



Happy  
Holidays

# HAERE MAI!

From the International Department of William Colenso College  
to our partner agencies and parents of current international students.  
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### Current student numbers:

Germany – 4

Japan – 6

P.R. of China – 6

Taiwan – 4

Vietnam – 3

Thailand – 1

Switzerland – 1

France – 1

Italy - 1

Total – 27

### WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE

- Established 1959 as Colenso High School
- Became Year 7-13 school in 2004 and renamed William Colenso College
- Government, co-educational day school
- Current role: 420
- Situated a few minutes from the centre of Napier City

**Aspire! Act! Achieve!**

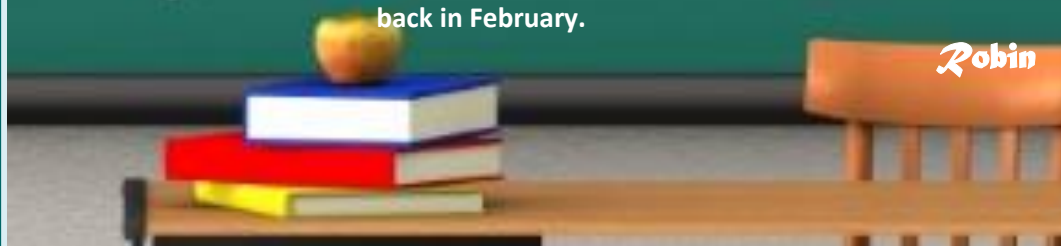
As far as school for your children is concerned, 2017 is over. For those of you who have sons or daughters returning home for the holidays – enjoy having the family together again. For those of you preparing to send your child way 'down under' for the first time next year, I hope the preparations go smoothly and the farewells are not too emotional.

Once again the Senior Prize-Giving evening demonstrated how well our international students achieve. All international results are included in this issue of HAERE MAI!

We highlight our leavers in this issue. To those students – all the very best for whatever future path you choose. Take what you have experienced with us here at William Colenso College and use it wisely.

To all – enjoy the holidays; stay safe and I will report back in February.

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Robin

## A couple of more

### 'BLASTS from the PAST'

It is always great to get visits from past students and in recent weeks another two have turned up to say hello and let us know how things have gone since they left us.

ADA CHAN – Hong Kong



Ada Chan was with us way back in 2002-2003. When she left us she trained as a flight attendant and gained a position with Dragon Air flying out of Hong Kong. She is now a Senior Attendant with the airline, a subsidiary of Cathay Pacific. Ada called in to see us during her recent visit to New Zealand. It was great to see her and to catch up on what she has been doing for the last 14 years.

VAN NGUYEN Minh Chau – Vietnam



Minh is another recent visitor. She attended W.C.C. back in 2012-13 and is now within one semester of achieving a Bachelor of Science degree (Statistics) at Otago University. Instead of going home for the holidays, she has found a job here in Napier and is staying with some old school friends. She is not yet sure what she will do after she graduates.

**2017 Leavers:** At this time of the year we must bid a fond farewell to many of our internationals, some of whom have been with us for a couple of years or more and others for just a few months. However long they have been with us here at William Colenso College, they leave with our very best wishes for the future and I hope they take with them fond memories of their kiwi experience.



LEFT: Gary (China), Han (China), Haruhi (Japan) and Nhan (Vietnam) arrived in 2015 and have completed Year 13. Han leaves us with NCEA Level 2, Haruhi with NCEA Level 3 while Gary and Nhan are awaiting final results to see if they have achieved University Entrance.

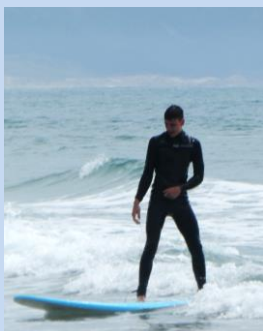


LEFT: Taylor (China) and Usa (Japan) came to us last year and have also completed Year 13 – with Taylor awaiting her University Entrance results and Usa having achieved NCEA Level 2.



ABOVE: Lisa, Natsumi and Anna – all from Japan – Nils (Germany) and Harry (Taiwan) have just been with us this year. Nils sat the NCEA Level 1 exam having already achieved L1, and is hoping for an NCEA Certificate endorsed with Excellence. The other four all achieved NCEA Level 1 and 2 – a remarkable achievement for such a short time.

The end of year program ended with a day at the beach learning to surf and kayak in the sea.



