



Hundreds of years ago brave Polynesian seafarers explored the Pacific in search of new lands.

To find New Zealand they followed seasonal winds, seabirds and mighty whales migrating south. By day they pursued the sun high above the horizon, and beneath the starry heavens by night they steered between Matariki and Tautoru – and followed Te Taki o Autahi the Southern Cross.

Not just a place to learn, but somewhere to dream, to flourish and to grow. A place where we support young people on their journey to becoming confident young adults, helping them develop resilience, fulfil their potential, set and reach goals and ultimately reach for the stars.



SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIR

We are ambitious for success and aspirational for our community. We make no apology for demanding excellence from our students and set the bar high for performance and behaviour. We believe that learning is more than what the students see and hear in the classroom so offer a wide range of real contexts for learning outside of our school gates. The key to any education system, though, is the quality of the teachers. We're fortunate at Southern Cross Campus to attract some outstanding, dedicated, professional, highly qualified and experienced teachers.

Our school is rightly a beacon in Mangere, recognised by the fact the Government is rebuilding our campus into a modern learning environment. On top of our educational success, our sports teams and cultural groups regularly win regional and national competitions coached by our parents, whanau and community.

I'm confident that by sending your child to Southern Cross Campus not only will they have a great education but they will turn out to be wonderful adults.

Peter Parussini

HIGH EXPECTATIONS

We have clear and simple expectations for all of our students.

All students must:

- * Attend school everyday and be on time. We expect 100% attendance and punctuality.
- * Take personal responsibility to be fully equipped for lessons everyday and arrive with the right attitude for learning.
- * Display excellent behaviour, be resilient and determined to achieve their best.
- * Build positive relationships with others founded on respect and irrespective of difference.

CURRICULUM

We offer a wide ranging curriculum with the distinct advantage of students enjoying learning in a small whanau oriented environment. The curriculum offered at the college is focused around students developing meaningful pathways for their chosen careers beyond school. Students have a wide choice of subjects which aim to cater for the range of interests, abilities and skills of the students. NCEA courses are constructed so that students can choose to study courses at a range of levels regardless of their chronological age. The number of students who are accelerated is growing with more students entering scholarship level subjects.













SOUTHERN CROSS CAMPUS LEARNER PROCESS

LAUNCH

Ask the Question

Wonder
Be curious
Inquire
Have-a-go
Unpack the words
Set goals

NAVIGATE

Build New Knowledge

Use what I already know Make relevant connections Clarify Ask questions Check for understanding

ROUGH SEAS

Revisit the Questions

Respond to challenges
Take risks and make mistakes
Be resilient
What do I already know?
What is not clear?
Ask others
Which strategy could I use?

ANCHOR

Articulate what I have Learnt

What do I now understand? Evaluate Celebrate success Decide on next steps



ACADEMIES

Academies are focused on careerbased training and progression into the industry, whilst preserving the integrity of life-long learning and educational practices. This approach enables students to develop career pathways with specific training to be ready for employment or sector-specific higher training opportunities. Academies give students 'real life' training by placing them in industry for up to two days per week. Academies include:

- * Automotive
- * Building Construction * Hospitality

The benefits of Academy based learning are higher student engagement, authentic contexts and the development of work ethics through a practical training environment.





PASTORAL CARE AND STUDENT SUPPORT

Pastoral Care at Southern Cross Campus endeavours to provide a safe social, emotional, cultural, and physical environment in order to foster the learning, growth and wellbeing of students.

These principles and values are the cornerstone upon which we build the strong, positive and respectful relationships that typify and are integral to the daily life of the Southern Cross Campus community.

The Pastoral Care team are on site every day to support our students and include:

- * 4 House Leaders
- * 3 Guidance Counsellors
- * 2 Social Workers
- * 2 Nurses
- * A doctor

All students belong to a House system, a foundation for building identity, purpose, competition, achievement and celebration. The house system also offers a framework for creating student leadership opportunities where older students proactively assist the younger students with advice and support. It is a positive extension to the family and community notion in our school where students feel more connected.



CULTURAL

Our students have many opportunities to learn, embrace and celebrate their own culture as well as the many cultures that make up our campus. We do this through exciting school events such as cultural week, the various language week celebrations, international travel as well as competing in regional events. The ASB Secondary School Polyfest is an annual event where we have a proud history of excellence. Our cultural groups are recognised for their performances through the many prizes and placings that we gain every year.







ARTS

We offer an extensive Arts programme through our visual arts, music and drama departments, along with exciting extra-curricular opportunities.

Participation and excellence in the Arts is encouraged and rewarded. Our students have an integral role in wider community programmes such as the Southside Rise productions run by the well-known Black Friars Theatre company as well as create their own opportunities by staging school productions and year level plays to our community at the Mangere Arts Centre.







ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

Southern Cross Campus is a dynamic and exciting school where the Visual Arts and the Performing Arts are seen as vital to the health and well-being of our students and an important part of their preparation for life after schooling. There are many groups and programmes such as Science club, sustainability group, peer support and the gifted and talented programme are only a few of the programmes where students build relationships and leadership skills, are encouraged to use their 'voice' and make positive change within our school and wider community.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS EXPERIENCE

Our staff are passionate and dedicated to transforming the lives of our students through high quality teaching, extensive support to ensure students gain the best possible academic outcomes and exposure to rich learning experiences inside and outside of the classroom.

We are carving out a new story for our students and our local community founded on a proud history of working together for success.





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