



WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term Three: 17th - 28th July 2023



Kia ora e te whanau,

Mānawa maieate putanga o Matariki
Mānawa maiea te ariki o te rangi
Mānawa maiea to Mātahi o te Tau

I hope you had the opportunity to join with loved ones as you celebrated Matariki. Matariki brings in Te Tau Hau Māori or the Māori New Year. Matariki is a multi-faceted event and is celebrated in various ways across the country. Its traditional role was to remember the departed. Now, Matariki is embraced as a joyful occasion symbolizing the cycles of life and death. Matariki can be used to share joy and experience peace, kindness and love with Whanau and friends. It is an opportunity for communities to come together and celebrate. These celebrations not only strengthen community bonds but also promote cultural diversity and understanding. It allows people to connect with the significance of Matariki and appreciate the beauty of the night sky while celebrating the beginning of a new year together. I hope however you celebrated Matariki, that it was memorable.

Mānawatia a Matariki!

Welcome back to term 3. This year is racing by and before we know it, 2023 will be but a memory. Our Focus for term 3 is about exemplifying our school value of '**Manaakitanga.**' The William Colenso way is about showing manaakitanga or respect in all we do.

We show respect or Mana by attending school and being on time. (Attendance is the key to achievement).

We show respect or Mana by having a positive attitude. (Share positive vibes, it makes a huge difference).

We show respect or Mana to our teachers and other students. (This helps everyone to feel appreciated).

We show respect to our school's name by wearing our school uniform with pride. (Look sharp)

We show respect by staying in class (no wandering permitted, we are here to learn).

This past term we have had a few students who have decided that wandering around the school is a desirable activity instead of going into class. The role of our teaching staff is to teach those students who are in their class, it is not to spend time chasing those few students who refuse to show up for whatever reason. Please note if a student is found out of class on a regular basis, we will request parental assistance. We look forward to a positive term with lots of **Mana** and **Respect** on display.

One student who exemplifies the value of **Manaakitanga** for our kura is Matangirau Whaanga (our Head boy 2023). Matangirau represented himself, his whanau and his kura (WCC) by participating in Nga Manu Korero Te Matau a Maui Secondary speech competition. We are so proud of his efforts and his second placing overall was a bonus. Such an amazing achievement. He whakatutukitanga whakamiharo Matangirau.

Zero Fees for Health Care

In case you weren't aware: Rangatahi (young people) in Hawke's Bay aged between 14 and 24 years of age are being funded to see their GP or Registered Nurse for free, following repurposed funding being allocated for this purpose.

Te Whatu Ora in Hawke's Bay announced the funding package, secured for the next two years, which was offered to all general practices in Hawke's Bay effective from 1 May, including co-payments for funded prescriptions.

The region-wide zero fees rangatahi contract means young people across the Rohe aged up to 24 years will be able to see their GP or Registered Nurse of choice for free, if their practice has signed up to the funding package.

Gateway / Trades / Future Vocational Pathways:

Our senior students attended career pathway events during term 2. Years 11 and 13 attended Futureopoly and Year 12 attended a Careers Expo. These events provided an engaging, informative, and interactive opportunity for students to learn more about future employment possibilities. They showcase the opportunity to network with employers and learn about a variety of roles on offer in the workplace.

Whatever your child would like to do in the future, we want to be able to assist them to achieve their chosen pathway. Home / Form teachers are regularly discussing future pathways with our students. When subjects are selected, these are checked by our deans to ensure students are taking the most relevant subjects for their chosen pathway.

We can help students who choose to leave school and go directly into employment. We can assist with Gateway opportunities. The Gateway program is designed to support school students' transition into the workforce by offering them workplace learning while at secondary school. This includes a formal agreement (like an individualised learning plan) between the school, the student and the workplace.

If a student is interested in learning a trade, we are fortunate to have access to the Trades Academy at Te Pukenga (EIT) which provides students with a wonderful opportunity to try out a vocation they are interested in. Students can get a taste of what a job might be like and get hands-on experience. Students can gain credits toward NCEA with skills and qualifications to help access apprenticeship opportunities.

For those students who want to go on to university to study to become a Doctor, Lawyer, Accountant, Teacher, etc **anything is possible**. Our deans can ensure these students take the appropriate subjects to gain University Entrance in approved subjects and meet the Literacy requirements. We also provide a trip for senior students to a university which allows them to see how universities work.

We know that students are not always sure of their career path, so we work with them individually to ensure we keep their options open. We are fortunate to have four Senior Deans who work alongside our students to ensure they are on a pathway to achieving success in whatever field they choose.

In term 3, our **Homework club** will be up and running again. Homework club gives students an opportunity for further learning and preparation for assessments. These sessions will be run on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (3pm – 4pm) in Te Whanau Ora. These sessions are not being used to catch up on missed assessments.

Drivers Licence Scheme:

We have been very fortunate this year to be included in a driving licence scheme that operates in Hawkes Bay for selected secondary schools. Secured funding has allowed a provider to come into school to assist our students to study toward and gain their learners licence as well as work toward the practical component of their drivers' licence. This is part of the wider push to ensure that students leave school with the highest level of qualifications possible (including drivers' licences).

We look forward to a positive term 3 with a focus on our school value of Manaakitanga. Working alongside our Whanau and school community, we want to assist our students to set and achieve goals to secure the future they desire for themselves. **We plan to run a few school community consultation sessions / evenings. We want whanau voice on the strategic direction of this kura and would appreciate hearing from our school Whanau. Watch this space for dates and times.**

Nga mihi nui
Whaea Jocelyn



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

REGIONAL NGA MANU KORERO SPEECH COMP

The National Ngā Manu Kōrero speech competitions were held at Lindisfarne College, last term.

Our Head Boy Matangirau Whaanga represented our kura in the Pei Te Hurinui Jones / Senior Māori section.

Results were:

Impromptu Placings – 2nd =
Prepared Placings – 2nd
Overall Placings – 2nd

Thank you to Whaea Beth, Whaea Moana and students who supported Matangirau.

Tau ke koe Matangirau!



SCHOOL PRODUCTION



Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th July: 7pm
Tickets \$10 from the School Office

SCHOOL APP

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

"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.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Ka Ora, Ka Ako, Healthy School Lunch Programme provided through the Ministry of Education is available to all William Colenso College students each day.

Big thanks to Libelle Group Ltd who are our school lunch providers. Your child is still welcome to bring their own food if they wish. If your child has a dietary requirement please let your child's form / homeroom teacher know and their lunch can be tailored to their needs.



KEY DATES

Mon 17th July:	Term Three commences
Mon 24th July:	Te Vaka Maia commences
Tues 25th July:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Wed 26th July:	School Production: 7pm
Thurs 27th July:	School Production: 7pm
Wed 9th & 23rd Aug:	Open Evening: 6pm in the School Hall
Tues 29th Aug:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Mon 4th - Fri 8th Sept:	NCEA Practice Exams
Sat 9th Sept:	Te Vaka Maia Longest Day
Mon 11th - 15th Sept:	Maori Language Week
Thurs 14th Sept:	Cross Country: 1.15pm-3pm
Tues 19th Sept:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Fri 22nd Sept:	End of Term Three
Mon 9th Oct:	Term Four Commences



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WAWATATIA, MAHIA, EKEA

