

# Whānau News

Term 3 Week 10



## PRAYER POINTS

Give thanks for:

- Spring!
- The ongoing support of our wonderful whanau.

Please pray for:

- Families and staff still affected by the recent flooding.
- Strength and perseverance heading towards the holidays.

## FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, JENNY LAIDLAW

Tēnā koutou katoa, he mihi tēnei kia koutou,

What an amazing way to wrap up Term Three, with the car park being 98.5% complete, thank you all so much for your extended patience, support, encouragement and for your ongoing flexibility which you have demonstrated throughout the last two terms. We're super proud of our wonderful NCA community. You're all such shining beacons and wonderful ambassadors for Christ. As a community you have truly brought our Values alive and made them meaningful for our tamariki. Our Proprietors need to be honoured and thanked for working so hard to ensure that this upgrade could actually happen!

Term Three has been full steam ahead! Our wonderful students have had a number of exciting learning opportunities. The Life Education bus visited NCA in Weeks 2 & 3 and our Intermediates had a fantastic day up Rainbow ski field. The concept of skiing challenged many of our Yr 7/8 students however by displaying super high levels of determination, perseverance, resilience and flexibility, combined with their ability to work collaboratively together, our fantastic young folk mastered the act of skiing by the end of the day!

Thank you so much to all of the parent volunteers who accompanied this trip - it was a wonderful way to connect with each other and an amazing opportunity to enhance our students self confidence throughout the day and this day really helped to prepare them for college next year.

Our Year 5/6's managed to squeeze an excursion into the Suter Gallery before the rain arrived. The floods really put a dampener on the term and once again we had to retreat into hybrid learning. A number of our families had to be evacuated or were unable to leave their homes. Once again our NCA community shone brightly as we reached out to one another. Your generosity really helped to limit unnecessary trauma for these families.

With the cancellation of our Teacher Only Day we were able to provide a number of students with the opportunity to attend the Inspire Festival which was held at Garin College. We sent a group of 23 students from Yr 4-8 to represent NCA. This group of wonderful young people made us proud as they lived the Values and they shone out brightly with their 'Can Do Attitudes' as they attempted a number of STEAM activities which certainly challenged them. Once again a massive thank you to all of the parents who were able to help out at such short notice. Without you this event would not have been possible.

Our Whole School Speech competition was fantastic! The quality of the speeches and the delivery of the presentations just continues to flourish, even during this very chaotic season. Senior and Intermediate students were selected to represent our school in the Interschool Speech Competition. Daniel M, Maisey S, Lily B and Joshua J were amazing ambassadors for God as they embraced the challenges of public speaking. With massive smiles on their faces, they drew on their faith, shared their speeches and certainly made their teachers, whānau and NCA proud!

Our school leaders worked with Rick from EnviroSchools and conducted a School Waste Audit and ever since we have been encouraging *Wrapper Free* Wednesdays.

Two weeks of swimming and water safety at the Richmond Aquatic Centre has certainly tired out our beautiful tamariki. Our students are certainly more confident when entering the water and their swimming skills have developed over the two week period. The swimming programme is such an important part of the school curriculum and has a pivotal role in helping to keep our students safe during the summer break when they are swimming in our local rivers and sea.

Our Intermediates finally got to experience outdoor life at Bridge Valley this week. All students faced a number of personal challenges and all were able to experience success and what success looks like for them. This EOTC experience is the first time many of our students have been away from their homes in an unfamiliar environment. All of our students shone. Those students who came out for day trips were fully included in all activities. It was a fantastic experience for all students. When they arrived home yesterday afternoon they were all super tired but had amazing smiles on their faces as they dragged their bags to their cars, whilst sharing their experiences with their parents. A big shout out to Mrs H and Mrs Fitzwater who worked so hard to ensure this EOTC activity took place. Our parent helpers were amazing and they too went home extremely happy but tired. Thank you all so much.

