



HAMILTON GIRLS'
HIGH SCHOOL

Prospectus

2022

A photograph of a grassy field at sunset. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. Bare tree branches are silhouetted against the sky. In the background, there is a multi-story building. In the foreground, three people are running on the grass, their shadows cast long on the ground. A faint rainbow is visible in the bottom left corner.

We Honour
—THE PAST—

We Celebrate
THE PRESENT

We Empower
THE FUTURE



The aging oak trees and the carefully crafted landscape are the essence of the original Hamilton High School site that forms part of our heritage and inheritance from former pupils. The time, planning, devotion to learning and the strong stewardship of past principals, have all contributed to the students' experience of Hamilton High School, Hamilton Girls' High and Hamilton Boys' High. Hamilton High School was a focal point for the growing city and guided many of New Zealand's future leaders. Over the last hundred years, thousands of families have contributed to building these schools; their spirit, and their soul.

After 100 years of progress, Hamilton High School has grown into two notable schools: Hamilton Girls' High and Hamilton Boys' High. The founding members were committed to providing an education that would produce sound young women who are able to pursue their destinies both in New Zealand and globally.

While Hamilton Girls' High School is proud of its heritage, it is also proud of its history as a leader and innovator in girls' only education and its responsiveness to the needs of contemporary girls.

The School's Strategic Plan affirms its traditions and strengths, while making a commitment to educate students to be citizens of an increasingly global community in which empathy, trust and ethical values are important. Education for the world of the 21st century emphasises the need for each student to be a lifelong learner capable of critical and creative thinking.



Hamilton Girls' High School embraces the challenges of the 21st century to support our girls to become thoughtful, confident and resilient young women.



A MESSAGE

from the Principal

Hamilton Girls' High School has shaped and influenced our young women since 1911. Core values and principles underpin a dynamic learning environment and our students are given every opportunity to aspire to excellence. We cater for the all round educational needs of our young women and offer an outstanding education pathway to ensure the best possible career destination.

As educational leaders at Hamilton Girls' High School, we are committed to consolidating on and lifting the bar for raising the achievement across the four cornerstones of Academic, Leadership, Cultural and Sporting endeavours. Our young women are encouraged to achieve in the classroom and to combine this success with involvement in sporting and cultural activities. A balanced education embraces whole person learning and allows them to be challenged, extended and motivated in all aspects of their life.

As a parent, choosing the right school for your daughter's education is an important decision. The adolescent years are particularly significant in education because students are at a stage in their lives where they are faced with choices and challenges that shape or determine success in future years.

Standards in a school are essential – standards drive motivation, hold levels of confidence and empower students and staff.

Our expectations of our students are high. We expect them to be well dressed, polite, courteous and prepared for learning. Becoming fully engaged in our school culture is essential and an exciting part of being at secondary school.

Our school hostel is a wonderful asset. It offers quality residential accommodation for 130 students in a supportive living and learning environment.

Our School motto in Latin is
Sapiens Fortunam Fingit Sibi:

“A wise woman shapes her own destiny”

It is our aim to ensure that every girl who passes through our gate will be given the opportunity to shape her own destiny. *I invite you to be part of our school.*

Marie Gordon
Principal





HEAD GIRL

Mary Ieremia Allan

E muamua lava ona si'i le vi'iga ma le fa'afetai le ali'i. Fa'atalofa atu, malo lava le soifua! O lo'u i'goa o Mary Ieremia-Allan. I feel extremely blessed to have stepped into the shoes of absolute legends that have served as the HGHS Head Girl in past years.

To the families that have supported their daughters through the ups and downs of high school, to the teachers and senior leadership team who have gone above and beyond in order to break down learning barriers, and to the wahine toa at HGHS who have pursued their passions despite possible trials and tribulations that appeared in their lives - thank you and well done. Leading the school this year has been nothing but empowering and humbling. It has opened my eyes to the reality of education. Structures are made to bend, and they have the ability to mold into what is needed in that generation, in that specific time. Therefore being a leader to me means being open to change, but also finding the right route of change that can cater to all students of all nationalities, cultures, religions and dialects.

2021 has been a year of redeeming what was lost in 2020, but also sealing the deal in terms of where we want our futures to lead. With so many events that have already taken place within school, it is definitely safe to say that we as the Executive Council have learnt an incredible amount in the space of 6 months. Grinding through the late night projects, holding each other accountable when need be and laughing when things didn't roll accordingly. With so many emerging projects and changes within Hamilton Girls High School, these wahine toa have been the backbone to so much success and progression behind the scenes. We have taken up projects such as the student council initiating HGHS's breakfast club, the arts council reigniting Te Puawai festival, and our up and coming Hostel Golden Jubilee. So MASSIVE props to the executive council (the real deals) who have legitimately been pioneering young women, paving the way in order for others to succeed. I am forever indebted to these girls who have held me up when things were tough, and who have challenged me in order to sharpen my understanding of this big world that we live in.

Fa'afetai tele lava,
Mary



EMPHASIS ON INDIVIDUALS AND ACHIEVEMENT

At Hamilton Girls' High School, we place an emphasis on individuals and on achievement, and we encourage our students to take full advantage of the opportunities that are offered at Hamilton Girls' High School.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS



Eden Peters
Scholarship in Drama



Hannah Towgood
Scholarship in Biology



Christine Stols
Scholarship in Biology



Mashhurakhon Askarova
Scholarship in Biology



Emily Burt
Scholarship in Biology



Brooke Williams
Scholarship in Biology



Breeana Stevens
Scholarship in Drama



Bryre Aish
Scholarship in English
Scholarship in Painting



Artemis Goed
Scholarship in English



Eva Wills
Scholarship in English



Melissa Connolly
Scholarship in English
Scholarship in History



Stella Slomp
Scholarship in English



Paige Ace
Scholarship in Health and
Physical Education
Scholarship in Statistics



Melika Lolaki
Scholarship in Media
Studies



Hannah Park
Scholarship in Painting



Kimiora Whaanga
Scholarship in Printmaking

LEADING LEARNING

The eight essential learning areas described in the New Zealand Curriculum include English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Health and Physical Education, the Arts, Technology and Languages.

STRATEGIES TO FACILITATE ACADEMIC SUCCESS

- Academic tracking and mentoring
- Lunchtime and after school tutoring
- Opportunities are available for work placement with employers or Industry Training Organisations (ITO)
- Realising Potential Programme
- Hillary Learning Hub
- Mentoring
- Vocational Pathway
- Acceleration Programme
- Gifted and Talented Programme
- Support for students with English as a second language

BYOD

At Hamilton Girls' High School our eVision is for students to be confident, responsible digital citizens who are collaborative, critical thinkers, able to construct knowledge.

In order to do this we aim to provide students with the skills, knowledge, confidence and guidance to be an effective, ethical and safe user of ICT.

The expectation is that students will bring their own device to school



EMPHASIS ON INDIVIDUALS AND ACHIEVEMENT

Hamilton Girls' High School is committed to the delivery of the New Zealand Curriculum and takes, as its starting point, a vision of our students as lifelong learners who are confident and creative, connected and actively involved.

Hamilton Girls' High School recognises that all students are different and we provide multiple learning pathways to support them.

PATHWAY 1

Teacher directs learning with an opportunity for Student voice/input

- Subjects taught as stand-alone classes
- 26 - 30 students to one teacher

PATHWAY 2

Students and Teachers co-construct learning contexts

- Cross-curricular approaches to learning
- 55 - 58 students to at least two teachers

EXTENSION AND SUPPORT

Students may have needs, strengths or abilities that require a specialised and more personalised approach to learning.

