

Pānui Thursday 6th November 2025

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Kia ora e te whānau,

The last couple of weeks have been a busy and rewarding time at our kura - thank you to all staff, students and whānau for your ongoing commitment, flexibility and support.

Sun Smart:
 Please send
 students to
 school with
 sun hats and
 water bottles.
 Sunscreen is
 available in the
 Office if students
 need to top up.

Recently, we hosted an Emergency Services Day, during which our students undertook hands-on activities with local fire, ambulance, police, and Search and Rescue personnel. The opportunity to test real equipment, ask questions of frontline responders, and engage in risk and readiness scenarios brought learning vividly to life - a reminder that school isn't just about theory, but about lived experience and community partnership. Thank you to Joy Wells for creating this afternoon for our learners, and to Mel Dixon for bringing it to life!

The 80th Anniversary Show Day stood out for me as a real celebration of creativity, hands-on learning and community. Students finalised their exhibits, creative pieces, and brought along livestock and pets. The day had a lovely feel - thank you to Pip Baker for her organisation and to her committee for executing yet another fantastic day.

Swimming
 Pool: The pool is currently undergoing some remedial paint work. We are hoping to have it open early December. We will update as soon as we can.

Later in the same busy week, staff and students participated in the Mini-TOSI Tournament, perfectly organised by Pete Taylor, Sam Iorns and their team of senior student referees and umpires. The event saw us hosting students from Murchison, Amuri and Tapawera Area Schools and emphasised teamwork, participation and fun. Thank you to all the whānau who hosted students or helped out at the event. We came in a close second - congratulations to the team!

Turning to the bigger picture, I want to draw attention to two system-wide issues that are very much present here at our kura: curriculum change and updated attendance requirements.

On <u>curriculum</u>, I attended the recent Curriculum Roadshow hosted by the Ministry of Education, and this week our staff received training in the "Enablers and Extenders" portion of the refreshed curriculum framework. The intention to support rich, extended learning is good. However, schools are not comfortable with the current pace, scope and implementation of the changes. Additionally, in the last week, educators across New Zealand feel they have been blindsided by significant changes to the Maths and English curricula, less than a year after the previous revision that we have been training to deliver. Teachers now face having to redo professional learning, adjust to a new assessment system that has not yet been built (SMART), and consider the disestablishment of NCEA and some curriculum subjects.

For our staff, that means increased workload, significant change fatigue and the challenge of keeping the focus where it should be: on high-quality teaching and learning, not just compliance. The rush to align to planning frameworks, new

assessments and a data-dashboard model threatens to shift the emphasis away from deep disciplinary knowledge and student-centred inquiry. At our school, we will continue to ensure that our curriculum remains locally centred, and that we provide meaningful, coherent progressions - even as we adapt to the new requirements. We will work to mitigate the impact here by ensuring realistic timelines, proper professional development and ongoing reflection.

On attendance, the national direction is clear. The MoE has published the <u>Stepped Attendance Response</u> (<u>STAR</u>) <u>framework</u> and expects all state and state-integrated schools to develop Attendance Management Plans aligned with it. We are required to implement this framework, but I want to emphasise to our whānau that our response is not about punishment; it is about identifying and addressing barriers: health, transport, belonging, curriculum engagement, and wellbeing. Our partnership with you is central. Our staff are under additional scrutiny when monitoring attendance, following up on absences, meeting with families, and recording and reporting, with data transferred to the MoE daily. I am committed to ensuring we strike a balance so that our teachers and students are supported and the focus remains on student successes.

And finally, to our senior students preparing for their NCEA external examinations, mihi nui koutou. You've worked hard all year with internal assessments, study, tutoring and teacher support. In the letter sent home, I outlined key dates, procedures, study sessions, device readiness, and wellbeing check-ins. Please continue to engage with your kaiako, keep your routines strong (sleep, nutrition, focused revision, short breaks), and know the school community has your back. We look forward to celebrating your achievements at the prizegiving later this term!

He waka eke noa,

Kate Staniford
Tumuaki | Principal

Dress Up Day Winners!







The three best-dressed students from our Halloween Dress-Up Day were awarded special trophies, which were 3D-printed and donated to the school by the generous Gary Thorpe: First Place, Amelia; Second Place, Wyatt; and Third Place, Joseph.

