



Kia ora tatou katoa

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau

Here we are at the end of a busy and successful first term and I am sure the girls are looking forward to their holiday in order to recover from all the action that has been packed in to the first term of our school year.

We were very fortunate with the weather for our trip to Abel Tasman and all had a hugely enjoyable day.

School athletics, swimming, music and drama lessons, and goal setting have all been part of the landscape of commitment and achievement and I would like to congratulate all the girls on the excellent attitude they have displayed and all that they have participated in. I would like to encourage the girls to continue in the positive way they have commenced the year. We can look forward to many more successes in the terms to come.

Thank you to all those parents/whanau who have supported the school this term in their assistance with transport and offers of coaching/management of teams. It is greatly appreciated and valued by all the staff at Prep.

Have a happy and enjoyable holiday break.

Kind regards

LUCY FELTHAM
Head Teacher



COMING UP IN TERM 2

On Wednesday 30 May, Gwen (Prep School Secretary) is heading away overseas to attend her daughter's wedding. She will be away for the rest of Term 2. In her absence, the Prep School Office will only be attended intermittently. With this in mind please could you make a note of the procedures in place below:

1. All absences are still to be phoned in or emailed to the Prep Office. Please make sure this is done before the start of school at 8.50 am.
2. Any general enquiries can be emailed to the usual prep address. Please ensure your query contains full information along with best contact time and method.
3. If your message enquiry is to do with your daughter's Teaching and Learning, then please email your daughter's Arahi teacher directly:
7FT – lucy.feltham@ncg.school.nz
7TP – tania.parekura@ncg.school.nz
8DU – steve.dunn@ncg.school.nz
8VC – veronica.coffey@ncg.school.nz
4. If it is an important message/emergency, please phone the Main College number on 03 548 3104 and they will ensure the message is relayed.

LEARNING CONFERENCES AT PREP – SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY 22 AND THURSDAY 31 MAY

The upcoming student-led conferences are confirmed for Tuesday 22 May and Thursday 31 May, from 2.30 – 6 pm.

The students have been entering learning reflections in Edsby (online), as well as a termly comment from the teacher. Please read these before coming to their conferences next term.

To book a conference please follow these instructions. Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

The Nelson College for Girls Prep School code for this is `cycvq` and the letters are all lowercase.

You will need your daughter's teacher's name to make the bookings. Once the booking is made, if you have entered your email address you will be emailed a confirmation of the interview you have made. Please only make an appointment to see your daughter's arahi teacher.

BOOKINGS WILL OPEN ON MONDAY 14 MAY AT NOON AND CLOSE ON THURSDAY 17 MAY AT NOON

REMINDER

Next Monday 9th April in Period 1 (8:50-9:45am) you are welcome to come and visit your daughter's classroom. The purpose of this time is for your daughter to share any of her learning this term with you – it could take 5 minutes or 30, totally up to her (and how much time you have!)

For example; your daughter can share with you her goals in Edsby, how Mathletics and Reading Plus work. This isn't a 1:1 with the teacher but obviously we will be present to answer any general questions. Of course any of these things can be shared at home, as they are online, so if you are unable to pop in, your daughter can show you at home.



Nelson College for Girls



PREPARATORY SCHOOL

TERM 1 2018 MERIT ASSEMBLY

A reminder that our
Term 1 Merit Assembly is on
Friday 13 April
at
8.45 am
in the Nelson College for Girls
Assembly Hall.

Parents, Caregivers and Whanau
are all very welcome to attend this Assembly.

ABEL TASMAN WALK

REFLECTIONS

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I liked how we got to meet and talk to new people.

I enjoyed talking to some of the girls in Year 8

I enjoyed bonding with new people (even the Y8s) and the swimming was awesome!!

I like making new friends

Even though the walk was long it was really enjoyable.

Getting changed in and out of my togs was hard.

It was hard getting into the freezing sea.

I enjoyed walking and talking to new people for a change.

The water was soooooo cold!!

I like how we got to interact with lots of people

I enjoyed talking to some of the girls in Year 8

The walk was so long :(but otherwise it was fine :)

I like how we got to spend time with people from different classes.

The boat ride was fun and we got to take pictures.

You could have done it at the start of the year. The water was so cold!!

The weather was very hot!

ABEL TASMAN 2018



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SPORTS UPDATE

LAWN BOWLS

Every Friday, we have been walking down to the Nelson Bowling Club to have some lessons in how to Lawn Bowl. Some of the things we have learned are:

- You hold the ball in the palm of your hand with the sides facing outwards.
- You then crouch down nearly on one knee, draw your arm back and firmly push the bowl forward out of your hand towards the small white ball.

