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GARIN COLLEGE

SMALL SCHOOL ~ BIG HEART ...

Mr David Dewhurst introduces new Technology at Garin for staff and students

Mr Dewhurst is a Technology teacher from a long time ago when there were few computers in schools. Originally a woodworking teacher with experience in Materials technology, Electronics, Graphics and Motor Vehicle engineering, David Dewhurst started teaching with computers 11 years ago in Hawkes Bay on a small network. After relocating to Nelson, David has gained extensive knowledge in computing technology here at Garin as the sole computer teacher. Whilst Garin has been considered a minor player in the local ICT scene in Nelson, by the end of this year we will be using E-Learning as a key tool to educate all students at Garin College plus leading other local schools with a system comparable with Auckland and Christchurch Colleges. Great use of this technology is currently practised in English, Social Studies, Religious Education and of course Digital Technology. David knows that we have a long way to go before we make full use of E-Learning, but the steps are in place to go forward and turn on the Wireless network and introducing BYOD—bring your own device. Garin will be supporting Windows machines primarily on the new network, although modern Apple laptops will work fine. Tablets will not be supported as they are a preferential education machine and may not work with our proxy (internet gateway). David has summarised the 10 stages of implementation:



- Stage 1:** Moodle upgraded to the latest build with an approved interface and utilities still to be explored. (complete)
- Stage 2:** All at Garin have their own Google accounts using Gmail amongst other applications. (complete)
- Stage 3:** All staff have received training in the use of Google with more training to come. (complete)
- Stage 4:** Students are shown how to access their Gmail. Selected classes start to use Google docs. (started)
- Stage 5:** Whole Network upgraded with VLANS installed (start during school holidays)
- Stage 6:** Wireless network installed and tested (after Easter)
- Stage 7:** Teachers connected to wireless VLAN (Mid Term 2)
- Stage 8:** Students express interest and apply for a connection to the wireless VLAN (Mid Term 2)
- Stage 9:** Students are connected to wireless network through 'Internet only' VLAN (Late Term 2)
- Stage 10:** Garin College starts to use and share Google Calendars (Term 3)

Please vote for Rachel Schryvers and John Phillips on Facebook

Please VOTE for Rachel Schryvers' song 'Rise' or John Phillips song 'Ma Te Mahi Ka Ora' to become our Official NZ Olympic Anthem!!! Both are currently in the top ten in the voting round and you can invite your friends to vote daily too! Rachel is a former student of Garin and John is a parent and a strong supporter in the Garin community.. The winning anthem will be played on TV during the Olympic Games. Just click on the link to get the site and look for the songwriting tab and click vote for Rise by Rachel Schryvers. https://www.facebook.com/nzolympicteam?sk=app_164057746984086

GARIN NOTICEBOARD: events, advertisements & information

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women

All women are invited to a faith-filled gathering on Saturday 14 April from 2-4pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Centre, William Street, Richmond. All the new team are looking forward to meeting you, praising with you and sharing their testimonies. Contact Ann on 548 8723 or visit the website www.dove.org.nz.

Richmond Catholic Youth Group

After the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the 5th April (7.30pm attendance is highly encouraged), the movie "The Passion of the Christ" will be screening in the Parish Centre. This is open for everyone aged 15 and above, as some of the content is quite explicit. If you want anymore information then feel free to get hold of Hayden Powick on 022 066 3264 or email him on haydenpowick@hotmail.com.

Lost Sleeping Bag - Yr 12

An expensive sleeping bag from the Year 12 Kaiteriteri Journey held on the 12-14 March has gone missing. The brand is Cobra and it is muddy green in colour in a black bag. It is important for future tramping, if you find it can you please phone Helen Ferris-O'Kane on 545 1522.

Lost Property

Garin still has lots of unclaimed lost property here in a cupboard in the School Office. Please, if you know you are missing any items, can you send your son/daughter to see if it is here or alternatively, if you have time please come in and look for any lost items. Before the start of term 2, we will be sending inclaimed items to the Vinnies.

