

Hampden Street SCHOOL



Newsletter

11 May 2023

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Senior Syndicate Suter Art Gallery Trip

Piki ake ki ngā whetū - Reach for the Stars

Principal's View

Tena koutou e te whānau

After 10 solid days of rain, it is nice to see the sun finally appear. Several wet days in a row is always hard in schools but having half the school locked as a building site does take things to a new level. However, full credit to the majority of our tamariki who did a wonderful job coping with the endless rain.

Attendance has been in the media over the past few months. Following the COVID pandemic and the disruptions to schools during that time, school attendance has been at an all-time low across the motu. Regular attendance, between 90% and 100%, had dropped below 50%! We know that regular attendance at school is a habitual thing. Students see regular attendance at school as just something they do. Unfortunately, equally, nonattendance can be habit forming. When this happens tamariki disengage from school and it is hard to get them back. Even missing 10% of school is still significant as it equates to 20 days for the year (a whole month!). Obviously, we don't want children coming to school unwell, but the reality is this is one of the few legitimate reasons for absence from school.

Our Kāhui Ako has established a new attendance service that has three full time staff, who are focused on engaging with school and whānau to improve attendance for the tamariki in our rohe. Hampden Street School generally has very good attendance, well above national averages in all cohorts, genders and ethnicities, but we still have room to improve. We will be working with our new attendance team to address our attendance issues and will work directly with whānau, whose children are not attending as much as they should, to find solutions to re-engage these children with school.

If you are having difficulty getting your child to school, please ask for help. Talk to Tracy McLaren, our Learning Support Coordinator, your child's teacher or a member of the Senior Leadership Team (Don, Lora or Dean). We are here to help.

Ngā mihi

Don McLean
Principal

Notices

Restricted Access Ways

With the fine weather forecast next week, the builders will be taking the opportunity to get the outside concreting and sealing completed. Because of this the current access way, that runs between the new block and the corner of the courts (by the old school bell), will be closed for a week or so. All access to and from the top part of the school grounds to the Junior and Middle Syndicates and playgrounds will be via the tiger turf. We apologise for the inconvenience.

Senior Cross Country, Change of Date

Please note, due to a clash with a recently announced Rippa Rugby tournament, the date for the Senior Syndicate Cross Country has changed to Monday 29 May. This is a different date to what has been advertised in previous newsletters.

School Cross Country League 2023

Athletics Nelson, with support from Downer, will be hosting the 2023 Schools Cross Country League over three events in the month of May.

Full details of dates, times, venues, entry, grades etc can be found at the following link:

<https://athleticsnelson.co.nz/childrens-winter-x-country/>

Races will be on the following Saturdays:

- Saturday 13 May at Saxton Field
- Saturday 20 May at Branford Park
- Saturday 27 May at Saxton Field

Please pre-register for the races, before arriving at the venue, on the above Athletics Nelson link.



Recycling Batteries with Emanuel

Our amazing Emanuel from Room 18 has a unique idea for the kaitiaki challenge. Since there are very few drop off points around Whakatū for used batteries to be recycled, he has set up a black ice cream tub underneath the TV in the Middle Syndicate Hub. You can deposit your spent batteries there. Emanuel will then take them to Nelson Recycle Centre. Kia Ora Emanuel!



Quiz Night

Tickets for the Kiwiana Quiz Night and Auction

Kiwiana Quiz Night tickets go on sale at 8:15am, at the school office on Monday 22 May. Tickets to this event always sell out quickly so, we apologise but, we cannot hold tables/tickets. Tickets are sold as a team of six for \$150:00. The ticket price includes snack and dessert platters along with access to incredible auctions and raffle prizes.

So, gather your mates and get in before we sell out.



Seeking Donations for the Kiwiana Quiz Night and Auction

We hope you will join us for an unforgettable evening of fun and trivia at our upcoming Kiwiana Quiz Night and Auction. The success of our fundraiser relies on the generosity of our incredible community, we have two ways you can donate:

Be a legend by donating products and services for our auction prizes. Do you have a coffee shop you love or adore the little homewares store in town? Show them some love by donating a voucher or their products to our fundraiser. Popular prize categories include:

- car maintenance
 - beauty and skin care
 - holiday accommodation
 - restaurants
 - movie theatres
 - personal training
- anything you love - every little bit counts!