The two circles on each side of the bowl, make it turn in different directions, so we had to learn how to make the bowl turn the way we wanted it to. Recently we have got into teams of four and played against each other.

We have really enjoyed giving bowling a go, it has been good fun and it is something different to do at lunchtime. We have made new friends too. I hope we can continue to play bowls.

Siena Hemingway and Sophie Rankin



QUICK RIP

Last year was the first time that I had played Quick Rip and I really enjoyed it, so I was keen to sign up again this term. I thought it was great fun to get involved and meet new people and learn new skills to improve on last year. Everyone is really friendly and it is a very sociable sport. It is very casual and mostly about having fun rather than winning (although some people are competitive). It is a competition and our last game is today but I don't mind where the team comes as for me it is all about having a great time.

Thank you to all the Prep parents who come with us and do some coaching and managing.

CC Trolove



SPORTS UPDATE

VOLLEYBALL

We all had a great season of volleyball with the Spikers B team coming second in our grade and the Spikers A team coming third in their grade.

We have learned so much from our coaches this season, Kate Carradus and Grace Cumming. They have taught us new skills in accuracy and how to concentrate and be focused and remembering to keep moving your feet. We have also learned to use our voices and call when we are in a good position to receive the ball. So we would like to say a big thank you to Kate and Grace but also to the parents who supported us and coached on Wednesdays - Mr Downs and Mr Maxwell and Mr Cumming and Mr and Mrs Roberts. We really appreciate all the help and support that we received as without it we wouldn't be able to play.

Emily Cumming and Georgie Levien



ABOVE RIGHT: Top row – Emily Cumming, Louiza Clifford, Sophia Molnar, Ava Knowles and Coach, Grace Cumming.

Bottom row - Katie Philp, Iris Meffan, Amelie Pessione.

RIGHT: Top row – Ruby Barnett, Amy Webb, Georgie Levien, Abbey Horncastle, Grace Maxwell, CC Trolove, Grant Maxwell.

Bottom row - Amelia Downs, Sarah Cools, Georgia Brace-Gardiner



CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS 8VC

SHE MAKES ME THE PERSON I AM TODAY

Her dull grey dress seems like the most boring thing in the world but the dress is overruled by a bright pop of a hot pink scarf looping across her chest. She wears office clothes with a little touch of pizzazz. The way her hair looks is like she has just come out of the hairdressers, perfectly straightened, probably a least as long as a 30 cm ruler. She is a lion proud , protects my sister and me. Her hands have got burns from the best curries in the world. She has white seafoam teeth with light brown soft skin, with not sign of a wrinkle.

During the week she is always chasing after me and my sister like a dog herding two little sheep. She is my taxi 24/7 - Monday after school drama, Tuesday violin, Wednesday piano, Thursday swimming, Friday speech and drama, underwater hockey, Sunday underwater hockey. But still the she comes every day at the back of the school playing her alien shooter game once she see us she turns off her phone and greets us with the warmest smile.



Two grey little chairs are the first thing to see when you walk into the her office. She is surrounded by a little stack of mail in the room she sits. From the large windows in the office, carries the smallest sounds from outside.

People say that they envy her lifestyle. Her phone vibrates from a million phone calls a day from people wanting her advice.

She is my Mum.

URVASHI DAS, 8VC

CHARLENE

It has been ages since I have seen her. I wish I could see her more often.



You can tell that she wears her clothes with confidence. Her smile is big and bold with her smooth lips and crystal white teeth. Her bright blue eyes stand out in a crowd , as blue as the night sky. Charlene's hair is pale yellow and her eyes are a strong blue. The pale yellow hair is always perfectly straight. Her hair is the same shade as the Disney princess Rapunzel. Her skin is pale and always looks perfect. She wears clean white earrings which she wears on her pale ears.

You will always see her trying to make sure that everybody is happy and smiling. If she sees you with a frown she will do what ever she has to do to turn it upside down.

On her lap are her two little children. In her left hand is her phone and in her right is one of Lily's toys. As if you couldn't tell, she is trying multi task. She is sitting on a sofa which is as dark as a cloudy night sky. Jack is telling jokes which she is laughing at. You can also see her at the huge glamorous mall in London shopping. She wouldn't be shopping for her self it would be for people's birthdays even if she had only ever talked to them for an hour.

EMILY CUMMING, 8VC

CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS 8VC

MY MUM

My mum is someone I look up to.

