



Welcome to Nelson College for Girls Preparatory School. Our vision is that each girl becomes the best she can, that she is valued for her contribution to our school, and is a happy, confident, independent learner and thinker who will stand out in secondary school education and beyond.

For this reason we closely adhere to our PRIDE values:



POSITIVITY | NGĀKAU REKA
RESPECT | MANAAKITANGA
INTEGRITY | NGĀKAU PONO
DIVERSITY | KANORAU
EMPATHY | AROHA

Our committed staff see our programme as a specialised two year pathway nurturing the girls to be prepared to become effective citizens, who will learn to challenge, to question and become involved, knowing that they have the right to inquire and the responsibility to care for themselves, humanity and their environment.

We look forward to welcoming your daughter and your family to Prep.

Lucy Feltham Head Teacher



# WELCOME NAU MAI HAERE MAI



Prep is a small, friendly Intermediate School. Our close ties with Nelson College for Girls allows us to nurture your daughter in the unique environment of our small school, whilst offering enormous potential to grow and explore all that is offered by the opportunities afforded by the larger College campus.

## At the Prep school we offer:

- Experienced, dedicated, professional teachers and support staff
- Two classes at Year 7 and two at Year 8
- Modern, well equipped, attractive classrooms
- Excellent resources for both teachers and students including active use of the digital environment
- A supportive, seamless approach and preparation for secondary education at Nelson College for Girls
- Inclusion in House activities Sport and Performing Arts





The Preparatory School has use of the College facilities which are set in attractive grounds. Students are taught in well-resourced classrooms and enjoy excellent specialist facilities, such as, gymnasium, library, music suites, art and technology suites.

The arahi teacher in the Preparatory School teaches the following curriculum:

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NZ CURRICULUM LEARNING AREAS	English	Reading, Writing (including Word Study, Spelling), Oral and Visual Language.	
	Mathematics	Number, Geometry, Algebra, Measurement and Statistics.	
	Social Sciences	Curriculum requirements at levels 3/4 in a variety of topics covering NZ Curriculum requirements.	
	Health	Including Mindsets/resiliency learning, Internet Safety Workshops (Protecting and Valuing Identity), Keeping Ourselves Safe/Kia Kaha alongside NZ Police Educators, Life Education.	
	Phys. Ed.	Use of the College gymnasium and sports facilities to ensure a wide range of physical skills are taught.	
	E.O.T.C.	Overnight/day trips which utilise the diverse environmental opportunities in the Nelson region.	



# CURRICULUM



# Specialist Teachers in the College teach the following subjects:

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS	Science	Extension of students' knowledge of general science. College laboratory facilities are utilised.
	The Arts – Visual Art Music After school drama	Aims to develop students' skills using a range of techniques and media. College Art and drama studios are utilised. Covering instrumental, choral, composition and preparation for performance recitals.
	Technology – Foods Materials Textiles DDS – Digital Design	Students develop practical skills and apply these in a variety of problem solving contexts.
	Languages	Year 7/8 – Currently Japanese and French.

# Academic opportunities

- Maths/Science Badge Scheme
- Speech and debating competitions
- Merit Awards rewarding work ethic and positive attitude
- Incentive Award Scheme rewarding participation, leadership, achievement
- International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) English,
   Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling, Digital Technologies
- Otago Problem Solving Challenge (Mathematics) all students participate
- Kids Literature Quiz
- Nelsomathix Maths Problem Solving Team Challenge
- Science Fair (Biennial College based)
- General Knowledge Quiz College based



CURRICULUM



Pursuing excellence in the Arts is highly valued at this school. Students develop their creativity in a safe and nurturing environment where they are inspired by talented teachers, visiting musicians and artists.

Opportunities within the Performing Arts at Prep include:

- Preparatory School Choir
- Instrumental and vocal tuition is available through the Itinerant Music Programme.
- Drama Club after school
- College Concert Band, Junior Orchestra and Senior Orchestra (depending on ability)
- Rock Bands
- College Maori Culture Group Pikimai
- Year 7 Music 'taster' instrumental lessons
- House Performing Arts event (HPAC)



# PERFORMING ARTS



The Preparatory School students are able to participate in a wide range of co-curricula activities and use the many superb facilities available in the College.

