Te Kura Tūwaenga o Whakatū Wāhanga 3 - Wiki 4 - 2023 Pānui ā-kura



Nelson Intermediate School Term 3 - Week 4 - 2023 School newsletter

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, mingălaba and warm greetings to you all.

As we embark on a new, chilly school term, I would like to extend a warm welcome to both familiar faces and new members of our school community.

The term started with a whānau hui and was a chance to affirm and set new goals to continue our journey of learning and growth. Our dedicated staff has been working tirelessly to prepare an enriching and engaging educational experience for all ākonga. Nothing represents this more than the outstanding work on display in the hall for the Science Fair.

Last week our students have been visiting contributing schools and presenting to future ākonga; I am immensely proud of our school and these students, along with the tour guides, who positively portrayed our values and made visiting families feel welcomed.



Three of our Tour Guides - Jiselle, Bebe and Tin Tin

Term 3 sees many opportunities for ākonga to embrace and partake in. I encourage ākonga to engage with kaiako, and actively sign up for the many clubs and activities we have on offer.

To whānau, your partnership is invaluable to us. Your support at home and engagement with the school greatly contributes to the success of our tamariki. We encourage open communication and collaboration, so please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Please remember to check our website calendar regularly for upcoming events and reminders.

Ngā mihi Di Webb Tumuaki



Te Whānau Aorere

Te Whānau Aorere has had a busy start to Term 3! Our in-class learning has been in full flight, as we have started the second half of the year with high levels of motivation and engagement.

Our Year 7's have been putting their cycle safety skills to the test, taking part in Sport Tasman's 'Ride On' Programme. Our ākonga learned all about their rights as a cyclist on the road, and the appropriate hand signals used to communicate with traffic and other pedestrians, all while continuing to upskill their abilities and confidence on two wheels. A massive thanks to the Ride On team for passing on their knowledge and allowing our ākonga to get on bikes to put their learnings into practice.

With the Science Fair wrapping up last week, we have began to launch our next STEAM project - Kaitiaki Masks. Each class has been given a particular topic that falls under the kaitiaki umbrella, and will portray all their research and learnings through the presentation of a mask. You may have some of your tamariki come home looking to collect recyclable materials that they can use for their mask's design.









Te Whānau Maitahi & The Wider Kura

At the end of last term, Te whānau Maitahi and the wider kura were delighted to welcome the talented New Zealand author, Carol Garden. With her captivating storytelling and passion for creative writing, Carol offered our tamariki a great experience, unlocking the magical world of literature.

During her visit, Carol shared her writing process with our ākonga, giving them an insider's view of how ideas blossom into captivating tales. She also delved into the art of crafting characters and building enchanting worlds that leap off the pages.





As a real-life young adult author, Carol served as an inspiration for our budding writers. Her warm and encouraging demeanour encouraged our students to embrace their creativity and pen their own imaginative stories.

The ākonga relished the chance to meet a genuine author, enjoying the opportunity to ask questions and seek advice from someone who has already carved a path in the literary world.

We extend our gratitude to Carol for visiting our kura and also to Storlines National Story Tour for making this happen.

Te Whānau Wairepo

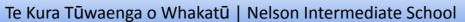
Te Whānau Wairepo finished off on a huge high last Term! We were awarded the top whānau for the term which was determined by winning multiple whānau challenges and gaining an impressive amount of tokens and Whāia Te Ara Tika points. This saw us presented with the Hoe for Term 2.



Term 3 has started off looking just as successful. We have placed 2nd in the first whānau challenge of the year and enjoyed a fun, vibrant afternoon at the Colour Run. We are now celebrating the success our ākonga have had by completing SciTec Projects.

This Term many classes in Wairepo are delving into learning that breaks down the changes and progressions involved in the many world cup sports events currently happening, and the general election.

We look forward to sharing this learning with you in the next newsletter.





Te Pītau Whakarei

Nau mai hoki mai ki te wāhanga tua toru o te tau. E mihi mahana ana mātou ki a koutou kia akiaki ai ngā hīhī o Tamanuiterā. Haere mai, haere mai!

