



NELSON COLLEGE

TE KURA TAMATĀNE O WHAKATŪ

Friday 2nd June 2023

Kia ora tātou

We're now six weeks into Term two, with four weeks until the July holidays.

Senior Students and Internal Assessments

Our senior students will now have various NCEA internal assessments to do, depending on their subjects. These are worth 'credits' towards their end-of-year qualification. Students will have been given guidance about what is required, when work is due, etc. As parents and whānau, you can support your son(s) by asking:

- What internal assessments does he have that are due this term?
- Is he clear about what is required for the assessment?
- Does he need any help planning his work or getting started?

In secondary school, the support that we adults provide for our young men, shifts to helping them organise themselves and develop good study and work habits. I continue to be impressed by the intelligence of our young men and their enthusiasm for learning. However, they're still adolescents and learning important life skills.

Marlborough Exchange

It was great to have our 'brother' school, Marlborough Boys' College, visit us for the annual exchange between the two schools. This is a great traditional rivalry. It was fantastic to see our rangatahi competing across a range of codes, and to have both junior and senior teams playing. **Congratulations to Nelson College for winning the overall day and our 1st XV on winning the Whangamoia Trophy.**

PPTA Industrial Action

Unfortunately, after the temporary break in strike action, the PPTA and Government don't appear to have resolved their negotiations. This means that we expect there to be more industrial action. The school will keep you informed as either party provides us with information. Thank you for your understanding through a difficult process.

Ngā mihi nui // kind regards,

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Tumuaki/Principal

Upcoming Events:

JUNE

5	Kings Birthday
6	PPTA Strike Year 10 only
8	PPTA Strike Year 9 only
9	Nga manu Korero Regionals
20	Shirley Boys Exchange
27	NC Music Evening
27-29	Rugby Quad Tournament
30	End of Term 2

[Full Online Calendar](#)

Careers Hub

CAREER EVENT:

This week Kieran Cleary (HOF Trades) went with a group of students on the MITO Automotive Career Exploration Day. Students visited Filco, where they learned about a variety of career pathways including sales, parts and service and mechanics. Truck Stop was next. They deal with BIG jobs on the BIG trucks that are transporting goods all around the country. It's a high stakes working environment with each truck valued at over \$500,000 and costing around \$40,000 to service.

There is a vast array of career pathways in the automotive industry – no matter what you are interested in there is a job that could suit you. If you want to find out more come and chat with us in the Careers Hub. Huge thanks to Kieran for taking our boys!



UPCOMING CAREERS EVENTS:

Mon	Tue 6 June	Wed 7 June	Thu 8 June	Fri 9 June
	QRC Liaison Visit <i>Exploring options for careers in tourism, adventure tourism and hospitality management</i> P1-4 in various classes	Parent Info Evening: Halls POSTPONED <i>due to ongoing Industrial Action</i>	Career Exploration Event: Conservation NMIT Richmond <i>For registered students only. Check your emails for details of trip</i> Some spaces still available – if interested please email vh	Y13 Students Heading to Uni <i>Due date for activating your ccrf</i> (reference form for Halls) <i>Please check your emails for all the info you need</i>

<p>12 June</p> <p>NZDF Airforce Helicopter A109 Landing on Top Field 11am -11.40am Top Field <i>Come and watch a bit of real life TOP GUN! have conversations with the Pilot, Co-Pilot, 2 helicopter Loadmasters and the NZDF recruiter</i></p> <p>Halls Session 2 Lunchtime Library <i>Find out about the application process</i></p> <p>Career Exploration Event: Health <i>For registered students only. Check your emails for details of trip</i> Braemar campus</p>				
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Events in the pipeline for Term 2

- Career Exploration Days
 - Fantastic Futures Event 21st June
 - Forestry Trip 28th June
- University Preparation Sessions
 - Hall application sessions
 - Parent Info Session re Halls – new date to be confirmed

STUDENT PROFILE:

Astin Gibbins (Y12) has a strong interest in anything automotive! In his own time, he has re-built, re-painted and re-fitted a van with his Dad. This year Astin has been doing work experience with The Car Company, studying automotive at school, doing a one day per week TOTSTA mechanical programme at NMIT. He has recently completed the MITO pre-trade Automotive course through the GATEWAY programme, which has earned him 20 Level 2 credits. Astin has a fantastic work ethic, he demonstrates strong employability skills and has been proactive in seeking out opportunities through school that can help him explore future pathways for himself.

