

# Nelson College

## Newsletter



### CALENDAR TERM 1

<b>Feb 22</b>	Swimming Sports, <b>1.15pm</b>
<b>Feb 23</b>	Tasman Bowls
<b>Feb 25/26</b>	Tasman Volleyball in Blenheim
<b>Feb 27</b>	Tasman Tennis in Blenheim
<b>Feb 28/29</b>	Marlborough Boys' College Exchange
<b>Mar 1</b>	Football Meeting, 6pm, Staffroom
<b>Mar 2-4</b>	SISS Volleyball, Christchurch
<b>Mar 4/5</b>	Summer Sports Weekend
<b>Mar 4</b>	10am, Commemoration Service, Nelson Cathedral
	7:15pm, Summer Sports Concert, Nelson College Hall
<b>Mar 4</b>	SISS Triathlon & Duathlon, Oamaru
<b>Mar 5</b>	<b>9am-12.25pm</b> House Athletics Sports, Main Field
	<b>1.30-3.30pm</b> Boarding Parent/Caregiver Interviews
<b>Mar 6</b>	Interim Reports issued
<b>Mar 7</b>	Senior Dance, Nelson College
<b>Mar 8</b>	Tasman Triathlon (Andrew Jones)
<b>Mar 10</b>	Tasman Athletics
<b>Mar 10/11</b>	SISS Rowing, Twizel
<b>Mar 16-18</b>	SISS Tennis, Timaru
<b>Mar 17/18</b>	Tasman Volleyball, Nelson
<b>Mar 19</b>	PTA AGM, 7pm, Staffroom
	Tasman Golf, Nelson Golf Club
<b>Mar 24/25</b>	SISS Touch Regionals, Christchurch
<b>Mar 25-Apr 1</b>	<b>Summer Tournament Week</b>
<b>Mar 31-Apr 1</b>	SISS Athletics, Saxton Field
<b>Apr 2-20</b>	Classics Trip to Greece & Italy
<b>Apr 4</b>	NZ Kayak Slalom Champs, Murchison
<b>Apr 5</b>	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4pm, Scriptorium
	Last Day Term 1
<b>Apr 6</b>	GOOD FRIDAY

### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dear Parents/Caregivers

It is my pleasure to welcome all boys back to the College and a special welcome to new boys.

The year has started very well with boys settling into the routine of classes quickly and the summer/winter sports selections, trials and competition games are now in full swing.

Our school roll has once again grown for the third year in a row, with 1060 (Ministry funded) boys including 25 refugees. In addition we have 71 International boys.

#### Boys Performance and NCEA 2011

The performance of Nelson College boys in the 2011 NCEA examinations was mixed.

In 2010 at all three levels of NCEA we produced our strongest results in the 10 years that NCEA has been in place.

In 2011 we maintained those results at Level One and Level Two, but our Level Three results were disappointing. A Departmental focus early in 2012 will be to determine some reasons/

	Level One (Year 11)	Level One (Year 12)	Level Three (Year 13)
2010	80 %	83 %	75 %
2011	80 %	83 %	62 %

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### SHORTENED DAY – MONDAY, 5 MARCH (BOARDING INTERVIEWS)

#### PARENT INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDERS

A reminder to parents that **Monday, 5 March** is a shortened school day and will conclude at 12.30 pm. This is to allow parent interviews for boarders, commencing from 1.30 pm.

Preparatory School parents please note that the Preparatory School is not involved in this shortened day and will proceed as normal.

With regard to school bus arrangements, all buses will leave at the normal scheduled times.

Supervision will be provided for any students who need to remain at College on Monday, 5 March 2012. Students requiring supervision should let the school know as soon as possible.

explanation for this drop in achievement at Level 3.

### **Co-Curricula Organisation and Support.**

I would like to thank and acknowledge the large number of parent and community volunteers who have given their time and expertise so freely to support this important area of the school.

It is my pleasure to announce the appointment of James Gillson as Assistant Sports Coordinator (specific responsibility for Cricket, Hockey, Rugby and Volleyball). James brings considerable experience to the role as a trained PE teacher, Cricket Coach and senior player and as a business owner.

The organisation of responsibilities within the Sports Coordinators' office is included in this newsletter as is those of the Leadership Team.

### **Sports Registration Fees**

The College pays registration fees to the various sports bodies in order for the boys to play specific codes. These fees are then invoiced to parents for payment as the season starts.

**Note:-**These fees are passed directly to the sports body and do not represent an income stream for the College.

Currently over \$8,000 worth of sports registration fees and sports trip fees from 2011 remain unpaid.

Over the last two years we have indicated through fees notices and newsletters that the level of unpaid sports fees was unacceptable and unsustainable for the College. The situation is improving slowly.

This notice may indicate to some parents that the College is not supportive of co-curricular activities and does not recognise the importance of sport, particularly in a boy's school.

