



GARIN COLLEGE

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GARIN COLLEGE FAITH AND WISDOM

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CHARTER INTRODUCTION

Garin College is an integrated, co-educational day and boarding secondary school for Year 9-13 students, located in Richmond, Nelson, New Zealand. The College was founded in 2002 to serve the Catholic community, especially in Nelson, Tasman and the top of the South.

Being an integrated school, its Proprietor, (the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Wellington Diocese) and the Minister of Education have signed an Integration Agreement for the school in terms of the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975.

“Catholic education is above all a question of communicating Christ, of helping to form Christ in the lives of others.”

Blessed John Paul II, Message to the Catholic Educational Association of the United States, 1979

MOTTO - Faith and Wisdom

OUR VISION - *‘what we want for our young people’ (NZ Curriculum; NZC)*

- Garin College is a Catholic School where students reach their potential in a wide range of areas. Academic opportunity and achievement are central to the students’ balanced development.
- Our graduates are young Christian men and women of faith, hope and integrity - people who have strong clear values, and a sense of their responsibility to make a difference.
- We make a particular effort to support marginalised students and those at risk of not succeeding with special awareness of Māori, Pasifika and students with identified needs.
- We build, grow and value relationships - fair and just restorative practices support all relationships at Garin College.
- Garin College will observe and enact the Principles of ‘Te Tiriti O Waitangi’ (i.e. Partnership, Participation, and Protection) to ensure students are acknowledged and programmes are developed to enhance learning outcomes for Māori.



OUR MISSION

We are a Catholic community striving to grow as a centre of excellence for Catholic Education and faith development in Aotearoa, New Zealand.



OUR VALUES

Our culture is Catholic and we stand for Gospel Values. Our graduates will be young Christian men and women of faith, hope and integrity - people who have a sense of right and wrong, and a sense of their responsibility to make a difference.

The Core Values of Garin College are:

Generosity (Service and Community)

Aroha (Love and Compassion)

Rangimarie (Peace, Respect and Dignity)

Integrity (Truth and Justice)

New Life (Hope, Forgiveness and Reconciliation)

The Values of the college are Gospel values which were encouraged, modelled and lived by our founding patrons, Father Antoine Marie Garin, Mother Suzanne Aubert, Euphrasie Barbier, St Mary MacKillop and Mother Catherine McAuley.

GARIN COLLEGE VALUES

VALUE	MEANING	INDICATORS
Generosity	Generosity means making oneself available in terms of time, energy, possessions and their overall contribution to serve the Garin family.	<p>A Garin person should be generous in service to others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Time – gives time to service, sports and the arts. ● Money – gives generously to our identified social justice causes. ● Effort – goes the extra mile for others. ● Contributions - to Justice and Service ministry (JAM), service to others e.g. peer mediation, mentoring etc.
Aroha	Aroha means to be a loving person; being compassionate towards others.	<p>A Garin person shows Aroha when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● They support other students when they are down - being a friend. ● They includes others when they are marginalised. ● They help teachers and students with day to day tasks.
Rangimarie	Rangimarie means peace. A person displays this when he/she is at peace with themselves and treats others with respect and dignity.	<p>Rangimarie is shown in a Garin person when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● They help solve disputes between people - they are peacemakers. ● They show a concern for the welfare of all. ● They display a calming influence on others. ● They show concern for world peace.
Integrity	Integrity means being honest, upright and truthful.	<p>A Garin person is seen as a person of integrity when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● They prove to be honest in dealings with others. ● They fulfil positions of trust. ● They are truthful. ● They readily adopt a moral stance.

<p>New Life</p>	<p>“We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song.” Garin students live convinced that Jesus is alive and walks among us.</p>	<p>A Garin person is a person of the resurrection. This means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● They live life to the full and display a positive attitude. ● They are a person of hope. ● They bounce back from failure and disappointment. ● They restore relationships through compassion and forgiveness.
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CATHOLIC SPECIAL CHARACTER

Like all Catholic integrated schools, Garin College has a Special Character which is legally defined in our school’s Integration Agreement.

“The School is a Roman Catholic School in which the whole school community through the general school programme and its religious instructions and observances, exercises the right to live and teach the values of Jesus Christ. These values are as expressed in the Scriptures and in the practices, worship and doctrine of the Roman Catholic Church, as determined from time to time by the Roman Catholic Archbishop of the Diocese of Wellington. (NZ Catholic Education Office).

The purpose of our Catholic Special Character is to provide our students with a holistic education which will develop their intellectual, physical, cultural, emotional, social, moral and spiritual potential and religious dimension.

Values education in Garin College is fundamental to the life of the school. These values, which are identified in our school charter, are Gospel values. All staff of Garin College are expected to model these values in their behaviours and to teach and proclaim them to our students.

Special Character in Garin College is lead by our Executive Leadership Team, our Director of Religious Studies and Assistant Director of Religious Studies, teachers and our School Chaplain. The students of Garin College experience the special character dimensions everyday in our college, through prayer, religious education classes, our school values, our school assemblies and masses, our school Journey Programmes, Social Justice Projects

and community outreach. (NZ Catholic School Staff Manual NZ Catholic Education Office NZCEO).

MĀORI DIMENSIONS AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Education Act 1989 Section 61 (3) (a) (i) & (ii)

Garin College celebrates, values and recognises the importance of the cultural diversity and background that our students and staff bring with them to the school environment. Culture is respected and where possible cultural differences are highlighted, celebrated and integrated into teaching programmes.

The Board accepts and welcomes an obligation under the Te Tiriti O Waitangi to develop policies and practices that reflect New Zealand's dual cultural heritage. As part of that responsibility we recognise the commitment to raising achievement and the importance of the language of Te Reo Māori and Tikanga Māori. Te Reo is a subject open to any and all students. A culturally safe, physical and emotional environment is provided for all Māori ākonga and staff.