# NEW **SLETTER**

NELSON COLLEGE Te Kura Tamatāne o Whakatū

## 30 May 2024



### Kia ora koutou,

This week we had the privilege of watching our talented thespians, in conjunction with equally talented thespians from Nelson Girls' College, perform "One Man - Two Guvnors," a musical comedy written by Richard Bean. The high-quality performance reminded us of the absurdities of life and to just keep on keeping on. Congratulations to all the cast, musicians, crew, and directors for creating such an entertaining and high-quality production. We all appreciate just how much hard work goes into realising a school production. On behalf of the whole Nelson College community, thank you for your commitment, effort, and undeniable acting skills. <u>Tickets</u> are still available online for the final night - tonight!

I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our amazing teachers and volunteers who have guided and supported our students throughout this process. Their expertise and passion have been instrumental in making this production a reality. In a boys' school, the performing arts provide the perfect platform for holistic development, fostering creativity, teamwork, and a vast array of other benefits.

Firstly, participation in theatre, music, or dance cultivates confidence. Boys learn to express themselves authentically, whether through portraying characters on stage or mastering a musical instrument. This self-assurance translates into various aspects of life, especially public speaking and social interactions.

Secondly, the performing arts instil discipline and dedication. Rehearsing for a play or perfecting a musical piece requires commitment and perseverance. Boys understand the importance of practice and the gratification of achieving excellence through hard work.

Furthermore, the performing arts enhance collaboration and teamwork. Whether in a band, a choir, or a theatrical production, boys learn to cooperate, compromise, and communicate effectively with others. These skills are invaluable in both academic and professional settings.

I believe one of the greatest benefits of participation in the performing arts is that it promotes cultural appreciation and diversity. Through exposure to various forms of art, boys develop a deeper understanding of different cultures, traditions, and perspectives, fostering a more inclusive and open-minded environment.

Looking back on my time as a student in a boys' school, I regret not dividing my co-curricular time more diversely – I was probably your archetypal "sports jock." However, as a school leader, I have witnessed so many benefits for young people who incorporate a balance of sport and performing arts in their school education. School is certainly the best time of your life to give as many things a go as possible – three cheers to the performing arts!

## uniform shop

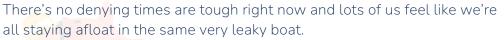


### THE GREAT JERSEY SHORTAGE OF 2024!!!!

Wooly jumpers, jerseys, pullovers, sweaters. Whatever you call them - we need them! Because we're in the midst of a uniform review, we (temporarily) don't have as many to sell as we'd like. So why not donate your old school jerseys back to school or let the uniform shop on sell them for you.

The uniform shop is open Tuesday or Thursday between 1.30pm & 4pm. uniform.shop@nelsoncollege.school.nz

## from the finance desk



We understand that times are tough, and we want to give anyone who's struggling with student fees the opportunity to set up some manageable regular payments. Give us a call or email the finance office on <u>si@nelson.school.nz</u> to set something up.

# 98th quadrangular tournament

## it's time.....

For the 98th Quadrangular Tournament, hosted here at Nelson College. There's just as much fun happening off the pitch as on it, so why not get along to one of these great events in honour of this historic tournament.



student fees



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COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIAN

### Tuesday June 25th

Nelson College Old Boys social function at the Nelson Rugby Club Rooms, from 6pm. Come along and catch up with Griggy – your guest speaker for the evening. Registrations are required for catering purposes. \$30 per person.

#### Wednesday June 26th

Joint Colleges Quad Gala Dinner & Auction Night in the Nelson College Hall, from 6pm. Guest Speaker is Sir Graham Henry, and your MC for the evening is Old Boy Sean Plunket. **There are lots** of great items up for auction, including a signed All Blacks Shirt Tickets Essential. \$150 per person. Ticket sales close on June 13th, so get in quick!

Get your tickets to both events here: <u>https://community.nelson.school.nz/Quad24tickets</u>

## beyond nelson college

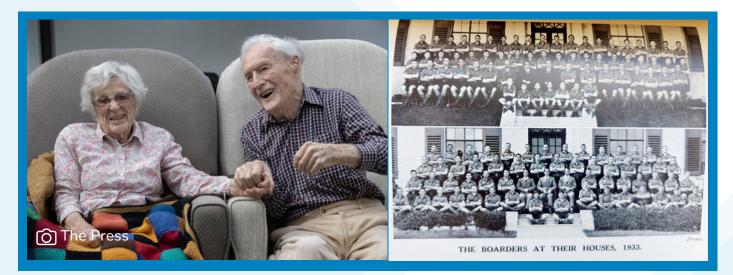


The Nelson College Old Boys Association would like to celebrate the life of their oldest Old Boy! Methuen Huia Mabin passed away on May 17, 2024, in his 107th year. Methuen was ranked 21st on the list of oldest men from New Zealand, at 106 years and 155 days. A boarder from Wellington. Methuen attended College from 1931-33.

