



Tēnā koutou, talofa lava, mālō e lelei, kia orāna, fakaalofa lahi atu, fakatalofa atu, malo ni, ni sa bula vinaka, namaste, hola, konichiwa, sawasdee, nī hāo, mingālabā and warm greetings to you all.

Wow, it is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of what has been a busy and exciting term. A quick scroll back over our Facebook page has seen many examples of learning both in and outside the classroom, from Sailing to Smoothie Bikes and just recently our Summer Tournament.

A reminder to ensure that you support your tamati with getting involved in all Nelson Intermediate has to offer. These opportunities are regularly communicated in the daily notices and can be found in our parent app.

Ngā mihi

Di Webb  
Tumuaki

## Nelson Intermediate School Board By-Election Parent Election Notice



Nominations are open for the election of **3 parent representatives** to the school board.

All eligible voters will have received a letter and nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. If you require more information about what the role entails please contact the Returning Officer (in the school office) for more information.

Nominations can be emailed, mailed or handed into the office. If you need more nomination forms or paper copies of the emailed documents, please contact the school office.

**Nominations close at 12 noon on Tuesday 26th of March 2024.**

Nominees may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with their nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will be a list of candidates kept at the school up until election day, which you can also view.

**Election Day is Tuesday 30th of April 2024. Voting closes on this day at 4pm.**

Signed, Kim Rosser  
Returning Officer

[krosser@nelsonintermediate.school.nz](mailto:krosser@nelsonintermediate.school.nz)



## Have you visited the new library yet?

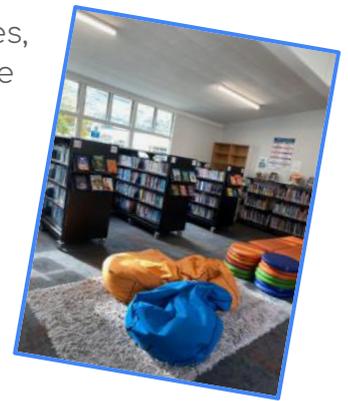


A new location and a new look... you will find the NIS Library between the Tech and Performing Arts Blocks. It is a comfortable and quiet space to read and appreciate books.

The school library offers more than just access to books, even though we do have a large selection of recent releases for recreational reading.

**OPEN: Wednesdays & Fridays during break times.**

Students can visit the library to borrow or return books, study, socialise with friends, read, play games, participate in activities or just have some quiet time out of the busy school day.



## Te Whānau Aorere

It has been all in Te Whānau Aorere over the past few weeks!

In Week 5, we got right into our whānau spirit and competed in the school swimming sports. Our tamariki loved getting the opportunity to link up as a whānau and compete against their peers alongside chants and cheers that echoed throughout the kura. With swimming sports promoting both competition and participation, it was epic to see so many of our Aorere tamariki get into the water and give it their best shot. All of this amazing effort was enough for our whānau to earn 1st place on the day - our first win of 2024!



We have been lucky enough to have Mary from St John come in and lead us in some first aid practice. Our ākonga thoroughly enjoyed being involved in this mahi, and took away some important lessons around how to deal with different situations that may occur in the future.

More recently, ākonga had the opportunity to apply for different leadership roles within the kura. We were overwhelmed by the number of incredible applicants for the role of Te Whānau Aorere Leader.

A massive congratulations to Nova Williams and Edwin Acland - two legends that will be incredible leaders for our whānau.

We also elected two Deputy Leaders - Congratulations to Ayaan Shah and Ricky Pasikala.

Exciting things are on the horizon, make sure you stay tuned!!





## Te Whānau Wairepo

We have been keeping busy in Wairepo!

### ASB Get Wise

In Week 7, Jeff from ASB Get Wise, came in and delivered two lessons. The first lesson was on influences and the second lesson was on planning a holiday. Many lessons were learnt... We now understand the value of insurance in case of unforeseen accidents and weighing up whether paying more sometimes works out financially cheaper (e.g. accommodation with included food and transfers).



### First Aid

Mary, from St John, has also been in to deliver an invaluable basic first aid course. Ākonga learnt the process for responding to a medical emergency (DRS ABCD), how to roll someone into the side safety position (formally known as the recovery position), practise putting on a bandage to stop a bleed and also how to use an AED. Your children may have come home asking to put you into the side safety position or download the AED app which locates local AEDs.