This could include, but is not limited to:

- GATE
- Realising Potential
- Literacy or numeracy enhancement
- English as a Second Language
- Previous experience in a Kura Kaupapa

CORE CURRICULUM

Year 9 students take six subjects as part of the core curriculum:

- **English**
- **Maths**
- **PE**
- **Science**
- **Social Studies**
- **Mātauranga Māori** - students will explore the unique identity of Aotearoa New Zealand and enhance their understanding of foundational reo and tikanga Māori

YEAR 9 OPTIONS

All year 9 students select up to four option subjects, from the remaining three curriculum areas, and study two per half year. They will take each option subject three times per week.

Students will choose one option from each of the three curriculum areas: Arts, Languages and Technology.

IGNITE

This is an academic extension programme in a Pathway 1 model that runs in a specific class dedicated to extending students working at an above average academic level. A student does not have to be academically GAT (gifted and talented) to apply. The two-year programme offers students the opportunity to experience learning at a level that extends, challenges and supports them using a concept-based learning model that focuses on critical thinking. It balances laying the foundations for academic success in the senior school with students' wellbeing through a mentoring programme. Entry to the programme is based on academic results in our entrance test, teacher recommendation from our feeder schools and parent/student willingness.

SENIOR SCHOOL

The Senior school is structured to provide flexibility of choice throughout all subjects and to ensure that knowledge and experience gained in each year of study enable students to make well informed curriculum choices for their future. Broadband streaming in Year 11 is offered in Mathematics, Science and English.

Striving for excellence at every opportunity ensures pre-requisites are met and goals achieved.



ACADEMIC COUNCIL CAPTAIN

Sophie Harris

Kia ora,
My name is Sophie Harris and this year I have the honour of serving as Academic Captain.

2021 has been about building back up - gaining some normality after the previous year of uncertainty that we battled through. It was important to me to provide girls with the support that they need to regain the love and the confidence in school that they may have lost last year. There has been a large focus around the power and influence of the written word - weaving this into school life through introducing silent reading time in tutor groups. The aim of this was to open girl's minds to more vocabulary and topics, helping them to develop greater skills and perceptive abilities that grow through the practise of reading. The Academic Council has been involved with many school events, such as parent-teacher interviews, NCEA evenings and more, so as to be there to provide support and help to students who may be feeling unsure. Each council member, along with the help of their own committees, has strived to adhere to the goals of offering academic extension and support. Through this, we have seen many new initiatives put into place, and we have had many successful weeks take place so far like languages and library week that have encouraged students to be involved with a broad range of experiences. Looking to term 3, we are looking forward to the exciting things we have planned for STEM week and later, ways we can get involved with students as practice examinations and external assessments roll around.

It has meant a lot to me to be able to give back to school through my role this year. Hamilton Girls High School has been a part of my life since my first day of year 9 in 2017, and has given me so much every day since. There is not a day that I walk back out of the gates without having learnt something new. My curiosity and my drive to learn have been cultivated within the walls of the classrooms that I sit in and this school is the reason that I will be able to go out into the wider world next year with the confidence, poise and determination I need to achieve my goals. HGHS has so much to offer and I will always be grateful to each student and staff member that have been involved with my journey here.

THROUGH EXCELLENCE

Students intending to enrol at University, or students who are not yet certain of their future destination, are advised to choose option subjects that lead to the university approved list in Year 13.

YEAR 9

Compulsory Subjects

English, Mathematics, Science, Physical Education and Health and Social Studies.

Option Subjects

Students select four half-year options and must select at least one from each of the areas below:

- **Arts**
- **Languages**
- **Technology**

YEAR 10

Compulsory Subjects

English, Mathematics, Science, Physical Education and Health and Social Studies.

Option Subjects

Students select two full year Option Subjects listed for Year 10.

YEAR 11

Year 11 students study six subjects - English, Mathematics, Science and three other subjects.

Subject descriptions and pre-requisites are listed in the curriculum handbook.

Subjects offered at Hamilton Girls' High School deliver opportunities for students to gain credits towards their National Certificate of Educational Achievement for Level 1.

NCEA LEVEL 1

The current minimum requirements are

- 80 credits including:
- 10 credits in literacy.
- 10 credits in numeracy.
- For subject endorsements, 14 credits at merit or excellence.
- For NCEA endorsement, 50 credits at merit or excellence.



STUDENT COUNCIL CAPTAIN

Rylee Sturm

Kia ora,

I'm Rylee Sturm and I feel extremely privileged to be leading as this year's Student Council Captain.

2021 is proving to be a year of redemption following covid, and with this comes many new challenges as we learn to accept new changes. Following such a difficult year, my council and I decided that it was extremely important to create opportunities that aimed to enhance all dimensions of our student's hauora (social wellbeing, spiritual wellbeing, physical wellbeing and mental and emotional wellbeing). So far this year the student council has created the HGHS breakfast club where we host a free breakfast available to all students three times a week, we have also reintroduced the Duke of Edinburgh award which ultimately focuses on student self development, and we are currently planning a mental health week which will run in term 3.

As a group, we also run Civvies Days twice a term where students can dress freely for the day and donate to a cause that the Student Council chooses. So far this year we have supported the service council in their Relay for Life fundraising efforts, the pink shirt day foundation and later in the year we will also be supporting Rainbow Place and the Rauhi project.

I will forever be grateful for this opportunity to lead at HGHS and I know that I will always treasure the lessons that leadership has taught me.

Rylee Sturm

YEAR 12

Students study English and five additional subjects from Level 1 and 2 courses. Subject descriptions and prerequisites are listed in the curriculum handbook.

Preliminary applications to University rely on Year 12 NCEA Level 2 results. Students who aspire to Year 13 and entry to University or other Tertiary institutions are advised to choose subjects which have a pathway to University Approved subjects in Year 13.

Vocational courses are also available.

YEAR 13

Students may choose any five subjects. Subject descriptions and prerequisites are listed in the curriculum handbook.

Students need to be aware of the University Entrance requirements, and strive to exceed the minimum pre-requisites noted for each subject in successive years at school.

UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE

University Entrance in 2021 requires:

Achievement of NCEA Level 3, including:

- 14 credits in each of three subjects from the list of approved subjects.
- 10 numeracy credits at Level 1 or higher; and 10 literacy credits (five in reading and five in writing) at Level 2 or higher.

Universities now expect the award of University Entrance plus a specified Guaranteed Entry Score advertised with each University course. These are minimum requirements only and entrance to many specialist courses require a higher level of achievement.

CURRICULUM 2022

VISION:

Empower
young women
to dare to excel
as innovative
individuals who
are globally
connected

	YEAR 9	YEAR 10
ARTS	Drama Music Visual Arts Dance	Art Practical Drama Dance Music
ENGLISH	English	English
HEALTH /PE	Health and Physical Education	Health and Physical Education Sports Studies
LANGUAGES	English - Second Language French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Māori	English - Second Lan- guage French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Māori
MATHEMATICS	Mathematics	Mathematics
SCIENCE	Science	Science
KO WAI AU?	Matauranga Māori	
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Social Studies	Economics Enterprise Studies History Social Studies
TECHNOLOGY	Digital Technology Design/Visual Communication Food Technology Soft Materials	Digital Technology Design/Visual Communication Food Technology Soft Materials

Note: All courses are subject to change as a result of numbers or staffing.

