



SCOTLANDS HOSTEL

HANDBOOK



New Plymouth Girls' High School
Te Kura Taitamawāhine o Puke Ariki

Boarding at Scotlands Hostel

Welcome to Scotlands Hostel - *'a home away from home'*

On behalf of the staff, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new boarders and their families.

Here at Scotlands Hostel NPGHS we provide each of our boarders with a safe, secure and caring environment in which they can feel happy and supported in all that they do. We are well equipped to support and encourage our boarders to achieve by helping them to focus on their learning goals, discover and explore new opportunities, make new friends, build strong positive relationships and to have fun by doing different things with new people who can become lifelong friends.

Our boarders come from many different areas of New Zealand and from around the world. We enjoy the diversity as we learn from and understand each other.

Scotlands Hostel works closely with the school to help our boarders become the best version of themselves. We believe in everyone's potential and look forward to supporting you on your journey at Scotlands Hostel.

Cimone Wright
Hostel Manager



Welcome from our Student Leaders

Living in a girls' hostel can be one of the most transformative experiences. It's a place where you learn to live independently, manage your time, and navigate the balance between personal space and communal living. Through our Year 9 eyes, we were extremely nervous to be calling Scotlands Hostel our new home. Though it may not be the same as the homes we grew up in for the first 13 years, it quickly becomes our "home away from home". It's the kind of warm and safe atmosphere where you have a sense of belonging, surrounded by over 100 sisters. This is what makes it a genuine family environment. One thing to love about our hostel is that everyone is accepted for who you are and that there will always be someone here that cares about you.



Scotlands Hostel teaches you to take responsibility for your own routine – whether it's time management, learning to clean up after yourself, or staying on top of your studies. Independence is also a skill that has been developed through the years. Living in an environment with other people means learning to make decisions for ourselves, whether it's handling difficult situations with roommates, or figuring out how to balance schoolwork with personal time. With these skills you will become role models for the younger students. It enables you to have access to not only sporting but also academic opportunities within New Plymouth Girls' High School. All students within the hostel will learn skills that will set them up for life. Our Supervisors are amazing with their support and guidance, welfare and tutoring. Scotlands provides you a solid foundation for stepping into adulthood. It prepares us with the skills and experiences needed to grow into confident, capable young women, ready to take on the challenges of the world.

Having the school right on our doorstep gives us access to a wide range of sports, cultural and academic activities. Outside of school there are a wide range of activities to do including things like a walk to the beach, school socials, year group activities and competitions that keep all students on their toes. The 'Big Sister, Little Sister' programme is a big part of our hostel, bonding our Year 9s with our Year 13s as we help guide their journey through the hostel and put them on the right track.

We are sometimes asked the question; 'Do you enjoy living at the hostel?' The answer is simple. Yes. Living alongside our friends gives us the chance to build a sisterhood. It's a space where we learn to accept each other, adapt to differences, and grow both as individuals and as a group, all while developing new friendships. When we first arrived at the hostel, we were told, "Hostel is what you make it." With that in mind, we set out to create a space that felt like home, a place where laughter, friendship, and fun filled every corner. Of course, we knew there would be challenges along the way, times of stress, misunderstandings, or moments of doubt, but what made it all worthwhile was the unwavering support of people around us. No matter what came our way, we always had each other to lean on, knowing we could face anything together. It's that bond of a sense of belonging that has truly made this experience unforgettable. This is something that we think is almost guaranteed when enrolling your daughter into our welcoming and friendly Scotlands hostel.

PS. If you're wondering about the food, it's really good!

