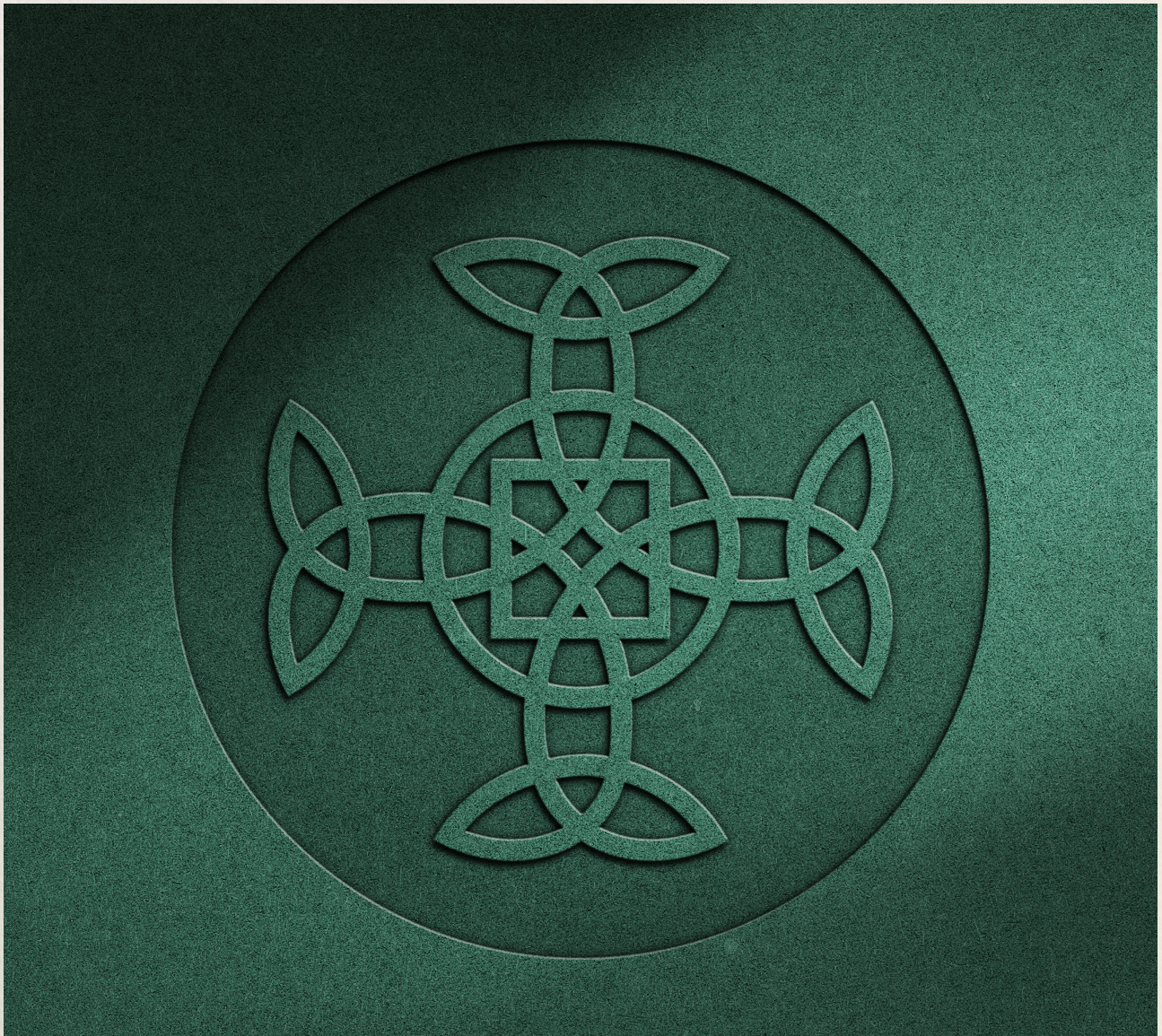




Appointment of a
**Junior School
Receptionist**



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St Cuthbert's College

A Remarkable Place for Learning

At St Cuthbert's College, we stand proudly as one of New Zealand's leading all-girls schools, with a powerful legacy of excellence in every aspect of girls' education. Our approach creates an environment where young women discover their strengths, develop their voices, and prepare to make their mark on the world.

