



# NELSON COLLEGE

TE KURA TAMATĀNE O WHAKATŪ

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## Normal, but not as we know it.

It's great to increasingly return to normal routines.

This week, we had the pleasure of Head Boy, Matt Donald, giving an excellent "Parable of the Talents" speech, a Nelson College tradition that stretches back over multiple decades.

We also presented our first 'Level 1 Colours' awards which recognise the achievement of students in sports, arts, and leadership. It's good to get our young men across the stage and affirm their many and diverse achievements.

Our winter sports programme got off to a good start with teams competing in various competitions around our region. Yesterday our chess team competed in a regional competition, rugby began last weekend, and our other codes (basketball, football, etc) are under way.

I highly value the strength of our students' involvement in sport, which is significantly higher than many other schools and is a strength of single-sex schools in my experience. Thank you to the many staff, volunteers and whānau who support this.

On Wednesday and Thursday, we held our second parent-teacher-student conference. Thank you to all who attended these online meetings. This is the second of four teacher meetings this year, and part of our new whānau reporting structure. I hope you were able to meet with your son's teacher and hear about his progress at school.

At the same time, our community continues to face challenges.

The PPTA industrial action remains unresolved and is impacting on teaching and learning. I continue to support the need to strengthen teaching as a highly valued profession for the future of our education system, and hope that the Government and PPTA can bring this to a speedy and positive resolution.

COVID-19, flu and other illnesses are on the rise and affecting both students and staff. Please contact your son's teacher or Dean if you have any concerns about his learning due to illness.

I'm also aware of the impact of the rising cost of living on families. Unfortunately, the school is equally affected. Where we can, we've tried to contain costs. However, some activities now cost more money and we must pass these on.

Please be aware that we do run a small welfare budget that enables us to support individual students and whānau with the costs of uniform, stationery, and other essential items. If you know of a student or family that we can support, please contact your son's Dean and we will follow this up confidentially.

We also run a 'breakfast club' at the whare, which is open to all students. This is supported by external sponsors (e.g. Sanitarium) and one of our social worker providers – "24/7". If your son knows another student who may benefit from this, get him to go with his friend to the whare at interval to find out more, or talk to his Dean.

Our staff are busy implementing many of the changes that I've described previously and are doing a great job. Work on our junior curriculum is well under way and was reported on in the new junior reports for the first-time last week. Our PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) progresses with ongoing work around our pou (values) and kawa (expectations). Our Ara Māori programme is progressing well, thanks to the excellent work of teacher Viv Ruwhiu and the other staff supporting this initiative.

Nāku, nā

R Dykes

Tumuaki/Principal

## Upcoming Events:

### MAY

- 9 PPTA Strike (NC students only)
- 11 PPTA Strike (Year 13 only)
- 13 Boarding Open Day  
Front Field Opening  
(Restricted Parking)
- 17 NC Cross Country
- 19 MUFTI DAY (Pink Shirt)
- 26 Rockquest Finals

[Full Online Calendar](#)

## Boarding Open Day

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We are inviting all prospective students and their whānau to join us on-campus for our 2023 open day. This is your opportunity to discover what makes Nelson College so special and why it's the perfect place to call home while you complete your studies.

What to expect:

Families will be welcomed by our Tumuaki/Principal, Richard Dykes and our Director of Boarding, Tim Middleton will be providing a comprehensive overview of boarding life here at Nelson College.

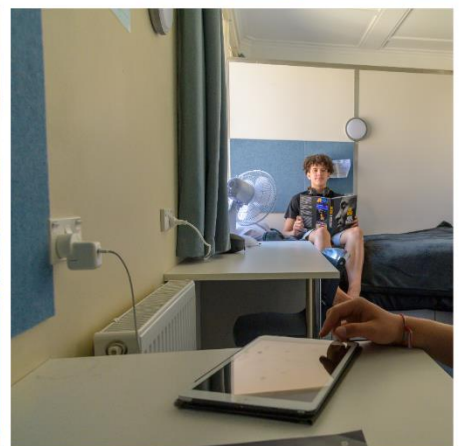
You'll get to mingle with current boarders and meet all the boarding staff too.

