NELSON COLLEGE

TE KURA TAMATĀNE O WHAKATŪ

Friday 16th June 2023

Kia ora tātou

It has been pleasant to have nearly two weeks of fine weather and experience Nelson at its sunny best. We're approaching the half-way point of the school year. In our next newsletter the Board will give an update on their work as the school governance group.

Congratulations to Tim Middleton

The school and Board have decided to appoint Tim Middleton to the combined role of Deputy Principal/Director of Boarding. With Mr Aberhart leaving to the MOE, the school advertised for a replacement senior leader. The school was fortunate to have 22 high quality applicants from around the country and locally. Of these, Mr Middleton was the stand-out candidate bringing a wealth of experience from in and out of Nelson College.

Upcoming Events:

JUNE

- 19 PPTA Strike Year 9 & 10 only
- 20 Shirley Boys Exchange
- PPTA Strike Year 11 &12 only
- 21 PPTA Strike Year 9 & 13 only
- 22 PPTA Strike Year 10 & 11 only
- 27 NC Music Evening
- 27-29 Rugby Quad Tournament30 End of Term 2

Full Online Calendar

Mr Middleton has already made a very positive impact on the life of our school, and I'm pleased to see him join the Senior Leadership Team in an enhanced and vital role.

Mr Middleton will remain as Director of Boarding and live on-site at Nelson College as part of the Boarding staff team. With Mr Middleton continuing in this role, the Board has decided to also appoint an Assistant Principal who can share the workload of the Senior Leadership Team. This appointment is within our current staffing budget. The position will be advertised internally and externally next week.

Sports Exchanges

Thank you to the many staff and volunteers involved in the Marlborough College sports exchange, and the upcoming Shirley Boys' exchange. Such exchanges are part of our proud legacy. I was fortunate to watch our basketball, football and rugby teams play, and was impressed with the sportsmanship and skills of players from both schools.

Literacy and Numeracy Assessments

This week our Year 10 students have sat three online assessments – reading, writing and numeracy. Feedback from staff is that students handled the assessment very maturely. For us, it was an important test of our systems, e.g. wifi connection, supervision, and we're pleased with how smoothly the assessments went.

The process now sits with NZQA. They mark the students' work externally and manage the process from here. When we know more about the outcomes, we will share this information with whānau.

Ngā mihi nui // kind regards,

R Dykes Tumuaki/Principal

Open Day

A date for your diary. Open Day is a chance for you and your family to visit us here on-campus and see if Nelson College is right for you. Our Open Day is on a Saturday afternoon to make it as easier for prospective students and their whānau to come and see our school. Tumuaki Richard Dykes will give introductions, there'll be tours of the school, interactive activities, and a chance to see sport, music and technology classes in action.



Careers Hub

Allied Health Professions Career Exploration event

Chris Phillips (Gateway and Work Experience Co-ordinator) went along to the Allied Health Professions Career Exploration event this week with a group of students. Our kids got to interact with new (young) graduates who worked across the twelve different areas of healthcare. Each graduate gave presentations highlighting what their profession is all about and why students should consider making it their career. The young presenters were really approachable and gave their time to our students who wanted to find out more.

There is a vast array of career pathways in the health industry – not just the ones you automatically think of. If you want to find out more come and chat with us in the Careers Hub. Huge thanks to Chris for taking our boys!



UPCOMING CAREERS EVENTS:

These will be going ahead despite strike action, so please support your young person to attend.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
19 June Halls Session 3 Lunchtime Library Writing your Halls applications	20 June	21 June Career Exploration Event: Fantastic Futures FOUNDERS Park 8.45am – 9.30am	22 June Registration due for Horticulture Career Exploration Trip Check your emails for details of trip	23 June Y13 students heading to uni Self Reference Due <i>Self-reference form so I</i> <i>can write your Halls</i>
		For registered students only. Check your emails. Some spaces still available – if interested please email vh		application Please check your emails for all the info you need
26 June	27 June	28 June Career Exploration Event: Forestry For registered students only. Check your emails.	29 June	30 June

Events in the pipeline for Term 3

- <u>Career Exploration Days</u>
 - Horticulture 20th July
 - IT (date TBC)
 - \circ Course Selection Evening 26th July choosing subjects for next year.
 - o University Liaison Visits for University Course Planning
 - Vic: 3rd Aug
 - Otago: 17th Aug
 - Lincoln: 13th Sept
 - UC: 13th Sept

Work Experience for Students

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

In particular we are looking for work experience opportunities for students in these areas at the moment:

- Construction
- Automotive
- Youth work

Contact Chris Phillips (Gateway and Work Experience Co-ordinator) on <u>pl@nelson.school.nz</u> or Vikki Heays (Careers Advisor) on <u>vh@nelson.school.nz</u> if you can help...thanks!!

