







## **STRATEGIC PLAN**

2021 - 2024

Meet vocational aspirations for all students

Seamless curriculum for vocational pathways. Align and strengthen

Strengthening pathways to open opportunities

Meet Māori academic aspirations

Improve Māori academic aspirations and connections

Building a culturally responsive and relational pedagogy that will enhance Mana ōrite mō te matauranga Māori

Excellence in wellbeing

A sense of belonging - whanaungatanga

Staff and student wellbeing is supported and valued

Excellence in teaching and learning

Identification and implementation of the most successful classroom strategies. Excellence and equity

A purposeful drive for teachers to become expert leaders and practitioners

## **Introduction** *Relationships Matter*

### Me tika te mahi, kia mataara | Do right and fear nothing

Welcome to Napier Boys' High School. Over the past 150 years Napier Boys' High School has maintained a sense of pride in establishing the best of traditions with a focus on high expectations. We realise that 'all' young men require a holistic and well-rounded education to prepare them for the modern world. Furthermore, we are a school committed to fostering a curriculum where every student has access to an extensive range of opportunities that support personal excellence alongside whakawhānaungatanga (establishing relationships). This intention shows a willingness to challenge mediocrity. Whereby, we are ensuring our young men not only leave school with a sense of identity, confidence, and moral courage, but also endeavour to form happy and successful lives both personally and professionally.

Our curriculum is purposeful and we strongly believe in building positive relationships so we can get alongside our students guiding them toward academic success. The academic curriculum is organised around the idea that the student is at the centre of our decision making. This means students will have access to a variety of disciplines where they can pursue a range of academic studies appropriate to their talents.

The school's motto Justum perficito nihil timeto - Me tika te mahi, kia mataara, Do right and fear nothing, covers the ultimate aim, which is, by students doing right, they will uphold our school values of integrity, respect, self-discipline, and excellence and become good men, having nothing to fear.

Along with all the staff at Napier Boys' High School, we are here to make every effort to help students reach their fullest potential. We vow to give our all to our students, and we request the same efforts from our wider school community. Together we will continue to move Napier Boys' High School students through a rich learning environment guided with care and support toward a bright future.

You will, we hope, come and see this for yourselves at our Open Day, or separately by appointment. Either way, you'll have a chance to experience the energetic atmosphere of the boys, their teachers, and the collective purpose that is Napier Boys' High School.



## **Overview** Academic Curriculum

Boys have unique learning needs, and at Napier Boys', we understand the importance of tailoring education to meet those needs. Our school is dedicated to providing a specialised learning environment that caters specifically to boys. Our teachers are experts in boys' education and are equipped with the knowledge and strategies to engage and inspire them. With a diverse range of over 30 subjects, spanning from traditional to vocational disciplines, our comprehensive curriculum fosters academic rigour, nurtures independent thinking, and encourages inquisitive minds.

In our classrooms, you'll find a different approach to teaching. We emphasise hands-on activities, interactive learning, and the integration of technology. By incorporating more doing and encouraging active participation, we create an environment that resonates with boys and maximises their learning potential.

Learning becomes not only effective but also enjoyable. The success of our approach is evident in the genuine achievements of our learners. While our school boasts exceptional facilities, expansive grounds, and a rich history of accomplishments, our true strength lies in our teachers. They form the foundation of great teaching by establishing effective relationships with our boys. We make it a priority to truly understand and connect with each individual student. Ultimately guide them towards a path of success.

Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12 Year 13		
English	English	English Literatrue or English (Media)	English Literatrue or English (Media)	English Literatrue or English (Media)	
Mathematics	Mathematics Or Accelerate Maths	Mathematics Or Mathematics (2)	Mathematics 201	Mathematics with Statistics	
or Accelerate Maths			Mathematics 202	Mathematics with Calculus	
			Mathematics 203		
Social Studies	Social Studies Or Acc. Georgraphy Or Acc. History	History	History	History	
			Classics	Classics	
		Geography	Geography	Geography	
Science	Science Or Accelerate Science	Science Or Alternate Science	Biology	Biology	
			General Science		
			Chemistry	Chemistry	
			Physics	Physics	
			Earth and Space Science	Earth and Space Science	
Tikanga					
E-Sports Creator	E-Sports Designer				
Health	Health				
Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education	
Computing		Computing - ICT	Computing - ICT	Computing - ICT	
Music	Music	Music	Music	Music	
Drama					
Spanish	Spanish	Spanish			
Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	
Māori Studies	Māori Studies	Māori Studies	Māori Studies	Māori Studies	
Art	Art	Art	Art - Painting, Design	Design, Painting, Sculpture	
Business Studies	Business Studies	Business Studies	Business Studies	Business Studies	
Athlete Development Programme	Athlete Development Programme				
Graphics	Graphics	Graphics	Graphics	Graphics	
Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Tech. – Food & Nutrition	Food Technology - Bakery	Food Technology - Hospitality	
Wood Technology	Wood Technology	Wood Technology	Wood Technology	Wood Technology	
Metal Technology	Engineering	Engineering	Engineering Engineering		
Combined Technology	Combined Technology	Combined Technology	Combined Technology Combined Technology		
Agriculture	Agriculture	Agriculture/Horticulture	Agriculture/Horticulture	Agriculture/Horticulture	
Reading Extension			Tourism		
		6 subjects must be studied	6 subjects must be studied	5 subjects must be studied	





# **Learning** Experience Vocations

### Experience career readiness while you're still at high school.

Vocational pathways and careers education play a vital role in boys' education, offering immense value and importance. By integrating vocational education into the school's strategic plan, Napier Boys' High School ensures that all students, have access to a curriculum that nurtures their vocational aspirations and creates opportunities. The school Careers programme focuses on providing early exposure to vocational options, collaborating with tertiary and industry partners, offering flexible pathways, and providing guidance and support. This comprehensive approach empowers boys to explore their interests, develop practical skills, and align their education with their career goals, ultimately equipping them for success in a dynamic job market.

#### Benefits at our school:

- University and scholarship preparation
- Trades Academy
- Gateway work experience and industry partnerships
- STAR Courses (Secondary Tertiary Alignment Resource)
- Get access to quality mentoring
- Personalised careers advice
- Events on and off campus
- Specialist Agriculture programmes







