



Kaiapoi High School

2024 Prospectus

Mā te aroha ka tutuki

Through caring, concern, and support for others, all things are possible



Kia ora, welcome to Kaiapoi High School.

Thank you for considering Kaiapoi High School in the next step of your child's education. Your interest in and support for the school is greatly appreciated.

Kaiapoi High School is a unique and special place that has provided our families with a high quality co-educational secondary education since 1972. It is a school that supports and is supported by the wider community, which covers a large area of North Canterbury, including schools from Ouruhia to Pegasus and then inland to Swannanoa. We are proud to lead this school, and we feel very fortunate to be able to work alongside a talented, caring, student-focused staff.

Our aim is to have each student reach their potential in a safe and caring environment. We have high expectations of our students, and we focus on providing them with the opportunities to be successful. A key element of this is to understand that each student is an individual, and what success looks like for one can be very different for another.

Personalised learning and the provision of multiple pathways are very important in providing opportunities for all.

Students need to feel safe and cared for if they are going to reach their potential. Kaiapoi High School places relationships at the heart of what we do. Restorative practices are used and each student is known by name, not only by their teachers but also their pastoral deans and tutors. The school has a strong student council that gives voice to our students and the ability to make positive changes for all.

This prospectus provides an overview of the school, its environment and the large number of extra curricular opportunities it provides. You are welcome to contact the school if you wish to seek further information.

Mā te huruhuru ka rere te manu. Give the bird wings and it will fly.



Our Mission

To motivate and inspire all students to achieve their best academically, culturally and physically in order to become adults who contribute to their community.

Our Vision

Kaiapoi High School, in partnership with the community, is committed to providing a high quality education that supports a wide range of opportunities in a learning environment where relationships are paramount.

Our Learner Vision

At Kaiapoi High School teachers actively support students to achieve our shared Learner Vision. Our teaching strategies focus on engaging and motivating students to achieve to the best of their ability, to feel valued, and to strive for excellence.

Core Values

Our curriculum develops students to achieve our core values:

Respect

Treat others fairly; Follow instructions; On time ready to learn; Use equipment correctly

Integrity

Do the right thing; Own your own behaviour

Community

Contribute to group work; Support others' learning

Excellence

Be the best you can be; Be proud of success



Our school curriculum

FACULTY	YEAR 9 Ages 13–14	YEAR 10 Ages 14–15	YEAR 11 Ages 15–16	YEAR 12 Ages 16–17	YEAR 13 Ages 17–18
English	English Literacy	English Literacy	English Skills English General English Literature	English Skills (from 2025) English General English Academic	English Skills (from 2026) English General English Academic
Mathematics	Mathematics Numeracy	Mathematics Numeracy	Mathematics Numeracy	Statistics Calculus Mathematics with Applications	Statistics Calculus Mathematics with Applications
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Science	Science	Science	Science	Biology Chemistry Physics Psychology	Biology Chemistry Physics Psychology
Social Sciences	Social Studies	Social Studies History Classics Geography Business Studies Economics	History Geography Commerce	History Classics Geography Tourism Business Studies Accounting Economics Legal Studies	History Classics Geography Tourism Business Studies Accounting Economics Legal Studies
Health & Physical Education	Health & Physical Education Food & Nutrition	Health & Physical Education Food & Nutrition Outdoor Education Sports Performance	Physical Education Health Education Food & Nutrition Outdoor Education Sports Performance	Physical Education Health Education Food & Nutrition Outdoor Education	Physical Education Health Education Food & Nutrition Outdoor Education



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Technology	Digital Technology Technology	Digital Technology Product Design Biotechnology	Digital Technology Product Design	Digital Technology Product Design	Digital Technology Product Design
		Food Technology Hard Materials Technology	Hospitality Metal Technology & Engineering Wood Technology	Hospitality Metal Technology & Engineering Wood Technology	Hospitality Hard Materials Technology
The Arts	Art	Visual Art Digital Art	Visual Art Digital Art	Painting & Printmaking Art Design Photography	Painting & Printmaking Art Design Photography
	6	Wearable Arts	Wearable Arts	Wearable Arts	Wearable Arts
	Dance Drama	Dance Drama	Dance Drama	Dance Drama	Dance Drama
	Diama	Media Studies	Drama	Media Studies	Media Studies Journalism
	Music	Music	Music	Music Sound Recording & Production	Music Sound Recording & Production
Languages	Te Reo Māori ESOL	Te Reo Māori ESOL	Te Reo Māori ESOL	Te Reo Māori ESOL	Te Reo Māori ESOL
Pathways			Automotive	Gateway Ready for Work Building	Gateway