This is not the case at all; please be aware that all teachers (& parents) who coach and manage teams do so voluntarily and when the teachers take time off school they incur a teacher relief cost of **\$250 per day per teacher**. We do not pass these costs onto parents.

Many schools are attempting to recover these relief costs -a strategy which inevitably will reduce the

number of codes, individuals and teams which represent a school thus increasing the burden on clubs.

The College supports 30+ codes and 80+ teams. We couldn't do this without my staff's commitment but also the huge input from parents and friends of the College who coach and manage and are not merely spectators at their son's games.

We are now **requiring the payment of team fees at the time of registration**, as I am sure you would be required to do if your son was representing a club.

Parents of boys who have not paid their registration fees or who have not made arrangements through the Finance Office to pay or who have not sought financial assistance through the Headmaster will not be permitted to represent the College.

### **Strategic Direction of the College 2012 - 2015**

Over the past 6 months the Board of Trustees, the College Leadership Team and the Staff have been considering Broad Aims and Key Priorities which will help determine the future direction of the school and assist in the meaningful allocation of both Human and Physical Resources. These come under three Strategic Objectives -

- Academic Excellence
- Personal Development (will be led by the data & recommendations from the Independent Report on the Health and Safety of Students at College).
- A Sense of Belonging  
A draft of those Broad Aims and Key Priorities are included in this newsletter for your consideration.

### **Staff Changes**

With regret I have accepted Mrs Riley's resignation from the position of International Director, effective from the end of Term 2, 2012.

Mrs Riley has been appointed as International Director of 'Mentornet', a global organisation which links business and academic leaders to adolescent youth in a mentoring role. The appointment is well deserved and I must acknowledge her significant contribution to this College in her role as Teacher in charge of Future Problem Solving and in her current

role as International Director.

Once again I would like to thank all parents and the wider community, for the support they have given the College and we look forward to another successful year as a school.

Gary O'Shea MEd(Admin)  
Headmaster

## **STAFF NEWS**

### **NEW STAFF**

Nelson College welcomes new staff members **Darren Richardson** who is teaching part time in the Technology Department and **Phil Ave** who is relieving in the PE Department. We welcome back **Sharon Stevens** who returns to the Drama Department. To the support staff we welcome Library Assistant, **Belinda Hart**, Assistant Sports Coordinator, **James Gillson** and **Lee Nelmes** who is the new Boarding Activities Director.

### **STAFF HAPPENINGS**

Congratulations to **Simon Mardon** who won the Buller marathon and **Phil Costley** who won the Buller half marathon finishing just 7 seconds short of the record time.

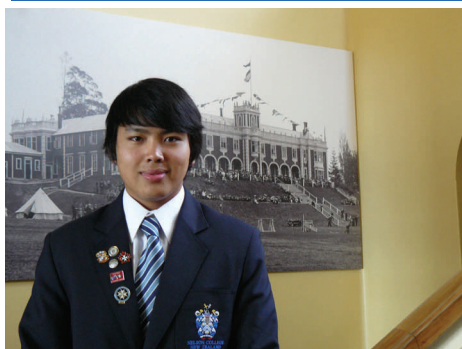
Congratulations to **Jarrod Aberhart** who was married in the College's main foyer over the holidays.

## **CHARTER SCHOOLS**

What are they and what research is available with reference to this area under discussion?

Refer to the Nelson College website, Homepage, Quicklinks Heading "Charter Schools". This will open a document containing a number of research links on the topic.

## STUDENT NEWS



### FLYING SCHOLARSHIP

Year 13 Nelson College student **Andy Ly** is the proud recipient of the Rex Lucas Memorial Trust Flying Scholarship for 2011. The scholarship comprises of 10 hours of flying time in preparation towards taking a first solo flight. Andy admits that he will be a little nervous on his first flight but his long term ambition is to be a commercial pilot. He plans to study aviation at University in Sydney next year.

## NELSON COLLEGE HEAD STUDENTS 2012

Head Boy	<b>Hamish Mellor</b>
Deputy Head Boys	<b>Jack Rennie and Matt Greer</b>
Maori Head Boy	<b>Wade Phillips</b>
Deputy Maori Head Boy	<b>Dayne Saina</b>
International Head Boy	<b>Shinji Kihara</b>
Deputy International Head Boy	<b>Terence Sun</b>
BOT Representative	<b>Sam Cooper</b>
<b>House Leaders</b>	
Barnicoat	<b>Daniel Thomas, Hamish Mellor &amp; Leonard Kelly</b>
Chaytor	<b>Liam Smith, Dan Parker, Rory McShea &amp; Lewis Otton</b>
Fell	<b>Ethan Bartle, Arun Beard &amp; Jack Westenra</b>
Domett	<b>Christian Phillips, Matt Greer, Ben Abele-Jacksties &amp; Christoph Riedel</b>
Kahurangi	<b>Andrew Baxendine, Jacob Marshall, Ricci Persico &amp; Zac White</b>
Monro	<b>Azdein Amberger, Zac Columbus &amp; Larry Banse</b>
Robinson	<b>Ben Stalker &amp; Nick McKenzie</b>
Rutherford	<b>John Virojvatanakul, Alex Farrell-Davy and Sam Godsiff</b>

