



NELSON COLLEGE

Boarding Newsletter

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Kia ora koutou,

Thank you all for supporting us through another year in boarding. It has been another busy year of challenge, as well as positive highs.

Both Barnicoat and Rutherford end 2021 settled and positive. And it was lovely to see so many boys acknowledged in both houses at our recent end of year dinners. As a staff, we can be truly proud of the boys, their achievements, and their positive support of each other.

Nelson College continues to work towards becoming more financially secure.

As part of reviewing what the school can continue to afford, boarding has had to undergo a reorganisation for 2022. Thoughtful consideration has meant that savings can be achieved without much direct impact on our boys.

Our boys will still be cared for by the same team of matrons, supervisors and housemasters. They will still have additional staff to open recreational facilities outside of school hours and there will still be medical support for boys who are unwell.

We feel positive about the government's announcement of New Zealand's borders opening during 2022, and the return of our international students once again.

2022 Staffing Changes

Boarding bids farewell to five staff members as we finish the year.

Stu McLean leaves Rutherford House after been a supervisor with us for this year. We have appreciated his warm and gentle manner with the boys, and we wish him and his daughters Lily and Ngaio all the best in their new home for 2022. Stu will continue to teach maths at Nelson College.

Ryan Walsh and Jade Hackney joined boarding this year as our on-call medical staff members. They looked after boys who were unwell on weeknights, and we have appreciated their professional approach to their role and care of our sick boys. We wish them well next year as Ryan takes leave from Nelson College and they tour their house bus throughout the country.

We also farewell Lucy Burns and Teresa Klassen from their cleaning roles at Barnicoat and Rutherford House respectively. We thank them for their hard work and wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

In 2022, we welcome Richard and Tracy McLaren back into boarding. Richard and Tracy begin again as supervisors in Rutherford House where they have previously worked in this role. Richard is also Deputy Principal at college and Tracy is LSC at Hampden Street School, across the road.

We also welcome Andrew Yorkstone into the on-call medical role for 2022. Andrew will help support boarders' medical needs as well as assist with activities' supervision on-site in the afternoons and evenings. Andrew is also TIC of music at Nelson College.

Nelson College Boarding Standards

As a hostel we are a community within a community and to successfully work together, we need to recognise our unique influence on our college and strive for:

1. Consideration for the feelings, beliefs, and happiness of others
2. Cheerful obedience to the rules of the school and the house
3. Trustworthiness and honesty
4. Courtesy in dealing with others
5. Personal responsibility in completing a task set or honouring a commitment and making a serious attempt to get the greatest gain from all Nelson College has to offer.

We ask for the continued support of all parents and caregivers in ensuring that our standards are adhered to.

2022 Key Contacts

Our boarding community has a close link to college. Many of our boarding staff members are also teachers at the school. We are all here to help support your son pastorally & academically.

Below are the contact details for key staff -

Barnicoat Housemaster – Simon Mardon – mn@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Rutherford Housemaster – Alex Hassan – ah@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Below is a list of staff contacts relating to any academic concerns you may have regarding your son(s).

Please contact your son's housemaster OR year level dean. Any concerns about pathways beyond school can be directed to our tertiary/careers' advisor.

Year 9 Dean – Helen Allen – ha@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Year 10 Dean – Richard Townsend – td@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Year 11 Dean – Joe Haddon – hn@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Year 12 Dean – Annabelle Zeeman – zn@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Year 13 Dean – Michelle Anderson – md@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Tertiary/Careers Advisor – Vikki Heays – vh@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Standing Parental Consent 2022

Below are the links through to the areas of permission we request from you for 2022. These consents must be completed each year before the boys return.

1. [General Activities](#)
2. [Pyramids' Practice & Performance](#)
3. [2022 Vehicle Permission](#)

2022 Important Dates

The first term will begin on **Tuesday 1st February 2022**.

All boarders should arrive in their houses between 1.00 – 5.00 pm on Monday 31st January. House BBQ's are at 4.00 pm on Monday 31st January. Parents most welcome.