### Leaders

In Week 6 our school leaders were announced. Congratulations to Te Akau McGregor and Sean Bailey who were selected as Wairepo Whānau Leaders. We also had Josep Bik selected as one of the Sports Captains and Skye Thomas as one of the Art Leaders. Ka pai to these ākonga!

### Te Reo with Whaea Renee

This term, Te Whānau Wairepo have been fortunate to have whaea Renee come in and deliver Te-Reo lessons to each class. These lessons have included learning greetings, pronunciation and writing our mihi. Renee will be moving on to a different whānau next term but she has supported us to have a strong start which we will continue to use in the classroom.



## Te Whānau Mocketapu

Ākonga within te Whānau Mocketapu have had their first round of tech rotations. They have enjoyed a range of different experiences and learning within 6 different spaces. Ākonga now move into their second tech option which will again require them to dive into some new learning and experiences - we are looking forward to seeing what they produce and discover!



As the term moves towards to a close ākonga are working hard on their learning journals which they are excited to share with whānau during the parent/teacher conferences on Tuesday next week. Staff and students are looking forward to discussing their learning goals and outcomes with whānau, as well as speaking about some of the exciting things coming up in Term 2.

## Te Whānau Maitahi

Last Friday Maitahi were in charge of organising the whānau challenge. They put together an obstacle course where participants from each whānau competed against each other in a raft of challenges such as; drive the trolley, army crawl and skipping.

Te Whānau Wairepo won the challenge with Maitahi coming 3rd. All participants had fun and the spectators were supportive of their whānau.

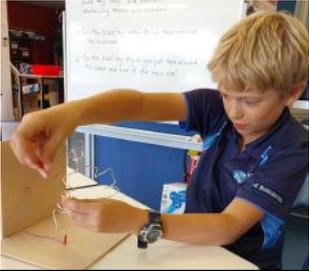




## What has been happening in Science?

In Science, ākonga started out learning about the nature of science, looking at how we use our senses to make observations and then make inferences from what we observe.

The Year 7s then put this knowledge into practice with their own experiment into UV light. They also looked at the different acidity levels of various chemicals that we consume or use on our bodies. Moving forward this will become an investigation into ocean acidification.



Electronic traffic light card - Y8

Testing the 'Steady-hand' buzzer-toy - Y8



Testing the pH of different chemicals - Y7



Electricity generation - Y8



Making a pH rainbow - Y7



Building a 'Steady-hand' buzzer-toy - Y8

Testing the pH of different chemicals - Y7



Acid-Base investigation - Y7



The Year 8s have been carrying out various experiments related to electricity and have either made prototype turbine blades to produce electricity for a 'town', or produced either a light-up card or electrical toy. Then they moved onto experimenting with acid-base reactions, which got a bit messy but was lots of fun.

So much investigation and learning through the design process being undertaken by our budding scientists.

The Year 8s using elephant toothpaste to change the rate of a reaction.





## NIS Uniform

As the mornings get colder and winter sets in ākongā may be looking for a little extra warmth or protection from the rain.

In addition to the shorts, polo and hoodie available from the office, ākongā can wear long navy pants. Schooltex navy cuffed leg pongee trackpants are available to purchase from The Warehouse either in store or online (sizes 4 through to adults 2XL). Please click on the [link](#) to see a photo example of the pants. Navy stockings/thermal tights are also permitted under shorts.

A plain black or navy puffer jacket or raincoat is allowed as an additional layer.

We do have a supply of black jackets in various sizes donated to the school from KidsCan. These can be provided to ākongā at the request of whānau.



If you would like us to supply your child with a black jacket please contact us via email on [studentservices@nelsonintermediate.school.nz](mailto:studentservices@nelsonintermediate.school.nz)

## Attendance

We believe that regular attendance at school is critical for ākongā success. Kaiako partner with whānau to support ākongā attendance. Days off school should generally only be for medical reasons or exceptional events that may be occurring within a whānau.

If your tamariki is off school please let us know by using the caregiver app, phone or emailing. [studentservices@nelsonintermediate.school.nz](mailto:studentservices@nelsonintermediate.school.nz)

In order to support regular attendance at school kaiako may reach out to whānau when a student misses 3 days in a row, or a student's absence reaches 10%. Although 10% seems a relatively small number, over 10 years of education ākongā with absence of greater than 10% will miss over a year of schooling. Research from the ministry of education indicates that students with the highest levels of attendance have the highest levels of wellbeing and educational attainment.

