



Nelson College News

Kia ora tātou,

Friday 19 February 2021

I am very pleased that we've now returned to Alert Level 1, and that 'normal transmission' can resume at the college. Please read the calendar to the right with new dates for postponed events. I've also added a list of events affected by the temporary shift to Alert Level 2 such as the Year 9 Parents evening.

The school is as busy as ever, but there is a positive sense of falling into routine. I hope that life is going well for our new year 7 and year 9 students. Life at college can be very different from primary and intermediate school routines, and it's not uncommon for our young men to get very tired as they adjust to this.

Please contact us, especially your child's Dean, if you have any questions or concerns.

Farewell Tim Tucker (Deputy Headmaster)

Congratulations to Tim Tucker, Deputy Headmaster, who's been appointed to a role at the Ministry of Education (Wellington). This is a loss to the college. Tim has worked at Nelson College for 27 years and has a tremendous wealth of knowledge and experience, having worked in various leadership roles including as Acting Headmaster during the 2020 COVID lockdown.

Tim has expressed his sadness at leaving the college after so many years of service and building many strong and positive relationships in the Nelson community. The good news is that we're not losing Tim entirely from education, and that he'll be using his depth of education acumen at the Ministry of Education for our rangatahi.

Tim's last day will be Friday 12th March, with a staff farewell before that. I'm sure you'll join me in wishing Tim the very best in the next chapter of his career.

Sports Sign-Up's

A number of our sports have started to get students signing up for teams – social and competitive. Ordinarily we would have advertised this at assembly this week, but couldn't due to COVID. Please get your son to connect with our sports staff (upstairs in the gym) if he wants to sign up, but doesn't know where to go.

Postponed Events

The following events were postponed from last week to next:

Tuesday 23rd February

- Prep School Parents Evening (7.00 pm in the Prep Classrooms)

Wednesday 24th February

- Academic Colours Assembly (10.50am in Hall, whānau welcome)
- Year 9 Parents Evening (7.00 – 8.15pm, start in Hall)

Richard Dykes
Headmaster



Upcoming Events:

February

- 21 Boarders Kaiteriteri Day
- 23 Prep Parents' Evening
- 24 Academic Colours Assembly
- 24 Year 9 Parents' Evening

March

- 2 Marlborough Summer Sports Exchange
- 4 **Mufti Day**
Interim Reports available
- 5 House Swimming
- 15 House Athletics
Boarding PT interviews
Shortened school day

[Full Calendar](#)

2021 Student Leadership Team

Introducing our Leadership Team for 2021:

Back: Moss Cattell, Michael Lauer, Tim McIlroy (Deputy Head Boys) and Hoon Lee (Deputy International Head Boy).

Front: Louis Robin-Seniloli (Maori Head Boy), Stanley Page-Bates (BOT Representative), Mr Dykes, Kaio Lart (Head Boy), WooSeok Jang (International Head Boy) and Nelesoni Malaulau (Pasifika Head Boy).

Congratulations to all these young men, and we look forward to their work throughout the year.



Teacher Achievements

Congrats to Simon Mardon (Assistant Faculty Leader Social Sciences and Housemaster for Barnicoat House) and Craig Wallace for coming in 8th (out of 72) in the Two Day Tandem Team for the 2021 Kathmandu Coast to Coast.



Nelson College Counsellors

We're heading into week 4 already and hopefully everyone's settling into the school year. If you are feeling overwhelmed, anxious or stressed, and you need someone to talk to, please don't hesitate to contact our school counsellors, Mr Field and Mrs Restall. Here's a direct link for making an appointment: <https://bit.ly/3hEftS4>



Careers Hub

Kia ora from the Careers Hub!

For our senior students who are making plans for 2022, Term 1 has lots of opportunities to explore different options. To support this, we have liaison visits and lunchtime seminars booked throughout the term. I really encourage students to attend these – it helps them cross ideas off their lists as well as exposing them to opportunities they may not otherwise have considered.

UPCOMING CAREERS EVENTS: (for the next two weeks)

- *General University Info seminar* Friday 19th @ 1.30pm in Library (targeted at students)
- *P.A.C.E: General Uni Info seminar* Monday 22nd @ 7pm in Staffroom (targeted at parents/whanau)
- *Victoria University Liaison visit* Monday 22nd @ 1.30pm in Library
- *Massey University Liaison visit* Tuesday 2nd March @ 1.30pm in Library
- *University of Canterbury Liaison visit* Thursday 4th March @ 10am in Library

COMING UP LATER THIS TERM:

- Liaison visits from NMIT, NZDF, Otago, Waikato & ARA
- Seminars on Careers in Sport and Careers in Horticulture

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:

- New Zealand Planning Institute (NZPI) are holding a workshop on 24th March for Y13 students interested in Planning as a career
- On Campus Experience week at Otago University for Y13 Maori students – applications open **now**
- QRC Experience Days – open to anyone who is interested in exploring study in tourism/hospitality <https://www.qrc.ac.nz/information-for-career-advisers/events-open-days-and-visits/>

For further information on these see Vikki Heays in the Careers Hub or email vh@nelsoncollege.school.nz

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Thank you for contacting us with work placement opportunities for our students! We have now placed students with employers to give them work experience in building, marine upholstery, electrician, automotive mechanics, farming and mechanical engineering.

