

WILLIAM COLENSO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER / PÁNUI

Term Two: 9th - 20th June 2025



We would like to welcome new students and whānau who have commenced with us this term. We hope you enjoy your time at WCC.



Support Staff: On the 16th May we celebrated our WCC support staff. Our support staff play a crucial role in ensuring our school functions efficiently.

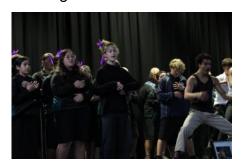
We absolutely are blessed to have such amazing support staff at WCC. Our sincerest thanks to our Support Staff for all they do for our students, whānau and staff.

Photo from the Support Staff Morning Tea.

Haka Waiata Competition:

Students have worked very hard in their school houses to learn a new waiata and haka. Every year this is a very competitive competition. This year the placing of the Haka Waiata were as follows:

4th place: Remutupo
3rd Place: Maropea
2nd Place: Tupari
Winning house for 2025: Waikamaka



Congratulations to all the house leaders and students for their efforts. Every house was outstanding.



Attendance:

Prioritising student success.

As a school, we would like to highlight the significant impact that regular school attendance has on student achievement and overall well being. We understand that life can sometimes present challenges, but we encourage you to prioritise attendance at school (as much as possible).

Consistent attendance is essential for students to grasp curriculum concepts, participate in class activities and build a strong foundation for future learning. The Ministry of Education stipulates that attending 90% of school days is crucial for achieving desired NCEA outcomes. Regular attendance contributes to a student's physical and mental health by fostering a sense of routine, belonging, and positive social interactions. Establishing a consistent routine of attending school helps students develop important habits of responsibility and time management, which will benefit them in future.

Tips for Promoting Regular Attendance:

Plan Ahead:

Communicate any unavoidable absences to the school in advance.

Follow up on Absences:

Ensure your child attends any scheduled catch-up sessions or support activities following an absence.

Encourage Communication:

If your child is struggling, encourage them to speak to their teacher or counsellor about their concerns.

Collaborate with the School:

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's attendance, reach out to the school for assistance.

I recently read the following, and wanted to share it with you...

Once upon a time, when a window was just a square hole in a room...

When an application was something you filled out to get a job ...

When a keyboard was a piano and a mouse was just a little animal...

When a file was a metal cabinet and a hard drive was a bad road trip...

When a cut was done with a knife

When things were pasted with glue...

When a web was a spider's home and a virus was the flu....

Or when apple and blackberries were just fruits...

There was a time when we had a lot of time for our family and friends.

Don't let these modern conveniences make you forget what is really important in life.

We need to Remember: Electronic devices are helpful, but they are meant to make our lives easier, not to replace love for our family and the people we care about. Children see and feel everything happening around them. Their experiences shape their minds and leave marks that last a lifetime. Let's care for them, so they grow up with the right values and without false needs. (Credit to the rightful author)

Ngā Mihi Whaea Jocelyn

LEVEL 1 MATHS ASSESSMENT



Level 1 students were tasked to complete an assessment on flying a paper plane.



HARD MATERIALS CLASS



Congratulations to Fiehnyx Moa on finishing his chair, as part of his Level 2 Construction credits.



Well done to Branden Holmes for completing a Rocking Horse as part of his Level 2 credits.

KENNEDY RD GATE

The access gate we have that connects out to Kennedy Road will be locked from 9.30am-2.45pm each day.

FUTUREPOLY EVENT

All Year 11 students had the chance to take part in Futureopoly on Wednesday 4th June, held at the Hastings Showgrounds.

Futureopoly is a highly engaging careers event that uses gamification to connect students in a fun and interactive way with local employers who are energised about sharing their insights and experiences from the world of work and inspiring students with their passion for their mahi.

Students engaged enthusiastically with the presenters and immersed themselves in the many practical and fun activities that were on offer.

It was a stimulating event, and for some, it is a little bit daunting to take part in a large event such as this, with many schools represented. It was so good to see some of our quieter students warm up and really get stuck into the event.

Thank you to the Graeme Dingle Foundation and Ashley Toye for spearheading this event for rangatahi. Also to WCC staff for their support.









WCC BREAKFAST

Te Whānau Ora in the Student Support Centre building is open for breakfast every week day between 8.00-8.40am for all students.



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					

KEY DATES

Tues 10-11th June: L2 MTB Day Trip to Taupo

Sat 14th June: School Ball

Tues 17-18th June: L3 MTB Day Trip to Waipukurau Wed 18 –19 June: Health & Safety Course Year 13

Fri 20th June: Matariki - School Closed Mon 23-24th June: L2 MTB Day Trip to Eskdale

Fri 27th June: World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 2.15pm

Term Two finishes



