



# WHANGAREI GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL





# *Haere mai, welcome to Whangarei*

Whangarei Girls' High School is located in Whangarei, Northland's largest city. It is a safe, clean and friendly place to live, with New Zealand's warmest climate.



Our region is stunningly beautiful, with unspoilt beaches, harbours and forests. We welcome visitors from all countries and cultures around the world.

Once you arrive in Auckland, it is only a 30 minute flight to Whangarei, making it easy to travel to and from our school.

# WELCOME TO WHANGAREI GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

*Offering a world of opportunity  
in Whangarei, New Zealand.*

*We are delighted to welcome international students to our school and enjoy helping them to improve their English, achieve their academic goals and experience our beautiful country.*

At the same time, we enjoy learning about other countries and cultures, as we prepare our students to find their place in today's world. We are proud of our 130 year history as a successful and highly regarded school, providing:

- Strong academic achievement
- Safe, supportive and secure environment
- Sporting opportunities and successes
- Warm and friendly school community
- Extensive curriculum across many subjects

**Anne Cooper,**  
Principal



*We have a dedicated team who care for our international students, beginning with their safe arrival in New Zealand.*

*We offer 24/7 support, with everything from choosing classes and joining school clubs, to planning social trips and ensuring quality accommodation.*



***Katy Mandeno – International Director***

- Oversees school commitment to the International Code of Practice
- Ensures high quality of care for international students
- Liaises with agents in New Zealand and overseas



***Amelia Morrison – International Student Manager***

- Provides 24 hour pastoral care and support to students
- Organises school orientation programme and plans social activities
- Ensures students are placed with supportive, friendly homestay families



***Marian Innes – International Dean***

- Assists students to plan their learning and curriculum
- Tailors unique course programmes for each student



***Arabelle Sobran – ESOL Teacher***

- Offers small, supportive ESOL classes
- Teaches IELTS and supports students with other subjects

**We look forward to meeting you!**

Please contact us or visit our website for application forms, fees schedule and policies, and further information on our school and our region.

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# ACCOMMODATION

*A safe, friendly and supportive living environment is arranged for all international students, either with a homestay family or boarding at Lupton House.*

Lupton House provides safe and secure boarding within the school grounds, with friendly, caring staff and a safe and welcoming atmosphere. Lupton House is within walking distance to doctors, shopping and sporting facilities.

Homestay accommodation is arranged by our international team, with all host families offering a safe, friendly home that is carefully chosen to suit our visiting students.

All homestay and boarding students are well supported, with routines and guidelines to enhance opportunities for educational and social learning and development.



*Students have the option of homestay living or school boarding at Lupton House.*



*"I want to say thank you to all the staff  
and girls from Lupton Lodge  
I have tried so many new things in  
New Zealand and I hope I can come back  
to this beautiful country"*  
Tak Wun Low - Hong Kong

# STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

*We offer an exciting and extensive curriculum, built around New Zealand's internationally recognised qualification programme.*

International students are fully integrated into our learning programme, with their own tailored timetable to suit the individual student's abilities and interests.



We offer traditional subjects such as English, Maths and Science as well as languages, arts, design, music, technology, textile fashion, dance and outdoor education. Through NCEA, we are able to offer a multi-level programme, to suit each student's individual needs and learning levels.

We also offer ESOL for students who require extra support with their English language, as well as IELTS.



*Students have the opportunity to choose from a wide range of subjects.*





read what you like

5000 RULES

Imagine

Question

Wonder

Laugh

Learn

COMPETITION

	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11 – NCEA Level 1 (many departments run multiple courses)	Year 12 – NCEA Level 2 (unless otherwise stated)	Year 13 – NCEA Level 3 (unless otherwise stated)
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Pathways	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11 – NCEA Level 1 (many departments run multiple courses)	Year 12 – NCEA Level 2 (unless otherwise stated)	Year 13 – NCEA Level 3 (unless otherwise stated)
Art	Art Contemporary Māori Art	Art Contemporary Māori Art Digital Art	Art	School of Services School of Health Science  Art History Design Painting Photography	Art History Design Painting Photography
Careers			Exploring the World of Building Trades		
Commerce	Money Smart	Accounting Economics Enterprise	Accounting Economics	Accounting Economics Enterprise	Accounting Economics Enterprise Financial Skills for Life
Dance	Dance Performing Arts	Dance Performing Arts	Dance Performing Arts	Dance	Dance
Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama Show Business	Drama Show Business
Early Childhood Studies				Early Childhood Studies	Early Childhood Studies
English	English*	English* Headstart Smash Book	English	English	English
English Language	ESL	ESL	ESL	ESL	ESL
Foods	Food & Nutrition	Food & Nutrition	Food & Nutrition Hospitality	Food & Nutrition Hospitality	Food & Nutrition Hospitality
Health	Health Education*	Health Education*	Health Education	Health Education	Health Education
Mathematics	Mathematics*	Mathematics*	Mathematics	Mathematics	Calculus



# SPORTS AND OUTDOORS

*Our students have the option to join over 30 sports clubs, including hockey, football, tennis, netball, horse riding, golf and volleyball.*

Joining these teams provides a valuable opportunity to stay active and make new friends. We also support additional opportunities, such as volunteering in the community.

We offer exciting opportunities to experience New Zealand's beautiful outdoors, with school camps, outdoor education and community events.

Locally, students can also enjoy forest walks and swimming and surfing at local beaches, and across New Zealand there are an abundance of adventure sports available, such as bungee jumping, white water rafting and skydiving.



*"The school and my subjects were great and I'm quite sad to leave such a great school system with so many opportunities"*

Sara - Germany







# ARTS AND CULTURE

*We celebrate arts and culture at our school, and strongly encourage our students to share their talents in such areas as drama, dance, singing, music and debating.*



Maori culture is also an important part of our school life, with students having the opportunity to learn Te Reo (Maori language) and join our Kapa Haka cultural performance group.

Our school clubs also offer a wide range of learning and development opportunities in leadership, health, the environment and global issues, as well as providing friendship and fun.



*I have had a fantastic time at WGHS, I have experienced a real high school system for the first time in my life and got the opportunity to try new subjects such as Maori and Tourism.*

Hanna - Austria



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