



NELSON COLLEGE

TE KURA TAMATĀNE O WHAKATŪ

Friday 25 November 2022

Kia ora tātou,

It's amazing to think that there are only two weeks left in the school year.

Around the junior classes and the last of the NCEA exams, there's a lot of work going on behind the scenes to prepare for 2023, such as preparing the timetable, etc.

Today and Monday, our teachers are working collaboratively on changes to our junior curriculum and NCEA. My many thanks go to whānau for supporting this work. Then next Friday 2nd December, there's a Paid Union Meeting, with school finishing at 12.30pm.

In the final week we have our junior activity days followed by the Junior Prizegiving on the morning of Thursday 8th December. I look forward to joining with whānau and staff to celebrate the achievements of our years 9 and 10 students at that ceremony.

Ngā mihi nui,
R Dykes
Tumuaki (Principal)

Upcoming Events:

NOVEMBER

25 Teacher Only Day
28 Teacher Only Day

DECEMBER

02 School closes early
06-07 Junior Activities Days
(combined with Nelson College for Girls on the 7th)
08 Junior Prizegiving (Last Day
– students dismissed after Prizegiving)
09 Teacher Only Day

[Full Online Calendar](#)

Future Problem Solving

The results are in for the 2022 National Future Problem Solving. Well done to our team of Y9s who made it to the finals – this is a massive effort with hours and hours of preparation. Congrats to **Arturo Neale, Blair Lind, James Wills** and **Jayden Coetzee**.

In Scenario Writing, **Mattias Bower** (Y9) placed 3rd nationally and **Alex Bryant** (Y12) placed 5th nationally. Alex has been competing in FPS since Y7, and twice achieved 4th in the world for Scenario Writing (2021 and 2022). As a Y12 this year, Alex has been taking mostly Y13 classes, and so is going straight to University of Auckland to study a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Biomedical Science (with a UoA Science Faculty High Achievers Scholarship). Go well Alex, we know that all those skills in critical thinking will take you far.

Big thanks to Ms Watts for her extraordinary mahi.



Student Achievements

Massive congratulations to **Nick Davidson** on being selected to attend the Steven Adams High School Invitational Camp on 12-16 December in Auckland. Nick is one of 40 boys and girls selected from around the country. The camp is aimed at showcasing the talent of student athletes. They will be tested and coached by some of the best ballers and coaches in Aotearoa and get assistance with their education opportunities. This is an amazing opportunity on the pathway to becoming a professional athlete. Go Nick!



Lighting Workshop

Get ready to step in a spotlight, perfectly balanced and pointing in the right direction! Last week, JR Richardson from VenueTech ran an informative and hands-on lighting workshop for nine eager budding techs, from Y7-11. They learnt about circuits and cables, lamps, power ratings, lighting boards and recording functions. Now they will be meeting once a fortnight to practice their colour mixing with LED lights, planning, rigging and plotting of lights for shows and events at Nelson College (stay tuned for an exciting stage show in 2023!). Mrs Moran (Drama Dept) will be running another workshop in T1 of 2023. Please let her know if you are interested. All welcome.



Read Your Way Around the World

Remember the Library challenge to 'Read Your Way Around the World', where students had to read a book set on each of the seven continents? Everyone who finished the challenge went in the draw for two vouchers from a Nelson store of their choice. And we have the two winners! **Lachlan Harvey** got a Rebel Sport voucher, and **Dylan Bell** took home a Hunting and Fishing voucher. Congratulations to Dylan and Lachlan, and to all the others who read their way around the world this year.



Maths Hack!

The 14 digits of a credit card number are written in the boxes.

If the sum of any three consecutive digits within the credit card number is 20, what digit is in Box A?

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Answer at the end of the newsletter...

Boarders Update

After an eventful year that included a boarding restructure over summer, closures, COVID and winter flu in high numbers, as well as a kitchen fire in spring, Term 4 was an exciting and emotional time for boarding.

The term began with the 10th Matt Gunter Memorial Sports Exchange in Greymouth. The tour is in memory of Matt Gunter, a boarder who passed away in 2012. The tour initially began with a rugby game each October against Greymouth High School to honour Matt's memory and keep the connection with his family. This has grown into more than 60 boys going down the Coast playing basketball, football and rugby, with the most significant game being the senior rugby game for the Matthew Gunter Shield. This year, it was Nelson College Boarders turn to bring it home. Nelson College Boarding continues to mourn the loss of Matt, and to value our enduring relationship with his parents, Heather and David. [There's more info on the exchange here.](#)

Old Man' Supper is our traditional end of year dinner for boys and staff from both houses. The 'old man' refers to the Headmaster who originally ran boarding as an additional income stream, as well as providing schooling needs to the wider rural community. The boarders lived in the main school building and at the end of each year the Headmaster treated them to a Christmas-type dinner out of his own pocket. Old Man's Supper is usually held in the dining room, but this year it was out the front of Barnicoat House. It's a chance to celebrate another year, and to acknowledge and farewell our leavers, in particular, our Y13s. The dinner finishes with a haka to farewell all leavers.

