



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Wow, the last week of the term, how did we get here?

On the weekend I had the privilege of seeing so many Poolburn kids shining in some representative sporting events. On Saturday I saw a great representation of all aged gymnasts competing at the Recreation Complex in Alex, with some great results. It was great to see some fantastic hockey being played by our Year 7 & 8 children in the Central Otago Development comp on Saturday, and Sunday for the Tessa Jopp cup in which Central Otago beat Otago. It's really exciting to see our children competing on these big stages and representing our school, especillay those past students that are competing for our province and country currently. So much to be proud of. But it starts

SMALL, right here in a SMALL school. Our Poolburn kids are so lucky for the opportunities they get alongside our great parent commitment. To all our parents what a fabulous job you have done surviving winter sports. Especially to our huge amount of parents that coach and manage on top of that. That is the defining factor of a SMALL school. Opportunities would be nothing without our parents' support, give yourself a pat on the back.

Now as we see the end of the winter sports and bugs and weather we welcome in the spring winds and we look forward to summer and the next round of sporting and cultural events.

Be ready team, TERM 4 is always a rippa. Now to help with this, Lisa and I have worked really hard to create a calendar that is all you need to know. Some things will pop up, but hopefully this is a really great planning tool for you.

Have a great break from the busy school schedules, take time out to recover from the business. Catch you all next term.



Central Otago Year 7 & 8
Development Hockey
Henry Hore (missing from photo)



Level 3 Poolburn School Gymnasts



WEEKLY REMINDER

WELLINGTON 2026 CAMP MEETING TONIGHT 6PM AT SCHOOL

RAGGEDY RANGE NEWS



Kia ora,
Thank you to Sarah, Emma and Bridget for covering me while I am away at my boys hockey this week.

I hope you all have a fabulous holiday. See you next term.
Deb

Shearing



In the weekend I went to Nick's shearing shed. When I got there they started shearing. I got to shear a couple of sheep. I got to pen up. While I was penning up they were still shearing. On the last 4 sheep I got to help shear. That felt sore on my arm.

Billy O'Neill



I was playing with Bunny and my dogs Daisy and Tilly. Tilly rolls when I try to pat her tummy. I rub her belly.
Annie O'Neill

Being an Adult



I want to be an adult for three reasons. The first reason is that I can cook whatever I want. Two, I can travel wherever I want. Three, I can have kids and watch them grow up and go through every grade. Four, I love being an adult. That's why I want to be an adult for my whole life.

Alyssa Murdoch



We had a great time yesterday at Omakau School's Production of Ka mua, ka muri The Great Aotearoa History Show

Thanks for inviting us to watch!

ROUGH RIDGE NEWS

This term we have been using poetry in Discovery Den to help us with our reading comprehension and finding depth in what we read. It was also about looking at the bigger picture of what was historically going on in the world. The Discovery Den kids were totally into how powerful poetry is and how clever song writers are. Most recently we enjoyed listening and analysing Bob Dylan's 'Blowing in the wind'



*How many roads must a man walk down
Before you call him a man?
How many seas must a white dove sail
Before she sleeps in the sand?
Yes, and how many times must the cannonballs fly
Before they're forever banned?
The answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind
The answer is blowin' in the wind*

We have focused a lot on using figurative language to help us with our understanding. Especially similes, metaphors, idioms and personification. Check out some great lines from songs the kids found that they think are also protest songs like Bob Dylan's. This has been a great unit.

It's been a long time, A long time coming. But I know a change gonna come, Oh yes it will

Imogen- A change is gonna come- Sam Cooke 1964

We don't need no education, We don't need no thought control. No dark sarcasm in the classroom. Teacher leave them kids alone. Charlie J

Another brick on the wall- Pink Floyd

*Do you know what is worth fighting for when it's not worth dying for. 21 guns- Green Day
Chuck*

There's gotta be a way where we can all be free. I promise not to tread on you. If you don't tread on me

*Nightmare- Adeem the Artist
Cam*

*I saw cotton and I saw black. Tall white mountains and little shacks
Aria*

Southern Man- Neil Young

COMMUNITY NEWS

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GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sunday
21st September
2025

Come and enjoy a great day of golf at the Dunstan Golf Course in Clyde!