A big focus for Te Pītau Whakarei this term is preparation for the Mana Kuratahi Kapa Haka Nationals which will be held in Nelson in Term 4. Practicing to do our best at kapa haka is more than just a challenge for us; kapa haka is a vehicle for us to explore our identity, especially what it means to be from Te Tau Ihu o te Waka. In the waiata and haka we perform, you'll hear the actions of our tūpuna (ancestors), the stories of these lands, as well as passionate cries for an equitable future. Kapa has it all!

Another kaupapa (topic) we will address this term is how we can use writing as a tool to bring about change. We will look through examples of powerful change-inciting texts (slam poetry, music, whaikōrero/speeches) and examine what makes them exciting, hoping to take the essence ourselves towards issues we see needing change.

Finally, we will be smattering some fundraising opportunities across this term and next so as to generate some pūtea (\$\$!) for our kapa haka needs. We will keep you updated; ideas floated so far include busking, baking, garage sales and others.



The National Primary School Kapa Haka Nationals are being held in Nelson this November!

One of the 3 representing teams from Te Tauihu o te Waka a Maui is Te Pītau Whakarei - Nelson Intermediate School.

This event is not to be missed. For more information about the schedule and getting tickets follow this link:



Te Whānau Moketapu

Students within Moketapu have been working hard over the last three terms and this was evident during our whānau assembly where the following students received their first value badges after earning over 100 points.

Myia Cain - Whanaungatanga Carter King - Whanaungatanga Theo Gill- Whanaungatanga Poppy Hay - Manaakitanga Naomi Lian - Whanaungatanga Evie Rose- Donga- Manaakitanga Oliver Persico- Whanaungatanga



Myia and Carter showing off their badges

We take immense pride in fostering a positive and inclusive environment where students are encouraged to embody our core values every day.

Whāia Te Ara Tika

Whanaungatanga (Relationships) - Develop and maintain respectful and meaningful relationships within our kura and community.

Rangatiratanga (Leadership) - Build a clear sense of personal identity and self-worth through leadership.

Manaakitanga (Kindness) - To uplift others by showing care, empathy and regard for everyone in our kura and community.

Kaitiakitanga (Guardianship) - Actively protect our environment, people, culture and heritage, knowledge, language and resources for the future.

Looking ahead. we hope to seeing even more students proudly wearing these value badges on their school shirts. We will continue to reinforce the importance of our school values and encourage all students to embrace them as guiding principles throughout their lives.

Congratulations to all the students who have received their value badges as they strive to Whāia Te Ara Tika at Nelson Intermediate School and beyond.

Te Ahu o Te Reo

This year all NIS staff have been developing their Te Reo Māori through the Te Ahu o Te Reo programme. This has seen kaiako stay over night at the marae and participate in fortnightly learning sessions at NIS. We have also been fortunate enough to have Te Ahu o Te Reo Māori tutors facilitate some lessons with our ākonga.

Kaiako have come out of this learning experience with a greater understanding of the eight iwi who whakapapa to Nelson/Whakatū, and a set of tools that they can use to teach Te Reo Māori in class.

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We thank NMIT and the awesome facilitators that taught us this year.



College Orientation Visits

Although it is still relatively early in the year, the orientation programmes for our colleges have begun. NIS ākonga visited Nelson College and Nelson College for Girls for a half day on Friday 28th of July and returned to NIS really excited about what is in store for them in 2023.

Some key things to remember as your child transitions to college:

- Enrolment forms can be submitted directly to the colleges or handed in at the NIS office.
- Keep an eye out on the caregiver app regarding upcoming events that the colleges are holding for transition.
- Whānau who are interested in sending their child to Nayland College should contact Nayland to discuss out of zone enrollments and their ballot process.











Transition to Year 7

Many NIS ākonga have been busy preparing for orientation afternoons and primary school transition talks. Lots of practice has gone into preparing scripts and rehearsing the tours. We thank those students who gave up their time to showcase our kura to whānau after school.

