## 2012 SPORTS EVENTS TERM 1

### SCHOOL EVENTS

22 Feb	Swimming Sports
28/29 Feb	Exchange with Marlborough Boys' College
2 Mar	Championship Athletics
5 Mar	House Athletics

### TASMAN EVENTS

19 Feb	Tasman Touch
23 Feb	Tasman Bowls
25/26 Feb	Volleyball Qualifier (Blenheim)
27 Feb	Tasman Tennis
7 Mar	Tasman Triathlon
10 Mar	Tasman Athletics
16/17/18 Mar	Junior Volleyball Tournament
19 Mar	Tasman Golf
24 Mar	Tasman Skateboarding

### SOUTH ISLAND EVENTS

2 Mar	Volleyball
10/11 Mar	Rowing
26/27 Mar	Zone 5 Bowls in Nelson
31 Mar/1 Apr	Athletics in Nelson
24/25 Mar	Touch
16/17/18 Mar	Tennis
25/26/27 Mar	Tasman Sailing

### NEW ZEALAND EVENTS

18/19 Feb	NZSS Beach Volleyball, Mt Maunganui
31 Mar/1 Apr	NZSS Mountain Biking, Levin
25 Mar/1 Apr	NZSS Rowing (Maadi Cup), Twizel
27-30 Mar	NZSS Softball, Lower Hutt
28-31 Mar	NZSS Tennis, Christchurch
24-26 Mar	NZSS Triathlon, Cambridge
25-30 Mar	NZSS Volleyball, Palmerston North
27-30 Mar	NZSS Waka Ama, Rotorua
15-20 Apr	NZSS Sailing, Warkworth

## CRICKET REPORT

Nelson College hosted a quadrangular 1st XI Cricket Tournament earlier in the year and had an excellent week with three convincing wins making it the ideal preparation for the D'Arcy and Gillette Cup Games.

The first game against Rathkeale resulted in a comfortable win to the College by 7 wickets. The leading bowler was **Oliver Jones Allen** who took 3-10 off 7.1 over's. Top scorers with the bat were **Giles Black** -64 not out and **Joel Harden** -37 not out. On day two Nelson College beat an Invitational Team by 4 wickets. The Invitational side made 254 runs with **Daniel Grimes** taking 4-30. In reply Nelson College batted very well with a number of good contributions. **Giles Black** scored quickly with 69 runs off 50 balls backed up by **Ben Gully** with 75 runs.

In the final game Nelson College met Marlborough Boys' College in a high-scoring contest. Nelson College managed an imposing total of 297 with Captain **Mitchell Drummond** smashing 131 off 95 balls including 9 sixes. **Ben Gully** scored 57 and **David Havilli**, 38. In reply Marlborough Boys' managed a very creditable 265 for 9. On a tough day for the bowlers Nelson College's **Adam Leonard** took 4-46 and young leg spinner **Rylea Hart**, 2-57. Nelson College won by 32 runs resulting in a clean sweep for the tournament.

## FOOTBALL MEETING

There is a meeting of all Parents/Caregivers who have boys playing Football (Soccer) for Nelson College on **Thursday 1st March 6pm** in the College Staffroom.

## SOUTH ISLAND ROWING CHAMPS

A number of Nelson College students competed for the Nelson Rowing Club at the South Island Rowing Championships at Lake Ruataniwha, Twizel including **Jordan Osmaston** who was a standout (Nelson Mail 1/2/2012) having a seat in three of the gold-winning boats, as well as claiming a silver and a bronze.

Results:

Club Quad GOLD -**Jordan Osmaston** and **Nick McKenzie**

Club Coxed Four GOLD - **Jordan Osmaston, Nick McKenzie** and **Perry Smith** cox

Men's U16 Coxed Four GOLD -**Patrick Gerard, Cory Whakatihi, Tashee Boswijk, Oly Stephens** and **Perry Smith** cox

Men's U17 Coxed Quad GOLD -**Grayson Knapp, Jordan Osmaston, Cory Whakatihi, Oliver Johnston** and **Ben Keenan** cox

Club Eights SILVER -**Jordan Osmaston, Nick McKenzie, Grayson Knapp, Lorenzo Babbage, Oly Stephens** and **Perry Smith** cox

Club Double BRONZE -**Jordan Osmaston** and **Nick McKenzie**

U19 Coxed Four BRONZE -**Oly Stephens, Lorenzo Babbage, Kyle Borlase, Oliver Johnston** and **Ben Keenan** cox