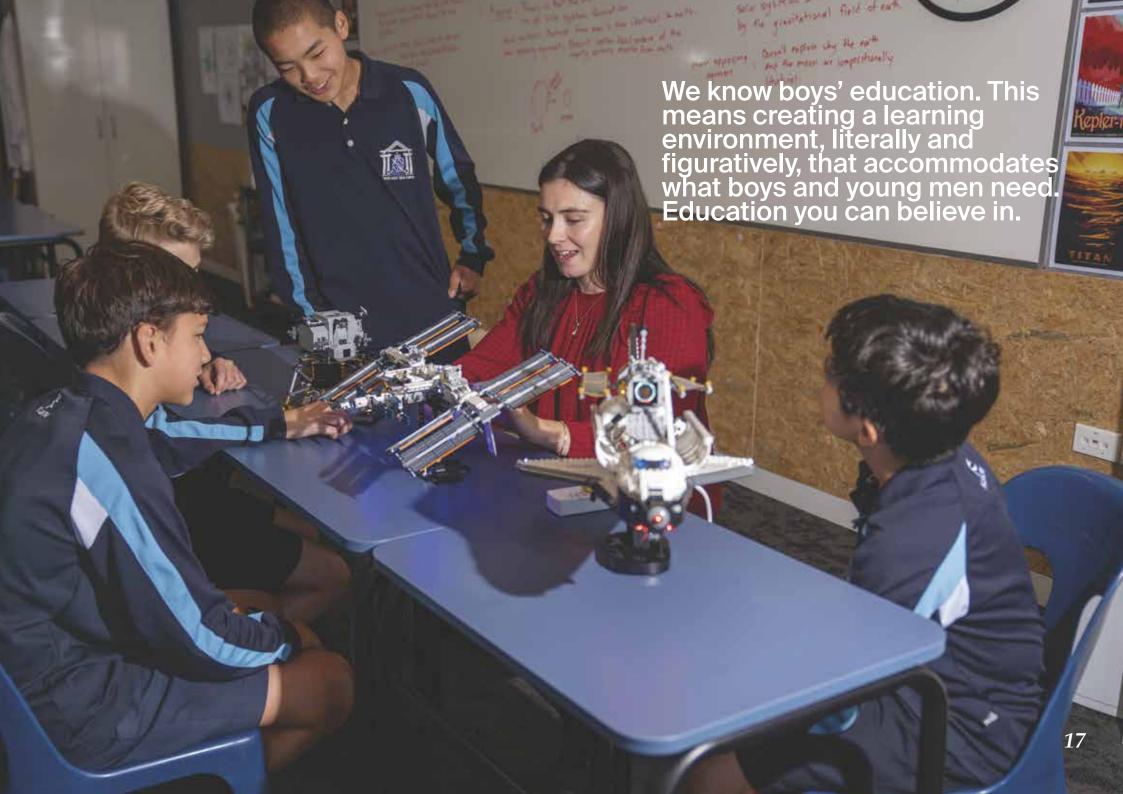
## **Educating** *Best for Boys*

Napier Boys' High School understands the unique abilities and talents of our students. Our boys possess exceptional skills across various domains, which calls for a distinct teaching and learning environment that fosters challenge and creativity.

As a school community, our goal is to nurture the talents of each student, enabling them to realise their full potential. We recognise and build upon their initiative, interests, and individual learning needs, encouraging them to persevere in their pursuits.

Extensive research in the field of gifted education consistently emphasizes the importance of specialized teaching and learning approaches tailored to meet the unique needs of each individual. At Napier Boys' High School, we prioritise the educational requirements specific to boys. Our teaching methods are backed by comprehensive research, ensuring that our boys are engaged and intellectually stimulated. This research affirms what many parents of boys already understand—that boys thrive in an environment tailored to their learning style.

Educating boys since 1872, our school combines our rich experience and knowledge with the latest research findings and ongoing professional development. This ensures that we continuously adapt to the evolving educational needs of talented young men, providing them with the best possible learning environment, alongside a strong Old Boys' network.







### **Sport** Perform & Participate

We are renowned for our high participation levels in a wide range of sporting codes.

The school provides opportunities for all students to play sport at all levels of competition from teams for beginners wanting new skills, to teams competing in Super 8 and at national level.

As well as fun and improving health and well-being, sport will also teach you valuable life skills such as leadership on teamwork, commitment, discipline, setting goals and striving for personal excellence, every student is encouraged to challenge themselves, try something new and do their very best.

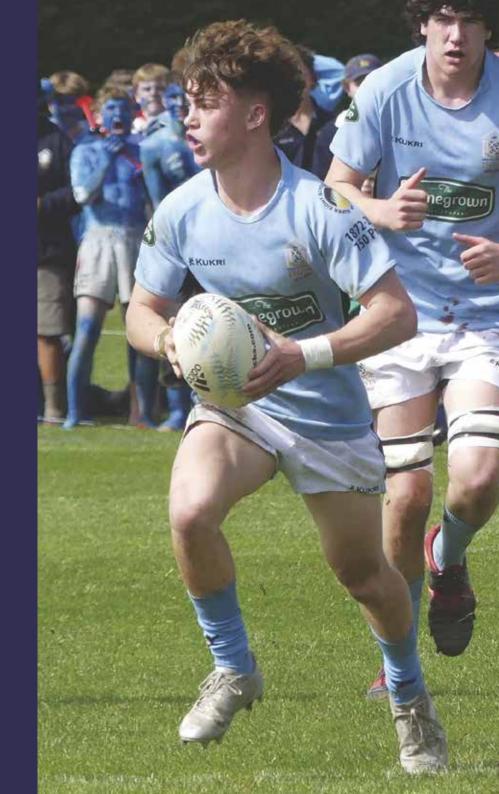
Each year there are at least a dozen New Zealand representatives in various sporting codes. The ongoing success of our premier sportsmen highlights the quality of our coaching and the competition available at the school. As a New Zealand Super Eight school, we showcase our talent and tradition against the leading boys' only state schools in the central and upper North Island.