YEAR 11

YEAR 12

YEAR 13

Art Practical Dance Digital Art Drama Music	Art Design Art Painting Art Photography Art Printmaking Dance Drama Music	Art Design Art Painting Art Photography Art Printmaking Dance Drama Music
English	English	English
Advanced PE - Sport Advanced PE - Outdoors Health Sports Nutrition Active Wellbeing	Advanced PE - Sport Advanced PE - Outdoors Health Physical Education	Advanced PE - Sport Advanced PE - Outdoors Health Physical Education
English - Second Language French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Māori Te Ao Haka	English - Second Language French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Maori Māori Performing Arts Pasifika Cultural Studies Te Ao Haka	English - Second Language French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Maori Māori Performing Arts Te Ao Haka
Mathematics	Mathematics Finances for Life	Mathematics Calculus Statistics
Science	Biology Chemistry Physics Science	Biology Chemistry Physics Science
Accounting Economics Geography Global Studies History Media Studies Money Smart Business Social Studies	Accounting Business Studies Classical Studies Economics Geography Global Studies History Legal Studies Media Studies Social Studies Tourism	Accounting Business Studies Classical Studies Economics Geography Global Studies History Legal Studies Media Studies Social Studies Tourism
Soft Materials Digital Technology Design/Visual Communication Food Technology Food & Nutrition Hospitality Workplace Technology	A Sustainable Future (Semester Course) Barista (Semester Course) Design/Visual Communication Digital Technology Early Childhood Ed Food Technology Food & Nutrition Making Fashion (Semester Course) Soft Materials Workplace Technology	Digital Technology Design/Visual Communication Soft Materials Early Childhood Education Food Technology Food & Nutrition Workplace Technology

SPORT AVAILABLE

at hamilton girls' high school

Adventure Racing

Athletics

3x3 Basketball

5x5 Basketball

Badminton

Canoe Polo

Cricket

Cross Country

Cycling

Equestrian

Football

Futsal

Hockey

Inline Hockey

Ki-o-Rahi

Lacrosse

Netball

Rowing

Rugby

Rugby Sevens

Softball

Squash

Swimming

Tennis

Touch

Triathlon

Volleyball

Waka Ama

Water Polo





OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

Hamilton Girls' High School has always supported the importance of life beyond the classroom. Students are encouraged to embrace all activities, expand their experiences and further develop new passions. Being involved in the wider school increases a sense of belonging which leads to higher levels of engagement and motivation.

LEADING LEARNING

through sport

RUGBY XV

- National Champions Super 4 2018
- National Champions Super 4 2019

TOUCH

- New Zealand Secondary School 1st 2016
- New Zealand Secondary School 2nd 2017
- New Zealand Secondary School 2nd 2018
- New Zealand Secondary School 1st 2019
- New Zealand Secondary School 1st 2020

BASKETBALL

- New Zealand Premiership 2nd 2017
- New Zealand Premiership 3rd 2018
- New Zealand Premiership 3rd 2019

FOOTBALL

- New Zealand Premiership 13th 2017
- New Zealand Premiership 2nd 2018

NETBALL

- North Island Secondary School 5th 2018
- New Zealand Premiership Secondary School 7th in New Zealand 2018
- New Zealand Secondary School Invitational 4th 2020

RUGBY 7'S

- Condors U15 2nd 2017
- Condors U15 1st 2017
- Condors U19 1st 2017
- Waikato Secondary School U19 1st 2017
- Waikato Secondary School U15 1st 2017
- Condors U19 2nd 2018
- Condors U18 3rd 2019
- Condors U18 5th 2020

WATERPOLO

- 2017 Waikato Junior 1st
- 2017 Waikato Senior 3rd
- 2021 NZSS Nationals Seniors 8th

HOCKEY

- 2017 Waikato 1st
- 2019 Secondary School 6th



SPORTS COUNCIL CAPTAIN

Kelsey Teneti

Kia Ora, Ko Kelsey Teneti Ahau

I am very grateful to have been given the opportunity to lead HGHS as the 2021 sports Captain.

I moved to Hamilton in 2020 as I wanted to get outside of my comfort zone knowing that there was an opportunity for me to better myself Academically and in my Sports. Coming from another secondary school and a much smaller town, Te Tairāwhiti, as a year 12 student I faced many challenges.

Making new friends, having new subjects, getting to know a completely new environment at school and Hamilton City itself was challenging. Leaving my family and the comforts of home I had to learn very quickly to stand on my own feet and become a better me by being more open to new challenges and being more independent.

Having put 2020 in the history books due to covid we also had challenges with online learning but with the support from our amazing Leadership team and teachers I and so many of us here at HGHS passed our exams and returned for 2021.

So to challenge myself even more I decided to put myself forward as sports captain for this year. It has been an interesting, busy, fulfilling role from which I have learnt so much with the amazing support of our senior leadership team and fellow sports councillors.

Coming to HGHS has been the best decision I have made to finish my schooling, not only due to its wide range of sporting opportunities that I am passionate about but this school is full of outstanding Mana Wahine that support, guide and give you a hand up when you ask or need it.

It's been a privilege and an honour to have been given this opportunity to school at HGHS and I would not hesitate to advise others to do the same.

BE BOLD, BE BRAVE and most importantly BE YOU.



NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES

At Hamilton Girls' High School



Kelsey Teneti
Rugby Black Ferns



Ivori Christie
NZSS Netball



Kaiya Kepa
NZSS Netball



Izzy Shanks
Sport



Mary Allen
NZ U20 Touch



Eleina Ieremia
Sport



Maia Karena
NZU16 Touch



Gabby Austin
NISS NZ Squad



Tayla Norman
NZ Maori U16 team
NZ U16 Touch



Sophie Hodges
NZ Junior Squash



Pippa Mihaka
Swimming



Billee Fuller
Motocross



**Meeki
Cooper-Nicola**
Softball



Amarnee Shepherd
NZ U18 Touch



ARTS COUNCIL CAPTAIN

Laura Dudley

Teena koutou katoa,

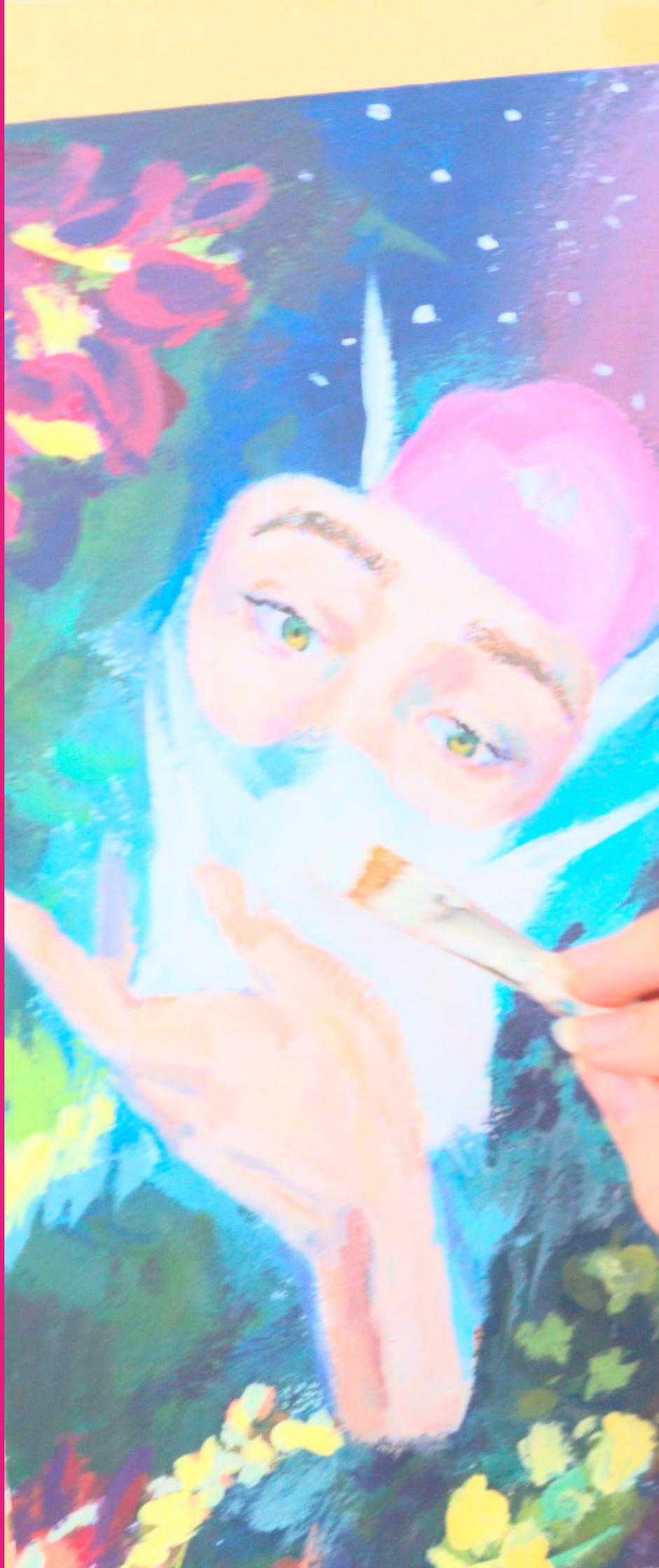
Ko Ngaati Kahungunu te iwi,
Ko Laura Dudley tooku ingoa - I have the immense & indescribable privilege of serving as the Deputy Head Girl and Arts Captain of 2021.