Old Man's Supper is followed up with our House Dinners at Trailways. Again, this is a chance to acknowledge key achievements over the year, and to farewell leavers. Parents are invited, so that it is an occasion for the wider house community to come together. Alongside these end of year traditions, boarding also managed to pull off an impressive win in the House Haka competition, which, when added to results throughout the year, meant boarding won the Neale Cup for the 2022 House Competition. We are very proud of the efforts of our Y13 leaders in organising the boys through all events in this competition, and for all boarders in their commitment to representing our community within the wider school.

As our senior boarders begin departing, and our junior boys enjoy their last few weeks of the year, boarding concludes 2022 with farewelling Andrew Yorkstone as a supervisor, Alex Hassan as a housemaster and Samme Hippolite as Director of Boarding. These staff will continue to teach at Nelson College in 2023.



Headmaster's Cup

The competition is heating up for the Headmaster's Cup with Monro taking out Dodgeball and Kī o Rahi before Robinson stepped up and claimed Ultimate Frisbee.

Just Softball to go!

Watch out too, for the annual Staff v Y9s Cricket Match coming up on 5th December.



Playhouses for Sale

Every year, our Y12 lads in the Trades Building Course get hands-on practical experience by building little Playhouses. We have a limited number available now! All proceeds go back into the Trades Building Course.

- 1800 wide x 2200 long x 2050 high (to the roof ridge)
- Natural NZ Douglas-fir cladding
- Clear plastic windows for safety
- H4 treated timber floor
- Panel door with clear plastic lights to the top
- Completely lined walls inside
- Exposed ceiling inside
- Butanol rubber flashings to ridge and intersection of veranda roof
- Window box to exterior window
- Metal flashings to exterior window
- \$1299

Viewing can be arranged at Nelson College Gibbons Trade Centre.
Price is ex-workshop. Delivery costs will apply by arrangement.

Contact Paul Daubney
dy@nelsoncollege.school.nz Ph. 03 548 3488 ext 808



Uniform Shop Holiday Opening Hours

Please note that the last day for the uniform shop is Friday 2 December, 2-3.30pm.

Holiday Hours:

Thurs 19 – Fri 27 January: 10am-4pm

(Sat 21 Jan: 10am – 3.00pm. Closed Sun 22 Jan)

Tues 31 Jan: 10am-4pm

Wed 1 – Thurs 2 Feb: 8am-12pm

Remember you can buy all the uniforms online, and then collect from Reception from Mon 23 January.

[Uniform Shop - NC Store \(nelsoncollege.school.nz\)](https://nelsoncollege.school.nz)



Sports Office Snippets

It has been a busy couple of weeks with cricket and volleyball. Congratulations to our Year 10 Cricket team who won the Tasman Secondary Schools T20 Cricket Tournament.

We had three volleyball teams competing in the South Island Secondary Schools Junior Volleyball Tournament, and as I write this our 10A team are through to the top 8.

Next week we are hosting the South Island Year 9 Festival of Cricket. This is a traditional boy's school tournament. Lets' hope the weather is good!

Thanks, Alethea

Tasman Secondary Schools Cricket

It has been a great couple of days of cricket for our three junior teams competing in the TSS T20 Cricket Tournament, with eight teams entered. Our Yr 10 team played some great cricket on their way to winning the competition. After finishing 1st in their pool, they beat Waimea College in the semi-final and then Marlborough Boys College in the final. Congratulations boys.

Our other two teams had a great finish playing each other in their final game. It was awesome with lots of laughs and some promising skills on display. Many thanks to our amazing teachers who came and coached them: Mr Toynbee, Mr Mardon, Mr Glazier and Mr Currie. Thanks also to all the parents who came down to support them.