We'll also be hearing from the parent of a current boarder about their experiences of the College.

Once you've had the tour of both boarding houses, you can join us for lunch in Rutherford House.

After that, and purely optional, we'd love you to stay for our first rugby game of the season (against the formidable St. Bede's) and the reopening our iconic front field, which has been lovingly restored by a committed team from our Old Boys Association.

If you or someone you know is interested in Boarding at Nelson College, be sure to visit our [WEBSITE](#) to register your interest. We look forward to seeing you.



## Music

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Together, music students of Nelson College and Nelson College for Girls have been quite busy nearing the end of term one and into term two. Our combined concert band gave a fabulous performance to the students of Hampden Street School at the end of term one, inspiring the students, performing compositions of well-known artists such as Ed Sheeran, Mark Ronson and film classics from Harry Potter. Into term two we have kept the momentum going with two of our boys, Ethan Carde and Zachery Irving performing at Rock the City with their band Parallel Park and our Combined Jazz Bands performance for a private function held in the NCG hall. If you would like to hear our combined concert bands next performance, we will be performing at the official re-opening of the school's front field at 11.40am on May 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Sports Office Snippets

Welcome to Term two! We hope you all enjoyed your holidays with your amazing boys.

- Congratulations to Dallas Kelso who has been selected for the NZ u15 Indoor Cricket team and will travel to Dubai later this year.
- Basketball starts next Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup>. We have an amazing 30 teams in the weekly competition! Before then I need to issue singlets to the juniors. Please check your inbox for an email about Basketball.
- Rugby and Hockey are underway. If your son has missed registration for any winter sport please get him to see Alethea upstairs in the gym or email [se@nelson.school.nz](mailto:se@nelson.school.nz)
- House hockey starts on Monday – sign up with your House Master for your junior or senior team.
- If your son is interested in playing squash and can train on a Monday, please let Alethea know.

## Hockey

### House Hockey Draw 2023

#### Notes:

- Quarter Finals
  - The 2 houses afforded the bye go directly into Semi Finals
  - Losing houses receive 4 points each
  - Winning houses progress to Semi Finals e.g., Games 5 – 8
- Semi Finals
  - Winning houses progress to the Finals e.g., Games 9 & 10
  - Losing houses receive 8 points each.

Date	Round	Game	Time	Grade	House	vs.	House
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Quarter Finals	1	1.30pm	Senior	Kahurangi	vs.	Robinson
		2	1.50pm	Senior	Monro	vs.	Domett
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May		3	1.30pm	Junior	Kahurangi	vs.	Robinson
		4	1.50pm	Junior	Monro	vs.	Domett
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Semi Finals	5	1.30pm	Junior	Chaytor	vs.	WG3
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May		6	1.50pm	Senior	Chaytor	vs.	WG1
		7	1.30pm	Junior	Boarders	vs.	WG4
8		1.50pm	Senior	Boarders	vs.	WG2	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Finals	9	1.30pm	Junior	WG5	vs.	WG7
		10	1.50pm	Senior	WG6	vs.	WG8

#### Rules

- Start promptly
- Teams must wear house colours
- 6 players per team on turf
- 8 minutes each way
- All normal hockey rules apply
- Draws are decided by a penalty shootout using the same goalie who was in goal during normal time.

