



NELSON COLLEGE

TE KURA TAMATĀNE O WHAKATŪ

Friday 17 June 2022

Kia ora tātou,

Congratulations to our two groups Cyclone Fever and The Mess who got through to this year's Nelson Rockquest final. It's great to see so many individuals and groups getting involved in music. Last night we also saw two sets of students participating in the regional Chamber Music competition, one exclusively from Nelson College and the second as a combined group across schools.

Uniform

As we head into winter we're seeing more hoodies and other non-uniform items. Our process is that non-regulation items (excluding rain-coats) can't be worn to, at, or on the way home from school. If seen, they will be confiscated and returned to students at the end of the week.

If you know of a family who may need assistance to get a school jersey or jacket, or you would like assistance, please contact your son's Dean and we can provide extra uniform (free) to students and whānau out of our equity funding.

If it's an emergency situation, your son can go to his Dean for a uniform pass.

Attendance

You may have heard concerns in the media about attendance rates across New Zealand. Attendance is measured many ways. A student going to a specialist medical appointment or away sick is a 'justified' absence, while truanting or going on holiday with whānau is considered 'unjustified'.

Last term at Nelson College, if you ignore justified absences, our students attended 95% of their classes. Obviously we would like this to be 100% and our staff work with whānau and outside agencies to achieve this.

Nevertheless, we're concerned that some students' attendance is dropping through this term. This isn't uncommon in winter and reflects the lingering impact of COVID-19. I welcome your support to get our young men to school on time every day, especially senior students whose teachers are working hard to ensure they succeed in NCEA.

Please contact your son's Dean if you have any concerns or questions. Thanks for your support.

Whānau Hui

A reminder that all interested whānau are invited to a whānau hui in the staffroom at 5.30pm next Wednesday to discuss progress towards Te Rumaki Whakatū, our Māori medium initiative, and other related information. I look forward to catching up.

Annual Goals

This year we have three main annual goals:

- developing our junior curriculum
- implementing a positive behaviour programme across the school
- supporting community and wellbeing

There's much work going on with these. Mr Aberhart (*Tumuaki Tuarua / Deputy Principal*) and Mr Townsend have been working with staff and Tuakana (prefects) to clarify our college values and use these as a framework to review our behaviour management systems. This is often how we use the Thursday morning professional development time, i.e. the late start.

Ngā manaakitanga,

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Tumuaki

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Upcoming Events:

JUNE

22	Whānau Hui (Staffroom) 5.30pm
24	Matariki – SCHOOL CLOSED
27-29	Rugby Quad Tournament in Whanganui

JULY

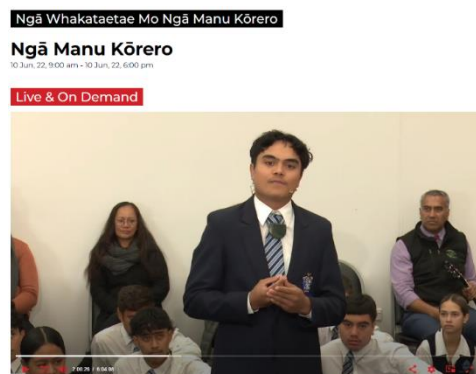
08	Junior mid-year reports available
08	Last day of Term 2
25	First day of Term 3

[Full Online Calendar](#)

Student Achievements

Alex Bryant is amazing! He has achieved 4th in the world in Future Problem Solving for Senior Onsite Scenario – this is a massive achievement which takes a little while to sink in – 4th in the world for the second year in a row! Hot on his heels are two Y9 boys: **Blair Lind** came 9th in the world in Middle Onsite Scenario, and **Max Harrington** came 9th in the world in Scenario Junior.

It was a fantastic day at Te Taihu Ngā Manu Kōrero 2022 with strong representation from Nelson College. Because the competition was closed to the public, we have a video of the event – well worth watching [Ngā Manu Kōrero – Digital Vision Live](#). Nelson College had two speakers this year. **Ngakau Moka-Tengu** placed second overall in the Senior English Section, and **Izayah Tuitupoukutu** won the Junior English Section. Izayah will be representing Te Taihu region at the National Ngā Manu Kōrero online competition in September.