2025 Student Leaders:

Macy Death (Head Boarder) and Waimiria Willison (Manaakitanga Leader)

A Day in the Life of a Boarder at Scotlands Hostel

The Weekly Schedule

7.00am	Wake up time
6.45am - 8.00am	Breakfast and collect morning tea and lunch (if required)
8.00am	Get ready for school / Duties - all students
8.15am - 8.30am	Collect devices
8.30am	Leave for school
8.40am	School starts
1.30pm (school lunchtime varies)	To hostel for lunch or to collect a takeaway
3.20pm	End of school day
3.20 - 5.15pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Afternoon tea is available in the dining room• Free time• Extracurricular activities• Town leave is available until 5.15pm
5.15 – 6.00pm	Dinner
6.45 - 8.15pm	Supervised Prep for all students (Monday to Thursday)
7.45 - 8.00pm	Prearranged late dinner for those who missed dinner due to sports/appointments
8.15pm	Supper is available

Bedtime is from 8.45pm

Phone collection (lights out after 30 minutes)

Year 9	8.45pm
Year 10	9.00pm
Year 11	9.30pm
Year 12	10.00pm
Year 13	10.30pm

Years 9 - 11 hand mobile phones in to Supervisors at bedtime.
At the weekend bedtime is one hour later than during the week.



Prep

Prep is a silent, concentrated time for homework and study

Prep begins for all boarders at 6.45pm, Monday to Thursday, and attendance is required unless on leave, at a team practice or unwell. We expect a minimum of 80% attendance to be achieved.

Boarders will achieve the best possible results by:

- Completing all set homework
- Using good study habits to prepare for tests and exams
- Maintaining a consistent effort
- Gaining personal satisfaction from steady improvements

The Prep Supervisor's role is to encourage a positive attitude to learning, to foster a desire for excellence, to provide any assistance needed and to maintain the optimum environment to ensure that these aims are met.

Boarders are to be organised and bring everything they need to the prep room.

Years 9 & 10	6.45 - 7.45pm
Years 11, 12 & 13	6.45 - 8.15pm

Prep time is compulsory and those with no homework are required to bring something productive to do during this time, such as a book to read, or log-on details to the school online learning platforms. No mobile phones are permitted to be used during prep.

Meals

Scotlands Hostel provides healthy, nourishing, appetising meals which are appropriate for growing students. Energy drinks are banned at the hostel due to their high caffeine and sugar content. Food allergies and special diets will be catered for as required.

Lunch is a combination of a hot lunch or packed lunch throughout the year.

Meal Times:

	Weekend	Weekday	Late Dinner
Breakfast	8.00 – 9.00am	6.45 – 8.00am	7.45pm
Lunch	12.00 – 12.30pm	1.30 – 2.00pm	
Dinner	5.00 – 5.30pm	5.15 – 6.00pm	

We are working hard to reduce waste and so require all boarders to supply their own water bottle, mug and containers for lunch and snacks. Disposable takeaway containers will not be provided by the hostel.



Hostel Fees

What is included:

- Accommodation for 7 days per week during term time.
- All meals (breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner, supper) and an all-day fruit basket.
- Access to laundry facilities.
- Supervision and care by hostel supervisor staff, and an active overnight supervisor.
- Hostel van access between 3.30pm and 9pm for appointments, sports commitments, and tutoring, subject to availability.
- Access to the school fitness centre, courts and field.

Additional to the fees:

- Hostel Bond
- Mattress protector (supplied)
- Transport to and from school and airport or other venues
- Uniform
- Pocket money and incidentals like doctors visits, hostel blankets and hoodies

Fees for boarding at Scotlands Hostel are very competitive and compare favourably to other boarding facilities for girls around New Zealand. Those parents with students at university hostels cannot believe the quality food, care and support that is provided here for a much lower cost! An approximate breakdown of how your fees are distributed is shown below.

Item	Approximate percentage of fees
Staffing and transport <i>This includes staff onsite and active 24 hours per day to ensure that all students have appropriate care and support.</i>	50%
Functional costs <i>This includes cleaning, power, water, rates, internet.</i>	10%
Building and equipment maintenance <i>This ensures replacement chillers, mixers, ovens, etc can be purchased as well as items such as new mattresses, painting and furniture upgrades on a planned schedule.</i>	10%
Food <i>Breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner, supper, an all-day fruit basket, drinks.</i>	30%

A - Z of Hostel Life

Absence from Hostel

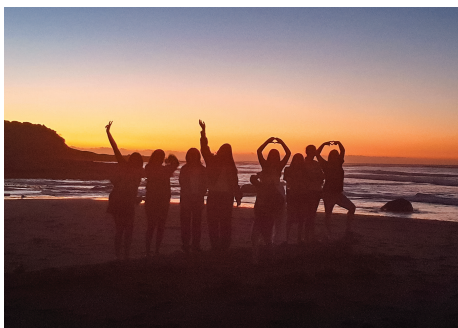
Please contact hostel staff if a student is unable to return to the hostel at the time indicated on their leave.

