



NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL
TE KURA TAMATĀNE O NGĀMOTU

INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS

2024



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Welcome to New Plymouth Boys' High School.
Since 1882, NPBHS has been leading the way in the education of boys.

NPBHS is a modern learning environment where traditional standards of achievement and behaviour are expected.

I invite you as an International student to be part of our school. I am sure you will enjoy your time at our school and in our beautiful region, Taranaki.



Our School.

New Plymouth Boys' High School was established in 1882, a boys secondary school, with over 1200 boys enrolled.

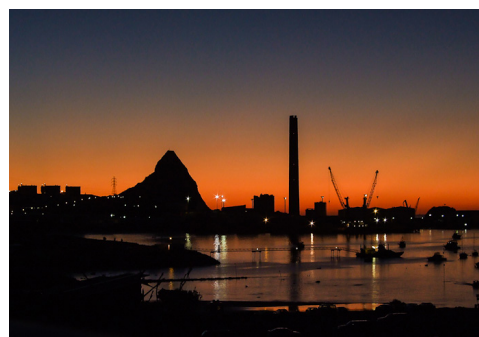
The school offers home stay and boarding accommodation on site. The school is located on 14 hectares of park-like grounds in the central New Plymouth area and overlooks the Tasman Sea.



Our Location.

New Plymouth Boys' High School has been educating boys in New Plymouth since 1882. New Plymouth is located on the west coast of the North Island, halfway between NZ's capital city Wellington and NZ's biggest city Auckland. The city of 50,000 people is located in the region of Taranaki and beside the beautiful Mount Taranaki.

Taranaki is known for its dairy farming and the production of oil and gas. The school is located in central New Plymouth, only a short walk from the city's beaches and a 35 minute drive to the region's mountain.



Our Climate.

New Plymouth has a moist temperate climate.

Summer average temperature 22 degrees.

Winter average temperature 14 degrees.





Our Special Programmes.

Learn to Surf:

The Taranaki region attracts surfers from around the world to surf its coast. The wide range of surf breaks offer surfing for all abilities. A local surf coach is available to teach the boys how to surf.

Hockey:

The school is equipped with its own flood-lit hockey turf on the school grounds. The school offers high quality coaching and competition at the highest secondary school level in New Zealand.

Outdoor Education:

NPBHS and Taranaki has an amazing natural environment. Within 40 minutes, students can be at the beach or in the snow. Outdoor education is popular and at Year 10, students get the opportunity to attend a camp. Outdoor education is also offered as a Year 11 and Year 12 course.

The outdoor education programme includes, mountain biking, kayaking, rogaining and snow caving.

Basketball:

The Basketball programme is overseen by a New Zealand age group Basketball coach. Students in the programme get the opportunity to train and play with some of the best players in the region.

Snowsports:

The nearest ski field is 45 minutes away from the school. International students get the opportunity to travel to the central North Island for a three-day ski or snowboarding trip in September.

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International Department.



DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS -

Mr Hugh Russell

Mr Russell is responsible for the International students enrolment and transition into their new school and oversees students' programme while at NPBHS.



DEAN OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS -

Ms Kit Hacker

Ms Hacker looks after the students' academic requirements and monitors and supports students progress academically while at school.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT WELFARE
MANAGER -

Mrs Jade Tyrrell

Mrs Tyrrell works alongside students', host families and our school/hostel to manage International student requirements, pastoral care needs and ensure that our students have a quality all-round experience during their time in our school and country.

New Plymouth Boys' High School is bound by the Code of Practice for the pastoral care of International students.

Curriculum Outline 2024

YEAR 9

COMPULSORY COURSES

English
Mathematics
Physical Education
Science
Social Science
Tikanga ā kura

SELECT 1 FULL YEAR COURSE

LITERACY AND LANGUAGE COURSES

Ancient Roman Civilisation and Language (Classics)
English Language (ESOL)
Extra English
French
Mandarin
Spanish
Te Reo Māori
The History of War

SELECT 1 HALF YEAR COURSE

ARTS COURSES

Art
Drama
Māori Performing Arts
Music
Performance Music

SELECT 1 HALF YEAR COURSE

TECHNOLOGY COURSES

3D Computer Modelling (CAD)
Computer Science
Digital Media
Graphics
Robotics
Technology Electronics
Technology Metal
Technology Wood

