



Pānui

Thursday 31st July 2025

- Teacher Only Day Tomorrow:** Friday 01 August - school will be closed for instruction.

Kia ora e te whānau,

It's been a real joy settling into life here at Collingwood Area School. I'm feeling very lucky to be part of such a welcoming and vibrant school community. Over the past couple of weeks, my main focus has been getting to know the people who make this place special. I'm meeting with each staff member one-on-one and, of course, spending time with our wonderful students — hearing their stories, learning about their passions, and watching them shine in the classroom and out in the playground.
- Uniform:** Please ensure all uniform is adequately labelled, we have mountains of lost property.

In the weeks ahead, I'm looking forward to each class teaching me the pūrākau behind their classroom names, and helping me understand the beautiful kowhaiwhai designs that adorn our kura. These are such important reflections of our identity as a school, and I'm keen to learn more about the meaning they carry.
- Trophies:** All Show Day and Prize Giving trophies need to be returned to school by Friday 19th September please (end term three).

A huge congratulations to our Basketball Team for their fantastic third place finish at the Tasman Secondary Schools Basketball Tournament last week! Your teamwork and sportsmanship were outstanding, and we're all incredibly proud of you. Thank you to Mike Win for his expert coaching and steady support of the team.

A special thanks also to Constable Hamish for visiting our Year 7 and 8 students last week. We appreciate your thoughtful presentation — and your perseverance despite the power cut!
- 2025 Year Book:** Please get your orders in as soon as you can \$30 per copy.

A quick heads-up: we have a Staff Only Day on Friday 1st, when Collingwood Area School will be hosting teachers of Mathematics from across the region alongside Ministry of Education presenters. We'll be exploring the new Mathematics Curriculum, while our Secondary staff continue their mahi around curriculum and assessment changes within Te Mātaiaho.

Thank you all for your continued support — I'm excited for the term ahead.
- Sickness** - there is currently lots of sickness around. Please keep your children at home if they are unwell.

He waka eke noa,

Kate Staniford
Tumuaki | Principal



Year Seven and Eight Netball Report

This year we had two teams entered into the Tākaka competition with a great bunch of Year 7 and 8 students from Collingwood.

CAS Pink and CAS Blue: both these teams stood out and had a fabulous season.

So many improvements across both teams, they showed sportsmanship and represented our school with pride.

Big congratulations to CAS Blue team who took out the final!

As always it's a tough job to pick three players from each team but this year they went to:

CAS BLUE

- Mackenzie Reay - Coaches Choice
- Ava McMurray - Most Improved
- Alora Morgan - Most Dedicated

CAS PINK

- Lydia Riley - Coaches Choice
- Jarrah Richards - most Improved
- Charlotte Hoskin - Most Dedicated

A special mention to Charlotte Hoskin who was presented by Golden Bay Netball the "Junior Dedication and Sportmanship" trophy.

Thanks for all the parent support for another great season of netball, we are both super proud of all the netball players.

Joy and Briar.



CAS PINK



CAS BLUE

Common Assessment Activities (CAA)

Dear Families,

We hope this message finds you well. We are writing to update you on the Common Assessment Activities (CAA), which are national assessment requirements from the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA).

What are Common Assessment Activities?

The Common Assessment Activities are essential national assessments that focus on core literacy and numeracy skills - specifically reading, writing, and mathematical competencies that all students need to achieve by the end of their secondary schooling with us.

Exceptional Progress from Our Students

We are thrilled to share that our Collinwood Area School Secondary Syndicate staff have been working incredibly hard to support our students in achieving success with these important assessments. The dedication and commitment shown by both our teaching team and students has been truly exceptional.

We are delighted to announce that many of our Year 9 and 10 students have already achieved their Common Assessment Activities - which is an outstanding result and testament to their hard work and determination.

Outstanding Opportunities

Every year, students are provided with two opportunities to undertake these national assessments, which are conducted under formal exam conditions. We are pleased to see how our students are embracing these opportunities and taking them in their stride, creating some excellent outcomes.

Celebrating Success

Well done to all of our students who are undertaking these assessments early in their schooling journey. Your commitment to excellence is inspiring, and we are proud of your achievements.

We also extend our heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated teachers who are preparing our students for success. Their exceptional mahi (work) in supporting student learning and development continues to make a real difference.

Looking Forward

We encourage all our students to carry on with the amazing mahi they are undertaking with us. With the continued support of our exceptional teaching team and the determination shown by our students, we look forward to celebrating even more great results in the future.

Thank you for your continued support of your child's education journey.