If you are interested in providing a work site visit or work experience in your industry we would love to hear from you!

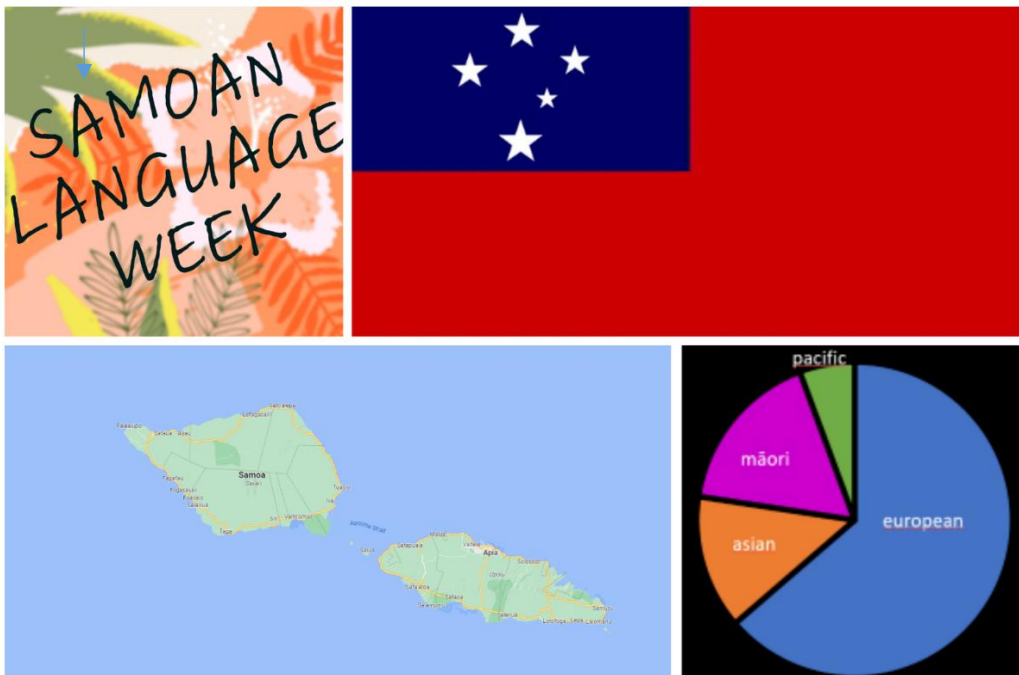
Contact Chris Phillips (Gateway and Work Experience Co-ordinator) on pl@nelson.school.nz or Vikki Heays (Careers Advisor) on vh@nelson.school.nz



Student Achievement

While our Samoan whānau celebrate their Independence Day (June 1st) and Samoan language week, we are celebrating one of our own Samoan whānau here at Nelson College. See that little green piece of the pie chart? That represents the almost 70 Nelson College students who can claim Pacific heritage. And nearly half of those students are of Samoan heritage. In 2017, the college kick-started a new and much needed tradition, by establishing the role of Pasifika Head Boy.

Now, with our Māori Head Boy and five other tuakana, or student leaders, we have seven young men who, through manaaki (care), pono (integrity) and kairangi (success) use their leadership positions to inspire, encourage and lift those around them. Last week as part of our 'what would I ask a politician' tuakana speech series, our 7th Pasifika Head Boy Cairo Faateete-Masina gave a speech that lifted the mana of those around him. Cairo's speech may have been mainly for his Pasifika brothers, but we all took something from it, and walked out of the assembly hall feeling just a little bit taller!



Cairo's Speech

Malo e lelei and warm pacific greetings. I hope you are all having a beautiful day.

What would I say to a politician? I would say...pacific people are greatness. I'd say that it is important to not see pacific people as only their struggles or as only their stereotypes because when we see people as only their struggles, we are not recognising them fully and we are not seeing them as who they are completely. As I'm sure many of you do not only want to be seen as just your weaknesses.

