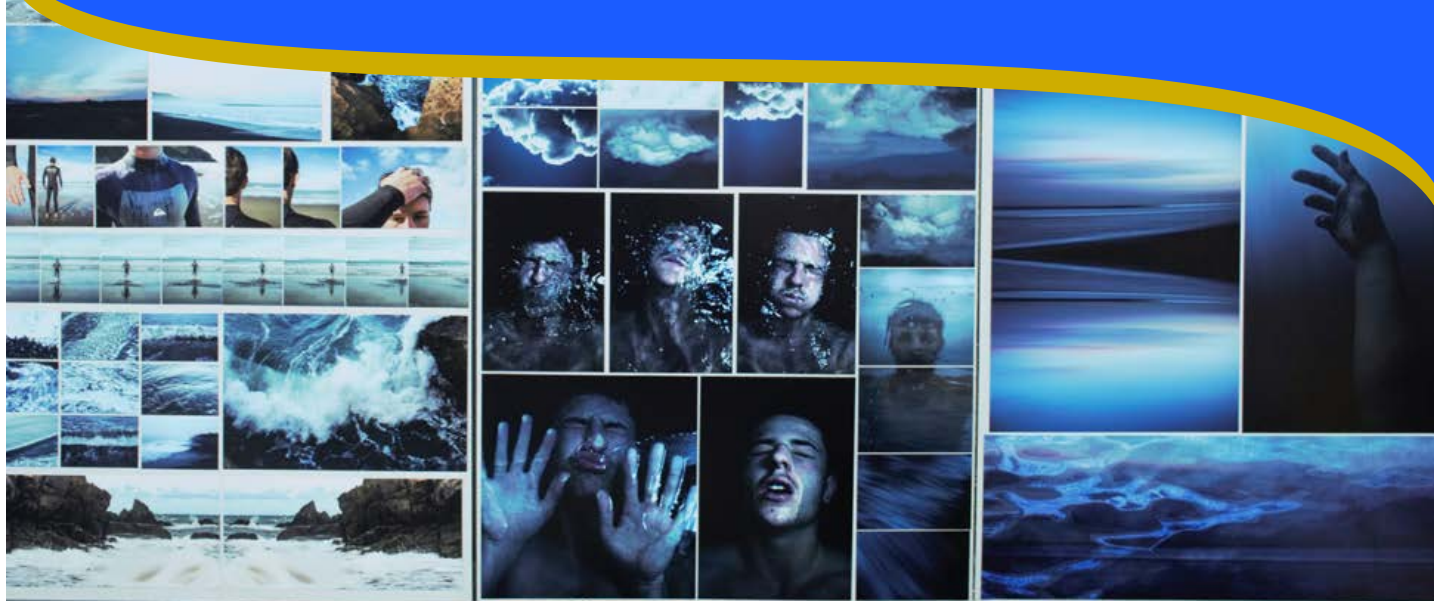




Marlborough Boys' College

June 2018



From the Principal

Louis Woollcombe Level 3 Visual Art Photography Folio

Nga mihi mahana ki a tatou,

I am pleased to see students participating in external academic competitions. The Computational and Algorithmic Thinking (CAT) competition is a one-hour problem-solving exercise which seeks to identify computer programming potential. In our first year of involvement, the following boys earned Credit certificates - James Laws, Logan Lowther, Aidan Flanagan, Jack Guard, Sam Bugler, Liam Clamp, Lennox Crowe, Tarn Holt, Joseph Sandford-Jury, Jacob Taylor, Luka van Rensburg and George Wylie-Gregg. In the Education Perfect Humanities Championship Liam Keegan achieved a Gold Award placing him in the top 2% of 20,000 competitors from around the world.

Providing Leadership and Service opportunities is an important element in our goal of developing all-round Marlborough Men our community can be proud of. Our leadership/service programme is supported by the Marlborough College

Charitable Foundation (MCCF), the Old Boys' Association and Peter Olliver as the teacher-in-charge and I thank them for their support. We congratulate the following students who were presented with their Prefect badges this term - Eddie Ave, Justin Cook, Danyon Croker, Harrison Crosswell, Milan Cunliffe-Post, William Day, Campbell Gill, James Greer, Liam Jennison, Cameron Lyons, William Macdonald, Joel Madsen-Clark, Connor McKeown, Connor Miller, Kobe Miller, Aidan Neal, Ethan Prattley, Steven Simpson, Finn Sloan, Kurt Smart, Mannie Tai, Henry Thompson, Joshua Webb, Ricky Wirepa. I thank these Prefects for their support of our Head Prefect James Hammond, Deputies Eddie Ave and Campbell Gill, and students in general through initiatives in the different portfolio areas they are involved in.