#### Placings

Placing	House	Points
1 <sup>st</sup> Juniors		12
2 <sup>nd</sup> Juniors		10
3 <sup>rd</sup> = Juniors		8
3 <sup>rd</sup> = Juniors		8
5 <sup>th</sup> = Juniors		4
5 <sup>th</sup> = Juniors		4
1 <sup>st</sup> Seniors		12
2 <sup>nd</sup> Seniors		10
3 <sup>rd</sup> = Seniors		8
3 <sup>rd</sup> = Seniors		8
5 <sup>th</sup> = Seniors		4
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## Rugby

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We're gearing up for the much anticipated re-opening of our front field due to take place on May 13<sup>th</sup> where the Nelson College 1st XV team will be playing against the formidable St. Bede's College, Christchurch. The opening ceremony will take place from 11.30am. Prior to kick off (12pm), the teams will enter the arena while the school band performs Conquest of Paradise by Vangelis.

This is also our club day with all teams playing at home.

U15 White vs. U15 Kahurangi 9am on Broads 1  
U17 Oxford vs. U17 Kahurangi 10am on Broads 2  
U17 Cambridge vs. Stoke 10.30am on Broads 1  
1st XV vs. St Bede's College 12pm on the Front Field (official Opening)

We'd like to extend a special thanks to our Old Boys, who've done an incredible job in getting the field back into tip top condition.

For all the latest rugby news please see our newsletter on [SPORTY](#)



**NELSON COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION**  
invites you to the  
**FRONT FIELD**  
**GRAND RE-OPENING**  
Watch the first game of rugby on the new field

**NELSON COLLEGE**  
vs  
**ST BEDE'S COLLEGE**

**SATURDAY MAY 13**  
**KICK OFF @ 12:00**

## Nelson College U15 Teams 2023

Kahurangi		White	
Jack	A'Court	George	Aerakis
Noah	Brehaut	David	Akuhata
Will	Chapman-Cohen	Rewa	Burke
Fionn	Dineen	Ricoh	Cancian-Taitua
Israel	Finau	Jake	Clark
Niall	Foster	Jayden	Coetzee
Jackson	Fraine	Coby	Davis
James	Garnham	Lawson	Folly
Joe	Halliwell	Campbell	Gallagher
Hugo	Hopkins	Archie	Geddes
Tyler	Hutchison	Rico	Groome
Tane	Johnson-Stephens	Taydin	Hill
Fergus	Jolly	Caleb	Hooper
Max	Mallory	Paihia	Kaho
Luka	Martin	Jake	Kerr
Harrison	Molineux	Nathan	Ly
Tommy	Moloney	Harold	Mapu Fetu
London	Pinkham	James-Patrick	Moynihan
Luke	Schwartz	Oliver	Robertson
Finn	Sorensen	Thomas	Robertson
Teatule	Temuna	Joseph	Schwenke
Kaden	Tunnicliff	Khryslar	Stevens
Ashton	Walker	Jack	Swain
Che	Weepu	Tamaroa	Topia-Reihana
Noah	Wiechern	Izayah	Tuitupou kutu
Elias	Wilson	Wian	Visser
Samuel	Winn	Morgan	Williams
		Hamish	Williamson

