



# International Student Prospectus

## Christchurch Boys' High School

**Altiora Peto - Seek Higher Things**

**Quality High School Education in the South Island of New Zealand**











# Kia ora and Welcome to Christchurch Boys' High School

## Christchurch Boys' High School / *Altiora Peto*

Christchurch Boys' High School has a long history of educating international students. This is a great community. We have a clear moral purpose of developing fine young men for a modern world. CBHS boys are morally courageous, and they strive for personal and community success, towards outstanding achievement.

Our curriculum is purposeful, and we strongly believe in the importance of our teachers building side by side relationships with our students and guiding them to academic and social success.

This school is a warm place with a strong sense of purpose and identity.

*Nic Hill - Headmaster*











## Specialist in Educating Young Men

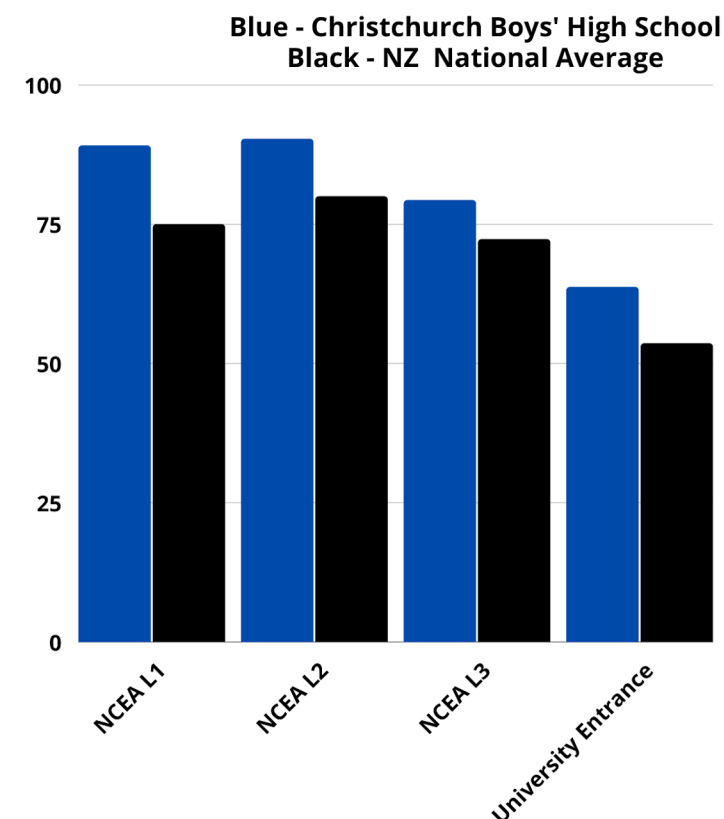
**The heart of Christchurch Boys' High School's curriculum lies at the intersection of our academic, sporting and cultural programmes that promote the personal, moral and intellectual growth of every boy.**

Research has shown time and again that students in a single sex environment achieve higher on average than coed schools. The single sex environment allows students to engage with and focus on the curriculum, and to feel comfortable being themselves and pursue their interests.

The Christchurch Boys' High School curriculum encompasses traditional academic subjects as well as opportunities to learn and grow beyond the walls of the classroom while incorporating modern technologies. We aim to ensure that young people are prepared with the capacity to think independently, solve problems, develop their humanity, and thrive in a rapidly changing society.

We encourage our teachers to build positive relationships with their students, to know the academic and social needs of their students and to show that they care about the personal and collective successes of their students.

## 2021 NCEA Achievement % CBHS Vs National Average









# A Modern School with a Rich Past

**Christchurch Boys' High School has a history of over 130 years of educating boys to be 'fine young men'. The school has high expectations of the boys and strong relationships with them. Academic success and moral strength are considered paramount, and the boys excel across academic, cultural and sporting fields.**

The school values tradition, honours excellence, teaches values and celebrates success in a school environment that cares for student welfare, recognises cultural diversity and meets the learning needs of a wide range of students.

The CBHS curriculum aligns between the junior and senior school and into pathways beyond school. The curriculum is wider than the classroom and considers the entire Boys' High experience - there is purpose to everything we do.

The 'Fine Young Man' mission of the school is supported by wide ranging cultural and sporting opportunities, and personal development is an emphasis. Good dress, good presentation, good attitude, good manners, good communication skills and a good balance to life are constantly reinforced.

