NELSON COLLEGE

TE KURA TAMATĀNE O WHAKATŪ

Friday 05 August 2022

Kia ora tātou,

After a crazy first day with a number of staff absent for illness, things have settled down and the majority of staff and students are present at school. Fingers crossed.

Rockquest

Congratulations to 'The Mess' who came second in the regional Rockquest and are expected to now compete in the national finals. Members of this band include Michael Deans, Ned Rainey, Charle Rainey, Ben Forbes-Moody, Peter McNabb and Tristan Vadura-Lane. This is a fantastic result that I and the wider school are very proud of.

Boys' School Visits

Towards the end of last term I had the opportunity to visit other single-sex boys' schools in Dunedin and Christchurch. I was inspired by the innovation in these schools and their commitment to serving the young men in our communities.

First and foremost boys' schools, like any school, must be great schools that create opportunities for their students and help grow them into confident, successful young adults. Boys' schools also have the added opportunity to invest in young men and develop a positive, diverse masculinity that benefits everyone in our community.

There were some exciting specfic initiatives such as 'positive education' programmes. At the same time it affirmed the work of Nelson College staff. Our continued top NCEA results for males in the Nelson region, the development of our junior curriculum (MYP), and our extensive co-curricular programme that engages our rangatahi, keeps them in school and builds community.

Upcoming Events:

AUGUST

06	**OPEN DAY (1pm– 3pm)**
8 & 10	Parent Teacher Interviews (Day students & Boarders) **NOTE: Classes will finish at 1.25 pm (no period 5) on both days to allow teachers to prepare for interviews.**
10	Shuriken – Senior Drama Production (2 & 6pm)
18	Course Selection Evening
19	**Teacher Only Day**

Full Online Calendar

As we trudge through wet winter days and COVID, it was nice to be reminded that there's so much going right at Nelson College, and that we're part of a wider community that's innovative and aspirational for young people.

Open Day

Tomorrow afternoon (1.00 – 3.00pm) we get to tell our story to the year 8 students and their whānau. If you have a son at this age, I look forward to catching up. Many students have already had school visits this week.

NCEA

We continue to track students' individual progress towards NCEA. The good news is that, overall, our young men are catching up on the disruption to assessments in Term 1 and are increasingly making good progress. There is still a lot of work to happen, but it's great to see students' progress.

We're holding online **Parent-Teacher meetings** next Monday and Wednesday. Book in a time to meet your son's teachers and discuss his progress and next steps.

Teacher Only Day

A quick reminder that we have a Teacher Only Day on Friday 19th August. Teachers from across the Top of the South will meet in subject areas to plan for upcoming changes to Level 1 NCEA.

Ngā manaakitanga,

R Dykes
Tumuaki/Principal

Student Achievements

Congratulations to Head Boy **Om Maisuria** and fellow Y13 **Jai Hayward** for completing their first solo flights on the way to gaining their pilot's license. Om said it "felt great! It was a tough landing, but it was so fun and the weather was nice to me". The were both flying a Cessna 152, and are now focussed on building up their flying hours. Amazing!

Cricket on Film

Lucca Hemingway has created a superb 5 min documentary about cricket for his Y13 Media Studies class. Well worth watching for the interviews and footage, as well as the skill in editing it together. [Click here to watch.]

Nelson College Cricket Documentary

Chess Team

There are two grades of Schoolboy chess competition in NZ. NZ Chess Power is the grade for all players regardless of level, in which Nelson College has taken regional honours many times in the last decade, and before Covid, consistently gained third place in Nationals. The higher grade, NZ Chess Federation is a more rarefied competition. This year the team of - 1 Alexandre de Maupeou, 2 Samuel White, 3 Caleb Williams, 4 Sam Holmes, not only gained first place in the NZCF Regional Tournament but were also undefeated throughout the tournament. they can go on to the NZCF National Tournament in Christchurch on October 1-2.

Shuriken

Our Senior Drama class play this year is Vincent O'Sullivan's **Shuriken**.

The play is about the Japanese POW bought to Featherstone in 1942, and the incident that cost the lives of 49 prisoners and one NZ guard.

It's a powerful play, and the class have been working incredibly hard to bring the story to the stage. They're presenting two performances.

