

# *St Joseph's Māori Girls' College*



INFORMATION BOOKLET



Ko Hato Hōhepa  
Te kura  
Ko Ahuriri  
Te rohe  
He kura  
mo ngā Tamāhine Mokopuna  
ō Aotearoa  
He puna whaioranga  
i roto i tenei  
Ao

*Tēnā Koutou Katoa*

# HISTORY

St Joseph's Māori Girls' College was founded in 1867 by the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions. Two years earlier, a group of four sisters had come from France by sailing boat to start Sacred Heart College at Napier. The Sisters, and the Māori Missioner, Fr Reigner, SM saw the great need for education for Māori in that rapidly changing world, and so they started a little boarding school for Māori girls on the convent property. It was called St Joseph's Providence and was opened on October 10th, 1867, with twenty pupils, the first principal being Sister Mary St John.



Records from the 1880s to 1930s show about 40 to 60 pupils lived at the College. After the Napier earthquake of 1931 the College was rebuilt on its present property at Greenmeadows and reopened in 1935, to expand its roll to about 130 pupils. During the 1970s a building programme was undertaken so that now St Joseph's is able to accommodate up to 240 students. The College became an integrated Secondary School in 1982 and from 1993 a limited number of day students were able to enrol. It is intended to keep St Joseph's at this size so that its whanaungatanga will remain strong.

# SPECIAL CHARACTER



St Joseph's is a Māori and Catholic Year 7 - Year 13 Girls Composite Boarding and Day School.

St Joseph's is a school principally but not exclusively, for Māori Girls providing an education where Tikanga Māori and Tikanga Hāhi enrich and permeate everyday life.





## COLLEGE MONOGRAM

The Initials SJC for St Joseph's College appear in the centre of the monogram. The letters V & K stand for Virtue and Knowledge. It is hoped that pupils will grow in both of these during their education at St Joseph's. The crown is the crown of Our Lady, Mary, the Mother of God, as the College was founded by the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions. Apart from the initials SJC in the centre and our motto, this monogram is the same for all the colleges founded by the Mission Sisters in New Zealand.

## COLLEGE MOTTO

Our College motto is:  
'I o mahi katoa mahia'

In whatever you do, do well  
(Excel)



# FACILITIES AND SURROUNDINGS



St Joseph's Māori Girls' College is situated in a quiet residential area, surrounded by private houses, within walking distance of nearby shops, two local primary schools, and enroute to Napier city and Hastings city.

The College Chapel was built in 1958 and is decorated in the Māori Art forms of tukutuku panels, kowhaiwhai. The tabernacle, the lectern and altar are carved.

The Hostel dormitories provide sleeping areas (with built in beds, a drawer and a wardrobe), dining room, laundry, TV rooms. Year 13 have individual rooms and their own cooking facilities and lounge.

The school buildings consist of 12 classrooms, three science laboratories, a library, 2 computer suites, a Visual Arts facility, a Gymnasium and a Technology Unit.



## Year 7 And 8 Course of Study

All students are placed in a general course and follow the curriculum requirements of the New Zealand Curriculum. Students study the following:

Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga		English	Mathematics
Science	Social Studies	Religious Education	Physical Education
The Arts	Technology		

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Science	Social Studies	Religious Education	Physical Education
Health	Digital & Info Tech	Modules: Art, Food or Soft Materials, Financial Literacy	

## Year 11 Course of Study (Minimum of 5 Subjects)

Compulsory Subjects	Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga		English	
	Religious Education		Physical Education	
Optional Subjects (At least three)	Economics		Mathematics	Science
	Digital & Information Technology		Geography	History
	Visual Art			

## Year 12 Course of Study (Minimum of 5 Subjects)

Compulsory Subjects	Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga		English	
	Religious Education		Physical Education	
Optional Subjects (At least three)	Economics		Mathematics	Science
	Digital & Information Technology		Geography	History
	Visual Art		Chemistry	Physics
	Academic PE			

## Year 13 Course of Study (Encourage to study 5 Subjects)

Compulsory Subjects	Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga		English	
	Religious Education		Physical Education	
Optional Subjects (At least three)	Mathematics with Calculus		Chemistry	Biology
	Digital & Information Technology		Geography	History
	Statistics and Modelling		Visual Art	Physics

All Students study Waiata and Chapel Singing throughout the year.

