

Pānui Wednesday 22nd October 2025

- Strike Day
 - tomorrow Thursday 23rd October. School is closed for instruction.

Kia ora e te whānau,

As we head into the long weekend and towards our much-anticipated Show Day on Tuesday, 28 October, I want to take a moment to thank Pip Baker for her incredible work in organising this 80th anniversary celebration. It's shaping up to be a fantastic community event, one that truly reflects Collingwood's spirit of connection, pride, and history.

- Half Day Strike -Wednesday 5th of November. Buses will run at 12.45pm. The after school disco is cancelled.
- We're very fortunate to have leading cyber-safety expert John Parsons joining us for a special parent session on Friday, 31 October at 1.30 pm, thanks to Mohua Social Services. John's presentation will focus on how to help young people stay safe and make good decisions online. We strongly encourage parents and caregivers to attend—it's always practical, insightful, and empowering.

To add some fun to the day, students are invited to come in Halloween dress-ups. Outfits should be creative but appropriate for school - nothing too scary, please!

 Trophies: All trophies should now have been returned to school. Our thanks go to Fern Fuels for their ongoing support through the Fuel for Schools programme, which provides valuable resources to rural schools. We've recently received a brand new TV for one of our classrooms, and some exciting new vegetable garden equipment is on its way. You can read more about this nationwide initiative at fuelforschools.co.nz.

2025 Year Book:
 Please get your orders in as soon as you can - \$30 per copy.

A huge thank you to Garry Dunn for running Learner Licence training at school last week. Pip Brake organised this fantastic opportunity for our students aged over 15 ½ who haven't yet gained their learner's license. Two of our students were then eligible to take their test immediately as part of the course, given their age. Congratulations to Ethan and Joy, who have now officially earned their Learner Licences! What a fantastic milestone.

- Dress Up Day

 Friday 31st
 October come
 dressed up as
 your favourite
 character!
- Over the last two weeks, it has been a pleasure to attend both the Future Farming Prizegiving and the NMIT Trades Academy Prizegiving, where our students were honoured for their hard work, dedication and growing vocational skills. In the Future Farming programme, our young people are gaining vital hands-on experience in areas such as soil science, animal care and sustainable agritech, preparing them for exciting opportunities in primary industries. Equally, the Trades Academy event celebrated our students who have embraced trades pathways, developed industry-relevant skills while still at school, and are now well-positioned for strong futures. I was particularly proud to see so many parents and caregivers join us on both occasions your support makes a real difference in our students' achievements. Congratulations to all those recognised, and thank you for making these moments so special and meaningful for our school community.
- John Parsons Internet Safety.
 Parent talk,
 Friday 31st
 October. 1.30 2.45 pm.

We've also recently completed interviews for our 2026 Student Leadership Team. Successful Year 12 students have been appointed as 2026 House Leaders, roles that

will lay the groundwork for further leadership positions in Year 13. Successful Year 13 students have been appointed into a more traditional structure of Head and Deputy Head students. A leadership day to develop the expectations of their roles will be held in late January. Congratulations to the following students on their new roles:

Head Boy: AonghusHead Girl: Jaimie

Deputy Head Students: Alex and PoppyHouse Leaders: Syriah, Bianca, and Logan

Each has developed a Leadership Project as part of the application and interview process. Their leadership projects focus on clubs and groups, Spirit Week events, study support, Te Ao Māori development, and peer mediation initiatives. We look forward to seeing their ideas come to life in 2026.

Enjoy the long weekend, take care on the roads, and we look forward to seeing everyone at Show Day for what promises to be a wonderful community celebration.

He waka eke noa.

Nāku noa, Kate Staniford Tumuaki | Principal

2026 Student and House Leader Team

Back Row: Bianca, Logan,

Syriah

Front Row: Alex, Jaimie,

Aonghus

Absent: Poppy



Breakfast Club

We're excited to let you know that our new Breakfast Club is now running every morning from 8:15 to 8:45am in the hall. All students are welcome to come along and enjoy some toast, fruit, and cereal to start the day right.

If you're able to help out in the mornings or would like to donate items such as cereal, spreads, fruit, or milk, please get in touch with **Amy** or **Holly**, we'd love your support!

Kohine Ignite

The Kohine Ignite day is designed to show young women that sport is for everyone! It's an empowering, no pressure opportunity to sample different activities, connect with peers, and discover new skills. Seven of our students spent the day rotating through hockey, cricket, football, ultimate frisbee, and pickleball. It was clear they all embraced the spirit of the day! A massive shout out to Bree Dell, who was awarded a special spot prize for her fantastic attitude and commitment to participation. Cricket was the clear fan favourite, we might have some future White Ferns!