A crucial focus of my council this year was the uniting and celebration of our diverse faculties and talents that lie under the "arts" category. Ranging from the likes of music, art and drama, to pasifika, kapa haka, media studies, dance, multicultural and so much more, following a year where so many performance opportunities and celebrations were lost, we wanted to develop the accessibility of performance opportunities for the vast range of talents across all departments - utilising our new outdoor stage built by the student council of 2020 to display a variety of performances throughout the year and develop the confidence of the blossoming artists throughout HGHS.

From coordinating our most successful and diverse Talent Quest competition to date, to practicing and planning for our Arts Week and Te Puawaitanga Arts Celebration at the end of this year, the Arts Council I work alongside is full of incredible minds that have had my back since the day our names were called upon our roles. As Deputy Head Girl, I have truly learned that the best leaders are those who serve from the ground upwards, as Mary so gracefully has led us, not those who take a stance at the front of the line and expect all others to follow.

Hamilton Girls' High School has provided me with endless opportunities to grow, lead, learn and succeed in all things I am passionate about, and I owe so much to my incredible family, friends, teachers and mentors that guided me to the place I am today. I encourage every incoming student to utilise the welcoming, student-led nature of our kura, and begin your first steps into becoming the passionate, innovative and talented young women we are blessed to walk among each day.

Noho ora mai,
Laura





LEADING LEARNING THROUGH ARTS

Hamilton Girls' High School is a lively, thriving school where the visual arts (design, photography, painting and drawing, computer arts) and the performing arts (music, drama and dance) are seen as crucial to the health and well-being of our students and an important part of their training for life. Girls are invited to express their creative 'voice' in our supportive environment.

There are a multitude of groups such as orchestra and choirs, debating and movie making, cultural dance groups, theatre sports, samba band, art club and more.

Our barbershop singers have a reputation for excellence and regularly perform in the national finals while our Drama department is known for its spectacular and professional productions (with Hamilton Boys' High School) every second year. The school production involves all the arts groups from dancers, vocalists, actors, visual artists and musicians and certainly is a huge undertaking.

At Hamilton Girls', cultural ability and diversity are welcome and respected. Our Kapa Haka and Pasifika groups have a reputation in our school and communities as graceful and strong performers, exhibiting their passion and hard work in the local, regional and national competitions while the Indian dance group performs regularly and successfully in the upper North Island competitions.

Itinerant teachers give lessons in vocals, string, wind and brass instruments, electronic and acoustic guitar, and percussion instruments. For lessons there is an administration fee of \$40.00 to cover general costs and some instruments are available for hire.



The Arts Council organises a range of activities in its different interest areas (see left) in which students may choose to engage and compete. These include the Talent Quest, combined School Production and many competitions!



PERFORMING ARTS

and cultural groups

Choir and Barbershop
Guitar Group
Samba Band
Debating
Indian Dance Group
Photography and Art clubs
Multi-cultural Committee
Sheila Winn Shakespeare
Production
Pasifika
Kapa Haka
Talent Quest
Fusion Festival
Stage Challenge
Symphonic Band
Theatre Sports
Media

INTERNATIONAL

Travel

On occasions, there is the opportunity to join an international trip, such as recent trips to Europe, Japan, France, Hawaii and Spain for Languages, Sport, The Arts or Cultural Trips. Many students participate in short and long term exchange programmes. Our school supports students who wish to apply for a Gap Year between Year 13 and commencing at university.



SERVICES COUNCIL CAPTAIN

Emily Shute

Tēnā Koutou,

Ko Emily Shute tōku ingoa. I am honoured to have the opportunity to serve as Service Captain for 2021 and have had the privilege of leading our wonderful Service Council through a variety of events, aiming to tautoko incredible causes within our hapori and kura.

Genuine service creates opportunities to change lives and make a difference in our community. I'm so proud of all of our taura who have stepped up and been willing to tautoko some incredible kauapa, for the betterment of others. Our year started with Relay for Life, which we dedicated to our beautiful kaiako Whaea Jodi Tautari, where we raised \$4,872.58 for the Cancer Society. At Easter, we organised gifts for the residents at Summerset Rototuna, and these were very well received. We then moved on to 40 Hour Famine, where our taura chose to give up various luxuries that many of us have, to raise funds and awareness for children in Sub-Saharan African. Currently, we are organising Charity Week, where we will be donating a variety of necessities to the Waikato Women's Refuge, to tautoko their incredible mahi supporting wāhine and tamariki in need.

I would encourage you all to take advantage of all of the fabulous opportunities that we have within our kura to serve in our hapori and kura, as it will truly change the lives of others.

Ngā manaakitanga,
Emily Shute





STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Student leaders at Hamilton Girls' High School are given the opportunity to lead and promote a culture that fosters excellence and participation within our school, through leading students and leading an area of responsibility.

Every student at Hamilton Girls' High School has the potential to be a leader. Leadership begins with understanding ourselves and is founded on personal leadership, whereby individuals have the capacity to lead their own lives and consistently make wise choices based on sound values. Effective leadership can be learned through developing both the character and competence of our students and by providing them with opportunities and training to exercise leadership responsibilities.

All students are encouraged to develop their leadership skills through participation and service.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Our executive council is made up of our top Prefects that lead councils in our school: Head Girl, Student Council Captain, Arts Captain, Sports Captain, Services Captain and Head Girl, Sonninghill Hostel. The Deputy Head Girl is selected from one of these positions.

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Tutor group leader
- Prefect
- Peer support (Tuakana/Teina)
- Peer tutoring
- Arts
- Sport
- Coaching
- Peer Mentoring
- Co-curricular Group



You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go...



- DR SEUSS



STUDENT SUPPORT

Coming to a new school can be quite daunting. We have an extensive network set up to provide the help and support that is needed for students and parents. A learning environment with constructive working relationships, positive friendships, and personal responsibility are essential in the development of competent young women.

TUTOR GROUP TEACHERS

Tutor group teachers have daily contact with their tutor group class. Your tutor group teacher will be the first person that parents and students will have contact with. They oversee the academic progress of students, attendance and participation in activities.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT TUTOR GROUP

At Hamilton Girls' High School we offer an International Student Tutor Group to help students new to New Zealand transition to a NZ High School culture.

HILLARY LEARNING HUB

A learning support centre, specializing in identifying and catering to a diversity of learning needs in an inclusive environment.

GUIDANCE COUNSELLORS

Where problems or concerns are of a more confidential and personal nature, the Guidance Counsellor is a person you can talk with. Our Guidance Counsellors are available by appointment and have the experience and ability to provide support for any situation or issue our young women may face. They also have access to a network of specialists to support their work.

STUDENT WELLNESS: HEALTH CLINIC

A qualified nurse is available 9:30am - 2:30pm daily, and a free doctor service is available one afternoon per week by appointment.

CAREERS COUNSELLORS

The Careers Counsellors are available to help all students with choosing career pathways and course planning, goal setting and time management that is necessary to achieve their chosen goals. They provide career advice, work experience, arrange workplace learning, ITO assessment through the Gateway programme, and assist students with applications to post-school destinations.