The Preparatory School encourages students to participate in individual and team sports, played competitively within the school, as well as in interschool competitions and regional and national tournaments.

Sporting opportunities can include:

- Netball
- Lunchtime sport activities
- Basketball
- Cross country
- Volleyball

- Touch/Rippa Rugby
- Table Tennis
- Badminton
- Underwater Hockey

Sports exchanges with other schools can include:

- Intermediate Winter Tournament
- Cross Country
- Intermediate Athletics
- Volleyball
- Intermediate Summer Tournament Touch/Rippa Rugby
- Intermediate Swimming Sports

Sporting opportunities involving the College Include:

- Swimming Sports both competitive and non-competitive levels
- Athletics sports House Heptathlon
- Cross Country
- House Summer and Winter Sports Competitions

All Preparatory Students are assigned to one of the five Nelson College for Girls Houses.

> 'The main hope of a nation lies in the education of its youth' - Erasmus





### WHY SHOULD I CHOOSE PREP FOR MY DAUGHTER?

- · A culture of highly motivated learners
- Dynamic needs-based learning programmes
- Small class sizes
- Experienced core subject teachers
- Specialist subject teaching at Nelson College for Girls
- Smooth transition from Intermediate to College
- Inclusion in College House activities
- Senior Mentors for academic support
- Progressive digital learning environment
- Personal growth opportunities academic, cultural and sporting
- No zoning enrolment is open to all families across the region
- Specific teaching of learning habits

### WHAT CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE AT PREP?

At Prep your daughter will have the opportunity to participate in any of these activities:

- · Drama Club
- Specialist teaching of music, languages and art
- Access to itinerant music lessons with private arahi. Taster lessons available at Year 7
- Prep Choir
- NCG Junior Orchestra
- NCG Orchestra
- Prep Rock Band
- Theatresports Club and Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival
- HPAC House Performing Arts Competition combined with the Main College

### WHAT SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE AT PREP

At Prep your daughter will have the opportunity to participate in any of these activities:

- Summer Tournament with local Intermediate Schools
- Winter Tournament with local Intermediate Schools
- Intermediate Interschool events swimming, athletics, cross country, tennis, Skiing
- Summer Sports volleyball, cricket, softball, summer hockey, touch
- Winter Sports netball, basketball, rippa rugby
- Underwater hockey

### WHAT OTHER OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE AT PREP?

- Maths and Science badges
- •ICAS exams Science, Maths, English, Writing, Spelling, Digital Technologies

'The principle goal of education is to create men and women who are capable of doing new things, not simply repeating what other generations have done' - Jean Piaget

- Otago Problem Solving Competition
- · Local competitions Mathix, Kids' Lit Quiz, IDEAS Festival, Academic Ouiz
- Speaking opportunities Speech and debating competition, Open Morning tour guides, assembly leadership, class Arahi Representative
- Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) Camps, Skiing, local environment day trips, Motorua Mission, Museum trips
- Active Enviro Group
- Incentive Awards Scheme rewarding participation and achievement

### HOW DOES PREP CHALLENGE AND EXTEND STUDENTS?

- Personalised learning, catering for individual needs both in-class and home-learning
- Individual participation in areas of personal interest with NCG groups
- Leadership opportunities Arahi Representative, assembly presentations
- Specialist teaching
- Incentive Scheme
- Maths and Science badges

### WHAT PASTORAL CARE SYSTEM DOES PREP PROVIDE?

The Preparatory School provides students with a safe, nurturing, positive environment in which each student is supported in reaching their full personal and academic potential. We strive to empower students, to be confident, caring and respectful citizens.

- Small class sizes
- Arahi teacher who teaches core subjects
- Year 7 and Year 8 Buddy Support
- Student-led Parent/Teacher Learning Conferences
- Regular liaison between the school and parents/whanau by way of emails, newsletters, notices, student diaries

### WHAT IS THE ENROLMENT PROCESS?

http://www.ncg.school.nz/applying-to-prep

### WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF FEES?

- Prep fees for 2022 are \$8000 per year
- Your fees remain the same for both years of your daughter's enrolment at Prep
- Our payment options are as follows:
  - a) one lump sum at the beginning of each year and receive a 4% discount
  - b) two payments one in January and one in June
  - c) term by term instalments



F.A.Qs



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