

#### **Newsletter**

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**Room 6 Making STARS Token Collection Tins** 

Piki ake ki ngā whetū - Reach for the Stars

# Principal's View

#### Tena koutou e te whānau

Once again welcome back to the 2023 school year. The school has started well with a really positive vibe across all syndicates. Our Mihi Whakatau (welcome ceremony) on Tuesday was very special and we were thrilled with the number of whānau who came along to support their tamariki starting HSS for the first time. It was a really positive way to kick off our first day.

The Whānau Conferences held last Friday were also very successful with a high percentage of parents and children turning up to meet with their teacher and share their goals and aspirations for the year. All the feedback I have received so far has been very positive both from whānau and from teachers. We are keen to make this a regular feature of our reporting programme so if you have any thoughts on how we can improve the day, please let me know.

Our school has chosen, once again, to be part of the government's 'donations opt-out scheme'. This means we will not be asking for school donations or for fees for school curriculum activities and events. The only activity we will ask for funds for is the school camp, where we will seek a contribution towards accommodation and food. Many parents have asked if it is still possible to make donations. The short answer is yes, but this is entirely up to the individual and as a school we will not be formally asking for donations.

As I said at the Mihi Whakatau, my door is always open and I encourage you to pop in if you have an issue, concern or want to share a positive experience.

Have a great weekend!

Ngā mihi

**Don McLean**Principal











## **Notices**

#### Roads and Crossings

We are currently working with the Nelson City Council and Fulton Hogan to restore our Kea Crossing and ensure student safety on Van Diemen Street. We have heard from the contractor that the roadblock on Van Diemen Street will be removed in about two weeks when the works are completed. We have shifted our duty staff to the Kea Crossing on Van Diemen Street, which is the safest and preferred place to cross.

Please note the gate on Waimea Road will not open until the Junior Block is finished.

#### Teacher's Paid Union Meetings - School Closed, 1:00pm, 28 February

Following the rejection of the government's collective contract offer last year, a new offer has been developed and the teacher's union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, will be holding a paid union meeting for all teachers in the region on 28 February from 1:30pm-2:30pm. Therefore, we will need to close the school at 1:00pm on this day to allow teachers to attend the meeting. We apologise for any inconvenience.

It is important for us to know which children have permission to leave the school at 1:00pm. We ask that all whānau fill out this <u>Supervision Form</u> to let us know if your child has permission to leave school, or if they require supervision. The Principal and Learning Support Assistants will be available to supervise a small group of children in our school hall. If we do not hear from whānau about what their child is allowed to do, they will be sent to the hall at 1:00pm.

#### **Breaktime Structure**

Our breaktime structure for this year is as follows:

9.00am - 10.30am: Block 1

10.30am - 10.40am: Read and Feed (morning tea)

10.40am - 11.00am: Play 11.00am - 12 noon: Block 2 12.00 noon - 12.15pm: Lunch 12.15pm - 12.30pm: Play 12.30pm - 1.30pm: Block 3 1.30pm - 2.00pm: Play 2.00pm - 3.00pm: Block 4

Only a slight modification on last year's structure, with the swapping of the lunchtime eat and play times.



#### School Policies and Procedures

At HSS we use SchoolDocs to maintain a comprehensive, up-todate set of policies and procedures. These policies and procedures follow guidelines and legislation and best practice and have been tailored for our school.



Staff and our school community all have access to SchoolDocs, which can be done by going to <a href="https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/">https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/</a> and searching Hampden Street School. Once you are logged in you can use quick links under the 'parents and whānau tab' on the left-hand side. Throughout the year we will advise you via our newsletter what policies are up for review.

In this newsletter we summarise some of the policies and procedures for you to support the start of the year. For the full policy please refer to the SchoolDocs website as detailed above.

#### Illness Guidelines

Please keep your child at home if they are unwell, including if they have a cough, cold, sore throat or runny nose.

If they have had vomiting or diarrhoea, Ministry of Health guidelines say children should not return to school until 48 hours after their last episode. There is a handy table on their website listing symptoms and exclusion periods for some common childhood illnesses. https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/school-exclusion

#### **Behaviour**

We are a Positive Behaviour for Learning School (PB4L). This is an evidence-based framework that builds a culture where positive behaviour and learning is consistently applied across all aspects of our kura. We use the PB4L framework to:

- apply a consistent school-wide system of support that helps teach and support appropriate student behaviours.
- teach expected behaviours in the various settings within the school (ask your child/ren to tell you about the PB4L videos we use to support this learning)
- help teachers intervene effectively to manage behaviour in the classroom and other school environments.
- support students to regulate their own behaviour and make positive choices regarding their learning and relationships with others.
- monitor behavioural incidents, then use data to problem solve and guide decisions moving forward.

If you have a concern about a behavioural incident at school, please contact the school to discuss the incident, to work through a solution together. Parents and whānau should not approach other students or whānau about school behavioural incidents. This also applies to incidents that occur out of school time or off school grounds, but when students are connected with the school (e.g., at EOTC events, travelling to/from school, online communication between students using a school account).