Over the past few years, the school has seen many new facilities built including a modern purpose-built science building, modern multi-purpose classrooms and study spaces and a state-of-the-art auditorium to host the whole school of 1400 students.

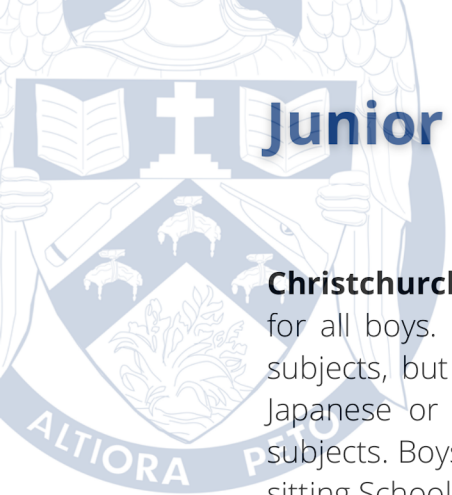
Currently the refurbishment of the iconic and historic main building is underway which will be followed by the construction of a new gymnasium and hard-court area, making Christchurch Boys' High School a truly modern campus.









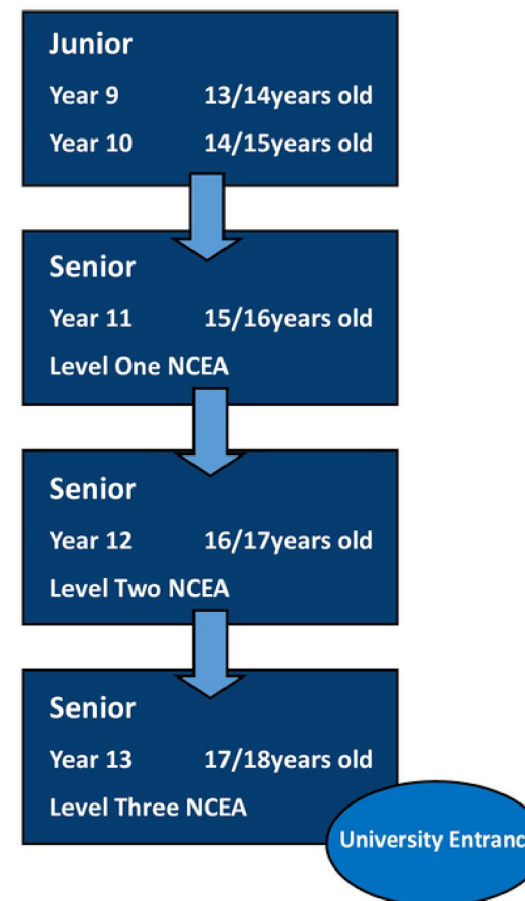


# Junior and Senior School Programmes

**Christchurch Boys' High School** has a course structure designed to cater for all boys. In Year 9, students take the same nationally prescribed core subjects, but have a choice of Language that they study (Chinese, French, Japanese or Maori). In Year 10, there are 4 additional choices of option subjects. Boys in the top Mathematics and English classes have the option of sitting School Certificate in that subject in year 10.

Year 11, 12 & 13 students study NCEA courses. Year 13 is seen as a preparation year for university and students who meet the criteria will be awarded University Entrance. Accelerant and extension classes operate at all levels.

The School has a reputation for academic excellence and an extensive co-curricular programme, and is regarded as one of New Zealand's leading schools. Christchurch Boys' High School believes in high standards and the pursuit of excellence – in academic work, in sport and culture, in discipline and behaviour, and in service to others.











# International Students

**Christchurch Boys' High School** has been accepting enrolments from around the world for many years and we have a dedicated team who are focused on ensuring that those students are successful in their study and are happy and safe.

International students are an important part of the school's culture and bring with them the opportunity for our domestic students to understand the world and become better global citizens.

There are international students spread across the year levels and they are fully integrated into mainstream classes. The school offers international students internationally recognised qualifications that provide clear pathways to universities in New Zealand and overseas.