		<h1>FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED</h1>
		
		
		

To maximize the profits of our upcoming Kiwiana Quiz Night and Auction Fundraiser, HSS whānau generously donate ingredients for our snack and dessert platters.

Our team of kitchen volunteers has planned a delicious menu of kiwi classics, from cheese rolls to slices that would make your Nan proud. We won't ask you to bring a plate, but we do need donations of ingredients for our snack and dessert platters. We require items such as flour, butter, sugar, and condensed milk now to begin our baking. More items such as cream cheese, colby cheese and more, will be needed closer to the event. You can find our full wishlist here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0944aeaa2ca0f9c43-kiwiana1#/>

If you prefer, we do the shopping, we also accept donations towards prizes and menu ingredients into the Hampden Street Fundraising Committee Account: 03-1354-0374813-00 (Different from Hampden Street School account).

Thank you to everyone who has already donated so generously,
The Hampden Street School Fundraising Committee (HSSFC)

Toothbrushes

We have quite a few Twinkle Tooth toothbrushes left from past fundraisers. These are on sale through the school office for \$1:00 each. Please note that some of them may no longer have the two-minute flashing light.



Lego Needed

The Lego Club is on the lookout for more Lego. If you have Lego of any kind (including the Countdown Lego) that you would be happy to donate, please drop to Mandy Cain-Townley in Room 15 or to the school office.



Scholastic

Just a reminder that the current Scholastic Book Club order will close on Friday 12 May for orders through the school office, and on Monday 15 May for orders through the online Scholastic LOOP.



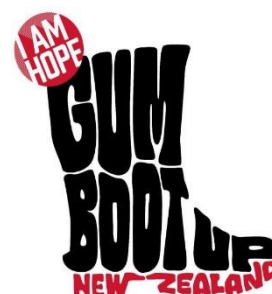
Outstanding Sports Uniforms

Please have a good hunt at home for any HSS sports t-shirts and netball dresses, that are not being used this term, and send them back to the school office as soon as possible.

Gumboot Friday/Free Counselling

While Gumboot Friday doesn't return until 3 November this year, it's good to know the service is there, year-round, providing free counselling for young people aged under 25 years. They have counsellors available for face to face or digital therapy.

<https://www.gumbootfriday.org.nz/get-a-counsellor>



Itinerant Music Programme Coordinator (Fridays)

Greg Hornsby is stepping away from organising the Friday music lesson timetables for our itinerant music and drama tutors. Our new Itinerant Music Programme Coordinator is Susan Skeggs. Many of you will have met Susan already, she is a familiar face at HSS, working as a Learning Support Assistant as well as some time in the main office. If you have any questions around the music and drama lessons offered by itinerant tutors, please email Susan; susan.skeggs@hampdenstreet.school.nz. You are still welcome to send queries via the main office, all invoice enquiries should go to the office.

Pink Shirt Day

On Friday 19 May we are having a 'dress in pink' day in support of the Mental Health Foundation. Pink Shirt Day is about making a bold stand against bullying and looks at promoting Aotearoa as a kind, inclusive place, where diversity is celebrated, and everyone feels safe, valued and respected. On Friday 19 May we encourage the HSS community to dress in pink and bring a coin donation for this worthy cause.



From the Syndicates

Junior Syndicate

Children's writing in early primary school is an exciting and crucial stage of their academic journey. At this age, children are typically learning how to form sentences and express their thoughts through writing. As they become more confident in their ability to write, many children begin to feel excited about making sentences and conveying their ideas in written form.

Whether they are writing stories, describing their experiences, or simply practicing basic sentence structure, children often take great pride in their writing and enjoy the process of creating something unique and personal. This early enthusiasm for writing can set the stage for a lifetime of creative expression and critical thinking skills.

Mānuka 7 have been working on some collaborative poetry, below you can read their Ngahuru poem & enjoy!