Richmond Badminton Club

Badminton is on again on Mondays, starting 23 April 2012 from the start of Term 2 at Badminton Hall, Gladstone Road (next to Waimea Rugby Club).

- ♦ *Primary & Intermediate: 5.30-6.30pm*
- ♦ *College students: 6.30-7.30pm*
- ♦ *Seniors: from 7.30pm*
- ♦ *Subs are \$30/term or \$4 per night, casual*

New players are welcome, so give it a go. Contact Joe Hall on 546 4446 during the day or 544 0128 evenings.

Garin Newsletter

If you are experiencing problems with accessing the Garin Newsletter via email weekly, please let us know and your son/daughter can come over either during the 2nd break or after school to collect a copy to take home each week.

CatholicTV.net

Work can be very, very good when it challenges us. Join Martin Snedden as he talks about his role as CEO of the Rugby World Cup this week on www.catholicTV.net. Great for sharing with a friend.

Come to the Hub

A band from Blenheim called "Hold on We're Singing" is touring with "Stay Awake" and also "Running Joke" (side project of Nelson band "Recommended By Your Mom") is playing at the Hub on the 15th April from 6.30pm and entry is \$5. The link to the event is <http://www.facebook.com/events/170897066363052/> Which students can join and listen to the feature

CALENDAR

- Sunday 1 April - Wednesday 4 April
- ♦ *Year 12 and 13 Geography Camp*
- Thursday 5 April
- ♦ *Golden Bay Exchange*
- ♦ *Term One ends*
- Monday 23 April
- ♦ *Term 2 begins*
- Monday 30 April
- ♦ *All students to be in winter uniform*



On Sunday we have the beginning of Holy Week—and Palm Sunday is a day I always find myself reflecting on the fickleness of popularity. The week begins with a remembrance of Jesus arriving triumphant in Jerusalem. He was mobbed on the streets and people tore branches from trees to cover the road and create some sort of green carpet!

Less than a week later many of the same people were again gathered in a crowd and chanting "crucify him—crucify him" so loudly and assertively that a weak governor gave into them and crucified him.

For the rest of the week we will celebrate and remember some of the key moments in the foundation of the Church such as the first Eucharist on Thursday, and the betrayal, trial and crucifixion of Jesus on Friday.

There is no Mass on Saturday (because Jesus is yet to return), but traditionally the Easter Mass began in the darkness of Saturday night and burst into light at midnight with the resurrection—one of our great liturgies, but now sadly fading away because of inconvenient timing.

Lent has a week to run. Students today had the opportunity to clear up things that have gone wrong for them, and to write down things they want to improve about themselves—and then to ask God for support and forgiveness. We can do this any time—but now is the perfect time to go to the darker places in our lives and remove the negatives that hold us back.

Next week we go from the exaltation of Palm Sunday and the first Eucharist to the trial and death of Jesus—before we are lifted to the high point of the Christian year: Easter and the celebration of Jesus' return to life. Jesus came back to prove to us that life is more powerful than death: the resurrection is proof that life survives death—that light drives out darkness—and that the part of us made in God's image is immortal.

From Careers At Garin

For your Diary

Careers Roadshow—Tuesday 1st May 4-6.30pm at Waimea College. Senior Students and parents are encouraged to attend this event. Full information of exhibitors at Garin student office.

Futures conference (NMIT/ Careers NZ) at NMIT—Friday 25 May. A day of interactive workshops showcasing local industry and career opportunities. Targeting senior students who are seeking information for a clear career direction. More information is available from Jane Krammer, Careers Coordinator at Garin College.

The Vinnies Raffle

The St. Paul's and Garin College Vinnies are presently running a raffle to raise funds to support 5 year old Jessie Corbett whose mother was tragically killed in Nelson recently. We have been donated some wonderful prizes for our raffle. First prize is a Four Handed Full Body Hawaiian Lomilomi Massage for 1 hour from Aloha Body Care and Massage valued at \$130; Second Prize is four tickets to the Sound of Music musical put on by the Nelson Youth Theatre in April. These tickets are for the opening matinee on 9 April. This package is valued at \$100; Third Prize is two stand tickets to a Giants' Home Game, a basketball signed by the Giants team and a Giants t-shirt; Fourth Prize is a

\$50 gift voucher for goods or services at Photo One in Richmond. Raffle tickets are able to be purchased from the Garin College Office. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 5 April and the lucky recipients will be notified on the same day. Please support our worthy cause and help us to assist Jessie.