Teaching & learning principles

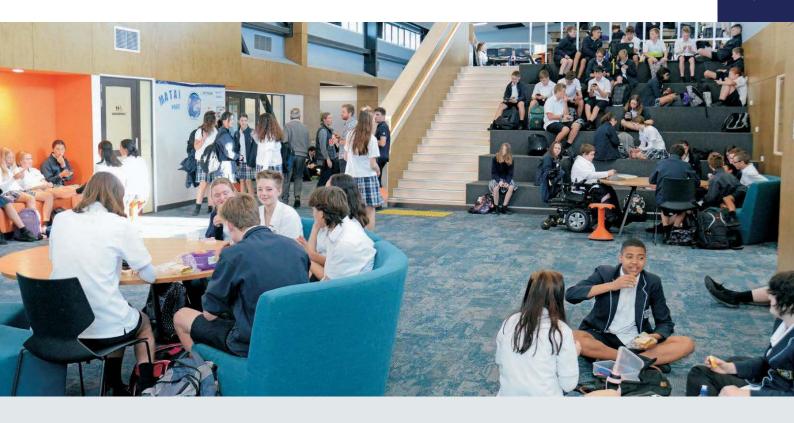
Students at Kaiapoi High School are collaborative learners who are reflective and develop the skills to be adaptable. They have a strong sense of self-belief, creativity and community. They are critical thinkers who believe that building strong relationships is at the forefront of being a 21st century global citizen.

Learner Vision

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Our teachers:

- Explore and implement approaches that build student engagement, while supporting students in gaining understanding and ownership of their own learning.
- Lead collaborative learning opportunities.
- Use technology to provide 21st century learning opportunities.
- Are active, through positive relationships, in encouraging high expectations for students' learning and well-being.
- Role model and actively teach our core values of respect, integrity, community and excellence.
- Value the input of, and actively communicate with, whānau.



Modern learning spaces

Kaiapoi High School is built upon teaching and learning design principle that integrates the School's learner vision and school vision. This has ensured we have buildings that provide the maximum amount of flexibility for our staff and students to engage in their learning journey. These buildings are not the open learning styles that were popular in the mid-2010's, but rather were designed to create spaces that can be used on a needs basis. Whilst the buildings have an open central spine for student social and break out spaces, classrooms surround this spine and are made up of both single and double spaces. This combination of classrooms has allowed opportunities for collaboration and more traditional single teacher instruction.

Our key principles included:

- Flexibility of spaces to enhance teaching and learning opportunities
- Facilitation of connection between and within faculties
- Encouraging and enhancing opportunities to collaborate and co-locate
- Building a sense of pride in the school environment

- Provision of the most up-to-date technology
- Allowing students to learn at their own pace under the direction of their teachers
- Building on the positive relationships that are both encouraged and modelled within the School
- Encouraging student ownership of their learning environment

Over the last six years we have developed and evolved, now including two versatile teaching and learning blocks, and a second gymnasium, which includes an international sized netball and basketball court, with seating for over 300 spectators. This gym is in collaboration with the Waimakariri Council, to be used in conjunction with the local community.



Our pastoral network

Kaiapoi High School believes in building and maintaining positive learning relationships.

To support this, Kaiapoi High School has adopted a restorative approach where relationships are paramount. Restorative Practice is used to work through issues of classroom discipline, bullying, misunderstanding and conflict, to ultimately strengthen relationships. The positive behaviour for learning the restorative practice model focuses on building and maintaining positive and respectful relationships across the school.

Kaiapoi High School supports students throughout their secondary schooling to become well rounded, balanced young adults.

The student body is divided into four Houses: Kauri, Mataī, Rimu and Tōtara. Every student is in a vertical tutor class, which is linked to a house. The basis of the school's pastoral care system is the tutor teacher, who works as part of a team with the dean of the house. Whānau tutor classes allow Māori students to focus on traditional aspects of culture and values of whanaungatanga.

The deans work closely with the counsellors in overseeing the general well-being of the students. Interviews can be arranged with tutor teachers, deans, and counsellors when parents/caregivers are concerned about any matter concerning their son or daughter.

Kaiapoi High School has a pastoral care team where guidance counsellors, tutor teachers, deans, school nurses, local doctors, career advisors, the learning support team, resource teachers of learning and behaviour, the International Manager, Gateway Coordinator and youth workers may all work together to provide a wraparound service for our students. Kaiapoi High School has strong links to external agencies for further support.