The power of an all-girls education at St Cuthbert's is evident in every aspect of school life. Every leadership role, every position on sports teams, every classroom experience, and every learning opportunity is filled by girls. Every voice that speaks up in class is a girl's voice, creating an environment where our students feel empowered to take risks, to lead, and to be heard without self-consciousness.

Academic Excellence

Our academic programme is rigorous and challenging, designed to spark curiosity and foster a genuine love of learning. We consistently achieve outstanding results across both NCEA and the IB Diploma, with near-perfect UE pass rates and exceptional achievements that place us among the top schools globally. However, our focus extends beyond grades – we nurture well-rounded, confident, and capable young women prepared for success on local, national, and international stages.

A crucial part of what makes St Cuthbert's special is our ability to attract the very best teachers and subject experts. Our dedicated educators engage, encourage, and nurture our girls to be the best they can be, fostering a love of learning that extends far beyond the classroom. Every student matters and is known and valued, with teachers delighting in helping each girl become the very best version of herself.

Building Character and Resilience

Our holistic approach to education includes an extensive co-curricular programme offering rich opportunities in sports, performing arts, cultural pursuits, and outdoor education. A cornerstone of the St Cuthbert's experience is our unique Kahunui programme – a month-long Year 10 experience at our rural campus in the Bay of Plenty. This transformative programme, conducted off the grid, builds resilience, interpersonal skills, and confidence through deep connections between people and the environment.

Christian Heritage and Service

As a Christian school in the Presbyterian tradition, we warmly welcome girls of all faiths and secular backgrounds. Our motto "By Love Serve" has been the cornerstone of our College for over a century, guiding generations of students with its ethos of leadership through service to others. This commitment to service remains as relevant today as it was in 1918, underpinning everything we do.

Preparing for Tomorrow

In a world changing at lightning pace, we're ensuring our girls are ready for the future. Our curriculum develops critical thinking skills, adaptability, and resilience to navigate tomorrow's challenges. We're committed to continuously evolving our programmes to prepare students not just for today's opportunities but for careers that may not yet exist.

A Supportive Community

The St Cuthbert's community extends beyond our students to encompass families, staff, and our remarkable alumnae network. We understand the challenges of modern parenting and work in partnership with families throughout their daughter's educational journey. Our community is enriched by our scholarship programmes, including academic, boarding, performing arts, and the Endeavour Scholarship programme for students of Māori/Pasifika descent.

Our Campuses

Our Junior and Senior School campuses share one site in Epsom, creating a unique sense of connection between students of all ages, while our Kahunui outdoor campus, located in the Bay of Plenty, provides an unparalleled environment for personal growth and character development.





Governance

St Cuthbert's is governed by a Trust Board whose role is to oversee strategic planning for the school and to ensure that the school is upholding the vision and values of its founders.

There are Board committees for: Audit and Risk; People and Culture; Fundraising; and Infrastructure.

Board members are:

- Leigh Melville, Trust Board Chair
- Angela Bull, Deputy Chair
- Alana Barron
- Lisa Crooke
- Anna Cupples
- Adarsh Patel
- Penelope Peebles
- Donald Reid
- Scott Weenink
- Faga Siaki
- Bridget Snelling
- Nancy Zhang

Our Vision, Mission, and Values

Our Vision

Building on our rich legacy, our vision is to nurture, educate and enable young women who are curious, confident and compassionate. As they step beyond our green gates, these remarkable individuals will possess the knowledge, integrity, and aspiration to shape a better world.

Our Mission is to empower each student to:

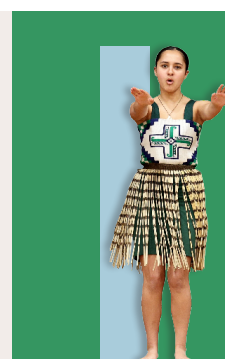
- Discover and develop their individual talents and passions
- Cultivate curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking skills
- Build integrity, self-confidence and adaptability
- Foster empathy, compassion, and a sense of global citizenship
- Acquire the knowledge and skills needed for success in their chosen paths
- Embrace lifelong learning and personal growth.

Our Values and Motto

As our students leave our green gates, they take with them a deeply ingrained ethos of service and giving back, along with the values to support them in making a difference in the world.

