

Cobden School Gala



Thursday 4th December
4.30pm to 6.30pm

- * Raffle
- * The Spud Guy
- * Little Ponys
- * Carnival Games
- * West Coast Soft Serve Ice Cream
- * White Elephant Stall
- * Home Baking Stall
- * Sunflower seedlings & Plants
- * Coffee Van
- * Candy Floss
- * Pick a Bottle
- * and more stalls to come



Save the Date!!!! We look forward to seeing you all!

COBDEN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Caring, Co operation, Communication
Manaakitanga, Mahi Ngatahi, Korero Mai



A community of learners where wellbeing and relationships encourage ākonga to be confident, engaged and caring critical thinkers.

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Newsletter 31st October 2025



Kia ora tātou,

As we wrap up Week 4, it's incredible to see how quickly the term is moving along. Planning for our end-of-year celebrations is well underway, and we're particularly excited about the upcoming Gala. A note went home this week with more details, and we are truly overwhelmed by the generosity and support our whānau have already shown — thank you!

Unfortunately, due to recent weather conditions, the structural work on our pool has taken longer than expected. We know many of our tamariki are eager to jump back in, and we're hopeful to have it up and running within the next few weeks — fingers crossed!

Ngā mihi nui,
Noula Markham
Principal



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Please advise if you can help with any of the following:

- ♦ Raffle Prize Donations - Please advise at the office if you have a prize.
- ♦ If you would like to sell raffle tickets for our Gala Raffle please let Carolyn know at the office.
- ♦ Bake sale items - Please advise what you are baking. Can be dropped at the office on Gala day.
- ♦ White Elephant stall items - can be dropped at the office anytime.
- ♦ Bottelo Bottles - can be dropped at the office anytime.
- ♦ Parent Help on the night to supervise various carnival games - Put your name down at the office.

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Important Dates 2025 - Also on the Skool Loop Calendar tab

Wednesday 5th November	Kowhai Punakaiki Trip.
Thursday 6th November	Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Friday 7th November	"Gumboot Friday" Gold Coin Mufti Day for the I Am Hope Foundation
Friday 7th November	Assembly 12pm Led by Mokomoko. Whanau can bring their lunch.
Tuesday 11th November	Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Wednesday 12th November	Mokomoko Grandparent Day
Friday 14th November	Duffy \$5 Parent Offer Closes
Tuesday 18th November	Lucky Book Club issue 8 orders close
Wednesday 19th November	West Coast Women's Refuge—Gold Coin Mufti Day.
Thursday 20th November	Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Friday 21st November	Assembly 12pm Led by Kowhai 1 Rm 2. Whanau can bring their lunch.
Tuesday 25th November	Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Monday 1st December	Westland Anniversary Day—Public Holiday—School Closed.
Tuesday 2nd December	Cobden School Board Meeting - 5.30pm Staffroom
Thursday 4th December	Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Thursday 4th December	Cobden School Gala 4.30pm to 6.30pm.
Friday 5th December	Assembly 12pm Led by Kowhai 2. Whanau can bring their lunch.
Tuesday 9th December	Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Wednesday 10th December	Year 8 Leavers Dinner.
Monday 15th December	2pm Cobden School Prizegiving in the Hall—School uniform please.
Tuesday 16th December	Last Day of Term 4

2026 Term 1

Monday 2nd February

First Day of Term 1 2026

Disclaimer: Dates and Times are correct at the time of printing but are subject to change.

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Caring, Co-operation, Communication

This terms focus:

"Mahi Ngatahi - Co-Operation"

"Keep Calm and Carry On"

Values Card Winners:

Term 4 Week 3 Samantha, Sadie, Nirvana & Kahu
Week 4 Amiyah, Donte & Kora



As part of supporting our students' wellbeing, we often talk about how to manage big feelings and bounce back when things don't go our way. The recent weather has certainly tested us all! With endless rain, gusty winds, and chilly days, it's been tricky to keep spirits high and routines on track. It's been a great reminder for us — children and adults alike — to take a breath, regulate our frustrations, and find calm in the chaos.



Firewise 25 Years - Cobden Fire Brigade officers Paul Smith, Blake Hodgson & Derek Osmond came to Team Mokomoko last week to celebrate the Firewise Education programme's Gold Star - 25 years - to share the celebration with a cake.

Thank you Firewise and Zac Neale for teaching us how to stay safe in an emergency!



Junior Shantytown Trip - Last week the years 0-4 students went to Shantytown to learn about games and what life was like in the past, to develop our understanding of Looking Back to Look Forward.

We also got to dress up!



Harold - Life Education - This week we had Life Education with Kelly and Harold. The children had the opportunity to develop their understanding and skills of a variety of Health topics.