Absence from school whilst out of hostel - If a student is absent from school whilst on leave please inform the school of the absence via the SchoolBridge app or ring the school absentee line Ph: +64 6 7573897

If a student is absent from school whilst at the hostel, the hostel staff will inform the school.

Big Sister/Little Sister

All Year 9s are paired with a Year 13 'Big Sister' who will be their supporting guide through their first year at the hostel. A role model who has been in their position to help through moments of homesickness, friendship worries and navigation of general hostel life.



Bikes

Year 11, 12 and 13 may have use of their own bikes, although boarders are responsible for their own equipment. There are bike racks outside, within the hostel complex.

Year 10 by negotiation.

Budgeting

We encourage boarders to manage their own money and it is recommended that all boarders have a money card to enable them to meet any additional expenses. We encourage the use of the hostel safe for the safe keeping of cash and passports.

Buses

When travelling on buses from home to the hostel and return, the school uniform is to be worn.

Buses available are: Connector, Coastal and Intercity. Intercity have a pick up/drop off option for NPGHS outside the school on Friday and Sunday.

Complaints

New Plymouth Girls' High School has a Concerns and Complaint Policy. Complaints received are an important source of information and feedback for improving our services. If you have a concern about the hostel you are encouraged to first raise it with the Hostel Manager. If this is not appropriate your concern should be directed to the Principal. Your concern will be investigated fairly and transparently. Throughout the process the school and hostel will maintain open communications with you.

Further information about the Concerns and Complaint Policy can be found at www.npghs.school.nz/about/policy-documents

Cyber Safety

New Plymouth Girls' High School takes digital citizenship and cyber safety seriously. Being 'Cybersafe' is part of being a New Plymouth Girls' High School student.

There are lots of ways to keep yourself 'safe'. These include: thinking carefully about what information you put online about yourself, what social networking and other internet sites you belong to, and managing carefully how you use digital technologies to communicate and interact with others. Online bullying can be a real concern and we encourage all students to become part of the solution for addressing this by seeking support.

By applying our school values, every student can be empowered to stop online bullying. For more information visit www.netsafe.org.nz.

Digital Devices & Citizenship

NPGHS is a BYOD school and so boarders will need a laptop. All devices are brought to the hostel at the owner's risk and are not covered by any school insurance. All devices must be turned off and put away/handed in at bedtime.

Dining Room

All meals are served in the dining room and meals may be eaten in the dining room, café or the outdoor picnic area. There is a duty roster system for daily clean up after mealtimes to ensure our meal areas are kept clean and tidy.

Shoes are to be worn in the dining room at all times, hair is to be tied back and no phones are allowed. Appropriate clothing is to be worn. Pyjamas can only be worn at breakfast.

Duties

Boarders are expected to complete daily duties and take responsibility for their own living and dining areas. Duties are done on a rostered system and checked daily.

Hostel Blanket

Hostel blankets are a wonderful keepsake for any boarder. Families can purchase a blanket at the start of their boarder's time at Scotlands Hostel. Blankets are embroidered with the boarder's name and the year that they start at the hostel.



Insuring Personal Possessions

Many home insurance policies include, or have optional cover, for items covered away from home. It is recommended that boarder's personal property has that cover.

Laundry

Boarders are responsible for their own laundry. Please ensure that all clothing items and linen are named and boarders have their own laundry supplies, including a laundry bag and soap powder. Each year level has a designated laundry with a washer and dryer. Hostel laundry and drying rooms are locked at bedtime.

Leave

For any activity that requires our boarders to leave the hostel, other than school, a leave request must be submitted by the boarder via the Orah digital leave system. Boarders must wait for approval before leaving the hostel and must sign in and out.

