



WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term Four: 14th October – 1st November 2024



Kia ora e te Whanau,

Welcome to any new whanau and students who have recently joined William Colenso College. The last few weeks of term 3 were very busy and yet very satisfying. **A quick recap of the last two weeks of term 3:**

- Congratulations to two outstanding WCC students who were selected as up and coming achievers by the Napier Lions Club. Riley Kawenga and Ashley Christensen are deserving recipients due to their outstanding accomplishments and leadership capabilities.
- We were very fortunate to once again host the annual Touch Tournament for Year 7 & 8 students. This is a popular event. It is amazing to see so many schools participating in this tournament. A huge thank you to Taniora and Tini for their organisation and execution of a very well run event.
- Optimist yachting provided another opportunity for our Year 7 & 8 students to gain confidence on the water. This is another fantastic WCC outdoor educational experience for our students.
- Cross country was well supported and enjoyed by those who participated (both students and staff), a fun annual house activity.
- Our Pyjama Day was well supported with a nice sum of money raised and donated to Pink Ribbon (Breast Cancer Foundation).
- Our senior students completed practice exams which provide an opportunity to prepare for their end of year exams.
- The recent Music performance showcased several students who shared their musical ability, a fantastic evening.
- Subject selection afternoon (for 2025) was held for our returning students. Students who haven't confirmed subjects for next year will need to discuss subject choices with their whanau and Dean as soon as possible.
- We ended our term with World Famous at WCC assembly, always a highlight and a fun end to the term.

Term 4 is the term where we pull the mahi done in the previous three terms together to ensure we finish the year knowing we have done our best to succeed. Our focus for Term 4 is Hirangatanga - which incorporates striving for excellence and encourages us to do our best, learn from our mistakes and seek continual improvement.

- Wed 16th Oct - Sports Photos
- Thurs 17th Oct - Dance Showcase: 6.30pm in the School Hall
- Wed 23rd Oct – Sports Prizegiving: 6.00pm in the School Hall
- Thurs 24th Oct – Disco for Year 7 & 8 students: 6.00pm in the School Hall
- Sat 26th Oct - Past vs Present Basketball Game
- Wed 30th Oct - Senior Prize Giving @ 6:30pm (Years 11, 12 & 13) in the School Hall
- Thurs 31st Oct - Year 13 Leavers Dinner @ 5:30pm
- Fri 1st Nov – Last Day for Senior Students (Years 11,12 &13)
- Tues 5th Nov – Fri 29th Nov NZQA Exams
- Fri 15th Nov – Teacher Only Day (NCEA)
- Mon 25th Nov – Fri 29th Nov Year 7 & 8 camps
- Sun 1 Dec – Tues 3rd Dec 2025 Leadership Camp

- Wed 4th Dec – Fri 6th Dec Year 9 EOTC Camp
- Wed 4th Dec – Fri 6th Dec Year 9 & 10 Activity Days
- Tues 10th Dec – Splash Planet Trip (Years 7,8,9, & 10)
- Wed 11th Dec - Junior Prize Giving (Years 7,8,9 & 10) 10am in the School Hall
- Wed 11th Dec – World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 1pm
- Wed 11th Dec – Last Day for Students

Please Note: The teacher-only days for Term 4 **have been approved and can go ahead** as part of the NCEA and Curriculum change programme. Additional approvals have been given for schools to have teacher-only days outside of this period relating to the implementation of structured literacy and the limited availability of PLD (Professional Learning & Development) providers – these permissions remain. Our Teacher Only Day on **Friday 15th November** will still take place as approval has been given.

Attendance: We will continue to encourage and assist students to attend school. We are mindful of the array of reasons why students don't attend school, and we will continue to work with whanau on these concerns.

A huge thank you to those who continue to support our students and our school.

Nga mihi kia koutou katoa
Whaea Jocelyn

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM 2025

Please note from Wednesday 2nd October the current WCC uniform is no longer available for purchase from The Warehouse, Napier. The uniform is now at NZ Uniforms, Hastings, available for purchase from Monday 7th October.