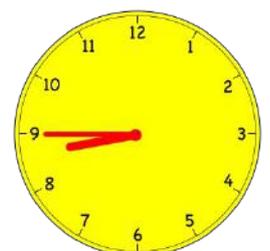
### BEING ON TIME MATTERS

So that our kaiako and ākongā are set up for a successful day we ask that all ākongā are in classrooms by 8.45am. We have been working with ākongā around the importance of being on time. Some key messages for why we should be on time are:

1. Respect: It does not disrupt the flow for everyone already in class.
2. Learning: You won't miss important stuff at the beginning of class.
3. Less stress: Rushing isn't fun!

#### Top Tips:

- **Set those alarms!**
- **Get your stuff ready at night.**
- **Leave a little earlier just in case.**





# IMPORTANT NOTICE:

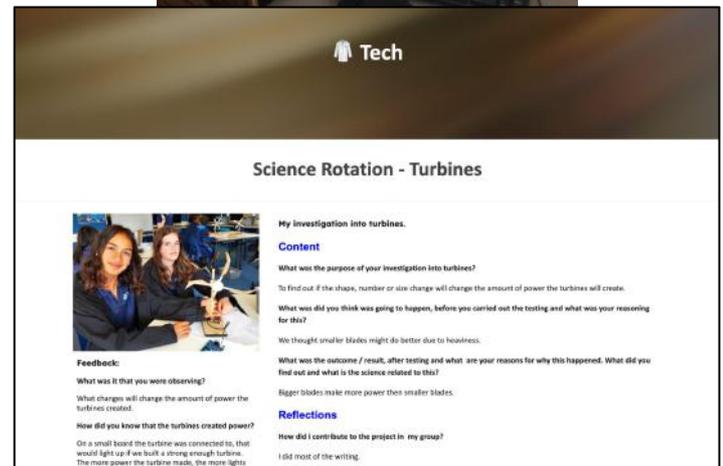
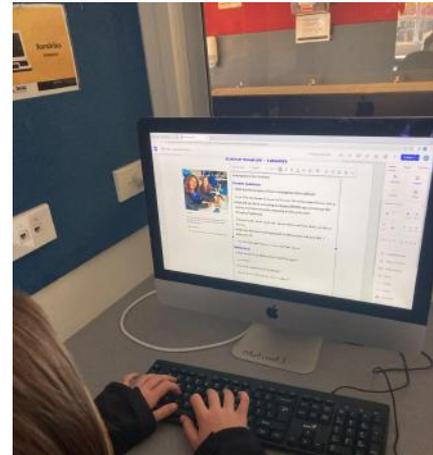
PAID UNION MEETING  
Friday 5th April 2024  
SCHOOL FINISHES 12.30pm

## Learning Journals

During Term 1, kaiako have been supporting ākonga to think about 'learning to learn'. Ākonga have been encouraged to personally reflect on their current learning dispositions such as collaboration, active listening, risk-taking, and perseverance. They have developed their own 'learning to learn' goal and described strategies for strengthening this disposition. Many have also started to think about how this goal will help them progress with different aspects of their learning.

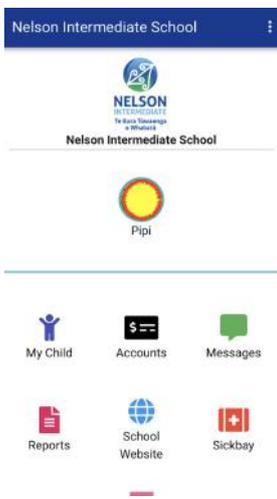
These reflections are captured and shared in an ākonga Learning Journal and this can be accessed through the @School App Parent Portal.

We recognise that as whānau, you play a vital role in supporting your child's learning journey. We hope you enjoy engaging in conversations with your child about their 'learning to learn' goal, and its importance both inside and outside of the classroom.