U16 Eight BRONZE -**Oly Stephens, Cory Whakatihi, Tashee Boswijk, Patrick Gerard, Matthew Keely, Jack Kemp** and **Ben Keenan** cox

U 17 Double 4<sup>th</sup> **Oliver Johnston** and **Grayson Knapp**

U 16 Double 5<sup>th</sup> **Tashee Boswijk** and **Cory Whakatihi**

U15 Double 7<sup>th</sup> **Sam Lane** and **Joseph Brady**

U 19 Coxed Quad 7<sup>th</sup> **Grayson Knapp, Lorenzo Babbage, Kyle Borlase, Oliver Johnston** and **Perry Smith** cox

U17 Single 9<sup>th</sup> **Oliver Johnston**

Novice Double 10<sup>th</sup> **Azdein Chergui** and **Jacob Wetere**

Novice Coxed Four 10<sup>th</sup> **Jack Kemp, Joeseeph Brady, Ethan Marshall** and **Azdein Chergui**

*We congratulate the rowers on these results and wish them all the best as they train towards the Maadi Cup regatta in March.*

## SOFTBALL

The following were all involved in Upper South Island or Nelson rep Softball teams in January.

**Luke Bowers** was selected into the Southern Pride National League Team to compete in the National Fastpitch Champs, Hutt Valley. The Southern Pride is a team made up of players from all South Island districts outside of Canterbury.

Upper South Island Under 17 Boys:

**Jimmy Whitmore, Daniel Mallabar, Tom Strawbridge, Luke Bowers, Sam Miller, Giuseppe Lagrutta** and **Vincent Whittington**

Upper South Island Under 19 Boys:

**Luke Bowers, Giuseppe Lagrutta, Daniel Mallabar, Sam Miller, Tasman Norress, David Orr, Jack Rennie, Tom Strawbridge** and **Vincent Whittington**

Nelson Under 15 Boys:

**Louis Clarke, Harrison Mallabar** and **Vahid Siale**

## BEACH VOLLEYBALL

**James Anderson** finished 12th at NZ Men's Beach Volleyball Nationals held in Auckland and 9th at the U17 New Zealand Beach Volleyball Championships.

**James Anderson** and **Harry Fergusson** finished 5th in the Men's Grade at the Tasman Open Beach Volleyball Tournament held on January 30. The same pair won the South Island Secondary Schools Beach Championships held in Christchurch in December last year.

## KAYAKING

Over the summer Year 12 student **Blake Hornblow** competed in Slalom Kayaking in Tasmania, as part of the New Zealand U18 Development Squad. He raced in the Australian Secondary Schools competitions and the Australian Nationals where he gained a bronze medal in the C2 class, and a silver medal in the C1 teams class. Back in New Zealand Blake competed in the NZ Open Slalom competitions and gained a silver medal for the K1 class in the U16 age group.

## ASSEMBLY ACCOLADES

### NZ SELECTION

**Josh Stove**, Year 12 has been selected for the NZ16 and under Inline Hockey Team to play in Australia in April.

**Keegan Fisher**, Year 11 won gold at the South Island Colgate Games in the 100m hurdles for 14 year old boys.

**Jamie Malthus**, Year 10 won silver medals in the long jump and high jump at the South Island Colgate Games.

**Jake Shirley**, Year 10 placed 4th in the Downhill Mountain Biking Nationals at the Brook.

**Nathan Manuel**, Year 11 has been selected to attend an U16 Basketball NZ training camp in Timaru.

**Corey Higgs**, Year 12 Rutherford Boarder has been awarded the West Coast Junior Golfer of the Year.

**Sam Wilson**, Year 10 trialed and was selected for the Wellington Tornados football team to tour USA in December/Jan 2013. Sam has also been accepted to travel to Hobart, Australia with a Wellington Football Academy to compete in a Trans Tasman Tournament.

**Charlie Rowe**, Year 10 placed 6th in the 13-16yr 85cc class at the NZ International Grand Prix Motocross at Woodville and 1st in the same class at the Golden Nuggets Westland Motocross Champs.

Year 10 students **Daniel Waterhouse** and **Jake Shirley** both gained their Black Belt in TaeKwonDo at the end of last year

**Lewis Miccio**, Year 9 has been selected in a football team based in Wellington to travel to Tasmania to play in a Trans Tasman football tournament against several Institutes of Sports from Australia.

**Leo Sandler**, Year 12 placed 1st in the National U19 Downhill Mountain Biking Championships and third in the South Island Cup, Downhill Mountain Biking competition.

**Jake Glover**, Year 13 won the Junior Men's Super D race and finished in 8th place in the U19 Cross Country race at the National Mountain Biking Champs.

Year 10 students **Ben Anderson, Patrick Hewson, Sam Nichols** and **Mitchell Pugh** were members of the Nelson U14 team who were unbeaten at an U14 Central Districts tournament recently.

