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Kia Toa Be Victorious

Tēnā koutou katoa, Namaste, Mingalaba, Nan Dam Maw, Sua's Dei, Talofa Lava, Malo e Lelei, Kia Orana, Bula, Fakalofa Atu, Hola, Guten Tag, Bonjour, Ni Hao, Xin Chào, Konnichiwa, Kumusta, Ayubowan, God Dag, Hallo, Dzień dobry, Merhaba, Assalaam Alykum, warm greetings to you all.

What a great start to the year it has been with our core learning programme running full steam ahead and lots of other exciting opportunities ensuring our school is a great place to be and learn! Our inquiry kaupapa for this term is 'Taonga' and we are looking at it through the lens of our school value of Whanaungatanga (Relationships, Connections, and Family). There have been plenty of awesome things happening including swimming in our school pool, whānau fun night, whole school percussion performances, kōkōkaha sailing programme, visits from native birds, opening language schools, and our school sports and music programmes fully up and running. We've also got lots to look forward to with Suter Art Gallery visits, Weetbix Kiwikids Try-athlon, and Cultural Diversity Week at the end of this term, which will have a focus on performing arts.

Wānanga Takitoru (3-way learning conferences) are coming up in Week 7 and this will be a great chance for you as whānau to meet with your child(ren's) teachers and discuss their learning. Our bilingual support team is currently organising bookings for families that require translation services and once they have done this, bookings will be open for everyone through the school interviews website. I strongly encourage you to book a time on either Tuesday 19th or Wednesday 20th March as these face to face sessions with kaiako (teachers) are extremely valuable in terms of you being part of your child's learning journey. Research has shown that a strong home-school partnership is critical to improving student outcomes. Please note that school will close early at 1pm on Tuesday 19th March to allow enough time slots for teachers to meet with all parents/caregivers. We look forward to seeing you in Week 7!

As a school, we have recently gone through a consultation process to revise and modify our VPS Strategic Plan for 2024 and 2025. Our current strategic plan was informed by feedback from all of our key stakeholders (staff, whānau, tamariki, iwi) and based on the latest round of consultation, the feedback has pointed towards us maintaining the core elements of our current plan, while modifying a few things to ensure we continue improving outcomes for students. It is important for us to collect voice from our key stakeholders to make sure that our strategic plan meets the needs of everyone in our school community and I am confident that we have done this with the changes we've made. I want to thank everyone that has contributed to the consultation process and I look forward to sharing our revised strategic plan with you all in the coming weeks.

We are excited to announce that the classroom upgrade in Ngā Mana Kākano o Te Wairepo is almost complete. It's been a long process with a few supply delays prolonging the finished product but we are really happy with the end result and look forward to officially opening these new classroom spaces on Wednesday 13th March at 11:00am. All whānau are welcome to attend.

Lastly, you may have seen or heard about the new government regulations of ensuring that phones are away for the day and making sure that Reading, Writing, and Maths is taught for at least 15 hours a week (5 hours for each curriculum area). This sits alongside the Ministry of Education focus on student attendance and engagement, which is a strategy promoting attendance so that ākonga (students) are present, participating, and progressing in their learning. None of these new regulations require any significant change for us as we are already doing all of the things listed above, however, it's timely to remind you that children do not need to be bringing phones to school unless it is required for a health reason or for learning support, which will have been organised with your child's teacher.

Good luck to all the tamariki taking part in the Weetbix Kiwikids Triathlon this weekend! Go well and represent our kura with pride! Kia toa!

Ngā manaakitanga,
Dan George
Tumuaki



Whanau Fun Night, Strike Performance, Baby Tuis, Kōkōhaka Sailing Programme, Arts & Crafts Fun & Senior Te Taihu Kapa Haka Regionals



Important Reminder for Absentees

If your child is absent from school it is important that you let the school office know either by **calling on 5484779**, emailing admin2@victory.school.nz or texting **02102984330**. If you are calling the school please clearly give your name, your child's name and room number and the reason for absence.

Victory Primary School KIA TOA EXPECTATIONS

We show Kia Toa values in the wharepaku / Toilet by...

Whakapapa Kongahiriwaka	Honokiriwaka Kaitiakiwaka	Whanauwaka Kaitiakiwaka
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tell my kōwhiri before going to the toilet • Wear shoes in the wharepaku • Respect others' privacy when using the wharepaku • Kōka/poo & mimi/pee in the correct place • Let an adult know if I have had a toileting accident • Flush the toilet when I have finished • Use soap, paper towels, water and hand dryer properly • Wash and dry my hands • Put my rubbish in the bin • Tell an adult if I notice anything that needs cleaning up or is broken • Tell an adult if someone is chasing others or playing in the toilets • Use the toilet sensibly-be calm, quick and quiet 		
<p><i>Be Restorative/Actions:</i> Apologise, Clean up mess, replace broken items</p>		

Important Dates

Sun 10 March: Weetbix Tryathlon

Tue 19 Mar & Wed 20 Mar: 3-way Conferences/Wānanga Takitoru (see separate notice for further info).

