

Newsletter

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Tumuaki's Report



Kia ora koutou,

This week our Years 11-13 students have begun their national NCEA examinations. I would encourage parents to keep up to date with their student examination timetables. Teachers are running additional tutorials and I hope your child will take the opportunity to get additional support. Some of our students will only have a few examinations and will need to continue at school and work on their credits. It is expected that students will continue to wear their uniform to school during examination time and for examinations.

Over the last couple of weeks, I have been really privileged to view the completed Art Portfolios from our Years 11-13 Art students. The high level of talent is really inspiring. Mr Fleming has an amazing talent for enabling our students to develop their talent. We hope to be able to display the portfolios at the Prizegiving.

Last week a number of our Years 10 and 11 students sat the second round of CAA's (Common assessment tasks) for literacy and numeracy. This is part of the NCEA changes at Level 1 which will be fully implemented by 2025.

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While the pressure is on our senior students, our primary children are working really hard rehearsing for next week's Production. There will only be one performance, so I hope as many of you as possible can attend next Wednesday evening.

Unfortunately, the Pelorus Athletics was cancelled due to weather again this year. There are ongoing discussions to ensure that there will be a postponement date included in next year's planning. However, Rai will be hosting the Pelorus Cluster Top Team activities day on Tuesday 5th December. Mr. Briasco has entered a Year 7 and 8's team in Marlborough schools Kia o Rahi Competition in Blenheim next week, on Tuesday 14th November.

There are two Teacher Only Days coming up. The Years 7-13 day will be on Monday 20th November and our teachers will be working with other teachers across Nelson and Marlborough on the upcoming NCEA changes. The Years 1- 6 teachers will be joining Pelorus cluster schools on Friday 24th November to work on upcoming curriculum changes

Currently, we are surveying for the bi-annual health consultation. So when you receive the survey in the next couple of weeks please take the time to fill it out. It is a great opportunity to have your say.

**Noho ora mai
Maree**

Calendar Dates

Wednesday 15th Nov

Primary Syndicate Production

Thursday 16th Nov

Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday 20th Nov

Years 7-13 – Teacher Only Day

Friday 24th Nov

Years 1-6 – Teacher Only Day

To be confirmed –

Thursday 7th Dec at 6.30pmTBC
Prizegiving Years 1-13

Friday 8th Dec

Last day of school



**After School care is back this year.
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Renee Joep on 027 775 0083.
It will be based out of the library again.
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Greetings Everyone

It is disappointing to have cancelled athletics last week, but the ground was indeed wet. Makes for very slippery running. We hope to get a postponement date sorted. If not, Rai classes will join together, perhaps next week to have some fun events and keep the spirit of athletics alive. As a Cluster of Schools, we hope to venture further afield next year and go to Athletic Park in Blenheim for a bigger whole day event.

A few children from Rai took their pets and exhibits through to Tua Marina for Pet Day last week. Special thanks to Colin and Rose Roeske for doing this. Annie and Leah Jones and Kiera Fenton were all placed with ribbons on the day with their pet lambs and calves, well done. Annie and Olivia both won prizes at the Marlborough A and P Day also. If anyone still has Pet Day trophies, please return them to me for engraving, so we can get them back to you before the end of the year.

All of the Primary Syndicate and some students from Room 4 are still busy practising for our Production performance. The show is called "All things Kiwi, All things Rai". It will be staged in the hall at 6.30pm on Wednesday 15th November. There is just this one performance, so mark it on your calendar and don't miss out. Doors will open at 6.15pm. Students will need to be in the back part of the library at 6.00pm. The show will run for about 50 mins. There is an important dress rehearsal on Monday and all students need to bring their correct clothes. Please ask if you don't know. Students will bring home a list on Friday.

The swimming pool has opened. Children can swim with their class whenever the teacher timetables this. Students must bring their togs to change into and a towel. Swimming in their shorts or the clothes they have worn to school is not permitted. A hat and sunscreen on each day is a good policy and a habit for this time of the year too. As it warms up our school uniform policy says hats are compulsory for Years 1-6. Please help children remember to pack their hat each day or even having a spare one at school would be great. Teachers will be enforcing NO Hat, NO Play and children will be sitting in the shade.

Our last event for the year will be Rai hosting the other Pelorus Schools for our Top Team event, early in December. We will keep you posted on further details.

The teachers will be joining the other schools for some Professional Development on Friday 24th November, so there will be NO SCHOOL for the primary students that day. This is Room 12,13 and 14.

Have a great weekend.

Karen Davies and the primary team





NMIT TRADES ACADEMY 2023



Congratulations to our 2023 Trades students for another fantastic year of learning on Fridays at NMIT.

Ash Martin, Harrison Godsi and Vincent Maisey all successfully completed the Mechanical Engineering course and Zoe Jope completed Year 2 of Hospitality and took out Top Student for 2023 in Hospitality again.

CONGRATULATIONSTOYOUALL.

Congratulations on your efforts.

