



Christchurch | *Te Kura*
Girls' High | *o Hine*
School | *Waiora*

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROSPECTUS

*Quality Education
in the
South Island of
New Zealand*

A School Where ...





**Christchurch Girls' High School /
*Te Kura o Hine Waiora*** has been
educating young women since 1877.
Since our beginning over 140 years
ago, dedicated and experienced staff
have been working with talented,
motivated students to create a
supportive, caring community
that extends far beyond physical
boundaries and their time at school.



...You're Welcome



Our school is a specialist in girls' education and young women flourish in an all-girl environment. As a member of the Australasian Alliance of Girls' Schools, we keep up to date with leading research and current happenings.

Our curriculum is tailored for girls, giving them the opportunity to explore and grow in an environment which nurtures young women. Furthermore, our delivery of the curriculum seeks to cater for the ability and learning needs of the individual. We want to enrich, enhance and extend the talents of each girl.

Classes at all levels may be taken to a variety of locations for the purpose of research, observations, and instruction. Opportunities are given for students to enter competitions, perform at festivals, attend off-campus courses, participate in university study and to be part of mentoring programmes. Field and cultural trips, outdoor education camps and career outings are among some of the rich variety of activities on offer at Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waioira*.

Learning needs to be made relevant for students and Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waioira* encourages authentic learning to occur.

...*Tradition is Valued*



At Christchurch Girls' High School / Te Kura o Hine Waiora each girl has the right to the best possible educational experience. We believe all students have the capacity to learn and that learning is an active rather than passive process. The best learning occurs when each girl is able to build on existing knowledge, make sense of new experiences and feel connected.

Quality teaching is provided and a positive classroom learning environment is fostered. Strong relationships are built in the classroom. Subject teachers are available to be contacted, or may contact parents, about the learning and progress of individual students. At Christchurch Girls' High School / Te Kura o Hine Waiora students are encouraged to own their learning.

Junior Classrooms

All Year 9 students study each of the eight essential learning areas of the New Zealand Curriculum: English, Languages, Mathematics, Physical Education and Health, Science, Social Sciences, Technology and The Arts. These areas provide the contexts within which knowledge, key competencies and values are developed. A special feature of Christchurch Girls' High School / Te Kura o Hine Waiora is that all Year 9 students study a second language for a minimum of one year; Chinese, French, German and Te Reo are offered.

The Year 10 programme continues with compulsory studies of English, Mathematics, Science, Physical Education and Social Studies plus three optional subjects.

Senior Classrooms

Our students are well prepared for national qualifications at Years 11, 12 and 13. We are very proud of the high standards they achieve. Senior students are encouraged to follow multi-level courses of study as appropriate.

All Year 11 students study English, Mathematics and Statistics and Science. They also choose three additional subjects.

At Year 12 students study six optional subjects.

Year 13 students study five subjects. The most able students enter Scholarship examinations.

... Innovation is Encouraged



Excellence, in the words of Greek philosopher, Aristotle, is not an act but a habit. Excellence is never an accident. It is always the result of high intention, sincere effort and intelligent execution. It is not an accident that the academic value added to students at Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* is considerable*. Excellence has become second nature in all that we do.

Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* excels at local, regional and national levels on academic, sporting and cultural stages.

2018 Christchurch Girls' High School / <i>Te Kura o Hine Waiora</i> NCEA Achievement Pass Rates	
Level 1	96%
Level 2	91.7%
Level 3	95.5%
University Entrance	82%

Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* is a consistently top achieving school nationally in NCEA examinations. On average over 90% of our students gain NCEA Levels 1 and 2 and over 95% our students gain NCEA Level 3 qualifications. Students excel in choral competitions and chamber groups. National titles have been won in athletics, basketball, bowls, cricket, cross-country, dragon-boating, multi-sport, rugby, rowing and swimming.

Colour and Gold Awards are awarded to students in recognition of academic, sporting and cultural achievements and for service associated with the school.

