



BETHLEHEM
COLLEGE

EXCELLENCE
through CHRIST



INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS

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TAURANGA, NEW ZEALAND

WHY LIVE HERE?

Beautiful and safe

Warm climate and welcoming people

Growing fast

A favourite destination of locals and tourists

A relaxed lifestyle

Small enough to feel peaceful but large enough to find everything you need



**Nau mai,
Haere mai**

Welcome to Bethlehem College



As a Christ-centred learning community, our purpose is to provide a complete learning experience that encourages students to strive for excellence.

We have clear, high expectations for the academic progress of each of our students, alongside a commitment to service, leadership, cultural and sporting endeavours.

Our staff are committed to establishing a caring, supportive and loving environment for each student.

If this is in line with the aspirations you have for your children, then we would welcome your application to enrol at BC.

- Larne Edmeades (Principal)

THREE SCHOOLS IN ONE



PRIMARY SCHOOL YEAR 1 - 6

- Focus on literacy and numeracy
- Specialised facilities for art and music
- Safe and peaceful learning environment
- Close partnership with parents
- ESOL support (in and out of class options)



MIDDLE SCHOOL YEAR 7 - 9

- Specialist teaching
- Regular homework
- Reporting every term
- Leadership opportunities
- Subject specific classroom facilities
- Variety of extra curricular activities

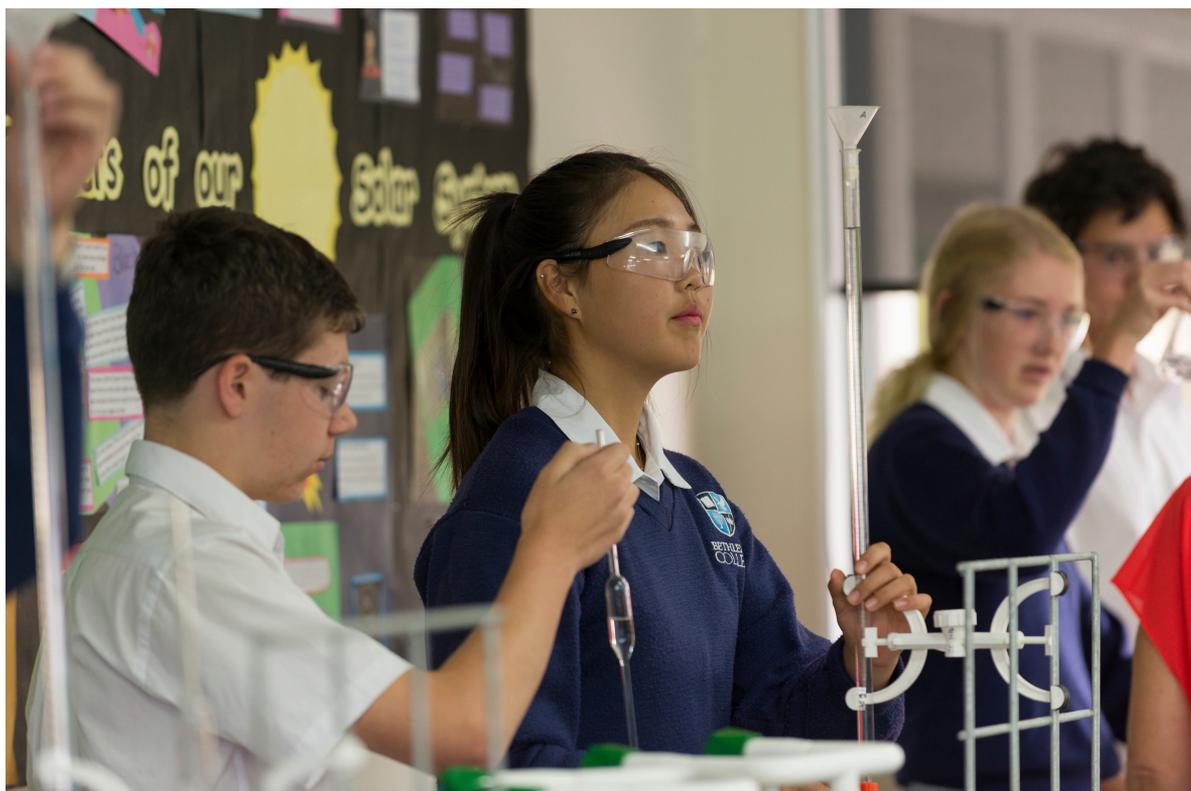


SENIOR SECONDARY YEAR 10 - 13

- Wide variety of subjects
- NCEA programme
- Specialist teachers
- Focus on tertiary pathways
- Full academic and pastoral support
- Leadership opportunities
- Range of sporting, music and other activities

ACADEMICS

Bethlehem College offers the government endorsed New Zealand Curriculum and NCEA qualification. NCEA stands for the **National Certificate of Educational Achievement**. It is the main qualification for senior secondary school students in New Zealand, and it is available at Levels 2 and 3 at Bethlehem College. NCEA is internationally recognised and used by our graduating students to gain entry into universities in New Zealand and around the world.



HERE ARE SOME OF THE UNIVERSITIES OUR STUDENTS HAVE GONE ON TO STUDY AT:



TECHNOLOGY AND LEARNING

We have a blended approach to learning, combining both digital devices and pen/paper. These learning tools sit alongside paper and writing skills; they do not replace them.

Year 6 - 9: blended learning classrooms. Most students use an iPad

Year 10 - 13: Bring your own device (most use a laptop)

High speed wifi accross the school, monitored by internet safety software and ongoing digital use education.

