



Pānui Friday 29 May 2025

- **Teacher Only Day** - Tuesday 3rd June.

Kia ora e te whānau,

Over the past few days, we've been really proud of the way our Year 9, 10 and 11 students have approached the first round of Common Assessment Activities (CAAs). While these assessments can feel a little unfamiliar and even a bit nerve-wracking, our students have shown a great deal of maturity and a positive, growth-focused attitude. It's been encouraging to see them giving things a go, supporting one another, and treating the experience as an opportunity to learn and grow.

- **Primary Hui**, Thursday 5th June at 1.50pm

Our Primary team has also been hard at work over the past few weeks, with a strong focus on assessments in preparation for mid-year reporting. These assessments play an important role in informing teaching and learning, helping our teachers tailor their programmes to best support each learner as we head into the second half of the year. We're grateful for the thoughtful and intentional work that goes into this process and the dedication of our teachers to student success.

- **Sickness** - please keep tamariki at home if they are unwell

We were recently lucky to host Bob Bickerton, an incredibly talented performer who shared his passion for taonga pūoro – traditional Māori instruments – with our tamariki. The performance was not only engaging and fun, but also a rich cultural learning experience for our students. It was wonderful to see the curiosity and enjoyment on their faces as they learned about the sounds and stories of these beautiful instruments.

- **Fundraiser** - next Friday, Wharariki class will run a sausage sizzle and baking sale during the Inter School X Country event.

There's been a lot happening outside the classroom too. Students have been busy preparing for both the senior and junior cross country events coming up soon. It's been great to see many students taking part, challenging themselves, and showing support for their peers. And on Tuesday it was heartening to see both courts full of netball games, the field buzzing with soccer training, and preschoolers enjoying the space. It wasn't just the tamariki getting involved – there were plenty of whānau around too, catching up on the sidelines and supporting their kids. The atmosphere was vibrant and really captured the spirit of our kura – full of life, connection, and a strong sense of community.

- **School Photos** - PhotoLife have now sent access codes to families. Please contact the Office if you have not received yours, we have a full list.

Ngā mihi

Melissa Dixon, Acting Principal



Student Leaders Kōrero



Hello

My name is Joy Wells, I am a Year 14 student

I have been attending this school for 14 years after attending Aorere Playcentre in my early years of education.

CAS has provided me with the knowledge and skills to confidently leave school and join the workforce. I enjoy the sense of community and support the school offers to all students and how involved we are with the cultural heritage as well as the environmental aspects of living here.

My goal as a Student Leader is to create a safe space for everyone to be included and to grow as people as well as helping students where and whenever needed.

Fun fact about me, I love spending time with my friends and family and going for walks with my three dogs.

My advice for younger students is that everything is accomplishable no matter what is happening in your life and no matter how long it takes, if you want it, go for it.

Senior Cross Country

Kia ora

We would like to invite you to attend the Senior School Cross Country, either as a participant or spectator. Come and support our Year 7-14 students as they compete in our 5km run/ walk.

The time to beat is Aonghus Garbutt's 2024 time of 23 mins 53 seconds. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.

Key Times:

Start: 11:30 AM

Prize Giving: 12:50 PM

Date: 5/6/25

FRIDAY VOLLEYBALL IS BACK!

When: Starting 6pm Friday 6th June
Where: Collingwood Hall

\$20 per person for 4 weeks
Email your team entry to:
pete@collingwood.school.nz

Fundraising for students off to Nationals
Get your mates together or come by yourself
and we can put you in a team.

\$100 Tinkys voucher for winning team

The poster features a large yellow volleyball on the left and a silhouette of a person jumping to hit a volleyball on the right, set against a blue background with a yellow sun.

Inter Schools Rippa Rugby

Golden Bay Interschools Rippa Rugby Tournament – CAS Triumph!

On Wednesday, 7th May, a combined group of ākonga from Waikato (Year 5) and Year 6 students from Ōpou travelled to Tākaka Primary School to compete in the annual Golden Bay Interschools Rippa Rugby Tournament.

CAS proudly entered two teams, both of which performed exceptionally well throughout the day. One of our teams – the Hornets – made it all the way to the final, facing off against a strong Tākaka Primary School side. The final was an absolute nail-biter, with both teams scoring three tries each by full time, sending the game into Golden Point.

Tākaka came close to scoring the winning try twice, but thanks to some outstanding defensive efforts from the Hornets, CAS held them off right on the try line. Then, in a thrilling finish, Lily-Rose Edwards broke away for a runaway try, securing a dramatic victory for the Hornets!

It was a fantastic day of sport, teamwork, and determination – made possible thanks to the amazing support from parents, Rosie, and the dedication of all our students.

We're now looking forward with excitement to taking our players to Nelson on the 24th of June, where they'll represent CAS at the Tasman Rippa Rugby Competition, going up against teams from across the region.