# Nelson College U17 Rugby Teams 2023

Kahurangi		Oxford		Cambridge				
1	Te Tarake	Allan-Kereopa	1	Brody	Anderson	1	Jayden	Aldworth
2	Sakuntha	Balasuriya	2	Christiaan	Botha	2	Storm	Bolatuku
3	Ben	Campbell	3	George	Chapman-Cohen	3	Aiden	Burke
4	Alize	Cassidy	4	Lachlan	Crombie	4	William	Coles
5	William	Daniel	5	Michael	De Beer	5	Max	Doerfler
6	Jack	Ford	6	Elijah	Fahey	6	Cairo	Faaeteete-Masina
7	Zahn	Gardyne	7	Robson	Frampton	7	Campbell	Folly
8	Vincent	Hine	8	Nate	Haward	8	Braedon	Hetarakā
9	Will	Horncastle	9	Brecon	Jelfs Berry	9	Jacob	Jarrett
10	Connor	Hulme	10	Kasen	Laing	10	Lachlan	Mackay Smith
11	Oliver	Kirk	11	Linton	Laiseni	11	Miles	McCarthy
12	Nelesoni	Lefale	12	Oliver	Langdon	12	Cullen	Millar
13	Naruki	Maeda	13	Wiremu	Makea	13	Caleb	Minson
14	Rore	Morgan	14	Daniel	Manson	14	Koebi	Moser
15	Soane	Musika	15	Bailey	Matangi	15	Tevita	Pasikala
16	Noah	Orlowski	16	Ryan	Mirfin	16	Jack	Potter
17	Tom	Perkins	17	Seth	Munro law	17	Alfaraz	Shah
18	Nikau	Robin-Seniloli	18	Yozarn	Peeni	18	Benjamin	Sutherland
19	Tori	Robin-Seniloli	19	Callum	Robertson	19	Hamuera	Topia pene
20	James	Schwenke	20	Braedyn	Rosanowski	20	Lucca	Traut
21	Hugo	Sorensen-Brown	21	Camden	Singer	21	Sheldon	Walsh
22	Kobi	Stephens	22	Jack	Trott	22	Quinn	Welsh
23	Jay	Tagivakatini	23	Quinton	Tuhakaraina	23	Tawhiao	Whitham-TeKotua
24	Jimmy	West	24	Cseysi	Uele	24	Norman	Williams

## Careers Hub

It was great to see so many students connecting with a wide variety of different providers at the Careers Roadshow this week.

The stall holders gave feedback at the end of the day, saying how much they enjoyed interacting with our boys, and how they found them respectful and curious. I was proud to see them acting with manaaki and pono towards our guests.

If you are having follow up career conversations with your son about the Careers Roadshow here are some (mainly) open ended questions that you could use as prompts:

- Who did you talk to?
- What did you find out that was interesting? What interests you about that? Tell me about how that is a good fit for you?
- Is there anything from the Roadshow that you want to follow up on? How could you find out more? Do you need any support with that?
- Do you know what kinds of subjects you should be looking at for next year to follow up on this plan?

If your son would like to have a further conversation with me about his ideas, or maybe he does not have any ideas and wants to talk about that, then I am happy to book in a career conversation , please [EMAIL](mailto:excellence@nelson.school.nz)



## UPCOMING CAREERS EVENTS:

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p>8 May  <b>Uni Scholarships Session 2</b>  <b>Lunchtime Library</b>  <i>Looking at past scholarship applications</i></p> <p><b>Parent Info Evening</b>  <b>Uni Scholarships</b>  <b>6.30-8pm Staffroom</b>  <i>What you need to know around this process</i></p>				<p>12 May  <b>REGISTRATION closes for Fantastic Futures Exploration Day</b>  <i>Please see the email that will be coming out this week for Y12 -13 students registration</i></p> <p><i>We have 23 places only. Event takes place</i>  <b>21 June Founders Park</b></p>
<p>15 May  <b>Uni Scholarships Session</b>  <b>Lunchtime Library</b>  <i>top tips and tricks for writing a strong scholarship application</i></p>		<p>18 May  <b>Career Exploration Event: Hospitality</b>  <b>Styx and NMIT</b>  <i>Registered event For those students who have a confirmed place</i></p>		



## Events in the pipeline for Term 2

- Career Exploration Days
  - Aquaculture Trip 24<sup>th</sup> May
  - Beyond the Front Door (Health) 12<sup>th</sup> June
  - Fantastic Futures Event 21<sup>st</sup> June
  - Forestry Trip 28<sup>th</sup> June
- University Preparation Sessions
  - Scholarship writing sessions
  - Hall application sessions

## PROFILE: Work Experience through Gateway: Logan Gelling

Logan Gelling (Y12) began knocking on the Careers Hub door in Year 10 very eager to find out more about work experience and what Gateway offers! At the beginning of this year, he was back on Day one eager to sign, having a clear idea that he wanted work experience in the Joinery Industry. Logan did his own research into a couple of different companies that he felt would be a good fit, and he asked other adults in his life if they had any connections. After a few dead-ends, Logan and Ms. Phillips (Gateway and Work Experience Co-ordinator), visited Aaron at [Nulook Tasman Bay | Nulook](#) and immediately made a good connection. Logan started his work experience one day per week. Nulook loved his work ethic and willingness to learn so much they offered paid work during the school holidays and this week they offered him an apprenticeship! Logan has now left College to work fulltime with Aaron and the team and work towards gaining his Trade Certificate Level 3 in Architectural Aluminum Joinery. He plans to gain this qualification and then look at gaining a building apprenticeship. Thank you NuLook Tasman Bay for your support. And all the best Logan on your pathway!