More recently Methuen had been living in a care home in Christchurch with his wife Margaret (105), whom he met at a tennis match in 1937 and they remained happily married for 80 years!

Methuen served as a Lieutenant in the NZ Army in World War II, and when he returned on leave in 1944 he proposed to Margaret. He worked in the insurance industry his whole career, until retirement. Impressively, Methuen held his driver's licence until the age of 102, allowing him the freedom to pop to the grocery store. He played tennis until he was 85, and bowls into his 90s.

He and Margaret had three children, six grand-children and six great-grandchildren. A life very well lived!



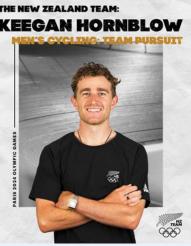
### olympian feat

We are so stoked for Keegan Hornblow who's just been named in the New Zealand Olympic team for Track Cycling in the Team Pursuit!

Keegan attended Nelson College from 2015 -2019 and represented Nelson College in track cycling and road cycling during his time here.

The picture of him in his Nelson College jersey is from the South Island Secondary School Road Cycling Championships where he was the U20 time trial champion of course! Congratulations Keegan - we're so proud of you.





## sports office snippets



Gosh it has been busy getting 31 basketball teams, 10 rugby teams, and four hockey teams sorted to take to the court/field. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to coach and manage these teams.

Today we took 10 teams to Blenheim for our annual Winter Sports Exchange. Check our sports social pages for updates.

We will then be organising our annual Winter Exchange with Shirley Boys High School. They come to us this year, so we will be looking for families to billet them for 1 night (Monday June 17th). We are hosting the 98th Quadrangular 1st XV Tournament at the end of June.

## cross country

#### CROSS COUNTRY

Last week we held our Nelson College Cross Country. This event doubles as a House event, and then the top runners will go on to represent Nelson College at the Tasman Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships next month.

Individual Championship Year 9 1st Sam Trass 2nd Hamish Hammom 3rd Liam Dunbar Intermediate 1st Oran Sim 2nd Ashen Hill 3rd Benjamin McDonald Senior 1st Scott Brown 2nd Charlie Calderbank Elijah Inwood







# rugby



Congratulations to our 1st XV on their incredible 30-19 win against Christchurch Boys High School. The atmosphere was electric as the Combined College Band played the teams onto the field.







## football

### the beautiful game gets a beautiful start to the season

Another epic start to the season, this time for football with five absolute screamers being scored against Waimea College in a gigantic 5-0 win for the boys in blue. Absolutely outstanding match - well done lads!









## house competition

Exciting times in the house competition with Monro and Boarders briefly switching positions, placing the boys in black at the top of the table. Now the pendulum has swung back the other way and those Monro boys are back on top.

An impressive performance from everybody's favourite haka group Munro earned them top place, but they just couldn't keep the pace with the red and orange of Chaytor and Robinson, who screamed past in cross country.

Will the Golden Sons inch their way up from the bottom of the table? What has the sleeping green giant of Domett got planned for the rest of the season as they bide their time in a seemingly innocuous 4th place? Time is a great revealer and we'll know soon enough!

house	boarders	chaytor	domett	kahurangi	monro	robinson
junior touch	10	8	0	0	12	8
senior touch	8	12	4	4	8	10
junior chess	4	8	12	8	10	4
senior chess	10	4	8	12	8	4
athletics	10	6	8	2	12	4
swimming	10	2	12	6	4	8
junior hockey	10	8	12	4	4	0
senior hockey	4	8	12	8	4	10
haka	10	4	2	6	12	8
cross country	6	12	4	8	2	12
junior volleyball	8	8	8	0	12	4
senior volleyball	4	8	4	12	8	10
house points	94	88	86	70	96	82
placing	2nd	3rd	4th	6th	1st	5th

# watch this space...

## music

It's been an eventful month in the music department with numerous concerts on the horizon including a Winter Music Showcase at the Nelson Centre of Musical Arts on June 4th and 5th <u>TICKETS</u> and a contemporary concert scheduled to happen later in the year at The Boathouse - more info to come. Nelson College music students are also involved in the joint NC and NCG stage production of One Man – Two Guvnors by Richard Bean. The band is entirely student-driven, demonstrating their ability to independently perform difficult music at a high level.



The Concert Band recently played at the 1st XV's triumphant opening game of the season no doubt contributing to their glorious victory!

