

Newsletter

22 February 2024

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Room 5 Senior Camp, Mārahau

Piki ake ki ngā whetū - Reach for the Stars

Principal's View

Tena koutou e te whānau

Last week I spent a wonderful four days with Room 5 on camp at Marahau. I really enjoy going to camp with students as it often brings out the best in them. Children have to dig deep and really challenge themselves and for each child that challenge can look quite different. For some simply staying away from home for three nights is hard, while for others it could be the five hour walk to/from Anchorage. I was so impressed at the resilience our students showed and how happy they were with themselves at the end of the week. I am very proud of our camp programme. Over the years, despite an increase in paperwork, compliance and costs we have still managed to provide fun and challenging outdoor education programmes in great locations for an affordable price.

Something you may not be aware of is that school covers over half the camp costs. This is possible due to our participation in the Ministry of Education's donations Opt Out Scheme. This scheme was set up so schools didn't ask for donations or fees for internal cultural and sporting activities. With school camps we only ask for a family contribution towards the accommodation and food on the camp. The scheme also pays for some visiting shows and performances, such as the Strike Percussion Group, who are here on Friday, swimming lessons for all students, buses for sports trips, and any costs associated with trips to the Nelson Provincial Museum/Pupuri Taonga O Te Tai Ao or The Suter Art Gallery. We regularly have families who generously provide specific donations to help support students with camp costs, or for things such as library books or readers. These are gratefully received but certainly not expected.

Our Hampden Street School Fundraising Committee (HSSFC) also supports these activities at HSS as well providing funds for furniture and equipment for the tamariki. We are very lucky to have such an effective and consistent fundraising committee as they have all but disappeared in many urban schools. The nearly \$40 000 they inject into our school each year allows us to provide many of the special "extras" that our school has to offer. Last year the HSSFC provided \$25,000 for new equipment and furniture for our Junior Block as well as funding for library books, swimming lessons and camps. They are a small group of volunteers and are always looking for new members. If you think you could help please come along to their first meeting for the year on Wednesday 6 March, from 5:00pm to 6:00pm in the staffroom. If you would like to find out more information please email hssfundraisingcommittee@gmail.com.

Ngā mihi

Don McLean
Principal

Notices

Invitation to Whānau From Other Countries

Currently our kura/school is exploring the theme of journeys and migrations. We are aware that some whanau are keen to share their personal stories and histories of how they and/or their ancestors ended up in Aotearoa. If you are keen to share with our tamariki and would like to chat further please contact Lora Bailey or Greg Hornsby:



lora@hampdenstreet.school.nz greg.hornsby@hampdenstreet.school.nz

Production 2024, Whānau Volunteers

It's that time again! In Term 3 we will be very busy rehearsing for the production. If you are keen to support our production, we are looking for help with the following:

- -Making costumes
- -Makeup
- -Sail making expertise or heavy-duty fabric skills to make a new backdrop
- -Painting backgrounds
- -Access to costumes

If you can help in any way, please contact Greg Hornsby; greg.hornsby@hampdenstreet.school.nz



Marine Plywood Donations

If any whānau have spare marine plywood they would be willing to donate could they please contact Greg

Hornsby; greg.hornsby@hampdenstreet.school.nz

Scooters

Scooters are a great way for students to get to school. We encourage students to use this type of active transportation. However, if children come to school each day on a scooter, then we strongly recommend they wear a helmet. We have had a number of students come off their scooters and we are concerned that only through good luck we haven't had someone receive a serious head injury. If they intend to ride on the scooter track at school, they must wear a helmet.





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Breakfast Club 2024

Thank you again to our wonderful whānau volunteers that support our Breakfast Club.

Breakfast Club will be open 8.15am-8.45am Tuesday to Friday in the hall from next week (Week 4).

Feel free to pop in and say hello anytime if you would like to see our Breakfast Club in action and say hi to our wonderful volunteers.