## CAREERS

### Year 13

This is an important year for Year 13s as not only do they need to achieve well academically, they need to develop a plan for their future. The Careers team will be working with all boys in Year 13 over the course of the year. All of the boys in the Year 13 Leadership programme attended a Career Planning seminar with the Careers Advisor and each Year 13 student will be interviewed before the end of Term 1. The boys are also encouraged to attend the University Liaison visits this term. In these sessions they will be given an introduction into University study, admission requirements, accommodation and have their questions answered.

### KEY DATES TO NOTE

A **Year 13 Parent Evening** on Career Planning, Tertiary Education and University Entrance will be held in the Nelson College Library on **Thursday 23 February at 6.30pm**.

## YOUTH ALCOHOL AND DRUG CLINIC

We are pleased to let you know that we will be recommencing our Youth Alcohol and Drug Clinic within your school from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2012. The clinic will run on a weekly basis every Monday from 11am to 3.15pm, excluding any interval or lunch breaks during this time. The Youth Counsellor assigned to Nelson College will be Michelle Tukana from Addiction Services, Nelson Marlborough District Health Board.

The Alcohol and Drug clinic is open to any student within your school and can be accessed either through self referral, through the school counsellors or through referral by a Teacher, Dean, other staff member or a Parent.

The current climate in Nelson in regards to youth consumption of alcohol and drugs is both prevalent and concerning with indications that a growing number of youth are using alcohol and/or drugs on a frequent basis. The aim of having the Alcohol and Drug Clinics running within schools is to provide an easily accessed and confidential service to young people where any questions they may have can be answered, and where

### University Liaison Visits at 1.30pm

Students are encouraged to attend and parents are welcome. Check daily notices for venue.

Canterbury University **13 March**  
Victoria University **14 March**  
University of Otago **16 March**

### GAP Year – Presentation for Years 11, 12 and 13 on Thursday 8 March at 6.30pm.

Parents and students are invited to a presentation from Latitude, which organises GAP years for students between 17-25 years. Any student considering a GAP year should attend.

### Tertiary open day - Mon 30 April 2012

Dunedin (University of Otago and Otago Polytechnic) Tertiary Information day

### NMIT Events

Arts Get Together – Thurs 1 March  
Aquaculture Evening – Wed 7 March  
Come on Over – Thursday 10 May

they can get the assistance they need to work through any issues they may be experiencing with alcohol and/or drugs, whether these be personally, with friends or even in their family home. In saying this, should a safety issue arise where the young person or anyone around them are at risk we will breach confidentiality – this is explained to the young person at their first session.

We are very committed to providing this service within your school to a high standard and want to let you know that our door is always open should you have any questions about our services. We thank you for your support of this clinic and we look forward to working with you and your young people to help them achieve better outcomes for their futures.

Kind regards

Michelle Tukana (On behalf of Youth AOD Team)

Youth AOD Counsellor

Addiction Services

Nelson Marlborough District Health Board

Email: [michelle.tukana@nmdhb.govt.nz](mailto:michelle.tukana@nmdhb.govt.nz)

## HOST FAMILIES WANTED

Exciting opportunity...

We are looking for host families to look after three students visiting for two weeks from Japan. The visit is part of an exchange programme we have with Meikkei High School. The boys will visit from approximately 18 March to 1 April 2012. They will attend Nelson College classes as well as participate in any school activities during that time. It is an ideal opportunity and length of time to gain an understanding of another culture and also to share our culture!

Please contact

Tim Tucker

Deputy Principal

Email: [tk@nelcollege.school.nz](mailto:tk@nelcollege.school.nz)

Phone: (03) 5483099 ext 835

### Nelson Bays Community Law Inc

Nelson Bays Community Law provides FREE help for students and parents with legal problems at school. Phone 548 1288 or text 027 298 2796 for an appointment.

## STUDENT OFFICE NOTICES

### NCEA 2011 Results and Certificates

- NCEA Results and Certificates are no longer posted to students from NZQA.
- Students should access their 2011 School Results Summary from the NZQA website and order copies of their NCEA, UE certificates and Record of Achievement. There will be no charge for certificates for newly-awarded qualifications but there is a charge for reprints.
- Students will need to register to access the NZQA website if they have not already done so through the Learner Login area: <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login>.
- Also check your fees are paid (where fees have not been paid, credits do not contribute to qualifications.) Unpaid fees can be paid through the Pay Outstanding Fees menu.

## FEATURED OLD BOY



**John Towns** (1958-61) was awarded a Queen's Service Medal for services to the community in the 2012 New Years Honours list. John received the award for recognition for his work with Special Olympics Nelson, an organisation he co-founded in 1984, which now helps about 200 athletes train and compete in events locally and internationally every year. He has also been a stalwart of Nelson College and one of our greatest supporters, having served as President of the Nelson College Old Boys' Association and Chairman of the Nelson College Trust Foundation for many years. A much deserved recipient.