NB9 ommunity We believe. We invest PRESENTS JUNE THE NELSON COLLEGE AND NELSON COLLEGE FOR GIRLS COMBINED: CONCERT **4TH &** BAND ORCHESTRA 5TH CHAMBER GROUPS CHOIR **NELSON** PREP CHOIR SOLOISTS **CENTRE OF** AND MORE **MUSICAL** (<sup>)</sup>olleges ARTS DOORS OPEN 6:00PM SHOW START 6:30PM DOOR SALES: \$15, \$5 UNDER 12 ADVANCE TICKETS: \$10 ADULT, \$5 UNDER 12

Recently we had a number of students get through the Rockquest regional heats picking up a casserole of different awards including the Tangata Beats award.

The following students represented the school exceptionally well displaying Boys College values and amazing musical ability: Zachary Irving, Tamu Domini, Ned Rainey, Thomas Robertson, Jp Moynihan, Shoei Ito, Oscar Begg, Ethan Steele, Orin Harbinson and Pyay Oo.

You can see some of these Bands playing at the upcoming gig at the Boathouse. Keep your eyes on socials for further info.





The Big Sing is a regional secondary schools choral festival and competition that takes place in 10 centres involving around 8,000 students from over 200+ schools .

The combined choir with NC and NCG will be performing at the competition, and we wish them all the best.

This is held at the NCMA June 12th 6pm \$10-\$25

#### <u>TICKETS</u>

## careers



Keep checking out our events on the Nelson College Careerwise web page

### careers roadshow

We had great feedback from the Providers at the Careers Roadshow who enjoyed engaging with our students, answering questions and sharing information about the pathways they were promoting.

If the Roadshow prompted questions, thoughts or ideas that your son would like to talk through then please encourage him to email me so we can make a time to have a conversation.



### university preparation

We have just finished the scholarship writing sessions. University Scholarships open up for application from approx. mid June and close 15 August. We begin the Halls Applications Workshops this Friday and all Y13 students planning on applying for Halls are encouraged to attend.

### careers spotlight

### Marine Biology

Do you like the ocean? Are you interested in how we can save our marine life from climate change? If so, becoming a marine biologist might be the career for you! Click <u>here</u> to find out more about a career as a Marine Biologist.



### term 2 - in the pipeline

6 June	<u>Tradie Day</u>	Registration Closed
10 June	Al Hacks for Job Hunting	
12 June	Forestry Day	Registration Closed
25 June	Auckland University Online Information Evening	
25 June	Chiropractic Information Evening	
26 June	Fantastic Futures	Registration Closed
2 July	Auckland University Information Evening, Nelson	
31 July	Hospitality Day (TBC)	
23 Aug	<u>Victoria University Open Day</u>	
23 Aug	Massey University Open Day (for COCA campus, Wgtn)	
30 Aug	<u>UC Open Day</u>	
7 Sept	Empower – esports and e-careers	



### volunteering news

NC changed from Blue to Pink on Friday 17th of May in support of Pink Shirt Day - a day to say enough to bullying, and to cultivate respect and understanding towards others.

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Our Pink Shirt Day volunteers ran a pink bake sale, with pink cakes and pink milk. Pinkly dressed staff and volunteers were also out and about during morning tea and lunchtime handing out special Manaaki tokens to students who were embracing the spirit of the day. These tokens were collected up and a draw was run from them – those drawn out won a Pinky Bar for themselves and a mate – sharing the Manaaki towards others.

Remember to check your @nc email address regularly for events!

## whoops

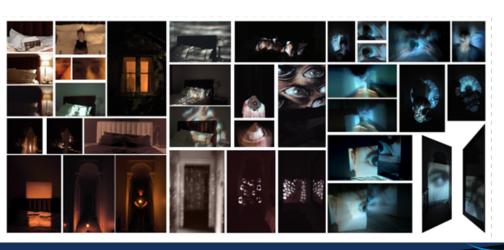
Last edition, we brought you some news about two past pupils and their amazing artwork. But it was a bit muddled.

What we shoud have said was that Ian has gained a Level 3 photography scholarship and that Keian Brown's Level 3 artboard was selected for exhibition as part of the 2024 Top Art Tour. You can see Keian's work at The Suter Art Gallery June 6 - July 3. Anyway, both these works are brilliant, so we're sticking them in the newsletter again!!!



SROWN





## drama

We've had an incredible turn out to our combined colleges production of One Man - Two Guvnors by Richard Bean. It's the final night tonight so if you haven't seen this ridiculous, farcical, slapstick side splitter yet....there's still a chance. Get your tickets <u>HERE</u>





photography

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## notices



What a steal! How can you resist this incredible playhouse, handcrafted by our building students to an exceptionally high standard.