Orah is a fantastic system as it allows boarders, hostel and parents to connect and keep track of each boarder's whereabouts. Parents can download the Orah family app to have instant access.

Download the app by searching for 'Orah for Families' in your app store.

Overnight leave

Social overnight leave is not permitted during the week as we encourage good bedtime routines.

Weekend leave

Applications are due on Orah by Wednesday 8.30am. Parent/Guardian and host family approval must be in by Thursday 1.00pm to enable applications to be processed in time.

Weekend town leave

Years 9 -10 can have up to two hours leave on both Saturday and Sunday, returning no later than 5.00pm.

Years 11 - 13 can have up to 3 hours leave on both Saturday and Sunday, returning no later than 5.00pm. Friday evening leaves need to be negotiated with staff on duty. The group rules still apply.

Special leave

This must be discussed with the Hostel Manager prior to filling out a leave application. Hosts must be responsible for boarders whilst outside of the hostel and for both collecting and returning boarders to the hostel after the special leave.

The hostel holds the final approval on all leave requests.

Signing out procedure when collecting a Boarder

The authorised adult must both collect and return the boarder to the hostel office. No boarder is to leave the hostel area for any reason without signing out at the main office.

Leaders

Scotlands Hostel appoints boarders to the following leadership roles each year:

Head Boarder - Year 13

Manaakitanga Leader - Year 13

Year Group Representatives - two per year group for years 9 - 12

Library

The school library is available for use between 8am and 4pm. All boarders have access to the public library. The hostel has its own small collection.

Lost Property

Boarders should check with both the hostel office and at the school Student Services counter to see if the item has been handed in, as well as checking their unit and with friends.

If the item is named both the hostel and Student Services will return it to you so please remember to name all of your belongings. At the end of every term all unclaimed items will be donated.

The hostel will help students to find their missing items however the hostel is not responsible for any items and they are not covered under hostel insurance.

Mattress Protector

A compulsory mattress protector must be used at all times. A mattress protector will be provided by the hostel and invoiced back to the family.

Medicine and sickness

No medication (including over the counter medicine) is to be kept in the units.

No medication is to be self-administered unless special arrangements are made in advance.

Prescribed medication will be dispensed as per doctor's instructions, by a Supervisor or the School Nurse. The particulars of any medicine dispensed or prescription issued will be recorded both on the bottle/packet and pastoral files.

All medicine (**including over the counter medicine**) must be handed into the hostel office where it will be locked away.

Medicross/Carefirst Urgent Care/Emergency Department are our only medical options and so we will only use these in emergency situations. Parents/caregivers will be requested to arrange all non-urgent medical appointments.

Dental Appointments: Appointments can be made, when necessary, by the hostel office. A taxi/uber will be called if outside of hostel van hours.

Feeling unwell? During class time, ask your teacher for a yellow pass to see the nurse. They will contact the hostel and caregivers/parents as appropriate. If it's interval or lunchtime you can also see the nurse about anything you are worrying about health-wise. At the hostel, see a Supervisor.

If a boarder is deemed to be contagious then parents/caregivers will need to collect the student from the hostel to protect the wellbeing of other boarders and staff.

Recommendations:

Medical Appointments: If a boarder will not be going home often during term time, lives more than 2hrs away, or has ongoing medical needs then we recommend that they enrol in a local GP surgery so that appointments can be made for medical care.

Dentist/Orthodontics – Taylor Dental, Lemon St (walking distance)

Pharmacy – Bargain Chemist (free prescriptions, walking distance)

Mobile phones

Mobile devices are subject to the same policies as other devices in the school in regard to security and digital citizenship. Years 9, 10 and 11 hand all their devices to Supervisors at bedtime.

There are no mobile phones allowed at mealtimes and prep time.

Please note that lunchtime is part of the school day and so the school mobile phone rules apply.

Payments

All accounts are handled by the accounts team in the main school office accounts@npghs.school.nz. We recommend setting hostel fee payments to automatic payment to avoid any missed payments. Late payments may incur a penalty fee.