Pacific people are; navigators, voyagers. They are leaders, teachers, friends, labourers and innovators. Pacific people have, and continue to put New Zealand on the map and represent their homelands proudly as well. Such as the many pacific athletes throughout sport, or Parris Goebel choreographing for huge names such as Rihanna, Justin Bieber and SZA to name a few. Pacific people are diverse, unique. Pacific people are achievers and they are success

I am a result of such success. I am a grandson of migrants, I am here because of a dream and because of sacrifice. I am not just a number or a statistic or someone who is constantly being failed by western systems, but a descendant of people who navigated the great oceans using the stars, of people who built va'a and voyaged to new and unfamiliar lands.

As pacific people, we should remember this. As should everyone remembering where and who they came from. we should challenge these stereotypes placed upon us. We are capable of so much, as long as we realise the power and potential that we have. Our ancestors were capable of travelling across vast oceans, we can succeed in whatever path we take.

So I want to challenge our politicians, our non-pacific teachers, peers... when you see pacific people, are you acknowledging and attempting to understand them and all that they bring into different spaces such as culture, language, fanau and experiences.

We need to write, paint, sculpt, weave, dance, sing, and think ourselves into existence. For too long other people have done it for us - and they've usually stereotyped us or created versions of us that embody their own hang-ups and beliefs and prejudices about us. So, we have to write our own stories.

Albert Wendt - Samoan poet and writer



*'And to my
pacific brothers -
you are greatness,
you are success.'*

- Cairo

Cape Fear Adventure Race

Last month a number of our boys competed in the annual Cape Fear Adventure race. The race was cancelled in 2022 because of Covid so it was good to see some of our College boys back competing again on the West Coast. The race is a bike, run, abseil and climbing event lasting a number of hours in all types of coastal terrain including hills, forests, beach and rocks - a two person event where both members of the team have to finish together. Our Nelson College boys won the race for first time two years ago and this year the trophy came back to Nelson college once again when two of our boys managed to win the event again. We had six NC teams participating this year ending in 1st, 3rd, 4th, 8th, 10th and 21st overall.

NC Placings were:

- Rori Harbinson and Finn Allen 2nd in 14- 15y category and 3rd overall
- Toby Dukes and Ollie Rooney 2nd in 12- 13y category and 4th overall
- Tarka Wellenreuther and Sebastian Padilla Vict 3rd in 12-13 yr category and 10th overall
- Orin Harbinson and Kira Taylor 2nd in 16-18y category and 21st overall

Two Teams won in their age categories:

1st- Charlie Ball and Benjamin Padilla Vict who won the Boys 10 -11 Year old category in 1hr 55:36 and 8th overall and Scott Brown and Oran Sim won the Boys 14-15 year old category as well as the Cape Fear Event in 1st place ending one and a half minutes ahead of a Wanaka team in a close race. Well done to all competitors from NC College.



Business Studies – Food Market Day

A very successful food sales day was put on last Friday by the YR10 ABU class, which is the 'running an enterprise' part of the course. They set up the Commerce deck as a food market, attracting lots of students and some of the staff during lunchtime.

The boys had to decide what foods would sell, where to source the ingredients from, what the total cost of their enterprise was and what their expected profits would be. It was good to see them getting stuck in and taking control of the event.

There was an amazing array of foods, all being hand made by the boys with fresh ingredients. Pizza, chicken rice balls, chocolate pop sticks, lolly bags, waffles and drinks were all on offer.

A fantastic effort by the class.



Media Studies



Last week senior Media Studies students joined their peers from across Te Tau Ihu to participate in the 'Censor for a Day' programme at State Cinemas, run by Te Mana Whakatū Classification Office. We explored the ethical and legal aspects of classifying films and games, including the types of content which earn Restricted (R) classifications under the Films, Videos and Publication Act 1993. The facilitators discussed trends in viewing, such as streaming services, that have changed the significance of film classifications. We were then asked to view the new release film *Renfield* and apply our recently acquired knowledge to classify it. As well as an introduction to the ethical issue of censorship, the event was a window into the workings of the Classification Office and potential career opportunities for Media Studies graduates.