Her checked top was buttoned up. She has brown eyes as dark as a block of dark sour chocolate. Her pale skin was outlined in a natural rosy blush. Thinning hair was straight and it looked like she just walked out of the salon. Her hair falls past her shoulders. When she straightens her hair, it feels a bit like straw from a farm. Mum's teeth are superbly formed with no gaps to be seen. Shiny, tinted, pearly lip gloss is always with her. She wears cropped rolled up denim jeans that stop at her knees. Mum's hands are always covered in special rings, which are immaculately clean. She has dark brown eye brows, brown like fresh roasted coffee. She is always seen wearing the same silver necklace with little diamonds pressed into the chain. Her posture is posh. You can tell she is organized and crafty. Her earrings are simple just the way she likes them. Clothing she likes is laid back and comfy. She wears slip on shoes that cover her feet. She hates her toes. Mum never cares about what others think of her style.

In her hand was a wooden mixing spoon as she keeps an eye on the sizzling pot of fresh pasta. Her voice sounds sweet and caring. When you are around her you don't have to worry. Steam rose from the pot as she asked me how my day was. I reply with 'it was good thanks how was yours?' she says "It was very busy, I tried to keep organized but everything kind of fell apart". Her feet moved around the kitchen floor. She tries to please everyone. The clashing sound of the metal lid and the pot banged together. "Dinners up"! She serves the pasta as neatly as she can. We finish dinner she would ask if I could help tidy up. As the water was running into the sink, mum leaves the room. Home cooked meals from mum are always perfect.

The white freshly painted walls were covered in beautiful photos from places in NZ. The shiny floor was recently swept and clean. She works at a spotless art gallery called "Craig Potton". She is always making sure all of the soaps and cards are in line. Her sweet smile pulls anyone into the gallery. One look will convince you that my mum is a sweet lady wanting customers to walk out of the door with a framed masterpiece. In her hand was my lunch that she brought me from the bakery. Fingers lightly tapped the keyboard of her work computer. Quiet airy music was playing in the background, people walking into the shop. Approaching them a gentle voice echoed... "How are you today?". Hours were spent making sure every customer is happy and that the shop is looking perfect.



Pulling up into the beach car park mum is always keen to check out the water. She has a white RAV car that is new and a shiny brightly coloured paddle board attached to the car roof. Mum's phone clock switches to 7.00 am, which is too early for me but she wakes up early all the time.

Already plenty of people are enjoying themselves on a summer's morning in Nelson. In a flash, mum zips up her life jacket and gets ready to take off. She know some other people that share the love of paddle boarding. Doing what she loves to do as much as she can , the water crashes against the moist sand. Further and further out she goes but she never looks tired. Others join her but mum is far ahead.

Everyone looks up to my mum because of how much she does for me and my siblings. She is very good at working hard and looking after me and everyone knows that !

LUCIE KEARNEY, 8VC

CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS 8VC

JO

Jo is someone who has made me into who I am now.

She has tanned, wrinkled skin, laugh lines running across her face. Her once white apron is now smeared with a rainbow of colours, hanging loosely on her frame. She stands relaxed, but not so much as to stoop. Her shiny, silvery hair's piled up on top of her head in a loose bun, wisps escaping the black hair tie. Her baby blue irises are set perfectly against the misty white. Neatly applied cherry red lipstick, bright enough to be recognized in any crowd, brings a splash of colour to her face. When she speaks, her hands wave around as if telling a story. Slightly chipped red nail polish match the red lipstick and golden dangly earrings dangle from her earlobes. Her white, straight teeth show when she smiles and her eyes glitter like the crown jewels.



With a few delicate flourishes of her paintbrush it is evident that a masterpiece is beginning to take shape as she explains each move to the carefully watching children crowded around her. As she finishes, the children continuing to stare with awe. In her lessons she encourages everyone to be creative and make their own work. At the end of her lessons everyone's pictures are amazing in their own way.

Her old, marked wooden table sits in the centre of the room, accompanied by an old fridge covered in many different photos, artworks and all manner of other magnetize-able items. Piled on top of the fridge are biscuit tins filled with pencils, cans containing graphite pencils, clay tools and well loved paintbrushes of every shape and size. A dusty cream coloured lantern hangs in the center of the room, a little pink wooden flying pig dangling off it. Battered wooden chairs surround the table, old paint stains livening them up a bit.

She wanders over to where a ten-year-old child sits and first begins by congratulating him. Giving him a few small pointers, she then carries on around the table, finding the good in everything. I'm sure she has inspired many people to create beautiful things. She stops at a young girl's art, stops and congratulates her for a certain part of the picture. The girl immediately begins smiling.

ZOE BROOKES, 8VC

GRANDMA ROSE

Grandma Rose. My grandma.

