

LOCATION – AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand



New Zealand is where the rest of the world comes for adventures in epic landscapes and to meet the friendliest people in the world!

Auckland is the most vibrant city in New Zealand, boasting amazing scenery and beaches, a thriving cultural environment and fabulous shopping.

Takapuna Grammar School is located in a residential area on the beautiful North Shore of Auckland which is one of the safest areas in New Zealand. The school is a five minute bus ride or 40 minute walk from the seaside village of Devonport. From Devonport you can take a 12 minute ferry trip into Auckland's CBD. Alternatively the CBD can be accessed via a 20 minute bus ride from the school. The shopping and business hub of Takapuna where you will find excellent shopping, movie theatres, cafes and restaurants is a 10 minute bus ride or 20 minute walk from the school.

Travelling Around New Zealand

We encourage our International Students to explore our amazing country and experience the beauty and adventure it has to offer. We offer a number of trips through our approved tour companies for students to see more of New Zealand during their time in Takapuna Grammar School.

New Zealand Information – Population 4.4 million

Capital City: Wellington

Largest City: Auckland – Population 1.5 million

Summer: December, January, February

SCHOOL COMPOSITION

Total Roll: (November 2017)

2017	Males	Females	2017 Total Roll	International Students
Year 9	147	138	285	9
Year 10	173	167	340	16
Year 11	176	161	337	66
Year 12	204	191	395	83
Year 13	170	171	341	56
Total	870	828	1698	230

During 2017 we have had students from:

Bolivia	4
Argentina	0
Austria	1
Brazil	7
Chile	2
China	99
Colombia	3
Ecuador	1
Fiji	2
France	2
Germany	10
Hong Kong	7
India	1
Italy	8
Japan	18
Korea	37
Laos	1
Malaysia	1
Mexico	2
Myanmar	1
New Caledonia	3
Philippines	1

Russia	4
Sweden	1
Switzerland	1
Tahiti	2
Taiwan	3
Thailand	18
United States	1
Vietnam	6

YEAR 9 13–14 Years

Students take 8 subjects:

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Social Studies
- Physical Education & Health
- 2 Languages – each language taken for 2 terms
- Arts – 1 term each of Art, Drama, Music and Dance
- Technology – 1 term each of Food Tech, Soft Materials, Hard Materials, Design and Visual Communication

YEAR 10 14-15 Years

Students take 9 subjects:

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Social Studies
- Physical Education
- Financial Literacy
- Language – choose 1 Language to study for the year
- Arts – choose 1 Arts subject to study for the year
- Technology – choose 1 Technology subject to study for the year

YEAR 11 NCEA Level One 15-16 Years

Maths
English
Plus 4 other subjects

YEAR 12 NCEA Level Two 16-17 Years

English
Plus 5 other subjects

YEAR 13 NCEA Level Three 17-18 Years

5 subjects

SUBJECTS				
Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Visual Art	Visual Art	Art Digital Art	Art Painting Art Design Art Photography Art History	Art Paint Art Design Art Photography Art History
Drama Dance Music	Drama Dance Music	Drama Dance Music Musical Theatre	Drama Dance Music Musical Theatre	Drama Musical Theatre Dance Music
English ESOL	English Literacy Support ESOL	English English for Academic Purposes Media Studies	English English for Academic Purposes Media Studies	English English for Academic Purposes Media Studies
	Enterprise & Financial Literacy	Accounting Business Studies Economics Economics & Accounting	Accounting Business Studies Economics	Accounting Business Economics
French Asian Languages Spanish Te Reo Maori	French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Maori	French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Maori Maori Culture	Chinese French Japanese Spanish Te Reo Maori Maori Culture	Chinese French German Japanese Spanish Te Reo Maori Maori Culture
Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics Computer Science	Mathematics Maths Statistics Computer Science	Maths Statistics Maths Calculus Computer Science
Technology Food Technology – Resistant Material Technology - Soft Materials Design & Visual Communication	Technology – Food Technology – Resistant Material Technology - Soft Materials Design & Visual Communication	Technology - Food & Nutrition Technology – Resistant Materials Technology – Soft Materials Design Visual Communication	Technology - Hospitality Technology – Resistant Materials Technology – Soft Materials Design Visual Communication Technology –Furniture & Construction	Technology - Hospitality Technology – Resistant Materials Technology – Soft Materials Design Visual Communication Technology Furniture & Construction
Science	Science	Science Science Applied Biology Chemistry Physics	Biology Chemistry Physics	Biology Chemistry Physics
Social Studies	Social Studies	Geography History Classics	Geography History Classics Tourism	Geography History Classics Tourism
Health and PE Sports Institute	Health and PE Sports Institute	Physical Education Health Education	Physical Education Performance Physical Education Health	Physical Education Health
		Learning Services	Learning Services	Learning Services

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

IB is a two year course studied in Years 12 and 13.

Students must complete the compulsory component of the programme comprising

- CAS – Participation in creativity, action and service projects
- TOK – Theory of Knowledge
- ESSAY – An extended essay of 4000 words

Additionally students either choose one subject from each of the six groups below or choose no subject from group six but replace with a second choice from groups two, three, four or five.

