

Te Huia

Huia e huia, tangata kotahi!
Huia, your destiny is to bring everyone together!

Highly regarded by Māori, feathers from the Huia bird are a symbol of leadership and mana and were often worn by women. When we use this space, we want to be reminded of the leadership shown by MARY, ELIZABETH and EUPHRASIE.

While we honour our ancestral Wāhine in this place, we also long for our Wāhine Toa to aspire to and adopt the leadership of these significant women who lived life in COMMUNION, CONTEMPLATION and MISSION.

This space leads us to the Pentecost Window connecting the journey from the Mission Wing, through Iti Kahurangi.

Patikitiki: This pattern is likened to the flounder fish and represents a life of abundance and the hope of favourable times to come.

Purple is associated with spirituality, the sacred, higher self, passion, fulfilment and vitality. Purple helps align oneself with the whole of the universe. Light purple hues represent feminine energy, grace and dignity, as well as nostalgic feelings. Bright purple hues have historical links to royalty.

Pink is the colour of universal love of oneself and of others and represents friendship, affection, harmony, inner peace and approachability.

Te Koronga

An ardent desire towards higher learning.

This expression often features in traditional waiata and karakia before learning starts. It means 'an ardent desire towards higher learning'. When we are in this space, we want to be reminded that all learning is valuable and, therefore, it's worth the effort!

This is a further reference to Euphrasie's Vision for her Mission to change the world, and it also makes a connection to the learning space directly above it (Iti Kahurangi).

Poutama: The step-like pattern has both religious and educational meanings. The steps symbolise levels of attainment and advancement.

Red, the colour of strength, leadership, courage, vigour, willpower, action, vibrance, radiance and determination. Red is assertive, daring, energetic, powerful, enthusiastic and exciting.

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Iti Kahurangi

Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei.
*Pursue that which is precious and do not be deterred
by anything less than a lofty mountain.*

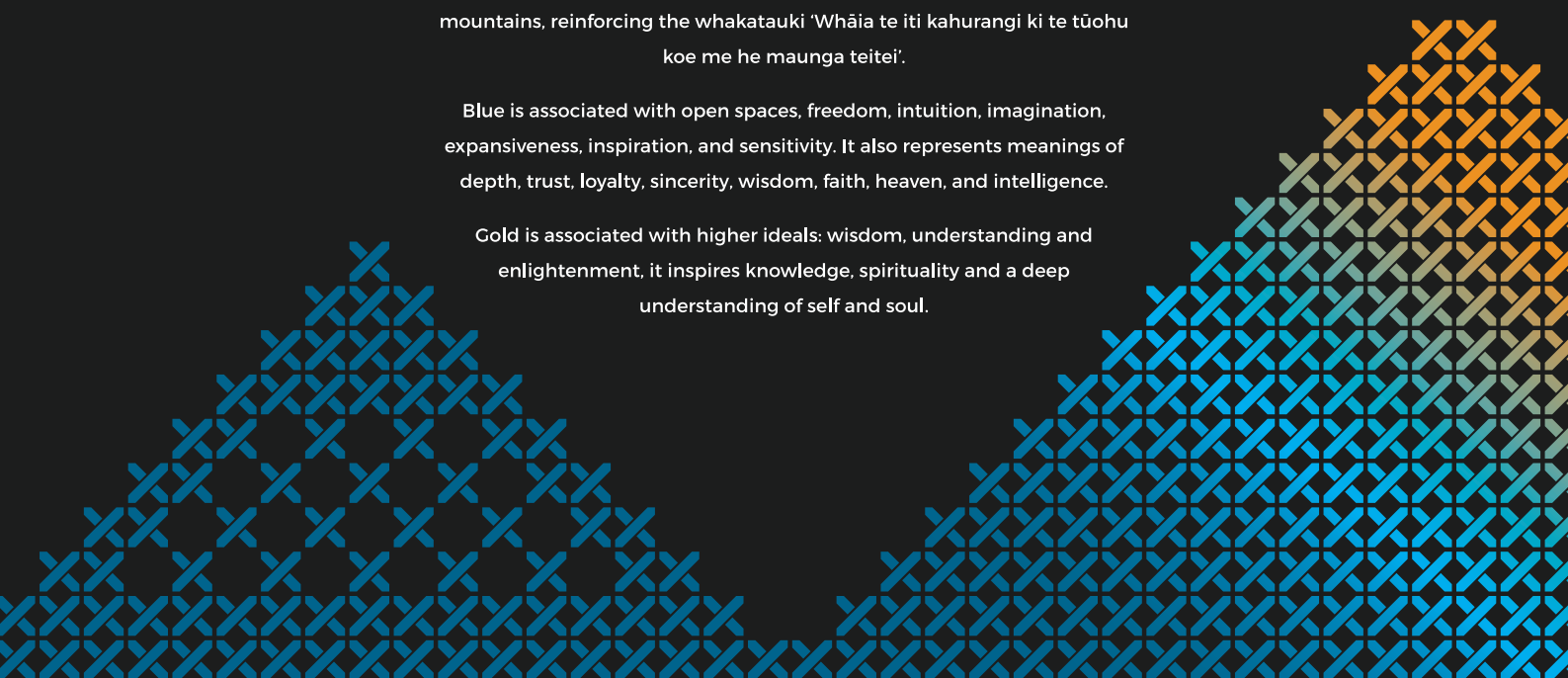
'Iti Kahurangi' is a reference to Euphrasie Barbier's VISION that she never gave up on: her legacy lives on through her Sisters and our College. When we are learning in this space, we want to be reminded of our Virtues and Knowledge, represented in GOLD on our school crest, and the value of learning, high standards, effort and commitment.

This space leads us to the Pentecost Window connecting each end of the building: from the Great Commission to Baptise, Euphrasie's Vision and Mission to change the world. As we hikoi through these learning spaces, we are reminded of all it takes to be
zealous for the Glory of God.

Aoraki: The Tukutuku pattern in the background of this image shows mountains, reinforcing the whakatauki 'Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei'.

Blue is associated with open spaces, freedom, intuition, imagination, expansiveness, inspiration, and sensitivity. It also represents meanings of depth, trust, loyalty, sincerity, wisdom, faith, heaven, and intelligence.

Gold is associated with higher ideals: wisdom, understanding and enlightenment, it inspires knowledge, spirituality and a deep understanding of self and soul.



Whakanui

Ka whakanui tōku wairua i te Ariki.
My Soul Glorifies the Lord.

In the story of the Visitation, 'Whakanui' is the Māori translation of the word Mary uses in praise of God in the Magnificat: 'My Soul Glorifies the Lord'. This piece of Scripture, is the Call to Action for the Mission Sisters as they bring the Sacred Heart of Jesus to the world.

When we are learning in this space, we want to be reminded of Mary's courageous 'YES' to CHANGE the WORLD.

Mangaroa: The Tukutuku pattern in the background of this image illustrates stars. Many ascend to greater heights, making the world a better place.

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