Emergency Services Afternoon

Hello everyone

On Friday the 24th October I ran an Emergency Service Afternoon where I got representatives from St John's Ambulance, the Fire Brigade and Search and Rescue to come into school to talk to the kids about what they do and to make them feel more comfortable around the services as they may need them one day.

Fire officers talked about what to do in case of a house fire and showed the students all the tools they use on jobs. Ambulance staff let them go on to the stretchers and wheelchairs as well as taking blood pressures and temperatures. Search and Rescue showed the kids the tools they have when they go on jobs as well as talked to them about how to be safe out in the bush. Then the groups did sack races, egg and spoon and chalk drawing where they were told to draw something to do with the emergency services.

Then for lunchtime we had a sausage sizzle and juices for sale and the kids got to play and have even more fun looking over the chalk drawings.

After lunchtime the groups had 30 minutes to finish with the services before we had to start getting ready for hometime and saying goodbye.

I would like to say thank you to PGG Wrightsons for supplying the sausages and juices and a huge thank you to the volunteer emergency services for taking time out of their day to come and teach the kids about them and to Summit Rescue Helicopter for letting us use Hubert the blow up helicopter!

Ngā mihi

Joy Wells - Deputy Head Student











80th Annual Show Day

The Girls and Boys Agricultural Club Day or 'Show Day' was a special event this year. It has been 80 years since the beginning of this event.

Early Calf Club competitions were held in Bainham, Kaituna, Pakawau, Onekaka and Collingwood. The best two calves from each school were brought down to Collingwood for the final judging.

So the format of Show Day has changed but we are still going strong. How fortunate we were with the weather. Monday night there was torrential rain as we set up the Hall so I was thinking that our chances of a fine day were slim. That was not to be - it was beautiful!

There seemed to be a lot of inside entries and as per usual there was a high standard and such different ideas.

The animals all looked relaxed. I did see one calf and a goat having a run around the field. It was great to see the horses back.

Thank you to Joyce and Ellie and Pax for the displays of milking and working dog obedience - they were really good to watch.

A big thank you to Renae Swan, The Golden Bay A & P Association, the judges, teachers and support staff who assisted.

Finally to the Show Day committee for all the hard work with fundraising and getting this event organised.

Ngā mihi

Pip Baker



2026 Trophy Winners

Back Row: Tessa, Charlotte, Lydia, Tegan, Ashley, Braxton, Levi S Middle Row: Charlotte, Anita, Yasmin, Olivia Front Row: Opal, Skyla, Max, Luka

Trophy Winners

Calves

Junior Calf

Upper Junior Calf: Charlotte Richards

Intermediate Calf - A F Berry Cup: Lydia Riley

Challenge Cup Senior: Ashley Iorns

Champion Calf - John & Claire Davis Cup: Ashley Iorns

with 'Pam'

Lambs

Preschool: Opal Leetch

Junior - Masters Cup: Nevaeh Poole

Upper Junior: Olivia Hoskin

Intermediate - Johnstone Cup: Levi Strange

Senior: Tegan Strange

Champion - Lonestar Farms Cup:Tegan Strange

Horses: Ashley Iorns

Dogs: Tessa Fearn

Goats - Lambs Jewellery Cup: Anita Ferguson

Pets - Menary Family Cup: Max Win

Models: Skyla Strange

Floral - Ronga Wigzell Cup: Coby Heuvel

Cooking - JW Solly Cup: Braxton Hoskin

Pet Projects

Pre School: Kaia Terry Moir

Junior: Ruby Paton

Upper Junior: Olivia Hoskin

Intermediate - Richard Bayliff Cup: Braxton Hoskin

Senior - John Weston Cup: Charlotte Hoskin

Champion: Charlotte Hoskin

Photography - A J Macdonald Cup: Luka De Vos

Art/Crafts: Yasmin Moeltgen















Mini-TOSI

The annual Junior TOSI sports tournament saw a massive display of talent, determination, and camaraderie last week as students from Tapawera Area School, Murchison Area School, Amuri Area School, and Collingwood Area School battled it out over two action-packed days. The tournament, for Year 7-10 students, was held last Thursday and Friday, offering a huge variety of sports and challenges.