Host Families Needed

In June-July 2012 Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd will be receiving exchange students from Europe, Canada, the USA and Latin America. Our new arrivals will live with a host family in New Zealand and attend a local school for 2-10 months. All students have at least basic levels of English.

Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on a bit of our own culture. They might even make a friend for life!

"Becoming a Host family for an international student has been

much more than we expected. We thought it would be great for our kids to learn a little about another language and maybe something about

another country. Instead, we gained another family member and some great new friends, her parents from Germany. We get to show off our country and learn so much about hers. What a fantastic experience for all of us." Melissa, Host Mum

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation registered with the New Zealand Ministry of Education. You can find out more about our organisation by visiting www.studentexchange.org.nz

If you have any questions about hosting an exchange student or would like to view profiles of students arriving from other countries, you can either respond to this email or call our office on 0800 440 079.

First XV Kicks Off With a Win

Wednesday afternoon at Garin saw the First XV in their first outing for 2012 in the annual game against Buller High. Last year's game at Westport was a really close and exciting encounter with Garin claiming the honours through a memorable back line move late in the game. This year was also a closely fought game. Buller led 15-12 at half time, two Garin tries being scored by Brodie Sidwell and Tarras Glover. Buller started strongly in the second half, scoring a try to extend their lead by 8. Garin replied with a try to Nick Allison and then took the lead after Brodie scored his second try which was converted by Kristian Hall-Smith for a final score of 24-23 to Garin. Tarras Glover ran and tackled strongly at centre, whilst in the forwards Josh Bason, Will Gifford and Petar Tavich stood out with impressive performances.

Cricketers Win against Wakatu

Garin seniors took on Wakatu, one of the leading sides in the competition, giving an excellent all round performance for a comfortable win. A great bowling performance included 4 wickets each to Chris Sinnott and Tasman Walker and accurate spells from Isaac Brennan and Scott van der Colk.

Wakatu were all out for 92. A fine 50 from Paul O'Regan helped Garin reach 93 with only two wickets down to record the win.



STAR STUDENTS OF Garin

★ *Well done Garin students and staff. Last Friday Year 11 and 12 students from Garin attended the RYDA programme, which is a programme to provide awareness to young drivers in the areas of: Stopping Distances, Crash Survival, My Wheels, Police, Plan B, Hazards, and Distractions and Risks. Nelson City Council representative for Road Safety, Margaret Parfitt wrote to thank staff and students from Garin for their involvement in the day. She specifically commended studentd on their presentation and conduct during the event.*

★ *Congratulations to Ed Rimmer, Head of Faculty for PE and Health has been rewarded for his intensive training by being selected in the New Zealand Triathlon team for his age group to compete in Auckland later this year.*

★ *Go Garin Athletes: This weekend some of Garin's finest athletes will represent the College at the South Island Track and Field Championships at Saxton Field. Jeff and Jared Lautenslager, Aleisha van Kerkhof and Patrick Hassan have all qualified to carry our colours.*

Weekend Sport Coming up

◆ *On Saturday morning at Garin, kicking off at 10am, the First XV take to the field against a travelling side from St Patrick's Wellington. Following their great performance against Buller, this will be a game worth watching and the team will certainly be looking forward to support from the Garin community.*

◆ *Netball - first game is on Saturday 28th of April. No play 2 June (Queen's Birthday), 7th & 14th July (School holidays). Players have met their coaches and must be present for all trainings and games. New players need to buy their own skirt and top from the uniform shop. Information and draws are on www.nelsonnetball.co.nz or in the newspaper.*

Take a Moment ...

The only thing I really wish for ...Is to love until I die of love."