Information on the new uniform has been posted on our school facebook page, the school app and emailed out to those parents/caregivers who are on our email distribution list. If you have any further queries please contact the School Office.

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.

The school app can be downloaded to your apple or android cellphone. Search William Colenso College to download the app. This will have information available on: absences, school events, daily school notices and other messages will be sent via this option.



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



2025 ENROLMENTS

We are currently taking enrolments for Years 7-13 for 2025. If you would like to enrol your child please contact the School Office for enrolment information: 06 831 0180. If your child is a current Year 8 student or you are enrolling a Year 9 student in 2025 please visit our website: www.colenso.school.nz for more information on the 2025 Year 9 Scholarships, or call into the School Office and pick up an application form. Applications close Friday 22nd November, 2024.

HOMESTAY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



Haere Mai

William Colenso College
Te Kareti o Wiremu Koroneho



We are seeking homestays for international students NOW



Always wanted to travel the world? We're bringing the world to you and want to pay you to experience it.
German, French and Japanese students are arriving at William Colenso College. We're looking for homestay parents who can introduce them to a genuine sweet-as Aotearoa lifestyle.
Homestay rates are \$275 per week for 2024.
Host a boy or a girl.
We currently need a homestay for a German girl and boy.



If you are interested in hosting an international student and would like to know more, please contact us for more information.

Jody Stent - Homestay coordinator
jody.stent@colenso.school.nz / 0210469322

We are seeking homestay families for our international students.

If you are interested in hosting an international student please contact
Jody Stent email:
jody.stent@colenso.school.nz

PARENT / CAREGIVER CONTACT DETAILS

If you have changed your address or contact details please contact the school office to update by phone: (06) 831 0180 or email postmaster@colenso.school.nz. It is important the school has up-to-date contact information in the case of an emergency.

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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

STUDENT REP - BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Congratulations to our new student representative on the Board of Trustees for 2024/2025 - Maarie Johansen. Thank you to William Christison who has been our previous rep.

KEY DATES

Mon 14th Oct:	Term Four Commences
Thurs 17th Oct:	Dance Showcase in the School Hall: 6.30pm
Fri 18th Oct:	Full School Assembly: 2.15pm
Tues 22nd Oct:	2025 Enrolment Interviews: 4pm-5.45pm
Wed 23rd Oct:	Sports Prizegiving School Hall: 6pm
Thurs 24th Oct:	Year 7 & 8 Disco School Hall: 6pm-8pm
Fri 25th Oct:	Hawkes Bay Anniversary - School Closed
Sat 26th Oct:	Past vs Present Basketball Game
Mon 28th Oct:	Labour Day - School Closed
Wed 30th Oct:	Senior (Years, 11, 12 & 13) Prizegiving School Hall: 6.30pm
Thurs 31st Oct:	Year 13 Leavers Dinner @ 5.30pm
Fri 1st Nov:	House Tug o War Competition: 10.30am-11am, Full School Assembly: 2.15pm, Last day for Senior Students (Years 11, 12 & 13)
5th - 29th Nov:	NZQA Exams commence
Tues 5th Nov:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5pm
Fri 15th Nov:	Teacher Only Day
19-21 Nov:	Year 9 Camps
Fri 22nd Nov:	Full School Assembly: 2.15pm
25-29 Nov:	Year 7 & 8 Camps
Wed 27th Nov:	2025 Enrolment Interviews: 4pm-5.45pm
1-4 Dec:	Leadership Camp
Wed 4th Dec:	Board of Trustees Meeting; 5pm
Fri 6th Dec:	Full School Assembly: 2.15pm
Tues 10th Dec:	Splash Planet trip for whole school (Years 7, 8, 9 & 10)
Wed 11th Dec:	Year 7-10 Prizegiving School Hall: 10am-12pm Final Assembly: 1pm-3pm, final day for all students

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