WHANAU TUTOR GROUPS

At Hamilton Girls' High School we offer Whānau Tutor groups. We uphold Tikanga Māori and Kawa in a nurturing, safe environment. There are leadership opportunities, and school wide initiatives with total support from staff. Whanau participation is an expectation. Educational hui are held once a term and other hui to help with the continued enhancement of our young women's educational opportunities. Our teachers have an expectation that they will engage with students to foster respect and encompass Tikanga Māori. Whānau Tutor Groups are called on to offer support to the school; this can include Powhiri, manaaki and tiaaki.

PASIFIKA SUPPORT

Achieving personal excellence academically is a major focus and we have structures in place to support our Pasifika students. These include: Our 'Big Sister' programme for our Year 9 students; Teacher mentors for our senior students; and a Study centre for weekly study and tutoring.

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open everyday

8.15am - 2.30pm
TERM TIME ONLY



SCHOOL UNIFORM CODE

UNIFORM

- **Charcoal Grey Skirt** - Year 9-13. One style only with school monogram.
- **Maroon Jersey** - Year 9-13. One style only with school monogram.
- **HGHS Blazer** - Year 9-11. One style only with school monogram.
- **White Shirt** - Year 9 - 11. One style only with school monogram - short sleeves (long sleeves available).
- **Tie** - Year 9 - 12. Black with school monogram and single stripe.
- **Softshell School/Sports Jacket** - Year 9-13. One style only with school monogram - hip length, zipped. (No other jacket is permitted.)
- **Stockings/Socks** - Plain black stockings or mid ankle length black school socks with maroon trim only to be worn with winter shoes.
- **Term 1 & 4 Footwear** - Black Roman sandals or McKinlays sold in the Uniform Shop Term 1 and Term 4 only.
- **Term 2 & 3 Footwear** - Sturdy black polishable leather, low-heeled, below the ankle, enclosed shoes. (compulsory Term 2 and 3, permissible all year).
- **Black skate or sport shoes of any type are NOT permitted.** Lace-ups or over-straps are permitted.

COMPULSORY SENIOR UNIFORM ITEMS ARE:

- **Senior Blazer** - Year 12 - 13. Black blazer; with maroon trim and school monogram.
- **Pinstripe Blouse** - Year 12 - 13. Pinstripe short sleeve blouse with school monogram.
- **Tie** - Year 13 only. Alternate colour with school monogram.

NOTE

- **Make-up, Hair Ties** - Make-up must **NOT** be worn. Hair may be coloured in natural tones. Hair accessories must be black, white or maroon. Nail polish is **NOT** permitted.
- **Jewellery** - The only jewellery permitted is a wristwatch, simple ear studs/sleepers (**one in each ear**) and a discreet chain, pendant or taonga around the neck (and not visible).
- **Facial piercings are NOT permitted and will need to be removed.**
- **Scarf** - HGHS school scarf or plain black scarf (either may be worn in Terms 2 and 3 only).
- Note: Cultural adaption available on enquiry
- **School Shoes - Year 9-13**
Summer: Black Roman sandals or McKinlays sold in the Uniform Shop Term 1 and Term 4 only.
Winter: Sturdy black polishable leather, low-heeled, below the ankle, enclosed shoes. (compulsory Term 2 and 3, permissible all year).

The HGHS Blazer is to be worn all year long. The HGHS Soft Shell Jacket is an addition to the compulsory uniform and NOT to be worn without the school blazer.

TERMS 1 AND 4 -

Blazer, shirt, tie, skirt and Roman sandals or McKinlay's sandals sold through the uniform shop.

TERMS 2 AND 3 -

Blazer with the school jersey, tie, shirt, skirt, black socks with coloured HGHS trim or black stockings with black sturdy low cut polishable winter shoes. In addition, students may choose to wear the HGHS scarf and the school monogrammed soft shell jacket.

Grey monogrammed trousers may be worn as an alternative to the skirt in Terms 2 & 3 only

ENROLMENT PROCEDURES

Hamilton Girls' High School operates an enrolment scheme. All students in zone who apply are accepted regardless of roll size. A large number of our students do come from out of zone.

ALL APPLICANTS

Please complete the Online Application for Enrolment available on our website.

ZONING STATUS

In Zone Applications

Students who live within the Zone shown in the map and street list on our website shall be entitled to enrol at Hamilton Girls' High School. All in-zone applicants must complete the Statutory Declaration certified by a Justice of the Peace, and attach a certified copy of a recent telephone/electricity account and your tenancy agreement or sale and purchase agreement. See the Application For Enrolment Booklet for more information.

Out of Zone Applications

Out of zone applications for enrolment will be prioritised in the following order when determining whether or not there is a need for a ballot.

- Priority 1:** Students who have been accepted for enrolment in special programmes run by the school and approved by the Secretary of Education. (No such programmes at HGHS).
- Priority 2:** Sisters of current students.
- Priority 3:** Sisters of former students.
- Priority 4:** Daughters of former students of the school.
- Priority 5:** Daughters of employees of the Hamilton Girls' High School Board of Trustees or a daughter of a member of the board of the school.
- Priority 6:** All other applicants.

BALLOT

If there are more applicants in the second, third, fourth or fifth priority groups than there are places available, selection within the priority group will be by ballot conducted in accordance with instructions issued by the Secretary of Education under Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989. Parents will be informed of the date of any ballot by notice in the Waikato Times.

SONNINGHILL APPLICATIONS

If a student boards at Sonninghill Hostel they gain automatic entry to Hamilton Girls' High School. See the Sonninghill section of the Prospectus.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS

International Students are welcomed at both Hamilton Girls and Sonninghill Hostel. Applications are invited at any time.

See our International Section for more information.

KEY DATES IN 2021 FOR STUDENTS WHO START SCHOOL IN 2022 ARE:

YEAR 9

- Online enrolment available from the School: **26 July 2021**
- Open Day: **August 5th 2021**
- Enrolments close at: **5.00pm 3rd September, 2021**
- Priority 6 Ballot held: **10th September, 2021**
- Notification of ballot results by: **11th September, 2021**

YEAR 10, 11, 12 & 13

- Enrolments close at **5.00pm 12th November, 2021**
- Notification by: **26th November, 2021**

SONNINGHILL

- Applications for Sonninghill close on **13th April 2021.**

Late applications will be considered on a case by case basis and if accepted will be added to a waiting list.

OUR STAFF

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Principal

Marie Gordon M. Ed.Admin, BA, Dip Tchg

Deputy Principals

Sharleen Nathan M. Ed.Admin and Leadership (Distinction), B.Ed, Dip Tchg

Craig Scrimgeour BSc Dip Tchg

Rebecca Early BA Dip Tchg and M. Ed leadership (First class honours)

Assistant Principals

Campbell Wood

Toti West

HEADS OF DEPARTMENT

Art

Jennifer Fernyhough

Business Studies

Joshua Mansill

Careers/Gate

Wendy Calder

Digital and Technology (Acting)

Gillian Dibley/ Jacqui Harris

Director of Learning Acceleration

Suzie Brace

Drama

Margie Wynne-Jones

English

Greer Sydney

Languages

Patsy Hall

Learning Support

Darron Cutler

Mathematics

Val Rolfe

Music

Joanna Dickinson

PE and Health

Lynn Johnstone

Science

Gail Bergman

Social Science

Josephine Maplesden

Te Reo Maori

Hollie Graham

SONNINGHILL HOSTEL

Director of Boarding

Liz Witehira

COUNSELLING TEAM

Nicole Mayall

Robin Clarke

Bex Dredge

INTERNATIONAL

International Coordinator

Takako Smart

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Lale Ieremia (Chairperson)

Batami Pundak

Terri Hohneck

Andrew McRae

Greg Smith

Stan Goldsack

Kristin Cato (Staff Representative)

Emily Shute (Student Representative)



MARIE GORDON
Principal

Boarding at Hamilton Girls' High School Sonninghill Hostel provides a caring and supportive environment where students are encouraged to do well academically and participate fully in the sporting, cultural and social life of the school. We assist our students to develop skills which will stand them in good stead throughout their lives. We help each girl develop an understanding of other cultures, respect for others, sound moral values and leadership skills.