Launched last year, our SERVICE values framework builds upon our cherished motto "By Love Serve" (leadership through service to others) and guides everything we do. 'By Love Serve' has been synonymous with what it means to be a St Cuthbert's girl since 1915 and remains as relevant today as ever.

Our SERVICE values are lived experiences at St Cuthbert's, woven into the fabric of daily life from the classroom to the sports field, from community service projects to global initiatives. They provide our students with a roadmap for personal growth, ethical decision-making, and meaningful contribution to society.

						
Spirit Wairua 精神	Excellence Kairangitanga 卓越	Resilience Manawaroatanga 韧性	Valour Toanga 勇气	Integrity Ngākau Pono 诚信	Collaboration Mahi Tahī 协作	Empathy Ngākau Aroha 同理心
We have confidence and pride in who we are and know that we are connected to something greater than ourselves.	We strive for our personal best for the greater good.	We are strong in character and adaptable when approaching new challenges.	We exemplify authenticity, courage and perseverance in matching our beliefs with action.	We embody honesty and respect in our learning, communities and environment.	We harness our diversity and unique perspectives, recognise the power of teamwork and strive for shared goals.	We care for one another, with kindness, compassion and humility.

Strategic Direction 2025–2030

To support our Vision and Mission, we have recently launched our 2025–2030 strategic direction to our staff. Developed collaboratively with our staff in the later part of 2024, this high-level strategy marks an ambitious new chapter in the College's distinguished history.

St Cuthbert's is a remarkable school: distinctive, distinguished, and high achieving. For over a century, we have educated young women for lives filled with purpose and meaningful connections. Grounded in our cherished motto, "By Love Serve," our SERVICE values are integral to our vision and strategic direction and are lived out each day.

We recognise that excellence is personal at St Cuthbert's and every student has the potential to lead a remarkable life, become a woman of influence and leave a unique mark on the world.

Our exceptional educators provide an aspirational environment in our classrooms, laboratories, libraries and studios, sports fields and pools. An environment where individual and peer curiosity and imagination, intellect and skills, combine to produce remarkable ideas and outcomes in curricular and co-curricular spaces that go far beyond traditional academics.

At St Cuthbert's, we're not just educating young women; we're empowering the ambitious change-makers and leaders of tomorrow, for the greater good. We're preparing our students for careers known and yet to be envisaged, to be intentionally good friends and great global citizens. We're educating in the broadest sense to nurture self-belief and instil confidence, so that every girl upholds the best version of herself, always standing up for what's right and unleashing her full potential.

We believe that the choices we make today shape our future. At St Cuthbert's, we have the ambition and ability to be a leading school within the APAC region, through our intentional focus on learning for girls which is developed within a framework of research and innovation.

To support our vision, our strategic principles reflect our commitment to holistic education, cultural empathy, and future-focused learning. These principles will guide us in building upon our legacy of excellence while embracing innovation and change.

Our strategic framework is built on seven key principles:



Learning for the Future

Deliver a rigorous, innovative curriculum that supports students to strive for their personal best for the greater good.

Developing Leadership and Oracy

Empower students to be authentic, courageous, and impactful leaders, matching their beliefs with action.

Cultivating Strength Through Challenge

Grow resilient young women, strong in character and adaptable when facing new challenges.

Enriching Global Citizenship

Develop young women to be inclusive and compassionate global citizens.

Strengthening Community and Values

Foster a caring, connected community grounded in our heritage and values.

Developing Our Greatest Asset

Create an environment where all staff thrive, feel valued, and collectively drive excellence.

Developing Sustainable Excellence

Optimise our business operations to ensure long-term success, innovation, and responsible stewardship of resources.



Professional Services

Supporting Excellence Across All College Operations

At St Cuthbert's College, our Professional Services Team forms the essential backbone of our operations, ensuring every aspect of college life runs seamlessly to support our students' educational journey. This dedicated team creates the environment where exceptional education can flourish.

Our Professional Services team supports the College's operations across a range of essential business functions.

Strategy and Community Engagement

Our team manages enrolments to welcome new families, leads fundraising initiatives to secure resources for College development, oversees marketing and communications to share our story with the community, and maintains our archives to preserve our rich institutional heritage.

Campus and Operations Excellence

Professional Services handles property management across campuses, plans and implements campus development projects, ensures optimal learning and working conditions through comprehensive maintenance, and manages our financial resources.

