



WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term Four: 27th October – 6th November, 2020



SCHOOL PRODUCTION - KIA ORA CORONA

OUTSTANDING EFFORT FROM ALL THE STUDENTS &
STAFF WHO WERE INVOLVED

THANK YOU FOR THE SUPPORT FROM OUR
WHANAU AND COMMUNITY WHO ATTENDED



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Or email: keleigh.atkins@colenso.school.nz to register and receive the
newsletter electronically

STAFF PROFILE

Kia ora koutou katoa

I have been part of the Colenso whanau for over 20 years! My long stay is testament to my belief in our Kura's role in our community and the fact that I would be hard pressed to find more friendly and supportive colleagues.

I initially worked at EIT working alongside the Massy Career's Advisor and helping students with their learning in the EIT Learning Centre. This sparked an interest in teaching, so I trained as a secondary school teacher. A journey I have enjoyed and grown through. I previously sat on my children's school BOT, so I am familiar with the running of our Kura; I am a past board member of Parentline in Hawkes Bay; for many years sat on the Friends of the MTG Board, and also I was Akela in the Clive Cub Scots when my boys were growing up.



I have just about taught most subjects offered in the Social Sciences such as Tourism, Communication Skills, Social Studies and English however at the moment I am teaching Media Studies, ESOL and Psychology. I believe in keeping learning relevant to students lives, it is through learning they grow and understand themselves more.



Recently, I have begun to co-manage the Girls' badminton team, I have thoroughly enjoyed watching the teams grow in skill and camaraderie-ship. I also help with the costuming of school productions which allows me to unleash my creative side.

I was born and raised in Dunedin but also lived in Christchurch and Wellington before becoming part of the Clive community. I am married and have three grown sons. I am also a grandmother to five mokupuna Annabelle, Molly, Remi, Xavier and Ivor.

You will normally find me outside in the weekends, walking, or cycling and if inside I am reading, practicing the flute and doing yoga!

Nga mihi
Louise Macfarlane

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.

FORMER STUDENTS / STAFF

We have set up an alumni page on our school website: www.colenso.school.nz . We would love to hear from any ex-students, teachers, support staff who have been involved with either Colenso High School or William Colenso College.

The Alumni page can be found on the News & Events page via our website above.



Tāne Tū KAHA PROGRAMME

We are seeking opportunities for up to 10 young men to engage in work experience as they develop skills for their futures.

We know that the longer boys are in school, the better their chances of success in 'the real world'. At the same time, we are very keen to give the students some practical experience in a work environment.

Our intention (initially) is to connect the students to a workplace, one day a week, for 5 consecutive weeks. We aim to start this work experience Thursdays (9am till 3pm) from Thursday 15th October. The boys can contribute and help out at the workplace and at the same time learn some valuable life skills and also:

Establishing pathways

Practical work experience opportunities for mechanics, farming, fencing, horticulture and trades

Support in class and time in group work out of class.

Relationship focused: connecting and making connections in the community.

Establishing good ongoing communication with a significant adult.

This newly formed group is known as Tāne Tū Kaha (Men, stand strong). I am the group facilitator and mentor and will be available to drive and support both the employer and the students to achieve the best result. I know the boys will be very appreciative of the opportunity and to learn from people with experience.

If there are potential opportunities for rangatahi to connect with the world of work. This could include environmental and marae based initiatives, or anything that could benefit young people in their future transition from school to the workplace - please contact henry.ballantyne@colenso.school.nz
Phone 0274 525 494

