadership development are integral to our ethos, offering abundant opportunities for participation and growth.

With round-the-clock supervision from our experienced, empathetic staff, Hewett House is more than just a residence—it's a warm and caring place where student safety and wellbeing is our priority. The hostel operates a full commercial kitchen providing tasty nutritional meals for the students, from breakfast to supper.

The transformative years spent at Hewett House empower our rangatahi to be confident in their abilities, to be leaders, and to have tolerance and empathy for others. Our boarders leave Hewett House armed with lifelong friendships and equipped with invaluable skills to take on challenges beyond the school gates.



“ Mā te
huruhuru ka
rere te manu.

Adorn the
bird with
feathers so
it may soar.”



Our international connections



For the time of your life

Studying at Napier Girls' High School as an international student offers a unique blend of academic excellence, cultural diversity, and stunning natural environments.

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

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

- Reach their academic goals
- Improve their English language skills
- Discover New Zealand culture, including Te Ao Māori (the Māori world), through an enjoyable programme of trips and experiences beyond the classroom
- Become fully involved in school life, including cultural and sporting extra-curricular activities
- Experience safe, caring and comfortable environments in homestay and hostel accommodation
- Form lifelong friendships and links with New Zealand



“He waka
eke noa.
We are
all in this
together.”





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