The following are important dates for 2022:

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| TERM 1 2022 | Begins on Tuesday 1st Feb and ends on Thursday 14th April. |
| Sports Weekend begins | Sunday 14th March |
| Sports | Sunday 2pm |
| Commemorative Service (Hall) | Sunday 5 pm |
| Dinner (Inner Quad) | Sunday 6 pm |
| House Sports | Monday 9am |
| Boarding Parent Interviews | Monday 1.30 – 3.30 pm (Main block A1 – A10) |
| Summer Tournament Week | 28th March to 1st April |
| Holidays in Term 1 | Waitangi Day 7 th February |
| TERM 2 2022 | Begins on Monday 2nd May and ends on Friday 8th July |
| Boarding Open Day | Saturday 7th May - Prospective Parents 10am – 1pm |
| Holidays in Term 2 | Queen's Birthday 6 th June Matariki 24 th June TOD 19 th May TBC |
| TERM 3 2022 | Begins on Monday 25th July and ends on Friday 30th Sept |
| Course Selection Evening | Thursday 18th August tbc. |
| Winter Boarding Catch Up | Friday 19th August |
| Boarding Parent Interviews | Friday 1.30 – 3.30 pm (Main block A1 - A10) |
| Winter Concert (Hall) | Friday 5pm |
| Dinner (Dining Room) | Friday 6pm |
| Practice Exams | TBC |
| Winter Tournament Week | 29th August to 2nd September |
| Holidays in Term 3 | TOD 22 nd August |
| TERM 4 2022 | Begins on Monday 17th Oct and ends on Thursday 8th Dec |
| OMS | Tuesday 25th October |
| Senior Prize Giving | Wednesday 2nd November TBC |
| NCEA begins | Monday 7th November |
| New Ent Test/sleepover | Friday 25th November |
| Junior Prize Giving | Thursday 8th December |
| Holidays in Term 4 | Labour Day 24 th October |

Important Nelson College Boarding & School Information Reminders

BYOD

BYOD is compulsory for all students at Nelson College.

All relevant information for you is now on the Nelson College website under [BYOD at Nelson College](#).

Computer Use

Students and staff are expected to sign an acceptable use agreement form before they are permitted to access the college's network and the internet. Breaches of this acceptable use agreement may result in being locked out of the network, impositions and/or disciplinary measures.

Website/Electronic Access

The college encourages parents to visit our website www.nelsoncollege.school.nz to keep up to date with current information. The website also provides a parent sign-in to our secure web environment, where parents and caregivers can access information to keep them informed of their son's learning progress; including attendance, timetables, report, achievement data and daily notices. Students will be able to access the same information as well as many learning resources and information via Ultrantet. Any problems with not having access to these portals, please contact our Student Office.

Cell Phones

Cell phones are to be turned off and out of sight in class. Texting is not permitted during class time.

Phones will be confiscated and handed to the Deputy Principals if these rules are not followed.

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| 1 st Offence - mobile phone usage | Confiscation for 3 school days. |
| 2 nd Offence - mobile phone usage | Confiscation for 5 school days. |
| 3 rd Offence - mobile phone usage | Confiscation indefinitely with parents uplifting the phone. |

Regulations governing confiscation of communication technologies and the use of technology within the college campus are stipulated in the Nelson College Safe Use of IT Policy and its associated acceptable use protocols.

Attendance/Absences

All students are expected to be in their timetabled class. This will be monitored, and parents contacted when students are not present. If a boarding student is absent, it is important that the Housemaster & school is notified. Please either complete the [Online Form](#) or email attendance@nelsoncollege.school.nz or call the Attendance line on 548 3099. Please leave the student's name, the reason for their absence and if known, how long they will be absent. On returning to school, boys need to collect a pink slip from the Attendance Office to show to their teachers. [Click here for full attendance guidelines](#) Failure to provide a note will result in the student being disciplined and the parents contacted.

Parents who wish to take their son(s) on holiday during term time need to contact the year level dean.

Sick/Illness

Boarding students who feel unwell during the school day are expected to report to reception. Once assessed, they may then be admitted for care to the sick bay or sent back to their house under the care of the matron.

Unwell boys will be cared for by house staff in their boarding house. They will also be supported in making medical appointments when necessary.

Appointments

Appointments should not be arranged during college time. If this is unavoidable, there is a procedure that boys need to complete before they are granted leave.

Students should bring a written request for leave to the Attendance Office for a pink slip, which they then show to their teachers.

