



John Paul College

ROTORUA | NEW ZEALAND

INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS



*Nurturing Excellence
while on Adventure*



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Message from The Principal

Tena Koutou Katoa

John Paul College has a long and proud tradition of welcoming International Students to our family orientated school. Our aim is to ensure that you are provided with an excellent academic education while also experiencing all the 'Adventure' that the College and Rotorua has to give.

John Paul College offers you:-

- A safe welcoming environment where your academic and pastoral needs are a high priority
- A top performing Christian and Catholic school with high quality teachers and facilities
- An opportunity to experience first-hand Maori culture, an extensive range of sports and extra-curricular activities including music, drama, horse riding, kayaking, tramping, skiing and camping
- The provision of high quality ESOL including preparations for entry to university.

Rotorua city is an exciting and unique tourist destination giving life memories to take back to family and friends.

I warmly invite you to come on our adventure and allow us to nurture all that is excellent within you.

Patrick Walsh

Patrick Walsh has been Principal for John Paul College since 2003 and also led the Secondary Principal's Association of New Zealand (SPANZ) as its President, from 2011 until 2013.

JOHN PAUL COLLEGE

John Paul College (JPC) is a top performing state-integrated Catholic school and caters for students from Year 7 to Year 13. It is a 'Lasallian school in the Catholic tradition' and is therefore linked to other faiths through its network of similar schools and universities around the world. With a roll of 1,200 it is one of the largest co-educational Catholic schools in New Zealand.

John Paul College is widely respected for its many achievements of excellence in the academic, sporting and cultural spheres. Its high expectations for work ethic and behaviour ensure high quality outcomes that match those of the top band of schools in New Zealand.

The school has modern facilities with most of the classrooms rebuilt in the last decade. The gymnasium and performing arts centre, a newly completed technology block and a dedicated music suite with practice rooms, all add tremendous value to the high level of learning at JPC. In addition, there is a large grass sports field and nine astro-turf courts for tennis, netball and hockey. Wi-fi can be accessed throughout the campus.

The over thirty sports codes and vibrant cultural programme at the school can be supplemented with numerous opportunities to join over 100 similar clubs and organisations within the Rotorua community. The JPC Premier Options also offer coaching to high performance athletes of Golf, Tennis, Mountain Biking, Indoor Rock Climbing, Swimming and Rowing.

The International Department is well established and has been active at the school for over fifteen years. Its International Director and Homestay Co-ordinator provide 24/7 support for its over 40 international students who can also benefit from the school's comprehensive pastoral care system which includes deaning and counselling.

For further information please do access our school website at www.jpc.school.nz



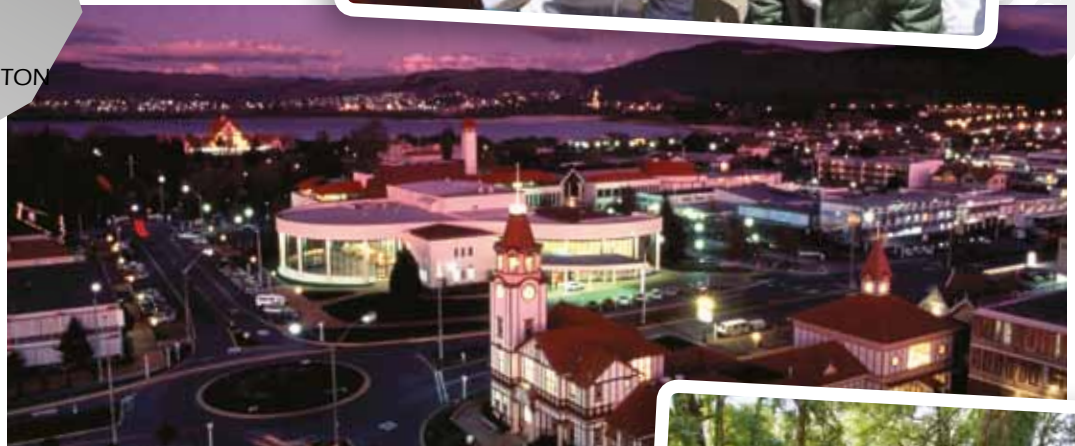
Rotorua

Rotorua is a premier international tourist destination which is famous throughout the world for its unique geothermal sites, spectacular scenery, rich Maori culture and its vast array of exciting adventure activities.