* based on MIDYiS data from the Centre of Educational Monitoring, Canterbury

...*Excellence is a Habit*

Curriculum Pathway	Year Nine	English	Mathematics & Statistics	Science	Social Studies	Health & Physical Education	Technology	Chinese ESOL English French German Te Reo Māori	Economics	Art	Drama	Performance Music	
	Year Ten	English	Mathematics & Statistics	Science	Social Studies	Health & Physical Education	Digital Technologies Food & Fabric Graphics Product Design	Chinese* ESOL English* French* German* Te Reo Māori*	Economics	Art	Drama	Performance Music	
	Year Eleven <i>NCEA Level 1</i>	English ESOL English	Mathematics & Statistics	Science	Classical Studies Geography History	Health Physical Education	Digital Technologies Fashion Technology Food & Nutrition Graphics	Chinese* French* German* Te Reo Māori*	Accounting Economics	Art	Drama	Music	
	Year Twelve <i>NCEA Level 2</i>	English ESOL English	Mathematics* Mathematics & Statistics	Biology Chemistry Physics Science	Classical Studies Geography History Tourism Media Studies	Health Performance Sport Physical Education	Digital Technologies Fashion Technology Culinary Studies Graphics	Chinese* French* German* Te Reo Māori*	Accounting Economics	Art History Design Painting & Printmaking Photography	Drama	Music	Gateway Tikanga Māori
	Year Thirteen <i>NCEA Level 3</i>	English ESOL English	Mathematics with Calculus* Statistics*	Biology* Chemistry* Physics*	Classical Studies Geography History Tourism Media Studies	Health Performance Sport Physical Education	Digital Technologies Fashion Technology Culinary Studies Graphics	Chinese* French* German* Latin* Te Reo Māori*	Accounting Business Studies Economics	Art History Design* Painting * Printmaking* Photography*	Drama	Music	Gateway Tikanga Māori

The darker colour indicates a compulsory subject at that year level

** indicates subjects require prior learning*

Please note the subjects and requirements may alter from year to year



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Kura o Hine Waiora has a holistic approach to education. Academic progress is balanced with development of the whole person through sporting, cultural and service opportunities.

Sport

All students are encouraged to be involved in sport and recreation. Our aims are to foster fair-play and to emphasise enjoyment. There are countless opportunities to play sport as well as sports to play. Most sports are open to all year groups with competitive and social teams and activities. We enjoy outstanding sporting success at all levels: local, regional and national. Many of our International students have made our top teams for rugby, soccer, field hockey and badminton and gone on to represent the school at national competitions.

Outdoor Pursuits

New Zealanders have a great love for the outdoors and as part of our school curriculum our students have the opportunity to participate in overnight camps at every year level. Students thoroughly enjoy these camps and create lifelong memories. Students develop positive relationships with each other, their Ako teachers and peer support leaders and build confidence through a range of adventure-based activities.

Arts

The cultural life of the school is rich and diverse. A wide range of cultural activities allows students to pursue individual interests and develop and express their creative talents. International students are welcomed to be part of the many music, dance or cultural groups on offer.

Leadership and Service

All students are encouraged to participate and serve others in some capacity through the many cultural, sport and service opportunities available across all levels of the school. Students gain positive leadership experience, develop their own personal skills, strengths and interests, and are expected to respect others, demonstrate initiative and commitment.

Beyond The Classroom





International students are warmly welcomed to be a part of our school.