#### **Drop Off/Pick Up Times**

Just a reminder that we encourage children to arrive at school after 8:15am in the mornings. Teachers are often not in their classrooms until after 8:30am depending on before school meetings, resource preparation etc.



After school our expectation is that children have left the school by 3:15pm. Once again staff are busy after school with meetings and are not available to supervise students.

We have a sign in/out tablet at the office. If a child arrives late, leaves during the day for any reason or leaves early, they need to use the sign in/out tablet. It connects with our Student Management System and updates a student's attendance information automatically.

#### *0275 ABSENT*

If your child is going to be absent, you must contact the school. You can text your child's absence to our absence text line. Just text 0275 ABSENT (0275 227368) and leave your child's name, class number and reason for their absence. Alternatively, you can call the school and leave a message or email the school office. You can do this at any time prior to the start of the school day.

Even if you have let your child's classroom teacher know about the absence, please let the office know too as the teacher's don't always have time to check their messages or there may be a reliever teacher in the class.

#### Music Lessons

The following music lessons are available through Hampden Street School on site, on Fridays, with professional music and drama teachers: keyboard, piano, drums, speech and drama and guitar. You can place your child on a waiting list through the school office. A set fee is charged for the term, whether it be a nine- or ten-week term. (Keyboard or piano-\$155.00, drums-\$105.00, guitar-\$75.00, speech and drama-\$161.00 per term. Please note these prices are a guideline based on last year's fees and may change slightly). If teachers are absent a catch-up lesson will be provided. However, if students are absent or do not attend lessons, for whatever reason, then no catch up will be provided.

It is important that you let the office know as soon as possible if your child is stopping their music lesson as we will be invoicing early on in each term. We collect music fees on behalf of the music teachers, unpaid fees are a cost to the school.

#### Breakfast Club at HSS

Term 4 Breakfast Club was a real success, and we are looking forward to providing nutritious kai to our tamariki again in 2023. A special thank you to whānau who kindly gave their time to support us in the mornings!

Breakfast Club was very popular, and we often had over 30 students visit each morning, so we need more help! If you are able to support from 8:00am-9.15am, a morning or two per week, please contact Tracy McLaren via email or phone; 021 655 682 or tracy.mclaren@hampdenstreet.school.nz

We are also accepting any donations of non-dairy milk options, small tins of fruit and breakfast cereals such as rice bubbles, muesli and cornflakes. (Any gluten free options are welcome too!). These can be dropped off to the office.

#### Invoices

Invoices will start coming out for senior syndicate camps, music lessons and sports. We welcome payment via cash and EFTPOS at the school office (no credit cards sorry), or online via internet banking; Hampden Street School 12-3165-0041437-00. There can sometimes be a delay between payment and the monies being reconciled as our Finance Administrator does not work every day. If you feel you have received an incorrect invoice, please contact the school office.

#### Not Receiving School Emails?

We have heard from a number of families that they have not been receiving school communications through our schoolwide eTAP Student Management System. This seems to be affecting families with Outlook or Hotmail email addresses. We have heard back from eTAP that Microsoft/Hotmail are hiding their emails. If you think this may be the case, you may have to add eTAP to your "safe" list to make sure you receive our eTAP emails. Please do the following:

Click on "Options" in the upper right corner of your Hotmail screen.

Then click the link for "Safe and Blocked Senders" in the body of the page under Junk e-mail.

Click the "Safe Senders" link and enter the email address you want to whitelist.

Click "Add" to put it on your list.

The address is etap.co.nz

#### Sun Hats

Please ensure that your child brings a sun hat to school, children must wear hats when outdoors – if they don't, they will be instructed to play in the shade. This is a school policy.

We have a limited number of red bucket hats for sale at the school office for \$5.00 each.

250 Hampden St, Nelson 7010 Phone: (03) 548 1825 Email: office@hampdenstreet.school.nz www.hampdenstreet.school.nz

#### School Lunches/Subway/Sushi

We have a water only policy when it comes to drinks at HSS, and we encourage students to bring a healthy lunch. If you would like your child to have a bought lunch, there are two lunch options available at HSS; Subway and sushi.

Subway orders need to be placed online by 9:00am on Mondays for Monday lunch through the lunchonline website; <a href="https://www.lunchonline.co.nz">www.lunchonline.co.nz</a> We DO NOT do these orders for the children at school.

Sushi is **ordered on a Thursday for Friday lunch**. Cash payment is required for sushi as we collect the money on behalf of the sushi suppliers. Orders are taken between 8:30am and 9:00am at the school hall on Thursday mornings. **Sushi will be starting on 3 March (Week 4 of this term), order on Thursday 2 March for the Friday's lunch,** and so on.