Learning to live and work with others teaches independence, tolerance and co-operation with each other in our boarding community. There are many advantages to boarding at Sonninghill Hostel but none more so than the strong sense of community, the wonderful friendships which are formed and the brilliant support that the boarders extend to one another in times of need. Our community offers a warm welcome to all who enter.

Marie Gordon
Principal

Hostel

APPLICATION INFORMATION

SONNINGHILL HOSTEL

Sonninghill is a modern boarding hostel, which provides a safe supportive environment for girls attending Hamilton Girls' High School. The hostel is located in Marama Street, a short walk to HGHS.

ACCOMMODATION

- Junior boarders share two-bed cubicles in dormitories and separate rooms on a term rotational basis
- Senior boarders (usually Year 12 & 13) stay in motel-style units with four beds and an ensuite
- Fully catered central dining room

RECREATION AND RELAXATION

- Landscaped grounds with solar-heated swimming pool, tennis/netball court and BBQ area, trampoline
- Activities Room: pool table, piano, gym equipment
- TV auditorium with home theatre
- Lounge for socialising; Piano Room; Quiet Room
- Separate senior facilities; lounge with kitchen, TV, Sky/DVD player

STUDY

- Compulsory supervised prep for Yrs 9-12 Monday through Thursday evenings.
- Separate Year 13 study room with some computers.
- Wireless Internet
- Specialised Tutorials are provided by Studyfit.

TRANSPORT

- Minibus available during set hours within defined area for transport to school sporting, school cultural activities, bus depot
- Close to public transport for home leave

HOME LEAVE

- Compulsory set leave two weekends each term
- Home leave permitted every weekend (except one compulsory stay-in for new boarders at start of year.)

At the heart of
Hamilton Girls'
High School are
strong relationships
focused on the
best outcomes for
every student.



SONNINGHILL HOSTEL HEAD GIRL

Paris Bourke

Kia ora koutou katoa,

My name is Paris Bourke and I have the absolute privilege of being the Sonninghill Hostel Head Girl for 2021. Being Hostel Head Girl helps me role model the girls and act as their 'big sister' into their transition with highschool. This role is held very close to my heart and I wish to share the amazing opportunities that this leadership role has shown me.

The main focus that my amazing Hostel Exec and I would like to deliver is to create the 'home away from home' feeling towards all the new entrance girls coming into highschool. We love creating fun activities within and with other hostels around Hamilton. This can range from fun theme dinners, socials with HBHS, Ms Sonninghill, Cultural Evening and much more!!

Hamilton Girls has been such a blessing that was kindly offered to me by my parents as an option. The opportunities that this school has given me is beyond an explanation. Choosing HGHS as a boarding school was a very unknown choice in my mothers eyes, and for her too see now where the school has taken both my sister and I through academics, sports, and culture - she is forever proud of the decision she made. Living away from home is a very tough lifestyle, you have to alter and change home behaviours to fit into the hostel routine, but at Sonninghill you create lifelong memories and stories that you will share for the rest of your life!

Ngā Mihi
Paris

HISTORY OF SONNINGHILL

The hostel for Hamilton Girls' High School was first established in 1915 at "Abbotsford", a gracious old Hamilton home situated in Anglesea Street.

In 1930, the hostel was moved across the river to the former Diocesan School building in River Road and named "Sonning" after an English village. Over the next few decades, the building became old, inadequate and in need of extensive repairs. The decision was made to relocate to the present site on land formerly owned by Hamilton Technical College. This move removed the long walk from one side of the city to the other and was much more convenient for the students.

The official opening of Sonninghill was in 1971 with 83 students accommodated in a brand new hostel. Since then, senior units, a senior common room (Wynne-Jones Lounge), a games room and television lounge have been added.

FACILITIES

Sonninghill caters for up to 136 boarders in Years 9 to 13. The main hostel building accommodates all Year 9-11 students in four dormitories. The hostel also has a modern fully-equipped industrial kitchen, dining room, laundry, sick bay, lounge, movie style TV lounge and prep rooms.

The Wynne-Jones block houses senior students and includes a kitchen, lounge, laundry, study room and eight four-bedroom motel-style units each with an ensuite.

Other student facilities at Sonninghill include: wireless internet & printing, a solar heated swimming pool, trampoline, tennis/netball court and barbecue area.

Our games room includes a pool table, air hockey table, and exercise equipment. Basketball and volleyball can also be played in our hostel grounds.

Students have access to computers, copiers, black and white and colour printers, TV, video and Sky TV in both junior and senior lounges.

The hostel flat is self-contained and sleeps four.



MISSION STATEMENT

Sonninghill Hostel aims to provide the best possible environment for girls who need to board away from home to attend Hamilton Girls' High School.

MEALS

The catering service provides tasty, balanced, nutritious meals and will cater for students requiring special dietary needs where possible or appropriate. Students make their own school lunches at breakfast time.

Themed dinners are planned occasionally and students are encouraged to help organise and get involved.

HOSTEL STUDENTS

Students are encouraged to continue with their hobbies; art, cultural or sports activities.

Hostel staff organise a range of activities for boarders including the annual swimming sports and a variety of in-house competitions.

Some activities are held with Argyle House of Hamilton Boys' High School. These include inter-hostel swimming sports/ tabloid sports, socials and other activities.

UNIFORM

The school uniform rules apply to all hostel students. In the hostel, students wear tidy mufti of their own choice.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Sonninghill can accommodate international students. The Hostel provides a wonderful experience and life skills for international students who wish to study in NZ at Hamilton Girls' High School. Boarding allows students to be fully immersed in the English Language and experience other cultures with girls of similar ages.

Please apply through the Director of International Development at Hamilton Girls' High School. Each application is considered on a case by case basis.



SONNINGHILL STUDENT SERVICES

PARENTS/CAREGIVERS

Parents/caregivers and prospective students are welcome to make an appointment to view the Hostel prior to enrolment.

Parents/caregivers have access to their daughter(s) at all times. Parents/caregivers attending to school business in Hamilton are welcome to stay overnight in the hostel flat.

Parents/caregivers and families are invited to a barbecue held after the first set leave weekend of Term 1 each year.

HOSTEL MANAGEMENT

The hostel is lead by the Principal and members of the Senior Leadership Team. The hostel is run on a day-to-day basis by the Director of Boarding who is assisted by Boarding Managers and other support staff.

HEALTH

The hostel has a sick bay where students are cared for until parents/caregivers can collect them.

TRANSPORT

The hostel minibus transports students to school related activities within a defined zone and to the bus depot when going on out of town home leave. Taxis can be organised for students attending non-school activities, at the parent/caregiver cost.

LEAVE

There are two compulsory set leave weekends each term plus school holidays.

1. Students may go home every weekend if they choose to do so.
2. Students are required to go home on two set leave weekends each term and school holidays.
3. Students may have day leave to visit friends and relatives, or other activities at the Hostels discretion.

TELEPHONE / CELLPHONES

Each Year 9-10 student is permitted to have one cell phone which can be used at designated times. Year 11-13 students have free access to their cell phones. Local calls may be made from the hostel telephones.

RESIDENTS DEPOSIT ACCOUNT (RDA)

The RDA account is used for emergency medical and prescription needs, student printing, buses to activities, hostel apparel and photos. Parents/caregivers are asked to bank \$140 per annum per boarder.

SONNINGHILL APPLICATIONS

To be considered for the first allocation of places, applications for the following school year are required by 12 April. Applicants will be advised of their acceptance as soon as possible. Applications received after closing date will receive consideration thereafter.

Students who receive places at Sonninghill gain automatic entry to Hamilton Girls' High School.

