



# WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term One: 2nd - 13th March



## Kia ora koutou katoa - Daniel Murfitt, Principal

Kia ora  
This week we have our full school athletics day on Tuesday 3rd March. This is an important day as we take all students over to the Hastings Sports Park to participate and compete for their house at a world class sporting venue. For students, staff and whānau/families it is an opportunity to test themselves at a professional track and to have some fun scoring points for their house.  
Our Outdoor Education programme for Year 7 & 8 students started last week with the first two classes visiting Ranui Farm Park in Waipukurau. The students experienced an active working farm with the added bonus of a range of fun activities such as the water slide, paint ball, golf, and the flying fox.



Our 2020 student leadership team have had a great start to the year and have been busy planning and undertaking the duties attached to their different roles. They are a fantastic group of young adults from diverse backgrounds, who all bring with them their own unique skills and personalities. They have all been involved in running assemblies, supporting buddy classes and being role models around the school. The House Leaders have had the busiest start to the year organising and motivating students to get involved in house events. Watch out for them in the next edition of the local He Ngakau Hou newspaper.



**ASPIRE, ACT, ACHIEVE: WAWATATIA, MAHIA, EKEA**

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Individual and class photos were taken for all students Thursday 27th February.

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; there is an option for payment by cheque. We have spare envelopes at the front office for orders. Final day for orders is **Friday 13th March.**

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 ATHLETICS

Tuesday 3rd 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**

## 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.

## PAID UNION MEETING-TEACHERS

All teaching staff will be attending an afternoon paid union meeting, Wednesday 11th March. Lunch will be shortened last period will start at 1.45pm and all students will be dismissed at 2.30pm.

Bus students may want to find alternative arrangements home as the buses will be running at the normal pick times.

## 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*

# STAFF PROFILE

My name is David Gold and I am the teacher in charge of Outdoor Education at William Colenso College.

I have been doing outdoor adventure activities all my life. I can vividly remember my first camp in Form 2 at Reporoa College. The tramping, orienteering, team activities, group cooking, abseiling and kayaking here all life changing experiences and have shaped my path into a career in Outdoor Education ever since.



I have been working in my role as Outdoor Education teacher here at William Colenso College since 2009. During that time, I have offered students a wide range of challenges in the outdoors like, kayaking, rock climbing, caving, tramping, sea kayaking, canoeing, skiing and snowboarding, high ropes, leadership development, mountain biking, surfing and adventure camps. What is cool is that we have the resources and support to make this happen, which a lot of other schools don't have.

What I love about this role - other than the amazing adventures - is getting to work with an amazing group of students who seek to try something new and push themselves beyond what they see as possible. Being part of that person's journey to find out who they are is one of the most rewarding experiences ever.

# 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. This information will be placed on our facebook page and school app.



**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**



# 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

- Mon 2nd March:** Yr 7/8PB Ranui Farm Visit  
**Tues 3rd March:** Whole School Athletics: Hastings Sports Park, parents/caregivers welcome to attend
- Wed 4th March:** School Surf Training: 3.30pm-5.30pm, L1 Kayak sessions  
**Thurs 5th March:** International Students Homestay Meeting, 7pm in the staffroom  
**Fri 6th March:** Pasifika Breakfast Club: 8.40am  
**Mon 9th March:** Year 7/8KM Ranui Farm Visit, L2 Canoe Training  
**Tues 10th March:** Year 9 & 13 Scholarship Evening, 5.30pm in the staffroom  
**Wed 11th March:** Full School Assembly: 12.40pm  
Paid Union Meeting for teachers, students dismissed at 2.30pm  
School Surf Training: 3.30pm-5.30pm
- Fri 13th March:** Year 7 & 8 Fun Afternoon at Napier Aquatic Centre: 1pm-3pm  
Last day for photo orders
- Mon 16th March:** Year 7/8KE Ranui Farm Visit, L2 Canoe Training  
**Wed 18th March:** Year 10 Farm Trip, Parents Association Meeting: 6pm in the Staffroom, all welcome, School Surf Training: 3.30pm-5.30pm, L1 Kayak Trip Overnight
- Thurs 19th March:** Teacher Only Day, students not required to attend school on this day  
**Fri 20th March:** Pasifika Breakfast Club: 8.40am  
**Tues 24th March:** Year 10 EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom)  
**Wed 25th March:** Full School Assembly: 12.40pm, L1 Kayak Trip Overnight  
School Surf Training: 3.30pm-5.30pm
- Thurs 26th March:** Whanau/Teacher Meetings: 2pm-6pm, students will be dismissed at 1.15pm, L1 Kayak Overnight
- Mon 30th March:** Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm  
**Tues 31st March:** Year 7 Boostrix and Year 8 HPV 1st vaccine  
**Wed 1st April :** L1 Canoe Trip, School Surf Training: 3.30pm-5.30pm  
**Thurs 2nd April:** L1 Canoe Trip, Year 7&8 classes, Whaea Kawe's Te Reo Class & Whaea Bobbies' Manaaki-Marae class to Pukemokimoki Marae
- Fri 3rd April:** Pasifika Breakfast: 8.40am  
**Sat 4th April:** Pasifika Festival  
**Mon 6th April:** L3 Kayak Trip  
**Tues 7th April:** L3 Kayak Trip  
**Wed 8th April:** School Surf Training: 3.30pm-5.30pm, Full Assembly: 12.40pm  
**Thurs 9th April:** Last day of Term One, Assembly 2pm  
**Tues 28th April:** Term Two Commences, Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm

