



Term 1: 26th March - 6th April 2018

Kia ora koutou katoa

Shakur, Lee, Anton and Jayeden were provided with an amazing opportunity to visit Hawaii as part of an armed forces leadership programme. They have now been back at school for six weeks and have shared some of their highlights, challenges and next steps below. The school, students and their whanau/families, would like to thank the Police (in particular Constable Raj Cotter), the Army, Navy, Hawaiian Airlines, and the US Consulate for their generous support.

Raj Cotter-Senior Constable

The whole idea of the trip was to give our local boys the opportunity to change their lives through an amazing experience. It was a chance to see other cultures and views. To change their thinking and inspire them to always aim to better themselves.

We are going to continue with 18 months of mentoring to support these young men to continue making positive change to themselves which will change/influence others positively in their lives.

Lee Rangitaawa

I enjoyed the whole trip but the best part was hanging around the group we were with. The two NZ Military staff, Te Hoki MacDonald, Justin De Thier interacted with us as part of the team, like brothers. The greatest challenge for me was having to get to know all of the other boys on the trip not from WCC. But I worked through this, through the activities we did.

The experience has really reinforced my desire to join the Navy in the future as I can see the varied roles I could possibly do.

Shakur Rameka

The best part of the trip for me was travelling around the island of Hawaii, talking with the boys and meeting a lot of the locals (relationships). We did about 3-4 haka a day, this was really challenging especially on our voices. The trip has taught me that I can go anywhere and do anything if I believe it.

Anton Lolagi

For me the most enjoyable part was going to the Polynesian Cultural Centre, where we saw a range of Pacific people performing. I thought moving 4 tonne of coral would be hard but we stuck at it and completed it in 4 hours. The trip has helped me gain confidence in myself to be the best I can. It also opened my mind up to a range of jobs in the world.

Jayeden Dick

I enjoyed the experience of seeing and doing new things, such as surfing in Hawaii. The trip took me out of my comfort zone in a number of ways, on the beach in the surf of Waikiki and malls in the city. I want to join the Navy and get paid to travel the world.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TRIP



The International students recently went on an Ecology Reef Tour at Tatapouri near Gisborne.

There they were able to feed the stingrays and Kingfish, and after a hard day's work making pounamu taonga they all went to dip their finished taonga into the sea at Mahia Beach.



TEACHER ONLY DAY / EASTER BREAK

We are holding a teacher only day, **Thursday 29th March** with our other Matariki (Community of Learning) schools. Student are not required to attend school this day.



A reminder about the Easter Break, schools are closed **Friday 30th March - Tuesday 3rd April**. Students return to school **Wednesday 4th April**.

Enjoy your Easter break and be safe.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Reminder that with regards to footwear, no canvas or ballet style shoes are permitted. Students who have technology classes need to wear covered shoes in these classes. We ask that all students wear either plain black shoes (no ankle boots) or plain black sandals with a back strap under the ankle.

Kidscan - We are fortunate to be supported by Kidscan with shoes and jackets (Warrior windjackets). 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.

STUDENT ID CARDS

ID Student Cards are \$9.50 each and can be paid for at the front office. These are available to purchase throughout the year.

CELLPHONE USE 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.

SPORTS COACHES/MANAGERS WANTED

If you are a parent or whanau of student/s who attend our school . . . WE NEED YOU!!

If you have:

1. DRIVE
2. PASSION
3. PATIENCE

then you are what we've been waiting for!

Contact Whaea Tini, Sport Coordinator: 027 645 7504.



MELBOURNE TRIP 2019

Some of our performing arts students are travelling to Melbourne in April 2019. There are still spots left to come on this trip of a lifetime, so come and chat to Ms Kersey (Dance/Drama Teacher) or Miss de Jong (Music Teacher).

We are holding our first fundraiser on **Wednesday 28 March** at the Paisley Lounge, Carlyle Street, Napier - a quiz night! The cost is \$60 for a team of 6 (minimum of 4) and nibbles will be provided. Get your tickets from the front office. Students who want to join **MUST** be accompanied by an adult. See you there!

SAMOA TRIP 2018

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent raffle, this will assist our 24 students going to Samoa trip in September.

Congratulations to: Rhonda Renata who won the raffle.



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 NURSE

Our school Nurse Kim Merwood will be available for students to see each day 9am - 3pm. Students will need to make appointments through the Student Office.



SCHOOL MAGAZINE

2017 school magazines are still available for purchase from the school office - \$18 each.

LUNCH CLUB

We would be grateful of anyone who has excess fruit and veges that could be used to make food for our lunch club. These can be dropped into the front office: 8.30am-4pm, during school time.



STUDENT ATTENDANCE

If your child needs to attend an appointment during school hours please provide a written note/text or phone the Attendance Office: 8310180 Ext 825 or 826. Your child will need to sign out before they leave the grounds.

KEY DATES

Mon 26th March:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm Staffroom
Thurs 29th March:	Teacher Only Day: School Closed to students
Fri 30th March:	Good Friday School Closed
Mon 2nd April:	Easter Monday School Closed
Tues 3rd April:	Easter Tuesday School Closed
Wed 4th April:	Assembly: 12.40pm University of Waikato Visit: 11.15am Library
Thurs 5th April:	Year 7 & 8 students visit to Pukemokimoki Marae
Wed 11th April:	Parents Association Meeting: 6pm in the staffroom, all welcome University of Otago Visit: 10.50am Library
Fri 13th April:	Final day of Term One World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 2pm all welcome
Mon 30th April:	Term Two Commences

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