If you need to pay for something at school, payments can be made at Student Services, using eftpos or cash, or via online banking.

Bank account 15-3953-0478234-00

Please reference: student name and the reason for payment eg. Uniform, sports.

If paying by cash at Student Services you will be given a receipt at the time of payment.

Personal hygiene

It is important that all boarders know the importance of showering daily, changing underwear and socks regularly, changing linen and towels, and the need for soap, shampoo and deodorant. Guidance and help is given by staff.

NPGHS is a free period product school and this includes the hostel. The hostel can supply all period products to boarders.

Personal property

Personal property is the responsibility of the owner. Items must be clearly named and each boarder has a wardrobe that they can store their valuables in. All property is brought to the hostel at the owner's risk and not covered by any school insurance.

Safe facility

We highly recommend all money and valuables be kept in the safe in the hostel office.

School & Hostel Apps

SchoolBridge: New Plymouth Girls' High School uses SchoolBridge and the SchoolBridge App for all communications. Some features include submitting absences, requesting passes, daily notices, alerts, newsletters, school calendar, EOTC information/permissions and payments.

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Scholarships

The Ministry of Education provides limited boarding allowances to assist students. The guidelines, eligibility information and application forms can be located on their website: <https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregiverssecondary-school/your-child-at-school/boarding-allowances>

Boarding allowances will be credited to a student's account. Please contact the NPGHS accounts dept if you have any queries.

School Counsellors

A full confidential service operates from Wai Ora, the cottage behind the hall, with a fully trained counsellor and social worker.

You can make an appointment to see one of the Wai Ora staff to discuss with full confidentiality any challenges you are facing in your life, including friendships, bullying issues, family, school or any other personal situations that you might like some support with.

To make an appointment: If students need to see someone urgently they do not need an appointment, they can pop in and connect with one of the team, or they can make an appointment by messaging the person they want to see directly on Teams, or their email, or alternatively they can use an appointment request slip, that can be found in Wai Ora, and put in the box on the door.

Email:

Jesiree Bicknell - Social Worker, Head of Wai Ora, jbicknell@npghs.school.nz

Nicola Mills – Counsellor, nmills@npghs.school.nz

Hanna Northcott - School Nurse RN, nurse@npghs.school.nz

Staff

- Supervisors provide day-to-day care of our boarders
- Cleaning staff sanitise after boarders complete their duties
- Catering team provide tasty meals for our boarders
- Night staff – unlike most hostels, we have an active night staff member who is readily available for boarders needs at any time during the night. We believe this is essential for boarder safety and wellbeing, and for parent/whānau peace of mind.

Stymie

Stymie is an anonymous reporting tool used at NPGHS to report incidents of bullying and harm, safely and anonymously. It can be accessed at www.stymie.co.nz.

Any student, parent or member of the community can make a notification.

It is another means of supporting our pastoral system at NPGHS. Only designated staff members will receive notifications via email when a report is made. We will deal with all reports according to our pastoral care system in an effort to continue to promote student wellbeing.

Start and Finish of Term

All boarders are expected to return to the hostel between 3.00 - 5.00pm the day before the start of the new term. Hostel opening times will be advised before the start of each term.

At the end of each term boarders should take all personal belongings home on the last day of term.

Teacher Only Days/Public Holidays

Scotland's Hostel remains open on Teacher Only days and term time Public Holidays unless prior notice is given of closure.

Units

Rooms are set up to sleep 5-6 boarders. Each year level is grouped together within the hostel complex. Boarders work together as a unit to keep their spaces clean and tidy.

Each term, boarders share with a new combination of students. They are asked for room-mate preferences which are taken into consideration by hostel staff.

Vehicles

Students may have a car on site,

- Keys are to be handed in to the hostel office
- There are limited parks available onsite for Year 13 and they will be allocated via a roster system, otherwise street parking is available.

Visitors

All visitors to the hostel, including families, must sign in at the hostel office and be introduced to a Supervisor. Due to legal regulations all visitors (including family) must be supervised whilst in the hostel.

Friends are welcome after school and at weekends. They are **not permitted into units**, but are welcome in the library and dining room/cafe with permission.