Shuriken
Nelson College Performance Suite
Wednesday 10 August at 2pm & 6pm
All welcome

Maths Hack!

Finn and Josh start with the same number of marbles.

After Josh gives 12 of his marbles to Finn, Finn then has twice as many marbles as Josh does.

How many marbles did Josh have at the start?

Mufti Day Fundraiser

We did things a little differently for last week's Mufti Day.

As usual, we asked the boys to bring a gold coin donation, with all proceeds going towards buying new sports balls for Nelson Victory School. Stirling Sports Nelson are generously providing the balls at cost – about $20 each.

We raised a massive $800! We're checking with Victory on how best to use the funds (40 balls might be a few more than they need!). Big thanks to our Tuakana and Y13 Vocational Education Class, as well as to Stirling Sports.

Sports Office Snippets

Term 3 is a busy and exciting one with Winter Tournament Week happening at the end of August. We will have multiple teams competing around the country. It sure will be nice to have these events back for the boys to compete in.

College Basketball is going strong with our 22 teams competing on Wednesdays at Saxton. This will go for most of this term. Please remember mouthguards are compulsory!!

It won't be long before we are calling for summer sport registrations! Please remind your son to read the daily notices so he doesn't miss out.
As always, if you wish to contact us about sport, email Alethea se@nelsoncollege.school.nz

School Board of Trustees - Triennial Election

Nominations are open for the election of **five** parent representatives to the Board of Trustees.

You should have received an email calling for nominations which has a link to the online nomination form. If you did not receive an email, please check your Spam/Junk folder in case it has been redirected. If you cannot find the email please contact the Returning Office via jm@nelsoncollege.school.nz to check your contact details. Alternatively, a paper copy of the nomination form is available from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Friday 19th August 2022. You may provide a signed candidate statement (no more than 400 words) and photograph with your nomination.

Elected parent representatives will need to meet eligibility criteria (as stated with the nomination form); be prepared to undergo Board of Trustee training and commit to regularly attend Board meetings, approximately nine per year.

If there are more nominations than the number of vacancies, a voting election will be held. Eligible voters will be issued voting papers and candidate statements, on or before 26 August 2022.

The poll closes at **4pm** on **23 September 2022**. The highest polling candidates will be elected to the board, and results will be notified to the school community and other affected parties.

The election will be held by postal ballot, as usual. Note that the postal or email address supplied by the school office will be the one that we will use to enable you to vote. Contact jm@nelsoncollege.school.nz to make any changes to your contact details.

A call for nominations from students for the Student Representative will open on 1 September 2022.

Update from 24-7 YouthWork

Term 2 has been an absolute pleasure for our team. This was Liam's first full term working for 24-7, and he's proven himself a valuable addition to our team, our community, and Nelson College itself. Liam and Dan have established regularity with our student mentoring, offering 18 mentoring sessions to students this term.

Kickstart Kai has ramped up, with the Nelson College whare often full to the brim with students in need of a boost to help them through their day. We are loving seeing an accessible, engaging, inviting space where more students feel comfortable and welcome.

Our weekly board games began to morph with the Nelson College chess club, which we have thoroughly enjoyed. However, while we LOVE a good game of chess, we figured why not **both?** Board games will be moving to Monday lunchtimes at the library, where we hope to create another space to engage with students.

Towards the end of June, our team attended the annual 24-7 YouthWork National Training, where we met and shared ideas with roughly 200 youth workers from across Aotearoa. The focus this year was tūmanako, *hope*, and how we can cultivate this despite the current challenges young people face.

Finally, we welcomed Josh Munro (Munzie) to our team. Josh is studying towards a youth work qualification, and has a particular interest in digital technology, art, and design. Josh grew up in Nelson and is stoked for the opportunity to support and work with young people at Nelson College.

Our full term report is live on our website: https://www.unitechurch.org.nz/24-7-unite
Please check this out for more info!
James Hodgson – 24-7 Team Leader.

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Kia ora from the Careers Hub

This term is a busy one for students planning on enrolling in further study at University or Polytechnics, applying for Halls and Scholarships. There are some OPEN days still coming up, and the University Liaison officers will be coming to Nelson College to help students with their course planning. I highly recommend students attend these to help them with planning their degrees and choosing papers.