We kicked off on Thursday morning with Netball, Football, and Fishing. While the fishing started slowly, it finished with a flurry of excitement, with Murchison netting the winning catch. The day was a marathon of sport, continuing after lunch with Volleyball, Pickleball, and Basketball, and stretching into the evening with Badminton, Indoor Bowls, Table Tennis, Squash, and a Quiz after dinner.

After the demanding first day, the students headed off to their billets for a well-deserved rest before returning on Friday morning for the final events: Ki o Rahi, Playball, and a Cooking Challenge. A huge highlight across all events was the awesome attitude of the competitors, the spirit of friendly competition, and seeing every student put in a huge effort. The winner came down to the last event and after a nail-biting wait, the results were announced after lunch. Murchison Area School were declared the overall champions.

The Collingwood team had an outstanding performance on their home turf, finishing an extremely close second, just two points behind the winners. Amuri Area School secured third place, with Tapawera Area School coming in fourth.

Collingwood students excelled across the board, performing exceptionally well in Netball, Pickleball, Badminton, Basketball, Playball, and the Cooking Challenge, representing the school with pride.

The success of the Junior TOSI tournament wouldn't have been possible without the dedication of many people. Special thanks to all the helpers on the day, the officials and referees, the supportive spectators, the community for billeting the teams and the crucial scorekeepers.

We would also like to thank Craig for keeping the grounds in excellent condition, and to Sam Iorns for the massive organisational effort required to pull the entire tournament together.

The Junior TOSI tournament was a fantastic celebration of sport and teamwork, and we look forward to next year's competition in Murchison!



2025 Mini-TOSI

Collingwood Area School, Tapawera Area School, Murchison Area School, Amuri Area School











2025 Mini-TOSI Team

Back Row: Levi R, Kent, Zach, Leroy S, Otis, Coby, Quin (Captain), Aaron, Malakai, Claude Front Row: Lynette-Ryita, Tessa, Tegan, Ashley (Captain), Mackenzie, Ash, Bree, Violet, Maryanne Absent: Charlotte H

Library News

There has been a hive of fun activities going on in the Library Space for the start of Term Four this year. Show Day fun was had and lots of sweet treats enjoyed by everyone. 'Guess the number of Lollies in the Jar' was won by Hunter with Mazzy and Kent coming second and third.

A big Thank You to our wonderful Student Librarians that once again stepped up to help Diane out on the day with the fundraising sales and competitions. You are the BEST.

More fun was had as a Halloween Theme Library emerged for the day. Scary pop-up books and picture books, mysterious thrillers, down right spooky stories were having their moment on display to be borrowed by the students that enjoy a good horror story. In our library system subject search we have 74 catalogued as horror and 28 scary. But I know of more thrillers on the shelves waiting to scare and delight the readers at the same.

New books are still coming in so make sure you check out on Monday the NEW BOOK DISPLAY to reserve for pick-up on Friday.

Donna & Diane. Kaitiaki pukapuka. Librarians









Young@Art

A huge congratulations to the talented young artists from Collingwood Area School who were brilliantly represented at the recent Young@Art exhibition, held at Golden Bay School from October 25th to November 2nd.

We are especially proud to announce that the artworks of Yanna, Bree, and Reef were chosen for an extended display at the Tākaka Library, as a People's Choice Award! This is a wonderful honour and testament to their skill.

It was a well-attended exhibition, with many expressing their admiration for our students' work, particularly the Year 10 printmaking pieces and the fantastic group sculptures. Our youngest contributors, Bella, Aspyn, Skyla, and Amara, also showcased their inspiring talents for the community to enjoy.

Thank you to everyone who supports our tamariki in their artistic endeavours, and to the Young@Art organisers for once again curating such a successful and inspiring exhibition.

2025 Young@Art Participants: Louis, Yanna, Zach, Maryanne, Jesse, Ashley, Clara, Anku, Bree, Oakley, Bella, Skyla, Aspen, Amara and Year 9&10 group sculptures plus Amber and Reef.









Calendar

05 November

14 November

19 November

20 - 21 November

21 November

24 - 28 November

25 - 28 November

28 November

03 December

11 December

2026

Term One

Term Two

Term Three

Term Four

Defensive Driving at CAS 2025 1st, 4th, 8th and 11th December **NCEA Exams begin**

Tākaka Library - Summer Reading

Intra School Ki o Rahi

Y9-13 Prize Giving Practise

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

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

Become a Trees for Survival Landowner

Your local school are excited to join the Trees for Survival programme.