SELECT 2 HALF YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES

OPTIONAL COURSES

3D Computer Modelling (CAD)
AgriScience
Art
Athlete Development Programme
Black Holes, Planets, Stars and Dinosaurs
Computer Science
Digital Media
Drama
Graphics
Home Economics
Māori Performing Arts
Music
Performance Music
Protecting Taranaki
Robotics
The Apprentice
The Geography of Disasters
The History of Sport
Technology Electronics
Technology Metal
Technology Wood
Ultrafast Chemistry

YEAR 10

COMPULSORY COURSES

English
Health Education
Mathematics
Physical Education
Science
Social Science

SELECT 4 HALF YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES

OPTIONAL COURSES

A World of Reactions
AgriScience
Ancient Roman Civilisation and Language (Classics)
Art - Design and Photography
Art - Māori and Pacifica Art
Art - Sculpture, Characters and Creatures
Art - Sketching or Painting
Athlete Development Programme
Beyond the Sports Field
Body Works
Computer Science
Digital Media
Drama
English Language (ESOL)
French
Graphics
Home Economics
If I Could Rule the World
Mandarin
Māori Performing Arts
Moving into the Future
Music
Music Composition/ Analysis
Our Planet
Performance Music
Protecting Taranaki
Robotics
Spanish
Te Reo Māori
Technology Electronics
Technology Metal
Technology Wood
Tikanga ā-rohe
Who Wants to be a Millionaire?

LEVEL 1

COMPULSORY COURSES

English
Mathematics
Science or Internal Science or AgriScience

SELECT 6 UNITS OF OPTIONAL COURSES

FULL YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES = 2 Units

AgriScience
Ancient History and Classical Studies
Art - Design and Photography
Art - Paint and Illustrate
Commerce
Computer Science
Digital Media
Drama
English Language (ESOL)
Furniture Making
Geography
Graphics
Health
History
Hospitality
Māori Performing Arts
Metalwork Practical
Physical Education
Politics and the Economic World
Sound and Lighting
Spanish
Te Reo Māori
Technology Electronics
Technology Engineering
Woodwork Practical

HALF YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES = 1 unit

Armed Forces and Police 1
Armed Forces and Police 2
Athlete Development Programme 1
Athlete Development Programme 2
Business for Trades
Cooking for Entertaining
Metalwork Practical
Money Management 1
Money Management 2
Music Practical
Music Theory
Outdoor Education
Physical Education
Robotics
Woodwork Practical

LEVEL 2

COMPULSORY COURSE

English (Full) or
English for Industry (Full) or
Half Year English (Half)

SELECT 10 UNITS OF OPTIONAL COURSES

FULL YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES = 2 Units

Accounting
AgriBusiness
AgriScience
Ancient Roman and Greek Civilisation (Classics)
Art - Design
Art - Painting
Art - Photography
Biology
Building and Construction
Business Studies
Calculus
Chemistry
Computer Science
Digital Media
Drama
Earth and Space Science
Economics
English Language (ESOL)
Furniture Making
Future Pathways
Gateway
Geography
Graphics with Architecture
Graphics with Product Design
Health
History
Hospitality
Māori Performing Arts
Metalwork Practical
Outdoor Education
Physical Education
Physics
Science
Sound and Lighting
Spanish
Statistics
Te Reo Māori
Technology Electronics
Technology Engineering
Woodwork Practical

HALF YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES = 1 unit

Armed Forces and Police 1
Armed Forces and Police 2
Athlete Development Programme 1
Athlete Development Programme 2
Business for Trades
Front of House
Mathematics
Mathematics (Statistics)
Money Management 1
Money Management 2
Music Practical
Music Theory
Physical Education
Robotics
Sport Management
Sport and Recreation 1
Sport and Recreation 2
Tourism 1
Tourism 2