Off Site

It is a college rule that no pupil leaves the school grounds at lunchtime unless they have the permission of the Deputy Principals. The neighbouring dairy and bakery are out of bounds during interval and lunchtime.

Change of Address

Please inform the [Student Office](#) of any changes to address, phone numbers or email.

Leaving Procedures

All students leaving college during the year, at the end of year or transferring to another school, must complete formal signing out procedures. Leaving forms are available from the Student Office.

Stationery

2022 Stationery lists are available online from two suppliers, Paper Plus or Office Max. Stationery lists will also be held in store at these two suppliers. Both websites can be found below for ordering online:

Paper Plus: www.paperplus.co.nz

Office Max: www.myschool.co.nz

Uniform

The Board of Trustees, and college community have affirmed that Nelson College is a school that wants a uniform and that it should be worn well.

Uniform helps instil a sense of identity and purpose. Self-esteem is enhanced by wearing a uniform with pride. Uniform should be worn in accordance with the attached guidelines.

- Shorts need to be pulled up appropriately.
- Socks must be up (blue socks are beginning to be introduced, grey socks are still acceptable)
- Blue polo shirts may be out (all other shirts tucked in).
- If students choose to wear a belt it should be dark blue or black.
- Singlets and/or polypropylene vests are recommended in winter but should be short sleeved and not visible.

It is **not acceptable** to wear:

- Mufti clothing & beanies / jandals /running shoes/cross trainers etc.
- College sports jackets /Any visible jewellery.
- Long-sleeved polyprops (unless under a long-sleeved shirt) /cap (unless college)

Hair (personal grooming)

- Neat and tidy hair.
- Colour should be a natural shade, uniform (no multiple colours) and that is acceptable to the management of the school.
- No dreadlocks, mohawks, 'rats' tails' and designs/logos cut into the hair.
- Facial hair is not accepted. Students must be clean shaven except during 'Movember'.

Parents are encouraged to seek the college management's guidance if they are concerned their son's proposed hair style might be unacceptable.

2022 Clothing List for Boarders

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| 1x college tie |
| 1x college blazer |
| 1x pair regulation dark, grey trousers |
| 1x white long sleeved college shirt, OR 3x if in Year 13 |
| 3. pairs dark, grey college shorts |
| 5x mid-blue long sleeved cotton shirt and/or blue polo shirt(s) combination |
| 5x pairs college socks |
| 1x college pullover (regulation navy blue for juniors & regulation light blue for seniors) |
| 1x college parka |
| 1x college PE shorts |
| 1x college PE shirt |
| 5x pairs white sports socks |
| 1x plain, leather belt (black or brown) |
| 1x pair lace up, plain black shoes |
| 1x pair plain black or brown sandals |
| Appropriate sleepwear |
| Casual clothing, non-offensive – shorts, T-shirts, long pants, sweatshirts etc |
| Underwear and singlets |
| Sneakers/sports shoes |
| Slippers |
| 4x towels |
| Swimming togs/shorts |
| Toilet bag & toiletries & medication (given to boarding housemaster) |
| Black nugget |
| Coat hangers |
| 1x pillow & pillowcase |
| 1x duvet inner & duvet cover |

TIDY MUFTI - for out of school wear.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL CLOTHING IS NAMED

Name tags can be bought from

www.nameit.co.nz or phone 0800 626 348

PTA UNIFORM SHOP

Direct dial phone (03) 546 3265

Email uniform.shop@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Online shop <https://shop.nelsoncollege.school.nz/>

The Uniform Shop was opened in 1998 by the PTA to fulfil three major objectives:

- ◆ To assist in standardising the uniform
- ◆ To provide good quality new and second-hand uniforms at a reasonable price
- ◆ To provide an on-going fundraiser for the college. (All profits go directly back to the college)

The Uniform Shop is the sole supplier of the college uniform.

