



# NELSON COLLEGE

## Boarding Newsletter

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Kia ora koutou,

Wow! Another super busy term that seems to have flown by 'in the blink of an eye!'

I am currently sitting in Greymouth with Sandra Cahill, our Boarding Administrator, at the beginning of our West Coast marketing trip, and the weather couldn't be more beautiful - it's so sunny & warm! Glorious. We're looking forward to meeting up with current parents and becoming acquainted with some new families over the next few days.

I am looking forward to telling families about our 'high performing boys' school with traditions' (Ero 2016) and this term within our boarding community, our boys have continued to take advantage of what Nelson College has to offer. Week after week our assemblies acknowledge and celebrate our boys' achievements in academics, sport and cultural activities.

I am looking forward to telling parents about our calendar of boarding events which included our recent Sports Weekend. It was great to have parents enjoy Nelson's hospitality, be a part of our traditional college service, and support our boys at the house sports on the Monday. Showcasing our new haka and boarding shirts was another highlight. In keeping with our culture of self-reflection, we're thinking of expanding next year's events on the Sunday to include a parent meeting/morning tea at a local café and a rotation of different sporting events for boys and parents to participate in on the afternoon before a shared meal afterwards. We'll keep you posted as we shape these ideas further.

As we move into the cooler months of the year, it's probably timely these holidays to check that your son has plenty of warm clothes to bring back into boarding after the holidays. This includes a warm and water proof jacket - named.

## Key Dates Term 2

Nelson College Boarding Open Day	11 May
Careers Roadshow & Cross Country	14 May
Teacher Only Day	31 May
Queens Birthday	3 June
Senior Reports	6 June
Junior Reports	4 July
Last day of term	5 July

As we finish Term 1, I want to congratulate the Rutherford boys on making the transition from their previous building into the refurbished Rutherford House. We're all apprehensive about change, and usually we cope remarkably well with it when it arrives. Our Rutherford boys have had to settle into changing dynamics of new people and now new spaces as well in the past two years, and all credit goes to the majority of them for doing this with a positive attitude.

Finally, I'd like to wish you all a relaxing and safe holiday. We look forward to welcoming your son(s) back again to begin our winter terms & activities.

Ngā mihi,

Samme Hippolite  
Director of Boarding