## SENIOR PRIZE-GIVING

On the evening of 30<sup>th</sup> November William Colenso College held its annual Senior Prize-Giving ceremony. It was with a feeling of great pride and satisfaction that I witnessed many of our international students walk across the stage to accept awards in a wide range of academic, sporting and cultural fields. Here is a list of awards received by international students for their efforts during 2017:

### YEAR 11

**Nils FRISKE:** Outstanding Achievement in L1 Maths, L1 Science, Senior Outdoor Education  
Outstanding Effort in L1 English, L1 History, L1 Physical Education.

**Isabel NIESEN:** Outstanding Achievement in L1 English, L1 Maths  
Outstanding Effort in L2 Film.

**Mark PHONWICHAI:** Outstanding Achievement in L1 Maths  
Outstanding Effort in L1 Communication English, L1 Science.

### YEAR 12

**Sarah ALBER:** Outstanding Effort in L2 Cookery.

**Skyllir CHANG:** Outstanding Achievement in L2 English, L2 Maths, L2 Biology  
Outstanding Effort in L2 Art, Senior Dance  
Outstanding Service in Kapa Haka.

**Thomas CHUANG:** Outstanding Achievement in Senior Outdoor Education.

**Melina FRIEDRICH:** Outstanding Achievement in L2 Cookery, Senior Outdoor Education.

**Natsumi IWAI:** Outstanding Effort in Senior Outdoor Education.

**MY Quang Huy:** Outstanding Achievement in L2 Maths.

**Rachel TSAI:** Outstanding Effort in L2 English, L1 Physical Education, Senior Music, Senior Dance.

**Anna YOSHIOKA:** Outstanding Effort in L1 Maths, L1 Science, L2 Cookery  
Outstanding Service in Kapa Haka.

## SPECIAL AWARDS

### **Peterson Family Cup for Academic Excellence in Year 11**

This was awarded to **Isabel NIESEN** from Germany. The citation reads:

*This student exemplifies how a positive attitude and great work ethic are key attributes in obtaining outstanding results. This student's achievements are through pure hard work. They exemplify the values of the school and what it means by Hirangatanga and Manaakitanga.*

Isabel also gained an Honours Award for having achieved NCEA Level 1 with Excellence Endorsement.



### **McKelvie Cup for All Round Excellence in Year 12**

This was awarded to **Skyllir CHANG** from Taiwan. The citations reads:

*This student is extremely diligent as well as having a great sense of humour and a charming disposition. She is always looking for the next step on how she can improve her learning. She listens respectfully and follows instructions intelligently. She has been involved in Kapa Haka, Dance Showcase, Production, table tennis, badminton and basketball.*

Skyllir also gained an Honours Award for achieving NCEA Level 2 with Merit Endorsement.





### **YEAR 13**

**Gary CHEN:** Outstanding Achievement in L3 Art, L3 Photography  
Outstanding Effort in L2 English, 3 Statistics, Sport & Recreation Academy, Senior Outdoor Education.

**Harry GUO:** Outstanding Effort in L3 Film.

**Lisa MATSUZAKI:** Outstanding Achievement in Senior Outdoor Education.

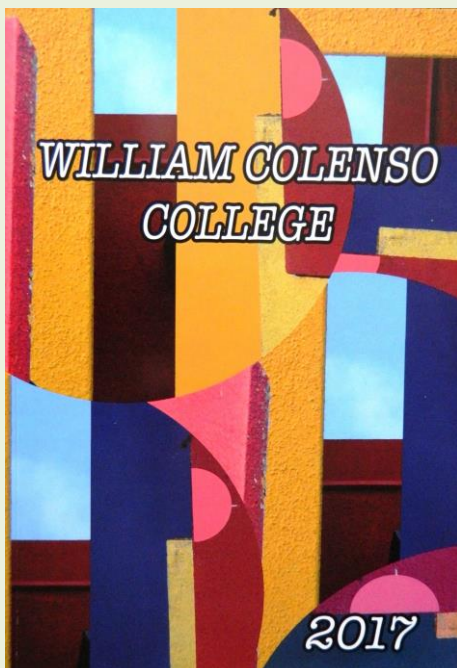
**Rahel WEBER:** Outstanding Achievement in L2 Physics  
Outstanding Effort in Senior Outdoor Education.

**Max XIANG:** Outstanding Achievement in L3 Photography  
Outstanding Effort in L2 Maths, Senior Outdoor Education.

**Taylor ZHU:** Outstanding Effort in L2 University English, L3 Calculus.

**Jiaqing ZHUO:** Outstanding Effort in L3 Calculus, Senior Outdoor Education.

## **2017 WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE YEARBOOK**



The 2017 version of the Colenso Yearbook is now available online at:

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/720d83c1-fb16-4408-a2d5-1b8ccefdec34>

Open up and discover what a great year we have had at William Colenso College. If you are particularly keen to check out the international section, flick through to pages 29-36.