Our community

One of the school's core values is 'community'. This value relates to not only our immediate school community of students, parents and staff, but also our wider community within North Canterbury.

The school organises and supports many activities and ceremonies. Our students and staff are an integral part of both the Anzac Day and Waitangi Day celebrations, with our head students delivering speeches, our choir singing the anthems and kapa haka performances.

We also provide our students with opportunities to share their ideas and have student voice within community groups that plan events for the district, including the local Kaiapoi Youth Development team and the Youth Council for Waimakariri. Our students are also often seen coaching sports and engaging with our contributing schools.

Within school there are a number of opportunities for our students to make positive change for the school, including:

- Student Council
- Arts Council
- Māori and Pasifika
- Junior and Senior House Captains
- LGBTQIA+



Sports at Kaiapoi High School

Sport is an important aspect of school life and we have many opportunities for our students to get involved in a wide range of sports.

We have a proud history of our sporting students with recognition at local, regional and national level. Our Sports Hall of Fame is diverse, with a large number of past and current students excelling at national and international levels in their chosen fields. These are proudly displayed in the foyer of our gymnasium.

Kaiapoi High School provides a sporting environment that caters for our school community, by providing a variety and increasing sporting activities for all our students. Whether their goal is to compete, win, learn new skills or just to enjoy the sport with their friends.

We are very grateful to our teachers, coaches, managers, parents and members of our wider community, who devote time, energy and their expertise to ensure our students get the best experience and opportunities. We are also fortunate to have amazing facilities on our school grounds, which are used throughout the year with our interschool summer and winter competitions, and also our annual sports exchanges with Buller and Kaikoura High Schools.



SPORT	SUMMER	WINTER	FULL YEAR
Archery	✓		
Badminton		✓	
Basketball		✓	
Bowls	✓		
Cricket	✓		
Cycling			✓
Dragon Boating	✓		
Equestrian			✓
Football/Soccer			✓
Golf			✓
Hockey			✓
Korfball			✓
Netball		✓	
Pool		✓	
Rowing	✓		
Rugby		✓	
Small Bore			✓
Softball	✓		
Table Tennis		✓	
Tennis	✓		
Touch Rugby	✓		
Triathlon	✓		
Volleyball	✓		





Arts

We shouldn't value the arts on the basis that it has social or economic benefits, but because it expands the mind and soul.

The arts are central to the idea of education being about instilling a love of learning, of acquiring knowledge. It is no accident that the arts are traditionally connected with the idea of being educated. Hence an educated person is assumed to be interested in the arts.

At Kaiapoi High School the arts are offered in Year 9 to Year 13, including drama, dance, music, art and media. For those who do not pursue the arts as an academic pathway, there are many opportunities for our students to become involved. Our school's size allows us to provide these opportunities, whilst not being so large as to have to restrict involvement to certain year levels or abilities. Being involved in the wider school life, in sports, culture or the arts, adds colour and interest to a student's time at school. These are just some of the opportunities the school provides:

Music

- Lessons from specialist tutors are available through the school on a variety of instruments. A vocal tutor is also available.
- The school choir, chamber group, ukulele group, and rock bands, as well as individual performers, participate actively in school and community events, such as the Voices Festival, Chamber Music Festival, UC High School Highlights, Rock Quest and other events in the Waimakariri district.

Drama

- School Production a musical production every alternate year
- Junior and Senior theatresports teams
- Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival
- The new Performing Arts studio is available for student use and classes



Dance

- The dance troupe in the school productions (musical every alternate year).
- Perform at the Kaiapoi NCEA Dance Showcase open to all junior and senior students (including non-NCEA students).
- DanceNZmade Competition (replacing Stage Challenge) as a Team, Duo/Trio or Solo (student choreography).
- Attend dance workshops provided by NZ dance companies such as the Royal NZ Ballet, NZ Dance Company or Footnote Dance Company, or professional dancers from around the world.
- Perform 'Flash-mob' dances in the Kaiapoi community.

Art

- Wearable Arts Fashion Show, The Toi Wearable Art Showquest Competition.
- Opportunities to exhibit artwork, including the Kaiapoi Art Expo.