People and Programme Support

The team provides human resources support for our talented staff community,

operates our Aquatic Centre and community Swim School, manages Information and Learning Technology (ILT) to enable digital learning and innovation across the College, and provides administrative support for both academic and professional services functions.

Collaborative Excellence

Our Professional Services team work closely with academic staff to ensure seamless integration between operational excellence and educational delivery. Recent major initiatives, including our Kahunui campus development, demonstrate the team's expertise and commitment to continuous improvement.

Every function within Professional Services, from finance to facilities, from enrolments to archives, plays a crucial role in maintaining the high standards that define St Cuthbert's education. The team's work directly enables our commitment to holistic education that prepares young women for meaningful lives as engaged global citizens.



One School

We have a whole school ethos, and our programmes reflect this. Being part of a larger school means our youngest girls have opportunities to interact and be supported by older St Cuthbert's girls. Our 'Big Sister/Little Sister' programme provides our Junior School girls with older role models who are caring, aspirational and nurturing.

Across the school, student ambassadors display their leadership skills by having fun with their 'Little Sisters', ensuring they feel supported in their home away from home. 'By Love Serve' is at the heart of all we do at St Cuthbert's, and, in particular, our SERVICE Programme gives all our girls a chance to contribute to their community.

House spirit is strong at St Cuthbert's, with each student belonging to one House for their time at St Cuthbert's. The girls embark on a range of activities within their Houses, fostering a sense of belonging and connection to one another. Each of the eight Houses has a colour, and girls proudly wear their colours for athletics and swimming days, and other activities.



Wellbeing

Each student's overall wellbeing is at the centre of everything we do. Young people face many complexities and pressures as they journey from childhood to becoming a young adult and we ensure every girl feels supported throughout her time at St Cuthbert's.

Our psychologist, counsellors and deans are located in a dedicated Wellbeing Centre at the heart of the campus. The team provides guidance on the mental, physical, and emotional health of our students. Our deans, counsellors, nurses, and mental health practitioners work in conjunction with our teachers and families to ensure the overall wellbeing of every girl. By making it normal and healthy to ask for help, girls also learn that it's ok to reach out to others. They know what it means to care and be cared for.

Our Year 10 programme at our remote campus at Kahunui is a key part of our Wellbeing offering and a corner stone of the St Cuthbert's experience. The month-long programme supports our students to build confidence, resilience and connection with one another and the environment. Our students discover their inner strength and learn how they can impact the world around them. In our experience this programme supports them to learn how to work together collaboratively and leads to greater success in their more senior years at the College.

Giving back is also an important part of our approach to wellbeing, and is underpinned by our SERVICE values and motto, By Love Serve. Students of all ages take part in service projects, both within their homerooms, Houses, and through collaborative community projects.

The College has a Chapel on site, donated by our Old Girls', and students take part in a variety of different services, from family chapels on a Sunday, to dedicated year group and special occasion services.



Beyond the Classroom

Performing Arts

As well as giving students the chance to express themselves, Performing Arts can be credited for training imagination and building the skills future employers are looking for – collaboration, curiosity, risk-taking and an ability to think outside the square. Most importantly, the arts are vital to schools because they encompass one of the key qualities our students need for today's world – empathy.

Whether in an un-auditioned social group or at an elite level we are proud to offer music programmes for every girl including choirs, bands, orchestras and chamber ensembles. Many of New Zealand's leading Suzuki teachers work with our students and St Cuthbert's consistently gains awards and recognition in local and national competitions. Our co-curricular Music Programme is integrated into a girls' learning week from Years 0 to Year 13 and includes 30 co-curricular music groups playing a variety of instruments.

Students can explore and build skills through both our Drama Club and Theatre Sports and over 250 students participate annually in the St Cuthbert's Shakespeare Soiree, often going on to receive recognition at the SGCNZ Sheila Winn Shakespeare Festival.

Girls can take part in classical dance, Hip Hop, Korean Hip Hop, Contemporary, Tap, Jazz and more on a social basis with many groups being run in lunchtimes. St Cuthbert's dance pinnacles with "The Company", our troupe of auditioned elite dancers from Years 9-13 with a focus on contemporary dance.

Our Speech and Drama programme is led by experts who will impact valuable technical skills as well as greater confidence in our students in the public speaking arena.