Ngā mihi,

The Secondary Syndicate Team
Collinwood Area School

National Sporting Success in Invercargill

During the first week of the school holidays, a group of our talented students traveled all the way to Invercargill for the Area Schools National tournament! These students had successfully made it through the TOSI (Top of the South Island) trials, earning the incredible opportunity to compete for a spot in their respective Area Schools New Zealand teams.

Our Kura was proudly represented by:

Maia: Kī-o-Rahi

Bianca: Volleyball

Syriah: Netball

Maryanne: Football

Ashley: Volleyball & Football

Leroy: Basketball & Kī-o-Rahi

Logan: Basketball & Volleyball

Jacob: Rugby

Everyone played exceptionally well, showcased fantastic sportsmanship, and had an amazing trip connecting with other athletes from around the country.

We're thrilled to announce some outstanding achievements! Maia earned a coveted spot in the South Island Kī-o-Rahi team and competed against the North Island in the final game! A massive congratulations also goes to Logan, who was selected for the New Zealand National Volleyball team! This is a truly remarkable accomplishment and a testament to his dedication and skill.

A Huge Mihi to Our Supporters!

The CAS National students want to extend a massive thank you to everyone who supported their fundraising efforts!

First, a huge shout-out to Mark, Wendy, Steven, and Abby Strange for generously donating wood. This wood was cut up and sold as firewood by the students.

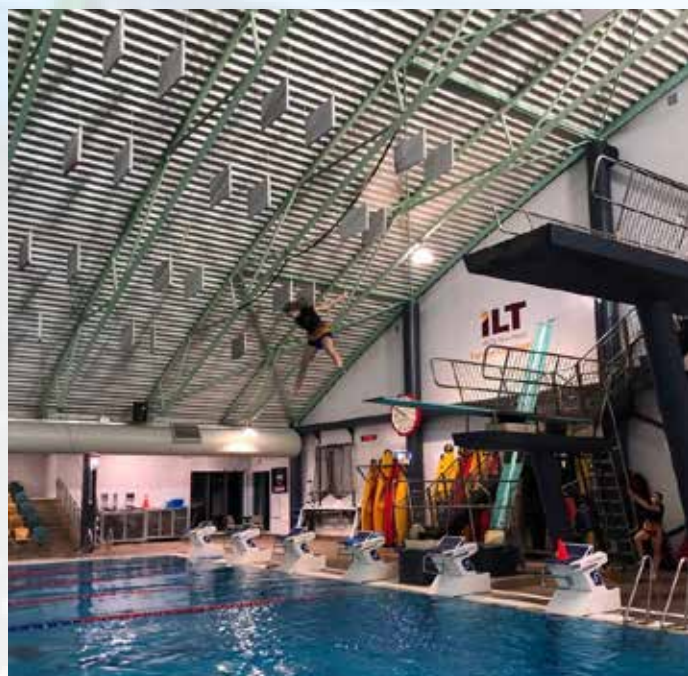
To Golden Bay Lions Club and especially Pam Gardinder for hosting a BINGO fundraiser for us - so much fun!

We're also incredibly grateful to On Farm Agri Centre and PGG Wrightson for their fantastic donations to our big raffle. And a special thank you to Collingwood Tavern for donating and selling tickets for two raffles! We also appreciate the donation from Trash Palace.

Finally, a massive thank you to the entire community for your incredible support!

Big Raffle Winners!

Clarissa Bruning: Ham, Tegan Iorns: Whole sheep butchered by Duncan McKenzie, Evan McLellan: Milking machine test, Sukhita Langford: Ham and health pack, Glenda: Box of latex gloves, Tracy Nalder: Langford Store voucher (\$50), Sophie Foskett: Ball and hat, Ashleigh James: Ball and hat. Abby Strange: Gladwrap Renae Swan: Kids earmuffs, Sandy Curnow: Coffee plunger



Tasman Secondary Schools (TSS) Basketball



Wow, what an incredible tournament at Saxton for the boys! They won 4 out of 5 games and clinched a fantastic 3rd place finish. Their awesome effort, teamwork, and sportsmanship were truly on display.

Thanks so much to Mike Win for his time and energy coaching and mentoring these boys all year. We are lucky to have you!

Important Notice for Parents and Visitors

For the health and safety of everyone at our school, all parents and visitors **MUST sign in and out at the Office.**

When you visit, please park in the **main visitors' carpark.** Please do not park in the staff carpark located behind the teaching block.

We appreciate your cooperation with these important guidelines.