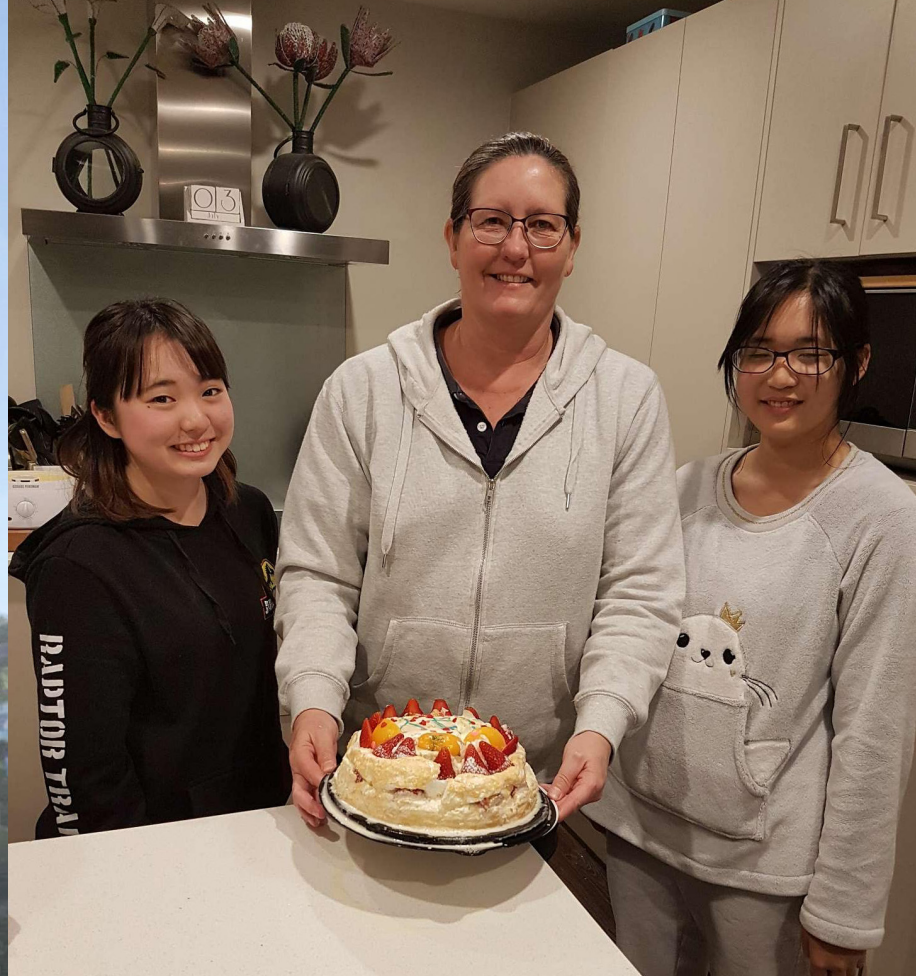
Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* values cultural diversity and the histories and traditions of all peoples. We are home to an International student population from a wide variety of countries such as Argentina, Chile, China, France, Germany, Japan, Korea and Thailand.

We offer both long and short term study options for students at all levels. International students study alongside our domestic students for many of their subjects and may take ESOL classes where required. Additional specialist ESOL support is available for maths and science. Long term International students enrol in National NCEA qualifications and work toward gaining Levels 1, 2 and 3 as well as University Entrance .

Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* aims to take excellent care of its students and offers a high level of pastoral care for of our students. An extensive pastoral curriculum supports and monitors individual learning and well-being. Our dedicated International Liaison helps students settle in and adjust to life both at school and in New Zealand. Regular meetings with students and their caregivers/homestays also help to ensure our International students are safe and happy.

At school every student belongs to an Ako/home class, this teacher is their first point of contact and each year level is overseen by a Dean. A specialist Careers and Transition Advisor is available to help with course selection and careers counselling. International students also have access to our Guidance Counsellors and Health Nurses who work to support students' social and emotional needs.

World Class Education



Accommodation arrangements for International students enrolled at Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* will be one of the following:

- Living with their own parent
- Living with a school arranged residential caregiver/homestay
- Living with a school approved designated caregiver (must be a relative or close family friend of the student)

Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* carefully assesses all our homestays in accordance with the New Zealand Code of Practice guidelines for the Pastoral Care of International Students.

Homestays are a good way for International students to learn about New Zealand culture and improve their English. Students are expected to be more than a guest. They are encouraged and expected to become part of their host family who will support and guide them. Many of our International students become lifelong friends with their homestay families.

Homestay accommodations includes:

- Warm furnished room with access to study facilities
- Three meals a day and access to snacks
- Laundry
- Supervision outside of school
- A safe and welcoming home environment

Home Away From Home



Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* is a place where you will feel welcome, where you will make friends and where you will gain the skills, qualifications and experiences that will allow you the freedom to create your own destiny.

International students are welcome to apply for a place at Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora*. Enrolments are accepted throughout the year depending on availability. Application forms can be found on the International section of our school website www.cghs.school.nz.

Completed applications can be submitted to international@cghs.school.nz or posted to:

Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora*
10 Matai Street
Riccarton
Christchurch,
New Zealand 8011

If you have any questions or want to find out more about the programmes, curriculum facilities or life at Christchurch Girls' High School / *Te Kura o Hine Waiora* do not hesitate to contact us or visit our website.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

A School Where You Belong.



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