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Boarding Newsletter

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Welcome to Term 4

The three Boarding Houses have settled back into their routines and the focus for this term, especially for the senior students is external examinations. Senior students have external examinations beginning Thursday 10 November and they run through until Wednesday 30 November. By now, your Year 11-13 son[s] will have completed a form for their Housemaster, detailing when their examinations are and when they will be leaving Boarding for 2011.

We expect students to depart within 24 hours after their last examination, unless there is a logistical reason why this cannot be facilitated. If your son[s] cannot leave within 24 hours, please liaise directly with me.

The senior students will have a supervised study programme on days when they do not have examinations. The programme will be supervised by teaching staff at school. Period 5 each day will be an opportunity for your son[s] to have some recreation, as there will be a supervised activity in the gymnasium.

Seniors will not have leave during the day if they have no examinations. I have included in this newsletter, the 2011 external examination timetable for you.

If your son is returning home between external examinations, please let your Housemaster know so that he can inform the kitchen of numbers for catering.

Over the Christmas vacation, there will be capital expenditure and repairs and maintenance across all three houses. Once the details are finalised, I will email you the exact programme of work that will be carried out.

There will be one more newsletter from me before the end of 2011 and the annual "Start of Year Boarders Package" will be emailed to all boarding families in the middle of November.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the upcoming events that celebrate Nelson College traditions. For many of you, it is the last year that you have a son with us; know that your son[s] leave Nelson College ready to "Take their place in the world."

General Notices

Vehicles

Please note that if your son has permission for a vehicle at Nelson College for 2011, that permission does not extend into 2012. From 2012 onwards, **Vehicle Permissions will only be granted to Year 13 students.** Each Year 13 Student who has a legitimate request to have his vehicle here, he must apply in writing to me no later than **1 December 2011.** These requests will be taken to the Headmaster for discussion and ultimate decisions. Please note, **there is limited parking at Nelson College for student vehicles.**

Head Students for 2012

Students in Year 12 are currently being interviewed for the Head positions in each House. This will be announced at the House Dinners next week. I wish all of the short-listed candidates all the very best.

Pyramids in 2012

These will revert back to the Summer Boarders Weekend. However, before the Year 12's depart for their summer vacation, I will hold a meeting with them, so that they can nominate a leader, so he can take away some information to look at, and return prepared to launch into the practices as soon as we return.

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