We still are looking for volunteers on Wednesday morning 8.00am to 9.00am. Please contact Tracy McLaren, our Learning Support Coordinator, if you are interested in supporting us tracy.mclaren@hampdenstreet.school.nz or 021 655 682.

We are also accepting donations for rice bubbles, corn flakes, granola, small tins of fruit and almond butter.

Unfortunately, due to nut allergies we are unable to serve peanut butter.





HSS Sports T-Shirts

Over the last week we have issued a lot of HSS sports tops for the after-school sport teams. We ask that school owned tops are only worn after school for HSS team sport to prolong their usable life. Our sport cupboard is running very low on tops at the moment. If you have a top at home from last year, please return it to the office as soon as possible.

The tops are available for sale though if your 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. Our tops are now being produced by Tineli, who have set up a site for online ordering on the following link:

https://www.tineli.co.nz/hss (Select 'student owned version'). The current order will close on 28 February at midnight, with an estimated delivery of 15 April.

Tineli sample sizes are at the school office, however you have the option of adjusting the length of the body or

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sleeves to suit the child. Names can also be added to the back at the time of ordering.

HSS Hoodies

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





Dogs in the School Grounds



You will have noticed the new signs around the school reminding people that dogs are not allowed in our grounds.

Please respect this rule and leave your dogs outside of our grounds. It is for the student's safety and wellbeing.

Sushi Lunches

An email went out last week to advertise the return of **sushi lunches on Fridays**. **Orders need to be placed on a Thursday morning between 8:30am and 9:00am** outside the school hall. Children can order a rice ball for \$3.50, a four-piece pack for \$4.50 or a six-piece pack for \$6.50. All sizes come in vege, smoked salmon, tuna mayo and teriyaki chicken. Plain rice balls are also available.

Battery Recycling

You may remember last year that Emanuel, from the Middle Syndicate, was recycling used batteries as his kaitiaki challenge. Emanuel and his whānau are still keen to support recycling used batteries correctly. If you have any spent batteries, you are welcome to drop them to the school office and Emanuel will make sure the batteries are disposed of properly.



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From the Syndicates

Junior Syndicate

We are back into the term and loving the settled weather that 2024 has brought us so far.



250 Hampden St, Nelson 7010 Phone: (03) 548 1825 Email: office@hampdenstreet.school.nz www.hampdenstreet.school.nz Let's ask the junior tamariki what they are enjoying about their year so far? I like this school because my brother is here and I'm too big for little school. Sarah, Kōwhai 12

I like the rope that you can hold onto and walk along the bottom rope in the playground. I can do it, it's a bit wobbly. Phoenix, Kōwhai 13

I like coming to school to play basketball and soccer. Sion, Kōwhai 13

I love playing on the playground and making new friends, I have like 2000 friends now. Avery, Kōwhai 12

I love doing my Maths, I have been adding numbers together. I am really happy at school. Raeana, Mānuka 7

I am enjoying playing at Play-based Learning time. I enjoy using the clay and going in the sandpit. Dante, Mānuka 7



I love playing in the sandpit with Jonty. I make ramps to push the car and water down. Lewis, Mānuka 8

I really like playing with the new friends I have made this year, we love playing bob-tag. Isla, Mānuka 8.

I love learning how to read. Pointing to the letters. I know all the names of the letters now. Juniper, Mānuka 9





Janet Arcus Syndicate Leader

Middle Syndicate

We're happy to tell you that all our Middle Syndicate tamariki have had a great start to the term. They've been all smiles, making new friends, and getting used to how things work here. It's been wonderful to see! This term, we're all about "Journeys. "How can we express our individual and collective sense of belonging and sense of place here in Aotearoa, in Te Tau Ihu, and at HSS?" We're learning about different kinds of journeys - from trips around the world to the adventures characters go on in stories. It's a fun way for everyone to learn about new places, people, and even learn a bit about themselves. Our teachers ensure every day is filled with fun activities that help our tamariki understand these journeys. They're getting to be creative, work together, and discover lots of interesting things.