# Hampden St lunches Subway Lunches every Monday Starts Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb

It's simple; all you need to do is register at <u>www.lunchonline.co.nz</u>

and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1. Register an account
- 2. Add member/s including your name and delivery location
- 3. Make a payment to have funds in your account before you order
- 4. Select your lunch and place an order

Phone 0800 LOL LOL
Phone 0800 565 565
info@lunchonline.co.nz



If you would like to pre order and pay for sushi for the whole term, please contact the school office for an order form.



#### **HSS Hoodies**

HSS Hoodies are available from the school office for \$46.00 each. They come with 'HSS' printed on the back. Names can be added by local screen printers – we ask for first names or surnames only, no nicknames.



#### **HSS Sports T-Shirts**

Children borrow HSS sports t-shirts for use during term time in after school sports teams. The tops are available for sale though if you child would like to own their own named one. Student owned versions have a small star on the sleeve to show they are not a school owned top. Student owned tops can be worn at any time. We ask that school owned tops are only worn after school for HSS team sport to prolong their usable life.



Our tops are now being produced by Tineli, who have set up a site for online ordering on the

following link: <a href="https://www.tineli.co.nz/hss">https://www.tineli.co.nz/hss</a> (Select 'student owned version'). The current order will close on 22 February at midnight, with an estimated delivery of 10 April.

Tineli sample sizes are at the school office, however you have the option of adjusting the length of the body or sleeves to suit the child. Names can also be added to the back at the time of ordering.

#### Term 1 HSS Sports

A sports newsletter was emailed earlier in the week with all of Term 1's sports information. Online registration forms are available on our school website;

<u>https://www.hampdenstreet.school.nz/hsssport</u> . Please take careful note of closing dates for each sport, registrations after the closing dates are not guaranteed a place in a team.

Information is just in on the Chia Sisters Nelson Tri Club Junior Programme. Every Monday in Terms 1 and 4, 4:00pm to 5:00pm from Monday 13 February at the Tahunanui Fields (location may vary). Aimed at 10- to 15-year-olds, 9 year olds can sign up if they are competent swimmers. Bring your own mountain or road bike, helmet, togs and running shoes. These fun sessions are designed to help children with triathlon and multisport specific skills. Check out the Nelson Triathlon and Multisport Club Facebook page for more information and for club race events.

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### First Aid Training









# **Coming Events**

School Assembly	17 February, 2:15pm-3:00pm
Senior Syndicate Swimming Sports	27 February, 1:00pm-3:00pm
NZEI Paid Union Meeting, School Closes at 1:00pm	28 February
Board of Trustees Hui, Staffroom	28 February, 5:00pm-7:00pm
School Photos	1 March
Postponement Day, Senior Swimming Sports	2 March, 1:00pm-3:00pm
School Assembly	3 March, 2:15pm-3:00pm
Room 6 Camp	6-9 March
Room 3 Camp	7-10 March
Mihi Whakatau	13 March, 9:15am-9:45am
Room 1 Camp	13-16 March
Middle Syndicate Swimming Sports	16 March, 12:30pm-2:30pm
Room 4 Camp	14-17 March
School Assembly	17 March
Room 5 Camp	20-23 March
Room 2 Camp	21-24 March
School Assembly	31 March



# **Community Notices**

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**Nelson Rugby Football Club**. Nelson Rugby Football Club Junior rugby registration will be held Tuesday 21st February 2023 at the Nelson RFC Clubrooms from 5.30pm to 8:00pm . All wishing to play this year are invited to attend and register for upcoming season. Apparel for upcoming season will be available to purchase, also boot swap. Come and play rugby for NZ's oldest club. All inquiries to Quentin Harwood 027 302 3508

**Akido Nelson.** Want to learn self-defence and become more confident? Do AlKIDO, a Japanese Martial Art. We have children's classes from 8yrs -16yrs Wed & Fri 5pm – 6pm Check out our Facebook; https://www.facebook.com/AikidoNelson



Physical activity programme for children aged 5-11 with supported learning needs or lacking confidence.

Every Thursday from Feb 16th—Apr 6th 2023 Saxton Stadium 3.40 pm-4.40 pm.



With a focus on fun games, the sessions will help to develop a range of sports skills and build your child's confidence.

Cost: \$30.00 per child.

Sport Start funding may be available for eligible families

To register contact:

Julie, Sports Co-ordinator, Inclusive Sport Trust, Email: <u>admin@inclusivesport.org.nz</u> | Phone: 021 062 6750



For children aged 5-12 with supported learning needs or lacking confidence or experience in team sport.

Tuesdays from Feb 14th-Apr 4th 2023

Jack Robins Basketball Stadium
3.40 pm-4.30 pm

Coach: Sam Dempster



Cost: \$30.00 per child

To register and for further information contact:

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#### **Coding NZ Lessons**

- Learn coding languages to create technology.
- An expert tutor is online to help during lessons.
- 1 hour per week at 4pm, 5pm or 6pm weekdays.
- Try a free trial lesson at codingnz.com

















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