Families are welcome to visit the hostel at anytime and to have a meal with us.

Activities

Boarders are encouraged to participate in a wide variety of extracurricular activities

Fitness Centre

We have access to the school Fitness Centre. NPGHS PE staff will complete induction sessions for access to the Fitness Centre.

Boarders can enrol in external gyms, however we ask that you choose local gyms to keep personal costs lower. Local gyms include Snap Fitness, YMCA and Rampage.

Swimming at the beach when on leave

Boarders may walk or swim at the beach.

Boarders must swim between the flags and only when a lifeguard is on duty. Years 9 - 11 must be in groups of at least three. Years 12 - 13 in pairs.

Use of the school courts

The courts and sports equipment may be used outside of school hours. A key is available from the hostel office.

Hostel Van

The van is available 3.30 - 9.00pm Monday to Friday for transport, priority is given to:

- Approved appointments, e.g. medical
- Extra-curricular activities, e.g. music lesson/tutoring
- Sporting activities where walking is not an option, e.g. training, games
- Transport to the bus station or airport

During the weekends the van is available for sporting commitments subject to staff availability. Access to the van, at any time, will be subject to staff availability.

The van is not available during the school day for appointments except in the case of an emergency. A taxi/airport shuttle/uber will be ordered and charged back to the boarder's account. Visits to the gym are not a priority for the van, boarders are encouraged to walk to and from the gym. The van is not available for beauty appointments or shopping.

Town/Gym/Beach Leave

Year 9 and 10 - two per week

Two town leaves per week between Monday and Friday, returning no later than 5.15pm. Girls walk to and from town and are expected to be in a group of three.

Year 11 - three per week

Three town leaves per week between Monday and Friday, returning no later than 5.15pm. Girls walk to and from town and are expected to be in a group of three.

Year 12 - three per week

Three town leaves per week between Monday and Friday, returning no later than 5.15pm. Girls walk to and from town and are expected to be in a group of two.

Year 13

May have leave any night during the week until 5.15pm. One night may be until 6pm.

Recommendations

Gym – Rampage/Snap Fitness/YMCA

Swimming Lessons/Training – Aquatic Centre

Tennis Club – Waiwaka Tennis Club (walking distance)

Football – Rangers (Mangorei Road)

Please note these are recommended due to proximity or frequency of van transport near these locations. If a Boarder joins a different group, transport will be at their own cost.



Seventh House

The House provides more independent 'flating style' accommodation for fifteen Year 13 boarders.

Any female guest must be signed in by a Year 13 Hostel boarder at the hostel office. No guests are permitted to enter bedrooms.

Male guests are not permitted in any part of the house at any time.

Year 13 Boarders who have study during Spell 1 must have completed their duties and vacated the house by 9.30am. Girls who have study last spell may return to the house at lunchtime. Boarders from other levels are not permitted in the house unless permission is specifically sought. No boarders from other levels are permitted in bedrooms.

Car Parks

Limited Year 13 boarder parking is available at the hostel and will be offered on a rostered system. All other boarders should park considerately on the surrounding streets and take note of Council parking restrictions.





Duties

A duty roster is displayed and all daily cleaning is to be done by boarders. Supplies of cleaning equipment and toilet rolls are to be requested from staff.

Leave

Leave requests are applied for through Orah as for other boarders. Girls must sign in/out responsibly.

Meals

All meals are supplied in the dining room as for other Boarders and must be eaten there. Basic supplies are given, upon request, at the discretion of kitchen staff on duty, ie. milk, butter, bread, spreads, tea/coffee/milo, sugar etc.

Security

The security system is linked to the Hostel system.

If only one Year 13 boarder is in Seventh House (for example weekends/exam leave) they will be required to sleep in the main complex for the boarder's safety.

Behaviour

Expectations & Restorative Process

Behaviour Management

The hostel behaviour expectations are in accordance with the rules and policies of New Plymouth Girls' High School.

The school rules can be found on the school website, www.npghs.school.nz All school policies are available on the school website at,

www.npghs.school.nz/about/policy-documents, or can be obtained by contacting the school.

