



WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term Two: 27th June - 8th July 2022



Tēnā rā koutou anō e te whānau whānui o te Kareti o Wiremu Koroneho, tēnei mātou e mihi atu nei ki a koutou katoa

Mā te mahi ngātahi, ko te eke panuku, ko te eke tangaroa
By working together, all our aspirations are achieved

I hope you took the opportunity to celebrate Matariki with friends and Whanau by eating together and remembering those who you have lost this past year. I hope you had the opportunity to talk about your dreams and aspirations for the future.

A massive shout out to our WCC students, staff, and whanau for your support around not using **cell phones** in classrooms. Students have been amazing as they have kept their cell phones out of sight and on silent as requested. Students have reported they are more focused on learning. Staff have stated they are able to spend more time teaching. **TU MEKE KOUTOU KATOA.**



A huge thank you to those who attended the **Pasifika Fia Fia**. What a wonderful event which showcased the talents of our amazing Pasifika students – **ia manuia outou uma**. It is always special to meet and hear from members of our Pasifika community. Special thanks to Whaea Bobbie Seymour and those who assisted in organising the Fia Fia.

A reminder that we have Whanau Meetings (parent teacher conference) on **Wednesday 29th June, 2pm- 6pm**. These evenings are designed for whanau to touch base with form teachers. If you have any concerns, please discuss these with your child's form teacher. We encourage all Whanau to make appointments and to come in and meet those who work closely with your child(ren). As a parent, you can make an enormous difference to your child's chances of success in school, at home and in their later life. Working in partnership with school can help your child to succeed.

We understand that some students may feel overwhelmed at times with the workload required to keep up with internal assessments as well as preparing for external examinations. Open communication, keeping their workload manageable, while engaging in and completing tasks are lifelong skills. If Whanau notice your student struggling, please reach out for support from our form teachers or deans. We want to help our students navigate tricky times in their education. Our mission is to equip all our students to create the best possible future for themselves. We constantly reflect on and refine what we do as we aspire to meet this mission.

We have our FLURO DISCO scheduled for Friday 1st July. This evening is for our middle school students only. A massive thank you to our senior students who have organised this event. Ka pai koutou.

We look forward to seeing our WCC senior students at the school Ball on Saturday 9th July. It is a delight to see our senior students dressed up, enjoying each other's company, and participating in a memorable evening.

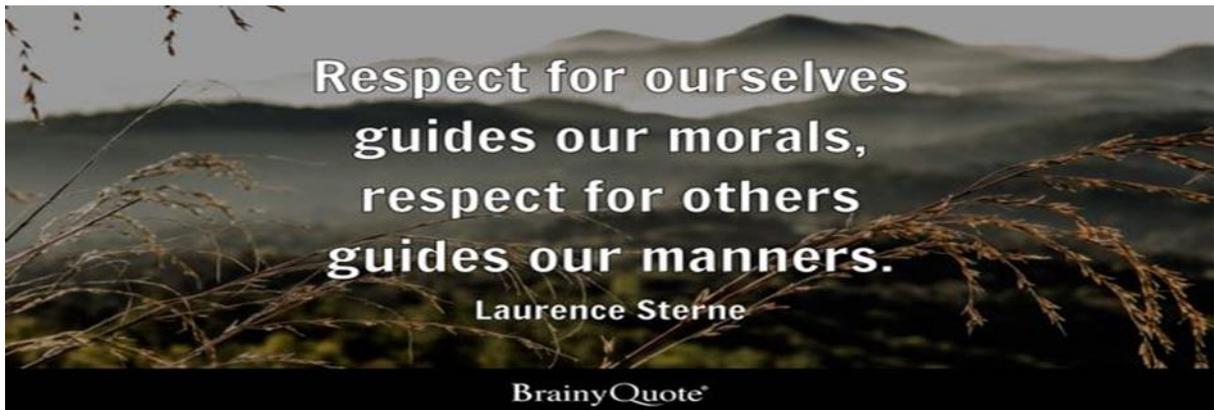
As a new Principal, I am constantly looking for ways to improve our school. In life we understand the need to reflect on the way things are done. What is successful? What changes do we need to make? How do we do things better? Through reflection we learn humility, curiosity, insight, and courage.

One area I feel needs addressed is **RESPECT**. Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour. Parents, carers, staff, and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive, and respectful. Good relationships are based on open and honest communication, working together, trust and respect, fair and reasonable expectations by all.

The Golden Rule of Respectful Behaviour is treating others with dignity, consideration and kindness, and to treat yourself with the same regard.