**Toolbox**  
parenting groups

### Parenting Tweens and Teens (12 - 18 years)

**We will show you that although these years can be challenging, they can actually be some of the best years of your life - and theirs!**

**Start Date** : Wednesday 29 February  
(6 week course held every Wednesday)  
**Venue** Grace Church Lounge – 452 Lower Queen Street, Richmond  
**Cost** : \$67:50 per person or \$90 per couple (there is subsidy funding available if needed)

#### The 6 week course covers the following topics:

Atmosphere, Boundaries, Responsibility, Communication, Technology, Discipline, Self-esteem, Resilience, Relationships and Future Focus.

For additional information and registration phone Sandy Hitchens 5442132 or email [nelsontbx@theparentingplace.com](mailto:nelsontbx@theparentingplace.com)

For additional resources or to book online check out [www.theparentingplace.com](http://www.theparentingplace.com)



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## EXPLORE TONGA –SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS 2012

There are a few spaces still available for the September Holidays school trip to Tonga. This is a great opportunity for students to explore the tropical islands of Tonga and experience the culture of the local people. For further information please contact Tim Tucker on email to [tk@nelcollege.school.nz](mailto:tk@nelcollege.school.nz) or telephone 03 5483099 x835.

## SCHOOL INFORMATION

### School Office

All visitors to the College must check in at the school office in the first instance.

### Student Achievement

The College aims to acknowledge all outstanding student achievement. Please contact the Headmaster, Mr Gary O'Shea by email on [oe@nelcollege.school.nz](mailto:oe@nelcollege.school.nz) with any information on your son's successes.

### Attendance

If your son is absent it is important that the school is notified.

- Please call the attendance line on ph: 548 3099 Ext 2 with details of your son's name and the reason for his absence.
- A medical certificate is required if a student is ill for three or more days.
- Students are not to leave school if they are feeling unwell without permission. They must sign-out at the reception office before leaving the school grounds.**
- Full absence procedures can be found on the College website.

### Leave for non-school related activities

Request for leave that is non-school related, during the school year, must be addressed to the Headmaster, Mr Gary O'Shea either by email or in writing at least two weeks prior to the start of leave.

### Term Dates 2012

Term 1: 31 January - 5 April  
Term 2: 23 April - 29 June  
Term 3: 16 July - 28 September  
Term 4: 15 October-6 December

### PTA Uniform Shop Hours

**Term 1 & 4** Thursday: 3–7pm  
Friday: 1–2.30pm  
**Term 2 & 3** Thursday: 3–6.30pm  
Friday: 1–2.30pm

### Lost Property

- Please ensure your son's property is named, so that found items can be returned promptly.
- If you have purchased second-hand clothing please remove the old name tags and replace with new name tags.
- For enquiries about Lost Property please contact the College Office on telephone 03 5483099

### Management Team Email Contacts

Headmaster, **Gary O'Shea**  
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Assistant Principal, **Annette Taylor**  
[ta@nelcollege.school.nz](mailto:ta@nelcollege.school.nz)

## PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**MONDAY 19 MARCH AT 7PM IN THE COLLEGE STAFFROOM**

Headmaster, Gary O'Shea will discuss the College's NCEA results and direction of the College in 2012.

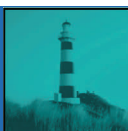
All parents are warmly invited to attend.

Supper and refreshments will be served

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**NELSON COLLEGE – LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES 2012**