Ngahuru (Autumn) by Mānuka 7

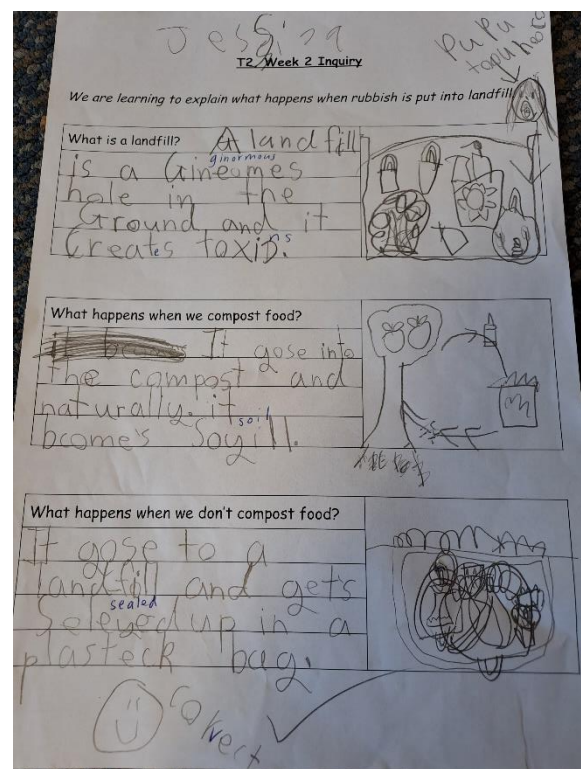
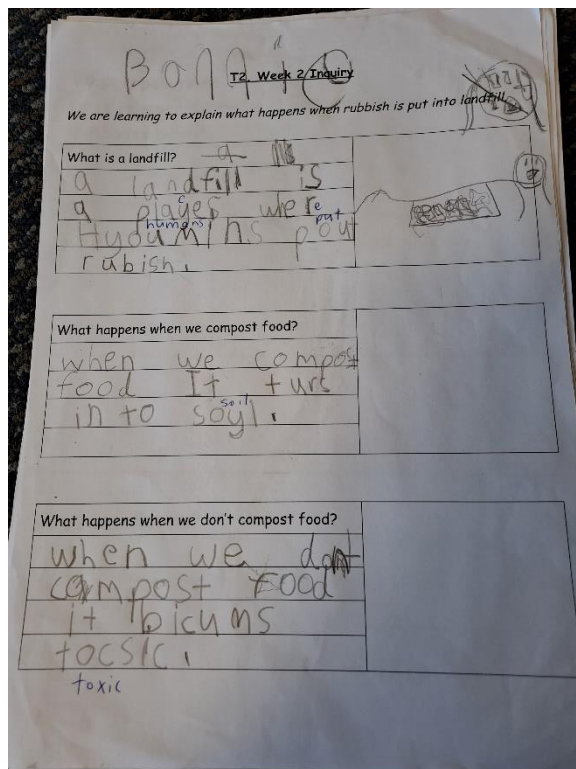
Spiky leaves blow around the freezing mushroom kingdom.