Visit from NZ Defence Force.

It's not every day the NZ Defence Force drops in for morning tea -literally! On Monday we all stood on the sidelines as an A109 LUH helicopter, descended onto our front field. The A109 is a lightweight, twin engine aircraft that's used mainly for Defence Force training. Aircrew will typically go on to fly in the NH90 or Seasprite helicopter once they've mastered this one. The A109's are also used for personnel transport and disaster relief. The boys flocked to the big bird and were met by the captain, loadmaster and medic who answered gazillions of questions and gave everyone a turn sitting inside. The A109's majestic landing can be viewed in our <u>YouTube</u> channel . Very exciting for a Monday morning!



<u>Tourism</u>

Last week, members of the Nelson College Tourism class went on a one-day field trip to Kaiteriteri to experience one of our region's premier tourism operators in action.

Wilsons Abel Tasman took us on a guided sea kayaking experience departing from Kaiteriteri beach and paddling northwards along the coastline towards the Abel Tasman National Park.

With around 15 years in the industry, our guide Sam was very knowledgeable about the local environment and the skills required to be an adventure tourism guide. Some of the key learnings that Sam shared was how patient a guide needs to be, and the important art of tailoring a guided trip to a group that often includes a diverse range of clients.

As well as helping the students enjoy the natural beauty of this part of our region, Sam also talked about the range of work roles available within the Wilsons company. He puts the company's longrunning success down to the diversity of the tourism products they offer. These range from single day kayak rentals and water taxi transfers to multi-day guided walks and/or kayaking trips utilising Wilsons' two luxury lodges within the national park.

All in all, this was a fantastic day out for the students involved. We were blessed with calm, sunny weather in a beautiful, quiet location.



Student Achievement



Congratulations to Liam Heaphy for his selection into the NZ Secondary Schools' Brass Band. Not being one to blow his own trumpet....we thought we'd do it for him! So well done Liam, we're delighted for you! Shout out too to Mr. Andrew Yorkstone for the great work he's been doing with music students, in particular around the combined Nelson College and Nelson College for Girls Combined Band.

The beautiful game just got even better! Well done to Head Boy Matt Donald on being selected for the U18 Tane (Men's Māori National Football Team. Matt's new team will be playing the U18 Hawaii indigenous team in July. Players were selected through an ID tournament earlier this year where the best Māori U18 players from the South Island play their North Island counterparts. Matt obviously made the cut and we couldn't be happier for him!

<u>9VN Tackle Predators</u>

You dirty rat! Our 9VN Social Studies class have been learning about invasive species and their impact on the environment. Part of this is looking at methods we can use to tackle the problem, whether through hunting, use of poison, or trapping. Last week the boys set out for the area of the Grampians just behind Barnicoat House laden with trapping paraphernalia and a whole bunch of determination! They set traps that are suitable for catching stoats, rats and mice and will return to check the traps frequently. To date they've caught two mice, two rats and several fingers. CAREFUL BOYS - OUCH!!!



Social Studies

Setting the record straight!

In our last edition we brought you some news about Year 11's James and Alex and their recent presentation at the Trafalgar Centre. We missed some bits and wanted to give you the full story now. Enjoy!



At the recent New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects [NZILA] national conference held in Nelson, Year 11 students James Matthews and Alex Taylor showed how Nelson can be re-imagined, for an audience of professional urban planners, urban designers and landscape architects. James and Alex gave an overview of their team project (conceived by them along with Leo Derks and Sam Dukes) called "Walk With Me", but also included a recap of the urban planning ideas from five other teams in their Social Studies class last year.

James and Alex presenting at the NZILA National Conference

Photo Credit: Tim Cuff



Those Presentations From Last Year:



Creating New Spaces in Nelson 4 Bruno Paige, Charlie Calderbank, Miro Lawrey, Tyler Hutchinson, and Vincent Konecny Implementing Innovative Transport Solutions in the Nelson Area Sam Ben, Kurt Ward, Aaron Peterson and Dallas Kelso





3 Bike-ability Improvements to Nelson Fynn Roberts, Finn Bryant, Jay Brixton, James Barton and Corey Tremblay



Creating multi-dimensional pedestrianisation and beautification of Central Trafalgar Street Michael Duncan, Pyay Oo, Memphis Munro-Dhillon, Samuel Howell, and Nikau Adams



Adding interactive urban public space art & other interactive elements in Nelson CBD

Luca Hippolite, Ryan Thelin, Tyler Moore, Caleb Velluppillai and Hogan Ward

These boys in Mr Brudvik-Lindner's Year 10 Social Studies class used a combination of hands-on social science methods, workshops with professionals, field visits, on-the-street interviews, guest speakers from professionals in development, and urban planning and public policy formation tutorials, to bring the class's yearlong theme of "Re-Inventing Nelson" to life. The boys then made group presentations to the Nelson-Tasman Chamber of Commerce and Nelson City Council. Their proposals were enthusiastically received and resulted in news stories in the Nelson Mail.