Hours of skill, attention and know how has gone into making these playhouses safe, strong, but most importantly - FUN!!!!



NELSON COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING



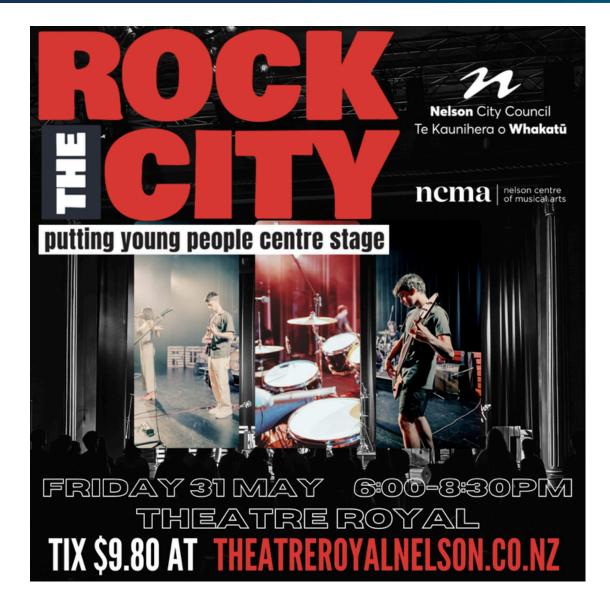
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2025 YR 7 & 8 Entry Thurs June 20 6.30PM Nelson College Hall

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Win a Thermomix !! Tickets are \$20 each and gives you 1 entry into the draw to win a Thermomix which is worth \$2500+ (!!) This fundraiser ia to support the 2024 Nelson College Japan Trip.

Account name: Nelson College Account number: 03 0703 0365073 03 Bank reference: Your Name + Japan Thermo

If you do decide to support email me (Fiona) kd@nelson.school.nz with your name + contact details (phone and or email) and I'll put your name on a ticket 😂



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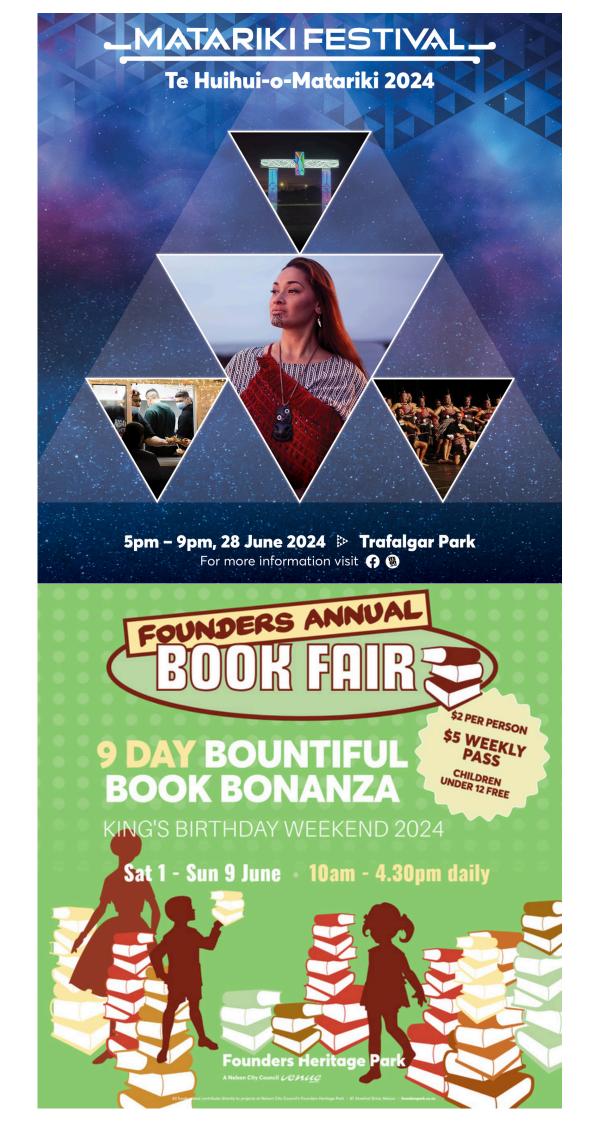
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25-27 JUNE 2024 NELSON COLLEGE

NELSON COLLEGE OLD BOYS' FUNCTION
GALA DINNER & AUCTION

Featuring Sir Graham Henry





# ESOL VOLUNTEER READERS NEEDED!

## DO YOU HAVE THE TIME TO COME AND Read one on one with esol students?

Email <u>ag@nelson.school.nz</u>



Contact the band to find out more: cityofnelsonband@gmail.com or text 021 1799419