



Term 3: 5th - 16th August 2019

Kia ora koutou katoa

The term has certainly started off with a large number of very positive and busy activities for students and staff. CACTUS started last Monday 5:30am with students, staff, police, and supporters completing their pre-CACTUS fitness and strength tests. This was followed by a healthy breakfast of porridge, fruit and spaghetti prepared by Mrs Engels and staff from Te Kupenga Hauora. The culture of Hirangatanga (excellence in effort) and whanaungatanga (belonging) which is built around the CACTUS programme is very evident and driving change in participants' attitudes and physical well-being.

Winter sports are continuing with a number of teams positioning themselves and preparing for finals over the next month. Our Ahuriri championship netball team will be attending a national competition in Wellington during week 7.

Attendance Matters

We continue to research the impact of attendance on student outcomes, as we know the greatest barrier to success for students over the years has been poor attendance. We know that students with 90% or greater attendance end up passing the NCEA qualifications they are working towards. The following table highlights how even what some might perceive as small amounts of missed school can add up to weeks and years of missed schooling throughout a student's time at school.

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much but....

If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's....
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?

He/She is only missing just...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year
20 mins per day	1hr 40 mins per week	Over 2 ½ weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years

EVERY DAY COUNTS

If you want your child to be successful at school then, YES, attendance does matter!

**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**

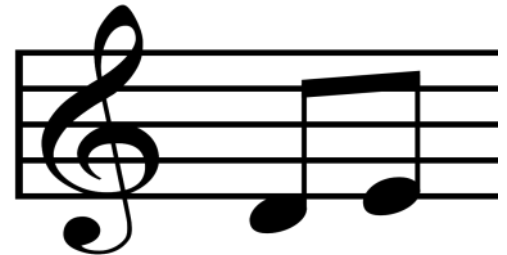
STAFF PROFILE

Hello I am Jane Beaven, Head of Support Services. I have been in this role since the College opened in 2004. It was a Deputy Principal's position for a number of years and it became a Head of Department position. Essentially, this role encompasses the Special Needs Coordinator role which you will find in most high schools but at William Colenso College all the student support services are located in the Student Support Services building. The services here include: the Guidance Counsellor; various health practitioners; sick bay; Te Whanau Ora, the learning and Behaviour Support area; where Resource Teachers of learning and Behaviour are located, where Attendance Services are provided, where Gateway and STAR services are provided; breakfast and Lunch Club and finally, where a number of Outside Providers come to meet students. One such example is Check and Connect which provides a mentoring service for students in Year 10 and 11 to support them to make a successful transition to the Senior School. My role is to coordinate these services and to provide leadership to ensure that all students with learning, health and behaviour needs are provided with excellent supports to keep them engaged and learning at school. This department was recognised within the Prime Minister's Excellence Award for Inclusive Education in 2018, the Takatu Cup.



WCC CHOIR

Miss de Jong (DJ) is starting up choir again this year! You don't have to audition, just come along if you love to sing. You will be expected to perform near the end of the year. Practices are Tuesdays straight after school and Fridays first half of lunch. Anyone welcome (even teachers)!



SAMOA TRIP 2020

Planning for our next 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.



HEALTHY OPTIONS

All schools have a responsibility to promote and provide (via school canteens) healthy food options. Due to health reasons please ensure that your child doesn't bring high sugar drinks into school, we appreciate your support with this.

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.

ASPIRE, ACT, ACHIEVE: WAWATATIA, MAHIA, EKEA

SCHOLARSHIPS

Hirangatanga Scholarships

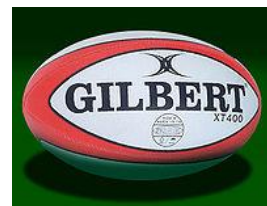
Hirangatanga – Striving for Excellence Scholarship is worth \$5,000 per year for three years (total \$15,000). It is for any Year 13 student from William Colenso College planning to study in any field in any tertiary institution, in the year following Year 13.

The Scholarship was created by an ex-Colenso High School student to promote higher education for students of William Colenso College. Selection will be based on the candidate's ability and financial need of each candidate.