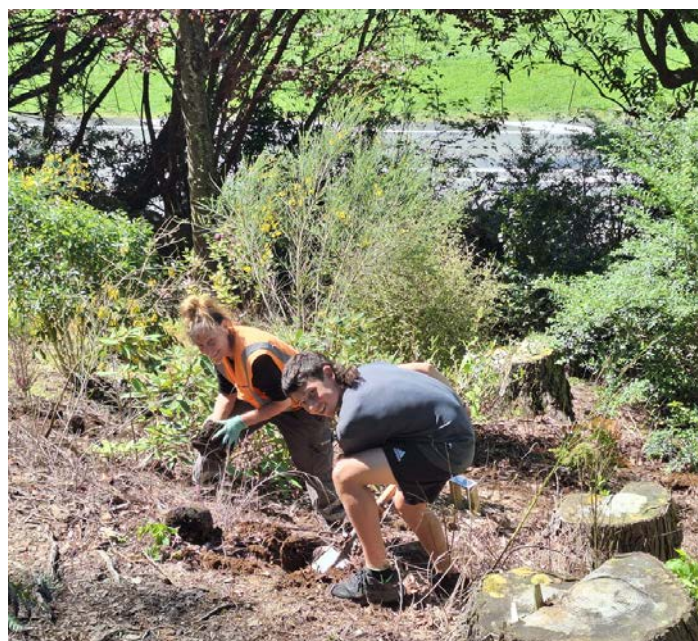


Congratulations to the Khloe Dunbar (Y2), Jeorgie Prattley(Y3), Annie Jones (Y6) and Olivia Harrison(Y6) for having your prized work sent through to the indoor section of Tuamarina's Group Day and then got sent along to the Marlborough A & P show.





Rai War Memorial Native tree planting excellent effort from the team below



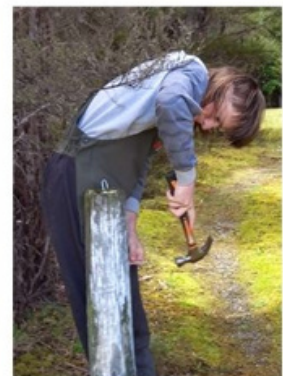
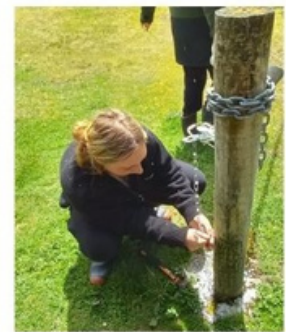
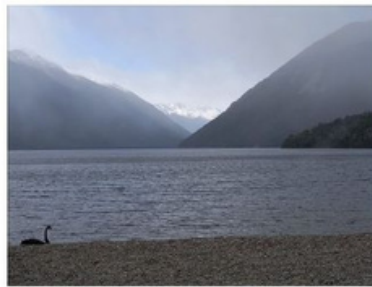


Predator Control and Conservation Course

Some lucky students attended a predator control and conservation course run by Papa Taiao at the Nelson Lakes. The main focus was unit standards in trapping and monitoring invasive mammalian predators.

It rained, it snowed, it hailed, and it got cold but we had warm and wet weather clothes and went out to set and check traps. We worked with three retired volunteers who have been setting traps for 17 years and were keen to share their knowledge with us. There was a lot of paperwork to complete and additional work after the course where students need to set their own traps and upload the data on trap.nz to complete the course and gain all the credits.

And finally a huge thanks to Roz and Steph for all their hard work before and after this event.



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TeAtaarangi would like to invite those interested in TeReoClasses in 2024 to an information evening on Monday 13th November at 6pm at Marlborough Girls College. Come along and find out about the TeAtaarangikaupapa and methodology. Please email or message for further details and directions.



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Thursday November 16th 4-6pm

Collection will only take place during pop-up date and time at the following locations:

Wither Hills Winery – 211 New Renwick Road, Blenheim

MySpace- 18 Kinross St, Blenheim

Envirohub (ongoing collection until Nov 16th) – 14 Auckland St Picton



Keen to be a pop up drop off site location and able to volunteer 3 hours of your time on the 16th of November?

Email Mary at plaisted.mary@gmail.com

Join the Tetra Punks- Marlborough FB page for more info!



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**MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2023
6-8PM**

(BACK UP DATE: MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2023)

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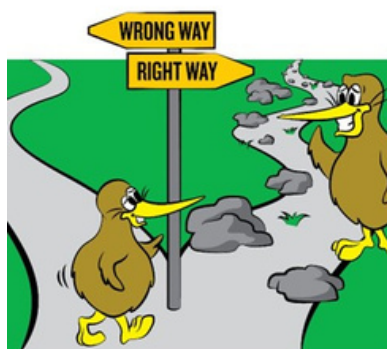
**BLENHEIM, PICTON, RENWICK, HAVELOCK, SEDDON
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Key School Dates for 2023

Wednesday	15 th November	Primary Syndicate Production
Thursday	16 th November	Board of Trustee Meeting
Friday	8 th December	Last day of the school



Integrity *Pono*

Means doing the
right thing.

THE KIWI CAN CORNER

Integrity / Pono



In Kiwi Can we have been learning about peer pressure and how it affects our decisions, now we are putting our learning into practice around making our own decisions. Our juniors are practising thinking before we act when making our decisions. Our older tamariki are exploring different strategies for decision-making which support integrity and making good choices.

Some conversation starters for this week...

- *Why* is it important to think before we act?
- Have you ever jumped right into a decision without thinking it through? What happened? What did you learn from that?
- Have you seen someone else making a silly choice recently? What did you do? What else *could* you have done? What influence would that have had on the outcome?
- What is one *great* decision you made this week? Why?
- How can you set standards for yourself around making decisions? What are some of the standards you've set for yourself that help you make decisions based on integrity?



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