



Children and their learning at the heart of all we do  
Ko ngā tamariki me a rāatou ako kei te ngākau o ngā mihi

## From the desk of Mrs Bigwood



Kia ora koutou

A big thank you to our families for collecting children early yesterday while staff attended paid union meetings. Your cooperation in making these special arrangements is greatly appreciated.

### Board Matters

New board members are thanked for having agreed to following roles:

- Grant Webster - Presiding Member & Finances (shared role)
- Solange Bason - Deputy Presiding Member & Finances (shared role)
- Nadia Dykes - Policies and Review, Health & Safety (shared role)
- Sian Akania - Personnel, Health & Safety (shared role)
- Mark Bramwell - Property
- Kimberley Rivett - Staff Representative
- Dorothy Bigwood - Principal

### Good News: Walking Wednesdays

We are making fantastic progress in the Walking Wednesday Challenge! The number of students being dropped off at the school gate has decreased from 55% to an average of 30%, while the number of walkers has increased from 20% to an average of 31%, even during winter.

I hope you've noticed a positive difference at the school gates on Wednesdays, and on other days too. Keep up the great work - spring is here!

### Parking and Traffic Update

Auckland Transport will be monitoring parking outside the school and issuing fines where necessary. An engineer has visited to observe driving behaviours at our request; however, solutions to congestion are not simple. We ask all drivers for patience and courtesy while dropping off and picking up students.

### Traffic Safety Reminder

I have observed several unsafe behaviours around the school, including:

- Children being dropped off or collected from the middle of the road, putting them at risk.
- Double parking and vehicles left unattended in the bus bay/P2 on Sandspit Road.
- U-turns and three-point turns in very congested areas.
- Children crossing (with a parent) away from traffic lights, islands, or zebra crossings.

To help keep everyone safe, we encourage families to park a little further away and walk to school. This can be a great opportunity to chat as a family, enjoy some fresh air, and arrive at school relaxed and happy. Please allow extra time and arrive safely.



Ngā mihi nui  
Dorothy Bigwood



## Important Dates

### **Out of Zone Enrolments close on Wednesday 8 October**

1-2 September - ePRO8 competition at CBS

Wednesday 3 September 9am - NED Resilience Show

Wednesday 3 September 7.30pm - P.T.N. meeting

Thursday 4 September - NEST Parent (Zoom) meeting 6.30-7.30pm

Friday 5 September - PTN Disco

Monday 8 September - Uniform Shop open

Tuesday 9 September - Pizza with the Principal for selected students

Tuesday 10 September - HPPA Netball

Tuesday 10 September - Kea Team Music AI Show

11-12 September - NEST sessions for Kākāpō team



## Term Dates 2025

Term 3 - Monday 14 July - Friday 19 September

Term 4 - Monday 6 October - Thursday 18 December. School closes at 12.30pm

**School returns on Monday 2 February 2026**

## This Week's Notices



### Show Week: Seussical Jr - Year 5 Kākāpō

Best wishes to our Kākāpō team as they bring Seussical Jr to the stage in two evening performances and matinees this week! This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to experience a live theatre production.

A huge thank you to Ms Leggett, our Director and Musical Director, for leading what I'm sure will be a magical show, and to the Kākāpō teaching and learning support team for their enthusiasm and hard work. Thanks also to our stage managers, Mrs Fischer and Miss Parker, and to Mrs Dryden and the student helpers from Howick College, Howick Children's Theatre and our staff, for their contributions.

*A very special thanks to those who helped with set design and construction:* Ryan H. for designing and building Horton's Nest, Claire S. for designing and building the Piano, Hope B. and Rachel S. for all their help with the Truffula Trees, and the team of Year 5 parents who helped cut out corflute fish. Your creativity and effort have helped make this production possible.

### Gymnastics

Having achieved numerous team and individual podium places at the local HPPA Gymnastics competition, our top gymnasts now advance to the Auckland Champion of Champions competition. Congratulations! We wish you every success.

### Cross Country Success

Cockle Bay School achieved second place in the HPPA Cross Country competition. Well done to all our runners for their fantastic effort!

### Parent Conferences Feedback

Thanks to the 164 parents who took the time to give us feedback around their experience of midyear conferences with the teacher. Here are the results of the Midyear Conference Feedback.

### Publishing of Photos

Going forward, we'll be taking a more cautious approach to sharing photos from school events on our Facebook page. We know families love celebrating these moments, but with an increasing number of parents choosing not to give permission for their child's photo to be published, it has become more difficult to monitor.

This means you may see fewer photo celebrations of our events online. We appreciate your understanding as we balance celebrating our school life with respecting every family's wishes.

### Enrolments

If you have a child turning 5 this year or early in 2026, and you have not completed an enrolment form yet please do so as soon as possible. Applications for **out of zone enrolments** will close on Wednesday 8 October. *Please collect forms from the school office or download from the website.*



## Reminders

### Upcoming Events:

Best wishes to the Literary Quiz team, EPro8 Challenge students and Champion of Champion Gymnasts as they compete against other local schools.

### School Disco Tickets Now Available!

Tickets are now on sale via Kindo for our school disco - a fun-filled event for all students! Please be aware that loud music and lighting will be part of the experience, which may affect students sensitive to sensory input.