~ St. Thérèse





Macs for Media Suite

It is with great pleasure that we can announce the opening of the new senior Media Suite located in the Performing Arts Block adjacent to the music rooms. Thanks to the great work of Garin parent Susan O'Connell we have been able to successfully progress a Canterbury Trust grant application for \$10,000 to set up a specialist film editing suite featuring three iMacs (27" screens - wow!) and industry standard editing software for both film and sound. This is a fabulous development

for the school and a group of five teachers will be participating in an intensive training workshop this Saturday at NMIT. Level 2 Media Studies students are already working in the Suite recording 5-8min audio commentaries to accompany two biographical films they have studied this term. We are extremely grateful to Susan and the Canterbury Trust for their support of our endeavours to broaden the learning opportunities and skills base of Garin students working in the Arts. Cath Aronsten, Teacher In Charge - Media Studies



Winter Uniform: Must be worn from 30 April through 28 September and can be worn anytime. For Seniors, Garin blazer must be worn for Assemblies, Mass, Prizegiving, any trips or teams away representing Garin, and any formal occasion. Senior Garin blazer can be worn anytime. Whenever the blazer is on, the tie is worn.

Winter Uniform	BOYS		GIRLS	
	Junior	Senior	Junior	Senior
Footwear	Black, polishable leather shoes and Garin socks	Black, polishable leather shoes and black socks	Black, polishable leather shoes with black tights or black socks above hemline	Black, polishable leather shoes with black tights or black socks above hemline
Bottom half	Clerical grey Garin shorts - OR—clerical grey Garin trousers	Clerical grey Garin shorts	Garin school skirt to below the knee	Garin school skirt to below the knee
Top half	Blue or white Garin polo shirt	White shirt with Garin logo and tie	White blouse or polo with Garin logo	White blouse with Garin logo and tie
Year level extras	White V-neck thermal tucked in and unseen. Sleeveless Garin black polar fleece OR Garin wool scarf	White V-neck thermal tucked in and unseen. Black Garin vest with logo. Garin blazer. Garin wool scarf	White V-neck thermal; tucked in and unseen. Sleeveless Garin black polar fleece OR Garin jersey. Garin wool scarf.	White V-neck thermal tucked in and unseen. Black Garin vest with logo. Garin blazer. Garin wool scarf.
Jewellery	Cross or <i>Taonga</i> . Single sleeper or stud in each ear. No other visible body piercing is allowed.			
Hair and face	Hair to be natural colour and off the collar or tied back. No facial hair. We are a Sunsmart school and Garin named hats must be worn for PE and sports days and are encouraged on other days in Terms 1 and 4.			

Hostel students enjoy a day out at Kaiteriteri

On Sunday, 25th of March at 9.30am, Garin's Hostel boys and girls made a trip to Kaiteriteri for a fun day out, that included swimming in the salty water, sea-biscuiting from Mr Booth's boat, a delicious BBQ prepared by the supervisors and of course relaxing on the well-known golden Kaiteriteri beach. Although the sun wasn't constantly out, both hostels thoroughly enjoyed the day with it being a great chance for both hostels to interact with each other and naturally, there was a bit of healthy competition with who could hold on to the biscuit the longest. Some girls and boys had never been on a biscuit, so it posed a challenge for some and a chance to show off for others. By 4pm the boys and girls hostel were tired, well-feed and relaxed: a perfect day out. By Leesa and Emma.



Mr Booth takes Ethan Hyndman and Tim James sea-biscuiting

Garin Kapa Haka Group - kino kē!

On Thursday our new group, comprising 26 students, participated in their very first performance in front of a crowd at the Kete Taonga event hosted by Waimea College. Despite having had only six practices, the students really stepped it up to pull off a truly awesome performance (which they get NCEA credits for!). Tutor Matua Tom welcomed them to the stage and introduced the newcomers who were given a rousing reception by the crowd. The students were outstanding ambassadors for Garin in every aspect of their performance and behaviour on the day and I felt very proud to be associated with the group. To the team...ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, nā Mrs A.



Garin takes centre stage at at Kete Taonga!