Her eyes, guarded by her glasses, make it hard to make out her eye color. The hair on her head is short, wavy, silver with a slight orange color. She guards her mouth, so her missing tooth isn't seen. Grandma is around my cousin's and my height. Grandma Rose has some wrinkles that makes her look full of wisdom. Her turquoise cardigan is amazing with her outfit. The outfit she wears is mainly a white short sleeved top with her turquoise cardigan and a lovely skirt that varies from colour to colour. When her eyes aren't guarded they look stern and strict, though her body language shows she is a kind and caring soul.

Grandma sits in the lounge watching her two youngest grandchildren Grace and Isabella play and get to know each other better. She prepares a bed for her grandchildren in Nelson. She is walking though Northwood Mall or another place like that shopping for her grandchildren's birthday. I talk with Grandma and my parents, Granddad, Juliet, Samuel, Rosalind, Katherina. She sits in her chair over looking her granddaughters and grandson playing, talking and arguing every now and then.

CORDELIA STEVENSON, 8VC

CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS 8VC

MY OMA

I haven't seen my Oma in two years, but she still means a lot to me. On the phone, she asks me when I'm coming over. Then she'll ask me that again. Even though she forgets my birthday, at least she hasn't forgotten who I am yet.

At her house, she'll always have hagelslag ready for us to eat. I really like it. It is a taste sensation.

Oma stands tall and proud, with snow white, curly, short hair. Her smile is always huge, stretching from one big floppy ear lobe across to the other. Bright colourful clothes contrast with her whitey brown shoes. They have laces because Oma can't bend down that far any more.

Neat but not perfect, Oma has lived in her old brick cottage for many years. You can find her drinking tea while sitting in her sunroom.

A huge 1000 piece puzzle sits on a wooden tray on top of the wooden coffee table. Both Oma and Popa both like the old tower clock. They sit together on the old coloured leathery couch with wooden fibre chairs with bright fluffy pillows. Pot plants surround her and her husband.

People wonder how they can help her but they don't know. They still want to be around her even if they can't help her. I'm really excited that soon I'll be seeing her.

SARAH COOLS, 8VC

REMINDER

WINTER UNIFORM (TERMS 2 & 3)

- Kilt worn knee length to mid calf
- School navy jersey with crest or school vest with crest
- School black jacket or plain black jacket (not worn inside)
- School long sleeved blouse tucked in
- School scarf (not worn inside)
- Black leather polishable shoes with either laces, buckle or one elastic strap (no adornments or ankle boots) – similar to pictures styles
- Black tights or white ankle socks



UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

- Monday 9th April 8am – 8.45am – Prep Parent Morning
- Friday 13 April 1.15pm – 2.15pm – Boarding only
- Friday 13 April 3pm – 6pm – Last day of term.

IDEAS FESTIVAL INTERMEDIATE

For all those girls attending the Intermediate Schools Ideas Festival next Thursday, please make sure you arrange your own transport for getting yourselves to NMIT. As so many students have enrolled for the day, Mrs Coffey will also be attending to provide teacher support, and will meet you all down there at 8.30 am

PREPARATORY SCHOOL
INCORPORATED SOCIETY AGM
TUESDAY 8 MAY 2018

AT 4.45 PM

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NCG Preparatory School



CALENDAR

TERM 2

2018

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1	APRIL 30	MAY 1	2	3	4	5/6
	• 2019 Interviews		• 2019 Interviews	• 2019 Interviews		
2	7	8	9	10	11	12/13
		• ICAS Digital Technologies	• Girls Only Quick Rip at WIS • NCG & Prep Cross Country - Branford Park	• Year 7 Immunisations @ 9 am in 7FT	• Kids Lit Quiz 10 am - 1 pm	
3	14	15	16	17	18	19/20
	• Learning Conference Bookings open		• Girls Only Quick Rip in Motueka	• Learning Conference Bookings close • Otago Problem Solving Set 2		
4	21	22	23	24	25	26/27
		• Learning Conferences - 2.30 to 6 pm			• Muffi Day – optional Sushi Lunch	
5	28	29	30	31	JUNE 1	2/3
		• ICAS Science		• Learning Conferences - 2.30 to 6 pm	• HPAC 7pm	
6	4	5	6	7	8	9/10
	• Queen's Birthday					
7	11	12	13	14	15	16/17
			• ICAS Spelling	• ICAS Writing		
8	18	19	20	21	22	23/24
				• Otago Problem Solving Set 3 • Prep Disco @ NCG	• Cross Country Interschool Relay Saxton	
9	25	26	27	28	29	30
				• House Academic Quiz TBC • Muffi Day	• Cross Country Interschool Rabbit Island	JULY 1
10	2	3	4	5	6	7/8
			• Music class sharing 2-3 pm in the Performance Suite 8VC		• Merit Assembly – NCG Main Hall 8.45am	

This calendar is correct at the time of printing but is subject to updates and changes.