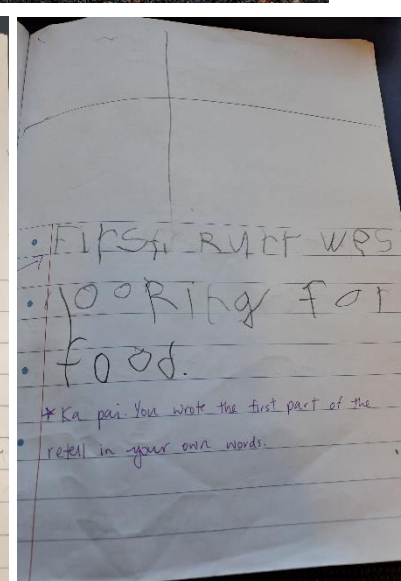
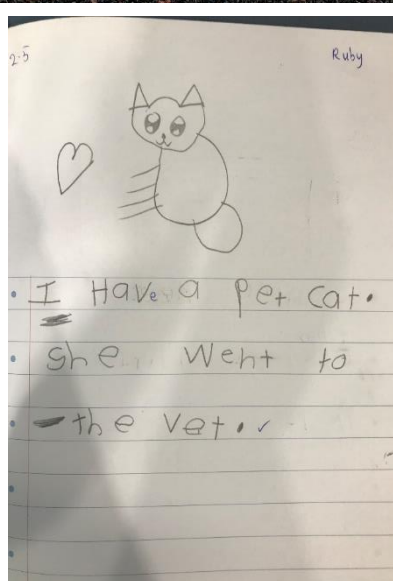
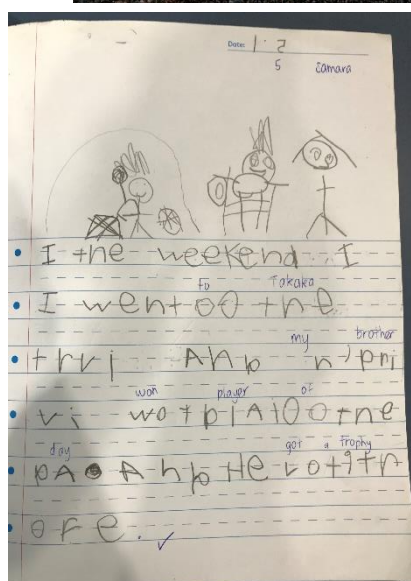
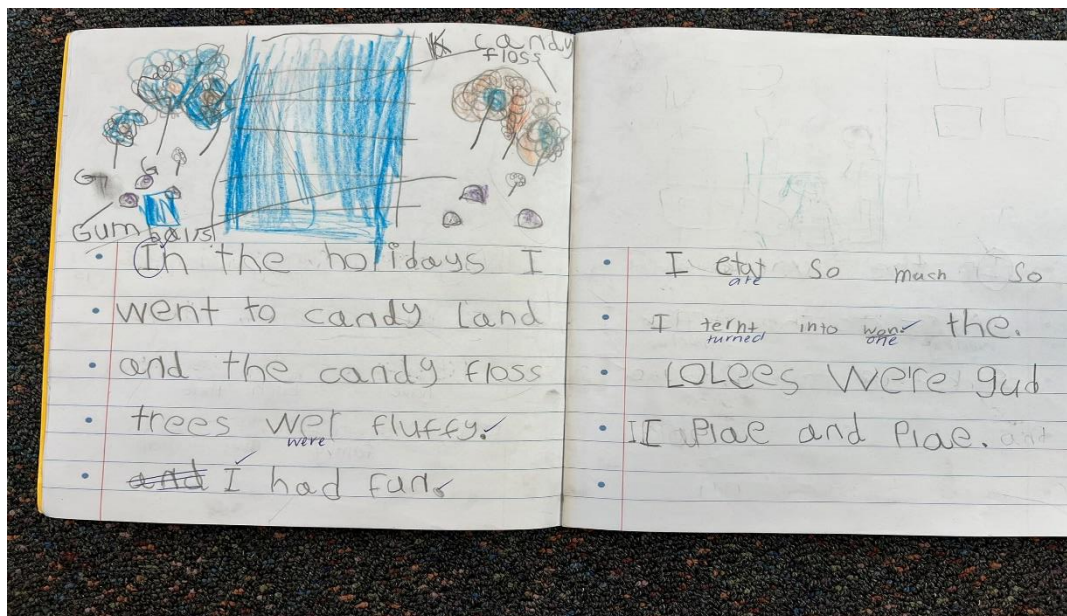
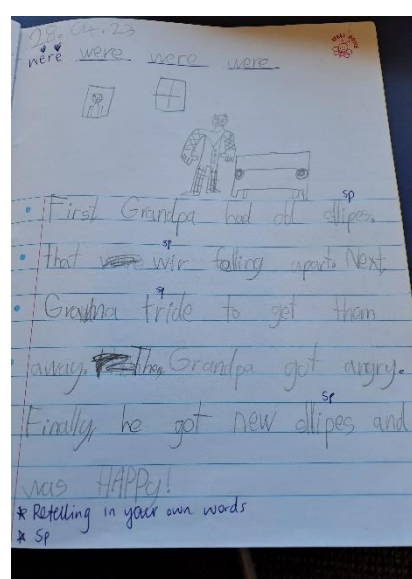
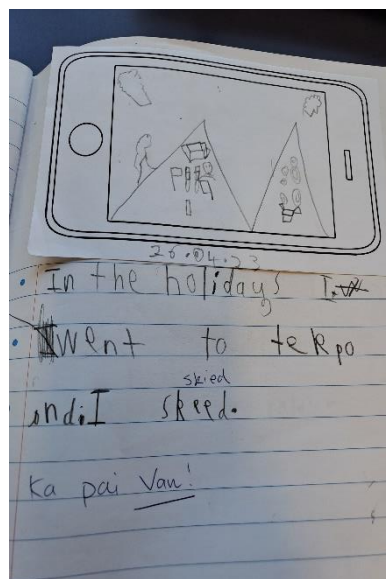
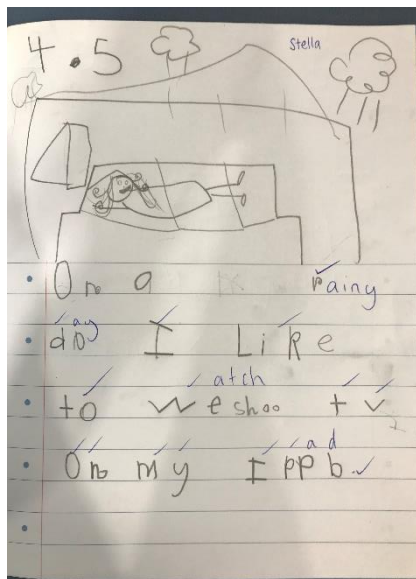
They feel crunchy under our feet.