This small New Zealand city of 70,000 has a first rate infrastructure to comfortably accommodate the three million tourists who visit each year and is also able to provide excellent service to the local agricultural and forest industries. Its central location enables quick access to Auckland, Tauranga, Taupo and the ski fields, and can be easily reached by bus or via the busy Rotorua International Airport.

Surrounding the city are sixteen exquisite forest-fringed lakes renowned for its trout fishing and boating. Its world-famous mountain biking venue is a must and the local rivers offer numerous thrilling white water and kayaking adventures.

To learn more about this stunning destination, click onto www.rotoruanz.com



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Academics

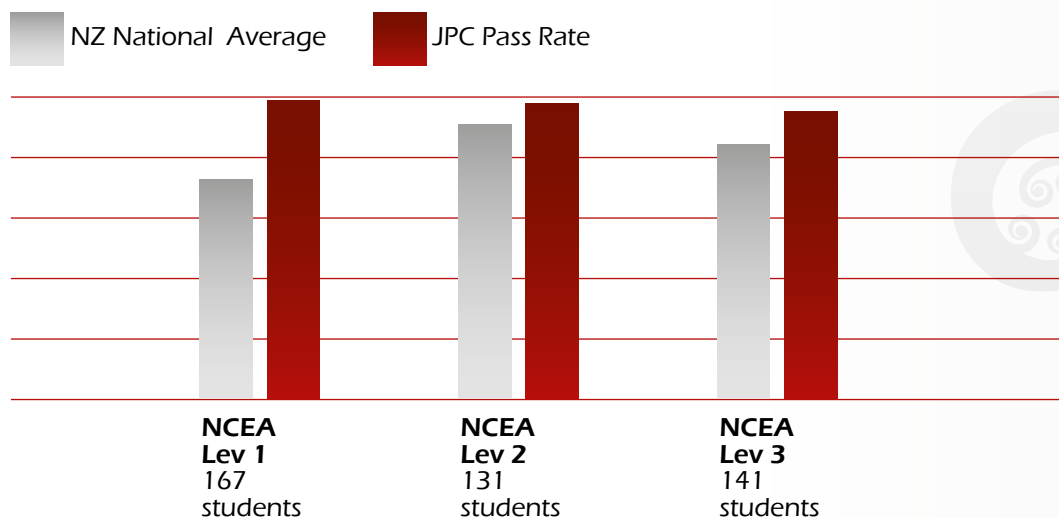
John Paul College offers an exciting academic programme with a wide range of subjects. The school has high expectations for each individual student's performance and over the past few years it has prided itself on excellent results.

The curriculum offers a wide and comprehensive range of choices. In Years 7 and 8, the programme consists of short term/semester courses as well as full year core subjects. The choice of subjects and options grows as the student progresses through the school. In Years 11, 12 and 13, the students are assessed through the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) and the Cambridge exams are also offered as an option.

International students can register in an ESOL class and in addition, individual or small group tuition is available to those who need extra language support. If English competency is strong enough, then that student is able to join the mainstream English classes.

Critical to the student's success at John Paul College is determining their academic ability and requirements on arrival. Students will then be placed into courses which are tailor-made to their needs, and on-going support is provided to ensure positive and successful outcomes.

John Paul College 2015 Results



Each year, John Paul College consistently achieves excellence with its wide academic programme. Its NCEA results equate to outcomes of Decile 9 and 10 schools – even though it is officially registered as being Decile 7. Graduates from John Paul College consistently gain places in Medicine, Architecture, Law, Engineering, Computing and Business with prestigious national and overseas universities. In 2015, JPC's top performing students earned 10 NCEA Scholarships.