Library News

Takaka Library Book Quiz is happening Monday 18th August at the Rec Centre in Takaka. We have 3 teams of 4 pupils from year 5/6/7 attending. We have been going to this event for about 9 years. The pupils have been reading a variety of books from the categories of Picture Books, Classic Books, General Fiction and Graphic Novels. There will be 50 questions over 5 categories.

This is always a fun competition with the added bonus of being able to “dress up” in a book themed outfit and getting a delicious morning tea. There are spot prizes and a cup for the overall winner. If you are a parent can you encourage your child to practise for this.

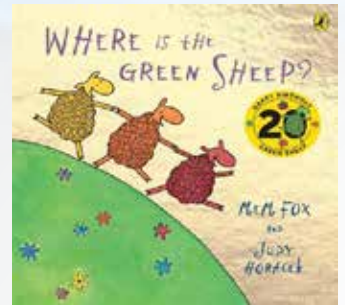
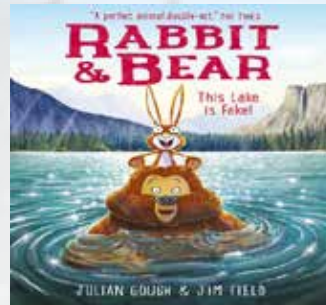


2020 Book Quiz Team



The 2023 Quiz

Some of our new books on RESERVE this week



The Writing Desk: Margaret and Elsie Balfour were raised on a farm in South Canterbury in the latter part of the nineteenth century. The sisters' lives diverge when Elsie leaves for the United Kingdom in 1899 to study medicine at Edinburgh University. As the eldest, Margaret remains at home, taking on the expected role of caring for her many siblings. When tragedy strikes, the trajectory of both of the sisters' lives is changed forever. Beautifully illustrated and accompanied with family photographs and historical ephemera, The Writing Desk highlights the daily trials and societal prejudices that women faced in the colonial era and offers a fascinating comparison to contemporary gender imbalances young women are still challenged by today. Very highly recommended for all those interested in History and Art and the lives of early NZ settlers.

The Wild Robot on the Island: Venture into Roz's wild world in this gorgeously illustrated picture book that brings to full colour the adventures of the robot called Roz. Roz the robot wasn't designed to live in the wilderness. But when she washes up on an island, she must learn from the animal inhabitants and adapt to her new, natural surroundings, and before long, the island begins to feel like home.

This Lake is Fake: Rabbit is fed up. Spring has finally arrived, but it's not as perfect as he hoped it would be. Bear thinks that if they work hard, they can improve things - a bit. But Rabbit has a MUCH better plan. He sets off across the lake in search of a Perfect World ... Meet Rabbit and Bear in the classic series that has taken the world by storm: this is a story of hope, friendship, a very long journey with no breakfast, and an entire island made of ... of ... wait ... is that chocolate? It looks like chocolate ...

Where is the Green Sheep? Here is the blue sheep, and here is the red sheep. Here is the bath sheep, and here is the bed sheep. But where is the green sheep? 'With the use of rhyme, rhythm and repetition, the narrative by Fox flows beautifully and young children will learn about colours, opposites and alliteration along the way ... The illustrations by Judy Horacek are delightful and complement the text with their bright colours and the wonderful expressions on the faces of the sheep. A book to treasure and to hand down to the next generation.

Take the time to read some stories today.....Diane & Donna ~ Librarians

Calendar

01 August	Teacher Only Day
06 August	Full group dress rehearsal at 3pm (not class)
07 August	CAS LipSync
11 - 14 August	Outdoor Ed Camp
13 August	Get2Go
18 August	Tākaka Library Quiz
20 - 22 August	Ski Trip
25 - 29 August	SISS Netball
29 August	Daffodil Day
01 September	Planting at Cape Farewell (Ōpou and Wharariki class)
05 September	IS Football
08 - 12 September	School Exams Week (Y9-13)
16 September	Year 9 & 10 Rafting
19 September	End Term Three
6 Oct - 11 December	Term Four

Can You Host a Student for Our Mini TOSI Event?

Our school is hosting the annual mini TOSI (Top of the South Island) event in October, and we're looking for wonderful people in our community who would be keen to billet students for one night. This is a fantastic two-day, one-night gathering where twenty students each from Tapawera, Murchison, and Amuri Area Schools will come together. It's a great opportunity for our Year 7 - 10 students to compete, make new friends, and get a feel for our annual TOSI tournament held in Term One each year.

