

Netball Newsletter 2026

Welcome to the 2026 netball season! We are excited to see both returning and new students join us this year. Please read this newsletter carefully — it includes **key information for our netball community**.

Administrators

- Mrs Erika Maifea Teacher in Charge of Netball ema@shgcnp.school.nz
- Mrs Kerry Yates Sports Manager / Netball Administrator kya@shgcnp.school.nz

Please contact us with any questions or for assistance throughout the season.

Registrations

All players, coaches and managers are required to register online on Sporty –

[Sacred Heart Girl's College \(N Plymouth\) - Netball Registration - all players](#)

Most players have already completed this. Those still needing to register have been sent the link via their **Teams group chat**. Please encourage your child to check their team chat.

Coaches and managers may use the direct team link if they have access to Teams or use the one above.

Netball Fees

These can be paid either online into the school account or to the office where you can pay with cash or eftpos.

Fees pay for affiliation to Netball NZ and Netball Taranaki, uniform replacement, equipment and first aid.

As per school policy, fees are due before uniforms can be issued. **Uniforms will not be issued to any player until her fees are paid.** Arrangements can be made to pay in instalments, please contact the Accounts Department to organise this.

2026 Fees

- **Premier Team: \$275**
- **Senior, Year 9–10 Teams: \$135**
- **Year 7–8 Teams: \$90**
- **Uniform Bond (if applicable): \$40 (see below)**

School Bank Account:

- 15 3942 0004789 01
- Particulars: **Player initials and Surname** Reference: **Netball**

Uniform Bond

Every student new to the school must pay a \$40 uniform bond. The bond is a **one-off payment** to cover your daughter for every sport that she participates in during her time at the school.

Provided that all issued uniform is returned at the end of the season, this bond will be returned when the student leaves the school.

If you paid a uniform bond last year you need not pay again unless your bond was forfeited. You would have been advised if this occurred. If your bond was forfeited, please pay again. Uniform will not be issued until this bond is paid.

Uniform and Equipment

Players will be issued with a netball dress, and some teams will also receive jackets and player bags.

Each team will be provided with at least four balls, two sets of bibs, a first aid kit and team gear bag.

All items have with a unique stocktake number. Please ensure that the specific item assigned to your child is the same item returned at the end of the season. Items cannot be swapped or mixed with teammates' gear — each player is responsible for the exact uniform or equipment issued to them (just like a library book).

Unfortunately, any lost or unreturned items will incur a replacement charge.

Communication

- Please join the SHGC Sport Facebook page for regular information and updates during the season. We find this the quickest and easiest way to communicate with parents and caregivers. Here is the link: [\(20+\) Facebook](#)
- Important dates and information will also be on the SchoolBridge App, Website and on Student Teams.
- Once teams are selected, parents will receive an email with information needed for the start of the season. As this process takes time (28 teams to set up and contact), your patience is appreciated.
- After this initial email, the team coach and manager will take over communication for the season.
- All teams have an internal chat group set up for quick communication via TEAMS at school.

Sponsorship

With around 300 girls playing netball, we regularly need uniform updates and replacements. Please let us know if you or your business would like to sponsor any netball uniforms or equipment.

Draw and Season Dates

Check the Netball Taranaki website weekly - www.netballtaranaki.org.nz

Year 9-13 Teams:

SATURDAYS	
Waiwhakaiho Park	
Seniors / Youth	
2-May	Preseason Tournament
9-May	Round 1
16-May	Round 2
23-May	Round 3
30-May	NO PLAY - KINGS BIRTHDAY
6-Jun	Round 4
13-Jun	Round 5
20-Jun	Round 6
27-Jun	Round 7
4-Jul	Round 8
11-Jul	NO PLAY - MATARIKI
18-Jul	NO PLAY - HOLIDAYS
25-Jul	Round 9
1-Aug	Round 10
8-Aug	Round 11 - CHAMPIONSHIP
15-Aug	Round 12- CHAMPIONSHIP
22-Aug	Round 13- CHAMPIONSHIP
29-Aug	Round 14- CHAMPIONSHIP
5-Sept	Round 15- CHAMPIONSHIP

Premier Team

THURSDAY	
PREMIER 1 & 2	
Saturday 28-Mar	Preseason tournament
30-Apr	Round 1
7-May	Round 2
14-May	Round 3
21-May	Round 4
28-May	Round 5
4-Jun	Round 6
11-Jun	Round 7
18-Jun	Round 8
25-Jun	Round 9
2-Jul	Round 10
9-Jul	Matariki No Netball
16-Jul	Semi Final
Saturday 25-July	GRAND FINAL

Year 7-8 Season Dates – at Waiwhakaiho Courts

	Hāwera Satellite	Stratford Satellite	New Plymouth Satellite
Round 1	9 May	6 June	
Opening Tournament for grading in NP only	N/A	N/A	7 June
Round 2	16 May	13 June	13 June
Round 3	23 May	20 June	20 June
Round 4	30 May	27 June	27 June
Round 5	6 June	4 July	4 July
Round 6	13 June	25 July	25 July
Round 7	20 June	1 August	1 August
Round 8	27 June	8 August	8 August
Round 9	4 July	15 August	15 August
Round 10	11 July	-	-
Closing Tournament held at Hāwera	23 August	23 August	23 August

Pre-season 4-Week Tournament (Year 7-8 Students) – at School Courts

Year 7-8 teams **will also play in a 4-week preseason tournament**. Mrs Maifea is running this to give our teams more court time due to the drastically reduced number of playing weeks in the Netball Taranaki season. Other schools have accepted the invitation to join as well. There is no additional cost to our teams. This 4-week tournament will be run on the school courts on the following dates:

- May 9
- May 16
- May 23
- May 30

Pre-season Tournament (Secondary Teams Only)

If you would like to enter your secondary school team, advise Mrs Yates and pay the team fee to Student Services.

- Fee \$50 per team

Umpiring

Every team must supply an umpire for the season.

All umpires are required to:

- complete and pass the online theory test on the Netball Taranaki website, and
- attend an official umpire workshop.

If you are already a registered umpire and would like to umpire this season, please notify Mrs Maifea.

We also have a strong group of student umpires in our SHGC Umpiring Club. These umpires can be assigned to teams each week if required.

Student umpires are paid \$10 per game, and team managers must ensure payment is made immediately after each match.

If you are interested in learning to umpire, SHGC will be running beginner courses later this term. Please keep an eye out for upcoming notices.