



Term 1: 4th - 15th March 2019

Kia ora koutou katoa - Daniel Murfitt, Principal

This week is an incredibly busy week with Athletics on Wednesday, whānau/family meetings on Thursday, and the Hawkes Bay wide consultation on the future of Aotearoa New Zealand's education system in our school hall Thursday 7th March, 6.30pm.

The year's first whānau/family and teacher meetings on Thursday are an important time in the school year to build connections between teachers, students and whānau/families. The teachers are looking forward to meeting up with you and your child to strengthen relationships and work together on developing plans to make 2019 the best possible year for your child's/our student's wellbeing and education.

The new Year 9 Scholarship recipients and their whānau/family are invited to the presentation of their scholarship on the 14th March at 6:00 pm in the staff room. These students applied for scholarships as Year 8 students in the areas of sport, culture and academic effort and performance. They receive \$500 and a chromebook (and case). Congratulations to the students for their successful application.

This year we are due for the tri-annual Board of Trustees elections. Nominations for parent and community representation open on the 10th May, and close on the 14th May. If we require an election this will occur on the 7th June. Further information is posted on the school web-site.



**2018 WINNERS PRIME MINISTER'S EDUCATION
AWARD: EDUCATION FOCUS: TAKATŪ**

**2017 WINNERS PRIME MINISTER'S EDUCATION AWARD: EXCELLENCE IN
LEADING: ATAKURA
FINALISTS FOR TEACHING & LEARNING /GOVERNANCE**

BOOKSALE



One of our volunteer book sorters, Alan Burke takes books to Thailand. Pictured is one of the charities that have received books from the William Colenso College annual book sale. This place is in the north of Thailand.



SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY

Wednesday 6th March is our full school house Athletics at the Hastings Sports Park. This is a wonderful venue for our athletics as it has the best facilities in Hawkes Bay. The day is compulsory for all students, and we welcome any family / whanau to come along and support. All students will be transported by bus from school and back, students need to be at school by 8.30am.

Students don't forget to come along dressed up in your house colours (Tupari - Orange, Maropea - Purple, Remutupo - Blue and Waikamaka - Yellow).

SCHOOL PHOTOS

CHEESE!



Individual and class photos were taken last week for all students. Spare order envelopes are available at the front office. Final day for orders is **Friday 12th April**.

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

WHANAU / ACADEMIC MEETINGS

These meetings will take place Thursday 7th March: 2pm-6pm. We would like all parents, caregivers, whanau to take the opportunity to find out how your child is progressing at school. The Term One progress reports will be handed out at these meetings.

You will receive a letter where you will be able to make an appointment time. All students will be dismissed from school at 1.15pm on this day.

Bus students will need to make alternative transport arrangements home at 1.15pm as the buses will run as normal.

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

Our newsletters can be viewed on our website: www.colenso.school.nz
Or email: 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 10th March

Our Performing Arts department is holding an amazing race in Napier as a fundraiser for their trip to Melbourne. This is happening on Sunday 10th March 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!

As part of the fundraising for students attending the Melbourne trip in April we are holding a student performance, Friday 5th April in the school hall 6.30pm. 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.

INTERMEDIATE YOUTH PROGRAMME

A colorful poster for the Pirimai Baptist Church Base Intermediates programme. The poster features a blue background with yellow and red circles. Text includes: 'PIRIMAI BAPTIST CHURCH', 'BASE INTERMEDIATES', 'EVERY THURSDAY 4PM - 6PM (TERM TIME)', 'A FUN PROGRAMME FOR ALL INTERMEDIATE AGED CHILDREN', '\$3 includes afternoon tea', and 'FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KAZ@PBC.ORG.NZ 06 843 5167'. The location 'CNR BILL HERCOCK ST & ALLEN BERRY AVE' is written vertically on the right side.

The Pirimai Baptist Church have been running a successful Intermediates only Youth Programme on a Friday night for years. This year they have decided to change it up a little, so instead of fortnightly on a Friday, they will be holding it weekly on a Thursday afternoon.

All Intermediate aged students are welcome at Base, transport can be arranged if there's enough students coming from the same area. Base is an opportunity to make new friends, have heaps of fun, go on outings, cook up a storm, play heaps of games, and afternoon tea is provided.

ASPIRE, ACT, ACHIEVE: WAWATATIA, MAHIA, EKEA

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.

SAMOA TRIP 2020



Planning for our next bi annual trip to Samoa has started. If you would like your child to be part of this trip please pick up a letter from the front office.

The purpose of the trip is to provide an experience and build connections and leadership for our students. It also provides them with experience in planning and fundraising for the trip.

CELLPHONES AT SCHOOL

NO CELLPHONES are to be used in the classroom as they are a serious disruption to student learning and outcomes. Please support your child's learning by not texting or phoning during class time. If you need to contact your child please phone the college office and we can arrange this.

KEY DATES

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
Mon 25th March:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm Staff Workroom
Wed 27th March:	Teacher Only Day
Wed 3rd April:	Year 7 Boostrix & Year 8 HPV
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 Performing Arts Students to Melbourne
Mon 29th April:	Term Two commences