The wind drifts and glides through the blue cloudless sky.

Leaves flutter down to the shiny, wavy river and float to the sparkling ocean.

I feel happy and free in the world.





Janet Arcus Syndicate Leader

Middle Syndicate

What an incredible start we've had in the marvellous Middles this term! Despite the rainy weather, we have been making the most of our wonderful hub space and engaging in interactive learning tasks.





In our writing lessons, we have been exploring the art of notetaking and extracting key information from texts about native animals and the beautiful country of New Zealand. Our focus has been on embracing the concept of kaitiakitanga, which means being responsible caretakers of our precious environments.

One particular highlight that has generated a lot of excitement is our class science fair projects. Karen Linyard, our amazing science teacher, has been demonstrating fair testing and conducting fascinating experiments that have stimulated our curiosity. These experiences have given us plenty of "food for thought" and have sparked engaging discussions among both students and teachers.



In addition to our science, we have been continuing with our weekly phonics sessions, and the progress in students' literacy skills has been impressive. We are thrilled to witness the growth and improvement they have shown.

Thanks for all the support from home and we look forward to seeing whānau at our upcoming cross country.

Mandy Cain-Townley Syndicate Leader

Senior Syndicate

The term has started with a hiss and a roar. Science experiments are on the go, cross country training has started and lots of amazing art is being created across the Syndicate. Here's what our tamariki have said about the term so far.

Oscar: This term I have enjoyed the cross-country practice and running with my friends because I get to step up my fitness. I also liked looking at Gary Baseman's goofy artwork.

Rebecca: My highlight this term has been science because I enjoyed doing the experiments with Karen about the water quality in Nelson creeks and rivers.



Over the past two weeks all the Senior classes have visited the Suter Art Gallery to look at Gary Baseman's work. He is an American artist who has strong connections with Nelson. This is what the tamariki said about it.

The Suter Trip

Last week we went to the Suter Art Gallery. We learnt some things about Gary Baseman's background. Gary Baseman is an illustrator, an animator, an artist and a cartoonist. He made all sorts of characters; hybrids and creatures he has simply made up from his imagination. He also created Manny the Moa, a moa that starred in many of his wonderful and unique artworks. He also had a cat called Blackie and after she died, she became the star of his artwork, as well as Manny.

