

Newsletter

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Pākawau Senior Syndicate Camp

Piki ake ki ngā whetū - Reach for the Stars

Principal's View

Tena koutou e te whānau

I was talking with a friend over the weekend and we were discussing the complexities of parenting and how despite our best intentions bringing up children can be very challenging at times. He shared a quote with me, originally written by Ashleigh Warner, which I thought had a great message for parents and teachers when faced with these challenging times.

Beneath every behaviour there is a **feeling.**And beneath each feeling is a **need.**And when we meet that **need**rather than focusing on the **behaviour**,
we begin to deal with the **cause**,
not the **symptom.**

This quote certainly made me think, both as a parent and as the principal of a school. As parents we often tend to focus on the symptom; the angry behaviour, the defiance, the tears, the apathy, or the poor choices. The reality is that in most cases these things are an outcome of something deeper. They are how children may express themselves to gain your attention. Often when we only deal with the behaviour, we don't get the response or the outcome we hoped for because we missed the cue the child is sending.

As a society when it comes to negative behaviour, we still tend to focus on the behaviour and seeking consequences for actions. In terms of restorative practice and ensuring people feel safe, we need show to victims of negative behaviour that something has been done to make it right and that we care. Unfortunately, that tends to be where it stops, the behaviour is dealt with, and we can move on. But without unpacking the feeling and need behind the behaviour, we will never get to the root cause and so it is highly likely the behaviour will be repeated.

On a completely different topic, huge thanks to Simon Ashby and the Senior Syndicate team on their hard work over the past three weeks organising and running six very successful senior camps at Pākāwau. Also special thanks to all the parents who gave up their time to be camp helpers, the camps wouldn't have happened without your support.

Have a great weekend.

Ngā mihi

Don McLean
Principal

Notices

From the Board of Trustees

At our last Board of Trustees meeting Belinda Miller stepped down as the presiding member (chairperson). Belinda has been a wonderful Board member and leader, who always put the children's needs at the centre of what we do. She can look back with pride at her legacy as our chairperson and the wonderful accomplishments we have achieved in her time as the leader, most notably the construction of our new Junior Syndicate block. Belinda will be staying until the end of the term as a Board member.

Replacing Belinda is Sam Best. Sam has been a Board member for a number of years and brings a wealth of experience in financial management to the role. We know that Sam will continue Belinda's great work.

Also, at the meeting, the Board approved our 2023 budget and provided final feedback on our 2023 Annual Plan, which will be ratified at next week's meeting.

School Photos

Order cards for school photos have been sent home over the last week. Ordering and payment is online directly with Heritage Productions on the following site: https://order.heritagephotosnz.com/ If you have misplaced your child's order card, please contact the office for their ID number (which is unique to each child).

Orders need to be placed by **5 April for free postage** in with the bulk school order. After this date a postage fee of \$7.00 will be added, and the order will go to your home address.

Little Heart Day Fundraiser, Friday 24 March

This Friday we will be having a 'dress in red' day to support Heart Kids New Zealand. In Aotearoa, 12 families every week are told their child has a congenital heart condition. In support, as well as dressing in red, if possible, we ask that students bring a small donation for this very worthy cause.



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Staff Only Day - Monday 24 April

As part of our staff professional development around the refresh of the New Zealand Curriculum, we have been allocated two staff only days from the Ministry of Education. The first of these is Monday 24 April, which is the first Monday of Term 2. This day works well as Tuesday, 25 April is ANZAC Day. This will mean school will open for students, for Term 2, on Wednesday 26 April.

Communicating with Teachers

Good communication lines in the school are vital. We have multiple ways to communicate between home and school - newsletter, Facebook, Seesaw, email and face to face. When it comes to connecting with your child's teacher, Seesaw, email and face to face are all effective ways to keep in touch. However, it is important that we respect teachers' personal lives and ensure we protect their wellbeing. With this in mind, we are encouraging our kaiako to not check or respond to emails and messages after 5:00pm or over the weekend. You can support this by refraining from sending emails after 5:00pm or using a 'schedule send' option when emailing out of working hours. There may be circumstances when a kaiako chooses to communicate with whānau outside of working hours; that is entirely up to them but is certainly not expected.

School holidays are non-contact time for kaiako, where you are welcome to email or message, but you will likely get a delayed response. Please also be aware that texting or ringing a staff member on their mobile phone is not appropriate, unless a special arrangement has been made. We appreciate your support with this.

Seesaw Reporting on Curriculum areas

Last year we made the decision to report to whānau on the wider learning areas of the curriculum online using Seesaw. This allowed greater student ownership and reflection regarding their learning, and also provided the opportunity for whānau to give feedback (either in person or through written comments on Seesaw), on what had been shared.



The first of these formal Seesaw posts will be sent out in the coming weeks and will be centred around our Turangawaewae learning within the Social Science curriculum area. Please take the time to view these and discuss them with your child and do feel free to add a comment to the post if you wish.

These formal Seesaw posts may consist of a video or image of tamariki or may be a sample of work in that learning area. Kaiako and/or ākonga will then comment on the learning that has taken place, and the next learning step for the child.