Some of our Year 3 tamariki have shared what they think is great about the Middles: It is great because there are cool books out in the hub. There are so many things to do in my new class. Griffin, Room 16

I like doing more difficult maths. I like how we write a bit more than in the Juniors, instead of pictures, we have a whole book to write in. I am happy that I made a new friend. Lily, Room 15

I like it how some mornings we come and do the hub singing. I also like how there are older kids that I play with. There is more space in the hub. Dylan, Room 18

We are always close together so we can learn and do things with different classes. I like how we do lots of art in the Middles. Nora, Room 19

It has been great to make lots of new friends like Jasmine, Jessica and Stella. We have nearly done our heart chart, we get a square that has empty boxes, when the class does good things, we put a heart on the heart chart. When it's full we get to do something special like a popcorn party or pj day, all kinds of fun things. Zoe, Room 17

It is good to be able to do new learning. The hub is cool. Indi, Room 14



We're excited to keep going on this journey of learning and growing together. Thanks for all your support at home!

The Middle Syndicate Team Emma, Mandy, Josh, Heather, Nic and Katie.

Mandy Cain-Townley Syndicate Leader

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Senior Syndicate

Kia ora, I hope you have all had a wonderful start to the year! We have had the gorgeous summer days that we love, which have helped enhance our Senior camps so far. Well done to Rooms 5, 2, 4 and 6 who have all almost completed their camps and made the most of the opportunities. We are so



lucky to start the year with such a positive experience. You can see the ripples across the Syndicate as new classes gel and step up to Senior life. Good luck to Rooms 1 and 3 who go on their journey next week.





















Swimming has also been a huge part of our programme early in the term. Lessons with Hampden Street Swim School have been appreciated and children have been working on proudtheir stroke development. In Week 6 we will hold our Senior Swimming Sports event where all children will enter competitive and non-competitive races. You are all invited to come and watch at the school pool, at 12:30pm, on 12 March.



In class, programmes are getting underway. We are encouraging the children to be in the right place, with the right equipment, at the right time.

We are excited for the term ahead.

Tarnia Pilcher Syndicate Leader

Coming Events

Room 1 Camp, Marahau	26-29 February
Room 3 Camp, Marahau	27 February-1 March
School Assembly, Junior and Middle Syndicates	1 March, 2:20pm-3:00pm
Fundraising Committee Meeting, Staffroom	8 March, 5:00pm-6:00pm
Middle Syndicate Swimming Sports	8 March, 12:30pm-2:00pm
Mihi Whakatau	11 March, 9:10am-9:45am
Senior Syndicate Swimming Sports	12 March, 12:30pm-3:00pm
School Assembly, Middle and Senior Syndicates	15 March, 2:20pm-3:00pm
Interschool Swimming Sports, HSS Pool	19 March, 12:30pm-3:00pm
Good Friday, School Closed	29 March
Easter Monday, School Closed	1 April
Easter Tuesday, School Closed	2 April
School Photos	3 April
Excellence Assembly, Middle and Senior Syndicates	11 April, 9:15am-10:00am
Excellence Assembly, Junior Syndicate	11 April, 2:15pm-3:00pm
End of Term 1	12 April
Start of Term 2	29 April
Mihi Whakatau	29 April, 9:10am-9:45am



Community Notices

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Granny on Call. Do you need morning drop offs and/or after school pick ups to/from your home or after school activities? Granilyn is a GRANNY ON CALL and lives just five minutes from school, she is kind and trustworthy with excellent local references, a current Police Check, and very affordable rates. Phone or text 021 457 188.

Morning Childcare and Drop Off. Stressful mornings rushing your kids out the door? Would you like someone to swoop in and help with lunches, breakfast, drop-off etc while you get away to go to work/the gym/a quiet coffee? I can help! I'm Maggie, a former HSS LSA and am currently studying at NMIT. I'm available for morning work Tues-Friday. Send me an email maggie.sosnowski@gmail.com or text/call 022 642 8297.