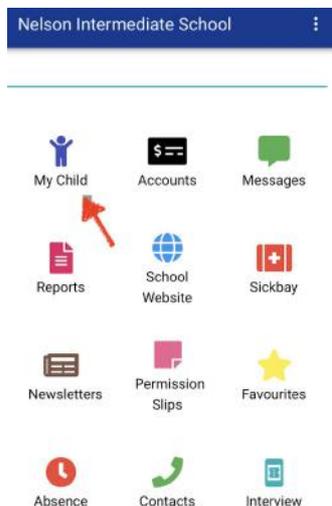


### How to Access your child's Learning Journal through the @school App:

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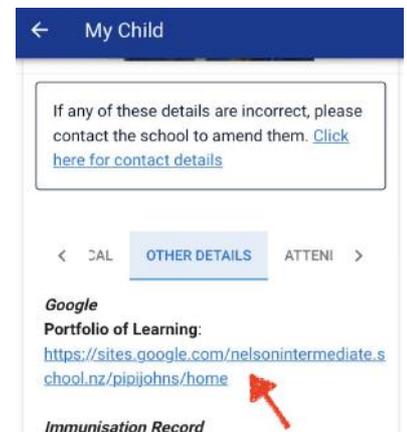
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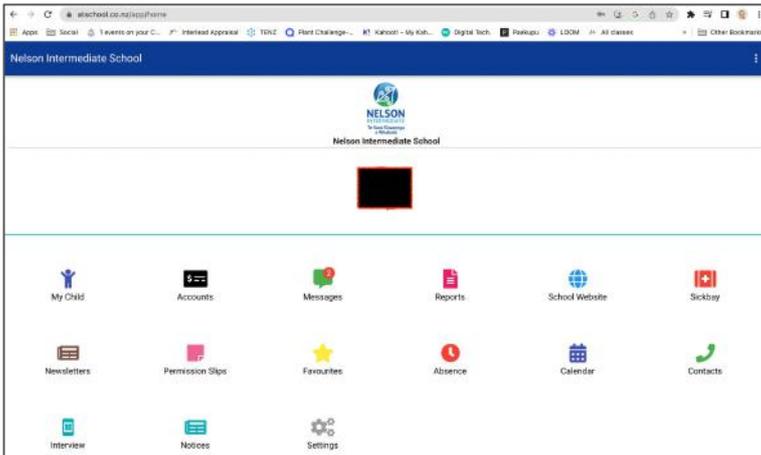




# Learning Journals

## Frequently asked Questions?

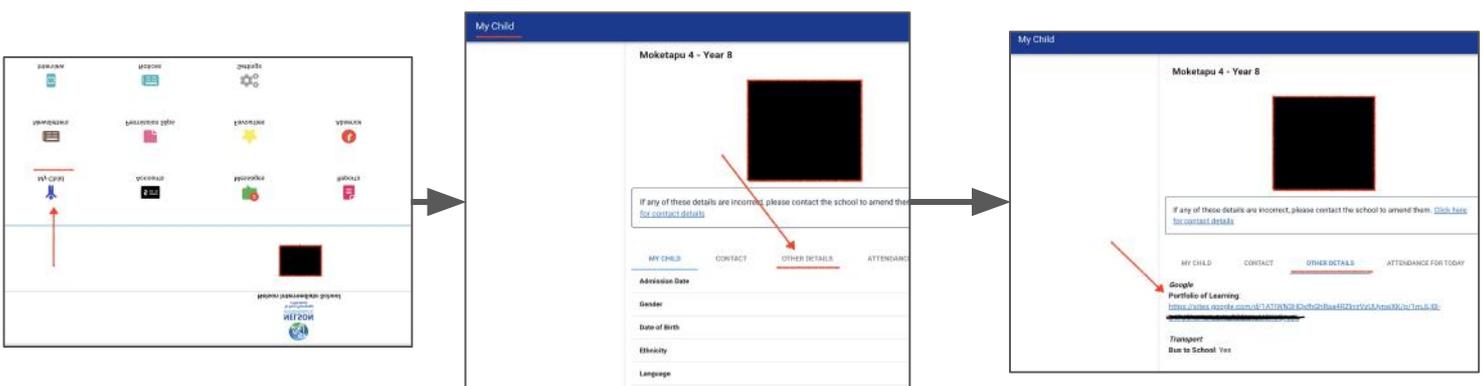
What will I see in the @School App Parent Portal?



This online parent portal app provides quick and easy access to information about your child, clubs, events and much more... including Learning Journals.

### How will I access my child's Learning Journal?

- Through an email link sent out from k̄iako.
- Through the @School app.
- **You will also need a google account to access your child's learning journal.**



### What if I don't know how to download the @School app or to locate my child's Learning Journals?

Your child could show you via their login or you could connect with your child's kaiako. In Week 9 we have whānau learning conversations and this might be a good time to get support with some of these digital 'to dos'. We are in the process of training up ākonga digital leaders to support whānau with all their digital queries.



# Learning Journals

Tip: You don't need a free Gmail account to create a Google Account.

You can use your non-Gmail email address to create one instead.