Media Studies

- Nationwide 48Hour Film Festival Competition
- The Koscars "Kaiapoi Oscars" Film Festival
- "On Screen" Canterbury Secondary Schools' Film Competition



Outdoor Education

In Outdoor Education our students learn in some of New Zealand's most beautiful and wild environments from our native bush to the rugged, snow-capped peaks of the Ka Tiritiri o te Moana.

In Year 10 we offer a taster to adventure-based learning that includes: raft building, rock climbing, bushcraft, first aid, survival, and tramping. At Levels 1-3 the Outdoor Education becomes more challenging as students develop skills in rock climbing, abseiling, overnight tramping, and expedition tramping in increasingly challenging environments.

Hospitality

This industry-ready course combines classroom study with practical learning, allowing students to work in a commercial kitchen environment alongside professionally trained chefs.

Students get as much hands-on experience as possible, while gaining the kitchen management and culinary theory knowledge for a successful hospitality career.









Māori & Pasifika

Our ever-growing roll of Māori and Pasifika students brings a vibrant radiance to the character of our school. Language, humour, identity, culture, and diversity are all encouraged and celebrated as we connect as children of Polynesia, and share a part of who we are with our community.

We wholly believe in the principles of whanaungatanga, manaakitanga, and tuakana-teina, using tikanga Māori as our basis, underpinning all that we do. These align with our core school values of Respect, Integrity, Community, and Excellence.

"Kotahi te aho ka whati; ki te kāpui e kore e whati." One strand of flax is easy to break, but many strands together will stand strong.

This acknowledges that Māori and Pasifika are a relational people and that unity builds strength and wellbeing. We currently have six Whānau tutor groups and two Pasifika tutor groups where students engage almost daily to share thoughts, time, breath, and life. This is where bonds are solidified, older students nurture the younger, and mutual respect is formed.

We partner with whānau and aiga to ensure that student needs are being met and to build genuine relationships leading to positive outcomes. It is important to us that we instil a sense of belonging in all our students and whānau.

"Ki te kore te pūtake e mākūkūngia, e kore te rākau e tipu." If the roots are not watered, the tree will not grow.

Ākonga are constantly given opportunities to embrace and enhance their knowledge, identity, and culture, both individually and collectively, through history, te reo Māori me ona tikanga, kapahaka, Polyfest, and various other academic and culturally themed events occurring within our school and in our wider community.

Ultimately, our goal is to provide successful, meaningful pathways that our Māori and Pasifika students can pursue, whilst maintaining those key elements that make us a proud, strong, and unique people.



Bring your own device (BYOD)

Since 2020, Kaiapoi High School students have brought their own devices for learning in and out of the classroom.

As Kaiapoi High School is a BYOD school, all students are expected to provide their own device. This enables our students to fully access and utilise the amazing resources available and work in the fully integrated modern learning style. Currently, our WIFI network is open for all students to connect two of their own devices. This has enabled more digital technologies to be incorporated into the classroom and the benefits have been huge for our students.

Curriculum resources are made available that make use of devices and gives students the ability to learn in a way that is not available without a device. Critical thinking and collaboration are made possible by being able to connect with our global community and access a wide range of subject material and experts.

We recommend a laptop that has wireless capabilities and that can run a chrome browser. In our classes we use Google Apps for Education (GAFE) as a baseline tool for teaching and learning, which requires Chrome to run effectively. Please see our website for BYOD recommended specifications.





Uniform

After a student-led consultation, a new school uniform was introduced for students in 2016. The student body desired two key elements to this uniform:

- A uniform that reflected the pride that they have in their school
- One single uniform that would be flexible, dependent on the weather

Our students wear the same uniform all year round. During the winter months, a white thermal can be worn under the blouse/shirt.

Sport uniforms are provided by the school and returned at the end of each game. There is no Physical Education uniform, the students are simply required to wear appropriate sports clothes.

All students can pick and choose what part of the uniform they would like to wear. There is no specific gendered uniform.

They may choose from the following list:

- Short Sleeve Blouse
- Short Sleeve Shirt

- Navy Zip Cardigan
- Navy Jersey
- Pleated Skirt
- Black Trousers
- Navy Shorts
- Soft Shell Jacket
- Blazers are optional and must be ordered through the school office.

The sole supplier of the new Kaiapoi High School uniform is Argyle Schoolwear Ltd.

New uniform items can ONLY be bought online at **www.argyleonline.co.nz**.

There are uniform samples at the school office for sizing purposes.

In addition, school uniform hats can be purchased from the School Canteen once a student begins at Kaiapoi High School. They may choose from the following list:

- Beanies
- Caps
- Bucket Hats



International

Kaiapoi High School warmly welcomes enrolments from overseas students for long or short term study.