Ka rawe, Year 5/6 for an awesome tournament!

Miss R



Message from the Uniform Committee

There will be sample polo shirts and designs in the office for the week leading up to, and on the day of the Inter School Cross Country if anybody would like to have a look. Any comments please email to either Carrol or Briar:

carrol.roberts@collingwood.school.nz

briar.hayton@collingwood.school.nz

Library News

What happens inside our brains when we read?

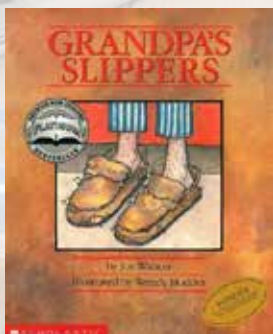
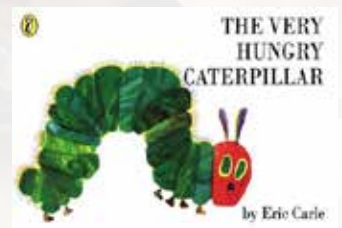
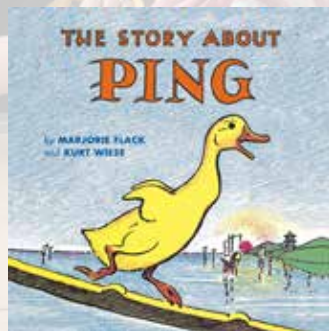
How does the science of storytelling explain the power of narratives to shape our minds? In what ways do stories make us uniquely human?

First, there's what psychologists call "transportation" or immersion—defined as "when the reader loses themselves in the story world." This mental journey allows us to temporarily leave our reality behind. Then there's "identification," which occurs "where a reader takes on the perspective and identity of a story character." This psychological phenomenon creates a profound connection where we, as readers, experience the character's emotions as if they are our own.

Stories help children (and adults) make sense of the world and themselves, supporting social and emotional learning. These effects may also extend to our attitudes toward different groups of people.

This school both in the class and in the Library have a strong culture of reading aloud to the pupils. From the Hardy Boys' series that was read to a class by teacher and headmaster Warren Iggo in the 1970s to the classic stories shown below that have stood the test of time.

Reading aloud to children of all ages is one of the most rewarding activities you can do with them. Picture books bring joy, empathy and knowledge to all of us.



On an administrative note, can you please look out for and keep track of the school library books that come home, we have about 30 books that were due back before the last school holidays. The children get their library books for 3 weeks and the chance to renew them once. All the library books are precious to us and chosen very carefully. When books aren't available for others to read because they are left at home all the time it becomes a little frustrating. I will usually email or text you to remind you once they have not been returned for a while, but please help us by returning them before the due date.

We take books back no matter how long you have had them!

"Read every day to keep the doctor away"

Diane & Donna ~ Librarians

Te Whare Kai

It has been a busy start to the term and the students have been keen and excited to cook.

We have been cooking a range of easy to prepare recipes with the Year 7 class to get the students into the rhythm of using the kitchen and working alongside others.

Year 9 students have just created food they could make for themselves and whanau

demonstrating their knowledge of Food Safety and Food Groups. Sushi, Spaghetti Bolognaise, Fried Rice and Butter Chicken were whipped up within an hour. Awesome!

Year 11 Hospitality Students have made a range of Egg & Cheese dishes and Fruit & Vegetable recipes as seen here in the photos.

Finally, Year 12 have been Roasting and using well honed knife skills in a range of different Salads.

Thanks again to Whānau for your continued support and thanks to Carrol for giving up your time to help with the younger students. Mīharo!

Ngā mihi, Glenda



Primary Science - Ice Cream!

First we had to put the vanilla essence and cream in the small bag. Then we put the salt and the ice in the big bag. Next we had to put the small bag in the big bag and shake it. Then it turned hard and it turned into ice cream. Then you get to eat it! It tasted salty at the end but at the start it will taste so good!

By Thea Win
Te Rae



Year 7 Art



The Year 7 Art selective group has the opportunity to explore a variety of media and have fun with “Art Taster” lessons.

Printmaking this term included marbling foam prints, cyanotype print and stencil art.

At the moment we’re focusing on Matariki and the meaning and interpretation of the different stars.

Ngā mihi
Elda Heywood



Golden Bay Inter-Primary Cross Country 2025

Friday 6th June @ Collingwood Area School

Race times are approximate. Races will not start before posted times.

It is the competitor's responsibility to be at the start line on time!