# FINANCIAL

## BOARDERS

- All students boarding at St Joseph's Māori Girls' College Hostel pay fees to the Proprietor. Payment terms can be arranged on discussion with the Hostel Finance Officer.
- Personal Expenses (Tuck Account). Payment is made to the Hostel for personal and medical needs as required.

## DAY STUDENTS

- Day students pay a fee to the Proprietor to cover lunch and any miscellaneous costs incurred from Hostel

*N.B. Years 7&8 only, have the option of five-day boarding.  
Years 9-13 seven day boarding only.*

## ALL STUDENTS

- Attendance Dues (approved for School through the Education Act). Invoices are sent in March each year with payment options available. Payment is made to the Diocese of Palmerston North.
- Subject / Course Fees. Charged by most departments when there is a practical element and/or material cost, resulting in items which students then own and take home.
- Magazine Fee. A small fee is charged per student to assist towards the cost of the School Magazine.
- School stationery can be purchased from the College Stationery Shop. To enable students to purchase stationery an \$80.00 payment is required at the start of the year, and further payments may be required to keep the account in credit.
- Winter Sport. Netball, Basketball and Hockey fees are payable to the Associations at the beginning of the season. The fee will be charged on the school invoice.



# DRESS UNIFORM AND TRAVEL UNIFORM

(Worn on special occasions and when traveling to and from school)

- 1 x School blazer, purchased through the College
- 1 x Grey school skirt, purchased through the College
- 2 x Teal blue jersey, purchased through the College
- 3 x White short sleeve blouse (summer & winter)
- 1 x Black court dress shoe; (Years 9-13 only); IMPORTANT - contact School for appropriate style.
- 3 pr Pantyhose, plain brown



*N.B. Years 7&8 do not wear the school blazer or the black court shoe. (For Years 7&8 dress shoes contact the school office)*

# SCHOOL UNIFORM AND DAY UNIFORM

(Worn by all students during the school day)

- 2 x Navy blue skirts, purchased through the College.
- 2 x Teal blue jersey, purchased through the College (same as for dress uniform)
- 3 x White short sleeve blouse (summer & winter) (same as for dress uniform) School Tex available at the Warehouse
- Panty Hose (Winter), black winter weight
- Black, lace up shoes, plain black shoe with plain black laces
- Brown Roman Sandal (Summer), plain sandal with strap and metal buckle, leather (no material or velcro fastening). Roman sandals are popular.
- School Winter Coat (compulsory for Day Students), purchased only through the College



Year 13 Day Uniform (Please purchase all new articles of clothing)

- Burgundy crewneck sweatshirt available at the Warehouse
- White short sleeve polo shirt available at the Warehouse
- Appropriate black skirt and black shoes/sandals



## SPORTS UNIFORM

All students need to purchase the required Sports Uniform for Netball and Hockey. A fee is also payable to the Netball and Hockey Association before the season starts.

- Sports Uniform Tracksuit— Enquiries to the School Office
- Sports Shirt x 2 powder blue polo shirt, School Tex available at the Warehouse
- Sports Shorts Navy blue (cotton knit) worn with Sports Shirt, School Tex available at the Warehouse
- Netball/Hockey Skirts; all teams are provided with a uniform, these are numbered and issued as required (a hire charge applies)
- Track shoes, purchased to suit, predominantly white
- White sport socks Plain (netball), purchased from most clothing outlets
- Hockey socks (blue and grey), purchased through the College
- Underwear – panties (stretchies), navy/dark blue, flesh or white sports bras

# BOARDERS REQUIREMENTS

## CIVVIES/CASUAL WEAR

- 3 sets only of casual wear for summer, including 1 pair of casual shoes, and the equivalent for winter.
- NO hoodies.

## OTHER CLOTHING

- Under clothing (at least)
  - 6 pairs panties
  - 3 bras (white or beige)
  - 3 thermals or singlets (white)
  - 2 pyjamas or equivalent sleepwear

## PERSONAL NEEDS

- 1 toilet bag
- Soap container, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, sanitary requirements
- Tissues or handkerchiefs
- 4 large towels
- Soap powder, laundry bag/basket and pegs for personal laundry
- Hairbrush, comb etc.
- Hair-ties - black
- Shoe cleaning outfit - Black

Bedding is provided, however an extra single blanket and / or pillow is optional.