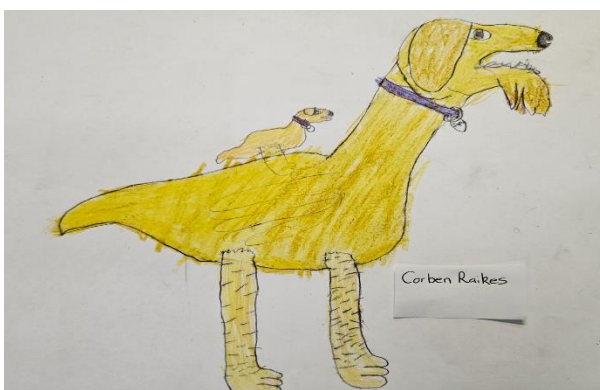
I enjoyed making our own unique creatures, because we got to do whatever we liked, as long as it was a hybrid, and it was very fun making them up. I highly recommend that you go and see these magnificent artworks, because it is very interesting looking at Gary's artwork and learning all about him and what inspired him. It was even worth the long trek there in the rain! That was how great it was!

By Alba



Henry: I really enjoyed making the hybrid animal because I got to be creative and make a new animal.

Esmæ: I enjoyed looking at the fun and weird art because it was so unique, fun and weird artwork. It was so fun to create our own hybrid.



Coming Events

HSS's Got Talent, Heat 2	12 May, 1:30pm-2:00pm
School Cross Country League, Race 1, Saxton Field	13 May
Pink Shirt Day	19 May
HSS's Got Talent, Heat 3	19 May, 1:30pm-2:00pm
School Assembly	19 May, 2:15pm-3:00pm
School Cross Country League, Race 2, Branford Park	20 May
Junior Syndicate Cross Country, Fairfield Park	22 May, 1:30pm-2:45pm
Seniors, Rippa Rugby Tournament, Greenmeadows	23 May, 9:30am-3:00pm
Middle Syndicate Cross Country, Fairfield Park	25 May, 12:45pm-2:45pm
HSS's Got Talent, Heat 3	26 May, 1:30pm-2:00pm
School Cross Country League, Race 3, Saxton Field	27 May
Mihi Whakatau	29 May, 9:15am-9:45am
Senior Syndicate Cross Country, Fairfield Park	29 May, 1:00pm-2:30pm
Postponement Day, Junior Syndicate Cross Country	30 May
Postponement Day, Middle Syndicate Cross Country	1 June
HSS's Got Talent, Heat 4	2 June, 1:30pm-2:00pm
School Assembly	2 June, 2:15pm-3:00pm
King's Birthday Public Holiday, School Closed	5 June
Interschool Cross Country, Branford Park	6 June, 1:00pm-3:00pm
Postponement Day, Interschool Cross Country	8 June
HSS's Got Talent, Heat 5	9 June, 1:30pm-2:00pm
School Assembly	16 June, 2:15pm-3:00pm
Quiz Night	16 June
Excellence Assemblies	29 June

Community Notices

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Seussical the Musical. A large number of Nelson City Brass members are involved in the Nayland College musical 'Seussical'. Nayland College is delighted to bring the Cat in the Hat, Horton the Elephant, Jojo, Mayzie la Bird, Gertrude McFuzz and a world of fabulous Dr Seuss characters to the Theatre Royal stage 11-13 May. This dynamic, colourful, crazy show in one 75-minute act, is perfect for the whole family.

