

SEVEN BARS

Diagonal Bands represent the Coat of Arms of the Loyola Family. It is particularly relevant to our College which is dedicated by name and under the patronage of St Ignatius himself. It calls on all who wear it to show similar generosity and courage in all they do.

I.H.S.

The first three letters in Greek of the name of Jesus. It is the Official Seal of the Society of Jesus and is the centre of the Crest of the current Pope.



THE CROSS

Symbolises the unconditional love of Jesus Christ for each person

THE LEGEND OF THE WOLVES AND POT

Celebrating Generosity - Many years ago in the Basque country of Spain, there lived a prosperous and generous family who after feeding family, retainers and soldiers had enough to feed even the wild wolves. To commemorate this act of generosity, a carving of two wolves eating at a pot was placed over the lintel of the family's home in Loyola Spain.

KOWHAIWHAI

The koru symbolises the partnership with Manawhenua iwi, Ngaati Te Ata Waiohua and Ngaati Tamaoho including our Māori whānau and Māori community, symbolising new life, growth and peace. Each unfurling frond is part of the larger fern that reflects partnership and relationships with Manawhenua.

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

Ignatian* spirituality* is summed up in this phrase. It invites a person to search for and find God in every circumstance of life,

Holistically the kōwhaiwhai pattern is termed Puhoro representing – strength, courage and power.