Annual senior fixtures with Wellington College,
Wairarapa College and Scots College as well as
junior exchanges with Palmerston North Boys' High
School (Polson Banner), Gisborne Boys' High School
and Tauranga Boys' College round out a busy sports'
calendar. Overseas development tours are also seen
as an integral part of our sports' programme. These
competitions, exchanges and tours give our athletes a
sporting advantage not afforded locally with exposure
to competitors, teams and selectors at a national level.
Kukri sports' apparel are proud sponsors of our sporting
programme.

### **SPORTS PROGRAM**

Sport	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Canoe Polo			•	•
Squash		•	•	
Table Tennis		•	•	
Badminton		•	•	
Basketball			•	•
Football (soccer)	#	•	•	#
Futsal			#	•
Rugby		•	•	#
Hockey	#	•	•	#
Orienteering	•	•	•	•
Clay Target Shooting	•	•	•	
Cross Country	#	•	•	#
Equestrian	•	•	•	
Motocross	•			•
Snow Sports		•	•	
Water Polo		•	•	
Cricket			#	•
Golf	•	•	•	•
Cycling		#	#	•
Mountain-biking		#	#	•
Triathlon	•	#	#	#
Tennis		#	#	•
Rowing			•	•
Athletics	•			•
Sailing	•			•
Touch rugby	•			•
Volleyball	•		#	•
Swimming		#	#	•
Surf Life Saving	•			•

- season: games and training
- # off-season: check what off-season programme is available







### **Arts and Culture** Creative Collaboration

Our commitment to celebrating art and culture at school is rooted in the belief that these disciplines play a vital role in a well-rounded education. We understand that art and culture go beyond mere aesthetics and entertainment; they encourage critical thinking, enhance communication skills, and promote empathy and understanding.

At Napier Boys' High School, we recognise that art and culture are not limited to the confines of a classroom. We actively encourage students to participate in extracurricular activities These experiences provide them with opportunities to collaborate, showcase their talents, and develop lifelong skills that extend beyond the realm of academics.

Our well-resourced music department has successful rock groups, chamber music, a vibrant band and jazz group as well as vocal ensembles who perform at events such as the Big Sing and Barbershop nationals. Each year we combine with Napier Girls' High School for both schools' major dramatic production, whilst theatre sports and the Sheilah Winn Shakespearean festival are other avenues for our budding actors. Kapa Haka is another strength – again we combine with Napier Girls' High School at a regional and national level – and a cornerstone of our diversity. Artists have been regular medallists at the Super Eight Cultural festival and debating is a strength both at regional and Super Eight level.



# **Leadership** *Leaders Grow Here*

Our approach to fostering strong leadership begins with creating a supportive and inclusive school community. We believe that every student has unique strengths and talents, and we strive to create an environment that encourages them to explore their potential and take on leadership roles. We provide platforms for student voice and engagement, ensuring that their opinions and ideas are heard and valued.

