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A new multi-purpose sporting and events centre

Building the future at Francis Douglas Memorial College



The project

Francis Douglas Memorial College have plans in place to build a significant, flagship project at the heart of our school.

This multi-purpose building is a large-scale and leading-edge facility that will provide our school community with a state-of-the-art sporting and performance venue, inspiring current and future students in their fields of interest.

Spaces within will allow groups to gather and learn in dynamic ways, with flexible learning able to take place and a vast array of uses throughout the school day and beyond.

As we look to the future, we recognise the importance of being able to host school functions, sporting and cultural events for our students, their parents/caregivers and our wider school community.

Importantly, this fit-for-purpose facility will cater for the school roll and enhanced learning that is needed in today's education provision.

Our current sports hall was built by our community and the boarders at the school in 1962, and in the last twenty years our school roll has doubled. It is fair to say we have well and truly outgrown our hall space.



Above the entrance way of our school you'll read the words – **'Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve'**. These Lasallian words remind us that we are part of a community. One that has a culture of contributing and giving back. We know that the important fundraising stage of this project will be well supported by all and we thank everyone who generously supports the project and our school community.



At the heart of our school, and the heart of your community.

How will this project benefit the school?

This new and vital facility will provide current and future students and staff with much needed, high quality, future focussed, and collaborative learning spaces. Not only is this essential for improved learning experiences and outcomes, it will also provide our school with a central hub that champions school spirit and strengthens relationships with local hapū and iwi.

How will this project benefit the community?

As a school, we recognise the value that we gain from connection outside our school gate, and are mindful of the positive and long-lasting impact for our community when we share spaces and experiences together. Connection and building relationships are central to our philosophy and education provision. Our school was built by the community and therefore the next stage is a community project also.

As well as providing for our school roll, it is our vision this facility is shared with whanau and community. There are not too many places in the city that can host 900+ people, and this state of the art facility will be a place to gather, participate and connect for many within the school and our wider neighbourhood, city and beyond.

Bringing people together encourages a sense of wellbeing and belonging.

This purpose-built facility will provide a learning environment that weaves together our values (Faith, Service, Community and Excellence) and proud history, the stories of our rohe (region) and our whakapapa. This will ensure all aspects of our school community are acknowledged and celebrated.



Project timeframe

What stage is the project currently at?

Francis Douglas Memorial College have completed planning, scope and design drawings working with local company, Boon Team Architects.

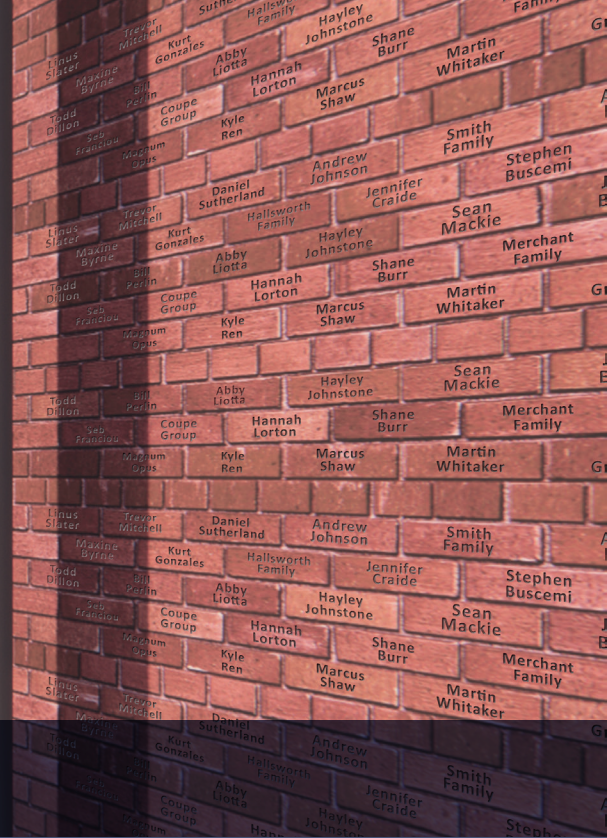
Based on this scope, the project is estimated to cost \$10-12m.

Francis Douglas Memorial College has secured \$8.5m, and are now moving to the fundraising stage of this project, seeking \$2.5m in funding to see this exciting and much needed facility come to fruition for the school and community.

When is building work for this project scheduled to commence?

Our vision is to turn soil on this building in June 2024, with a completion date of late 2025.





Be a part of the future

This is a flagship project that will stand at the heart of the school for years to come, and have intergenerational impact. The facility will provide our students with foundational learning experiences that they can take forward into their future endeavours.