SONNINGHILL FEES

ACCEPTANCE FEE

Payable on acceptance (non-refundable).

BOARDING FEES

Details available on request. The fees can be paid in full or are paid in eight instalments. The first instalment must be paid by 20 September, the year prior or, for late enrolments, before entry into the Hostel, with the balance payable in 7 monthly instalments. Year 9 places are allocated for the entire school year. If a student is withdrawn, there is an obligation to pay the fees for the remaining part of the year. In the event of withdrawal from Hostel, after Year 9, a parent/caregiver must give 12 weeks written notice. Payments of one seventh of the year's boarding fees are to be paid in lieu of notice. Any decision as to the waiving of the requirement would be rare and is at the sole discretion of the Principal and Board of Trustees.

BURSARIES APPLICATIONS BY 31ST MARCH

The Ministry of Education provides assistance to school students who need to board away from home in order to receive their education.

The different types of boarding bursaries and allowances available are:

1. School Boarding Bursaries

Students are eligible provided that:

- the applicant lives 4.8 kilometres or more from the nearest state school or from the nearest bus stop
- there is no transport service which the applicant could reasonably be expected to use to attend school
- the attendance, progress and conduct of the student are satisfactory
- the student is not receiving any other Government bursary, scholarship or grant for educational purposes.

2. Travel Assistance

A refund may be made for the cost of travelling at the beginning and end of each term between home and the hostel where the cost is in excess of \$10 per term.

3. Secondary School Bursaries

These are available to Year 12 or 13 students who cannot obtain tuition in approved subjects at their local school.

If you require further information regarding the Government Boarding Bursaries you can contact:

The Ministry of Education
Wanganui Office
Telephone: 06 349 6300

Documents can be downloaded: www.minedu.govt.nz/goto/GBB

All requests for information, applications and tours of hostel are to be addressed to:

The Director of Boarding
P.O. Box 512
Waikato Mail Centre
HAMILTON 3240

Email: director@sonninghill.school.nz

Sonninghill Hostel
Telephone: 07 839 0074
Email: admin@sonninghill.school.nz

Hamilton Girls' High School
Telephone: 07 839 1304
Fax: 07 834 1394
Email: administration@hghs.school.nz
Website: www.hghs.school.nz



International

APPLICATION

INFORMATION



- NZ's largest inland city.
- NZ's longest river, the Waikato, flows for 16km through the city.
- Kirikiriroa, the city's Maori name means 'long stretch of gravel'.
- Population of 148,200 people (estimate at June 2012).
- Has a youthful population - around half of residents are under 30 years old.
- NZ European make up three quarters of the population and Maori 19 percent.
- Home to more than 80 ethnic groups.
- Mild climate and moderate year round rainfall keep the city and surrounding area very green.
- Mean temperatures - 18C in January (summer) and 9C in July (winter).
- 145 parks and gardens and 63 sports areas.
- City has more than 1,000 hectares of open space.
- Home to 25,800 person capacity Waikato Stadium.

HAMILTON, NEW ZEALAND

INTRODUCTION

Hamilton Girls' High School warmly welcomes international students to join our school in 2020. We look forward to getting to know your daughters and contributing to their education goals.

Hamilton City, Waikato

Located on the banks of the Waikato River, Hamilton City is the heart of the Waikato region, and is New Zealand's fourth largest city. The region is culturally and geographically diverse and is a safe, family focused community where international students have amazing educational and sporting opportunities.

In close proximity to Hamilton is the Hobbiton Movie Set, the stunning black sand beaches of Raglan, the world famous Waitomo Caves and its glow worms and the Otorohanga kiwi house where you can see up close our nation's bird the Kiwi.

The Waikato is home to dairy farming, the Chiefs Rugby team and Waikato Stadium, Waikato University which is recognised as one of New Zealand's finest tertiary institutions, and the country's longest river.

Our students are encouraged to be involved in the life of the school and take pride in its achievements, including academically, sporting and music and performing arts.

Living overseas gives our students a much wider world view and often helps them decide what they really want out of life. Hamilton Girls' High School is proud to be part of their experience in New Zealand and work hard to make it the best it can be.

INTERNATIONAL ENROLMENT PROCEDURES

Thank you for your interest in making an application to our school. Please read these **IMPORTANT NOTES** before commencing enrolment.

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. You must provide all information we need on the “Enrolment Check List”. Failure to do so may mean that an “Offer of a Place” cannot be issued to you, or it will delay the processing of your application. The standard time to process an application is around 1~3 working days. The processing begins from when we receive the **CORRECTLY COMPLETED** application form and other documents if applicable.
2. All international students are required to notify “the School” of any change in their contact details, accommodation type and residential address and their parents’ contact details.
3. A current student visa/permit issued by the New Zealand Immigration Service must be sighted and photocopied by the School before the enrolment can be completed.
4. The Student must have appropriate and current medical and travel insurance while studying in New Zealand. The insurance documents must be sighted and photocopied by the School before the enrolment can be completed.
5. Immigration New Zealand (INZ) has been promoting the use of an online tool for students to make visa applications. For more details go to: <http://www.immigration.govt.nz/about-us/our-online-systems>.

ENROLMENT PROCEDURES

- The Student/Student's Parents completes the Application for Tuition Form & Tuition Agreement and sends them to School.
With your application please enclose, if applicable:
 - Signed and dated the Application and Agreement and if applicable:
 - Enclosed one recent passport sized photograph
 - Enclosed a copy of your passport or birth certificate
 - Enclosed English test result (eg, TOFEL, IELTS) or a letter from your school confirming your competence in English
 - Enclosed a copy of your most recent school report (in English)
 - Enclosed a character reference from the Principal of your present school
- The Student must provide all information we need on the “Enrolment Check List”. Failure to do so may mean that an “Offer of a Place” cannot be issued to you, or it will delay the processing of your application. The standard time to process an application is around 1~3 working days. The processing begins from when we receive the **CORRECTLY COMPLETED** application form and other documents if applicable.
- An online interview with Deputy Principal could be arranged if the Student would like to discuss enrolment or subject options.
- The School sends Guarantee of Placement—a provisional Offer of A Place (if required) and notifies the Student to pay the tuition fee if the application has been accepted.
- The Student must have appropriate and current medical and travel insurance while studying in New Zealand. The insurance documents must be sighted and photocopied by the School before your application can be considered.
- A receipt and an official “Offer of a Place” will be sent to the Student after the School receives the payment from the Student.
- The courses will be confirmed after the Student’s arrival.
- The Student will require a student visa—on payment of the fee, you will receive a receipt and Offer of a Place to take to the immigration Department in order to obtain this Visa. Information regarding the NZ student visa you will need to obtain from your local Immigration Department.
- The Student notifies School of accommodation requirements and travel plans including arrival date to New Zealand.
- The Student sends the appropriate documents to School (in regards to accommodation requirements).
 - Signed Statement of Designated Caregiver Arrangement (signed by parents)
 - Homestay Agreement
- The School arranges accommodation if required and welcomes the International Student.

ENROLMENT CHECK LIST

FORM	MUST BE SIGNED BY: / DETAILS REQUIRED	GIVEN TO APPLICANT	RETURNED BY APPLICANT
i) Application for Tuition/ Tuition Agreement	One of the student's parents/Legal guardian	✓	
ii) Caregiver Statement (if aged under 18 and if applicable)	One of the student's parents/Legal guardian		
iii) Homestay Application and Agreement/ DCG Agreement	One of the student's parents/legal guardian		
iv) Fee Advice (see in this Prospectus)		✓	N/A
v) Information Package	Prospectus (including Grievance Procedure, Orientation Programme, Support Service), Course Options	✓	N/A
vi) PASSPORT (Before enrolment)	Photocopied		
vii) Photo	One recent passport size Photo required		
viii) Student Visa	Photocopied		
ix) Medical & Travel Insurance	Sighted & Photocopied Must have appropriate and current medical and travel insurance for the duration of their planned period of study.		