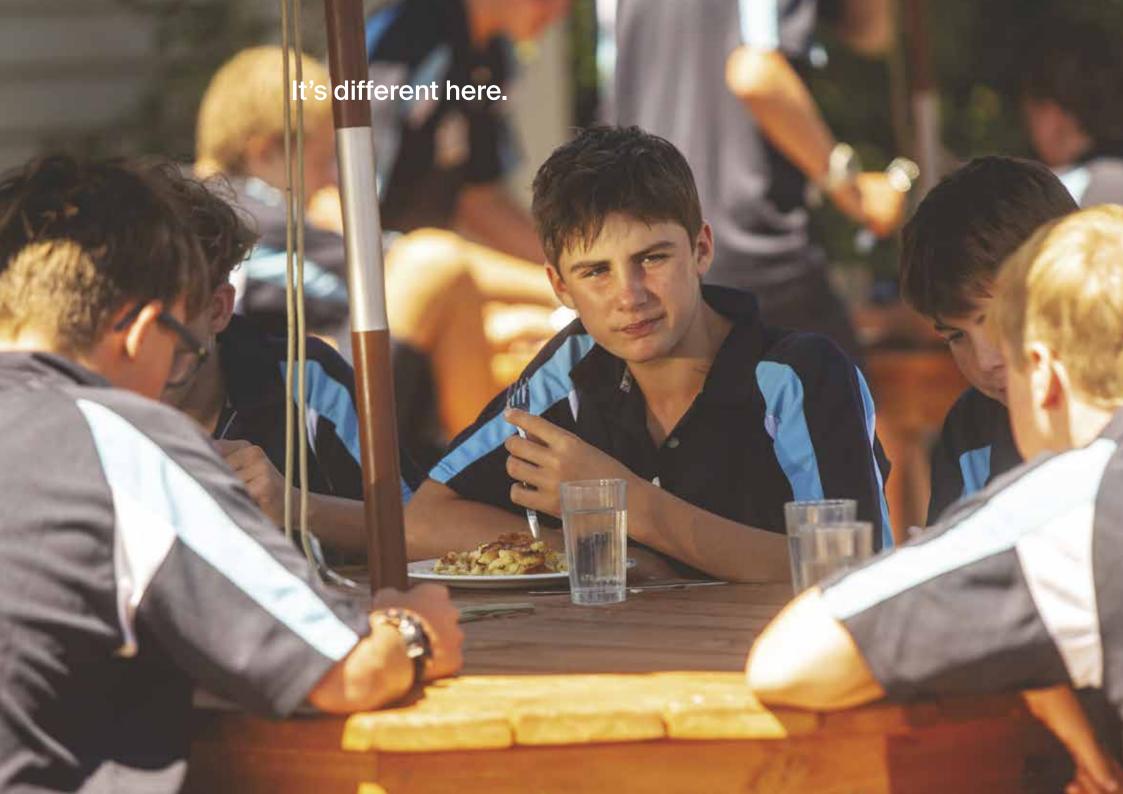
We believe that leadership is not confined to specific positions or titles. It can be demonstrated in various contexts, whether it's leading a team, organising an event, or taking initiative to address social issues. We encourage our students to embrace leadership opportunities both within and outside the classroom, allowing them to develop their unique leadership styles and discover their passions.











### Boarding Scinde House

Choosing the right educational environment for your son is a decision of utmost importance. At Napier Boys' High School, we take pride in offering a remarkable boarding experience that goes beyond academics. Our boarding programme provides numerous advantages that contribute to the holistic development and success of our students. Compelling reasons why boarding at Napier Boys' High School is an exceptional choice include.

- A Supportive Home Away from Home
- Academic Excellence
- Personal and Social Development
- Extracurricular Engagement
- Mentorship and Guidance



Scinde House was opened in 1885. Today, it is a modern, vibrant and exceptionally managed facility. Boarding provides some of the best experiences of a student's life, as boys make lifelong friends, develop a sense of belonging and learn to live independently. Boys from Years 9 to 13 belong to the Scinde House community, with the Head of Boarding, Matron, House Masters, and Residential Staff helping the boys to adapt and feel at home.



Your son will find a sense of belonging in our school, where we prioritise:

- Personal success
- A proud and passionate school spirit
- Challenging and diverse academic programs
- A wide range of cultural and sporting opportunities
- Teachers who are attentive to students' needs
- Opportunities for growth through service and leadership
- High expectations and positive male role modelling
- Strong relationships based on manaakitanga and whanaungatanga (care and kinship)

We are dedicated to helping individuals realise their potential and fostering the development of good men. Our staff and environment, guided by our beliefs and values, are geared towards preparing young men to be compassionate and successful contributors to society.

At Napier Boys' High School, our proud history and rich heritage serve as a valuable context and influences our guiding principles. However, we refuse to be defined solely by tradition. Merely relying on past successes offers no assurance of future achievements. With 150 years of education under our belt, we remain a forward-thinking school that actively embraces innovation and new opportunities. Our commitment is to enhance the educational experience of our boys by recognising when change can make a positive impact.







# NAPIER BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL PROSPECTUS