Forms are available from the front office and need to be handed to Mr Mitchell by Friday 30th August 2019.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Congratulations to Ripeka Gemmell & Naveah Honotapu Year 7 who have been named as part of the Rugby League Hawkes Bay Unicorn's U13 Girls teams.



OPEN EVENINGS

On the 8th and 28th of August we are holding our Open Evenings for students and whānau who are considering their schooling options for 2020. These open evenings are for everyone to enjoy, and to get a feeling of the culture and experiences that students at WCC are part of. Please join us and invite others who are considering WCC in 2020.

If you are unable to make either of these evenings please call into the office and collect an enrolment pack.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have undertaken a comprehensive review of schooling for year 10 students. One aspect of this was the strong desire by year 10 students to be in senior uniform as they are in senior form classes and are part of the Senior School. As a result from 2020 all Year 10 students will wear the senior uniform white school shirt, which is the only extra part of the uniform they will need. Current Year 9's will move into the new shirt from next year.

The option of the white shirt is either short sleeve with the school logo or long sleeve without a school logo but must be worn with a school tie.

The cost of these items are:

Senior Boys Long Sleeve Shirt: \$29.99 - \$39.99 Senior Boys Short Sleeve Shirt: \$38.99 - \$42.99

Senior Girls Long Sleeve Blouse: \$29.99 - \$32.00 Senior Girls Short Sleeve Blouse: \$32.99 - \$35.99

School Ties: \$35.00

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.

KEY DATES

Tues 6th Aug:	Year 7 & 8 class to Ranui Farm: 8.30am-3pm
Wed 7th Aug:	Year 6 Nelson Park School students visit: 9.30am-12.30pm
Thurs 8th Aug:	Open Evening: 6.30pm in the School Hall
Fri 9th Aug:	Dance students perform at Onekawa School: 10.15am
Tues 13th Aug:	Year 7 & 8 Farm Visit
Fri 16th Aug:	WCC Dance students perform at Nelson Park School: 9.20am Nominations for Student Rep on the Board of Trustees open
Tues 20th Aug:	Year 7 & 8 class to Ranui Farm: 8.30am-3pm
Wed 21st Aug:	House Competition - X Factor: 12.40pm Parents Association Meeting: 6pm
Thurs 22nd Aug:	Senior Ski Trip
Fri 23rd Aug:	Kapa Haka students perform at Onekawa School: 10.15am Dance students perform at Richmond School: 11am
Mon 26th Aug:	WCC Mid Term Break - School Closed
Tues 27th Aug:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Wed 28th Aug:	Open Evening: 6.30pm in the School Hall Year 6 Onekawa School students visit: 9.30-12.30pm
Thurs 29th Aug:	Year 10 Caving Trip
Fri 30th Aug:	Kapa Haka students perform at Te Awa School: 9am Dance Performance students perform at Henry Hill School: 9.15am Nominations for Student Rep on the Board of Trustees close Samoan Exam: 1pm-3pm
Mon 2nd Sept:	Me Programme (Endometriosis) Year 11-13 Girls: 9.40am-10.40am Heath/Science/Biology Exam: 9.40am-10.40am
Tues 3rd Sept:	Academic Mentoring/Whanau/Family Meetings: students will be dismissed at 1.15pm
Wed 4th Sept:	Full Assembly: 12.40pm
Thurs 5th Sept:	Winter Sports Photos in the hall
Fri 6th Sept:	Dance Performance students perform at Te Awa: 9am
Mon 9th-13th Sept:	Practice NCEA Exams: Years 11-13 students
Tues 10th Sept:	Year 7 & 8 Farm Visit
Thurs 12th Sept:	Voting for student rep on the Board of Trustees: Formtime: 11am-11.15am
Fri 13th Sept:	Dance students perform at Marewa School: 9.30am Kapa Haka students perform at Nelson Park: 9.30am
Mon 16th Sept:	Senior Ski Trip
Tues 17th Sept:	Senior Ski Trip
Wed 18th Sept:	Senior Ski Trip Full School Assembly: 12.40pm Parents Association Meeting: 6pm
Fri 20th Sept:	Kapa Haka students perform at Marewa School: 9.20am
Sat 21st Sept:	CACTUS Longest Day
Fri 27th Sept:	Term Three Ends

