

WILLIAM COLENSO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PÁNUI

Term Four: 30th October – 10th November 2023



Tēnā Koutou Katoa,

Term 4 is well underway; we have a very short period remaining for our senior students. We are mindful our Year 13 students and some of our other senior students are heading to further study, taking on an apprenticeship or entering employment. We hope you have enjoyed your time at secondary school, and we wish you well in your future endeavours. We look forward to hearing about your success. For our junior students, we have a very full-on program with Year 7&8 + 9 camps. Information should be shared shortly with whanau about these camps. All students are expected to participate in our outdoor education program (ie: camps). If for any reason (ie: health concern) a student is unable to participate in camp, please contact our the Year 7&8 Dean (Miss Pearson) or Year 9 Dean (Mr Fallen).

FAREWELL: We farewell Whaea Kahuripene Kawe on the 3/11 as our Te Reo and Tikanga Māori Kaiako. WCC has been very blessed to have shared Whaea Kawe's experience and expertise. We wish her and her boys well on their new journey.

BOT BBQ in the Nui: Our BOT's enjoyed the opportunity to mingle with whanau and students on Wednesday 11/10. Even though the weather wasn't the best, the korero and whanaungatanga was priceless. A special thanks to Taka and Shamrock Boxing for your tautoko. We look forward to many more opportunities to catch up with whanau from within our school community.

BAY BUZZ: https://baybuzz.co.nz/the-te-vaka-maia-challenge/ Kirsten Wise (Napier Mayor) wrote a recent article in the Bay Buzz about her experience joining our Te Vaka Maia program at WCC. Her article provides a fantastic glimpse of inspired, motivated, supportive, authentic, and honest students who push themselves to do the very best they can to achieve the physical challenge that is Te Vaka Maia. As we consider the value of Hirangatanga – Te Vaka Maia is yet another opportunity for our students to do their best.

ACTIVE AS' is an initiative that will focus on enhancing rangatahi wellbeing and learning by supporting secondary schools and wharekura to provide quality active recreation and sport opportunities. The Hawkes Bay region is lucky to have **5** Secondary Schools selected to be part of this initiative, and William Colenso College is very fortunate to be one of them. Being part of this initiative provides a great opportunity for a core group of students to be at the heart of providing valuable feedback on our physical activity issues, share their concerns, and provide insight around improvement of student involvement in physical activity and wellbeing. This project comes with financial support. This initiative will run for 3 years. For the right initiatives and new opportunities, William Colenso College could receive substantial funds to work towards increasing physical activity for our ākonga. WCC students have participated in a Sport NZ Voice of Rangitahi Survey. From this survey, a core group of students and staff have discussed our challenges and strengths, ideas, actions, and reflections.

PRIZE GIVING: Tis the season to be attending a range of Prize Givings. On Monday 16th October the Hawkes Bay Secondary Sports Awards were held. Congratulations to Jireh Sanerivi who was selected as a finalist in the Sport Hawkes Bay Tu Manawa Sports Council Project of the year. It is such an amazing achievement to be selected as a finalist from the many high schools within our region. Jireh worked tirelessly to support sport in our school. He shared his passion for sport with other students.

Thank you Jireh for your commitment to sport at WCC. On Wednesday 18th October the Hawkes Bay & Tairawhiti Trades Academy Prize Giving was held in Hastings. We had several students involved in the Trades Academy this year. As we are aware, the start to the 2023 year was not ideal for our community, and many of the EIT courses had to postponed until appropriate accommodation could be sorted to run courses. Congratulations to those students who persevered through difficult circumstances and made the most of the courses on offer through the Trades Academy this year.

On Thursday 26th October William Colenso College held our sports prizegiving. It is always an honour to recognise and celebrate student achievement. Congratulations to all those students who were recognised and received prizes in the Sports Arena. I would also like to make mention of all students who play sport and represent WCC. Even though we are unable to recognise all our students, you are all an integral part of our sports teams and programs. There is no 'I' in TEAM. A team needs several players and without every one of these players the team would not function. I would also like to acknowledge those who coach and manage our teams. We could not have so teams playing without your support – Thank you. We are always on the lookout for coaches and managers for sport teams, if you have the ability to assist please contact our Sport coordinator Tini Williams.

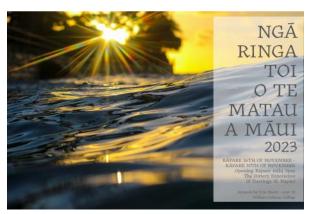
WCC Senior Academic Prize Giving will take place on Thursday 2nd November. At this event we will announce our 2024 school leaders and those students who have achieved academically, as well as our top service awards and our prestigious DUX and Proxime Accessit for 2023. We have several outstanding individuals who have spent many hours working hard to achieve at Excellence level. To achieve at this level takes time, commitment, and perseverance.

Enrolments Dates and Times for 2024: On the following dates in 2023: 26/10, 2/11, 9/11, 16/11, 23/11. 30/11 and 7/12 enrolments slots are available. Please call the front office to secure a time slot (these are mostly scheduled between 3pm and 5pm). If this time is not suitable, our office staff will find a time suitable to you. At the beginning of 2024 we will have limited enrolment slots available (prior to the start of the school year). All students need to be enrolled prior to our start date of 7/2/2024. It is our intention to settle our students into classes as soon as possible at the start of the school year. If an enrolment has NOT taken place prior to 7/2/2024, the start date for LATE enrolments will be Monday 19th February 2024 (the start of week 3).

Free household internet connection still available: If anyone in our school community needs assistance with internet connectivity, you can apply before 31 October for fully funded Internet connection, via the Equitable Digital Access (EDA) programme. Connections are currently funded until 30 June 2024, and existing connections will automatically be renewed until then. For any queries, and to apply, contact: eda@education.govt.nz or 0800 441 844. To read more go to: https://www.education.govt.nz/school/digital-technology/your-schools-ict-network/enabling-home-internet-access-for-your-community/

Nga Mihi Jocelyn Auld Tumuaki / Principal

ARTNEWS



Ngā Ringa Toi o te Matou a Māui, the Hawke's Bay excellence in student Maori Art Exhibition. William Colenso College have 7 students exhibiting and there will also be work from other HB schools. Colenso was the only HB school to have work selected to be exhibited in the National exhibition at Te Papa this year. The exhibition is from 16th-30th November, The Pottery Experience, Hastings Street, Napier.

2024 START DATES

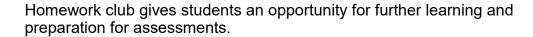
Thurs 1st February 2024: Senior Course Confirmation: Year 11 @ 11am, Year 12 @ 1pm and Year 13 @ 2pm, in the School Library. Students are not required to wear uniform.

Wed 7th February 2024: All Students commence 8.40am, Powhiri at 9am.

If you have a student you would like to enrol for 2024, please contact the School Office to make an interview appointment: (06) 831 0180.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Back by popular demand, Homework Club will continue this term for all students. Each Wednesday and Thursday after school: 3.00pm-4.00pm, in Te Whanau Ora until **Thursday 2nd November** which will be the last one for the year.





YEAR 9 STUDENTS - 2024

A reminder that all Year 9 students will need to purchase either a short sleeved school logo white shirt, or long sleeve plain white shirt with a tie to wear as part of the school uniform in 2024. These items are available from The Warehouse in Napier.

SENIOR NZEA EXAMS

From the 6th of November NCEA exams start. These are held in the school Library with the morning exam starting at 9:30am and the afternoon exam starting at 2:00pm. Students entered into exams should be at the Library 20 minutes before the start of the exam.

Students who are entered into exams will have been given an exam slip which details the exams they have entered into. They must bring this with them to each exam.

The last day for all Year 11-13 classes is **Friday 3rd November**. From the 6th of November Year 11-13 students should only come to school for exams and/or exam study and preparation tutorials. The timetable for these Exam study tutorials will be emailed to whānau and exam students.

If there are any questions about exams please contact the Deans.

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

70'S COLENSO REUNION

There will be a reunion for former students & staff of the 70's decade. This will be held at the **Mission Estate Winery**, **Saturday 25th November 2023 at 11.30am**.

Registration is available on the WCC website. An informal celebration with an opportunity to catch up with old friends, classmates and staff.



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

Tues 31st Oct: Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm

Thurs 2nd Nov: Senior Prizegiving Year 11-13 in the School Hall: 6.30pm

Fri 3rd Nov: Year 13 Leavers Dinner: 5.30pm Returned Services Assn, Napier

Mon 6th Nov: NZQA Exams Commence

Fri 10th Nov: Full School Assembly: 2.15pm

14th –16th Nov: Year 9 Camps

Fri 17th Nov: Teacher Only Day - School Closed

Fri 24th Nov: Full School Assembly: 2.15pm

Sat 25 Nov: 1970's Colenso High School Reunion Lunch @ Mission Winery: 11.30am

Mon 27th Nov-Fri 1st Dec: Year 7/8 Camps

Tues 28th Nov: Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm

Mon 4th Dec: Year 7-10 Prizegiving: 1.00pm in the School Hall

Tues 5th Dec: Final Assembly: 1pm

Wed 6th-8th Dec: Student Leadership Trip to National Park

Thurs 7th Dec: Year 7-10 Trip to Splash Planet

Fri 8th Dec: Final Day for students will finish at 11am



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