We are proud of the success of our international students and applications can be accessed through the school website:

**[www.cbhs.school.nz](http://www.cbhs.school.nz)**



# Curriculum Choices

	Commerce	Science	Mathematics	ESOL/EAP	Languages	English	Social Studies
<b>Year 9</b>		Science	Mathematics	ESOL	Chinese Japanese French Te Reo Maori	English Drama	Social Studies
<b>Year 10</b>	Business Studies Financial Literacy Economics	Science Environmental Science	Mathematics	ESOL	Chinese Japanese French Te Reo Maori	English Drama	Social Studies History Geography
<b>Year 11</b>	Accounting Economics	Science Biochemistry Physical Science Science Applied	Mathematics—Main Mathematics—General Mathematics—Applied	ESOL English for Academic Purposes	Chinese Japanese French Te Reo Maori	English English B	History Geography Pacific Studies
<b>Year 12</b>	Accounting Business Studies Economics Agribusiness Agriculture	Biology Chemistry Physics	Mathematics (MTA) Statistics (STA)	ESOL English for Academic Purposes	Chinese Japanese French Te Reo Maori	English English B	Classical Studies History Geography Pacific Studies
<b>Year 13</b>	Accounting Business Studies Economics Agribusiness Agriculture	Biology Chemistry Physics	Calculus Statistics	ESOL English for Academic Purposes	Chinese Japanese French Te Reo Maori	English	Classical Studies History Geography Pacific Studies



Art	Technology	ICT / Hospitality	Music	Health and Physical Education
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Visual Art Digital Art	Materials Technology (Wood) Materials Technology (metal) Design & Visual Communication	Digital Tech Computing Food Technology	Music-the-Art Music-the-Science	Health and Physical Education Sports Performance
Visual Art	Pre Trade Engineering Pre Trade Construction Generic Technology Design and Visual communication	Digital Tech Computing Food Technology Hospitality	Music	Physical Education Health
Visual Art Photography Design Art	Pre Trade Engineering Pre Trade Construction Generic Technology Design and Visual communication	Digital Tech Computing Food Technology Hospitality	Music	Physical Education Outdoor Education ARA Dual Pathway Gateway
Painting Art Photography Design Art Printmaking	Industrial Technology Generic Technology Design and Visual Technology	Digital Tech Computing Food Technology	Practical Music Music Studies	Physical Education Outdoor Education Sports Studies Gateway







# Sports at CBHS

The school believes that students derive benefit from exposure to both team and individual sports. The school has a proud record of sporting excellence with a large number of teams and individuals gaining both regional and national prominence.

The facilities are outstanding and include large playing fields, all-weather cricket wickets, an all-weather athletic training track and tennis courts, a heated filtered swimming pool, two excellent gymnasias and a fitness centre.

Christchurch Boys' High School is one of the top sporting schools in the country. The list of championship wins is long and over the years CBHS has held titles in Hockey, Rowing, Rugby, Cricket, Golf, Swimming, Athletics, Cycling, Skiing and more.

## Examples of sports options:

- Archery
- Badminton
- Cricket
- Cycling (Road)
- Fencing
- Futsal
- Hockey
- Rugby
- Surfing
- Skiing
- Table-Tennis
- Water Polo
- Yachting
- Athletics
- Basketball
- Cross-Country Running
- Mountain Biking
- Soccer
- Golf
- Kayaking
- Rowing
- Squash
- Sevens
- Touch Rugby
- Volleyball
- Tennis









# Arts and Culture

The cultural life of the school is rich and diverse and allows students to develop and express their creative talents. Art, drama and music are an important part of the school curriculum and are offered at all learning levels by specialist and passionate teachers.

Students can also join some of the many cultural and interest groups run at the school. Students interested in music can opt to take lessons in the wide range of instruments available and are encouraged to join one of the many performance groups such as our Jazz band, orchestra or one of our choirs. Our musical groups perform regularly in the community and at regional and national competitions and musical showcases. Drama students take part in performances and productions throughout the year and can join one of our amateur acting or theatre sports groups.

There are also groups for students interested in learning Dance, Kapa Haka (Maori culture), and Pasifika as well as literary and academic pursuits such as debating, poetry and writers' groups.

## Some of the Art and Culture opportunities:

- Orchestra
- Strings
- Funk/Brass bands
- Individual music lessons
- Rock band
- Choir
- E-sports
- Kapa Haka
- Pasifika
- Drama
- Robotics
- International Committee
- Volunteer
- Debating
- Environment Group









# Accommodation for International Students

Accommodation for International students enrolled at Christchurch Boys' High School must 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 ( relative or close family friend of the student ).

Christchurch Boys' High School carefully assesses and monitors all our homestays and student accommodation in accordance with the New Zealand Code of Practice guidelines for the Pastoral care of International students.