These reporting posts will all go out in the same week each term across the school. In Term 1 and Term 4 there will be one learning area covered, while in Term 2 and Term 3 there will be two learning areas covered.

We look forward to sharing our first Seesaw reporting post with you next week and encourage you to add feedback on your child's learning.

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Showing the HSS STARS

Last week we received some lovely feedback about one of our basketball teams from another school. Sam, William, Jack, Tristan and Oliver were playing against a new team of younger, smaller, boys who hadn't managed to score any hoops in their first few games. The HSS team gave the younger boys a chance to dribble the ball and put some shots up which they were



extremely excited about. They didn't react when the younger team double dribbled or ran with the ball and understood why the referee very loosely reffed the game. The HSS boys also cheered for the opposition when they scored and told them they were awesome in the final handshake. All of the pictured boys were a wonderful representation of HSS.

Sport Update

Next week, on Tuesday 28 March, HSS is hosting the interschool swimming sports. Senior tamariki competed at HSS swimming sports for a chance to represent the school. Spectators are very welcome at this event.

In Term 2 and 3 most sporting opportunities are offered through local clubs. Netball and basketball are played in HSS teams, and in Term 2 there is also an option for Year 3 and 4 tamariki to play in a school hockey team in a six week Junior League.



Registrations are open now for netball (all ages) on our school website: https://www.hampdenstreet.school.nz/hsssport

Please note netball registrations close on 3 April.

Registrations will open soon for basketball, for Years 3 to 6, and for the Year 3 and 4 hockey league, on our website. Extra to that, the link is provided, for all ages, to register directly with Nelson Hockey for their Junior Programme.

Keep an eye on our school Facebook page for reminders.

Please make sure player requests are noted under the additional comments on the registration form. It's very hard to make changes once teams are sorted.

From the Syndicates

Junior Syndicate

After a lovely start to the term with the amazing weather and swimming sessions coming to an end, we are going to dive into the classrooms and look at what the junior school have been doing to celebrate the arts so far this year.

As part of how we build our classroom cultures at the beginning of a year, we try to help the tamariki get a sense of themselves and who they are as learners. Often this is through art activities such as portraits where they are focusing on themselves and their features, we then expand to whānau and embrace what this means for each of us. We then look at the classroom as a community and build artworks together to confirm the bonds



that we are making in our physical environments through classroom activities such as murals or collaborative pieces. Enjoy looking at the artwork we have been creating so far.



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Middle Syndicate

It's been a busy couple of weeks in the Middle Syndicate.

We spend our Friday's at wā tuhura/discovery time exploring the many activities on offer.

Discovery provides programmes in which children choose activities which are motivating, challenging and support the enjoyment of learning. We start the day off with great enthusiasm singing waiata and doing the actions to nga waka and ko te waipounamou.



After our waiata we head to wā tuhura/ discovery rotations where all our tamariki enjoy choosing an activity and being engaged.



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Why do you like wā tuhura/discovery time?

Myah - We get to choose what we want to do. Ivy - You get to discover new things and get to be with your friends from different classes.

Arthur - There is at least one option that seems fun. Charlotte - I like singing karaoke at discovery time. Ollie - I like it because it's fun and you do lots of fun things, it's interesting and different choices.

Jozin - I like doing lego and building a farm.

Frank - Get to hang with my friends while doing new fun activities.

Zella - I get to try new arts and different things. Isla — I get to spend time with my friends and my sister.

Tyrese - You can sing and dance and I like it.













Mandy Cain-Townley Syndicate Leader

Senior Syndicate

Over the last two weeks the Senior Syndicate have continued their school camp adventures to Pākawau. All classes have now successfully departed, and the kids have been buzzing about their experiences.



Camp provides our tamariki with a wonderful opportunity to show our school STARS and we are super proud of the attitudes shown by all. Here are a few examples of the work children have completed related to camp, including poetry, thank you letters and artwork.



That Was Camp

Remember flying down Wharariki sand dunes and engulfing mouthfuls of sand?

Remember the stalactites looking as if they were about to fall on us?

That was camp.

Remember hearing a petrifying story and then have kids storm into cabins?

Remember watching the water creep up on the sand castles?

That was camp.

Remember chomping down the nachos like hyenas?

Remember winning camp concert on the last day and feeling like you won the lottery?

Do you remember dozing off on the bus at the Farewell Spit tour?

That was camp.

By Ethan watkins





That was camp

Remember the shimmering water at Waikoropupu springs?
Remember cabin 7 and 8 barging in in the morning with pillows under their shirts?

That was camp.

Remember the Farewell spit tour and jumping down the sand dunes?
Remember the best corn song performance in the world at camp concert?
That was camp.

Remember Jerome the dead crab at Puponga lagoon? Remember the fierce wind at Wharariki that made our boards go flying?

