



PREP PRESS

Dear Parents/Caregivers

As we reach the halfway stage of Term 3, there are few items that need mentioning. Firstly a big thank you to all the parents who helped with coaching and transport for Winter Tournament. It is greatly appreciated that you are so supportive of these valuable school events. The girls had an enjoyable and successful time at this year's Winter Tournament. Results and reports from the girls will follow in the end of term newsletter. We would like to extend this thank you to all those who have volunteered to assist with our school ski trip to Rainbow too.

Lucy Feltham
HEAD TEACHER

MEASLES AND SWINE FLU

In addition to the Swine Flu issues about which we remain vigilant, we have to report that there is a rapid rise in the number of measles cases around the country. Measles is a highly infectious and notifiable disease with serious complications. It is important to stop the spread of measles by keeping infected children at home.

The Ministry of Health has requested that we ask parents to check immunisations are up-to-date. The Ministry of Health requires students who have no proven immunity to measles (through immunisation or previous exposure) to be sent home if there is a measles outbreak in their class. Immunisation is free.

If your child contracts measles they must stay away from school for 7 days from the appearance of the rash.

With both the flu and measles, we continue to be vigilant in our awareness of this virus and in our efforts to remind the girls of all aspects regarding infection control. The Ministry of Health advice continues as follows:-

The best things you can do to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus are to

- Stay at home and away from others if you are sick
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- Put used tissues into a rubbish bin
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth – germs spread that way
- Be careful to wash hands often with soap and dry them thoroughly – hand hygiene is critical. Even when you start to feel better, there is still a risk of infecting others, so keep to the 20/20 rule – 20 seconds washing and 20 seconds drying.
- Keep surfaces clean at home, school and work.

IF YOUR DAUGHTER IS ILL, PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW HER TO RETURN TO SCHOOL UNTIL SHE IS COMPLETELY WELL AND FREE FROM BEING INFECTIOUS. THIS APPLIES TO ANY OF THE CURRENT ILLNESSES THAT ARE GOING AROUND.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH YOUR ABSENCES AND NOT THE CLASS TEACHER. THANK YOU

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 26 August

Wednesday 26 August Evening

Monday 31 August

Tuesday 1 September

Wednesday 2 September

Thurs/Fri 3/4 September

Wednesday 9 September

Friday 11 September

Thursday 17 September

Friday 18 September

Monday 21 September

Friday 25 September

Ski Day (whole school)

Nelson Mathix – selected students –
Nayland College Hall Yr 7 – 7 pm
Yr 8 – 7.45 pm

PPSG Meeting 7pm in Lucy's room -
Health Focus. Refreshments will be served.

Year 8 HPV Vaccinations No.3

Cross-country @ Fairfield Park

Teacher only days

Lunchtime Music Recital

Interschool Cross-country Relay @ Branford Park

Prep Disco at Nelson College

Interschool Cross-country @ Rabbit Island

Information Evening for 2011 intake

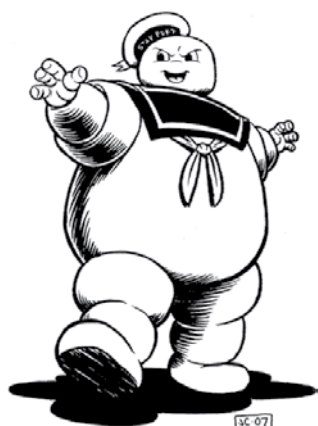
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SKI TRIP – WEDNESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

We are all looking forward to the annual ski trip. However, the weather is not looking too promising at the moment and so we reiterate that the Rainbow Ski Staff will make the final call as to whether this event takes place.

The first snow report is issued every morning at 6.30 am.
You can access the snow report at:

- * Snow Phone 0832 22605
- * Website www.skirainbow.co.nz
- * Nelson and Marlborough - More FM at 6.40 am and repeated each hour until 9am
- * Nelson - ZM/FM at 6.50 am and repeated every half hour



DESIGNER LUNCH

The wonderful parents of the PSG have organised a Designer Lunch for all the Prep girls on Thursday 27 August. If your daughter would like to partake of an American Hotdog, they will be priced at \$2 and the Hot Chocolate with marshmallows will be \$1.



PREP CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

This takes place on Wednesday 2 September and we invite you to come along and be a spectator to support your daughter and her schoolmates. Details as follows:-

Time: Period 2 – 10 am Race Start Time

Date: Wednesday 2 September

Venue: Fairfield Park, Nelson

Students will be running a 3 kilometre course around a circuit through Fairfield Park.

A celebration of spot prize winners and champions will take place at the conclusion of both the Year 7 and Year 8 races.

INTERSCHOOL RELAY TEAMS

This event takes place on Friday 11 September and is being held at Branford Park. Girls to represent the Preparatory School will be selected from our own Cross Country results. Teams of four runners in the Year 7 level and at Year 8 will represent us. They will run a one kilometre lap each. You will receive more information if your daughter is selected.

We would welcome any parents to come along and support us.

INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

This event takes place on Friday 18 September. This team will also be selected after our own Cross Country event.

The Interschool Cross Country will be held at Rabbit Island. You will receive more information if your daughter is selected to represent the Preparatory School. Once again, your support would be appreciated.

FOR BOTH INTERSCHOOL EVENTS THE STUDENTS WILL BE TRANSPORTED BY BUS.