Sun 24 March: Nelson Multi-Cultural Festival

Good Fri 29 March - Tues 2 April incl: Easter Holidays, school closed.

Fri 5 April: School Closes at 1pm for Paid Teachers Union Meeting.


Mon 8 April - Thurs 11 April: Cultural Diversity Celebrations.

Fri 12 April: Last day of Term 1

Kia Toa Learners of the Week for Term 1, Week 4 from Whānau Kirikiritangi

Zephyr & Simone

Kia Toa Awards for T1, Week 4

Ako Tahi:	Louis	
Mahi Tahi:	Iang	
Ti Kouka:	Kaleah & Alize	
Harakeke:	Millie & Tai	
Koromiko:	Brooklyn & Chrystal	
Rm11:	Kyrah & Khamerin	
Rm12:	Sarah & Job Bawi	
Rm13:	Lockie & Edith	
Rm14:	Jenisha & Sian Siam	
Rm16:	Argen Mae & Wee Meh	
Rm17:	Mischa & Ani	
Rm18:	Sofia G & Sawyer	
Rm19:	Lian Lian & Kaisa	



Community Notices

JUNIOR & YOUTH PRE-SEASON OPEN DAYS

**SUNDAY 17TH MARCH &
SUNDAY 24TH MARCH**

NEALE PARK - NORTH ROAD END

9th Grade (born 2015): 9am - 10am
(Kids born 2016 - only with approval from our Director of Football)
 10th Grade (born 2014): 10am - 11am
 Junior Girls (born 2013-2015): 10am - 11am
 11th Grade (born 2013): 11am - 12pm
 12th Grade (born 2012): 12pm - 1pm
 13th Grade (born 2011): 1pm - 2pm
 14th Grade (born 2010): 1pm - 2pm
 U16 (born 2008-09): 1pm - 2pm

There is no U17 league this year. Players born 2007 or older to register for Senior Football or contact us requesting a dispensation.
 Dispensations for all grades - only through our Director of Football - contact via admin@fcnelson.co.nz

Any queries - DOF TJ Hansen - tj@fcnelson.co.nz / 02102537146

tasman school

MUDDY BUDDY

Adventure Fun Run

SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2023
TASMAN SCHOOL

FOOD | COFFEE | SILENT AUCTION | WHITE ELEPHANT STALL & MORE!

GREAT SPOT PRIZES!

Incl. 2 BIKES from MY RIDE RICHMOND

PRIZES FOR THE BEST ECO DRESS-UP!

ENTER ONLINE | \$15 per person | \$40 family
 ENTER ON THE DAY | \$20 per person | \$50 family
 SIGN IN 9.30-11am | RACE STARTS 11.30am

EACH LAP APPROX 1KM | 1 LAP - Kids, Family Fun, Open | 2 LAPS - Open | 3 LAPS - Open

www.tasman.school.nz

OPEN DAY MARCH 3

1KM SOUTH OF WAKEFIELD

WILLOW BANK

HERITAGE VILLAGE

WAKEFIELD N.Z.

ENTRY FEE:
\$7 PER ADULT (AGES 18+)
\$3 PER CHILD

WILLOW BANK HERITAGE VILLAGE IS A FUN AND INTERACTIVE LIVING MUSEUM 1KM SOUTH OF WAKEFIELD, NELSON. WE HAVE 20+ SHOP DISPLAYS FOR YOU TO EXPLORE, FOOD AND DRINK AND LOTS MORE.

SUNDAY 10AM - 3PM MARCH 3RD

1970'S MILK BAR / VICTORIAN STYLE CAFE / SECRET GARDEN
 1950S BURGER BAR / LAUNDRY / DRESS SHOP / PUPPET THEATRE
 CHILDREN'S SUITCASE MARKET / WORKING BAKELITE PHONES
 PLAYHOUSE / LIBRARY / DOLL MUSEUM / SCHOOL HOUSE
 GROCERY STORE / CINEMA / BARTER / SELL MARKET - MORE

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AVAILABLE FOR GROUP BOOKINGS
WWW.WILLOWBANKWAKEFIELD.CO.NZ

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MY AFTER SCHOOL HEADQUARTERS

**OSCAR
SUBSIDY
AVAILABLE**

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA APPLIES

CONNECT · PLAY · THRIVE

ADDING VALUE TO THE LIVES OF OUR TAMARIKI

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMES - 5 DAYS A WEEK
 Semi-structured programmes for your children to develop their skills and explore new interests.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES - 5 DAYS A WEEK
 Well-balanced programmes and structured environments where your children will be exposed to new experiences daily.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
 Find out about what we can do to add value to your community!

BOOK TODAY!
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