SUBJECT LIST YEAR 7 - 9

| Subject | Year 7/8 | Year 9 |
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| English | Form studies (English/Social Studies) English (second language) | English |
| Math | Math | Math |
| Science | Science | Science |
| Social Sciences | Form Studies (English/Social Studies) | Social Studies |
| Technology | Material Technology (wood) Textiles (sewing) Food Technology | Design & Visual Communication (Graphics) Material Technology (wood) Textiles (sewing) Food Technology |
| Business/Computers | N/A | Computer Studies |
| The Arts | Art Drama Music | Art Drama Music |
| Languages | French Spanish Te Reo Maori | French Spanish Te Reo Maori |
| Physical Education/Health | Physical Education & Health Nutrition & Health | Physical Education & Health Nutrition & Health |
| Other Courses | Christian Living | Christian Living |

SUBJECT LIST YEAR 10 - 13

| Subject | Year10 | Year 11 | Year 12 | Year 13 |
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| English | English | English | English | English |
| Math | Math | Math | Math Math with Calculus | Math with Calculus Math with Statistics Statistics & Modelling |
| Science | Science Agriculture & Horticulture | Science Agriculture & Horticulture | Agriculture & Horticulture Biology Chemistry Physics | Agriculture & Horticulture Biology Chemistry Physics |
| Social Sciences | Social Studies | Geography History Hospitality | Classical Studies Geography History Hospitality | Classical Studies Geography History Hospitality |
| Technology | Design & Visual Communication (Graphics) Material Technology (wood) Textiles (sewing) Food Technology | Design & Visual Communication (Graphics) Material Technology (wood) Textiles (sewing) Food Technology | Design & Visual Communication (Graphics) Material Technology (wood) Textiles (sewing) Sound Production | Design & Visual Communication (Graphics) Material Technology (wood) Textiles (sewing) Sound Production |
| Business & Computers | Computer Studies Enterprise Studies | Accounting Computer Studies Economics | Accounting Computer Studies Economics | Accounting Computer Studies Economics |
| The Arts | Drama Music Visual Art | Drama Music Visual Art (Design/Mixed Media) | Drama Music Visual Art (Design/Painting/Phot ography) | Drama Music Visual Art (Design/Painting) |
| Languages | French Spanish Te Reo Maori | French Te Reo Maori | French Te Reo Maori | French Te Reo Maori |
| Physical Education & Health | Physical Education Nutrition & Health | Physical Education Nutrition & Health Sports Science | Nutrition & Health Sports Science Outdoor Education | Health Sports Science Outdoor Education |
| Other Courses | Biblical Foundations | Christian Studies Early Childhood Education | Christian Studies Early Childhood Education | Christian Studies Early Childhood Education |

CULTURE AND MUSIC

THERE ARE SO MANY WAYS TO JOIN IN...

- Orchestra
- Jazz Band
- Concert Band
- Percussion ensemble
- String & Woodwind Chamber Groups
- Private lessons available in a range of instruments
- Choir
- Drama Groups
- Kapahaka/Pasifika Groups
- School musical drama productions
- Talent quests
- Shakespeare Club



SPORT

AND FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN SPORT...

- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Beach Volleyball
- Cricket
- Cross Country
- Football
- Futsal
- Hockey
- Netball
- Rugby
- Touch Rugby
- Rowing
- Volleyball
- Water Polo







ACTIVITIES



All students are expected to participate in activities outside the classroom as part of their education

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| YEARS 6 | Camp in Matamata |
| YEARS 7/8 | Overnight camps at Ngamuwahine and Matakana Island |
| YEAR 9 | Overnight at Marae and BMAC Adventure Camp |
| YEAR 10 | End of year summer camp |

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR OLDER STUDENTS (MAY VARY)

- Year 13 Camp
- International Summer Camp
- Chinese Lantern Festival
- Welcome Party
- International Leader's Dinner
- Maori Cultural Experience
- International Speech Night
- All Black's Rugby Trip
- Skiing/Snowboarding Trip
- Lugging
- Graduation Dinner
- Leavers Day Celebrations
- Special Activity Programme (non NCEA students)

ACCOMODATION AND SUPPORT

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS MAY LIVE WITH A PARENT, APPOINTED CAREGIVER OR WITH A LOCAL HOMESTAY FAMILY.

FEATURES OF A HOMESTAY INCLUDE:

- Fully furnished bedroom with study desk
- Three meals per day plus snacks
- Close oversight and home visits by international staff
- Careful checking of home and family before any placement
- Clear expectations of homestay family and ongoing support from international staff
- Opportunity for students to have a genuine local experience, improve their English and learn about 'kiwi' culture



CARING FOR STUDENTS IS OUR PRIORITY

A happy, well supported student is more likely to learn and do well at school.

We make sure we meet and exceed the standards set out in the New Zealand government's *Code of Practice* that governs the pastoral care of international students.

Some of the ways we support our students:

- Orientation programme for new students
- International Deans and support staff to monitor academic and pastoral needs of each student
- Special english classes aimed for second language speakers
- Regular extra-curricular activities to build community

ENROLMENT INFORMATION

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| Limited spaces so apply early | |
| Preferred intake start of academic year (January) | |
| Minimum enrolment two terms (six months) | |
| Required English level? | <p>Year 1 - 6: n/a</p> <p>Year 7 - 13: Elementary to Upper intermediate based on year level.</p> <p>Interview/testing may be required before offer issued.</p> |
| Apply online @ www.beth.school.nz/international | |





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A COMMUNITY OF CARE**

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