Y10 Cricket Team



Y9A & Boarders Teams together

Kī o Rahi

This week we had two teams at the Tasman Secondary schools Junior Kī o Rahi Tournament hosted by Nayland College. The boys division had teams from Nelson, Nayland, Garin and Waimea colleges, with two pools of three teams. Both Nelson College teams went through to the semi-finals unbeaten, and then each won their semi-finals, making it an all Nelson College final. Due to the lateness of the scheduled final, we will play that final at a later date. Good sportsmanship and behaviour was evident with some friendly banter amongst our mates at the other schools. All in it was successful day all around for the kura.

Thank you Matua Wayne, Whaea Viv, Api and Ms Restell for managing our kura teams and helping to run the event.



2022 Condor 7s

Nelson College will be competing at the 2022 Condor 7s at King's College, Auckland. If you are able to come and support our team, they will be playing on 3rd & 4th of December. The draw will be posted when confirmed.

Nelson College Seven's Team: Nelesoni Malaulau, Timoci Sauira, Jason Ifopo, Hennie Fa'avae, Finn Kilworth, Colby Monk, Fletcher Hewitt-Smart, Oliver Gibbons, Liam McKenzie, Mikey Morrison, Tylah Blake, Tayne Hemopo & Zyon Ford.



Accommodation Needed for International Students

International students are slowly starting to return to New Zealand after the pandemic. Our International Department is keen to hear from families who are interested in welcoming international students into their home and including them as part of their family.

We have four boys arriving in Term 1 2023 (end January to early April).

If you are interested and would like more information, please contact: Chris Hart, International Director
03 548 3099 ext.827 ch@nelsoncollege.school.nz



Ngāti Koata Waka Journey

Congrats to Damon Laing for signing up for an incredible opportunity with Whenua Iti Outdoors. From 6-9 December, Damon will be on a Ngāti Koata Waka Journey alongside whānau and other Koata whānau.

Best of all, there are spaces still available for others to join him. Ngāti Koata Trust rangatahi and their siblings/parents/guardians can attend the waka journey into the Abel Tasman National Park. The wānanga will help grow leadership skills and gives rangatahi the platform for whakawhanaungatanga, develop their Koatatanga, and create connections with their whenua. Places are fully funded.

For more information contact pa@ngatikoata.com <https://www.whenuaiti.org.nz/ngati-koata-wananga/>



Te Korihi

The November Newsletter for Kāhui Ako ki Whakatū / Nelson City Community of Learning is out and full of information and updates about our community of primary, intermediate and secondary school in Nelson Whakatū

[Read the full newsletter here.](#)



TE KORIHI Kāhui Ako ki Whakatū

Nelson City Community of Learning Newsletter November 2022

NELSON

SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB





Become a Volunteer Surf Life Guard
Our next 5 week training course starts on Sunday the 27th November.

Training on Sundays 3 - 5 pm & Thursdays 5:30 - 7 pm; Min age 14 years; Cost \$100 (scholarships and family discounts available).





Volunteering as a Surf Lifeguard is fun and rewarding... You make lifelong friends, become trained in first aid, resuscitation, and practical rescue skills as well as have the opportunity to stay fit and healthy through competing in a wide variety of surf lifesaving sports... all whilst saving lives and preventing drownings!

For more information or to register your interest please complete the [SLG Award form](#) or for more info. email training@nelsonslsc.org.nz or phone Christine on 021 444016

Tahunanui Community Hub **Neighbours Day** & Fundraiser

Friday 2nd December 2022 / 4.30pm-7.00pm
Tahunanui Community Hub - 55 Muritai St Tahunanui

~ **Sausage sizzle/Ice cream** ~ **Car Boot Market**
~ **Trashion-Fashion Show** ~ **Face Painting**

Trashion-Fashion Show

This is to promote the opening of our new **Re-Think Waste Wall**

Kids can make an outfit made out of re-cycled materials, wear them at the show, and be in with the chance of winning a prize!

~ Judging at 6.00PM
~ \$5.00 registration fee
~ Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and a peoples choice award.

Car Boot Market

Sell your second-hand goods as part of our Car Boot Market.

This is an opportunity to clear out your garage/storage, and do some early Christmas Shopping!

~ Set-up to be completed by 4pm
~ \$15.00 registration fee per space.

Registration & Event Information

<https://www.tahunanuicommunityhub.org.nz/whats-on/special-events>

THE
**DEVELOPING
ATHLETE**
WITH **DR CRAIG HARRISON**

Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology
Tuesday 29 November, 7 - 8:30 pm

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Would you like to help your child progress and reach their sporting potential without suffering from injury or mentally burning out? Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology is proud to present, The Developing Athlete with Dr Craig Harrison – more details & tickets [click here](#)

Maths Hack Answer: The digit in Box A is 9.