I also acknowledge George Glover, Felix Jackson, Jack Flynn, Mikey Love, Spencer Lane and Sam Smith who are elected members of the Marlborough Youth

Council.

Many boys provide service within the school and community. One such group we commended during the term was the boys who helped facilitate the Primary School 'Inspire Programme' on the Friday of mid-term break, the students were Ben Alexander, Elijah Cholmondeley, Kaleb Donald, Joseph Kalan, Ethan Neal, Agost Radzik, Jonty Rush, Hamish Sandall and Bill Welbourn.

Over the holidays Ben Alexander and Jonty Zydenbos have been invited to attend a Future Leaders Forum at Ōtaki College. It aims to provide young New Zealand students with the insights and confidence to return home aware that 'leadership' provides a means by which they can make a positive difference to their schools and their communities. The Forum has been organised by Ōtaki College as a 3-day residential Forum based at Raukawa Marae in Ōtaki. The forum involves students from schools involved with the annual

visit of the Ōtaki Scholar from Robert Gordon's College, Aberdeen to New Zealand. Marlborough Boys' College has participated in this programme since 1937.

As you may be aware, Chris Hipkins (Minister of Education) has tasked the the Ministry of Education (MoE) to review all the options that have been considered for future secondary schooling in Blenheim. If you have read about it in the past or talked about, rest assured it has been relooked at, costed and the time frames to make it happen considered. We have been asked to reaffirm our preferences for the options outlined. The MoE present a position paper based on this discussion and review to the Minister in early July.

We continue to focus on providing professional learning and development (PLD) for staff in support of students today and in the future. We are thankful for the support from the MOE to fund external providers to facilitate improved teaching and learning for staff in four areas:

- **Mauri Ora** - in what ways do Maori engage and learn best?
- **Digital fluency** - how can we maximise the potential that technology can bring to learning?
- **Write that Essay** - what strategies can be used to improve sentence, paragraph and essay writing?
- **Integrated and Flexible Learning Environments** - how can integrated curriculum taught by collaborating teachers support learning? How can we enhance Gifted and Talented Education? What role can teacher peer-to-peer coaching play in support of this?

Not all elements of the curriculum are taught through subject areas. We run what we refer to as a pastoral curriculum to provide a rounded education that incorporates non-subject goals of the national curriculum. We are trialling different ways of implementing this in 2018 as we look forward to what a curriculum and associated timetable might look like in the co-located schools. For example, driver education was the focus of a day long programme for year 12 in term 1. This term form teachers in some cases with the support of outside facilitators ran 2-hour Skills for Life sessions. I wish to thank the following people for supporting form teachers:

Year 13 Respect for self and others - Shona Collins (Dietician), Martin Fenwick (Leadership and Potential Coach) and Paul Cooney (Teacher and Police recruit)

Year 12 Respectful and Healthy Relationships - Michael Heath (Deputy Principal), Helen McLean (Public Health Service) and Kaylene Tahuu (Alcohol and Drug Counsellor)

Year 11 Study Skills - Stewart Wright (UCANDO)

Year 10 Respect - Vita Vaka (Community Worker)

During term 2 we had a small group of young students who struggled to live by the values of our school. I support the Board decision to exclude some of these students all of which had had extensive pastoral support in the time they had been with us. The board and senior leadership team are committed to having a positive and safe culture at the college.

Term 3 has much to look forward to, including the combined college production of Grease, the St Bede's exchange, winter tournament week, year 10 Rotoiti camp, senior exams and the Formal. I wish to thank in advance those families hosting billets for the St Bede's exchange and families that are hosting short stay international students from Japan, China and Korea.

Wayne Hegarty
Principal



Marlborough Boys' College has had for some time the vision to "educate the young men of Marlborough to be the best they can be". We recognise that this is more than just academic excellence. At MBC we strive to educate our young men in our core values:

- RESPECT
- INVOLVED
- PRIDE
- RESPONSIBLE

Part of this imperative is to help our young men develop skills for life and to better understand how to live by the values above. The programme was run in year levels with a range of activities, speakers and class work. The student attendance on this day was good with almost 80% attendance. However, it should be noted that over 12% of those who did not attend were excused from home. While this is inevitably for a variety of reasons we would encourage you all to get in behind this important programme next time.