Ngå mihi

Pete Taylor









Teddy Bears Picnic

In Pūhouhou we have been learning about kindness. We have been talking about how we can be kind to our friends and classmates. We have been trying to "fill our buckets" with kindness. Every time a teacher witnessed a kind act we would put a ball into our bucket. On Friday our bucket was full and we celebrated with a Teddy Bears Picnic. Tui led us on a long walk through a muddy forest with our teddies and then we found a dry spot and shared our kai. Lots of fun!





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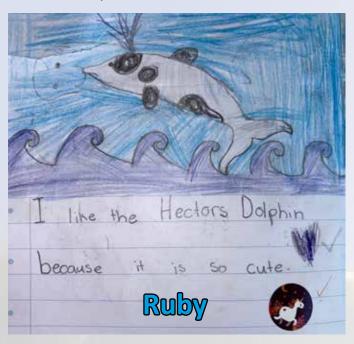
Project Jonah

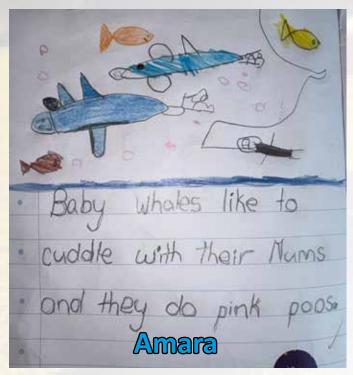
On Tuesday last week we had the privilege of getting a visit from Project Jonah.

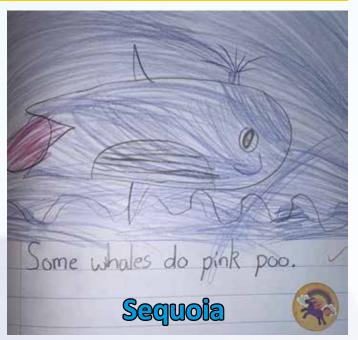
Students learnt about different whale and dolphin types as well as ways to keep our waterways clear. Not only that but we learnt some quick key pieces of information on how we are able to help in the event of a stranding.

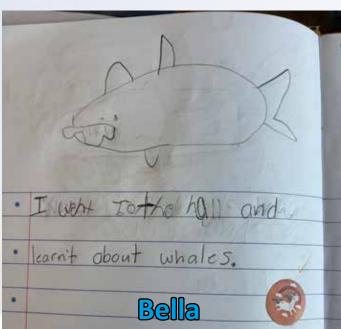
Ask your children about what they learnt, there was some amazing information shared with us, especially how big some whales can be!

Below we have some writing from Puhouhou and their big buddies about what they learnt or liked the best from the presentation.











Penguins

Last week on Wednesday the 15th of October Rosie and Pip's class walked down to Collingwood beach to learn about penguins with Heather who works for the penguin trust and CJ works for the TDC . When we got there we played a game called 'Penguins and Pests'. There would be lots of people being penguins and then lots of people being pests to penguins - all of the penguins would have to get to the other side without being tagged.

After that we split into four groups and went to do activities such as look for penguin footprints, make a nest for them, make a penguin out of things on the beach or talk about them with CJ. After that we said some thank yous and walked back up to the school.

By Isla Paton









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Library News

Welcome to our Library News

We have two main messages to pass on today.

Firstly, the Library will be having a stall on **Show Day** so make sure you come past.

We will have our 2nd hand book sale with a few brand new books on sale - we have been donated these books - NZ history and topics. The majority are withdrawn books, they are still great reading, something for all ages.



We will be having tea, coffee and hot chocolate along with slices and biscuits.

Guess the lollies in the jar and Rainbow jelly. Bring your coins, we love coins. Then we may have enough money to buy some more of those books you have requested.

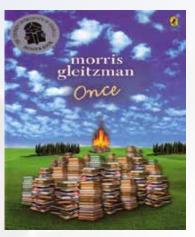
Secondly, after next week we will be gearing up to start our **annual stocktake**. The library can still stay open throughout this process. To free up our time for us to complete the stocktake we would really like any and all of the **overdue books** to be returned.



At the moment there are 55 books overdue more than 2 weeks, so please ask your child and look around home for any and all school library books. It will be much appreciated.

There has been a renewed interest in books about children in **World War Two** and the aftermath, due to a teacher reading a Morris Gleitzman book to them. We actually have a very good collection of books on this area and these are in a wee stack on my desk, so if you want to read more books about children in conflict and how they persevere and survive, we can help you.

We look forward to seeing you all next week on Show Day with your coins & notes.