We are really excited about Term Four! NCA has an extremely full calendar scheduled throughout the term so please note the dates on the newsletter and put them in your diaries so that you can ensure that you are free to join us as we celebrate your children's learning experiences throughout the final term of 2022.

Lost Property: We have a box full of school jackets, drink bottles and general clothing that has not been claimed by our students. If you have lost clothing please call into the office to check out the Lost Property box. You can help us in the future by clearly labelling all school clothing.

Hats: School hats are to be worn throughout Term 4 and Term 1. You can purchase school hats through the office.

We have all experienced some extremely challenging seasons throughout the past two years. Our experiences may have been slightly different but they are all very real. Covid fatigue, winter illnesses and then the floods have hit us all very hard however, we have remained united in our faith. Now that we are able to reconnect, take some time out for yourselves, enjoy your beautiful tamariki and reconnect with whānau over this short holiday season. Rest up, be still, stay safe and have a peaceful break and remember that the gift of peace comes through the Holy Spirit.

**'The peace I give is a gift the world cannot give, so don't be troubled or afraid'.  
- John 14:27**

Tēna koutou, tēnā koutou , tēna koutou katoa.

Jenny Laidlaw  
Principal | Tumuaki  
Te Kura Karaitiana o Whakatu  
NELSON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**30 September** - End of Term 3 (School Closes at 3pm)

**17 October** - Start of Term 4

**18 October** - Photo Day 1

**19 October** - Photo Day 2

**20 October** - Mihi Whakatau T4 - Welcome for New Families

**24 October** - Labour Day (School is Closed)

**26 October** - Smash Play Cricket in school

**1 November** - NCA Athletics Day - Saxton Athletics Field

**2 November** - NCA Whānau Support Programme for New Families  
(Session 1 @ 9.15am & Session 2 @ 3.15pm)

**3 November** - Smash Play Cricket

**13 December** - Whānau Fun Night/Learning Journey @ 7pm

**15 December** - Classroom Transition/Meet the teacher @ 1.30pm

# NCA HAPPENINGS:

## Mihi Whakatau

NCA welcomed new families to the school on 26th July 2022. It was wonderful to see our new tamariki and whanau joining us for the morning.

## A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS:

Felix - Rm 1

Adeline, Chiara, Elijah, Trixie,  
Link, Van, Lun Sang, Harlen,  
Emmalynn & Elise - Rm 3

*We look forward to your  
journey of growth and  
learning with us!*

## Swimming

We had some tired but happy faces coming back to school each day. The sessions were thoroughly enjoyed and ran smoothly.

Please remember to inform the office if you ever need to take your child from an event or please sign them out from school if leaving early.

## Life Education Session

Harold the Giraffe entertained young and older during these informative sessions. Thank you for supporting your tamariki by completing a few activities that were sent home.

## Car Park Upgrade

**Important points to remember:**

- The footpath near the field should be used when children are dropped off and picked up each day, for the safety of our tamariki.
- Please make use of the yellow lined walkways through and around the carpark.
- Please keep to the speed limit for everyone's safety!

## Football in Schools

NCA was really happy to host Football in Schools this term. The first session had to be slightly adjusted to play on the smaller lower field as the top field was still too wet after all the rainfall.

Room 4, 12 and 13 enjoyed sessions on the 6th September and Room 5, 9 and 10 would have participated on 27th September. This session has been postponed to Term 4.

There are still a few spaces in the football teams for next term. Please encourage your child to sign up. Cost is only \$15!

Parent help is always needed so please sign up to help with your child's team. Thank you to those who have already agreed to do so.

Nelson Suburbs is also running the Football Skills Centre for 7-15 year olds, Tuesdays from 25th October at Saxton. Cost for this is \$75. You can let the office know and we would be happy to help you sign up!





During Māori Language Week we enjoyed Waiata Mornings in Room 8 where we sang songs and showed our best dance moves (kanikani). Individually, classes also did some other tasks to celebrate Māori Language Week, like doing booklets, talking about their roots and pepeha, singing, dancing, playing games, learning a new karakia and Kahoots! Overall this was a remarkable week where Te Reo Māori was really highlighted.