Music

We're fundraising to send our combined Nelson College and Nelson College for Girls Concert Band to Wellington Band & Orchestra Festival in October. Run by MusicWorks NZ, WeBO is NZ's fastest growing festival for school and community music ensembles. We have a team of runners in the [Monaco - Nelson Mid Winter Marathon](#) (Sun 26 June). You can either sponsor a runner, or make a donation direct to Nelson College 03 0703 0365073 003 (ref: Concert Band). Good stuff!

Last week our combined Nelson College and Nelson College for Girls Concert Band gave a special performance at Hampden Street School. The Band played movie themes from James Bond, Avengers End Game, as well as Bare Necessities from The Jungle Book, which went down a treat with the kids. It's exciting to see the students being inspired by such an enjoyable morning of music making!



House Comp Update

Congratulations to **Robinson Juniors** and **Kahurangi Seniors** for winning the 2022 House Volleyball Competition. Spelling Bee! Chaytor wins! Huge thanks to Sam Twamley for organising and running this event. Domett leads by a whisker...

House Competition Table 2022																
House	Junior Cricket	Senior Cricket	Junior Chess	Senior Chess	Junior Touch	Senior Touch	Swimming	Athletics	Junior Hockey	Senior Hockey	Cross Country	Junior Volleyball	Senior Volleyball	Spelling Bee	House Points	Placing
Boarders	8	8	8	8	4	4	X	X	4	4	24	8	10	10	100	3rd=
Chaytor	8	12	8	8	8	12	X	X	8	8	8	4	4	12	100	3rd=
Domett	12	8	10	12	8	8	X	X	10	12	12	8	4	8	112	1st
Kahurangi	4	4	12	10	4	4	X	X	12	4	16	4	12	4	90	5th
Monro	4	4	4	4	12	8	X	X	8	8	12	12	8	4	88	6th
Robinson	10	10	4	4	10	10	X	X	4	10	20	10	8	10	110	2nd

Spirit of Adventure

Matt Donald (Y12) had a trip-of-a-lifetime on the Spirit of Adventure in the last summer holidays and has this to say: The Spirit of Adventure is an action-packed 10-day leadership/character building experience perfect for those wanting to challenge themselves or extend their comfort zone. I was lucky to be awarded a scholarship through the PTA to be a trainee on Voyage 831 over the Dec/Jan holidays. It was an experience that I will never forget.

The voyage contains thrill-seeking adventures as well as the chance to form lifelong friendships with students from all over New Zealand. You're all learning together and you're physically and mentally challenged by the crew and encouraged the whole way. It's an opportunity to truly find out more about yourself, build confidence, leadership skills, and reflect.

There were several highlights on board, and if I had to pick one, it would be the magnificent sunset on New Year's Eve off the east coast of Aotea, Great Barrier Island, and seeing in the New Year under the canopy of the island's stargazing 'sanctuary'. The biggest take away from my experience was learning new skills that I know will benefit me in the future, and how to thrive in foreign environments. I would like to extend my gratitude to Nelson College PTA for funding this incredible experience. Thank you.



Matariki

It's Matariki on Friday 24 June and if you're curious for more information, check out Te Papa's fantastic resource page, including how to find the Matariki star cluster.

[Click here](https://www.tepapa.govt.nz/.../matariki-maori-new-year) for the video, and more info here:
<https://www.tepapa.govt.nz/.../matariki-maori-new-year>



Brunch Club

Remember that Brunch Club is every day at interval at the Whare. Weetbix, milk and fruit. Everyone welcome.

If anyone in the community would like to donate fresh fruit, bread and spreads, we'd be thrilled to accept and redistribute to hungry lads! Please contact Jenn Arai on ar@nelsoncollege.school.nz



Maths Hack!

Some desks are arranged into rows.

The number of desks in each row is the same as the number of rows.