**Term 3 Ends** on Friday 19 September at 3.00pm.

**Term 3: School Holidays:**  
22 September - 5 October

**Term 4:** starts on Monday 6 October



## Contact Us

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School hours: 8:45am-  
3:00pm

Office hours: 8:00am-4:00pm

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Caring - Manaaki · Collaboration - Mahi Tahi · Celebration - Whakanui  
Continuous Improvement - Te Huarahi Ako





**CBS PTN PRESENTS**

# CIRCUS DISCO

**05 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**EVENT HIGHLIGHTS**

YEAR 0-2 DISCO 5:15PM - 6:00PM  
YEAR 3-4 DISCO 6:15PM - 7:15PM  
YEAR 5-6 DISCO 7:30PM - 8:30PM

TICKETS, HOT DOGS, AND ICEBLOCKS CAN BE PURCHASED ON KINDO

CASH SALES ON THE NIGHT FOR FACE PAINTING, HAIR SPRAY, EXTRA FOOD, AND COFFEE CART

## HOLIDAY PROGRAM

**KIDS RUGBY CAMP**

**RC4KIDS RUGBY CAMP FOR KIDS**

**24TH & 25TH SEPTEMBER**

**BEACHLANDS MARAETAI RUGBY CLUB**

**TE PURU PARK**

**WHITFORD-MARAETAI ROAD, BEACHLANDS**

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### Main Programme - Cockle Bay

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| <b>Monday 22nd September</b><br><b>Spring Creations</b><br>Come along for a day of painting & creating. We will make a variety of art projects and have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b> | <b>Tuesday 23rd September</b><br><b>Art Attack</b><br>Get ready to unleash your imagination. Art Attack. A day packed with creative and fun projects. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b> | <b>Wednesday 24th September</b><br><b>Cybermix</b><br>Build a model car for an exciting dance battle. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b> | <b>Thursday 25th September</b><br><b>Zone Bowling</b><br>Hit the lanes for a fun day of bowling. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b>    | <b>Friday 26th September</b><br><b>Take Flight</b><br>Get ready for a fun day of flying. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b>    |
| <b>Monday 22nd September</b><br><b>Outer Space</b><br>Dress up in a day of space. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b>  | <b>Tuesday 23rd September</b><br><b>Movies</b><br>Get ready for a fun day of movies. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b>  | <b>Wednesday 24th September</b><br><b>Inflatable World</b><br>Bounce, slide and race. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b>                 | <b>Thursday 25th September</b><br><b>Crazy Games</b><br>GO CRAZY! Join us for a day of crazy games. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b> | <b>Friday 26th September</b><br><b>Friday Fiesta</b><br>Wrap up the week with a day of fun. We will have a chance to win prizes. <b>CHARGE \$40.00</b> |

**Wet Workshop**  
Step behind the scenes of movie magic with our award-winning Wet Workshop. This workshop includes a guided tour and 30 minutes of hands-on experience. **CHARGE \$40.00**

**Location**  
Based in the school hall  
7.30am - 6.00pm

**Prices**  
7.30am - 8.30am \$6.00  
8.30am - 3.00pm see above  
3.00pm - 4.30pm \$10.00  
3.00pm - 6.00pm \$12.00

**How to book**  
Booking with Enrolmy  
We're excited to announce that our new Bizzy Bodz site is now live on Enrolmy. [enrolmy.com/bizzy-bodz](https://enrolmy.com/bizzy-bodz). Please visit the site to register your account and get started.

**Bookings**  
Bookings can be made on or before the day of attendance however please note there are **limited spaces available**.  
• Drop off and pick up outside of booked hours will incur an extra fee.  
• Refunds are not available once the holiday period has begun, however day swaps can be made in advance by contacting the Head Office (subject to availability).

**Trip Days**  
• Please ensure you drop off your child by 9.00am on trip days as the buses are booked to leave at 9.15am.

**Payment/WINZ**  
• Payment is required at time of booking to be confirmed.  
• WINZ forms need to be submitted when making your booking.  
• If applying for WINZ, a 25% deposit is required to secure your booking.

**Please bring daily**  
• Morning Tea, Lunch, drink, bottle and hat

**Book online now!**  
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### BOTANY TAEKWONDO

Botany Taekwondo has been training the ITF style of Taekwondo at Cockle Bay School for over 15 years.

Come and have some fun with us get fit and learn a new skill with qualifications that are recognised around the world.

We operate a 2 week free trial. Want to know more? Visit our website at [botanytaekwondo.co.nz](https://botanytaekwondo.co.nz) or just turn up at 6:00pm on Wednesday nights and say "hi". All ages and abilities are welcome.

**eZlunch.**

**Every lunch is a chance to win!**



The SchoolDocs review process allows the school community to provide feedback on policies and procedures, and ensures information stays up to date. To access our School documents, use the community usernames and password below:

**Username:** cocklebay  
**Password:** sandspit

The following policies are under review Term 3 2025:

- Child Protection
- Abuse Recognition and Reporting
- Food and Nutrition
- Safety Checking
- Police Vetting
- Missing Student Procedure

### Order Ezlunch this week & win!

Every Ezlunch order you place between 18th August 2025 and 19th September 2025 puts you straight into the draw for weekly prizes and the Grand Prize!

Order Now & Get Your Entries In



Here's how it works:

- 3 winners every week will each receive a \$50 Kindo Credit voucher
- Every order = 1 entry (more orders = more chances)
- At the end of Term 3, one lucky family will win the Grand Prize worth \$500

The best part? The grand prize winner gets to choose their reward:

- A Family Memory Maker with Chuffed Gifts (valued at \$549)
- OR \$500 in grocery vouchers
- OR \$500 Kindo Credit

Order once, or order often - every meal is a chance to win!

Order Now for Your Chance to Win!

Read the Terms and Conditions for the Ezlunch Term 3 Rewards draw here