Beyond the Classroom – *continued*



Visual Arts

The Visual Arts play a vital role in developing creative thinking, self-expression, and cultural understanding among our students. Through comprehensive programmes in painting, design, photography, printmaking, and sculpture, students develop both technical skills and conceptual understanding, while learning to observe, interpret, and respond to the world around them.

Our Visual Arts curriculum nurtures innovation and risk-taking in a supportive environment where students are encouraged to explore their individual artistic voice. Beyond technical proficiency, students develop critical thinking skills as they learn to analyse artwork, understand historical and contemporary contexts, and articulate their creative decisions. This analytical and reflective practice builds valuable transferable skills that extend far beyond the art studio.

Digital technologies are thoughtfully integrated into our Visual Arts programme, allowing students to explore contemporary artistic practices while maintaining strong foundations in traditional methods. Through exhibitions, competitions, and community projects, students gain confidence in presenting their work and understanding how art can impact and engage with wider society.

Sport

Sports at St Cuthbert's is about giving every girl the opportunity to be physically active.

As well as the importance for her overall wellbeing, we use Sports to help navigate girls through some of life's greatest lessons which are often learned when playing in a team. Whether she's playing sport socially or at high-performance level, girls will learn commitment and teamwork, as well as important life skills such as resilience and perseverance.

With more than 30 Sports on offer, St Cuthbert's girls can try their hand at everything from individual pursuits like Cycling, Tennis, Athletics, and Swimming to team sports such as Football, Hockey, Netball, Rowing and Water Polo.

Our girls have the benefit of a range of highly experienced coaches – many of whom are Old Girls who have competed at international level and donate time to coach and mentor our students, providing inspiration for future stars.



Experiential Learning

We operate camps from Years 4-9 which help build confidence and cement life-long friendships, building towards our month-long, residential life skills camp at Kahunui in the Bay of Plenty for our Year 10 girls.

Our teachers run incredible tramping trips throughout New Zealand. From Alpine treks to exploring the lakes of the Tongariro St Cuthbert's girls have many rewarding opportunities available to them.

The leading Duke of Edinburgh Award is accessible to all and our programme is very popular at St Cuthbert's with growing numbers every year. We support over 200 girls each year to work towards their bronze, silver and gold awards.



Facilities Development

St Cuthbert's school grounds seamlessly integrate the school's rich architectural history with some excellent facilities that support the development of every dimension of our students, and our ambitious campus planning and fundraising will continue to build on our rich heritage. The staged development will respond to the future, and will be focussed around the academic, social, physical, creative, and spiritual needs of our students.

Through the development of new, and dynamic spaces, our teaching environment will encourage collaboration and innovation, catering for both class and small groups, and support individual research projects, and diverse learning needs.

Our recent extensive building maintenance and upgrading programme has seen the roll out of modern and collaborative learning environments for students and staff, including the establishment of an Enterprise Hub where students can explore and develop entrepreneurial projects. Recognising the importance of play, we have also recently launched beautiful new playgrounds for our Years 0-8 students.

With a strong focus on environmental sustainability, our campus planning will deliver a harmonious landscape, with green spaces, outdoor play and meeting areas, and sun safe corners for seating, fostering our students to develop strong connections to one another.





The Role

Junior School Receptionist

Position Details

Status: Permanent

Time: Full-time, Term-time

Location: Epsom, Auckland

Commencement Date: Term 4, 2026

Reports to: Head of Junior School

Key Relationships

Internal Stakeholders

- Principal
- Head of Junior School
- Deputy Head of Junior School
- Junior School staff
- Academic and Professional Services staff

External Stakeholders

- Parents, caregivers and wider College community

Position Overview

The Junior School Receptionist is the welcoming first point of contact for students, families, staff and visitors to the Junior School. The role provides professional and responsive reception and administrative support, helping to ensure the smooth day-to-day operation of the Junior School.

Working closely with Junior School staff, the role supports a range of administrative and operational activities, including visitor management, communications, first aid, school events, transport arrangements and Road Patrol coordination. The role requires a high level of professionalism, organisation, confidentiality and care, with a strong commitment to providing a positive experience for students, families and visitors.

Key Accountabilities

Reception and Customer Service

- Operate the College switchboard and respond to enquiries in a professional, friendly and helpful manner.
- Welcome and register visitors to the College, ensuring appropriate visitor procedures are followed.
- Respond to enquiries and requests from students, parents, staff and visitors, referring matters to the appropriate person when required.
- Receive and distribute messages promptly and accurately.
- Maintain a welcoming, organised and professional reception environment.