Boffa Miskell principal, Luke Porter, reflected on the importance of youth voices from Nelson College at this year's NZILA conference, and felt professionals would be inspired to strive for the kind of future envisioned by tamariki.

This year, the Year 10 enrichment class will carry on with the same examination of how Nelson can be reinvented. The class last year presented their ideas to Deputy Mayor Rohan O'Neill- Stevens, and other civic, political, and business leaders. Similar presentations will happen this year.

Sports Office Snippets

It was fantastic to see two teams compete in the Tasman Secondary Schools Squash Tournament last week. We haven't been able to do this for a few years. Thanks to Anthony Harris at the Nelson Squash Club for helping us grow this sport.

Congratulations to our 1st XV who are unbeaten in the Miles Toyota Championship with three hard round robin games to go. They will also head to the 97th Quadrangular Rugby tournament in the last week of term.

Next week is a busy one with our annual winter sports exchange with Shirley Boys High School (schedule below). We will have eight teams travel south for that. We also have boys competing in the Tasman Secondary school Golf Tournament and Table Tennis Tournament.

Timaru Boys' High School Exchange

Since the Marlborough Boys' College Exchange, we've had Timaru Boys' High School come to visit. The exchange went well with some good games played across the different events. Nelson College managed to get 8 wins out of 9 events so that is a very positive result. Thank you to Marlborough who came over and represented their school superbly.

Results Below

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



Our thoughts and deep condolences go to the family and friends of Timaru Boys High School student Ben Morresey who tragically died earlier this month. Before the 1st XV rugby game kicked off, the boys and onlookers observed a minute's silence in honour of Ben's life. Much respect to the Timaru team who played a great game under such sad and difficult circumstances.

Shirley Boys' Winter Sports Exchange

We'll be departing on Monday for our annual sports exchange coming up on the 19th & 20th June at Shirley Boys' High School and have eight teams travelling to this. The boys will be billeted for this event, keeping alive the great connection we have with Shirley. Please come along and support them if you are in Christchurch!

Schedule:

Monday 19th June

• 5:30pm 1st XI Hockey on SBHS Turf

Tuesday 20th June

- 9:00am Junior Football @ SBHS Fields
- 9:00am Junior A Basketball in SBHS Gym
- 10:00am U15A Rugby @ SBHS Fields
- 10:00am 2nd XV Rugby @ Avonside Girls Field
- 10:30am Senior A Basketball in SBHS Gym
- 11:00am 1st XI Football on SBHS Football Field
- 12:00pm 1st XV Rugby @ SBHS Fields

<u>Rugby</u>

1st XV News

The 1st XV have had a great week with two wins over Marlborough Boys' College (37-7) and Timaru Boy's High School (58-10) keeping us firmly at the top of the table. Well done to the team and the coaching staff.

Marlborough Boy's scorers:

Tries to Oliver Gibbons, Sione Mafi, Callum Robertson, Teina Thompson & Dane Leppien. Zyon Ford added 3 conversions.

Timaru Boys' scorers:

Tries to Sione Mafi (2), Oliver Kirk, Saumaki Saumaki, Liam McKenzie, Dane Leppien, Finn Kilworth, Samiuela Moimoi, Blake Craddock & Kaelan Grafton. Conversions to Zyon Ford (2) & Kaelan Grafton (2).

Next Game: 11:00am vs. Selwyn Combined Schools on the front field this Saturday. Please get along to support them if you can!



Quadrangular



The **97th Quadrangular Tournament** is coming up very soon and is being held at Wellington College this year on the 26th - 29th June. The team will be named after the Shirley Boys' exchange.

This is going to be an exciting occasion with our 1st XV looking to win for the 5th year in a row which we have never achieved previously. Dating back to 1925, Nelson College have won Quad 28 times, Wellington College 38 times, Whanganui Collegiate 21 & Christ's College 17 times.

We hope Old Boys', parents, and supporters in Wellington are able to get to Wellington College and cheer our team on.

