



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







Measles Update and MMR Immunisation Reminder

Measles cases are currently being reported across New Zealand and have already affected schools in our region. Measles spreads easily and can cause serious illness in both children and adults.

We have been advised that at Cockle Bay School, 89.5% of students have two recorded doses of the MMR vaccine.

Students who are not considered immune may need to stay home if exposed to measles. Keeping vaccination records up to date helps reduce disruption to learning and school attendance.

What families can do now

- Check that your child has had two MMR doses after 12 months of
- If unsure, it is safe to receive an extra dose.
- MMR vaccination is free for anyone under 18 and for adults eligible for publicly funded healthcare.
- Overseas-born students or those vaccinated overseas should provide their vaccination records to a NZ healthcare provider so these can be added to AIR.

Booking an MMR vaccination
Vaccinations can be booked at
participating pharmacies (see
Healthpoint), online via Book My
Vaccine, through your GP, hauora or
Pacific provider, or by calling the
Vaccine Helpline on 0800 28 29 26

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 3 December Board Meeting 5:15pm

Tuesday 9 December Celebration Night 5:30pm

Thursday 11 December P.T.N. Meeting 6pm Staffroom

Prize Giving Assemblies: Thursday 11 December Y0/Y1 9:00am-10:30am Y2/Y3 11:00am-12:30pm Friday 12 December Y4/Y5 9:00am-10:30am Y6 11:00am-12:30pm Reports go home

Monday 15 December Students visit new class and meet 2026 teacher

Tuesday 16 December Y6 Formal

Wednesday 17 December Y6 Big Day In

Last day Thursday 18 December School closes at 12.30pm

Start of Year Dates 2026

Friday 30 January 2026 "Getting to Know Your Child" Conferences

Monday 2 February 2026 School starts

Swimming Pool Area – Safety Reminder

Re-fencing of our school's swimming pool is progressing well. Please remind your children to keep well away from the workers and the construction area at all times.

Once the fencing is complete, the pool will be re-painted in preparation for Term 1. If you notice anything unsafe or have any concerns, please contact the school office.

Uniform Donation Drive

If you have clean school uniforms that are too small or no longer needed, please consider donating them.

COLLECTION DETAILS:

When: The last day of school, THURSDAY 18 DECEMBER Time: 8:15 AM - 9:00 AM Where: Under the DOME area

AND

UNIFORMS FOR SALE:

When: "Getting to Know Your Child" conferences, **FRIDAY 30 JANUARY** Time: 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Where: Under the DOME area

Please ensure all donated items are clean and in reasonable condition

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SchoolDocs Cockle Bay School

SCHOOLDOCS TERM 4 REVIEW OPEN

This term, bullying and harassment, behaviour management, and staff wellbeing and safety policies are open for review. For more information, go to the Current Review tab at the top of your SchoolDocs site.

Key policies

- Bullying and Harassment (board)
- Behaviour Management (board)
- Searches, Surrender, and Retention of Property
- Minimising Physical Restraint (board)
- Stand-down, Suspension, and Exclusion
- Staff Wellbeing and Safety