[090123 Censor for a Day Info Sheet.pdf \(classificationoffice.govt.nz\)](#)

Helping out at the Food Bank

Good sort Cole Thelin spent some time at The Buzz last week putting together some food packages for the Nelson Community Food Bank Trust. The Buzz is a local community group that offers life and work skills programmes to young people with diverse needs. Apparently stuffing slippery sausages into snap lock bags is as hard to do as it is to say! But Cole persevered and several strings of sausages were safely selected, sorted and sectioned into servings of six. Goodness, what a complicated business. Thanks for taking care of that Cole!



Students Present to National Conference of Urban Planners



Last month social studies students James Matthews and Alex Taylor addressed the NZILA_FIRTH (New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects) 2023 conference. The boys spoke about their 'Walk With Me' project, highlighting some harsh realities of Nelson's urban landscape, but delivering a solutions focussed presentation. With Nelson wages falling short of the national average, low home affordability, urban sprawl encroaching on arable land and with young people leaving for pastures greener, James and Alex saw a need for change. Together with project team members, Leo Derks and Sam Dukes, they developed a vision, for reinventing Nelson.

The boys communicated the team's ideas for people-focussed, interactive urban spaces, bolstering their propositions with survey results which showed a real appetite among younger people for improvement. Those surveyed expressed a desire for more free activities around the CBD, pointing out that the city is geared towards older people who can afford the shopping, dining and entertainment options currently on offer.

For every problem, the boys had a solution, and supported their views by using examples of similarly structured spaces that have been created in other countries. Their vision for Nelson included innovative traffic calming methods in the form of 'asphalt art', proven to make motorists slow down and reduce accidents. They spoke of the importance of investing in civic infrastructure, of building up and not out, of greening our spaces and promoting healthy, sustainable transport options.

The boys' presentation was met with enthusiasm by the audience of 200 professionals, with many complimenting their ideas and acknowledging the importance of listening young people's ideas around the type of future they want. We love your ideas boys, and would love to walk with you, through 'your Nelson!'



Sports Office Snippets

It's been a busy couple of weeks in our office with lots of events.

- Congratulations to one of our Senior Futsal teams who won TSS Futsal, and to one of our junior teams who placed second
- Congratulations to Fenlon Bayley who is the Tasman Secondary Schools Senior Boys Cross Country Champion
- A fantastic exchange yesterday with Marlborough Boys College
- If your son is a keen golfer with an official handicap and would like to compete in an event on June 19 please email Alethea se@nelson.school.nz before June 9th to sign him up
- If your son is a keen Mountain Biker, we are putting together a training group with the intention of them competing at Nationals later in the year. They will get technique training etc. It is in the notices, but to ensure your son is registered for this please contact Alethea se@nelson.school.nz

TASMAN SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

Fenlon Bayley (Yr 13) is our regions' Senior Boys Cross Country Champion. Fenlon was in control for the entire race and led by over a minute at the end. With some great running from Scott Brown (yr 11) and Tom Hoare (Yr 13) we

also claimed the 3-man team title. Ben Smith and Kurt Ward also ran well. Unfortunately, a couple of boys had to withdraw on the day due to illness so we were unable to claim the 6-man title in the senior grade.

In the Intermediate grade we had a great group of boys run as a team and claim both the 3-man and 6-man title in this grade. George Aerakis led the way in a gutsy effort to place 3rd. He was followed by the rest of our team Jack A'Court 4th, Harvey Newman 5th, Rio Crisp 6th, Taydin Hill 7th and Max Mallory 9th.

In the Year 9 race we had 5 runners. We managed to be 1st - for the 3-man team title, Phoenix Lasenby (4th), Oran Sim(6th) and Finn Pickering (9th). The awesome Tennen-Brown twins of Angus (10th) and Charlie (12th) also ran very well.

Cole Thelin represented Nelson College proudly in the AWD grade and placed 5th. What an awesome effort and it was great to see all our boys cheering him on.



TASMAN SECONDARY SCHOOLS FUTSAL

The Junior event was held on Monday at Saxton Stadium. We allow boys to make their own teams and have a great day out playing with their mates. The Boarders entered a junior team for the first time and whilst they didn't win any games, the boys had fun playing a sport almost none of them had played before. Our other three teams were really competitive, but to make the final you had to finish first in your pool. Our NC Karenni team did this. The final was awesome and was tied at full time. We lost in the penalty shootout. Congratulations boys and a special mention to Freddie Thompson who agreed to be goalie for the shootout and made a couple of great saves!