'Creatives in Schools' Mural Project

Students started the first week of our 'Creatives in Schools' Mural Project (Te Kūaha), by designing their own piece of spray can art with local artist Nerys Ngaruhe.











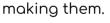






In Week 2 the students visited local murals painted by Nerys. It was a wonderful experience to be able to visit these murals with the artist who created them. The students were able to ask her questions about the murals and listen to her explain the process of designing and

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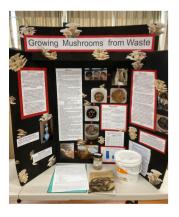
In Term 3, Year 8 Science students have been delving into the captivating realm of electronic circuitry. Using their newfound and existing knowledge, our ākonga have skillfully designed and brought to life some impressive electronic games. Their hard work and creativity have resulted in a collection of awesome creations that showcase their growing knowledge of electricity!



NIS STEAM EXPO 2023

A big thank you for your coordination and support to ensure our ākonga engaged in the NIS STEAM Fair 2023!

The fair has been an excellent way to showcase learning, creativity and innovation and it wouldn't have been possible without the collective effort of both kaiako and whānau. It has been awesome to share this with the school community and celebrate the 125 students who entered in the NIS STEAM Fair - that is epic! There are some really pleased and proud ākonga out there and I think there is a real sense of accomplishment for all.

















NIS Music

The cacophony of musical skills at Nelson Intermediate are merging in Term 3 for Nelson's 'BandQuest', an opportunity for bands to strut their stuff on the big stage. This year, the event, organised by the Rock Shop, will be held on the 28th of August at the Theatre Royal. Representing Nelson Intermediate will be three bands: 'Hi-Viz', 'The Painkillers', and 'Emojis'. Each band will have an opportunity to perform at an assembly prior to BandQuest so as to get experience playing in front of an audience.

Tickets for the BandQuest performance are available now from the Theatre Royal, so grab yours to support our musicians! (Information on exact timings is coming soon)

In wider music news, from this term our music tutors are not going to be coming to classes to pick up students who have not shown up for their music lessons. It is the responsibility of the students to remember and arrive at their lessons on time.



Food Tech

It's only Week 4 and the tamariki in Food Technology have been busy learning new skills and building on existing knowledge. The beginning of the term is about establishing routines, so everyone can cook in a safe and clean environment.

All the tamariki helped prepare vegetables and bread rolls for our Matariki soup. Thanks to all the donations from whānau, we managed to make enough soup for the whole kura! It was a perfect opportunity to learn knife skills while demonstrating manaakitanga.











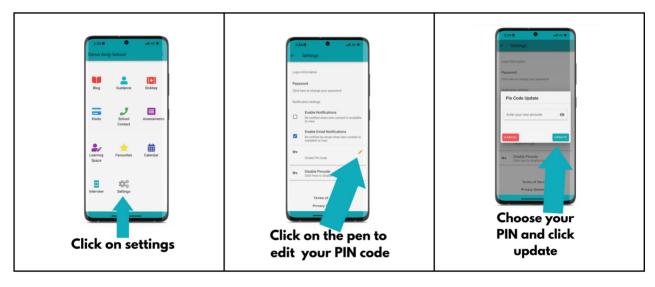


ETAP Caregiver App

The Caregiver App is our primary method of communication regarding school events, notices and reporting to whānau.

To assist with access, the @school Caregiver App now has a PIN code option.

This means the user does not have to enter their username and password to gain access. E.g. 9011/1134/765 and the password can be replaced with a PIN code of the user's choosing.



It is also a really good idea to have notifications enabled so that you can be alerted when a message comes through. You can do this by accessing the settings function of the app.

Community Notices and Upcoming...



Cowthron INSPIRE Festival

Years 3-8, 31 August to 1 September at Garin College.

A hands-on STEAMS Festival for youth! Programme available 28 July with sales opening 4 August.