We value the contact with students from other cultures and offer engagement, opportunities, and interesting subject choices. Our domestic students benefit from the diversity of having International students and share many experiences with them.

Kaiapoi has a population of 13,000 residents and is located 20 minutes from Christchurch International Airport. The town provides a safe clean environment and has easy access to all city amenities.

Courses of study prepare students for national qualifications, including entrance for both New Zealand and international universities and English language tests. All students are encouraged to achieve to their full potential with support offered by professional and caring teachers. The school welcomes students at all year levels throughout the year.

Our learning programmes are inclusive and based on students' needs. We have award-winning faculties within our school that offer modern and specialised facilities. Kaiapoi High School offers a wide range of subjects to meet the various needs and interests of its students.

Enrolment Scheme

All students who live within the school zone are entitled to enrol. The new legal boundaries of the zone will be put on the school website as soon as the minor changes have been ratified by the Board of Trustees. Any questions regarding the zone can be directed to the Principal's PA on 03 375 5230.

To confirm proof of residence within this zone, the following is required:

A copy of recent rates demand, tenancy agreement, or account showing proof of address, or such additional document as the Board of Trustees may require.

Out of zone enrolments

Applications must reach the Principal by the determined date. These applications will be processed following the order of priority, according to places available:

- **01** applicants who are siblings of current students
- **02** applicants who are siblings of former students
- **03** applicants who are children of former students
- **04** applicants whose parent is a member of or employed by the Board of Trustees of Kaiapoi High School
- 05 all other applicants

Applicants seeking priority status in any of the first three groups may be required to give proof of relationship and/ or of their relation's attendance at Kaiapoi High School.

Enrolment dates for 2024

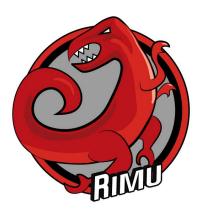
Enrolment applications open: 24 May 2023 Enrolment applications close: 28 July 2023

Ballot if necessary: 2 August 2023

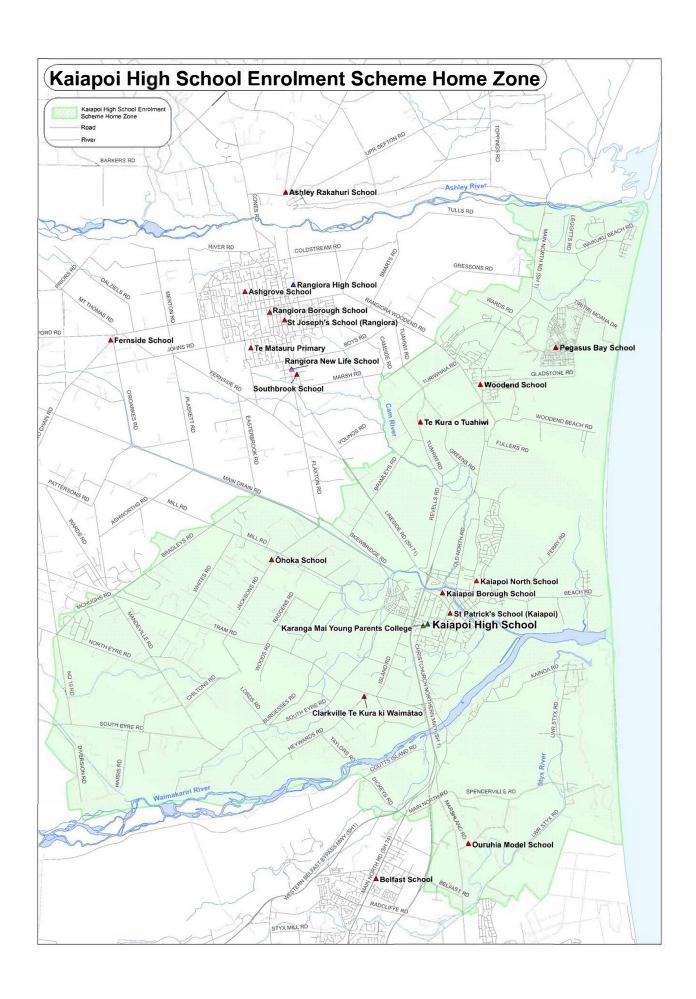
Letter to parents offering place: 4 August 2023 Last day for acceptance of a place: 14 August 2023















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