LEVEL 3

SELECT 12 UNITS OF OPTIONAL COURSES

FULL YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES = 2 Units

Accounting
AgriBusiness
AgriScience
Ancient Roman and Greek Civilisation (Classics)
Art - Design
Art - Painting
Art - Photography
Biology
Building and Construction
Business Studies
Calculus
Chemistry
Computer Science
Digital Media
Drama
Earth and Space Science
Economics
English
English for Film
English for the Workplace
English Language (ESOL)
Furniture Making
Future Pathways
Gateway
Geography
Graphics
Health
History
Hospitality
Māori Performing Arts
Metalwork Practical
Physical Education
Physics
Science
Spanish
Statistics
Te Reo Māori
Technology Electronics
Technology Engineering
Woodwork Practical

HALF YEAR OPTIONAL COURSES = 1 unit

Armed Forces and Police 1
Armed Forces and Police 2
Hospitality
Mathematics
Mathematics (Statistics)
Money Management 1
Money Management 2
Music Practical
Music Theory
Physical Education
Robotics
Sport and Recreation 1
Sport and Recreation 2
Study 1
Study 2
Tourism 1
Tourism 2



Sport at NPBHS.

All boys are encouraged to take part in sport at New Plymouth Boys' High School and to make the most of the huge variety of sports available. The school caters for athletes of all abilities.

The school has top quality coaches and Directors of Hockey, Football, Cricket and Rugby, whose sole responsibility is to look after the sport and coach students.

The school competes in a Central North Island sporting competition, called the Super 8, which is one of the strongest schools' sporting competitions in New Zealand.

Our Culture.

The school offers a range of cultural activities from drama and debating to performing in a range of musical bands. If you learn a musical instrument at home, we can develop your interests at NPBHS.

NPBHS joins New Plymouth Girls' High, for productions and combined musical performances and bands.



BYOD. (Bring Your Own Device)

At New Plymouth Boys' High School, students are encouraged to bring a laptop or tablet to class. Students can access the school network via their own log in and are given their own email account. The school is a google school and classroom work is posted through Google classroom.



Our Accommodation.

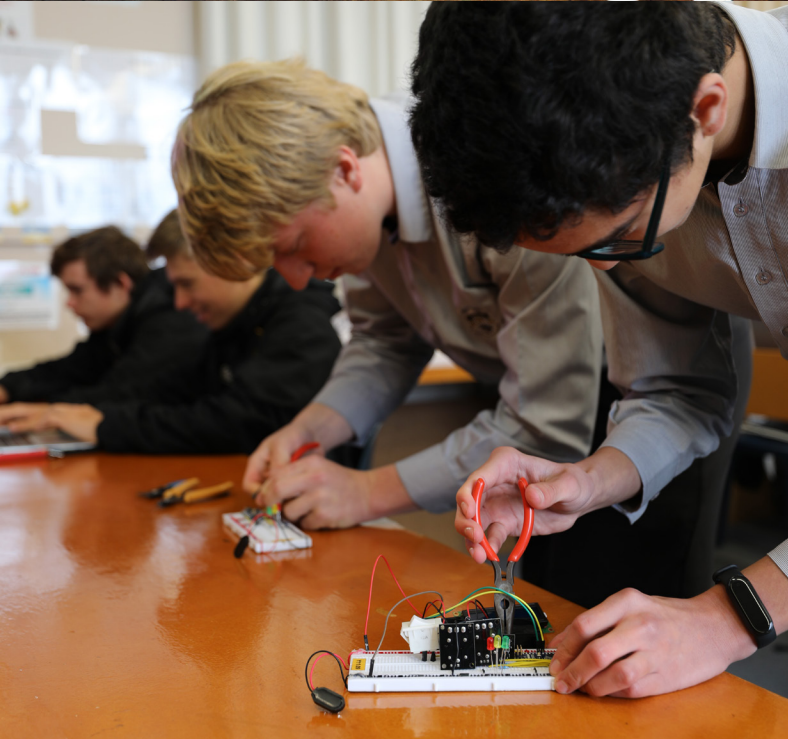
International students get the opportunity to live on site as part of the boarding hostel or stay with a New Plymouth family as a home-stay. The home-stay accommodation are carefully selected New Plymouth homes and they provide full board including three meals per day. Each student will have their own bedroom with study facilities and the home-stay host will do the students laundry.

Hatherly House is the school's hostel. Our hostel is situated in the middle of the school and is separated into two houses, Moyes and Carrington. These houses offer 80 beds per house for Year 9 to Year 13 boys. A third house, Niger is where Year 12 students are accommodated in semi-single rooms. This gives the boys a more independent living arrangement and the opportunity for some leadership.