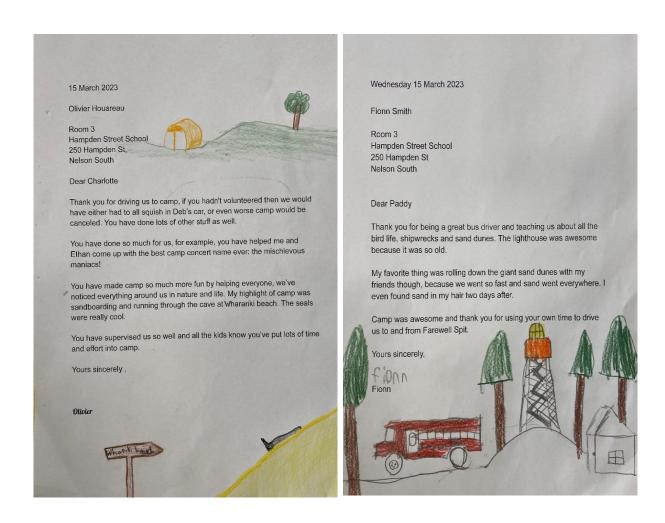
Do you remember the sandcastle competition of kids vs adults?

That was camp.

Alfie







Simon Ashby Syndicate Leader

Coming Events

Little Heart Day	24 March
Interschool Swimming Sports, HSS Pool	28 March, 12:30pm-3:00pm
Postponement Date/Interschool Swimming Sports, HSS Pool	30 March
School Assembly	31 March
Sausage Sizzle	5 April
Last Day of Term 1	6 April
Staff Only Day, School Closed	24 April
ANZAC Day, School Closed	25 April
Term 2 Starts for Students	26 April
Mihi Whakatau	26 April, 9:15am-9:45am

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MOI Holiday Workshops. Don't

forget to sign up for the really fun, highly engaging MOI Holiday Workshops! All workshops are



from 9 am to 3 pm. The workshops are lead by senior students from Garin College, Nelson College for Girls, and Nayland College.

17-19 and **20-21** APRIL Cooking and Engineering- This workshop is designed for 7-13 year olds and will occur at GARIN College, 35 Champion Rd Richmond. To

register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/holiday-programmes-april-2023-at-garin-tickets-567229758477

17-19 and **20-21** APRIL Art and Engineering- This workshop is designed for 7-13 year olds and will occur at GARIN College, 35 Champion Rd Richmond. To

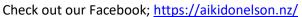
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SAVE THE DATE! Cawthron INSPIRE Festival 31 August to 1 September at Garin College. A day-long festival for primary and intermediate aged children (approx. ages 8-13) that encourages them to think dynamically and creatively about their future. Participants choose any combination for four one-hour workshops led by a range of different experts. INSPIRE will take place at Garin College. Register online here.

Archery. Two Arrows Archery, Nelson's traditional Archery specialists. 'Have a go' sessions. Events & team building. Club memberships and after school youth clubs. Lessons and products. Open Tuesdays to Sundays 10am to 5pm, 532 Maitai Valley Road, Nelson. Phone 022 610 2955, 03 546 9272 www.2arrowsarchery.com



Akido. Want to learn self-defence and become more confident? Do AIKIDO, a Japanese Martial Art. We have children's classes from 8yrs -16yrs Wednesday and Friday 5:00pm to 6:00pm.



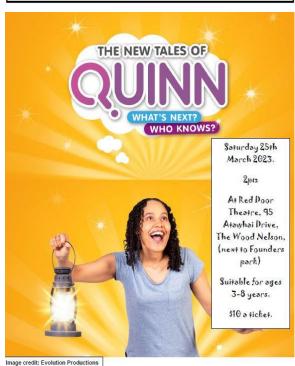


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Awards and Achievements

Room 1	Rowan Severinsen for striving for success and taking the initiative on camp.
Room 2	Evie Dykzeul for striving for success with writing and art. Awesome work!
Room 3	Wairua Karaitiana for striving for success in her writing and stepping outside her comfort zone to have an amazing camp.
Room 5	Rosie Stephenson for being a focused learner who always works hard, stays on task and has the drive to improve.
Room 6	Fraser Bryant for striving for success in mathematics and responding creatively in written tasks.
Mānuka 7	Arlo Miles for showing empathy to himself and others when faced with challenges and responding with creative solutions.
Mānuka 8	Charlotte Vincent for striving for success in reading and writing.
Mānuka 9	Nora Ruza for striving for success in all areas of learning and taking the initiative.
Mānuka 10	Poppy Gaskell for always showing empathy towards everyone in Mānuka 10. Ka mau te wehi!
Kōwhai 11	Solly Hills for taking the initiative in the classroom by being a great helper and leading the way with classroom routines.
Kōwhai 12	William McIntosh for striving for success at school and showing growing resilience in his learning.
Kōwhai 13	Lilly Hajdu for being a positive contributor during learning times and actively collaborating.
Room 14	Finlay Marment for her diligence, initiative and kindness in class.
Room 15	Gussie Brosnan for always striving for success and showing resilience every day.
Room 16	Evander Lesa for his growing initiative and focus during learning time.
Room 17	Elliott Mackie for striving for success in all numeracy tasks with enthusiasm.
Room 18	Pablo Gargiulo for challenging himself across subject areas.
Room 19	Alice Waud for striving for success in all areas of the curriculum.