KEY DATES

Tuesday 20th October:	School Production: 7pm in the School Hall
Wednesday 21st October:	School Production: 7pm in the School Hall
Friday 23rd October:	Hawkes Bay Anniversary: School Closed
Monday 26th October:	Labour Day: School Closed
Tuesday 27th October:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Wednesday 28th October:	Full School Assembly: 12.40pm, Parents Assn Meeting: 6pm Staffroom
Wednesday 4th November:	Year 7-9 Sports Prizegiving: 12.40pm-1.20pm in the School Hall
Thursday 5th November:	2021 Enrolment Interviews: 3.30pm-6.30pm in the Library
10th-13th November:	Year 7/8 Camps
Wednesday 11th November:	Full School Assembly, Sports Prizegiving Year 10-13:12.40pm-1.20pm
Monday 16th November:	NCEA Exams commence
24th-26th November:	Year 9 Camps
Wednesday 25th November:	Full School Assembly: 12.40pm Parents Association Meeting: 6pm in the staffroom all welcome
Friday 27th November:	Year 7-9 Teacher Only Day
Monday 30th November:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Monday 7th December:	Year 10-13 Senior School Prizegiving: 7pm
Tuesday 8th December:	Year 7-9 Middle School Prizegiving: 1pm in the School Hall
Thurs 10th December:	Final day for all students

SCHOOL LUNCHES



We are excited to announce the start date for Lunch in Schools is Monday 3rd November 2020. This will be for the whole school, every student will receive a free school lunch everyday. Teachers are collating dietary requirement information.

Our supplier is MÓN - Jackson's Artisan Foods and we are looking forward to a great partnership.

Big thank you to Nic Scotland – Head of Te Whānau Ora/ Student Support Centre and everyone who was involved with the Lunch in Schools working group. Very exciting!

NEW STAFF MEMBER



Kia Ora, Ko Susan Martin toku ingoa. No Ahuriri ahau. My name is Susan Martin, but most people call me Sue. I have recently been appointed as the William Colenso Relations Co-Ordinator and I am excited about helping to develop a culture of connecting ex students and staff of this school to the current student and staff community.

For most of my life I have lived in Napier, the eldest in a large family, educated at Greenmeadows School from Primer 1 to Standard 8, then at Colenso High School from 1965-1969. Hence, one of the reasons why I am keen to take up this co-ordinator role. Cycling to Colenso from Greenmeadows was a given back then, panama hat included. I enjoyed my time at Colenso, worked hard, socialised hard and can still remember the detentions for having a high skirt hem and for not wearing my panama out of school hours. It was at Colenso that my husband (also ex-student) and I met during a rugby/netball interschool exchange. During my time at Colenso, I represented the school in netball, which is a sport I continued well into adulthood playing and coaching at representative levels. Some of my current friends are from friendships established during our years at Colenso.

I spent my tertiary education at Ardmore Teachers' College. After graduation, I taught for several years before beginning a family. I decided to continue my professional development by finishing my education degree, completing a post graduate degree in Educational Management, and undertaking several sports' papers. These qualifications helped me secure positions in a number of local primary schools where I taught at all levels, including assistant principal and deputy principal. As Deputy Principal at Napier Intermediate, I worked closely with Mark Cleary (Principal of WCC), for 15 years I was employed as an evaluator with the Education Review Office. (ERO). I retired at the end of 2018 at Greenmeadows School working as a teacher with syndicate leader responsibilities, a school where I began my educational journey. To finish at the same school was an incredibly special happening for me.

My husband and I have travelled extensively and having two children living in the UK provided an excellent base to live, teach and travel for long periods at a time. Sport has been a passion throughout my life. It started with netball then running many marathons, branching into triathlons, and then I completed the inaugural Ironman. Once I made the decision to give up running, my interests grew to tramping. So, you will often find me most weekends tramping in the local mountain ranges. This obsession has led me to tackle mountains in other parts of the world, namely Africa, Himalayas, and Morocco. A recent highlight was having the opportunity to go on an expedition for a month to Antarctica and the Sub-Antarctica Islands early in 2019. I am still buzzing over this amazing unique experience.

Sadly, I lost my beloved husband, Peter, of 49 years to a brain tumour during Lockdown 4. Therefore, continuing to keep active and occupied plays an especially important part of my new life. This timely initiative should broaden my horizons, learn new skills and to build connections to strengthen the school culture. As a motivated person, I am enthusiastically looking forward to the challenge and further developing our new relationship with the William Colenso College community, past and present.