



WILLIAM COLENZO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PĀNUI

Term Four: 14th -25th November 2022



Kia ora e te whanau,

I love this time of the year because we spend a large percentage of our time celebrating student success.

The Ahuriri and William Colenso College sports prize giving events show-cased the array of talented and dedicated students we have at William Colenso College. Well done to those who are involved in sport and congratulations to those who excel at sport and achieved an award at either event.

We were thrilled to celebrate the successes of 3 senior students, Dani Tasker - Puhara, Elijah MacGillivray and Matangirau Whaanga who were recognised for their respective leadership ability at Te Kai Whakanui Amokura Maori Leadership Awards evening held at Pukemokimoki Marae.

At the EIT Trades Academy prize giving, 8 students from William Colenso College celebrated their consistent effort. We would like to recognise: Joshua Burry, Janice Fairamo, Brihaun Mason, Chrissy Menzies, Jessica Merwood, Bayleigh Rankin, Jac Tamati and Amber Thomas.

Congratulations to Ella Villarmeia who won the National Stills Photography competition with her 'Book Tiki' photograph. Such an amazing win for Ella. (See picture and further information in this newsletter).

2023

We are currently in the process of looking at student leadership positions for 2023. We look forward to working alongside our 2023 Head Students, House Captains, and Middle School Leaders. We will announce our student leadership group for 2023 in a later newsletter. We are spoiled for choice with students who epitomise the William Colenso College Values. Enrolments for 2023 can be made at the front office. Interviews are done on Wednesday afternoons.

NCEA – SENIOR STUDENTS

On **Monday 7th November** NCEA exams started. Seniors are currently preparing for and/or sitting their external examinations and completing internal assessments. It is pleasing to see so many students working toward NCEA Level 1, 2 or 3. However, we are not at the finish line yet. I encourage students to keep pushing to do their best. Preparation and hard work does get rewarded. Students are expected to attend external examinations if they are entered in them. Admission slips have been given to students; these are required to enter an exam. If a student loses their slip, they will need to come into school at least half an hour prior to their exam to get another slip printed and signed. **Friday 18th November** will be the last day of our normal Timetable for senior students. The last date for NZQA exams is **Tuesday 6th December**. If a student is unable to attend an examination because of illness, injury or family bereavement, please contact the school ASAP because the student may be eligible for a derived grade. If the absence is due to illness, there is a form that must be collected before you visit your doctor for a medical certificate.

YEAR 10

Our Year 10 students have end of year examinations from **Monday 28th November** to **Wednesday 30th November**. It is important that students prepare for these exams. The results of these exams decide end of year prizes and are good practise for future NCEA exams. Teachers will support students to prepare for these exams.

YEAR 7,8 & 9

A reminder our year 9 classes will be on camp (at some stage) during the week from Monday 14th November to Friday 18th November. Our year 7&8 classes will be on camp (at some stage) from **Monday 28th November** to **Friday 2nd December**.

Thank you to parents / caregivers who have helped our students with their subject selection choices for 2023. While this information is critical for us to be able to staff the school and construct a timetable for 2023, it doesn't mean students are locked into a particular career path or that they can't change their minds. If you would like any further assistance with subject or careers advice, please contact a school Dean.

CALENDAR

Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd November: A reminder we have 2 Ministry of Education Accord Days. These days are to provide teachers with additional time to refresh and deepen their knowledge and practice around the local curriculum and to strengthen their understanding of the use of assessment tools for learning and teaching. **The school will not be open for instruction on these days.**

Thursday 24th November: Whanau Hui for students in Years 7-10 from 3pm.

Friday 2nd December: Last week we were notified of a paid union meeting by the PPTA. This meeting will be held in Hastings. This will require school to finish at **12noon** to allow teaching staff to eat lunch and drive to Hastings to attend this meeting.

Tuesday 6th December: This year it is exciting to have parents and whānau back in our prizegiving audiences. We look forward to both prize giving ceremonies (middle Years 7-9: 1.30pm and senior (Years 10-13: 6.30pm) which will be held in our school hall. We look forward to celebrating our student achievement this year.

Noho ora mai
Whaea Jocelyn

ENROLMENTS 2023

Thank you to everyone who attended our Open Evenings in Term Three. We have the following day available for 2023 enrolment interviews:

Wednesday 16th Nov: 3.30pm-5.30pm

Please contact the school office to arrange an appointment time: (06) 831 0180.

We would prefer enrolment interviews to take place during 2022 for 2023.

For new students to WCC, who want to start school at the beginning of the school year, enrolments need to be completed by **Thursday 2nd February, 2023**. There will be limited opportunity to enrol in February 2023. If the above date and times are not suitable, please call the front office for an alternative date and time in November 2022.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Ella Villarmeas Year 12 entered her work **Book Tiki** and won herself a \$1000 Canon camera by taking out the Altered category of the national competition.

Book Tiki has already been on display at Te Papa in Wellington. Ella was one of six William Colenso College students with work featured in the Ringa Toi student exhibition, a celebration of toi Māori co-ordinated by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority.

The six Colenso artworks will be seen in Hawke's Bay along with the best of the region's secondary school Māori art from 5-10th December, when Ngā Ringa Toi o Te Matau a Māui is on show at Hastings' Akina Gallery.



PAID UNION MEETING

Students will be dismissed at 12noon, Friday 2nd December due to all teachers attending a Paid Union Meeting.

Bus students - the bus will be available for pick up at 12.15pm.

VISITING THE COLLEGE

For health & safety purposes, a reminder if you are visiting the college for any reason, please call into the front administration office and sign in first.



PRACTICE EXAMS YEAR 10'S

Practice exams for all year 10 students will be held 28th-30th November in the library. These exams will be in preparation for students moving into year 11 and NCEA in 2023.

KEY DATES

Mon 14th-16th Nov:	Year 9FR & 9SZ to camp
Wed 16th-18th Nov:	Year 9KM & 9NR to camp
Wed 16th Nov:	2023 Enrolment Interviews: 3.30pm-5.30pm
17th & 18th Nov:	Tāne Tū Kaha trip to Te Puia Springs
Mon 21 & Tues 22 Nov:	Teacher Only Days - no school for students
Thurs 24th Nov:	Whanau Hui Years 7-10, parents/caregivers invited in to meet with your child's teacher and a sausage sizzle: 3.00pm-5.30pm
Mon 28th Nov:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm
Mon 28th-30th Nov:	Year 7/8HJ & 7/8 SE to camp
Wed 30th Nov-Fri 2 Dec:	Year 7/8CB, 7/8PB, 7/8SH to camp
28th-30th Nov:	Year 10 Practice Exams
Fri 2nd Dec:	Paid Union Meeting students will be released at 12.00noon
Tues 6th Dec:	Year 7-9 Prizegiving: 1.30pm-3pm School Hall
	Year 10-13 Prizegiving: 6.30pm School Hall
Wed 7th - 9th Dec:	Tāne Tū Kaha Tongariro Crossing Trip
Thurs 8th Dec:	Year 7-10 Students to Splash Planet for the day
Fri 9th Dec:	Final day for students, WCC Assembly: 2.15pm

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