Finally, a huge thank you to all the teachers who planned and delivered this programme, as well as those in the community who supported this initiative.

Coming Up...

30 July - 3 August

Top Art Exhibition - Hall

31 July - 3 August

*Combined College
Performance*

6-7 August

*St Bedes Exchange-
Blenheim*

Thursday 9 August

Junior Social

Tuesday 14 August

*Year 8 Information
Evening*

Wednesday 15 August

School closes 1pm

24- 31 August

Senior Exam Week

29 August - 6 September

Jissen Gakuen School Visit

3-7 September

Tournament Week

Thursday 13 September

Year 11 Semi-Formal

Friday 21 September

Formal

School closes 1pm

Thursday 27 September

Senior Conference pm

Friday 28 September

Senior Conference Day

Classes cancelled

PTA MEETING DATES

Wednesday 15 August

Wednesday 19 September

Wednesday 17 October

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577 5515 or pop into the College's
Uniform Shop 578 0119 Ext 2124

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Update from the Head Boy

It doesn't seem like long ago that I wrote my term 1 report and here we are nearing the end of term 2. So much has happened this term for the prefects and myself and we are looking forward to the holiday break – like many I'm sure. During the last holidays, I spent three weeks at Outward Bound on a School Leaders course thanks to the kind sponsorship from the Marlborough First Light Foundation. For me, Outward Bound was a chance to challenge myself not just physically but with the mental challenges associated with the activities. One thing that I take away from Outward Bound is that the mind gives up 1000 times before the body does. It also taught me the skills to be a better person, made me realise that challenge comes in more than one form and that I should embrace it, give it a go because it's all mindset!



Week one saw Mr Hegarty and I fly over to Wellington to attend the annual ABSNZ Conferences. It was a chance to connect with head prefects from all around the country and share ideas on working with our prefect teams to achieve what we set out to. As a group, we toured parliament and discussed leadership with MP Nicola Willis, and listened to Grant Elliot (former Blackcap), James Blackwell (Hurricanes lock) and Steve Guiney (former SAS soldier) on where their leadership journeys took them.

CAUTION DO NOT ENTER

Back at MBC this term the academic prefects have successfully run the "To Catch a Killer" competition. It was great to see a whole heap of boys getting involved in following the daily clues to find out who the killer was. Clues were based around the process of elimination and each day took on a different part of the school curriculum. Well done to Ryan Webb, Ethan Neal and Eddy Tutty who all won a \$40 voucher and 500 Aratika for their answers. The prefects are stoked with the success of the week and I hope it becomes a reoccurring event!



One of my jobs as Head Boy is to co-chair the Formal Committee with the Head Girl. This year Stacey and I have selected a committee of 18 to organise this year's event which will be held on the 21st September at the Marlborough Convention Centre. Doors open at 7 pm and the public is free to line up along the red carpet. If you can't make it on the night, we will be live-streaming the red-carpet arrivals on our Facebook Page for the first time. Make sure to "like" the "Marlborough Combined Colleges Senior Formal 2018" page to keep up-to-date.

This year we want to make the formal more affordable. We are aiming for a lower ticket price, funded by donations from local businesses and the Marlborough Youth Council who have funded our security cost. For many though the biggest cost comes with the other costs associated with the night. If you have any second-hand suits that you no longer require/fit, please drop them into the front office. We would love to be able to lend these to boys attending the formal who otherwise wouldn't be able to attend.

James Hammond, Head Boy

SPORTS REPORT

Winter sports have been in full swing this term as the “exchange season” kicked into gear. The Shirley Boys exchange was once again a successful fixture with a significant amount of boys representing our school across a number of codes; including Football, Rugby, Hockey, and Basketball. Unfortunately for us this year we only won one game - the U14 game - but as usual it was an excellent exchange and a great experience for the boys.

The Nelson Boys exchange was competed for with its usual rivalry. MBC rugby teams did really well, winning four out of the five games including the 1st XV. Junior basketball also had a good win.

Rugby

The 1st XV Rugby team continues to play in the UC Crusaders Secondary Schools Competition. It has been an up and down season to date. There has been losses against Shirley and Rangiora, with wins against Nelson, Waimea, Mid Canterbury and St Andrews. Hopefully the remainder of the season will be successful and they can make the top four.