## Intermediates Camp



## Cross Country - Inter-Regionals 2022

Novia M (Yr5) and Biak B (Yr6) represented NCA (as part of the Tasman team) on 29th September at the Inter-Regionals Cross Country Championships 2022. They competed against Christchurch & Wellington. The Tasman team placed second overall with Wellington in first place and Christchurch in third. Congratulations!



# Speech Competition



**Daniel M and Maisey S represented NCA at the Intermediate Interschools Competition**

## 2022 Speech Results

1st place year 7/8 Daniel M  
2nd place year 7/8 Elena C  
=3rd place year 7/8 Millah H  
=3rd place year 7/8 Maisey S

1st place year 5/6 Lily B  
2nd place year 5/6 Josh J  
=3rd place year 5/6 Troye C  
=3rd place year 5/6 Blessing T

=1st place year 3/4 Sarah M  
=1st place year 3/4 Zoe H  
2nd place year 3/4 Adam H  
3rd place year 3/4 DiDi K

1st place year 1/2 Ben F  
2nd place year 1/2 Abby S  
3rd place year 1/2 Lillie M

**Lily B and Josh J represented NCA for the Senior Interschools Competition**

# SPORT PROGRAMMES

The Sports Letter for Term 4 was sent home recently. If you would still like your child to sign up for anything please send the form to the office (except Touch which has closed for registrations)

Sport	Year Levels	Cost	Day	Starting	Location	Teams
Basketball (Kiwi Hoops - intro to Basketball)	Y1-8 Beginners	\$60	Monday	TBC	Jack Robins Stadium	Individual (skills based programme)
Miniball	Y3-4	\$40	Thursday	20th Oct	Jack Robins Stadium	3x3
Miniball	Y5-6	\$40	Thursday	20th Oct	Nayland Outdoor Courts	3x3
Miniball	Y7-8	\$40	Wednesday	19th Oct	Nayland Outdoor Courts	3x3
Hockey	Y1-8 (Beginners)	\$35-45	Thursday	27th Oct	Saxton Field	Individual (skills based programme)
Hockey Full Field	Y5-8 (Competitive)	\$45	Monday	17th Oct	Saxton Field	Will be placed into teams by Hockey Nelson
Mini Football	Y1-6	\$15	Thursday	3rd Nov	Saxton Field	5-7 players per team
Nelson Suburbs Football Skills Centre	7-15 years old	\$75	Tuesdays	25th Oct	Saxton Field	Individual (skills based programme)
Softball	Under 11 years old	FREE	Monday	31st Oct	Saxton Softball Diamonds	9 players per team (Mixed years 4-6)
T-ball	5-8 years old	FREE	Monday	31st Oct	Saxton Softball Diamonds	Up to 9 players per team (Mixed years 1-4)
Touch	Y1-8	\$14-\$20 depending on numbers	Friday	21st Oct	Tahunanui Playing Fields	6-10 players per team
Volleyball Setters	Y3-8	\$35	Monday	31st Oct	Saxton Stadium	5-7 players per team
Cricket - Smash Play	Y0-3	\$45	Tuesday	TBC	Marsden Recreation Ground	Skills based programme
Gymnastics Nelson and Inclusive Sport Trust (Basketball) are both holding sports programmes this term for students with special needs/supported learning needs. For more info please see the office						

## Feedback on team numbers:

### Miniball teams:

- Enough for a Y5/6 team

### Mini Football teams:

- Year 1-2 - enough for a team
- Year 3-4 - enough for a team
- Year 5-6 - enough for a team but no reserves

### Softball (Y4-6):

- Have joined up with Enner Glynn students to make a team

### T-ball (5-8 years old):

- Need 3 or 4 players & supervisor

### Touch:

- Year 1-4 - need 2-3 more players for rolling subs
- Year 5-8 - no team could be made by due date.

### Volleyball

- Year 3-6 - enough for a team

Sports team lists will be sent home with your child when finalised.