We are looking for a local landowner to host the school's yearly planting day and help support students to make a positive difference to their local environment.

Are you keen to revegetate your land with New Zealand native plants raised and nurtured by a local school? Do you have an environmentally atrisk stream, erosion prone slopes or land to retire?

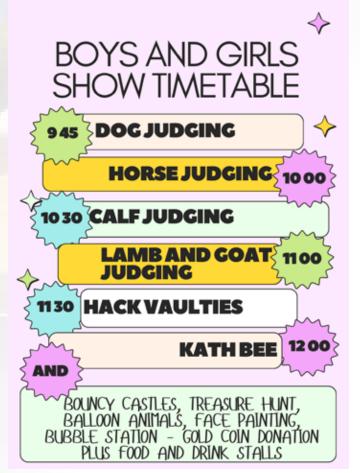
Find out more and register your interest by filling in our Landowner Expression of Interest Form!

www.tfsnz.org.nz - Get Involved



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Date	Session	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Tue 4 Nov	AM		Mathematics & Statistics	Dance	Classical Studies
	PM		Latin	Japanese Making Music Spanish	Statistics
Wed 5	AM			English	
Nov	PM		Geography		Earth & Space Science
Thu 6	AM		English		Latin
Nov	PM		Chinese	History	French
Fri 7 Nov	AM			Chemistry	Accounting
	PM		Accounting	•	Biology
			WEEKEND		
Mon 10 Nov	AM	French Spanish	Lea Faka-Tonga Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoan
	PM	Commerce	Korean	Agricultural & Horticultural Science Chinese German	Media Studies
Tue 11	AM	English			Physics
Nov	PM	Gagana Tokelau	Dance	Biology	Art History
Wed 12 Nov	AM	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Chemistry	Drama	Geography
	PM	Korean	Cook Islands Māori Drama	Digital Technologies Samoan	Psychology
Thu 13 Nov	AM	Mathematics and Statistics	Art History	Statistics	Drama
	PM	History	Physics	Accounting	Agricultural & Horticultural Scien
		CANTERBU	RY ANNIVERSARY DA	Y (Fri 14 Nov)	
			WEEKEND		<u> </u>
Mon 17 Nov	AM	Te Reo Māori	French	Latin Psychology Te Reo Rangatira	Chemistry
	PM	Japanese	Biology	Economics	
Tue 18 Nov	AM	Science	History	Physics	Te Reo Rangatira
	PM	Digital Technologies	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Media Studies	
Wed 19	AM	Chinese	Te Reo Rangatira	Lea Faka-Tonga	English
Nov	PM	Social Studies	Classical Studies	Art History	Economics
Thu 20 Nov	AM	Physics Earth & Space Science	Media Studies	Te Reo Māori	Calculus
	PM	Vagahau Niue	Education for Sustainability Samoan	Earth & Space Science	Chinese
Fri 21 Nov	AM	Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani		Music Studies	Spanish
	PM	Geography	Music		History
			WEEKEND		
Mon 24	AM	Gagana Sāmoa	Japanese	Geography	
Nov	PM	German	Earth & Space Science		Religious Studies
Tue 25	AM	Chemistry & Biology	Home Economics	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
Nov	PM	Lea Faka-Tonga	German	Home Economics	Digital Technologie
Wed 26	AM	Religious Studies	Social Studies	French	Japanese
Nov	PM	Health Studies	Business Studies	Health	
Thu 27 Nov	AM		Economics	Korean	
	PM		Health	Business Studies	
Fri 28	AM	1	Digital Technologies	Cook Islands Māori	German
Nov	l	1	Spanish	Social Studies	





Notices from the community continued...





15th November 2025 ... 7-12pm Pōhara Hall, Golden Bay (Entry 13-17yrs only)

MUSIC LINE-UP

DOORS OPEN @6.30PM

DJ

SALTY B

7.00PM

LIVE MUSIC

A MIX OF LOCAL SOLO AND DUOS

KEYBOARD, GUITARS, VIOLIN LOCAL SINGER SONGWRITERS

BEAT BOXER

8.30PM

CHAIN REACTION

8.50PM

RECOVERY

DJ'S FROM 9PM

MUCK UP TINNIY



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