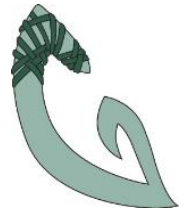




# WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term One: 24th February - 7th March 2025



Kia ora e te whanau,

We have had a great start to the year... We would like to welcome those who have joined our kura since our powhiri which was held on the 5th February. Thank you to whanau who have worked hard to ensure our students are prepared for the school year. We have a high percentage of students in the new uniform and they look stunning. We appreciate those who have purchased the required stationery packs. We encourage students to bring their school supplies in a school bag.

We have had a couple of school activities already - the tech challenge and water activity were enjoyed by those who participated fully in the events. Our Year 13 students have just returned from their leadership / team building camp.

## **International Students**

A special mention and a very warm welcome to our new International Students, we hope you enjoy your time at William Colenso College and in New Zealand. We also recognise our returning international students and are thrilled to have you back.

**Germany:** Catherina Berberich, Anton Roesch, Valentin Seibt & Felix Foerster

**Japan:** Nanami Hama, Rin Ogaki & Ayami Yamaguchi

**Brazil:** Ana Clara Cavalari Francisco & Guilherme Hawerth Pajeú

## **Introducing our Head Students for 2025**



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From left to right: Joseph Hohepa (Deputy Head Student), Te Ata Lamont (Deputy Head Student), William Christison (Head Boy), Maarie Johansen (Head Girl), Karoline Franke (Deputy Head Student) and Hawera Neera (Deputy Head Student).



**Introducing our Senior Leaders for 2025.** These students were presented with their leadership badges on Tuesday 11th February 2025.

Not in Order of Photo: Joyce Gito, Matiu Rangitaawa, Shylah Bates, Zac Awiah, Hannah Jewel Gito, Sky Pin, TK Taimanu, Manaia Tane, Kelly Puhara, Crissell Marsh, Rosie Christison, Sidney Ropitini, Kayden Robertson & Felix Mean



**Introducing our Junior Leaders for 2025.** These students were presented with their leadership badges on Tuesday 11th February 2025.

Not in Order of Photo: Tina Hinemanu, Briar Muir, Rubi Curren, GT Jazz Ngaronoa, Leith Stuart-Gray, Te Ariki Lenden, Wiremu Nelson-Kirk, Tali MacGillivray, Bailey Bowman, Brandon McLean, Sione Kirk, Archie Lavender-Thomas, Wiremu Rua, Audrey Faith Tayag and Keiran Seeds

## SCHOOL CARPARK

Our school car park (Arnold Street Entrance) is becoming unsafe to use for our students during drop off & pick up times each day. We are experiencing record numbers of parents / caregivers dropping off and picking up students before and after school. We encourage whanau to use the back gate off Morris Spence for drop offs and pickups please. Please be mindful we have an Early Childhood Centre and Teen Parent Unit, there are currently a number of workmen who also use our front gate to access their building sites.

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

There have been a few teething concerns nationwide with the school lunches, however, it appears that things are getting sorted. We have had a range of hot meals delivered and the students seem grateful for what is provided. It is a bonus to see regular pieces of fruit to accompany the lunch, along with other snacks.

## MINISTER OF EDUCATION VISIT

On Friday the 21st February we hosted the Hon Minister of Education Erica Stanford. She attended a hui at WCC in conjunction with the Hawke's Bay secondary school principals. It is always interesting to hear what cabinet ministers have to say.