After 10 desks are removed, the remaining desks can be arranged into 2 fewer rows, but with 1 additional desk in each row.

How many desks were there originally?



Sports Office Snippets

It's so great having sport to play, but this weather is certainly making life challenging for our outdoor teams!

Thanks to Marlborough Boys College for hosting us for our annual winter exchange. We won the 1st XV Rugby and 1st XI Football which were both important games. We also won Senior and Junior Basketball and Junior Football. We lost U15 and 2nd XV Rugby and sadly due to illness our hockey team couldn't travel.

On Tuesday we have our next exchange with Shirley Boys High School from Christchurch, so we are looking forward to hosting them.

Rugby

We're well into the season with Christchurch Boys' High School playing our 1st XV at Nelson College on Saturday 18 June at 11am. Keep an eye on [\(14\) Nelson College Rugby](#) | [Facebook](#) for the latest info on all the games.

Cross Country

Twenty boys recently competed in the [Tasman Secondary School Sports Council](#) Cross Country, on a very windy track at Saxton Field. In the Y9 race we claimed both the 3-man and 6-man titles. Boys in order of finishing were Will Lasenby (5th), Jack A'Court (7th), Finnbar Hanrahan (8th), Lucas Ball (9th), Rio Crisp (10th) and Thomas Robertson (13th).

Our Junior Boys Team was affected by illness so we were unable to field 6 runners. Hogan Ward won the race and was backed up by Jayden Smith (3rd), Charlie Calderbank (5th) and Kurt Ward (7th). We also claimed all the available titles in the Senior Boys race with Josh Gill taking the win, followed by Fenlon Bayley (4th), Sam John (10th), Zyon Ford (11th), Lucas Hewetson-Talamaivao (13th), and Braedyn Rosanowski (14th).

Many of these boys will be competing in the National event, in Nelson on 18 & 19 June. Thanks to our Senior A Basketball Team, Andrew Cross and Om Maisuria, for being marshals and record keepers. Fantastic effort lads!



Football Fundraiser

FC Nelson's next fundraising quiz is on Sunday 26th June - 6.30pm - Doors open 6pm. All welcome! Come along with some mates or join a team when you get there. This quiz night is supporting FC Nelson 15th Grade Christchurch International Cup Team for the tournament in July. If you would like to book a night for your team, contact quiz@fcnelson.co.nz



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Kia ora from the Careers Hub

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	21 June Halls Workshop 1.30pm library <i>Supporting your application for University Halls</i>	22 June CAREER EXPLORATION DAY: Forestry Trip 8.45am - 3pm <i>(8 students only)</i>		
27 June NMIT Taster Day NMIT <i>You must have registered through NMIT for these</i>	28 June NMIT Taster Day NMIT <i>You must have registered through NMIT for these</i> Halls Workshop 1.30pm library <i>Supporting your application for University Halls</i> College House (UC) visit 2.30pm library <i>College House is one of the Halls at UC. Come and find out about what makes College House special, and if you would like to apply.</i>	29 June NMIT Taster Day NMIT <i>You must have registered through NMIT for these</i>	30 June NMIT Taster Day NMIT <i>You must have registered through NMIT for these</i>	1 July NMIT Taster Day NMIT <i>You must have registered through NMIT for these</i>

CAREER EXPLORATION DAYS UPDATE:

We have had a whole variety of career exploration events happening this term. Next term they will slow down, but there still are a few on the horizon. There are limited spaces in the external events – so you must register and fill in the permission form to be considered. More information will come out via email once the event details are confirmed

- Apprentice Electrician Visit
- EMPOWER Careers Expo in Blenheim for all schools in Te Tau Ihu – CGI, mechatronics, robotics, coding, e-sport

Nelson Regional Development Agency (NRDA) organised for a couple of our lads to attend an introductory showcase to NMIT's course for Trainee Rangers (many of whom find jobs with Department of Conservation). **Jasper Hoolihan** and **Jimmy Noonan** started the day at NMIT in Richmond, and then went out to the Eves Valley Bush Reserve to look at their regeneration project. It's all about showing our rangatahi a good range of training and employment options for when they leave school.