The boys are provided with quality 24 hour supervision with masters and a matron. We have a fully equipped commercial kitchen where the boys get 3 meals and supper each day. If the student is not engaged in an extracurricular activity at school, the hostel provides one every day after school. The students have supervised prep each school night and on Sunday we offer many different mentoring and leadership opportunities for our students.

The hostel boys have full use of all of the school's outstanding facilities, basketball courts, gymnasium, weights room, 25 metre outdoor swimming pool and sports fields.





Our Facilities.

The school is set on 14 hectares in central New Plymouth, on a ridge overlooking the sea. The school has park like grounds that are well kept, including a hockey turf, two football fields, two rugby fields, six tennis courts, squash courts, gym with a fully equipped weight room, and a golf driving area.

There are fully equipped classrooms and science laboratories, computer and music suites, as well as technology workshops and hospitality kitchens.



Our Student Comments.



From Germany

Hello, my name is Jakob. I am an international student from Germany and a boarder at New Plymouth Boys' High. In the 3 and a half terms I have spent here, I had a wonderful time. I made a lot of new friends. The school is a beautiful place, with an amazing schoolground and very good teachers. My English has improved a lot as well. The time I spent here was the best in my life and I would have stayed longer if I could.

My name is Magnus, I decided to come to New Zealand to improve my English skills. I stayed in New Zealand for five months and lived in the boarding house at New Plymouth Boys' High School. The dormitories in which we sleep are quite big, the advantage of this is it is easier to make new friends. The food in the boarding house is different from the food at home but is very good compared to other boarding houses. The hockey team at New Plymouth Boys' plays a very exciting type of hockey and I have played a lot of hockey at a very high level. In the holidays I explored the North and South Island, both are awesome and I spent some time with some good homestay families. Classes are different than in Germany, I enjoyed doing subjects like woodwork and outdoor education. The school is very large and beautiful in size and you have to

walk a long way between classes. Nature here in New Zealand is unique. It has been an amazing time and I recommend anyone, who has got the opportunity, to experience an exchange in NZ.

My name is Max and I have been at New Plymouth Boys' High School for 12 months. I am in the boarding house and I have a host family during the school holidays. I chose the boarding house because I was afraid the host family wouldn't be nice, and in the boarding house you meet friends very easily. It did feel a bit weird in the beginning in the boarding house, life is very organised and they make you do stuff. Boarding was good because I met a lot of people and I had a lot of friends around me to do and try new activities. You have to wear a school uniform, I was sceptical about this at the start but you don't stick out as much and it makes you feel part of the school, even if the school uniform isn't the nicest looking but that is not a problem. At the school, there are a wide range of subjects, if you chose a subject like outdoor education you can really see a lot of amazing and unique scenery. I went on an outdoor education trip where we hiked for five days without wifi or internet. We cooked our own food and it was a great way to know nature, you don't get a class like this at home. I have enjoyed the opportunity to learn to surf. I tried to surf as much as possible

while at the school. An interesting thing about New Zealanders is they are very relaxed, in summer they walk around everywhere in bare feet and they have a great sense of humour.



From Austria

Hi I'm Jakob and I have been at New Plymouth Boys' High School for half a year with a host family. The Taranaki region is amazing, Fitzroy beach is five minutes from the school and it is great for surfing and you can also go skiing on the mountain which is only 30 minutes from New Plymouth. You can also go hiking and camping or do other outdoor activities. In the beginning, I was quite sceptical going to an all-boys school as I was worried about not meeting girls but I was definitely wrong, I met tons of girls here through extra-curricular activities. In a host family, there is no need to worry, the families are chosen carefully, my host brother will visit me in Austria but even if you don't get along with your host family you can switch. I was worried at the beginning that I couldn't talk to my host family but they really do care and no matter what your worries they will try and help. Everyone tells you how nice New Zealanders are and that is true. You can talk to anyone you meet on the street and they greet you and they show an interest in what you are doing. New Zealanders are very relaxed, not very strict and they like to laugh.



Our Contact Details.

We warmly welcome International students from different countries to join our school environment and invite you to contact me for more information.

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