



WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term One: 15th - 26th March 2021



Kia ora e te whānau

On Tuesday we had our school athletics at the sports grounds in Hastings. One of our values is 'Hirangatanga' - excellence, trying your hardest at everything that you do. It was great to see our students giving their best at the event.

One race in particular – the over 16 boys 100m sprints was exceptional with very little between the placings. You could see the effort these young men put into that race – this was at the end of completing their heats and five other athletic activities. When they finished, there were no tears of disappointment but high fives and hugs for the winners – a great display of Manaakitanga and Whanaungatanga. I think that what was most exciting was that the winner's whānau were there to watch him – I can only imagine how very proud they must have felt.

There were a few tired and limping students after the day. Well done students for making the effort to get into your house colours and participate in this day. Thank you to the amazing staff that organised this day – there is a lot of work involved.

Early results show Maropea coming first for the participation points and Remutupo first in the placing points.

We have four houses at our school – these are named after some of the peaks on the Ruahine ranges. These peaks can be seen from Colenso Spur – this is the track that Māori and William Colenso used to walk to get across the ranges.

Maropea – Purple
Tupari - Orange
Waikamaka - Yellow
Remutupo - Blue



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

STAFF PROFILE

Kia Ora, my name is Nicole Reihana and I teach in the Year 9 hub at William Colenso. I started here in 2019 after a move from primary teaching and have really enjoyed the change in dynamic working with older students.

I started my teaching career in Auckland in 2008 and have since enjoyed teaching in a range of schools between Auckland and Napier, along with a range of year levels.

My husband and I moved down to the Hawkes Bay in 2017 from Auckland, and have never looked back. We have loved the activities on offer here, and enjoy bike rides, beach trips and camping with our 4 daughters.



SCHOOL LUNCHES

William Colenso College provides all students with a Free & Healthy School Lunch each day. This was a real hit with the students when the lunches started in term four last year.



Big thanks to MÓN - Jackson's Artisan Foods who are our school lunch providers. Your child is still welcome to bring their own food if they wish. If your child has a dietary requirement please let your child's form / tutor teacher know and their lunch can be tailored to their needs.

ATTENDANCE

One of the expectations that we all need to be relentless about is the importance of being at school and in class on time. We continue to review student achievement to enable us to make improvements and we continue to find that those students whose attendance is 90% or better, achieve their qualifications.

HEAD LICE

We have seen a few students with head lice over the past couple of weeks, please take a moment to check your child's hair. We have a great head lice treatment which is chemical free if you need any support getting rid of them.

Deborah & Kim, School Nurses.

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 APP

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

"On your Apple or Android cellphone (device) please search for "School Apps NZ" and install the app with that name. Once installed please open the App and search for "William Colenso College" to get connected.

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.

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.

SCHOOL UNIFORM JACKETS / CAPS

We ask that all students wear either plain black shoes (no ankle boots) or plain black sandals (no socks) 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.

Available from the School Office are school jackets (\$95.00) and school cap (\$25.00).



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.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Individual and class photos were taken for all students in the hall **Tuesday 23rd 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/internet bank. We have spare envelopes at the front office for orders. Final day for orders is **Friday 16th 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.

KARAOKE

There will be karaoke in the hall every last Friday of the month at 12.45pm during lunchtime for any students that are interested.



KEY DATES

Tuesday 16th March:	Fire Drill: 10.20am, Year 9 Scholarship Evening: 6.30pm Staffroom
Friday 19th March:	Full School Assembly: 10am, AUT Visit for senior students: 11am
Wednesday 24th March:	Parents Association Meeting: 6pm in the staffroom, new parents/ caregivers welcome
Thursday 25th March:	Yr 7/8KE & Yr 7/8HJ Ranui Farm Visit
Monday 29th March:	Yr 7/8ED & Yr 7/8KM Ranui Farm Visit
	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm in the staffroom
Tuesday 30th March:	Year 7 Boostrix and Year 8 HPV 1st dose Immunisations
Friday 2nd April:	Good Friday (School Closed)
Monday 5th April:	Easter Monday (School Closed)
Tuesday 6th April:	Easter Tuesday-schools only (School Closed)
Friday 9th April:	Full School Assembly: 10am
Friday 16th April:	Last day of Term One
	World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 2pm
Monday 3rd May:	Term Two Commences