***All belongings must be clearly named.***





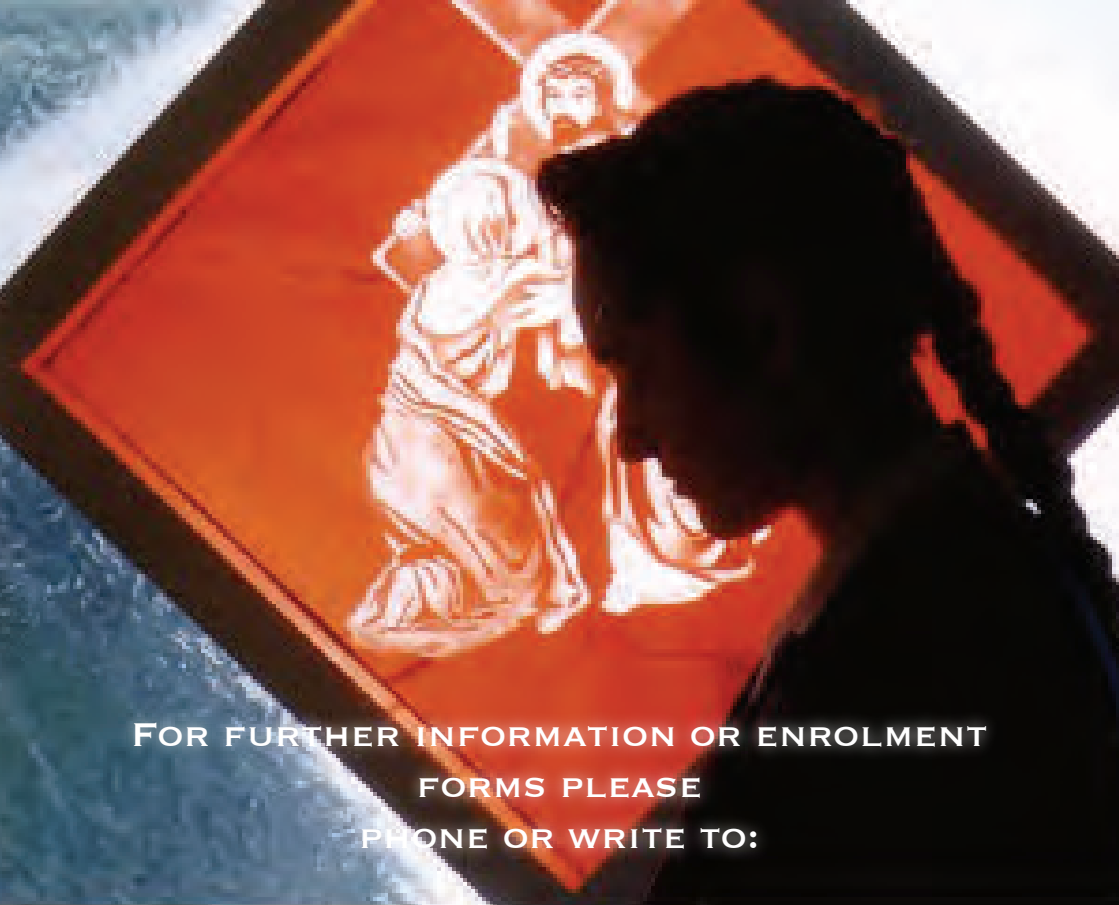
## ENROLMENT PROCEDURE

1. On enquiry you will be sent an enrolment pack including an Information Booklet, and the Enrolment Form and Health Profile.
2. It is necessary for the College to receive the enrolment form before any applications for admission are processed.
3. During the year interviews at the College are arranged for those whanau who have returned the enrolment form, and a tour of the school takes place.
4. Later in the year a letter of confirmation of acceptance of your daughter's enrolment is sent to you.
5. A newsletter with full information about the powhiri and Opening day etc. will be sent to you towards the end of the year with a follow-up newsletter in January.



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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR ENROLMENT  
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