This significant development allows us to teach and foster 21st century skills – collaboration and team problem solving, self management, ability to work in flexible, fluid and purpose built spaces, and connection with community. It is estimated to provide another 30 years of growth.

As we look to fund this vitally important project, we invite you to consider contributing generously. Your gift is a gift of leadership – for the school and the community, and will benefit many people, now and into the future.

Donations can be pledged over 2 years. Full amounts are not required now.

Individuals can claim a 33.33% tax credit for all donations over \$5. The tax credit on the donation is eligible to be claimed from the IRD after the donation has been made, it's not a reduction in the amount donated.

You might find it helpful to consult with your financial adviser for specific advice regarding your donation.

Let's explore ways you can contribute.

Any and all contributions to this project are gratefully received. As a guide, we have provided the following tiered structure for contributions and suggestions for how your support will be recognised respectfully.

By way of thanks and to share your contribution as part of our story and community, we'd like to acknowledge the generosity of those old boys, whanau and friends of the school whose support is essential to advancing this project. If however, you'd prefer that your koha to this project remains anonymous (at any level of contribution), we will express gratitude and thanks privately, or inline with your wishes.

Platinum Donors:

\$250,000+

Our highest level of recognition is reserved for those individuals, families and trusts whose generosity will ultimately enable this multi-purpose facility to be built.

Recognition for the extraordinary generosity of this level of support can be shown through the naming rights for the facility and/or key spaces within (for example; foyer, hall, stage).

Principal Donors:

\$50,000 – \$100,000

The significant gifting of Principal Donors provides essential support to make this project possible.

Recognition for this generous level of support can be shown with names engraved on a Francis Douglas Memorial College Donors Board displayed proudly on the front entrance wall as you enter the foyer of the new facility. This will be a permanent display of our gratitude for your contribution.

\$3,000 – \$5,000

Name engraved in the hall bleachers or hall stairs.

\$1,000+

Name engraved in the exterior bricks (sports field side of the facility).

One name per brick.

\$500+

Name inscribed in the Donor's book (to be displayed in the foyer).

At the completion of this project's fundraising stage, Francis Douglas Memorial College will provide an update on progress via the School's newsletter, website and social media, recognising the philanthropic actions of our supporters.

We will acknowledge all contributions on these public channels if this is inline with your wishes. We would like to share with the community the amazing support you have shown.



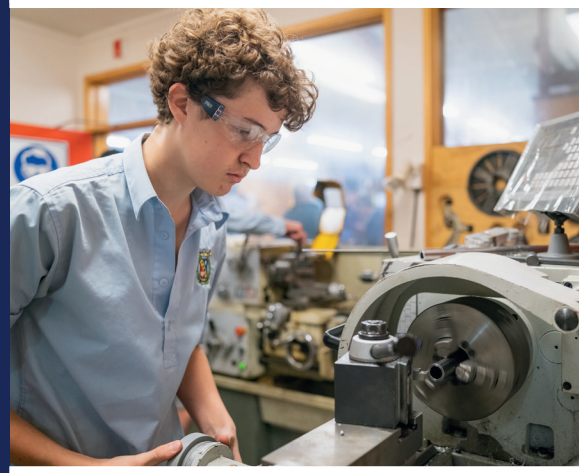
Our school

Francis Douglas Memorial College, founded in 1959, has been administered since its foundation by the De La Salle Brothers in conjunction with the Catholic community of Taranaki, as a boarding and day school for Catholic boys. It was named after Father Francis Vernon Douglas, an assistant priest at St. Joseph's Parish, New Plymouth, and later a Columban missionary in the Philippines. The College was integrated into the State system in 1982.

Students are primarily from the Taranaki province and approximately sixteen percent identify as tangata whenua. There are small numbers of Pacifica and students of Asian descent enrolled.

Francis Douglas Memorial College aims to provide education that:

- prepares young men for further education, work and life,
- fosters spiritual, academic, physical, cultural, vocational and social development,
- recognises and promotes the dignity of each student,
- is moral and caring,
- seeks to challenge its students to serve others, especially the poor, and to deepen a sense of responsibility for humanity's future,
- provides for students with varied academic needs and diverse social, cultural, and economic backgrounds and does so in partnership with parents/whanau and all those who are committed to living the Lasallian heritage, *and*
- develops policies and practices that promote an understanding and respect for all cultures and recognises the unique position of Māori as tangata whenua.



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A Catholic College in the tradition of the De La Salle Brothers

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