Support Worker Wanted. Support worker / childcare / home help mahi available, North Nelson. My social and friendly 5.5-year-old daughter and I would love some extra help while I juggle daughter-raising a tough, resilient and independent wee girl, supporting her to live a great life and returning to full time work. We are looking for someone who can help us with morning or afternoon routines. Mostly Thursday - Saturdays, outside of school hours at the moment, yet other shifts likely will be available over the week and during school holidays. My daughter needs a bit of extra support and supervision with her health, personal care and mobility, with this, the role would suit someone with experience (or studying) in the areas of health or education, yet not needed as full training is provided. If you are interested in finding out more, email me for a role description and more information. Becs Dryland rdryland@gmail.com 027 583 4112

Piano/Keyboard Tuition. Piano and keyboard tuition available in central Nelson (Wellington St) Monday to Wednesday, after school. Accelerated learning through colour, suitable for ages 6 and over. \$25.00 per half hour weekly lesson. For more information contact 0220873136 or madhu@cosmusic.academy



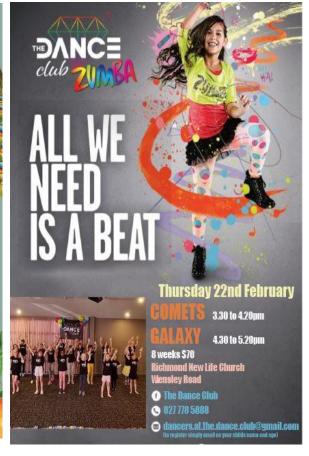
Akido Nelson. Want to learn self-defence and become more confident? Do AIKIDO, a Japanese Martial Art. We have children's classes from 8yrs -16yrs Wed & Fri 5pm – 6pm Check out our Facebook; https://www.facebook.com/AikidoNelson

Table Tennis. Here at Table Tennis Nelson we are excited to be offering a new programme aimed at 6-11 year olds. It is called TT Kidz and will be delivered over 8 weeks with fun and engaging ways to learn skills for the game of table tennis. For more information go to www.tabletennis.org.nz/tt-kidz









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Awards and Achievements

Room 1	Reid Tatley for making a positive, focused start to his learning this year.
Room 3	Ava Whittington for striving for success in all her learning and having a
	wonderful start to her Year 6.
Room 4	Summer Davies-Ellery for her effort and enthusiasm to all areas of learning.
	Her mature attitude has ensured a great start to the year.
Room 5	Saskia Boyd for having the best attitude towards all camp activities and
	making positive connections.
Room 6	Kimiora King for showing empathy towards her new classmates and striving
	to do her best in all class tasks.
Mānuka 7	Dante Te Kawa for actively collaborating and showing empathy in classroom
	and play activities.
Mānuka 8	Braxton Knudsen for having a great start to the year, he is ready to learn and
	is a role model for others.
Mānuka 9	Bridget McCarthy for taking the initiative to use resources and manage her
	behavour.
Mānuka 10	Ollie Hendry for striving for success in the classroom by making good choices
	and trying his best with all mahi.
Kōwhai 12	Flora Wonford for striving to make new friends by being kind to the people in
	her class.
Kōwhai 13	River Holmes for having a fantastic start to school and trying hard in
	everything she does.
Room 14	Harvey Campbell for being an incredible and positive role model, he is always
	impressive!
Room 15	Myah Hills for her fantastic start to 2024! She has shown leadership and
	confidence.
Room 16	Charly Chitty for his outstanding attitude in his learning and always looking
	out for others.
Room 17	Stella Gaskell for an amazing, positive, enthusiastic start with a great growth
	mindset.
Room 18	Jake Johnston for striving for success in the arts.
Room 19	Asacia Jones for striving for success by being a role model for others.
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