## ATTENDANCE



Thank you to those whanau who prioritise attendance. We need students in classes and learning. The next newsletter will focus on Attendance. If your child is going to be absent from school please either phone the Student Office (06) 831 0180 Ext 709 (24/7) or through the WCC School App which you would need to download:

*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*

Thank you for your ongoing support.  
Nga Mihi  
Whaea Jocelyn



### **MISSED A NEWSLETTER? WANT TO KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S GOING ON?**

*Our newsletters can be viewed on our website: [www.colenso.school.nz](http://www.colenso.school.nz)*

*Or email: [keleigh.atkins@colenso.school.nz](mailto:keleigh.atkins@colenso.school.nz) to register and receive the newsletter electronically*

# SCHOOL TIMETABLE

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8.40am Bell Rings						
8.45am – 9.45am	1					
9.45am – 10.45am	2					
10.45am-11am		FORMTIME	FORMTIME	FORMTIME	FORMTIME	FORMTIME
11.00am – 11.30am		INTERVAL	INTERVAL	INTERVAL	INTERVAL	INTERVAL
11.30am – 12.30pm	3					
12.30pm – 1.30pm	4					
1.30pm – 2.00pm		LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
2.00pm – 3.00pm	5					

All students receive the provided school lunch during interval time at 11am.

# 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.

# ATHLETICS DAY

Our annual Athletics Day will be held on **Wednesday 5th March** at the Hastings Regional Sports Park. All students are required to attend school as normal and will be transported by buses to and from the Sports Park, students need to be at school by 8.30am and the buses will leave at 8.45am.

We encourage all students to have a pair of running shoes as the surface at the sports track isn't made for running in bare feet. Bring a water bottle, hat, apply sunscreen and bring any extra food for lunch. Lunch will be provided as normal (school lunches).

As this is a school house event students are encouraged to wear their house colours:

Tupari - Orange / Remutupo - Blue / Waikamaka - Yellow / Maropea - Purple

We ask that students **DON'T WEAR ANY PAINT ON THEIR BODIES.**

Parents/caregivers are welcome to attend the park through out the day.

## STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL

If your child needs to attend an appointment during school hours please provide a written note / text or phone the Attendance Office: 8310180 Ext 708 or 709. Your child will need to sign out at the student office before they leave the grounds.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Photos for all students will be taken on **Tuesday 11th March** at school, these include individual, form class and family photos.

All students were given photo envelopes for ordering purposes last week. You can use the envelope option which must have the **correct amount** of cash in it as the school won't be able to change any money and eftpos is **NOT** an option as the payments are made directly to the Photo Company.

The other option of ordering is online which you can do before photo day (**you won't be able to see the photos at this stage until after Tuesday 11th March**). To order online please use this link: <https://orders.lcscott.co.nz/ordering/with?key=GNXDMWDC>

On photo day your child will be given an internet access key code to enable parents/caregivers access to online viewing of the photos and allow online ordering for those that have not pre-ordered. If the internet access key code is misplaced please contact the School Office: (06 8310180).

**If you are wanting to order a family photo these must be pre-ordered before photo day to ensure the photo is taken. Option of payment is either by envelope (cash) available at the front office or online.**

## 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](mailto:postmaster@colenso.school.nz). It is important the school has up-to-date contact information in the case of an emergency.

## KEY DATES

Tues 25th Feb:	Level 1 Art trip: 9.45am-12.30pm Whakapiki Ake Programme Visit for Maori Science students: 2pm
Tues 4th March:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5pm
Wed 5th March:	Athletics day at Hastings Regional Sports Park
Fri 7th March:	Victoria University Visit for senior students: 9.45am-10.45am in the School Library
Tues 11th March:	School Photos for all students
Fri 14th March:	WCC current & ex Staff 15 + years service afternoon tea: 3.30pm / Staffroom
Thurs 27th March:	Year 9 Hearing Screen Programme
Fri 28th March:	WCC Cultural Day
Fri 4th April:	International Students Sports Day @ Taradale High
Mon 7th April:	Year 7 & 8 HPV Immunisations International Student Trip
Tues 8th April:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5pm
Wed 9th April:	International Student Trip returns
Thurs 10th April:	Waikato University Visit: 9.45am in the Library for senior students
Fri 11th April:	Final Day of Term One
Mon 28th April:	Term Two Commences