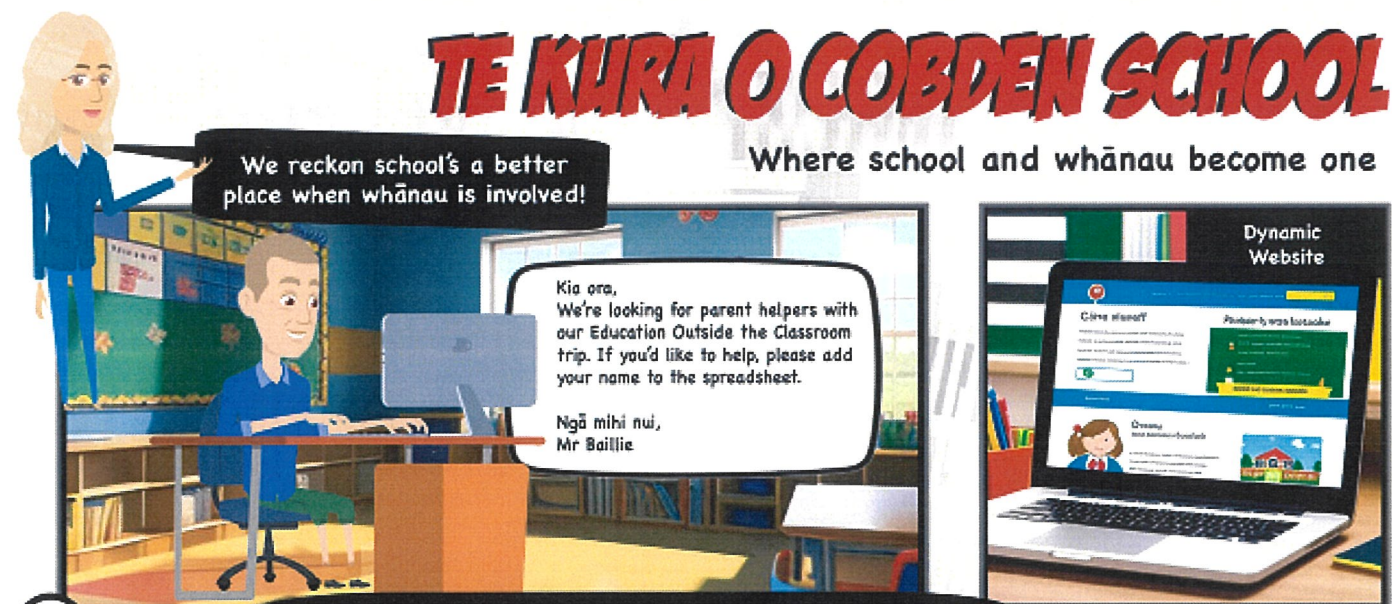




1 Open Communication Channels



2 Personalised Messages

Connect with us online or in-person!



3 Real-Time Engagement

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Newsletter 19th September 2025

Tēnā koutou katoa,

This term has been a busy and rewarding one for our kura and we finish on a real high with our amazing kapa haka performance at the festival. Our tamariki shone with pride, energy, and talent — a reflection of the hard mahi they have put in, supported every step of the way by our dedicated kaiako and whānau.

At Cobden, we have so much to be proud of. Time after time we see that whānau support is one of the most pivotal factors in student success. We are deeply grateful for the encouragement, time, and care you bring to your children's learning and to the wider life of our school.

Looking ahead, we often refer to Term 4 as our "celebration term." It is the time when all the mahi of the year comes together and we recognise the growth, achievements, and milestones of our tamariki. Let's continue to work in partnership to make next term a positive, productive and memorable one for all.

Ngā mihi nui
Noula Markham
Principal



Cobden School

Important Dates 2025 - Also on the Skool Loop Calendar tab

Term 4

Monday 6th October
Thursday 9th October
Tuesday 14th October
Friday 17th October
Thursday 23rd October
Monday 27th October
Tuesday 28th October
Tuesday 28th October
Thursday 6th November
Friday 7th November
Tuesday 11th November
Wednesday 19th November
Thursday 20th November
Tuesday 25th November
Monday 1st December
Tuesday 2nd December
Thursday 4th December
Thursday 4th December
Tuesday 9th December
Monday 15th December
Tuesday 16th December

Term 4 Begins

Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
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"Crazy Hair Day" —Gold Coin Mufti Day for Leukaemia & Blood Cancer
Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Labour Day—Public Holiday—School Closed.
Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
Cobden School Board Meeting - 5.30pm Staffroom
Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
"Gumboot Friday" Gold Coin Mufti Day for the I Am Hope Foundation
Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
West Coast Women's Refuge—Gold Coin Mufti Day
Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
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Westland Anniversary Day—Public Holiday—School Closed.
Cobden School Board Meeting - 5.30pm Staffroom
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Cobden School Gala 4.30pm to 6.30pm
Kowhai 2 - Be at school by 8.40am for the Technology Bus.
2pm Cobden School Prizegiving in the Hall.
Last Day of Term 4

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

Trophy Return - Its that time of the year again!

Cobden School trophies received at last year's prize giving need to be returned to the office ASAP.

Term 4 - Sun Hats are Compulsory!

Wide brimmed sun hats are to be worn at morning tea, lunch breaks and any outdoor activities. Those without a sun hat will be required to sit in the shaded area.

Sun hats can be any colour. (No Caps) Please NAME CLEARLY.



PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Caring, Co-operation, Communication

This terms focus:

"Manakitanga - Caring for Ourselves"

"Knowing how to help myself"

Values Card Winners:

Term 3 Week 8 Ishmay & Alliana
Week 9 Kenzie, Jaxon C & Eleanor
Week 10 Arky & Kahu

Manaakitanga – Knowing How to Help Myself

There has been a 40% reduction in the number of behaviour incidents compared to Term 3 last year, with classroom incidents dropping by an impressive 75%. This positive shift reflects the impact of our continued focus on refining our Collaborative and Proactive Solutions approach and supporting students in learning how to help themselves this term.

KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL 2025—WESTLAND HIGH HOKITIKA

Our tamariki shone with pride, passion, and mana at this year's Te Hui Ahurei o Ngā Kura o Te Tai Poutini. From powerful haka to graceful waiata, they showcased their talent, teamwork, and aroha for te ao Māori.

Cobden School

1st place for kākahu / costumes

2nd place for kaitātaki wahine (Lyric & Emilie)

We give a huge nga mihi to Whaia Chloe for her incredible tutoring, and to Mrs Setters, our dedicated kaiako, for her organisation and unwavering support. Special thanks also to: Cheyney and Ricki – for working alongside our group, Chris – for making our beautiful poi, Nadine – for making our costumes shine! And of course, to our whānau and supporters who stood behind our performers every step of the way both in person and from afar. **He waka eke noa – we are all in this together.**



Year 7 & 8's at JP2 Technology with Jax Hamilton doing a Mystery box challenge in cooking.



Thank you for your support!

Our "Wig Wednesday" mufti day for **Child Cancer** raised \$103.20.

Our "Favourite Animal" mufti day for the **Greymouth SPCA** raised \$111.30.