# UPCOMING



## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM 4TH OCTOBER 2022

**SAXTON STADIUM, SAXTON RD,  
STOKE, NELSON  
9:00AM - 3PM**

A FUN BALANCE OF LEARNING TO  
PLAY, SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND  
LEARNING THE TABLE TENNIS  
PATHWAY.  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PHONE  
PAUL 022 394 0829.

**BATS AND BALLS PROVIDED  
\$5.00 PER PLAYER,  
WEAR NON MARKING INDOOR SPORTS SHOES  
JANDALS AND SANDALS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**

TABLE TENNIS NELSON  
142 SAXTON ROAD STOKE 7011  
03-547 9479



**Jennian**  
HOMES

**SUMMIT**



## SUMMIT CHALLENGE 2022

**MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER,  
SAXTON STADIUM, SAXTON RD,  
STOKE, NELSON**

**ALL LEVELS & ALL AGES,  
UNDER 19 YEARS.**

**3:30PM - 6:00PM,  
GET INVOLVED, THERE'S SOME  
GREAT PRIZES**

FOR FURTHER INFO CONTACT:  
MR MARK NALDER  
PHONE 0210 5408652  
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# TE TOTARA volleyball camps

**VT VOLLEYBALL TASMAN**

October 4th, 5th, 6th

**SETTERS Yrs 4-6**

**SPIKERS Yrs 7-9**

**JUNIOR Yrs 9-10**

**ONLINE OPEN NOW**





## TE TOTARA VOLLEYBALL – OCTOBER SKILLS CAMP (2022)

These programmes are open to all players wishing to improve their volleyball skills and knowledge of the game.

**WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME BACK  
BEN LAING as our Camp LEAD COACH**

**SETTER: (Yrs 4-6) 9.00-10.30am** (3 x 1.5-hour sessions)  
3 Sessions: \$70 or \$25/Session

**SPIKER: (Yrs 7-9) 10.45-12.45pm** (3 x 2-hour sessions)  
3 Sessions: \$90 or \$35/Session

**JUNIOR: (Yrs 9-10) 1.30-4.00pm** (3 x 2.5-hour sessions)  
3 Sessions: \$110 or \$40/Session

**REGISTRATION FEES:** payable by Friday 30 September

Online Direct Credit: **NBS A/C 03-1354-0326838-00** Ref: (Setter)/Name

*We have new design Te Totara Tees available to purchase. The Tee's are limited in stock, so these are first come first serve. We will have a new order for our January 2023 Camp. See website for the new design of our high quality sublimated and unique branded tee.*

*(Te Totara Tee may be purchased \$40 at the Camp)*

*However, if players have our 2021 Te Totara Tee, they are very welcome to wear this and not purchase the new tee.*

# POWER ZONE HISTORY MAKER



## HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

**MONDAY 10 OCT TO FRIDAY 14 OCT**

Call 547 2533 for more details  
This programme is OT & OSCAR approved  
**625 Main Road Stoke**

## Gymnastics Nelson

# OCTOBER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Join us for some holiday FUN!  
Including gymnastics, games, arts & crafts and MORE!

October 3-7th & 10-14th  
Full Day (9-3pm) - \$55  
Half Day (9-12pm) - \$30

Limited Spaces, book online NOW!  
<https://gymnast.co.nz/holiday-program>



LIFE SKILLS THROUGH ADVENTURE



## School Holiday Canoe Camps 2022 - 2023

**My First Canoe Camp: 9-10 year olds**

**SPRING**  
Thu 13 - Fri 14 October

**SUMMER**  
Thu 12 - Fri 13 January  
Thu 26 - Fri 27 January

**AUTUMN**  
Thu 20 - Fri 21 April

**Wilderness Canoe Camp: 11-13 year olds**

**SPRING**  
Sun 9 - Tue 11 October

**SUMMER**  
Sun 8 - Tue 10 January  
Sun 22 - Tue 24 January

**AUTUMN**  
Sun 16 - Tue 18 April

Email to reserve a place or visit our website for more information

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