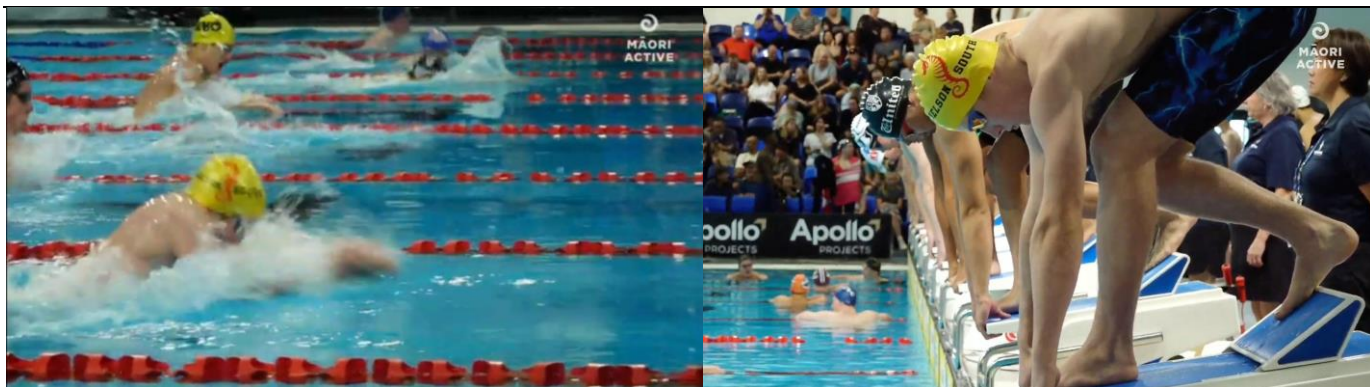
If you are interested in being able to provide a work site visit or work experience in your industry we would love to hear from you!  
Contact Chris Phillips (Gateway and Work Experience Co-ordinator) on [pl@nelson.school.nz](mailto:pl@nelson.school.nz) or Vikki Heays (Careers Advisor) on [vh@nelson.school.nz](mailto:vh@nelson.school.nz)

## Student Achievement

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### Swimming

Congratulations to Oliver Morton for his achievements at the NZ Swimming National Age Group Championships in Auckland during the holidays. Competing against the top swimmers nationwide, he came away with 8th place in the men's 16 year old 50 breaststroke and 9th in the men's 16 year old 100m breaststroke. Kai pai Oliver!



### Indoor Cricket

Congratulations to Dallas Kelso who has been selected to represent New Zealand 15's Indoor Cricket squad heading to Dubai in Sept/Oct. Jordan Kelso was named U17 MVP of the tournament.

All Three Kelso boys (Jordan, Dallas and Troy) played for their respective age group Southern Salmon teams (Nelson/Marlborough/Dunedin region) in the school holidays.