If you have any questions about the application process, please contact:

Hamilton Girls' High School's International Department

Phone: +64 7 839 1304

Fax: +64 7 834 1394

Postal Address: P O Box 1267, Hamilton 3240, New Zealand

Physical Address: Ward Street, Hamilton, New Zealand

Email: international@hggs.school.nz

Website: www.hggs.school.nz

REFUND POLICY:

- In order to be eligible for any refund, the parent or legal guardian must apply in writing to the Board setting out the special circumstances of the claim.
- If the withdrawal is prior to the Student coming to New Zealand, the fees paid will be refunded in full minus the \$750 administration fee. There will be no refund made should the student withdraw after completing two weeks of the schooling year. However, the refund will be calculated should the student return home for serious illness, or death/serious illness of a family member.
- Where the student withdraws from a subject, course or programme run at the School and is eligible to receive a refund, the Board may refund to the person who paid in respect of the subject any amount of the fees it thinks is appropriate.

No refunds will be made where:

- The student has been suspended from School, and the Board of Trustees has decided to exclude her
- Students are asked to leave the School due to misbehaviours or poor attendance
- Students wish to transfer to another school for whatever reason
- Students return home for any reason other than serious illness or death of a close family member
- Students require permanent residence after having enrolled at the School
- Students gain the right to receive New Zealand state-funded education by other lawful means, after having enrolled and commenced study at the school.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEE ADVICE FOR YEAR 2022

TO THE PARENTS:

Tuition for the full year	\$ 16,000.00
Administration and Pastoral Care fee	\$ 1000.00
Homestay (per week)	\$ 280.00
Homestay placement fee (if you choose to use this homestay service)	\$ 250.00
Hostel Accommodation (If accepted) (per year)	\$13,520.00
Homestay (per week)	\$280.00
Homestay placement fee	\$250.00
Insurance	\$633.00

IMPORTANT:

The tuition fee includes a New Zealand Government tax on tuition. There may be further costs for medical/travel insurance, uniform (see uniform price list) stationery, school magazine, school camps/trips, field work, sports/cultural activities, school ball and external examination fees etc. When or if these are required:

Payment may be made by way of Bank Transfer to:

ASB Bank

[BIC-number (Bank Identified Code) or swift code: ASBBNZ2A]

Hamilton Branch

Address: 500 Victoria Street, Hamilton Central, Hamilton, 3204 NZ.

Account: "Hamilton Girls' High School"

Account number 12-3122-0346679-00

*** Please write student's name on deposit form in reference/particulars section to assist with identification when the money is deposited in the School account. If this is not completed it will delay the process of your enrolment.

FEE PROTECTION POLICY

All fees paid to the school by International Students will be held in the school's International Students' Independent Account. This fund will be used only for the purpose for which it is intended. It will not become part of the school's operational funding.

INFORMATION AND ADVICE ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

AVAILABILITY AND CHARACTERISTICS

of living accommodation options:

HOMESTAY

Hamilton Girls' High School can arrange homestay accommodation with local families. A homestay carer is expected to provide a bedroom equipped for study: a bed and bedding, heating, lighting and storage space. The Homestay fee contributes to day-to-day expenses including meals, electricity and family activities. Transport to and from school may be provided by the family or by public bus.

HGHS assess the suitability of all homestay accommodation. All homestay providers are screened and their homes visited to determine the suitability of the accommodation being offered in accordance with the provisions set out in the Code of Practice.

Where possible, students are also involved in the assessment of accommodation by discussing the assessment with the coordinators and by visiting the proposed home beforehand.

HOSTEL

The hostel is available for the senior students. An online interview with the director (or principal) could be arranged.

COSTS AND APPLICATION PROCESSES

for securing accommodation

ADDITIONAL COSTS

- The homestay fee does not cover all telephone or internet use. Costs of toll calls and internet use beyond that agreed to by the homestay providers are to be met by the student.
- Most homestays are on bus routes to school and town. Students can expect to pay around \$15 per week if using buses.
- Other additional costs to be met by the student may be the cost of transport to or from Auckland Airport on arrival and departure.
- All fees are to be paid in advance and may be paid annually, extra fees are to be paid per term or per month to the school office.
- The International Co-ordinator should be advised prior to arrival if the school is to be asked to provide homestay accommodation.

HOMESTAY

Homestay Fees
\$260 per week

Initial Placement Fee paid only once on first set up
\$250.00

Retainer Fee paid during the school year to the homestay provider when the student is away on holiday

\$50 per week is the suggested amount.

The above fees are subject to annual review.



ACCOMMODATION

Types

As you will be under 18 years old when you start at Hamilton Girls' High School, the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students says you must live in one of the following kinds of accommodation while attending the school:

- a homestay
- Sonninghill Hostel
- with a Designated Caregiver
- with your parents.

You may not live in any other type of accommodation while you are under 18.

A designated Caregiver must be a relative or a close family friend. If your parents would like you to live with a designated caregiver, your parents must sign an indemnity document. Please contact HGHS and you will receive the correct form to complete and return to us.

Your Designated Caregiver must also sign an agreement. Once we receive the Indemnity Document signed by your parents, we will send the Designated Caregiver Agreement to the designated caregiver and arrange to inspect the property and meet the designated caregiver.

During set leave and term breaks, International students staying at the hostel who do not have a local guardian in Hamilton will be placed with a homestay family. An additional fee will be required as outlines in the fee schedule.

Note: Accommodation is subject to the approval of Hamilton Girls' High School

ACCOMMODATION

Queries

Please contact the Hamilton Girls' High International Department.

Email: international@hghs.school.nz or

Phone: 07 839 1304

Fax: 07 834 1394

CODE OF PRACTICE

The Education (Pastoral Care of International Students) Code of Practice 2016

CODE:

Hamilton Girls' High School has agreed to observe and be bound by the Education (Pastoral Care of International Students) Code of Practice 2016. Copies of the Code are available from the NZQA website at www.nzqa.govt.nz.

IMMIGRATION

Full details of immigration requirements, advice on rights to employment in New Zealand while studying, and reporting requirements are available from Immigration New Zealand, and can be viewed on their website at www.immigration.govt.nz.

ELIGIBILITY FOR HEALTH SERVICES

Most international students are not entitled to publicly funded health services while in New Zealand. If you receive medical treatment during your visit, you may be liable for the full costs of that treatment. Full details on entitlements to publicly funded health services are available through the Ministry of Health, and can be viewed on their website at www.moh.govt.nz.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Accident Compensation Corporation provides accident insurance for all New Zealand citizens, residents, and temporary visitors to New Zealand, but you may still be liable for all other medical and related costs. Further information can be viewed on the ACC website at www.acc.co.nz.

MEDICAL AND TRAVEL INSURANCE

International students (including group students) must have appropriate and current medical and travel insurance while in New Zealand.

IMMIGRATION ONLINE - STUDENT

As an international student wanting to study in New Zealand, you can now complete and submit your visa application online.

Before you start your application, you need to:

- prepare all supporting documents in PDF format
- provide an acceptable photo of yourself
- have a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card so you can pay the application fee.

For more information about the supporting documents visit:
www.immigration.govt.nz

After submitting your application, you need to send your passport and the appropriate handling fee to a Visa Application Centre or Immigration New Zealand office.





Identity

WHO AM I?
 WHAT'S MY
 PURPOSE?
 MAI AU?
 HEI AKU
 HEI MA KI
 HEI AU?

Courage

REMEMBER
 WHY YOU
 STARTED
 PŪRUATIA
 TE MOKO

Creativity

EXPLORE
 WHAT'S
 POSSIBLE
 MAIANGITIA

VISION:

At the heart of Hamilton Girls' High School are strong relationships focused on the best outcomes for every student.

VALUES:



Tuakiritanga
IDENTITY



Manawaroa
RESILIENCE



Manawareka
CURIOSITY



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