	Year 7 & 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Religious Education	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Health & Physical Education	HEALTH/ PHYSICAL EDUCATION	HEALTH/ PHYSICAL EDUCATION	HEALTH/ PHYSICAL EDUCATION	PHYSICAL ED.	RECREATION	Sports Science
				Action PE	Action PE	
				Sports Science	Sports Science	Activity Based Learning
					Activity Based Learning	
Language & Languages	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	English	English
				Cambridge English	Cambridge English	
				Applied English	Applied English	
	TE REO MAORI	Te Reo Maori	Te Reo Maori	Te Reo Maori	Te Reo Maori	Te Reo Maori
	FRENCH	French	French	French	French	French
	SPANISH	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Esol	Esol
	Esol	Esol	Esol	Esol		
Mathematics	MATHEMATICS	MATHEMATICS	MATHEMATICS	Mathematics A	Mathematics A	Statistics A
				Mathematics B	Mathematics B	Mathematics
				Applied Math	Applied Math	Calculus
				Cambridge Math	Cambridge Math	
Science	SCIENCE	SCIENCE	SCIENCE	Science	Biology	Biology
				Extension Science	Chemistry	Chemistry
				Applied Science	Physics	Physics
					Earth & Space Science	Earth & Space Science
Social Sciences	SOCIAL STUDIES	SOCIAL STUDIES	SOCIAL STUDIES	Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies
				Geography	Geography	Geography
				History	History	History
				Economics	Economics	Economics
				Business Studies	Business Studies	Business Studies
	BUSINESS STUDIES	Business Studies	Business Studies	Careers	Classical Studies	Classical Studies
					Legal Studies	Legal Studies
					Tourism/Careers	Tourism/Careers
Technology	TECHNOLOGY to include a selection from the following: Food Technology Fabric Technology Metal Technology Wood Technology Digital Technology Design and Visual Communication (DVC)	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology
		Fabric Technology	Fabric Technology	Fabric Technology	Fabric Technology	Fabric Technology
		Metal Technology	Metal Technology	Metal Technology	Metal Technology or Metal Engineering	Metal Technology or Metal Engineering
		Wood Technology	Wood Technology	Wood Technology	Wood Technology	Wood Technology
		Digital Technology	Digital Technology	Digital Technology	Digital Technology or Computer Studies	Digital Technology or Computer Studies
		DVC	DVC	DVC	DVC	DVC
The Arts	ART	Art	Art	Art	Painting	Painting
					Photography	Photography
	DRAMA	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama
	MUSIC	Performance Music	Performance Music	Performance Music	Performance Music	Performance Music
	DANCE	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance

- Subjects in **CAPITALS** are compulsory
- The subjects in Year 7 and 8 consist of quarterly, half year and full year courses - spanning a two year period
- Religious Education is optional for those international students who are not Catholic.



Culture

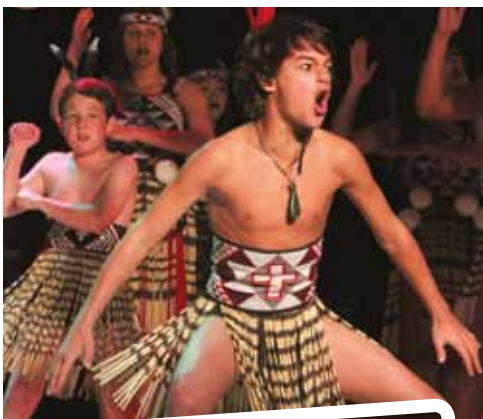
The Cultural Programme at John Paul College is vibrant and strong. Students are encouraged to take advantage of its wide range of exciting school activities.

Rotorua city offers an additional range of cultural (and sporting) choices and this information can be accessed through the Rotorua Activity Directory which is downloadable from www.sportbop.co.nz as well as the school website www.jpc.school.nz



These cultural activities include:

- Chess
- Choir
- 'Dancing with the staff'
- Debating
- Drama
- Kapa Haka
- Enviro School Programme
- Lasillian Youth gatherings
- Many individual musical opportunities
- Maori cultural opportunities
- Music Ensemble
- Rock bands
- Public Speaking
- School Camps
- School Magazine
- Shakespeare
- Stage Challenge
- World Youth Day
- Young Designer Award



Sport

John Paul College is widely recognised as a top performing sporting school and its individuals and teams consistently earned many regional and national awards.

The most popular sports at JPC are netball, soccer, rugby and hockey as well as waterpolo. Also many exciting opportunities exist in the Rotorua community to join numerous sport clubs and organisations.



Its over 30 sport codes include:

- Adventure racing
- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Cross Country
- Equestrian
- Golf
- Gymnastics
- Hockey
- Indoor Bowls
- Marathon running
- Mountain Biking
- Netball
- Outdoor Bowls
- Rock Climbing
- Rowing
- Rugby
- Touch Rugby and Sevens
- Shooting
- Skiing
- Soccer
- Softball
- Squash
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Triathlon
- Table Tennis
- Volleyball
- Waka Ama
- Waterpolo



(Above) Having sibling brothers at JPC certainly helps Tobias to integrate into the life of the school and community.