Basketball

The Senior Basketball team, which is a young team, has been playing in the local competition and they have had some close losses against Shirley and Nelson. They are currently building towards the South Island Tournament.

Squash

MBC Squash teams have been training hard towards Tasman's, SISS and Nationals. At the time of writing this, the A team won the Tasman Champs with the other two teams doing well also. We have two teams going to both SISS and Nationals, with both teams competing in the open boys draw. This is credit to MBC with the depth of talent in squash. Our A team that won Tasman Champs comprised of Tom Marshall, Ricky Wirepa and Lukas Martin. We wish them all the best for their upcoming tournaments.

Junior Football

Junior Football have been training hard, but most of their games are played in Term 3. They have played Nelson and Shirley and both scores did not reflect the closeness of the games.

Badminton

Badminton sent two teams over to Nelson to compete at the Tasman Champs – where they competed admirably, with the top team finishing second.

Hockey

The 1st XI Hockey team plays in the local competition on Friday nights. This is a young team which has had some good results so far this year. They have had close losses to both Nelson and Shirley.

Things are looking promising for their tournament in Term 3.

Swimming/Cross Country

Both Tasman Swimming and Tasman cross country happened this term, where we had a number of top three finishes. George Glover was the stand out with 1st 200m Freestyle, 2nd 100m Breaststroke, 3rd IM, 2nd 200m Breaststroke and 2nd 200m Medley relay.

Sailing

Our sailing team had another successful season and in the term 1 holidays they finished 4th at the National schools team racing event.

We have had some individuals we need to celebrate who have achieved in their sports. Alex Dawson has been selected to represent NZ athletics at the Oceania Championships in October. Connor Guillemot is representing NZ in triathlon at the world championships in Australia. Brodie Lobb won the South Island Golden Gloves boxing Tournament. William Exton won the NZ schools karting title and has won a speed sport scholarship.

Next term we have the St Bede's exchange and Winter Tournament Week, where we will have several teams away throughout the country competing at their national tournaments. Good luck to all winter codes in the lead up to the business end of their seasons!

The school Facebook page is updated regularly with results and photos, go check it out https://www.facebook.com/MarlboroughBoysNews/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

Tasman Cross Country 2018

The Tasman cross country race took place in week 4 at Rabbit Island in Nelson. Wet and over cast conditions resulted in a heavy course. The event is split into Year 9, Under 16 and Under 19. In all three races MBC came third in the teams' race category. Top ten finishes went to: Spencer Holmes 6th in the Year 9 race. Fergus Greer 6th in the Under 16 race. Connor Guillemot 7th and George Varney 3rd in the under 19 race.

George will be heading to the Nationals shortly. The field in his race was full of talent and to finish 3rd with still one year to go in the Category bodes well for his future development and success.

2018 Homestay host families required - short and long term

We are seeking home-stay host families who can provide a comfortable, safe and welcoming temporary home to visiting International Students. Short Term homestays are required for Jissen Gakuen for 29 August to 6 September 2018 and for overseas students arriving for Term 3.

A weekly financial payment is made and all home-stay hosts are police vetted.



For more information please email
fionam@mbc.school.nz

First XI Football

This year the MBC First XI Football team are playing under the name of Blenheim Valley Development in the Marlborough Mens' first division. After round one the sixteen-man squad finished in third place. With seven of the squad being year eleven it was always going to be a tall task to compete in the league and the inexperienced squad responded well. At the time of writing the squad have won four and lost four games. Many lessons have been learned along the way and the squad will only benefit from the experiences, come tournament in September. With the second round well under-way and the Marlborough cup and round three to start soon, it is a busy time for the First XI. This season we will play twenty-five games as opposed to the normal six that we play with traditional school fixtures.

To date, in inter- school fixtures we have played a tight Shirley Boys' match, going down one-nil to a bit of a freak goal. In week 5, we played a strong Nelson Boys' team who finished third in NZ last season. Five-nil down at half time, the final score became six-nil. Exposure to the technical ability of the opposition can only serve us well in the future as we develop as a team and in our individual skill set.



Grovetown Lagoon Community Project

Over the past two terms, students from Year 9 and Year 10 classes attended science learning off-site at Grovetown Lagoon.