# House Calendar 2023

Confirmed dates will be advised at the start of each term

Term	Start Dates	House Event
ONE	13 <sup>th</sup> February	Touch
	20 <sup>th</sup> February	Chess
	7 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Swimming</b>
	9 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Athletics</b>
TWO	8 <sup>th</sup> May	Hockey
	17 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Cross Country</b>
	22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Volleyball
	8 <sup>th</sup> June	Spelling Bee
	12 <sup>th</sup> June	Basketball
	7 <sup>th</sup> August	Debating
THREE	23 <sup>rd</sup> August	<b>Choir</b>
	11 <sup>th</sup> September	Rugby Sevens
	12 <sup>th</sup> September	Football
FOUR	20 <sup>th</sup> October	Quiz & Haka
	<b>Headmasters Cup</b>	
	6 <sup>th</sup> November	Dodgeball
	13 <sup>th</sup> November	Ki-o-Rahi
	20 <sup>th</sup> November	Ultimate Frisbee
	27 <sup>th</sup> November	Softball

## Woodworking

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Our wood technology department has gone a bit arty! In collaboration with the art department, Year 11 Fine Woodworking students are entering this year's art exhibition with not only artworks they've created, but frames too.

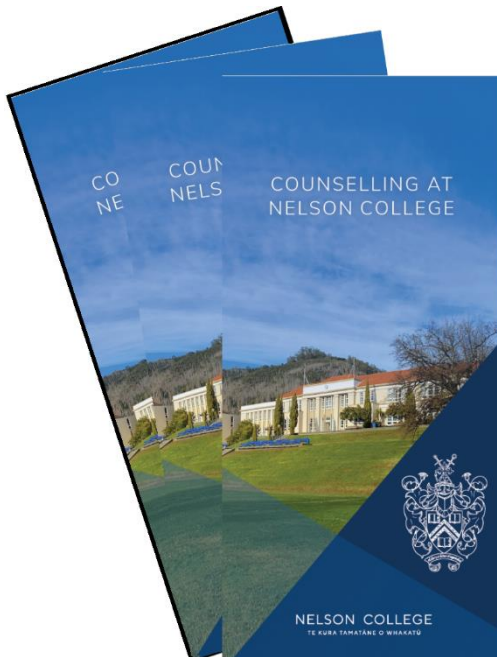
Year 9 students are following suit, completing their own frames as part of a Middle Years Programme project that invites them to explore their cultures and identities. Under the watchful eye of Wood Technology Tutor Cobus Botes, students learned how to use a variety of hand tools while making their frames safely and skilfully.

The statement of inquiry for the project was: Knowing and understand your cultural and personal identity, roots you in a globalised world. What a great project....we knew it *wood-work!*



## Guidance Counselling

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Our Guidance Counsellors have been busy making sure that every student knows how to access their services. They've had these brochures printed up, complete with QR codes so students can simply scan to make an appointment. The brochures will be popping up around the school and shortly, we will have posters on display too.



Nicki Lawes  
B.Couns, PhD,  
MNZAC.(prov)



Heledd Restall  
BA(Hons), PGCE,  
Dip Couns. MNZAC

## Theatre Sports and Performing Arts News

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Come along to our weekly Thursday lunch time practices in the Performance Suite and find out about these exciting opportunities below.

**Spin a Story, supported by NCC.** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 1pm until 4pm – story telling workshop at Fairfield house by master yarn-spinner, Roger Sanders, which will lead to a show Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 7pm, Fairfield house. Experiences/inspirational stories by youth from their own lives (we will help you shape and create a story from your life) to be performed at Fairfield house on 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Participation is free. Contact Nikkie 0273468892 or [cre8theatrecompany@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:cre8theatrecompany@yahoo.co.nz)

**Nelson/Tasman Theatresports comp 2023** At Red Door Theatre Nelson, 1<sup>st</sup> August Junior comp. 8<sup>th</sup> August Senior comp. \$20 per person to participate. Winners will have the opportunity to compete in the Christchurch finals. We usually create teams relating to your school, but we will have a scratch team which can be a selection of students from any schools.