Administration and Junior School Support

- Manage incoming and outgoing mail and other correspondence.
- Provide administrative support to Junior School (JS) staff and PAs as required.
- Support Junior School staff with stationery orders and other administrative requirements.
- Prepare certificates and other materials for assemblies and Junior School events.
- Support the preparation of the Year 6 Graduation slideshow.
- Organise buses and related arrangements for Junior School trips.
- Provide practical administrative support that contributes to the smooth operation of the Junior School.

Student Wellbeing and First Aid

- Provide first aid to students and staff as required, in accordance with College procedures and the scope of the role.
- Support the Junior School Nurse with the provision of first aid and student care.
- Contact parents or caregivers when required regarding student illness, injury or collection.
- Escort students to the Health Centre when required.
- Administer medication to Junior School students in accordance with College procedures and requirements.
- Maintain appropriate confidentiality and sensitivity when dealing with student wellbeing matters.

Road Patrol and Morning Carpark

- Coordinate the Year 6 Road Patrol roster and parent volunteer arrangements.
- Liaise with Year 6 teachers to support students participating in Road Patrol.
- Coordinate Road Patrol training with the relevant Police representative.
- Provide Road Patrol cover when required and when no other suitable cover is available.
- Ensure appropriate cover is arranged for the Junior School drive-through from 8.00am on weekday mornings.
- Support safe and orderly arrival arrangements for Junior School students and families.

General

- Build positive and collaborative relationships with students, families, staff and visitors across the College.
- Maintain a high standard of professionalism, discretion and confidentiality at all times.
- Follow relevant College systems, policies, procedures and health and safety requirements.
- Maintain a safe, organised and welcoming work environment.
- Contribute positively to the College community and support the College's values and culture.
- Undertake other relevant duties and projects as required to support the effective operation of the Junior School.

Health & Safety Responsibilities

- Adhere to the College Health & Safety policies
- Maintain safe and organised work areas
- Know and follow emergency procedures
- Ensure compliance with safety regulations

Qualifications and Experience

- 1-2+ years of experience as a Receptionist
- Corporate and/or educational experience

Key Attributes

- Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
- Strong computer literacy skills
- Ability to multitask, problem-solve, and work under pressure
- Excellent planning and organisational skills
- Understanding and use of various media
- Strict understanding of confidentiality
- Empathy, integrity, and a positive attitude towards students and colleagues
- Strategic thinking and problem-solving skills
- Strong organisational, planning and administrative capabilities
- Strong ILT skills and integrating ILT into practice

Benefits

- Access to free Employee Assistance Programme (EAP)
- Access to the Sports Complex and a physiotherapist
- Collaborative and supportive team
- Enjoy opportunities to contribute to the wider life of the Junior School through events, activities and community initiatives
- Eligible for life insurance policy if working a minimum of 15 hours per week

How to Apply

Applications for the role should include:

1. Candidate Cover Letter

A brief statement of application (no more than three pages) outlining what you would bring to this role, what you would expect to accomplish and reflecting on your past experience in the context of role description.

2. Curriculum Vitae

- > Full name, confidential email address and mobile contact details
- > Nationality and citizenship or confirmation of right to work in New Zealand
- > Positions held, dates, scope of responsibilities and key achievements
- > Details of education and qualifications
- > Any other relevant information, such as involvement in professional and community activities.

3. Referees

Full contact details of three referees whom the College's HR team may contact. Referees will be contacted only after prior consultation with you.

4. Potential Date of Commencement

An indication of when you would be available to start.

All applications will receive an automated response.

Closing Date: Friday 4 September 2026 at 3pm

The successful applicant will be expected to satisfy child protection screening and adhere to the school's child protection policy. Any offer of employment will be subject to satisfactory police vetting, reference checks and, where relevant, qualification checks.

All applicants must have valid working rights in New Zealand.

Please note, the key accountabilities of this role are not intended to be limiting, but to provide an outline of essential duties that may change from time to time, requiring flexibility.

St Cuthbert's College is an equal-opportunity employer committed to promoting equal employment opportunities. St Cuthbert's reserves the right to appoint by invitation.