CAREERS EVENTS:

mon	tue	Wed	thu	fri
	9 Aug **Uni Drop in session with vh** **1.30pm library** *Stuck? Confused? Can't work out how to apply? Bring your questions & queries*	10 Aug **Aim to have your scholarship applications finished** *Share your applications with vh by this date*		
15 Aug **Most University scholarship applications close**				26 Aug **Uni Drop in session with vh** **1.30pm library** *Stuck? Confused? Can't work out how to apply? Bring your questions & queries*

Upcoming Careers Events:

- **Empower Festival,** Blenheim Fri 26th Aug (info sent via email)
- **OPEN DAY @ Vic University** Fri 26th Aug
- **OPEN Day @ Massey Uni (COCA)** Fri 26th Aug
- **Halls applications submitted EARLY** Wed 31st Aug *** except UC students
- **OPEN Day @ UC** Fri 7th Sept

MITO and Fantastic Futures Career Exploration Events

These were fantastic events that supported the students to explore different career opportunities here are some pics for you to enjoy.

Work experience

This is so valuable for our boys so if you have any contacts that may be able to help with this we would love to hear from you!

Please click on this link if you think you may be able to help or contact pl@nelsoncollege.school.nz
https://forms.office.com/r/y6npitNbGx

UPDATE: Waimea Road Stormwater Upgrade

RUTHERFORD STREET STORMWATER UPDATE – TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE PROPOSAL

As part of the Rutherford Street Stormwater Upgrade project, Fulton Hogan on behalf of Nelson City Council will be temporarily closing the following road to ordinary traffic on the dates listed below: Waimea Road – between number 26 Waimea Road and Rutherford Street/Bronte Street Intersection.

Date and time of scheduled closure: **7:00am Monday 18 July to 5:00pm Friday 16 December 2022.** Closed all day and all night. These dates provide flexibility to account for wet weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

A map showing the extent of the closure and proposed detour for Phase 1 of the project is below. The different phases of work throughout the project will impact the extent and location of detours. Each stage will be communicated with the public well in advance of the layout changing.

The closure is for the installation of a new stormwater pipe, watermain, sewer and associated pavement works. The road will be closed and vehicle access will be unavailable in the road closed area during this time. Bus access will be available with detours in place. Pedestrian access will be available at all times.

Update from Fulton Hogan

Over the past two weeks Nelson City Council and Fulton Hogan have received feedback from drivers, residents and the public that there are instances where drivers are ignoring the lane closure/one-way system out of Ngatitama Street onto Rutherford Street.

Complaints have been received that traffic is travelling the wrong way around this blind corner into oncoming traffic entering Ngatitama Street from Van Diemen Street. Passing around this corner the wrong way is not only unsafe and endangers other road users and pedestrians, it is illegal. These complaints have been passed onto Nelson Police.

Council and Fulton Hogan's highest priority is the continued safety of everyone using the road. If this unsafe behaviour continues, Council will need to take further action which may involve closing this road completely to through traffic for the remainder of the Waimea Road closure.

To contact the project team and keep up to date with the project, visit: shape.nelson.govt.nz/rutherford-street

New Mural at Broads

Nelson College is working with Nelson Arts Festival to produce a new mural on the wall at Broads. The mural will be created in late October – stay tuned for updates!

FULLY FUNDED OUTWARD BOUND COURSES

Outward Bound runs Adapted courses for secondary school students with physical and intellectual disabilities. See our upcoming course dates below:

YOUTH HORIZONS
For school-aged (16-21yrs) youth with an intellectual disability.
Fri 7 - Wed 11 January 2023

LEAPS & BOUNDS ACTIVATE
A course for physically disabled youth (13-16yrs) to attend with a parent or caregiver.
Mon 10 - Mon 17 Oct 2022 (limited places remain)
Fri 7 - Fri 14 April 2023

YOUTH ACTIVATE
An 8 day course for physically disabled youth aged 16-17 years.
Thur 20 - Thur 27 April 2023

Contact Leonie King for more information
Email: lking@outwardbound.co.nz
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www.outwardbound.co.nz/adapted

Maths Hack Answer: Finn and Josh both started with 36 marble each.