

Wow, what can I say, spending the last three years of my schooling career at this diversely cultured, holistic and academic school, SMC. I still remember my first day, I felt as if I was already part of this massive family at this school as all the teachers and students were so welcoming and friendly. Through the up and downs of my journey at SMC, I made so many new lifelong friends. Teachers here are like your second parents, always willing to give that extra help when needed and always going that extra mile to get students the best academic outcome possible. Having that one on one teaching is one of the significant advantages of this school.



One of the main differences being a student from South Africa is that the NCEA syllabus allows students to understand and apply their knowledge to real-life problems rather than wrote learning from a book. Each and every student is different and gets the opportunity to express this in their work. Other than the academic side, our school offers so many various extra-curricular activities such as the many different sports such as basketball, netball, volleyball and football etc. We also have many different music bands for students who want to excel in the music industry.

I always looked forwards to our international trips, we would always go to different places all over New Zealand learning about the Kiwi culture and discovering the most beautiful parts of the country. I will indeed miss this school.

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