Ngã Manu Korero Speech Competition



Ngā Manu Kōrero Speech Competition was hosted by Nelson College for Girls last week with speakers from colleges from across Te Tau Ihu.

The competition, formerly known as The Korimako Contest, has been running since 1965 and was originally sponsored by the former Governor-General, Sir Bernard Fergusson. The competition has grown since its inception and is now regarded as the most significant event on the Māori education calendar. The competition aims to develop the skills and confidence of Māori students in spoken English and te reo Māori.

Ākonga spoke on a range of subjects, eloquently expressing their views and laying down their challenges to the audience of peers, whānau, judges and parents. The atmosphere was energetic and all the speeches were responded to with enthusiasm by a healthy sized audience of supporters. Representing Nelson College were Reign Cassidy-Htain, David Akuhata, Māhina Taylor and Māori Head Boy, Ngākau Moka-Tengu.

Many thanks to the judges Aaron Hemi, Louisa King, Pohe Stephens, Tiana Alesana, Robyn McLaren and Johny O'Donnell who were very encouraging and supportive of the speakers. Special thanks to Viv Ruwhiu and Wayne Hippolite for stepping in last-minute to MC the event.

Congratulations to the following students who took home prizes including hand-crafted taonga and to Nayland College as the overall wining school.

Best Senior Māori Prepared:	Xanthe Banks, Te Kareti o Neirana
Best Senior Māori Overall:	Xanthe Banks, Te Kareti o Neirana
Best Senior Māori impromptu:	Xante Banks, Te Kareti o Neirana
Best Senior English Prepared:	Ruihia Pemberton Te Kareti o Neirana
Best Senior English Overall:	Ruihia Pemberton Te Kareti o Neirana
Best Senior English Impromptu:	Ngākau Moka-Tengu Te Kura Tamatāne o Whakatū
Best Junior English:	Fenella Cooney,Te Kāreti Kōhine o Wairau
Best Junior Māori:	Māreikura Nepia, Te Kāreti Kōhine o Wairau

Debating

Last week there was an interschool debate at Nayland College between Nayland College, Nelson College, Nelson College for Girls, Waimea College and Garin College. The motions for all debates was "This house believes that 'cop shows' do more harm than good". We had two teams (one junior and one senior) compete and they both won! Impressively, one of the winning teams was *for* the motion and the other *against*! You can't argue with those debating skills!



Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Domett House who came first in last week's spelling bee. It was a close one with Kahurangi, who are charging ahead in first place for overall house points. Those boys certainly have a sting in their tails!

House	Spelling Bee	Overall House Points	Overall Placing
Boarders	6	86	3rd
Chaytor	8	76	6th
Domett	10	88	2nd
Kahurangi	12	112	1st
Monro	4	84	4th
Robinson	2	78	5th

Theatre Sports and Performing Arts



Come and support the senior Drama class in their production of 'Niu Sila' by Oscar Kightley (Sione's Wedding, Bro' Town, Dawn Raids) and Dave Armstrong. This is a funny and poignant coming of age play where two friends from two different cultures explore themes of racism, crosscultural friendships, and the importance of family.

Rehearsal - Wednesday the 28th of June Matinee from 2-3pm in the Performance Suite. Numbers are limited.

Performance is on Wednesday June 28th at 6 pm in the Performance Suite.

Please email <u>mr@nelson.school.nz</u> for booking confirmation.

ESOL and Enviroclub Planting Project

People v's plants! This week around 25 ESOL and enviro-club students took to the slopes and planted some pittosporum, kanuka and cabbage trees.

Planting not only supports carbon sequestration while producing oxygen, it also provides slope stability which helps to keep our land where it should during weather events. Everyone had a great time, enjoying the sun and around 60 trees were planted. Ka pai everyone. Mother Earth is grateful!!!!



Preparatory School News



This week our Year 7's visited the 'Treasured: Objects of Mana and Significance' exhibition at the Nelson Museum.

They learned about a wide variety of Nelson's treasures held in trust by the museum and listened to stories on our local history.



Old Boys Association



Notices





Striking on Screen Filmmakers Workshop

Learn about the Film Industry and gain foundation skills in multiple areas of film making!

TOUR OF SAWMILL STUDIOS

MALE UP AND COSTUMING LIGHTING AND SOUND SCRIPT DEVELOPMENT

ACTING CAMERA WORK DIRECTING AND MORE

Guest Speakers Including FREDRICK POKAI & TikTok star JORDAN RIVERS along with many more including actors who have worked on some of your favourite films including...



...AND you will create a Short Film which will screen at the RANDOM DIRECTIONS FILM FESTIVAL at EVENT CINEMAS!



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