



# WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term Three: 20th September - 1st October 2021



Kia ora e te whānau, ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa

Ko tēnei te wiki o te reo Māori. As a staff and school we have been doing daily activities to celebrate Māori language week – we will share some photos in our next newsletter. One of my favourite kīwaha (sayings): E kore e pai to kōrero, kātia to waha! If you haven't got anything nice to say then it is best to not say anything at all. It is a great saying to use at home with your children. A whakatauki that we use often here at school: 'He waka eke noa'. We are all in the boat together – our boat here at WCC is the waka of 'education' whether we are whānau, student or teacher this is the waka that we are in. Let's make sure that we are all rowing in the same direction.

Welcome back after 'lockdown'. We trust that you have all enjoyed the extra time together as a whānau. We have been back at school for a week now and things seem to be ticking along. If you still have children at home please send them to school – the government has said that it is safe for students to return.

Lockdown brings some complications – students / teachers trying to continue with teaching and learning online and photocopy resources for those unable to get online. We are sure that you found this challenging. We are focusing on all our students to ensure success. Our Senior students are working towards L1, L2 or L3 for NCEA – lockdown has challenged this. At present we have our Curriculum leaders and Form teachers being creative as to ways that we can help our students to achieve. As parents you can help with your child's learning by asking them about what they are learning – what their goals are to ensure that they are achieving and how you as a parent / caregiver could help them.

Some of our sports teams are in the finals but due to being in level 3 they are unable to have any spectators. Our Division One Basketball Girls team lost to Hastings Girls High yesterday, in the semi final.

### Face Masks:

The school have some face masks being made. They will cost \$7.50 each and will be available in term 4. At this stage we have ordered 100 but will be able to order more if the demand is there. During Level 3 in Hawkes Bay it is not compulsory to wear a face mask at school. We do have some students and staff who choose to wear facemasks.



Have a great weekend and remember 'Kōrero te reo Māori'

Ngā mihi mahana  
Simon Mitchell and Beth Te Kiri  
Acting Principal  
Principal

and Co

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# STAFF PROFILE

*Kia hora te marino  
Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana  
Hei huarahi mā tātou i te rangi nei  
Aroha atu, aroha mai  
Tātou i a tātou katoa  
Hui e! Tāiki e!*

Kia ora koutou te whanau o Wiremu Koroneho  
Ko Jody Stent taku ingoa  
I whanau ahau I Taihape  
No Haumoana ahau  
Kei te taha o te awa o Tukituki e noho ana  
Ko Teumuariki taku hoa rangatira  
Ko aku tamariki Kahu me Hana  
E wha au mokopuna  
Hei Kaiako toi au kei te tiako I nga ako o te Ao



Jody

Greetings and thank you for the opportunity to introduce who I am to you. I have been at William Colenso College for quite a while and love being part of the family and stayed because of the Kaupapa here – of manaakitanga, hirangatanga and whakawhanaungatanga. I teach in the art and international department and was lucky enough to go to Germany in 2005 to visit some ex students. All the students have taught me so much, I hope that I have taught them a little bit too.

I value all the people that contribute to our wellbeing here, especially so lately - during Covid. People who you don't always see, but benefit from their efforts - the groundswomen, the cleaners, the tea lady, the board members, the teacher aides, the admin, the coaches, the music teachers, the nurse, the counsellors, the relief teachers – and there are many more. I value and admire my colleagues and couldn't teach without them.

Out of school I bike, walk, swim, visit my grandchildren, read, garden, raise ducks and chooks, build things, complete art projects, go on tiki tours around NZ and love NZ and Maori history and whakapapa. I know I need to be a student again and learn more Te Reo. My favourite programme of late to watch has been "Artefact" with Dame Anne Salmond. I have travelled overseas to places like Cuba and India, and would love to again – maybe one day.

Mihi mai  
Jody

# ENROLMENTS 2022

Due to Covid and lockdown we were unable to have our set Open Evening. We would like to offer to anyone who is considering enrolment for 2022 to contact the School Office - 831 0180, to arrange a time to come in for a visit.

We have an enrolment interview afternoon set for Wednesday 29th September: 3.30pm-6pm, you can make an appointment time through the School Office for this.

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

# SCHOOL UNIFORM JACKETS / CAPS

As of January 2022, due to an increase in material costs and freight prices, the cost of the School Jacket will be \$103.50.

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. 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 until December 2021) and school cap (\$25.00).



# CACTUS / TE VAKA MAIA

The Cactus/Te Vaka Māia Longest Day is nearly here.

On Saturday 25th September, William Colenso College students, Police, Te Kupenga Hauora staff and WCC staff will all be gathering at Pandora Pond in Ahuriri for the start of the famous Longest Day.

It will not be an easy task, but it is often said that the most challenging tasks are also usually the most worthwhile.

The Longest Day involves two teams which compete against each other to see who can make it to the finish line first. This seems fairly straightforward, however, teams will be carrying heavy objects such as jerry cans, poles and tyres as they forge their way forward across many kilometres in the Napier region.

They will encounter conditions such as the Ahuriri estuary, roads, hills, limestone paths and also a stony beach. It is highly possible that there will be blood, sweat and tears as the two teams pull together to achieve their mammoth task. To finish the longest day, the group is tasked with dragging a heavy vehicle for a substantial distance from Ahuriri precinct to Pandora Pond.

# CACTUS / TE VAKA MAIA CONTINUED

We look forward to seeing everyone down at Pandora Pond and in Ahuriri to encourage these brave students in their worthy endeavours.

If parents and whānau are attending to provide encouragement, please ensure that you allow the dedicated support teams to do their jobs - which is to support the students throughout their entire journey. They will need to drive to set up stations and will have vehicles and trailers. They will need to get to certain areas at certain times, so please be mindful of not blocking accessways etc.

So, please mark the date in the calendar to come and join us to see the students pulling the truck at Ahuriri - near Shed 2 from approximately 11.30-11.45am on Saturday 25th September.

If you are really keen and up early, feel free to wave the students off at the start time of 6am!

## STUDENT ID CARDS

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



## KEY DATES

Sat 25th Sept:	CACTUS Longest Day
Wed 29th Sept:	Enrolment Interviews 2022: 3.30pm- 6pm School Library
Fri 1st Oct:	World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 2pm-3pm Last day of Term three
Mon 18th Oct:	Term Four commences
Tues 19th Oct:	Year 8 HPV 2nd dose
Fri 22nd Oct:	HB Anniversary - School Closed
Mon 25th Oct:	Labour Day - School Closed
Tues 26th-Fri 29th Oct:	Year 11-13 Practice Exams
Tues 26th Oct:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Thurs 28th Oct:	Subject Selection Evening for Year 10-13's (2022): 6pm School Hall
Wed 3rd Oct:	Sports Prizegiving: School Hall 6pm
Thurs 4th Oct:	2022 Enrolment Interviews: 3.30pm-6pm School Library
Mon 15th – Fri 29th Nov:	Year 7 & 8 Camps
Tue 23rd Nov:	Teacher Only Day
Mon 29th Nov-Fri 3rd Dec:	Year 9 Camps
Mon 29th Nov:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Wed 8th-Fri 10th Nov:	Tane Tu Kaha Tongariro Crossing Trip
Mon 13th Dec:	Years 7-10 Splash Planet Visit Senior Prizegiving Years 10-13: 7pm School Hall
Tue 14th Dec:	Middle School Prizegiving Years 7-9: 11.30am School Hall Final Day for all Students

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