<p align="center"><b>HEADMASTER</b> Gary O'Shea</p>	<p align="center"><b>DEP. PRINCIPAL</b> Tim Tucker</p>	<p align="center"><b>ASST. PRINCIPAL</b> Ron Kelly</p>	<p align="center"><b>ASST. PRINCIPAL</b> Annette Taylor</p>
<p><b>Strategic Planning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview &amp; vision</li> <li>• Implementation of strategic planning process</li> <li>• Overview of policies</li> </ul> <p><b>Curriculum Assessment Reporting &amp; Teaching Excellence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair Academic Strategic planning group</li> <li>• Supervise Deputy Principal, Asst Principals, Curriculum Manager</li> </ul> <p><b>Finances &amp; Property:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operating &amp; Capital works</li> <li>• BOT Physical Resources Cmt</li> <li>• Supervise Resource Manager</li> <li>• Supervise Finance Officer</li> </ul> <p><b>Staffing &amp; Timetable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview</li> <li>• Non Teaching Staff</li> </ul> <p><b>Publications / Communication:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charter &amp; Annual Report</li> <li>• Fact sheet/newsletters</li> <li>• Curriculum Booklet</li> <li>• Old Boys/Trust liaison</li> </ul> <p><b>Prep School :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BOT Prep Cmtee</li> <li>• Supervise Prep Headteacher</li> </ul> <p><b>International &amp; Boarding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview</li> <li>• Supervise International Director</li> <li>• Supervise Director of Boarding</li> </ul> <p><b>Faculties/Departments</b> Science (Bio/Chem/Phys), Maths, Enviro, International, Prep</p>	<p><b>Curriculum Assessment EOTC Reporting &amp; Teaching Excellence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mentoring programme overview &amp; implementation</li> <li>• Thurs PD programme</li> <li>• Chair IT &amp; PD Committee</li> <li>• Supervise SCT / IT Manager / Data Manager.</li> <li>• Supervise Matakia &amp; EOTC coordinator</li> </ul> <p><b>Finances &amp; Property:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5yr &amp; 10 yr Property plan overview</li> <li>• Physical Resources Committee</li> </ul> <p><b>Publications / Communication:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Website / Intranet development</li> <li>• Old Boys/Trust liaison</li> <li>• Parent &amp; Business Community links</li> <li>• Nelsonian</li> <li>• Chair Communication Strategic planning group</li> </ul> <p><b>Events :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff social events</li> <li>• Year 8 Orientation &amp; Evening</li> <li>• Course selection night</li> <li>• Graduation Dinner</li> </ul> <p><b>Leadership within SLT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responsible for the day to day running of the school</li> <li>• Discipline systems</li> <li>• Deputise for the Headmaster</li> </ul> <p><b>Other</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ERO preparation for 2012 (July)</li> </ul> <p><b>Faculties/Departments</b> English, PE, Soc Stds, Drama/Music</p>	<p><b>Teaching Staff</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Management of the PRTs</li> <li>• LATS training coordination</li> <li>• College of Education Trainees</li> </ul> <p><b>Health, Safety &amp; EOTC :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview &amp; management</li> <li>• Chair H &amp; S committee</li> <li>• College disaster preparations</li> </ul> <p><b>Maori &amp; Pasifika Students :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MT rep on Runanga matua</li> <li>• Maori / Pasifika achievement</li> </ul> <p><b>Co – Curricula</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview</li> <li>• Chair Colours committee</li> <li>• Supervise Sports Coordinator &amp; Asst Sports Coordinator</li> </ul> <p><b>Publications :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff Manual</li> </ul> <p><b>Student Support</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supervise Learning Mentor Coordinator</li> <li>• Coordinate IEPs with Guidance staff and teachers</li> <li>• Supervise Guidance Counsellors</li> <li>• Supervise Student Support Manager</li> <li>• Chair Pastoral Care Strategic planning group</li> </ul> <p><b>Events :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anzac Service</li> <li>• Co-Curricula Prizegiving</li> <li>• Sponsors &amp; Supporters</li> <li>• Tuesday assemblies Term 1 &amp; 2</li> </ul> <p><b>Faculties/Departments</b> Technology, Languages, Computer Stds, Learning Support</p>	<p><b>Boarding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discipline &amp; finances</li> <li>• All contracts</li> <li>• Overview, mentoring &amp; supervision of Housemasters</li> <li>• Boarding manual</li> <li>• Supervise Catering &amp; San Managers</li> <li>• New Enrolments</li> <li>• New entrants day organisation</li> <li>• GAP students</li> </ul> <p><b>Finances &amp; Property:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boarding budgets</li> <li>• All boarding staff contracts</li> <li>• Boarding Property policies and development programmes</li> </ul> <p><b>Marketing Local:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning and responsibility for NZ marketing related directly to Boarding</li> <li>• Assist with website development</li> </ul> <p><b>Publications / Communication:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boarding newsletters</li> <li>• Boarding Parent Community links</li> </ul> <p><b>Events :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Junior Prizegiving</li> <li>• Boarders events</li> <li>• Snr Prizegiving</li> <li>• Tuesday assemblies Term 3 &amp; 4</li> </ul> <p><b>Careers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview &amp; coordination of careers</li> <li>• Maori &amp; Pasifika achievement &amp; career pathways</li> <li>• Gateway &amp; STAR coordination</li> <li>• Supervise Careers Counsellor</li> </ul> <p><b>Faculties/Departments</b> Commerce, Art</p>



**CHARTER - Section I  
INTRODUCTION**

**VISION**

A College which maximises each boy’s potential to contribute positively to society.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Preparing Young Men to take their Place in the World by fostering the values of Loyalty, Honesty & Wisdom Through Quality Education

**MOTTO**

- Loyalty (“Pietas”)
- Honesty (“Probitas”)
- Sapientia (“Wisdom”)

**STRATEGIC SECTION**

**STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE – Academic Excellence**

Broad Aims	Key Priorities
<p>Students will achieve their intellectual potential by striving for and attaining the highest standards of academic excellence.</p>	<p>Provision of multiple curriculum/qualification pathways.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trades education / academy</li> <li>- Enrichment / Scholarship Cambridge pathway</li> <li>- mainstream NCEA</li> <li>- media education centre</li> <li>- maori education centre</li> <li>- Year 11/12 Employment Skills</li> </ul> <p>Provision of programmes and staffing for support for those with special learning needs.</p> <p>Improved strategies for meeting individual learning including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Curriculum &amp; pedagogical differentiation.</li> <li>- Curriculum design with a literacy focus.</li> <li>- Tracking of individual student performance.</li> <li>- Focus on Maori/Pasifika achievement and Gifted &amp; Talented identification and achievement</li> <li>- Integration of IT</li> </ul>

