



WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term One: 11th – 14th April 2022



Kia ora koutou katoa,

We are so very privileged at WCC to have such beautiful school values that remind us of our personal responsibility on how to treat others. The value I would like to focus on is **Whanaungatanga or Belonging**.

Whanaungatanga is about building relationships, identifying kinship and a sense of connection. **Whanaungatanga** is created through shared experiences, working together and providing people with a sense of belonging. At William Colenso College we want a vibrant school community that caters for our diverse lifestyles and experiences. The positive relationships or connections formed (**Whanaungatanga**) are central to our wellbeing.

Whanaungatanga is about forming, maintaining and strengthening ties. This value is the essential glue that binds people together, providing the foundation for a sense of unity, belonging and cohesion. **Whanaungatanga** is also a vital key that unlocks connections to whakapapa, to our past and provides identity.

How is Whanaungatanga expressed at William Colenso College?

This value is expressed throughout the College by recognising every individual contributes to the wider community. The college will provide an environment that supports assistance, nurturing, guidance and direction to all.

- **Whanaungatanga** is expressed through the relationships built between our school whanau and our school community.
- **Whanaungatanga** encourages us all to be involved, to participate in all that is happening at our school.
- **Whanaungatanga** encourages us to lead by example.
- **Whanaungatanga** is about supporting and encouraging others in the classroom, in our school and in the community.

Whanaungatanga is about behaving in a positive and supportive way.



Noho ora mai
Whaea Jocelyn
Tumuaki / Principal

WCC/COLENZO HISTORY



Colenso High School 1959 - School Opened

Principal:	Mr J Reidy
1st Assistant:	Mr M Rout
2nd Assistant:	Miss Kelt
Board of Governors Chair:	Dr E Berry
School Committee:	Mrs D Lucas
Parents League President:	Mr S Pearce
No of Teaching Staff:	16
No of Non-Teaching Staff:	3
School Roll:	16 classes, all 3 rd Formers, 278 Pupils
Houses:	Domett, McLean, Rhodes, & Ormond



Rev. William Colenso

SCHOOL BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

- The school opened 4th February by the ringing of the Rev. William Colenso's bell - a bell he used to summon his flock to prayer at the mission at Waitangi, near the mouth of the Tuki Tuki River & Waitangi Stream.
- School officially opened at a ceremony Feb. 7th by the MOE Hon P. Skelton.
- Inevitable inconveniences resulting from incomplete facilities. No formal Library, & assembly hall completed term 3. No sports' playing fields for rugby, hockey, cricket & football. Basketball courts finished term 3.

STAFF

- Miss D Henderson, left married & shifted to Blenheim

STUDENTS

- Privilege of being foundation pupils & continuing to be senior pupils.
- A comparatively small school which enabled everyone to get to know each other well.

SPORTS

- Despite a lack of facilities, swimming & lifesaving, athletics, tennis, cricket, rugby, hockey, soccer, & basketball took place and games against HB schools and Wanganui High School.

CULTURAL

- 36 girls & 16 boys made up the school's choir. They performed at St Paul's Church, the Secondary School's Music Festival & held a concert at the end of the year.



The REV WILLIAM COLENZO

- Born in Penzance, UK, apprenticed to printing trade. Worked in London then appointed missionary-printer for NZ by the Church Missionary Society. He became NZ's first printer. He learnt the Māori language. Also engaged in teaching.
- Settled in Napier in 1843 & set up his mission station at Waitangi & erected 20 places of worship in HB. Along with his missionary work, he was a botanist & became an inspector of HB schools.
- To reach other missionary areas, Colenso tramped a number of times with a party of Māori across the rugged Ruahine mountains for days & weeks in bitter & gruelling conditions & often with shortage of food & shelter.
- Colenso died at 88 and we can think of his achievements as a christian, printer, missionary, traveller, botanist, philanthropist, educator & public servant. He was an inspiration to all pupils of the school to live a worthy life & to use whatever talents they possess to the utmost & for the highest.

PHYSIO CLINIC FOR STUDENTS

Students are able to have access to a Physio Clinic at school every Tuesday from 11:30am. The clinic runs from the Student Office and bookings are essential.

Students are welcome but under 16 year olds must take a form home to be signed by a parent / caregiver before being booked.