Order of Races:

10.20am Briefing - Marshalls to farm track points

10.30am - Senior PE Students to lead warm-up

10.40am

9 Year-Old Girls	Farm track
9 Year-Old Boys	Farm track

11.00am

10-11 Year-Old Girls	Farm track
10-11 Year-Old Boys	Farm track

Break to organise marshalls to subdivision track

12.00pm

7 Year-Old Girls	Subdivision Track
7 Year-Old Boys	Subdivision Track

12.15pm

8 Year-Old Girls	Subdivision Track
8 Year-Old Boys	Subdivision Track

Break to reorganise marshalls to school track

12.40pm

5 Year-Old Girls	School Track
5 Year-Old Boys	School Track

12.55pm

6 Year-Old Girls	School Track
6 Year-Old Boys	School Track

Course checked and all runners back before 1.10 pm

No lunch break - Sausage sizzle and other refreshments for sale all morning.

Prizegiving @ 1.20pm

Landscaping / Green Spaces at CAS

Kia ora ngā whānau o Te Kura o Aorere,

With our school rebuild complete, we are now ready to begin developing the new green spaces around Onetahua (the teaching block) and our admin building.

Students are currently planning how these spaces can best be utilised, and creating planting plans to reflect their ideas. We wish to make the most of the winter to get a wide range of plants in the ground, ready to establish and grow this coming spring.

Our kura is inviting individuals, whānau, community organisations and businesses, to consider donating plants, shrubs and trees, to bring our plans to fruition. Please consider donating any of the following:

Decorative grasses - Tussocks etc

Small trees / shrubs - Pittosporums etc

Fruit trees - Citrus, pipfruit, feijoas, stonefruit

Natives of all varieties

Deciduous exotics for summer shade

We look forward to seeing these spaces grow and mature over the years.

Any donation would be hugely appreciated and will be valued for generations to come.

Please contact Jonny Hanlon or the school office for further details.

Year 13 Outdoor Education Survey

Our Year 13 OED students are organizing a physical activity event for our kura and community, and they need your ideas!

Could you please take a moment to complete the survey below either by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code.

<https://forms.gle/YtGDH5czggCwebYQ6>



Calendar

02 June
03 June
05 June
06 June
11 / 18 / 25 June
12 June
13 June
16 & 18 June
19 June
20 June
27 June
14 July - 19 September
6 Oct - 11 December

King's Birthday Public Holiday
Teacher Only Day (School closed for instruction)
Y7-13 Cross Country
IS Cross Country - Wharariki fundraiser
Bake Sale \$2 per item
Outdoor Education Skydive
NZ Playhouse
Primary Speech Comps
CAS Matariki Celebration
Matariki Public Holiday
End Term Two
Term Three
Term Four

A Reminder About Attendance and Wellbeing

Regular school attendance plays an important role in supporting our tamariki's learning, friendships, and overall well being. As we head into the colder months, it's completely understandable that there will be times when students need to stay home to rest and recover from illness.

At the same time, we know it can be tricky to decide whether a child is well enough for school — especially with mild symptoms. To help guide these decisions, we've included a link below with helpful information for parents and caregivers. It offers advice on when it's okay to send your child to school, when it's best to keep them at home, and when to seek medical guidance.

As always, we appreciate your support and care in working together to keep our kura healthy and thriving.

[Knowing if your child is well enough to go to school – Ministry of Education](#)

**NELSON/TASMAN REGIONAL
THEATRESPORTS COMP
2025.**

**SAT 23RD AUGUST: SENIOR
SAT 30TH AUGUST: JUNIOR**

**6PM
AT
NAYLAND COLLEGE
DRAMA STUDIO,
STOKE, NELSON.**

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- BUY TICKETS \$10 FROM WWW.EVENTFINDA.CO.NZ
- FAMILY FRIENDLY COMEDY SHOW

**NATIONAL'S
BINGO
NIGHT**

Friday 30th May
**Doors open at 6pm. Eyes down
6:30pm**
In the CAS Hall
\$2 a card & 8 rounds

**CHOCOLATE WHEEL, RAFFLE AND SUPPER
AVAILABLE
\$3 FOR SUPPER
\$2.50 FOR A PEN**

Save the date!

Collingwood Area School **LipSync** 2025 & Performing Arts Showcase

Adults: \$15
Students: \$10

Thursday 7th August
7.00 pm

Save the date!
Tickets on sale early Term 3

Matariki Celebration at Collingwood Area School!

Kia ora koutou, We're excited to announce that Collingwood Area School will be celebrating Matariki on Thursday, June 19th, during normal school hours (8:45 AM to 2:45 PM).

Matariki is a special time for us to remember those who have passed, celebrate the present, and look forward to the future. Our school will be marking this occasion with a range of engaging activities, including:

Storytelling

Art and creative activities

Sharing kai together

Reflecting and setting goals for the year ahead

We'll be providing food for everyone, and we kindly ask students to bring something sweet to share for our shared meal. This could be baking, fruit, or another favorite treat.

Just a reminder that buses will run as usual, as the celebration takes place within the normal school day.

We can't wait to celebrate Matariki together as a kura! Your support helps make this day truly meaningful for our students and staff.

Nau mai, haere mai – let's come together to celebrate this special time.

Ngā manaakitanga,

The Collingwood Area School Team