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE – Personal Development

Broad Aims	Key Priorities
<p>Will demonstrate respectful and caring attitudes at school and in the community, as well as the courage to stand up for what is right.</p> <p>Students will develop the skills they need to form genuine relationships in our diverse society and to make contributions to our community</p>	<p>The enhancement of cultural strengths in the College and the elimination of cultural weaknesses.</p> <p>The development of programmes which</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide an environment where students value others through respect, generosity and service.</li> <li>• Provide opportunities for individual students to develop resilience and the courage to do what is right.</li> <li>• Provide a culture where student/student, adult/student and adult/adult relationships are strengthened.</li> </ul>

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE – Sense of Belonging.

Broad Aims	Key Priorities
<p>Students will develop the skills they need to form genuine relationships in our diverse society and to make contributions to our community.</p> <p>Students will take a part in a range of activities, both sporting and cultural in enhancing their personal skill development, confidence and awareness of other cultures. The underlying principal of balance will be maintained.</p>	<p>Increase the community involvement in the College in order to strengthen all aspects of the College including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cultural identity</li> <li>- Co curricula support</li> <li>- Intellectual expertise</li> <li>- Financial and project support</li> <li>- Strategic direction</li> </ul> <p>Support and resource adequately all Co curricula activities/sports at the College</p> <p>Increase the quality of physical resources (eg fields) and human resources (coaches) for key sports codes.</p> <p>Maximise the use and effectiveness of the Mataki outdoor facility.</p>



**NELSON COLLEGE – CO-CURRICULA RESPONSIBILITIES 2012**  
**Leadership Team Supervisor Assistant Principal R.Kelly**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SPORTS COORDINATOR</b>  Chris Lawton (Full time)  <a href="mailto:ln@nelcollege.school.nz">ln@nelcollege.school.nz</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ASSISTANT SPORTS COORDINATOR</b>  James Gillson (28 hours term time)  <a href="mailto:gn@nelcollege.school.nz">gn@nelcollege.school.nz</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SPORTS ASSISTANT</b>  Lee Nelmes (8 hours Boarding – 4 hours Mini Buses –3 hrs House sports)</p>
<p><b>Overall responsibility for all Co-Curricula activities</b>  <b>All administrative tasks associated with Sports Tasman and SPARC and National bodies</b>  <b>Budget Holder for Co-Curricula</b>  <b>Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• House Athletics Day</li> <li>• All Tasman regionals</li> <li>• School Athletics</li> <li>• School Swimming</li> <li>• All South Isl and National Events</li> <li>• School CoCurricula awards and prizes</li> <li>• School photographs</li> </ul> <p><b>Ensuring Coordination and Communication channels for all of the following codes/sports and teams</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Athletics</li> <li>• Football / Rowing</li> <li>• Basketball/Cross Country</li> <li>• Sailing</li> <li>• Triathlon/Cycling/MTB</li> <li>• Swimming</li> <li>• Golf</li> <li>• Bowls / Rock Climbing</li> <li>• Softball</li> <li>• Underwater hockey</li> <li>• Waka Ama</li> </ul> <p><b>Ensure that coaches and managers of all Nelson College representatives (individuals or teams) are supported with</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EOTC documentation.</li> <li>• Accommodation / travel bookings.</li> <li>• Assistance with funding applications through Resource Manager.</li> </ul> <p><b>Organise parent / managers meetings for all above codes when needed.</b></p> <p><b>House Competition –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all organisation and the production of a manual for Housemasters</li> </ul>	<p><b>Organisation of Rugby, Cricket, Hockey &amp; VBall</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registrations.</li> <li>• Represent College at meetings of these Nelson codes.</li> <li>• Recruit coaches and managers (assisted by KL/FR/NB/LN)</li> <li>• Liaise with the Resource manager with respect to fields, markings and facilities bookings etc.</li> <li>• Liaise with LN re tournaments/trips for these codes including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ QUAD</li> <li>○ Willows etc</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Organise College playing strips and equipment for teams</li> <li>• Organise laundry (when needed)</li> <li>• Organise field setup for Saturday home rugby (namely Broads)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Organisation of Boarding activities</b>  <b>In liaison with Housemasters and Director of Boarding.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 hours of activities (+ 2 hours for admin per week)</li> </ul> <p><b>Organisation of</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• mini bus bookings</li> <li>• maintenance schedules</li> <li>• WOF etc</li> <li>• Liaison with Finance Manager</li> </ul> <p><b>Assist with major sports events including House competition</b></p>