Diane & Donna - Librarians

Collingwood Area School Health Nurse

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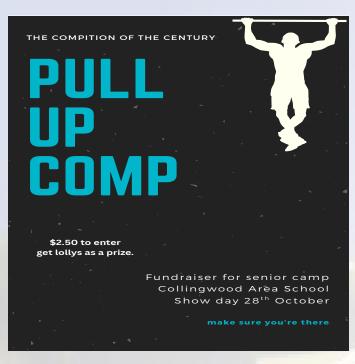


Caroline Jones our Health Nurse is available on Monday 12.30 - 2.45 pm,
for our year Nine to Thirteen students,
for confidential, free of charge appointments about any health issue, or to arrange
access to doctors and prescriptions

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













prizes: chocolate bars, lollies, candy





Calendar

23 October

24 October

27 October

28 October

28 - 31 October

30-31 October

31st October

04 November

05 November

29 - 21 November

21 November

24 - 28 November

25 - 28 November

28 November

03 December (NEW DATE)

11 December

2026

Term One

Term Two

Term Three

Term Four

Defensive Driving at CAS 2025 1st, 4th, 8th and 11th December

Junior Tennis Program

The Collingwood Junior Tennis Program will start on Thursday 23rd October, at the Collingwood Tennis Courts (in the camp ground), sessions are organised according to skill level, ensuring that such child receives appropriate coaching and support.

For enrolment in the junior tennis program please contact Tania Hurst at 0276444547 for further details and registration.

Strike Day - School is closed

(Y1-8) Emergency Services Afternoon

Labour Day

Show Day

Life Education Bus

Mini TOSI @ CAS

Dress up day - go crazy!

John Parson - Parents talk 1.30pm - 2.45pm

NCEA Exams begin

Half Day Strike - School closes at 12.45pm

Wharariki Class Camp

Inter School Athletics

Year 10 Abel Tasman Trip

Year 9 Heaphy Trip

Formal

Senior (Y9-13) Prize Giving @ 6pm

End Term Four

Friday 30th January (Head Students Only)
Tuesday 3rd Feb (All Students) - Thursday April 4th
Monday April 20th - Friday 3rd July
Monday 20th July - Friday 25th September
Monday 12th October - Thursday 10th December



Under 18

Music Fundraising Event

a mash-up of live music and DJs

15th November 2025 _ 7-12pm

Pahara Hall, Golden Bay

(Entry 13-17yrs only)

Are you an artist who wants to contribute your talent to this fundraiser - We'd love to hear from you!

We are inviting expressions of interest:

Solo artists, duos or bands

DJs - all genres may apply

For more information or to send a clip of your music or performance please email theorewegb@gmail.com
or ring 027686645



Are you a parent/guardian concerned about how your child uses the internet or mobile phone?

Cybercrime is a very real issue facing families in NZ, but there are easy practical steps to reduce the risk. Mohua Social Services invites you to a presentation on the issues associated with the inappropriate use of computers, mobile phones and the internet.

INTERNET HEALTH AND WELLBEING PRESENTATION

WITH JOHN PARSONS www.facebook.com/johnparsonss2eNew Zealand's leading authority on Safeguarding Children Online.

John is a published author and copies of his books

Keeping Your Children Safe Online and Romeo the Elephant's Digital

Footprint are available for purchase via his website.

Venue: Collingwood Area School Hall

Date: Friday 31st October

Start Time: 1.30pm

www.citizen21.co.nz
Safeguarding children and adults online



TOPICS COVERED

Online sexual exploitation.
Cyber bullying.
Future proofing for employment.
Managing screen time.
The importance of sleep.
Online pornography.

Risk factors and protective factors are identified

Educating young people to understand the value of identity is the first step to using ICT safely and ethically



Mohua Social Services



Arts for whānau (October/November 2025)



Visit Bay Art and Young @Art see what visual artists in Golden
Bay have been creating - GB High
Hall, 24th October-2nd November
(10-4pm) - gold coin entry

Sonya McArthur (Hokitika Biodiversity ranger and author) shares her new book "Tales of Curiosity" - session includes story, Q&A and creative craft. Tākaka Library, 1 November, (11am-12) - free event



Meningitis

is on the rise again in New Zealand. The vaccine is free of charge to students entering Halls of Residence, or armed forces next year, and also to any students who turn 13 years of age while living

in boarding school hostels.

Meningitis strains covered are A,B,C,W&Y, 2 vaccines at first visit followed by a booster 8 weeks later. Ideally you would want to start mid-end November in order to get the booster dose before moving to new living situation.

Please book with a nurse at Golden Bay Medical Centre 035250060 or more information from Youth Health Nurse Caroline 0272031213