EXTENDED HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS

| 26 November – Boarders Testing Day 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm | | | |
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| JANUARY 2022 | | FEBRUARY 2021 | |
| Thursday 20 January | 10.00 – 4.00 pm | Tuesday 1 February | 8.00 – 4.00 pm |
| Friday 21 January | 10.00 – 4.00 pm | | |
| Saturday 22 January | 10.00 – 3.00 pm | <u>NORMAL OPENING HOURS RESUME</u> | |
| Monday 24 January | 10.00 – 4.00 pm | | |
| Tuesday 25 January | 10.00 – 4.00pm | | |
| Wednesday 26 January | 10.00 – 4.00 pm | | |
| Thursday 27 January | 10.00 – 4.00 pm | | |
| Friday 28 January | 10.00 – 4.00 pm | | |
| | | Mondays | 8.15 am – 8.45 am |
| | | | 1.30 pm – 2.15 pm |
| | | Thursdays | 1.30 pm – 4.00 pm |

2022 Nelson College Boarding Fees & School Expenses

| BOARDING FEES AND EXPENSES 2022 | |
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| <p>Deposit to secure a boarding place A deposit of \$1,000 (NZ) is to be paid when accepting a boarding place at Nelson College. This deposit is credited to the student's invoice for boarding fees. In those cases where the acceptance is subsequently declined by the parent, the deposit may be forfeited except at the discretion of the Director of Boarding. This must be paid by 20th November of the year preceding entry</p> | \$1,000 |
| <p>Full Board You will receive your first account for Boarding Fees for 2022 at the beginning of March. Boarding Fees are \$15,000.00 per annum including GST and will be charged over the eight months, February to September, at \$1875.00 per month. You may receive two accounts every month for your son. One account is the 'Boarding Account' which includes all charges related to boarding and includes boarding fees, house canteen, house photos etc. The second account is the 'Day School Account' which includes all charges relating to sports trips and subs, school trips etc associated with the Day School.</p> <p>Incidental/Damage Charges Where damage occurs as a result of lack of thought or deliberate vandalism, we will look to recover the replacement/repair costs from those responsible.</p> <p>Pocket Money Parents should take responsibility for any private expenses & pocket money by setting up a bank account for their son which they can access with their EFTPOS card.</p> | <p>\$15,000</p> <p>\$1,875 charged per month over 8 months</p> |
| Boarding Internet Maintenance | \$100 per annum |
| PTA Donation | \$5.00 |
| <p>The Boarding Account (& Fees) and Day School Account charges are due to be paid, with your son's name clearly as the reference, by 20th of the following month by either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Debit – forms available from the Finance Office • Automatic Payment • Internet Banking • Credit Card (will incur a 1.7% bank fee) | |
| <p>You can choose to make weekly, fortnightly, or monthly payments.</p> <p>Account payment in full for the full year – (Boarding Fees Only) Boarding Fees for the full year can be billed in March for immediate payment. If full payment is made by 20th March 2022, this attracts a fee rebate of \$150 including GST.</p> | |
| <p>NELSON COLLEGE BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER 03 0703 0365073 003</p> | |
| <p>If you have any queries, please contact Sharon in the Finance Office. Email: sd@nelsoncollege.school.nz</p> | |

TIMA HEALTH LTD

DR ROBERT STUBBS

DR SUSAN STUBBS

DR ROB HAYES

General Practitioners

46 WAIMEA RD NELSON PHONE 03 5488005 FAX 03 5484331

Dear Parent/ Guardian or Care Giver of new Nelson College boarders,

For over 32 years we have developed a very good relationship with the Nelson Boys College as the General Practitioners for the boarders.

While your son is at Nelson College, provided he is a New Zealand resident, you are welcome to enrol him at our surgery in order to receive the Ministry of Health subsidies.

Please note that enrolment can only be at one doctor/practice therefore if your son is enrolled here but visits the family doctor when at home, they may charge their non- enrolled (casual patient) fee.

If you would like your son to be enrolled with our practice, please contact us when he starts or at any stage during his college years here.

Kind regards,

The Team at Tima Health

All **teens** from year 9 at school until their 18th birthday are eligible to receive **free dental treatment** (excluding international students). These **dental services** are funded by the Ministry of Health. Many parents and children are unaware of this free service!



Free dental services include:

- Regular checkups
- X-rays
- Fillings
- Extractions (orthodontic extractions excluded)
- Preventative treatments like fluoride or fissure sealants

Call us now on 03 548 3971 or Book online www.accessdental.co.nz

Best wishes for a warm, relaxing, and safe summer with your boys at home. We look forward to reconnecting again in February when we will resume working in partnership with you in supporting your son's development into adulthood.

Ngā mihi,

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