In the Senior event we had 6 teams, again with a boarders team for the first time. They won a couple of games! The other teams were fighting it out in their pools and after some confusion as to who had made the semi-finals we had two teams who had to play each other. Our Chin & Nepalese boys won that game and went on to win the final. Congratulations boys.



SPORTS EXCHANGE WITH MARLBOROUGH BOYS' COLLEGE

Yesterday in the glorious sunshine, Marlborough Boys' College travelled over the hill with 9 teams to compete in our annual winter sports exchange. The results of two of these games are significant for the season. Our 1st XI Football were competing in the first of their national qualifying games. They played really well and secured a 4-0 win. This is a great start to their campaign.

The 1st XV Rugby game had vital points up for grabs in the Miles Toyota Rugby Championship, but also had a very important trophy on the line. The Whangamoia Trophy means a lot to us as it was first presented by the late John Goodman. John played a significant role in rugby here at Nelson College in the past and is father to the awesome Andrew Goodman, former Mako and Crusader Coach and player. We played superbly to come away with a 33-7 win. In other games we won everything except junior hockey. Well done to all teams and thanks to the coaches and managers who made this day possible.

Summary of results

Rugby – 1 st XV win 33-7	Rugby – 2 nd XV win 27-12	Rugby – U15A win 41-31
Football – 1 st XI win 4-0	Football – Juniors win 3-0	Basketball – Senior win 79-57
Basketball – Juniors win 70-65	Hockey – 1 st XI win 4-0	Hockey – Juniors lost 0-3



Hockey

In the holidays, two of our Nelson 1st XI players participated in the NZ GO Hockey Experience Super 4 Challenge in Cambridge at St Peters School, consisting of 128 of the best young girl and boy hockey players in NZ.

Kurt Ward and Scott Brown were selected after trials to play for the Sth Island Storm team representing all of the Sth Island Associations from Nelson, Marlborough, Canterbury, Otago, South Canterbury and Southland. The Sth Island 'Southern Storm' teams played against some of the best young hockey players from the bottom, middle and top of the North Island who were the 'Thunder' - Wellington region, 'Force' - Midlands region and the 'Heat' - Auckland/N Harbour and Northland regions.

After very close round robin pool play the 'Storm' team made it through to the finals. The team narrowly lost in the last few minutes 3- 2 of the final, after being 2-1 up against the Thunder Wellington team, even though the boys Storm team had previously beaten the Thunder 9-3 in pool play.

Both Nelson College players had awesome weeks and played well for their teams. As a result, both boys were selected for the National tournament team to travel abroad later in the year to the USA. Kurt was top goal scorer of the series and Scott was fortunate enough to be awarded the MYP for the tournament. Congrats to Kurt and Scott for performing so well at the NZ Hockey U16 Challenge.

Hockey link to more photos and Go Hockey Experience Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100086253857823&sk=photos>



Volleyball

Congratulations to Monro Juniors and Kahurangi Seniors for winning the 2023 House Volleyball Competition.

The full House Competition table is below. Congratulations to Kahurangi who are still in the lead! Also, Monro who have jumped from last to 2nd equal. Well done.

Junior Volleyball Results		
Placing	House	Points
1 st Juniors	Monro	12
2 nd Juniors	Domett	10
3 rd = Juniors	Robinson	8
3 rd = Juniors	Kahurangi	Defaulted
5 th = Juniors	Boarders	4
5 th = Juniors	Chaytor	4
Senior Volleyball Results		
Placing	House	Points
1 st Juniors	Kahurangi	12
2 nd Juniors	Monro	10
3 rd = Juniors	Robinson	8
3 rd = Juniors	Domett	8
5 th = Juniors	Boarders	4
5 th = Juniors	Chaytor	4



Nelson College

Music Evening

featuring:

Cyclone Fever
The Shed Head
Combined NC and NCG Concert Band
NCG String Orchestra
Combined NC and NCG Jazz Band

Tuesday . 27 June
18:00 . Nelson College
School Hall

Cost: Koha on door

COME AND WATCH YOUNG STORYTELLERS

SPIN A STORY

An opportunity for youth to develop and perform original stories.

Friday 23 June, 7pm

Fairfield House

\$5 for under 18 or \$10 for adults on Eventfinda (+ booking fee)