Logan Dunn recently completed four x 4-day residential blocks at Whenua Iti Outdoors. The course is Emergency & Response, and is an introduction about the varied career paths with Uniformed Services, including Paramedics, Police, Fire Services, Search and Rescue and Civil Defence. Logan is now honed on the likes of bush survival skills, search & rescue procedures, emergency first aid, safety equipment, navigational tools - he's definitely an asset to have around the college campus!



Nelson College Website

Our new website has been up and running since the beginning of the year. Take your time to explore and save as a favourite. www.nelson.school.nz

Click on the person symbol for:

- Absences
- Parent Portal
- Daily notices
- Calendar
- Library
- General Information



Student Absences or Late Guidelines

Absence

If your son is going to be absent, please notify the College by either one of the following procedures:

Completing the [Online Absence Form](#)

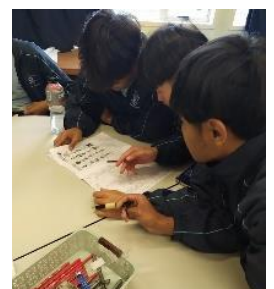
Email: attendance@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Phone: 03 548 3099 Ext 851 (*Please leave a clear message with the student's full name, year level and the reason for absence*).

Full details and contacts can be found on the college website: [Attendance Guidelines](#) | [Nelson College](#)

Homework Club

A homework club is now on offer for all Nelson College's students with refugee backgrounds. Every Thursday lunchtime, students can just turn up, enjoy a snack, then get started on homework or any other tasks they need help with. Support is offered by teachers, peer tutors, and bilingual staff. This programme offers students a chance to ask questions and get help in a safe and supportive environment. Room H1. Y9 to Y13 students welcome.



Waimea Road Stormwater Upgrade



Next week, Nelson City Council will start preparation work for a major infrastructure upgrade on Waimea Road and Rutherford Street. This enabling work is taking place so they can install a detour for traffic travelling in and out of the City Centre.

The enabling work will involve removing traffic islands along Rutherford Street and modifying the intersection at Van Diemen Street and Rutherford Street. At the moment, this intersection is too steep for buses to get around the corner safely. While this work takes place Van Diemen Street will be closed off to through traffic, so east bound traffic will have to turn down Rutherford Street, and west bound (residents only) traffic will have to travel up Ngatitama Street. The layout is shown on the map below.

When the enabling work is complete, the main project work will get underway in mid-July 2022. The first phase of the project will require the closure of

Waimea Road, next to the Nelson College for Girls playing fields. This phase will take approximately five months to complete.

Council will provide us with a detailed detour map in the coming weeks, showing the routes traffic will take between mid-July and November 2022.

Council is also working with all the affected schools, travel planning experts and the Police to make sure pedestrian and cycling routes are safely managed during the project period.

If you would like to get regular updates about the project to your email you can sign up at [Rutherford Street - Little Go Stream - Stage 2 | Shape Nelson](#)



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QUADRANGULAR TOURNAMENT WHANGANUI

Games Timetable

All games played at Whanganui Collegiate School

MONDAY 27 June

12.30PM Wellington v Nelson
2.00PM Whanganui v Christ's

WEDNESDAY 29 June

11.30PM Minor Final
1.00PM Major Final

Joint Colleges OBs Function

Hosted by WCS

Tuesday, 28 June
5pm - 8pm
WCS- Big School

RSVP Essential for catering:
by 25 June 2022 to
Gillian.Lennox@collegiate.school.nz

A function to celebrate the connection
between all four schools, Old Boys &
Supporters

Nelson College Old Boys' Get Together

Monday 27 June from 6pm @
Mothership Bar (Kingsgate Hotel)

379 Victoria Ave, Whanganui

CASH BAR | ALL OBs, PARENTS & SUPPORTERS WELCOME

RSVP to: lj@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Maths Hack Answer: There were 64 desks originally.

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