If you're able to help out and provide a warm, welcoming place for a student to stay, please email Sam at sports@collingwood.school.nz.

Your support would make a huge difference to the success of this event!

Mini survey for ERO project on Cell Phones

The Education Review Office is carrying out some research to learn more about how 'Phones away for the day' is going. They want to hear your thoughts on what's working, what's not working, and what could make it better. Take 5-10 minutes to share your thoughts in this quick survey — your input really makes a difference. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/phones-away-for-the-day-parents>

Netball Uniform Returns

Could all netball girls who are no longer playing please return their uniforms to Kate in the office? Thanks!

LipSync Dress Rehearsals

What's Happening: LipSync dress rehearsals for group acts.

When: After school on Wednesday 6th August

Important Note: This rehearsal is ONLY for group acts, not whole class performances.

Action Required: If your child normally takes the bus and will be staying for the rehearsal, please inform the office.

Important Notice for Parents and Visitors

Last week in the Collingwood area, speed limits around Collingwood Area School were lowered to enhance safety, especially during school travel times.

Several streets, including Washington Street and Lewis Street, now have a 30 km/h speed limit during school pick-up and drop-off times, while other streets have reductions to 40 km/h or 60 km/h.

Please take some time to acquaint yourself with the new limits, you can have a look online

<https://shape.tasman.govt.nz/speed-review/speed-changes-urban-areas>



5. Collingwood VSL 50/30 & 40/30





Collingwood Area School
Connecting to others, our environment, and the future
Te whanaungatanga ki te tangata, te taiao, te anamata hoki

TRIENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS 2025

ELECTORAL ROLL

ELECTION DAY: Wednesday September 10, 2025

There are 3 parent representative vacancies and 1 staff vacancy

Nominations Close at NOON on WEDNESDAY 6 AUGUST, 2025

Nominations can be made online at www.myschoolelection.nz/mynomination or using the hard copy form at the back of this document.

More information about how to make a nomination can be found at the back of this document and online at www.myschoolelection.nz

To request amendments to the electoral roll, contact the returning officer at allscots@gmail.com

Amendments to the roll will appear in the Supplementary roll.

The Supplementary roll closes at midday on Monday 4 August.

This is a public document. In accordance with the Privacy Act 2020, no contact details are provided in this roll.

Number on the Parent Electoral Roll 148

Number on the Staff Electoral Roll 33

Both electronic voting and postal voting methods are available. For authentication purposes, voters must supply an email address (may be shared) and a unique mobile phone number. Contact the school office to verify your details are correctly recorded on the school management system.

COLLINGWOOD AREA SCHOOL

BOT Triennial Election 2025

Parent Nominations Received

as at 30th July 2025

PLEASE NOTE - Nominations are still open until the

6th August 2025

Dan Jessep

Clay Paton

Brendan Richards

Alan Curtis - Returning Officer

Alan Curtis, Returning Officer.

CONTACT allscots@gmail.com



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No School tomorrow!



Collingwood Area School Health Nurse

Confidential Free Service



**Caroline Jones our Health Nurse is available on Monday 12.30 - 2.45 pm,
for our year Nine to Thirteen students,
for confidential, free of charge appointments about any health issue, or to arrange
access to doctors and prescriptions**

Drop in or text Caroline on 027 203 1213 to make an appointment

- ★ Vaccination questions
- ★ Alcohol and drug support
- ★ Contraception
- ★ Skin issues, acne and mole checks
- ★ Puberty and period questions
- ★ Help to stop smoking and vaping

- ★ Muscle sprains and pains
- ★ Whanau and relationship concerns
- ★ Blood tests and referrals
- ★ STI checks
- ★ Sexuality and gender questions
- ★ Diet and weight management

TO THE RESIDENTS/BUSINESSES OF COLLINGWOOD & SURROUNDING AREAS

We are undertaking repairs on the White Bridge at the intersection of Collingwood-Bainham Road and Puponga Road. The repair works are on the deck section of the bridge and will require the bridge to be closed for all users during the day from 9am to 5pm.

**The daytime closures will run for an estimated 8 days, from
Monday 11th August 2025 through to Wednesday 20th August 2025.**

The bridge will be open for half an hour at 12noon and 3pm each working day and will be open at the weekends.

At all times emergency services will be given access across the bridge if required.

We understand that this will be inconvenient, and we want to work with you to try and minimise the disruption. Please follow all directions of staff when required.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation so that we can get this work done as quickly as possible.

***If you have any concerns about this upcoming work, please contact us:
Egypt Ltd - Mary Barnett - 027 5276211***