Courteous and respectful behaviour such as being respectful, polite, and having good manners creates harmonious relationships and connections. When people pay attention to making you comfortable and safe, and respect your personal space and possessions, you feel their care. A person who offers generous doses of kindness and consideration is likable, attractive and more successful in life.... Let's work on being respectful to each other – in other words, let's see **Manaakitanga in action at WCC.**

Noho Ora Mai
Whaea Jocelyn



NCEA WORKSHOP

Nau mai, haere mai ki NCEA me te Whanau!

An NCEA workshop for parents/caregivers will be held, **Thursday 7th July, 6pm in the School Whare**, spots prizes will be given out.

The workshop is delivered by NZQA and aims to break down the NCEA system as well as explain how you can support your child at school. The workshop will cover:

- How NCEA works
 - NCEA endorsements and how to get them
 - University Entrance (UE) and how to achieve it
 - Choosing NCEA subjects and creating career pathways
 - The importance of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) subjects and
 - How you can support your child to succeed



If you think you could benefit from this free workshop or have any NCEA questions you want answered come along. If you could contact the school office to advise your attendance: 831 0180.

**ASPIRE, ACT, ACHIEVE
WAWATATIA, MAHIA, EKEA**

WHĀNAU HUI - PARENT / TEACHER MEETINGS

On Wednesday 29th June from 2pm-6pm we will be holding our whānau hui - parent/teacher meetings. Students will finish school at 1.30pm to allow the meetings to commence at 2pm.

Each meeting will have a 10 minute allocation. This will provide time to have discussion about your child's progress and next steps with their classroom / form teacher. Student reports will also be presented at these meetings.

To book your child's form or classroom teacher meeting please follow these instructions:

Log into: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>

Click on "make a booking" tab

The "event code" is **fcq2y**

Under the drop down heading 'choose teacher', (your child's form or classroom teacher)

Then select your preferred time

Parents can also do a booking via the school app under Alerts.

THE ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM WEDNESDAY 15TH JUNE

STUDENTS OUT & ABOUT

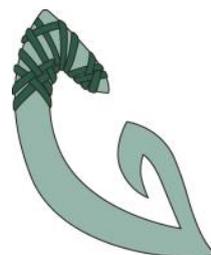
On Friday 17 June, Mr Fry took WCC students to the "Girls with Hi-Vis®" workshop hosted by Higgins Hawkes Bay in partnership with training organisation Connexis.

The workshop was brilliant for a number of reasons:

- Young Wahine Toa who worked in the construction/roading/civil engineering industries spoke with enthusiasm and joy about their work.
- The students got the opportunities to drive a digger, travel in HT specialist trucks.
- Went on a tour of the Napier Port and saw the new wharf extension.
- Had a great lunch.
- Heard first hand that there **were plenty of well-paying jobs available to young women in the industry.**



All in all, it was a brilliant day.



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Or email: keleigh.atkins@colenso.school.nz to register and receive the newsletter electronically

TE VAKA MĀIA

Since 2012, the CACTUS programme (now re-named Te Vaka Māia) has been a special part of the character of William Colenso College.

The school community is fortunate, due to the determination of a range of dynamic people over many years, to have formed a legacy of success with the CACTUS programme.

The programme is named **Te Vaka Māia** from this year, as a more relatable title in 2022, as well as better reflecting our local community. Te Vaka Māia can be translated to 'The Vessel of Courage', an apt description.

It takes courage to get up early and sustain eight weeks of intensive training. It takes courage to get to know new people and it takes courage to push through difficult times to grow as an individual and to prevail.

Students benefit holistically, by developing mental and physical strength, as well as taking part in a whānau based programme. The personal growth and development achieved during this programme is something that can be transferred to other areas of school and life.

We are stronger together and this pertains to the coming together of: The **NZ Police** (Maraenui Police station with support of Police Hawke's Bay); **William Colenso College** staff; additional strong support from **Te Kupenga Hauora**; **students' families/whānau**; and of course, the **students themselves**, who are at the centre of the programme.

This year, Te Vaka Māia starts on Monday 1st August and finishes with The Longest Day on Saturday 24th September.



The evolution of the CACTUS programme to Te Vaka Māia in 2022.
Pictured (L to R):

Sergeant William Tran, Henry Ballantyne (Transitions Coordinator), Hakopa Snow-Pimm, Ella-Rose Haua, Kimi Thompson (standing), Tahere Taitapanui-Murray, Kaydince Macdonald (kneeling), Jocelyn Auld (Principal / tumuaki)

KEY DATES

Wed 29th June: Whanau Hui / Parent/Teacher Meetings: 2pm-6pm, students will finish for the day at 1.30pm
Thurs 7th July: NCEA Workshop: 6pm School Whare
Fri 8th July: End of Term Two
Sat 9th July: WCC School Ball

