



Term 2: 30th April - 11th May 2018

Kia ora koutou katoa

Hirangatanga – Striving for excellence through personal effort

Over the holiday's there were a number of senior students working on programmes at school to further develop their work readiness and skills to take them into the future. Our driver licence programme continues to deliver results for our students and community. The school has been running the driver licence programme for four years, and have supported a large number of students and whanau to achieve their Learners, Restricted, and Full Licence. These are critical qualifications for future work, driver safety and the ability to fully participate in the opportunities in society. Our thanks go to Mrs Engels for coordinating the programme, with the support of our local Maraenui Police Team.

Congratulations to the following students for completing their learner licence's:

Ramona Collins, James Cruzat, Jacinda Lawrence, Lani Pereka, Shakur Rameka, Ricki Smith-Clark, Sheridan Ihaia-Rogers, Georgina Wairepo, Skylir Chang, Kyia Butcher, Madison Wallis, Aroha Quinn, Pare Singh Kopu.

Attendance Focus

Why is this important?

Students who are absent from class have an increased risk of disengagement from the education system. Sustained absence affects educational achievement and can lead to significantly diminished opportunities later in life. A New Zealand study (Hughes, 1999) found student attendance during Year 11 to be one of the most significant variables influencing student achievement in senior secondary school. Furthermore, students with low attendance and lower reading achievement had the highest risks for adverse outcomes. Longitudinal studies of Christchurch and Dunedin children have found absence to be a strong predictor of violence later in life, delinquency, substance abuse, suicidal risk, unemployment and early parenting.

Knowing the risks associated with poor attendance, it is very positive to see the large number (196) of students attending 90% + throughout Term One.

Positive attendance is recognised in a number of other ways throughout the term. At every assembly all students in each house whose attendance is 90%+ go into a draw to win a canteen voucher. At the end of the term each form class/whanau group in the Senior School and the Middle School with the highest attendance receive a \$50 voucher to spend. Every student who is attending 90%+ gain 10 points for their house, whilst those who attend 80+ gain 5 points.

CONGRATULATIONS TO TUPARI HOUSE FOR THE **HIGHEST** NUMBER OF STUDENTS WITH ATTENDANCE RATES OF 90%+.



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SCHOOL TIMETABLE

A reminder that school hours for all students, **Monday -Thursday 8.40am-3pm.**

Interval Times: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 10.40am -11.00am
Wednesday: 10.30am-10.50am
Friday: 9.40am-10.00am

Lunch Times: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 1.15pm - 2.00pm
Wednesday: 1.20pm - 2.05pm
Friday: 12.00pm - 1.00pm

Friday Timetable:

Senior students (Years 10 – 13) **commence school at 10.00am-on Fridays and finish at 3.00pm.** This is to enable longer learning periods, and the ability to offer broader curriculum options. Friday courses will run as either full day or two half day programmes (on the same day). Students who are undertaking EIT or Farming programmes will study from 8:40am – 3:00pm on Fridays. All other Year 10 – 13 programmes will begin at 10:00am and will run through to 3:00pm. Courses will either be two or four hour programmes.

Years 7-9 students **commence at 8.40am on Fridays and finish at 3.00pm.**

During wet weather days, the school lunchtime will be shortened and students will be dismissed at 2.40pm. If in doubt about an early finish, contact the school office: 831 0180.

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.

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 PRODUCTION REHEARSALS

The Performing Arts Department has started rehearsals for the 'Forever Michael' production at the end of Term 2.

Rehearsals at this stage are Mondays and Wednesdays from 5.30pm - 7.30pm. This will change to a longer time later in the term. Anyone still interested is welcome to join, you need to be committed to rehearsals. It is going to be lots of fun. See you at rehearsals! Any questions come see Miss de Jong or Miss Kersey.

YEAR 7 & 8 FRIDAY CHALLENGE

Every Friday morning our Year 7 and 8 students have different challenges to do. Last Friday's challenge was to build the tallest structure.



WCC SCHOOL APP

William Colenso College has its own school app which can be downloaded to your apple or android cellphone (device). Search William Colenso College to download the app.

This will allow the school staff to send out to those who have downloaded the app, alerts about various activities: sports events, homework reminders etc.

Other functions that are available in the app are:

- absentee tab: to advise when your child will be absent from school
- events tab: will give calendar dates for the school year
- contacts tab: able to make contact via phone or email with a staff member
- Notices: the daily school notices that are available to staff and students about events happening that day in school.

UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY INFO EVENING

The University of Canterbury | Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha (UC) invites students from our school and their families to attend its Hawke's Bay Information Evening on Tuesday 12 June.

The evening is a great opportunity for senior secondary students and their parents to learn more about the range of qualifications UC offers, to hear from leading academics and get key questions answered about: Scholarships, Accommodation, Student Support, Degree and course information.

Anyone considering university study in 2019 or 2020 is welcome at this free event, so register online to find out everything you need to know about life and study at UC. Register at: www.canterbury.ac.nz/events/tours-and-events/info-evenings/

The UC Information Evening starts at 6pm on 12 June at Napier Conference Centre, [48 Marine Parade, Bluff Hill, Napier.](#)

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.



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

Monday 30th April:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Wednesday 2nd May:	Full School Assembly: 12.40pm
Wednesday 9th May:	Youth Alcohol Expo
14th-18th May:	Year 10-13 Practice Exams
Wednesday 16th May:	Parents Association Meeting: 6pm, Full School Assembly: 12.40pm
Fri 18th May:	Waikato University Open Day various senior students attending
Friday 25th May:	Whanau Hui Dinner: 6pm more information to come
Monday 28th May:	Board of Trustees meeting: 5.30pm, AUT Visit: 11am
Wednesday 30th May:	Full School Assembly: 12.40pm
Thursday 31st May:	Paid Union Meeting for Teachers, students dismissed at 12.15pm House Practice for Haka/Waiata Competition: 11am
Monday 4th June:	Queens Birthday - School Closed
Saturday 9th June:	Parents Association Booksale
Sunday 10th June:	Parents Association Booksale
Wednesday 13th June:	Haka/Waiata House Competition: 12.40pm, Parents Association Meeting: 6pm
Thursday 21st June:	Cross Country: 1.15pm
Monday 25th June:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Wednesday 27th June:	Full School Assembly: 12.40pm
3rd, 4th & 5th July:	School Production
Wednesday 4th July:	Whanau Academic Meetings all day, all parents / caregivers to attend set meetings, students not required to attend school for classes.
Friday 6th July:	Last day of Term Two, World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 2pm

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