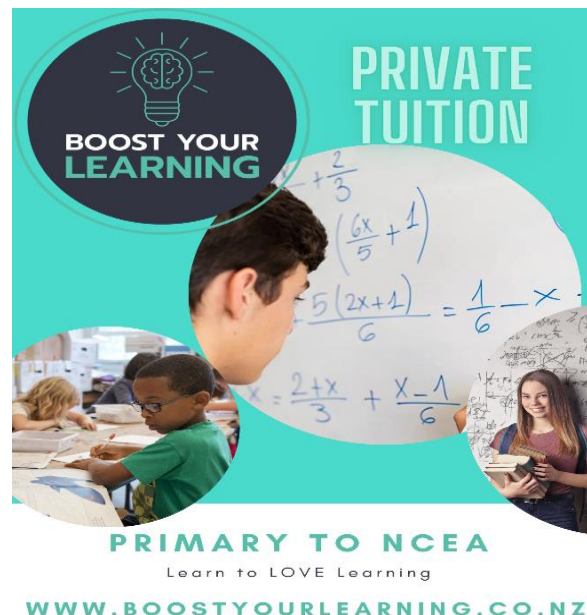
For younger children, don't miss the Saturday matinee where children (and adults!) are encouraged to dress as their favourite Dr Seuss character and to meet the cast on stage for photos after the show. "Oh, the Thinks you can Think when you Think about Seuss!" Book tickets here: <https://www.theatreroyalnelson.co.nz/show/seussical-the-musical/>



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. Check out our Facebook; <https://aikidonelson.nz/>





CHILDREN'S ASTHMA STUDY CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for children with asthma to take part in a study comparing two different asthma inhalers

To take part in this study you must:

- ✓ Have been diagnosed with asthma by a doctor
- ✓ Be aged between 5 and 15 years
- ✓ Only use a reliever inhaler

For more information contact either:

MRINZ Motueka

Name: Dr Richard Fuller

Email: richard.fuller@mrinz.ac.nz

Phone: (03) 528 8866

SCT Tasman (Nelson)

Name: Stephanie Stephens

Email: sct.tasman@sctrials.co.nz

Phone: (021) 027 23271

What does it involve?

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- 1 year
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- 3 In person + 2 phone calls
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- Inhalers provided free of charge
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- Asthma education
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- Reimbursement for travel expenses



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This study has been approved by Northern B Health and Disability Ethics Committee (20/NTB/200)

More information: <https://trials.mrinz.ac.nz/surveys/?s=XFL7DL98HD>

Our study website: <https://www.mrinz.ac.nz/currently-recruiting/care-study>

Motueka: Email: richard.fuller@mrinz.ac.nz

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Tasman: Email: sct.tasman@sctrials.co.nz

Phone: (021) 027 23271

Awards and Achievements

Room 1	<i>Izzy Mussely for responding creatively in her artwork.</i>
Room 2	<i>Aria O'Brien for her creative ideas and her excellent attitude towards learning.</i>
Room 3	<i>Jago Doherty for striving for success through his focus with independent learning tasks.</i>
Room 4	<i>Harlan Fraser for having a positive mindset and being more engaged in classroom activities.</i>
Room 5	<i>Evander Currie for focused reading, creative writing and a high standard of presentation in art.</i>
Room 6	<i>Luca Chitty for striving for success in class tasks and making valuable contributions to classroom tasks.</i>
Mānuka 7	<i>Soul Karki for striving for success in reading by learning how to segment and blend the sounds in words.</i>
Mānuka 8	<i>Freddie Zeewoldt-Thelin for striving for success in writing by independently attempting new words – ka pai!</i>
Mānuka 9	<i>Lucas Hargreaves for striving for success in reading and writing by taking risks and persisting on tasks.</i>
Mānuka 10	<i>Ollie Blakemore for trying his best with learning activities and doing some learning activities by himself.</i>
Kōwhai 11	<i>Mabel Avery for responding creatively by being a curious learner who asks questions and expresses ideas.</i>
Kōwhai 12	<i>Alice Murray for striving for success in the mornings when getting ready for the day.</i>
Kōwhai 13	<i>Odyn Robb for striving for success in literacy by taking on feedback and trying hard in phonics.</i>
Room 14	<i>Georgii Grushenkov for always having an amazing attitude towards his learning.</i>
Room 15	<i>Liv McMeeken for having an excellent attitude towards learning and always trying her best.</i>
Room 16	<i>Azalea Dobson for striving for success with her reading fluency, she's a STAR!</i>
Room 17	<i>Millie Clark for using and sharing her amazing knowledge towards kaitiakitanga learning.</i>
Room 18	<i>Sophie Cox for connecting her learning across subject areas.</i>
Room 19	<i>Isla-Rose Collins-Howard for showing empathy always to her peers and Kaiako.</i>