Firstly, the students were introduced to the Grovetown site by Justine Johnson, who came to classes to present the concept to the students. Secondly, students visited the Grovetown Lagoon to figure out what they need to do themselves. Finally, some students decided to focus on trapping the pest and to protecting the site. Others focused on planting new shrubs and bushes to a create better habitat for insects, birds, eels and other animals. There were groups who focused on finding out what type of eel is present in the river. Another group decided to invest their time in providing information boards for visitors.

Over all, the students had an enjoyable time engaging with science outside the classroom. The Grovetown volunteers appreciated the students support and hard work.

Big thank you to all classes involved (001MK, 004WI, 014AR) in the Grovetown Lagoon project 2018.



Workday



Work day was held earlier this term; the money raised is used by the student council on projects around the school. In previous years they have fenced in the bike cage, added lockers and put in seating on the front field. This year the council have a few ideas including sunshades, new water fountains, skateboard/scooter stands and recycling bins.

Photo : Master painters Mitchell Blake, Hugh Kennington, Reo Tsujiuchi and Connor McKeown are hard at work.



Lunchtime 1.20-2.15pm
Wednesday 8 August 2018
(Week 3, Term 3)
in the Hall Quad

Parents/Caregivers are invited to support our enterprising boys.

All welcome to come shopping - students are making a range of products for sale.

Arts Faculty

The Boys' College music department provides a range of bands and tuition opportunities to cater for students with different musical tastes. We are very lucky to have the best tutors in the country to tutor our budding musicians. We have Kevin Mosley and Jeff Mulraney as our brass tutors, with Karla as our violin tutor.

In Term 2, the college appointed Sam Baxter as our cultural coordinator. She is enthusiastic and talented, with a particular interest in music theatre. She is interested in expanding the musical groups at college, e.g. Karaoke groups and cover rock bands. Come talk to Sam in the performance music area if you are interested in giving these music groups a go! Or email her directly - samanthab@mbc.school.nz

The Prize winning Jazz Combo, with a few new 'recruitments' this year, will be competing in the annual secondary school Jazz festival, against 22 bands coming from 16 colleges around the south island, - Southern Jam 7 August- 11 August. Aside from competing in the festival, the Combo will also be performing in various schools and local cafes during that week. Give them your support by rocking up to these performances! Details of performances will be posted on college daily notices in early August.

Guitar tuition at College: This year we have introduced guitar tutoring at college. Simon Evans, a highly qualified guitarist/teacher has joined the music tutors team to provide small group tuitions. The lessons are run on Fridays with a rotated roster to ensure students are not missing out on the same subjects. The setup of the tuition is ideal for beginner to more advanced

students with a maximum number of 6 students per group, and the students are grouped based on their musical back ground and abilities. The lessons have proven to be very popular since the start of the year and we now have three tuition groups on Friday. If you are interested in picking up an instrument, give guitar a go. An Enrolment form is available from the performance music suite, or email Ms Song for more details barbaras@mbc.school.nz.



Stage band performing Mr Zoot Suit in the principal assembly term 2. Led by Music Director Ms Song, joined by solo vocalist Deborah Barron Bray from Girls' College. Photo credit: Peter Olliver.

2018 Big Sing

This year MBC entered our choir 'No Girls Aloud' into the Big Sing competition. The boys performed 3 songs lead by Con O'Brien. The competition was tough; out of the choirs from around Nelson/Marlborough, MBC was the smallest with only 11 members. The boys sang well and produced some beautiful harmonies. Unfortunately, they didn't come away with a placing, but they were commended, gained some valuable performing experience and had noticeably improved from last year. Congratulations to all involved!!



Police Confidence Test

The Police Confidence Test was held in College this term with the best from year 10- 13 being selected for the College to race in the Marlborough Champs. The Champs were this year held on our front field. Always a good day and competition, MBC finished second behind QCC. Third place was taken by MGC.

The MBC side comprised of Terian Tenoa, Joel Lavender, Edan Fitzpatrick and Campbell Gill.

Terian Tenoa (left) going through the wall and Joel Lavender (right) climbing the fence.