For more information, please contact Nikkie at [cre8theatrecompany@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:cre8theatrecompany@yahoo.co.nz) or 0273468892

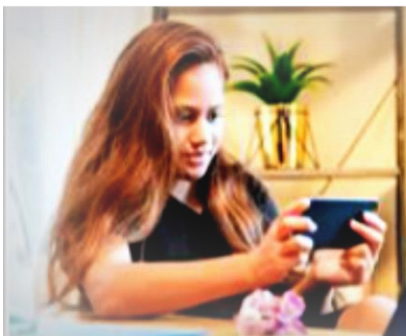
## Preparatory School News

Prep sent two teams to the Nelson intermediate School Chess Power tournament. The boys played with great form and achieved top placings. The Prep teams placed 1st and 3rd in the tournament and in the individual division, Aiden placed 1st and Troy second. Well done to all the boys who attended.



## Free Online Safety Presentation

## May 23 - 6pm



 **netsafe**  
netsafe.org.nz

In collaboration with Nelson Girls College, we are holding an information evening for parents and whānau with Netsafe's Relationship and Education Advisor, Shelley Hirst.

Shelly will be talking about the risks, challenges and opportunities of digital technology, and the practical ways we can all help young people to be safe online.

For more information click [HERE](#)

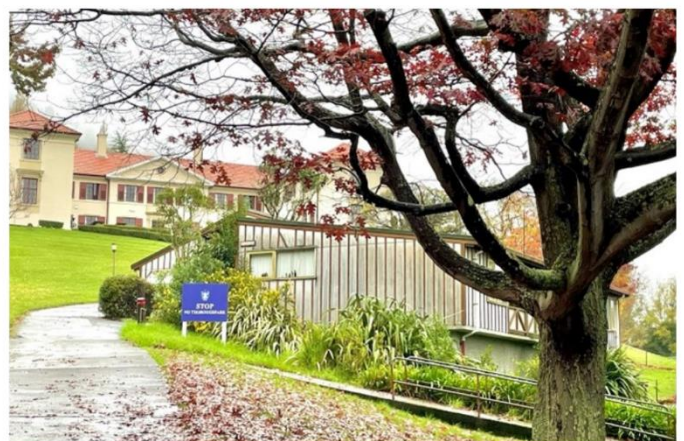
## Coronation Tree

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On Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>, Hon Dr. Nick Smith will be planing a Tōtara tree in Queen's Gardens to mark the Coronation of King Charles III. Did you know that Coronation trees have been planted on the Grounds of Nelson College? On May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1937, Rt. Rev. W. G. Hilliard, Bishop of Nelson planted an oak tree on the grounds of Nelson College in recognition of the crowning of King George VI. With a healthy spirit of conservation any modern-day greenie would admire, he declared:

*"I will work to-day for a guerdon [reward] long deferred.  
I will labour to plant a tree in the distant hope of fruit.  
Perhaps not for my gathering and eating -  
For ease is not important  
And planting is as beautiful as harvesting."*

As the crown passed to Elizabeth II in 1953, a scarlet oak was planted on the slope below Barnicoat House by Mrs. Searle, wife of then Headmaster Herbert Victor Searle. On completing her task she announced, "I plant this in honour of Queen Elizabeth the Second, and hereby declare it well and truly planted." A little less poetic than the Bishop's address perhaps, but nonetheless met with three hearty cheers from the crowd. We may never know if the scarlet oak which stands below Barnicoat today is in fact Mrs. Searle's original tree. But we can still admire its changing colours, and observe that distant hope of fruit that Reverend Hilliard spoke of so eloquently. A hope that is ours to enjoy today.



*Would you like to know more about  
Te Tiriti o Waitangi?*

*Are you new to Aotearoa New Zealand, or just want to  
upskill on this topic?*

Join our:

# Tangata Tiriti

## Treaty People Workshop

**This free and highly-interactive workshop will:**

- provide simple, accurate information about Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- introduce new (and older) migrants to current debate about Te Tiriti and constitutional issues, in order to help them reflect on their place in this discussion.

**When:** Saturday May 6th

**Time:** 9am - 4pm

**Where:** Mosaic Room, Habitat Hub, 166  
Tahunanui Drive

**To register, please email:**

admin@multiculturalnt.co.nz, or phone  
(03) 359 0030.



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