1. Go to the [Google Account sign in page](#).
2. Click Create Account.
3. Enter your name.
4. In the 'Username' field, enter a username.
5. Enter and confirm your password. (Tip: When you enter your password on a mobile, the first letter isn't case sensitive).
6. Click Next. (Optional: Add and verify a phone number for your account).
7. Click Next.

## Want to use an existing email address?

1. Go to the [Google Account Sign-In page](#).
2. Click Create Account.
3. Enter your name.
4. Click Use my current email address instead.
5. Enter your current email address.
6. Click Next.
7. Verify your email address with the code sent to your existing email.
8. Click Verify.



## @School App - Helpful Information

The screenshot shows the app interface with the following callouts:

- My Child:** - View your child's contact details, - Access link to Learning Journals
- Accounts:** Download statements
- Messages:** Messages from school/teacher to whānau
- Reports:** Reports posted digitally in Terms 3 and 4
- Newsletters:** View notices that are read to students in the morning
- Permission Slips:** Set notifications when you receive a message
- Favourites:** (No callout)
- Absence:** Notify us if your child is unwell
- Contacts:** (No callout)
- Interview:** Interviews booked on the app in Terms 1 and 3



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Let's support our teens to balance their screen time!

Come join youth worker Amber to talk all ways we can support our teenagers to have a healthy relationship with their screens and technology

Tuesday 30th of April 7:30 - 9:00 pm with Q&A

Bookings essential <https://events.humanitix.com/balancing-our-teens-screen-time>

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6 Things our teens need to thrive!

Come join youth worker Amber to talk about supporting our teens to thrive and grow into the amazing people we know they can be

Wednesday 29th of May 7:30 - 9:00 pm with Q&A

Bookings essential <https://events.humanitix.com/balancing-our-teens-screen-time>

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## Community Notices...

# PLAYING WITH CONNECTION AND EMOTIONS SEMINAR

Emotion has amazing work to do - especially with regards to attachments and maturation. In this course we will take a look at the conditions they require to develop and do their best work. We will also explore how we can best support the wisdom and purpose of emotion, rather than working against it. This will bring us to exploring what happens when emotion can't do its work and what is needed in these situations.

Throughout this seminar we will be focussing on the power of play and it's role in our emotional well being - including our own play outlets as adults and where these might have got lost. There will be opportunities to try out some of these play outlets (although no pressure!!!).

This course will be focussing on working with children and young people, however the same principles apply when working with all ages and, of course - ourselves.

This course is based on Dr Gordon Neufeld's relational, developmental approach.



### SANDY HITCHENS

Sandy Hitchens is a counsellor currently working in private practice and in primary schools in Christchurch. As a Neufeld faculty member, Sandy is passionate about sharing this material with others.

**WHEN:**  
Monday 8th  
April 2024  
9am - 4.30pm

**WHERE:**  
Beachcomber  
Hotel,  
Tahunanui,  
Nelson

**COST:**  
Early bird  
(before 15  
March 2024)  
\$150  
Regular price -  
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Includes lunch,  
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**TO REGISTER:**  
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# MOI MINISTRY OF INSPIRATION

## AMS Holiday Programmes in APRIL at Nelson Intermediate... SIGN UP FAST!

All workshops run by Ministry of Inspiration are based on the STEAMS concept of learning where all subjects are combined into one immensely creative programme! MOI is offering THREE choices of Holiday Programmes for the April School Holidays at Nelson Intermediate. **The three different holiday programmes are: Art and Engineering, Cooking and Science, and Jewellery Making. The different tickets will show up when you click to register. The courses run Monday-Wednesday then Thursday-Friday at Nelson Intermediate School.**

**Art and Engineering:** This course is specifically designed for 7-9 year olds who are interested in design engineering the dream TREE HOUSE! Students will be using their imagination to create a tree house then theme park using skills in maths and engineering. In addition, several engineering challenges will be tested! This course runs, *MON to WED* or *THURS to FRI*. Both sections will be very similar.

**Cooking and Science:** This course is designed for ages 6-12 who are interested in learning how to cook ASIAN style dishes and learn some science, art, and geography of the region. This course runs, *MON to WED* or *THURS to FRI*. Recipes will be *different* for each section.

**Jewellery Making:** This course is designed strictly for ages 12+ who are interested in learning how to make different types of jewellery from silver clay, to stamping, to recycled materials. This course runs only Mon-Wed.

Link to register:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/holiday-programmes-april-2024-nelson-tickets-861236099357>