

J.M. Reidy Memorial Library

Welcome to the William Colenso College Library

Our primary purpose is to create a comfortable and creative environment, where students can enjoy a variety of activities conducive to life-long learning.



Opening hours:

We are open during term time 8.30am - 3pm

Our Librarian is Mrs Vicki Clarke

Contact us by phone 06)831 0180 ext 868

We have **9 student librarians** on a roster system to assist with issues and returns, shelving of books and assisting students to find their next 'great escape'!

Kaitlin, Sapphire, Mike, Paretoroa, Ryan, Mai, Ari, Wjdan and Tiaana are all essential to the smooth running of our great library!!

Classes are timetabled to visit the library for research and to issue books.

There are also opportunities for groups and individuals to make use of the library with lunchtimes set aside for different year groups -

- Monday and Thursday - Middle school (Years 7-10)
- Wednesday and Friday - Senior School (Years 11-14)
- Tuesday - Chess Club (anyone wanting to learn is most welcome)

Facilities:

- Extensive collection of fiction and non-fiction with an area for short stories, picture books and graphic novels
- Magazines available to read within the library
- Computers for online research
- Chess sets for enthusiasts
- Photocopier for copy and print requirements
- Upstairs study area, with computers, for Year 13 students
- Rooms for meetings, study, speech practices etc.

Resources:

- The book collection, managed using the Dewey Decimal Classification System and MUSAC Library Manager, is a healthy 10,000+ size.
- We offer daily newspapers and the internet is available to access current events etc.
- Our 'other languages' shelves are increasing daily with help from our International students as well as families and friends who donate books of interest for our students to use.
- We have a 'Librarian's Choice' table recommending great reads.
- Check out our 'New' section to reserve the 'latest and greatest'!!

Frequently asked Q&A's:

Do I need a note from my teacher to enter the library outside of class or lunchtimes?

Yes you do...unless accompanied by a staff member.

How many books am I allowed out at any one time?

Two books are the standard issue limit but exceptions are made for class projects and avid readers - this is at the librarian's discretion at the time of issue.

How do I know when my books are due back?

Your book is stamped on the back return slip and a reminder notice is sent out to classes each Monday/Tuesday at formtime.

Does the library have overdue fines?

No, but once your book is 6 weeks overdue your school account will be charged the replacement cost. If you return the book at any time after that the charge will be removed.

What do I do if I lose a library book?

You will be charged for a replacement...after being asked to look EVERYWHERE for the item in question.

How do I reserve a book?

Just ask your friendly librarian to reserve the book for you. There may be a queue to issue the item but the system allows a 'first in, first issued' process.

Top 10 issues - Term 3:

(recommended reads)

Taniwha's Tear(#2)

The Hunger Games(#1)

Conspiracy 365-December & Revenge

The Maze Runner (#1)

Sonny Bill Williams

Skuldugery Pleasant (#1)

Arizona-Beautiful Dead (#2)

The Fallen (#1)

A Boy Call It (#1)

Brotherhood (#1)

New Read 'teaser' -

Archangels Consort (#3) by Nalini Singh (senior fiction)

This amazing Fijian born, Kiwi-raised author has another great sequel to -

Angels Blood (#1) and Archangels Kiss (#2)

If you are in the mood for a dark, intense and sexy read

Vampire hunter Elena Deveraux and her lover, the lethally beautiful archangel Raphael, have returned home to New York only to face an uncompromising new evil..

A vampire has attacked a girls' school—the assault one of sheer, vicious madness—and it is only the first act. Rampant bloodlust takes vampire after vampire, threatening to make the streets run with blood. Then Raphael himself begins to show signs of an uncontrolled rage, as inexplicable storms darken the city skyline and the earth itself shudders.

The omens are suddenly terrifyingly clear.

An ancient and malevolent immortal is rising. The violent winds whisper her name: Caliane. She has returned to reclaim her son, Raphael. Only one thing stands in her way: Elena, the consort who must be destroyed..