Elaine P. Snowden Astronomy School with University of Canterbury

Towards the end of April I travelled to the University of Canterbury to attend the Elaine P. Snowden Astronomy school. For the first few days, I, along with 19 other students, attended selected lectures on exoplanets, black holes and ways to measure the metrics of celestial bodies. After we had gotten to grips with how we could measure and analyse the various celestial objects, we travelled to the Mt. John observatory, where for two nights we got the opportunity to use the 1 Metre telescope for whatever we desired. We were able to observe many types of object, such as the Crab Nebula and the Hamburger Galaxy. I was lucky enough to be able to observe a study of cataclysmic variable star systems, where they were measuring the magnetic polarity of the system.

I was also given the pleasure of meeting with 19 other like minded students, who I was able to learn so much from and find camaraderie with.

I would recommend this opportunity to any student interested in Science or Engineering consider Canterbury University as a possible option for tertiary studies. You can see how you might live and get an impression of the options and opportunities available, as well as the lecturers teaching you and the peers you will study with.

By Jacob Boreham-Wright



Year 9 Stargazing

On 21 May we were invited along with our families to the Year 9 stargazing. This was organised by the Science Faculty and held on the school rugby field from 7-8pm.

It was really awesome to see all the stars, galaxies and planets. My favourite planet was Jupiter. We really appreciated being able to see all the moons orbiting around Jupiter and all the storms on the surface of the planet. Through the telescope the Moon looked giant and you could see a lot of craters. There was also an opportunity to use a camera, which was connected to a big television, with live screening of the Moon. We also saw a star that when we looked closer was actually two stars very close together. But in the end the best part was seeing the stars and planets.

We are very thankful to Mr Elwood for his time and the use of his telescopes and Mr Bowater for his time and his Moon photos.

By Judd Morris and Finn Mackenzie



Liam Keegan (top) and Judd Morris



THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Expedition in the Richmond Ranges

The Duke of Edinburgh Award students, who are working on their Silver Award, completed their practice expedition with a tramp in the Richmond Ranges over Queen's Birthday weekend. Jed Washer, Thomas Loza, George Glover, Jude Anderson, Jackson Purdie and Max Wight walked from the Maungatapu Saddle, on the old road to Nelson, traversing Little Twin, Maungatapu Peak and Dun Mountain before dropping into the Pelorus River catchment to return to Marlborough. The group are pictured crossing one of the many swingbridges that cross the Pelorus River and its tributaries as it flows towards Pelorus Bridge.





The Marlborough Careers Evening was held on Monday 18 June. Forty-four providers from universities, polytechnics, industry training organisations (ITOs) and the local business sector attended. We received a lot of positive feedback from both providers and parents. A big thank you to parents and caregivers who either accompanied or arranged for their son to attend.

Preparing for University/Polytechnic



Those considering going to University can start doing some tasks that will save them time. Every student must prove that they are eligible to study in New Zealand. To do this they must produce a verified copy of their passport. To verify any document, you need to present the original and the photocopy to an authorised agent. The service is free. The verification can be done at the Court House, any Lawyers office, a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public Official. The document tertiary providers are looking for is your New Zealand Birth Certificate or Passport. At the same time, you could get a verified copy of your bank details, IRD number and proof of address for your Student Loan. Students will be required to give proof of identity several times to different agencies so it would be efficient to get three copies verified.

Start working on your statement for the Halls of Residence Application. This can also be handed in when you return your Record of Achievement cover sheet. An alternative is to email gailf@mbc.school.nz

You are invited to shape the future of NCEA

Kōrero

Mātauranga

Join the conversation

The government's review of NCEA is now underway, and people all over the country have started talking about, and sharing their ideas and experiences of NCEA - the challenges, the successes and what we can do better in the future.

If you would like the opportunity to get involved, find out more about the 6 Big Opportunities, and have your say, come along to one of 20 public workshops across New Zealand.

Workshop Dates: Monday 23 July, 7:00pm, Nayland College, Nelson

Tuesday 24 July, 7:00pm, Marlborough Girls College, Blenheim

Book now: conversation.education.govt.nz/events or TXT 5811

The interactive workshop is open to everyone. We want you to share with us your ideas and thoughts about NCEA and how we can strengthen the qualification – we are listening!

We want to make it as easy as possible for everyone to participate in this conversation and invite everyone to get involved - online or on paper, at workshops or hui, or through social media – you choose.

The NCEA Review is part of our national conversation on the future of education in New Zealand. It's about building not just a better education system, but the world's best, for all our children and young people.

More information about the NCEA review, the Big Opportunities and ways to participate can be found at:

conversation.education.govt.nz/ncea

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