NPGHS will take all practicable steps to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the boarders by complying with all relevant legislation, regulations, standards and codes of practice. The expectations are set out in the Scotlands Hostel: Rights, Relationships And Responsibilities (Ill Treatment) Policy.

The hostel is a shared environment and the awareness of the rights and needs of others and acting in ways that support and enable this is essential to the creation of a safe and secure living environment for all. These expectations are set out in the Hostel Kaupapa.

Where the behaviour of boarders does not conform to the expectations of the school and hostel, as defined by its rules, policy and Kaupapa, disciplinary action may result. This is led by the Hostel Manager and Principal and in serious situations the Student Behaviour Committee of the Board.

The restorative process works to restore relationships which have been harmed due to the actions of others within our hostel environment. We explore what has happened to cause the harm, who has been affected and what can be done to restore the relationship and make things right. Depending on the situation, this process may take several days as we consider the number of students involved and what level of harm has been caused. The outcome we aim for is one where we are able to move forward because we have started to make things right and restore positive relationships between everyone who has been affected.

SCOTLANDS HOSTEL KAUPAPA

Below are the minimum expectations for our hostel community.
(To be read in conjunction with additional detailed kaupapa for dorms, prep, dining room, leave and 7th house)

EXPECTATION: New Plymouth Girls' High School is a place of...

RESPECT/ WHAKAMANA	RESPONSIBILITY/ HAEPAPA	RELATIONSHIPS/ WHANAUNGATANGA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use polite and appropriate language • Listen attentively when others are speaking • Care for your environment and living space • Respect privacy, space and property • Show concern and care for others • Communicate with staff appropriately • Treat hostel rooms, property and equipment with respect • Leave your spaces clean and tidy • Follow hostel guidelines and rules for leave, prep, rooms, dining room, activities and use of hostel property and equipment • Respect the privacy and rights of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scotlands Hostel is a smokefree, vape-free, drug-free and alcohol free environment • Be organised, on time and have the correct equipment for hostel activities • Follow instructions • Stay focused, on task and complete work and activities to the best of your ability • Communicate concerns, ask for help appropriately • Use devices (phones and computers) for approved and appropriate purposes • Ensure leave is organised as per hostel guidelines and is communicated in a timely way • Make good choices that fit with the values, policies and rules of the school and hostel • Tidy up after yourself and keep your space tidy • Make choices and act in a way that keeps you healthy and safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate positively and politely • Be patient • Treat others with respect • Seek to resolve issues in a calm and positive manner • Encourage and support each other • Be inclusive of one another • Treat hostel residents, visitors and staff with kindness • Work together • Encourage friends to behave responsibly • Have a positive attitude • Do not act in a way that may hurt, harm or bully others • Share your space with others



Your First Day at Scotlands Hostel

Boarders are usually expected to arrive at the hostel the day before their year level is due to start at the school.

Year 9 students will be welcomed slightly earlier than the start of the school year by staff and the Year 13 boarders. Parents are welcome to stay until they are happy that all is settled.

The rest of the boarders will usually arrive the day before their particular year level is required onsite.

Please check the school website for up-to-date information on the start of the year www.npghs.school.nz



Recommended Packing List

All items are to be clearly labelled:

- 2 fitted sheets (king single), 2 pillowslips, 1 - 2 pillows, single duvet or bedspread/blanket
- 2 face cloths, 4 towels
- 1 clothes basket for soiled clothing (suitable for storage in wardrobe or under desk in unit)
- Clothes pegs
- Soap powder, Stain remover (optional)
- Swimming gear
- School uniform and everyday clothes and shoes
- Coat hangers
- A schoolbag
- Coffee mug, water bottle, containers for lunch and snacks
- Wheatbag or hot water bottle (no electric blankets)
- Sanitary items
- Toiletries
- Sunblock/ insect repellent/ band aids/ strapping tape
- 1 small padlock and chain
- Pushpins for noticeboard
- Multipoint plug

Don't forget your chargers for devices and phones.

Mattress protector provided.

Stay in Contact

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