



# WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term Four: 18th – 29th October 2021



Kia ora koutou katoa

Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou i matou whānau i te tīmatanga o tēnei wāhanga whā. A warm greeting to you our family at the beginning of this fourth term.

It is incredibly hard to believe that we are already in the fourth term! Thinking back on all that has happened so far in 2021, we should all be congratulated and pat ourselves on the back for the resilience and perseverance this year – well done!

Term four is always a busy term. Our first week back we have a Whānau hui for subject teachers, students and whanau/caregivers of Year 11 – 13. This will be held in the School Hall Wednesday 20th October 3.30 – 6pm. Please go onto our facebook page and follow the instructions to book your appointments. On Friday the 29th October we have a 'Middle School' Teacher only day and school will be closed for Year 7-9 students. Practise exams will be in week 2, for all Year 11-13 students. Our middle school will also be attending camps towards the end of the term.

Te Vaka Māia (CACTUS) – had their longest day at the end of last term. Well done to these amazing young students – regardless of 'lockdown' interfering with their training, they persevered and made it through.



This is a challenging course that fosters our values here at William Colenso College; Whanaungatanga, Hirangatanga, Manaakitanga and Rangatiratanga. Again, well done.

This term we are focusing on our value – 'Kaitiakitanga' – looking after our environment- especially Papatūānuku – keeping her free from rubbish. Please ask your children what they think this is and how they can help.

Our motto this term is that 'EVERY HOUR MATTERS' so please encourage you child/ren to attend school every period – times are very uncertain in that we don't know what COVID will do next!!

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

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# STAFF PROFILE

Ko Kahuraniki ko Maungatautari oku maunga  
Ko Ngaruroro ko Waikato oku awa  
Ko Takitimu ko Tainui oku waka  
Ko Ngati Kahungunu ko Waikato oku iwi  
Ko Ngati Koroki Kahukura te hapū  
Ko Bob Kara tōku matua  
Ko Marion Downey toku whaea  
Ko Beth Kara Te Kiri toku ingoa



Kia Ora koutou katoa. I have been at William Colenso College since the beginning of 2020. I came to William Colenso College as the new Deputy Principal (I hailed from the metropolis of 'Flaxmere' where I have been living for the past 25 years with my husband and children)– as you know our Principal then Daniel Murfitt took up a position at the Ministry of Education – this thrust me into the position of Co-Principal working alongside Simon Mitchell. I must admit these past 2 years have been amongst the best of my teaching career which began some years ago when I wanted to make a difference to the success of our Māori kids. I absolutely love being here at WCC – the staff are amazing and the students are down to earth, embracing and manifest the values that we have here. When I first came a group of stunning young Y10 students took me under their wings and have been looking after me – keeping me on my toes, making sure that my fashion sense is in the 21<sup>st</sup> century! – this is a true reflection of who we are – manaakitanga and whanaungatanga living and breathing.

I am married to an amazing Te Arawa man Paul Te Kiri, we have four grown children and 17 mokopuna. We have 2 cats and 3 dogs. We love spending time with our whānau and both Paul and myself are avid readers. I love pottering in the garden and walking along the beach with the dogs. We attend one of the local churches here in Napier and live by our belief in Te Atua.

My **biggest** passion is the education of our Rangatahi ensuring that all are successful. That each student's pathway is meaningful and mana enhancing. That our students will stand with their heads held high and be proud of who they are and where they come from, embracing and living the values that they have learnt at WCC

# 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 Thursday 4th November: 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).



## LONG WEEKEND

A reminder school will be closed Friday 22nd October (HB Anniversary) and Monday 25th October (Labour Day).

School resumes as normal Tuesday 26th October.



## 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.



# CACTUS / TE VAKA MAIA

Fantastic effort by everyone who was involved in this round of CACTUS / Te Vaka Maia. The longest day took place Saturday 25th September and due to the Covid-19 level restrictions the graduation/dinner was unable to take place. This has been set for Saturday 6th November, 5pm in the School Hall, student plus one are free any extra whanau are \$40.00, payable at the School Office.



## KEY DATES

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
Wed 27th Oct:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Thurs 28th Oct:	Subject Selection Evening for Year 10-13's (2022): 6pm School Hall
Fri 29th Oct:	Years 7-9 Teacher Only Day no school, Years 10-13 school as normal
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, no school
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
Thurs 9th Dec:	Year 7-9 Prizegiving, time to be confirmed, School Hall
	Senior Prizegiving: 6.30pm School Hall
Fri 10th Dec:	Years 7-10 Splash Planet Visit
Mon 13th Dec:	Final Assembly: 2pm
	Year 13 students afternoon tea/farewell: 3pm
	Final Day for all Students

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