All our homestays are either a short walk or bus ride away from the school and we do our very best to match students with homestay families.

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 accommodation includes:

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









## EAP / English Programme

The aim of the classes is to support students to have the language to manage learning within the Ministry of Education New Zealand Curriculum. The vision is for students to develop as confident, connected, actively involved, life-long learners.

Long-term students in the Year 12 classes aim for the New Zealand National Certificate in Educational Achievement (NCEA) at Levels 1 and 2. The assessment focus is on English Language standards and Level 1 Literacy standards.

In the Year 13 class, students are aiming for NCEA Level 3 and University Entrance Literacy.

## Start Your Journey at CBHS

International students are invited to apply for a place at Christchurch Boys' High School through our online enrolment portal or through the support of one of our partner agents.

Enrolments are accepted throughout the year depending on availability and enrolment criteria. Prospective students can complete an online application, or email to request an application.

If you have any questions or want to find out more about the programmes, curriculum, facilities or life at our school, do not hesitate to contact us directly or visit our website:

[www.cbhs.school.nz](http://www.cbhs.school.nz)

[international@cbhs.school.nz](mailto:international@cbhs.school.nz)







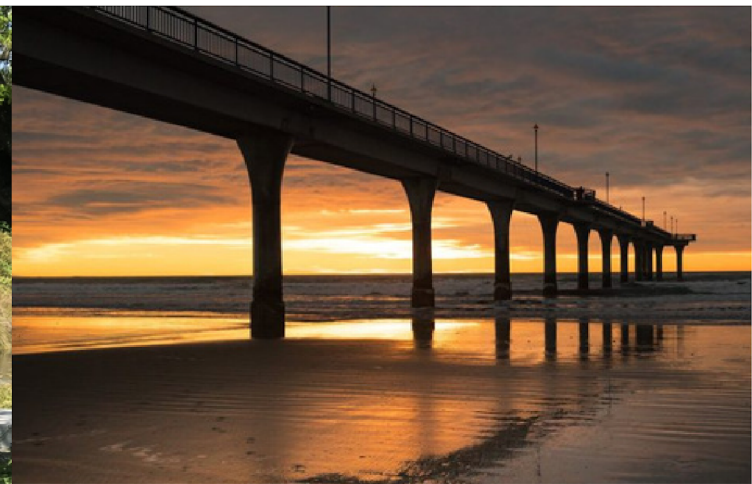
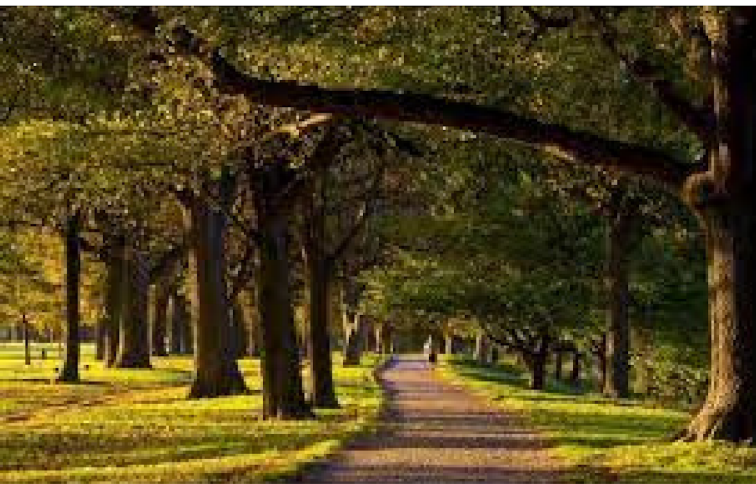


# Christchurch, New Zealand

With its prime location on the East coast of New Zealand's South Island, Christchurch is the third biggest city in New Zealand and is the gateway to the beautiful South Island. With a population of around 400 000, Christchurch is a dynamic, modern, thriving city that is home to a major international airport, shopping centres, world renowned universities and multinational businesses. From work and study to enjoying the beautiful outdoors, Christchurch has everything you might want or need right at your fingertips.

Christchurch, or Ōtautahi as it is known in Maori, has a moderate climate and four distinct seasons. We can experience cold Winters with temperatures as low as -4 degrees celcius and very hot Summers, up to 35 degrees celcius.

Buses and cars are the main forms of transport, and you can go from the beach to the mountains within a 2 hour journey.







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