



# Christchurch Girls' High School | *Te Kura o Hine Waiora*

*Manaakitanga. Whanaungatanga. Aroha. Rangatiratanga.*

Tēnā koe

Thank you for applying for this position at Christchurch Girls' High School | *Te Kura o Hine Waiora*.

We were founded in 1877 as the second state girls' secondary school in Aotearoa New Zealand and have a proud and long history of educating young women to take their place in the world. Embedded in our tradition is a focus on innovation and challenge to the prevailing norms by the first women principals who chose to educate girls well before women received the suffrage in our country.

Our river site has significant history for Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and we are committed to nurturing a strong bicultural relationship and supporting diverse cultures at our school.

We are in an exciting phase of implementing our vision and strategic direction for the school which has a roll of approximately 1250 and a staff of 120. The school has traditionally enjoyed very high achievement results and is reinterpreting what excellence means in a progressive and relational culture which will prepare our students for the future and ensure they flourish.

Our values which drive this vision are manaakitanga, whanaungatanga, aroha and rangatiratanga.

The key elements of our vision are:

- *We empower and inspire the development of 21<sup>st</sup> century lifelong learners*
- *We provide a passionate learning environment with diverse opportunities, experiences and authentic relationships*
- *We enable learners to flourish, celebrate achievement, contribute to our world and become tomorrow's inspired leaders today*

Alongside this, the school rebuild has been in a reset with the Ministry of Education and we are beginning a new rebuild which will see the majority of the school rebuilt. We are looking forward to designing spaces which will equip our students and staff for the future. We enjoy what may be the most beautiful and relaxing school site in Aotearoa New Zealand with Ōtākaro flowing through the centre of the school and a wonderful new Performing Arts Centre facing Hagley Park.

The successful applicant will have the opportunity to join a very successful school, a highly motivated staff and will contribute to the design of a progressive curriculum and relational culture which will equip our students for the future.

We welcome your interest in our place.

Ngā mihi nui

Helen Armstrong  
Principal | *Tumuaki*