GROUP ONE - LITERATURE

English
Chinese

GROUP TWO - LANGUAGES

English B
French
Japanese
Spanish
Spanish ab initio

GROUP THREE - HUMANITIES

Geography
History
Economics

GROUP FOUR SCIENCES

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Sports, Exercise & Health

GROUP FIVE - MATHS

Higher Level
Standard Level
Maths Studies

GROUP SIX - ARTS

Theatre Arts
Visual Arts
Another Group 3 or 4 subject

PERFORMING ARTS & CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

Students to explore the wide range of extra-curricular opportunities on offer and to practise the school motto of 'Aspiring to Personal Excellence' in everything they choose to take part in.

Instrumental Music Groups

Polished Brass (12 piece brass ensemble)
TGS Brass (fully instrumented brass band ensemble, brass and percussion)
TGS Senior and Junior Concert Bands (flutes, clarinets, saxophones, brass, percussion)
TGS Strings (violins, violas cellos double basses)
Leo Blew Jazz Band (saxophones, trombones, trumpets, rhythm section)
Chamber Trio/Quartet
Jazz Combo

Vocal Music Groups

Leonessa (girls only choir)

Sultans of Sing (boys only choir)
Skat-a-Tak (mixed voice choir)
Barbershop Quartet (a capella)

Dance, Drama and Productions

School Production
Shakespeare Group
Stage Challenge
Theatresports

Cultural and Creative Groups

Amnesty International
Art Gallery club
Ball Committee
BAM – Books and Movies Club
Chess
Christian Group
Debating (Year 11-13)
Duke of Edinburgh
Environmental Group
ESOL Homework Club
Fashion Show
Feminism Group
40 Hour Famine
48 Hour Film Project
House Leaders
International Club
Journalism Club (Year 11-13)
Kapa Haka
Korean Fan Dance Group
Korean Culture
Mandarin and Chinese Culture

Mathex
Maths Olympiad Group
MUNA Model United Nations
Peer Drug and Alcohol Team
Peer Mentoring
Peer Leadership Team
Peer Sexuality Support Programme
Photography Club
Programming Club
Robotics
SADD – Students Against Drunk Driving
School Yearbook
Science Competitions
Science Revision Club
Special Ed. Buddies
Spirit of Adventure
Student Librarians
Wilson Home Volunteers
Woodcraft Club
Writing Club
Young Enterprise Scheme

SPORTS

Term 1

Athletics
Badminton
Cricket
Golf
Multi-sports
Orienteering
Rowing
Sailing
Tennis
Touch rugby
Volleyball
Swimming
Water Polo

Term 2

Adventure Racing
Badminton
Basketball
Football
Golf
Hockey
Mountain Biking
Netball
Road Cycling
Rugby
Water Polo

Term 3

Adventure Racing
Badminton
Basketball
Football
Golf
Hockey
Mountain Biking
Netball
Road Cycling
Rowing
Rugby
Water Polo

Term 4

Badminton
Cricket
Rowing
Tennis
Water Polo

UNIFORM

Juniors - Years 9 & 10

Girls

Blouse – short or long sleeved
Dark Navy Skirt – knee length
Dark Navy Dress Trousers
Dark Navy Rib Jersey
School Dark Navy Jacket – no other jackets to be worn
Tights – black
Socks – dark navy ankle
P.E shorts
P.E shirt
Blazer – dark navy pin stripe with tie

Boys

Shirt –short or long sleeved
Dark Navy Drill Shorts – knee length
Dark Navy Dress Trousers
Dark Navy Rib Jersey
School Dark Navy Jacket – no other jackets to be worn
Socks – mid-calf navy
P.E shorts
P.E shirt
Blazer – dark navy pin stripe with tie

Seniors - Years 11, 12 & 13

Girls

Blouse - short or long sleeved
Dark Navy Skirt – knee length
Dark Navy Trousers
Dark Navy Rib Jersey
School Dark Navy Jacket – no other jackets to be worn
Tights – black
Socks – dark navy ankle
Vest – dark navy rib
Blazer – dark navy pin stripe with tie

Boys

Shirt –short or long sleeved
Dark Navy Drill Shorts – knee length
Dark Navy Trousers
Dark Navy Rib Jersey
School Dark Navy Jacket – no other jackets to be worn
Socks - navy mid-calf
Vest – dark navy rib
Blazer - dark navy pin stripe with tie

The Takapuna Grammar School uniform can only be purchased at the school uniform shop. International Students will be assisted with their uniform purchase at Orientation so need to have money or credit card.

Shoes

Summer - Black Roman Sandals or Black Birkenstock Milano Leather Sandals
Winter – Plain black leather polishable lace-up shoes

Shoes are not sold at the school uniform shop. International Students can either bring the correct shoes from home or purchase them when they arrive in NZ.
Please note that lace-up shoes must be worn in Science Laboratories and Technology rooms.

UNIFORM REGULATIONS

T-Shirts or thermals worn under the uniform must not be visible
Skirts to be worn knee length
Shorts to be worn to the knee (not to be rolled up)
Regulation school cap or bucket hat only – not to be worn in classrooms
Hair must be neat and clean – neither extreme styles nor exotic colours are acceptable
Hair accessories must be navy or black
Jewellery is not permitted although students may wear one plain gold or silver stud (no nose studs, tongue studs or rings in eyebrows or lips)
Make up and nail polish may not be worn
Boys must be clean shaven
Socks or tights must be worn with shoes
No visible tatoos