Injuries must be due to an accident to be seen for FREE.

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

The College produces a newsletter each fortnight, this is currently available via email, on the school facebook page, school website and the school app. If you would like to have the newsletter emailed to you please contact the College Office.

"On your Apple or Android cellphone (device) please search for "School Apps NZ" and install the app with that name. Once installed please open the App and search for "William Colenso College" to get connected.

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.

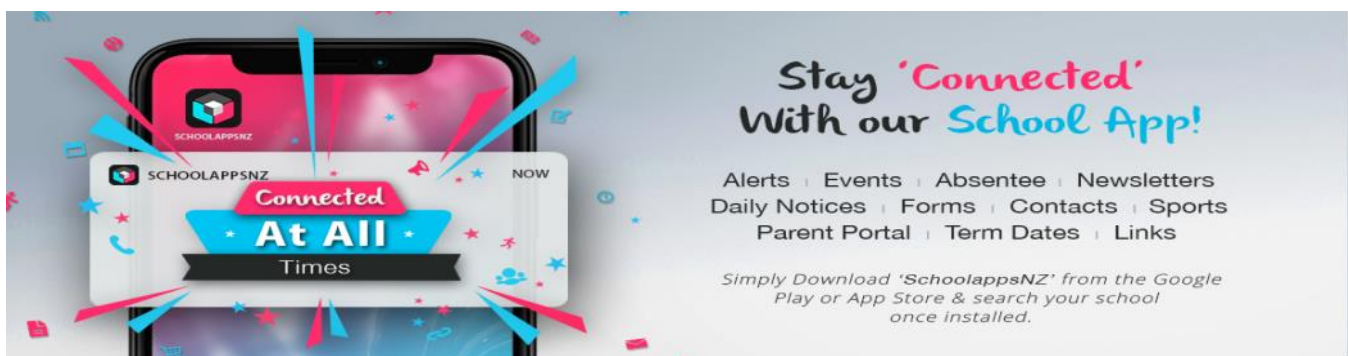
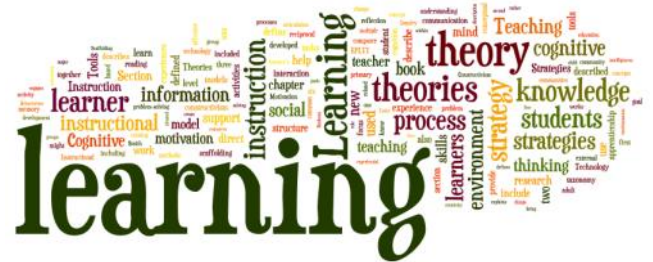
Other functions that are available in the app are:

- 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.

TEACHER ONLY DAY TERM TWO

There is a teacher only day set for Monday 9th May, second week of term two for all teachers. School will be closed for the day to students and school will resume as normal Tuesday 10th May.

This day is to provide teachers with additional time to refresh and deepen their knowledge and practice around curriculum.



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SCHOOL UNIFORM JACKETS / CAPS



School jackets and caps are available for purchase from the School Office. These uniform items **are not sold at The Warehouse**. Cost for the jackets are \$103.50



The jackets are produced by Kooga Clothing; they are

waterproof, windproof and very warm. This is the only item of clothing with a hood that may be worn to school. The caps are \$25 and are able to be worn at school.

CELLPHONES AT SCHOOL

CELLPHONES are not to be used in the classroom as they are a serious disruption to student learning and outcomes. Students can use their cellphone during break times only. 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 a message to them.

FORMER STUDENTS / STAFF

We have a former students / staff (Toa Tauā) page on our school website: www.colenso.school.nz. We would love to hear from any ex-students, teachers, support staff who have been involved with either Colenso High School or William Colenso College.

The former students / staff (Toa Tauā) page can be found on the News & Events page via our website above.

TOA TAUĀ- We have given our WCC former students / staff group this name because it means “**A Leader of and for the Future Generation**”, a fitting name for this group of people. This section will be where news of ex students & staff of our Toa Tauā will be shared. Enjoy. If you have news of any ex-students / staff please get them to contact sue.martin@colenso.school.nz

KEY DATES

Thursday 14th April: Final day of Term One
Monday 2nd May: Term Two commences



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WAWATATIA, MAHIA, EKEA