We are still looking for opportunities for our students, particularly in the areas of building and automotive. We screen our students and make sure that they are workplace ready and come with PPE gear and basic health and safety knowledge.

If you have any contacts that may be able to help us please contact Chris Phillips on pl@nelsoncollege.school.nz!

Ngā mihi
Vikki & Chris

Supported Learning Team

Nelson College has a dedicated team working towards helping students to engage, achieve, participate, and gain confidence in themselves and their learning.

Left to right: Jennifer Arai (Learning Support Co-ordinator), Marg Trewavas, Paula Smith, Archie Smith, Matthew Mayer and Trudy Byers. Absent: Deb Doherty (Learning Support Co-ordinator), and Megan MacGibbon

There's more information here: www.nelsoncollege.school.nz/learning-support/



The team is here to help. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:
Jennifer Arai, ar@nelsoncollege.school.nz 03 548 3099 extension 802

Sports Office Snippets

A huge sigh of relief was heard from our office when Level 1 was announced !

- Volleyball has started. We have 2 senior teams playing on a Tuesday night, one senior and 5 junior teams on a Thursday night. A massive thanks to our senior players for coaching our junior teams.
- TSS Futsal was due to be played yesterday, but because the Government announcement was late in the day it was decided to postpone this until Term 2. The positive for us is that we will be able to enter more teams!
- NC Championship Swimming happens on Monday and the Nelson Girls' College pool. This will see the crowning of our Junior, Intermediate and Senior Swim Champions. Good luck boys.
- Good luck to our Senior A & B Volleyball teams who travel to Blenheim tomorrow for the first round of qualifying for Nationals.

Congratulations to Cooper Grant

Cooper was recently named MVP at the U19 Baseball Nationals. As Nelson was unable to field a team, he played for a North Island team and showed his talent. Cooper remains humble stating he is still learning the game and did pretty well, but we know he is a superstar in the making. Cooper is a very talented athlete, and we look forward to watching his progress through his Y13 on the mound and in the 1st XV Rugby team. Congratulations Cooper.

Sign ups

We are at the start of our 31 events in 9 weeks, so please remind your son to read the notices and listen at assembly. The following sports are calling for registrations:

- TSS Triathlon – register online <https://www.tasmanschoolstri.nz/> for this event on March 2nd
- NC Championship Athletics, hurry as entries close on Tuesday. Registration forms in the Sports Office or with your PE teacher
- If you missed out on signing up for Cricket or Volleyball please see Alethea asap in the Sports Office, or email se@nelsoncollege.school.nz

Maths Hack!

The pages of a book are consecutively numbered from 1 through 384.

How many times does the digit 8 appear in this numbering?

Answer at the end of the newsletter...



Student Office

For results, return of exam papers, reviews and reconsiderations go to: [NQZA Results Publications](#)

- Any NCEA Reviews and Reconsiderations must be made by Friday 26th February.
- Any NZ Scholarship Reviews and Reconsiderations must be made by Friday 5^h March.

Ordering Certificates

All Year 12 and 13 students should now order a printed copy of their NCEA and other National Certificates. from the NZQA website. There is no charge for these documents and certificates.

Order documents from the link on the student's learner login <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login>.

Please keep Certificates in a safe place. **The school does not hold copies.** If lost, you will need to re-apply to NZQA and replacement fees are charged.

Queries regarding any of the above please contact either:
Principal's Nominee Brian Hore he@nelsoncollege.school.nz
or Sandra Cahill sc@nelsoncollege.school.nz



NZ Scholarship results are now available
Students can access their NCEA results using their student login

Login here 



Fell House Group Accommodation

Do you have a sports team or community group coming to Nelson that needs accommodation?

Nelson College Fell House has all-year-round dormitory style accommodation with some private single rooms. We cater to groups only, so we're the perfect facility for sports and community groups, as well as courses. As a year-round accommodation, there is nothing to compare in Nelson. Its location on the edge of the school campus means that incoming groups can use the building without impeding on the day-to-day running of the school.

We have a full Dining Room with catering for all meals. Depending on the timing of the bookings, there is also access to the School Hall, gyms, pool and playing fields.

In the last couple of years, Fell has hosted sports teams and groups from around the country – from basketball to judo as well as orchestras and St Johns, at a school and community level. The dormitory style makes it perfect for teams, with the separate wings able to facilitate different hirers at the same time.

Our rates are very competitive! For more information, contact Sharon Dawson on sd@nelsoncollege.school.nz



Finding the right information

Remember, if you need any information about the Calendar, upcoming activities, Absence Forms, newsletters, etc etc, **check the website first** – www.nelsoncollege.school.nz

Nelson College has a number of FB pages – these have news, student achievements and updates:

Main Page <https://www.facebook.com/nelsoncollegenz>

Old Boys <https://www.facebook.com/nelsoncollegeoldboys>

Prep <https://www.facebook.com/Nelson-College-Preparatory-School>

International <https://www.facebook.com/nelsoncollegeinternational>

Sports <https://www.facebook.com/NelsonCollegeSports>

Rugby <https://www.facebook.com/Nelson-College-Rugby>

Basketball <https://www.facebook.com/nelsoncollegebball>

As well as a public group for Cricket <https://www.facebook.com/groups/126804397689075>

And Instagram! https://www.instagram.com/nelson_college_nz/

Maths Hack answer:

The digit 8 appears a total of 73 times.