(Right) Nagisa loves to go boating with her family on the many lakes surrounding Rotorua.



Accommodation

All international students are placed in a homestay whose family has been vetted and approved by the international Department. The high standards set by the Code of Practice for Pastoral Care of International Students are strictly adhered to and every endeavour is made to make the most suitable match.

The international student is welcomed into that family as a fully participating member and he or she is guaranteed a single private bedroom, with a comfortable bed, storage and a desk.

Most home-stays are located in the city of Rotorua and many homestay families are within walking distance of the school and the wide range of amenities. A well organised public bus service also helps easy travel and a network of urban cycling tracks provide an alternative to reaching one's destination. If living in the outlying areas a free bus service is also available to bring students to and from school each day.

Throughout the stay, all aspects of accommodation are closely monitored and support staff and procedures are in place should the student need assistance.



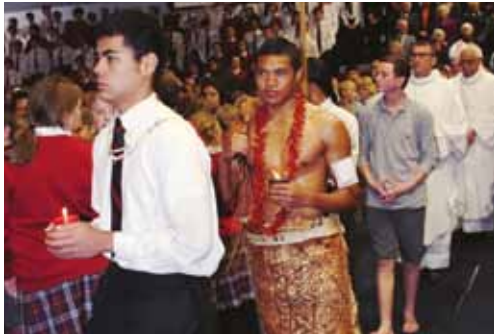
John Paul College Celebrates Diversity

JPC embraces its rich cultural diversity.

Over 40 different nationalities are enrolled at John Paul College and events such as Diwali, International Language Week and the International Food Festival celebrate this wonderful 'kaleidoscope' of culture.



What makes John Paul College so distinctly special?



Catholic ethos



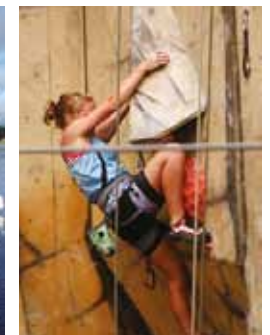
*Top performing
New Zealand
school*



*Located in a unique
and exciting city*



Premier Options



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME

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John Paul College promotes a number of exclusive coaching opportunities in Rotorua, for high-performing athletes. These Premier Options are for those motivated students who want to achieve and flourish even at an international level. They include the following sport codes:

- Golf
- Indoor Rock Climbing
- Swimming
- Mountain Biking
- Flying
- Rowing
- Tennis

Every endeavour will be made to place you in a homestay which will support your Premier Option training. These Premier Options are in addition to the numerous opportunities offered at the school and Rotorua city.

For more details, access the Premier Option flyers which are downloadable in the 'International' section of the school website www.jpc.school.nz



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Student Stories

Daichi Ito (Japan)- 2016 International Captain

Making friends at JPC is easy if one joins in with the many activities. Tennis for me has been great and also developing my own business in the subject of Business Economics has taught me a lot..



Jae Lee (Korea) – 2015 International Captain

Jae excelled in his academics winning the top JPC Prize for Digital Media. He also gained excellence for his NCEA Level Three and was accepted into Auckland University to study Engineering. For him, playing soccer for JPC First XIV was certainly a bonus.



Javiera Rojas (Chile)

My homestay family is very caring and we do lots together. My best has been to camp with them at the beach but walking in the nearby Redwoods Forest is an amazing experience.



Edmond Chao (Macao))

Being a senior at John Paul College has added benefits and the Year 13 Camp at the beginning of the year was a lot of fun and all of us completing the 19.6km Tongariro Crossing was no mean achievement.



Tobias Bodenmann (Switzerland)

Golf is Tobias's passion and JPC's Golf Premier Option has helped him to develop his skill further." The International Food Festival was also special and I was proud to carry the Swiss flag at the annual International Flag Ceremony.



Matilde Linnestad (Norway)

There is a wide variety of subjects to choose from at John Paul College but Art and Photography was great especially enjoyable. All my teachers were very friendly and helpful.





JPC welcomes applications at any time of the year

**Application forms can be downloaded from the school
website: www.jpc.school.nz**

Post or email completed forms to JPC's International Director.



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