



## Term 1: 18th February - 1st March 2019

**Kia ora koutou katoa - Daniel Murfitt, Principal**

### Tomorrow's Schools Review

Many of you may already know about the government review of compulsory schooling in Aotearoa New Zealand. In April 2018, the Tomorrow's Schools Review Taskforce was appointed by the Minister of Education to carry out this review. At the end of 2018 they came up with a number of findings and recommendations which are designed to achieve an education system which aims for equity and excellence. The recommendations will also require a transformation of the education system in order to achieve the aims. It is critical that our community have our voice heard in the consultation which is now taking place around the country, as these proposed changes will have implications for our children both now and in the future.

William Colenso College has the privilege of hosting the Hawkes Bay wide consultation hui with members of the review Taskforce. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet with the Taskforce in our school with members of the wider HB community. The Tomorrow's Schools Review consultation hui will be held in the WCC school hall on the 7<sup>th</sup> March between 7:00 – 9:00pm. Please come along and hear about the proposed changes, and to have your say.

### Whānau / Family meetings with your child's teacher and/or academic mentor

These meetings will also be held on March 7<sup>th</sup> between 2:00 – 6:00pm. They are an opportunity to meet, connect and discuss progress so far and what aspirations you have for your child. Please make sure your child has a time booked so that you get the time for these important meetings.

### Congratulations to our 2019 student leaders



# SCHOOL TIMETABLE

A reminder that school hours for all students, **Monday -Thursday 8.40am-3pm.**

**Interval Times:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 10.40am -11.00am  
Wednesday: 10.30am-10.50am  
Friday: 9.40am-10.00am

**Lunch Times:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 1.15pm - 2.00pm  
Wednesday: 1.20pm - 2.05pm  
Friday: 12.00pm - 1.00pm

## **Friday Timetable:**

Senior students (Years 10 – 13) **commence school at 10.00am on Fridays and finish at 3.00pm.** This is to enable longer learning periods, and the ability to offer broader curriculum options. Friday courses will run as either full day or two half day programmes (on the same day). Students who are undertaking EIT or Farming programmes will study from 8:40am – 3:00pm on Fridays. All other Year 10 – 13 programmes will begin at 10:00am and will run through to 3:00pm. Courses will either be two or four hour programmes.

Years 7-9 students **commence at 8.40am on Fridays and finish at 3.00pm.**

During wet weather days, the school lunchtime will be shortened and students will be dismissed at 2.40pm. If in doubt about an early finish, contact the school office: 831 0180.

# SCHOOL PHOTOS



Individual and class photos will be taken for all students in the hall **Thursday 28th February.** Your child should have received an envelope to place your photo order. Please ensure if you are paying by cash that you have the exact amount in the envelope as the payment is given directly to the photo company and not through the school. We have spare envelopes at the front office for orders. Final day for orders is Friday 12th April.

**Sibling photos are available but must be paid for on the day, envelopes at the front office.**

ID Student Cards are \$10.00 each and can be paid for at the front office. These are available to purchase throughout the year.



**MISSED A NEWSLETTER? WANT TO KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S GOING ON?**

Our newsletters can be viewed on our website: [www.colenso.school.nz](http://www.colenso.school.nz)  
Or email: [keleigh.atkins@colenso.school.nz](mailto:keleigh.atkins@colenso.school.nz) to register and receive the newsletter electronically

## SCHOOL LIBRARY



We have several over-due library books. Could you please ask your child if they have any library books and return these to school. Many thanks.

## PERFORMING ARTS MELBOURNE TRIP

### Amazing Race Sunday 24th Feb

Our Performing Arts department is holding an amazing race in Napier as a fundraiser for their trip to Melbourne. This is happening on Sunday 24th February from 2pm - 5pm. You will need to organise teams of 5 for only \$50 (or \$10 per person) and you need a full drivers licence with current WOF and registration. All info and tickets available from the front office, or come and talk to Miss de Jong (Music) or Ms Kersey (Dance). Our last one was great fun, and this one will be a blast too!

Friday 5th April will be a fundraising performance in the school hall 6.30pm, students will be performing and entry will be \$10.

## STUDENT ATTENDANCE

If your child needs to attend an appointment during school hours please provide a written note/text or phone the Attendance Office: 8310180 Ext 825 or 826. Your child will need to sign out at the student office before they leave the grounds.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

We ask that all students wear either plain black shoes (no ankle boots) or plain black sandals with a back strap under the ankle. Students who have technology classes need to wear covered shoes in these classes. **Please ensure your child's uniform items are named clearly, this helps if they end up in lost property.**

Kidscan - We are fortunate to be supported by Kidscan with shoes and jackets (Warrior wind jackets). If you require any of these items please contact the Student Office.

### Looking good makes you feel good, which leads to better performance.

When people take pride in the way they dress, they are showing respect for themselves, to their family and their school. When this happens others show them respect and start looking at the positive things they do instead of the negatives.

*We expect all students to be equipped with the correct uniform, and for Year 13 students to wear appropriate tidy mufti. To ensure school is a place where learning is a priority and conflict is minimised, any student who is wearing incorrect uniform will be sent home to take the incorrect item home (they will then be expected to return to school). No notes will be accepted and we will not be taking incorrect uniform off students and holding it until the end of the day.*



## STUDENT ID CARD

ID Student Cards are \$10.00 each and can be paid for at the front office. These are available to purchase throughout the year.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM JACKETS / CAPS



School jackets and caps are available for purchase from the School Office. These uniform items **are not sold at The Warehouse.**



Cost for the jackets are \$92.00. The jackets are produced by Kooga Clothing; they are waterproof, windproof and very warm. This is the only item of clothing with a hood that may be worn to school. The caps are \$25 and are able to be worn at school.

## WCC SCHOOL APP

William Colenso College has its own school app which can be downloaded to your apple or android cellphone (device). Search William Colenso College to download the app.

This will allow the school staff to send out to those who have downloaded the app, alerts about various activities: sports events, homework reminders etc.

Other functions that are available in the app are:

- absentee tab: to advise when your child will be absent from school
- events tab: will give calendar dates for the school year
- contacts tab: able to make contact via phone or email with a staff member
- Notices: the daily school notices that are available to staff and students about events happening that day in school.

## KEY DATES

Wed 20th February:	Parents Association Meeting: 6pm in the administration block: all welcome Level One Kayaking International Homestay Meeting: 6pm
Thurs 21st February:	Level One Kayaking
Tues 26th February:	Level One Kayaking
Wed 27th February:	Level Two Canoe Training
Thurs 28th February:	School Photos in the school hall for all students
Wed 6th March:	Whole School Athletics Day @ Sports Park in Hastings
Thurs 7th March:	Whanau / Academic Meetings: 2pm-6pm, students will be dismissed at 1.15pm for the day Tomorrows School Review Meeting: 7pm-9pm all parents/caregivers welcome
Thurs 14th March:	Year 9 & 13 Scholarship Evening: 6pm in the Staffroom
Mon 18th March:	Level One Kayak Trip
Tues 19th March:	Level One Kayak Trip
Wed 20th March:	Level Two Canoe Trip Parents Association Meeting: 6pm in the staffroom: all welcome
Thurs 21st March:	Level Two Canoe Trip
Wed 27th March:	Teacher Only Day
Fri 5th April:	Year 7 & 8's Marae trip to Pukemokimoki Marae Melbourne Trip Fundraiser: 6.30pm, \$10, students performing
Fri 12th April:	Last day of Term One, World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 2pm