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Tea Off: 11:00 AM sharp

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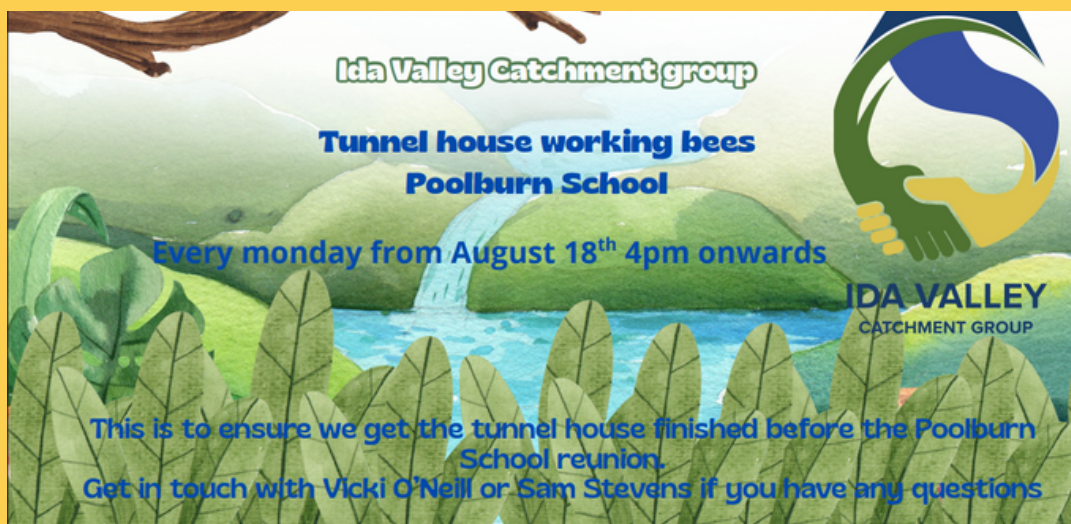
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Expanding Horizons

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Brodie Nicolson
Tully Pyle

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Jack Hore

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out of our Operating Grant. It's NOT ministry funded.

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back our future



School Photos - Monday 6th October

Please can you let Lisa know if you would like Sibling or Family photos taken
this year

The photographer is here from 10.30am and will start with Family photos- each
family takes approx 10 minutes

We recommend bringing a change of clothes for these photos

Any questions please get in touch



TERM 4 CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 06/10 School Photos	07/10 George 	08/10	09/10 Kahui Ako Speech Competition	10/10 Technology
Week 2 13/10  School Working Bee	14/10 HPV Vaccine Year 8 Home and School Meeting	15/10	16/09	17/09
Week 3 20/10 Melissa & Deb away MOE Meeting	21/10 George 	22/10 Polyfest Performance Queenstown BOT Meeting	23/10 Strike Day School is Closed	24/10 Poolburn School 150th Reunion weekend Technology
Week 4 27/10 Labour Day No School	28/10 Miles Anderson MP visiting us Poolburn playgroup visit	29/10 Teacher Only Day	30/10 Melissa away at Kahui Ako Leadership	31/10 MAS Athletics
Week 5 03/11	04/11 George 	05/11  Halloween Disco	06/11 Building Club 4 year old visits	07/11 Technology
Week 6 10/11	11/11	12/11	13/11 Melissa Kahui Ako Meeting Science Road Show Rough Ridge	14/11 Maths Mind Competition Yr 4-6
Week 7 17/11	18/11 Cricket Coaching 1-3pm George 	19/11	20/11 Pets Day 	21/11 Technology
Week 8 24/11	25/11	26/11	27/11 Talent Show 	28/11
Week 9 01/12 Cricket coaching 1-3pm	02/12 George 	03/12	04/12  Building Club	05/12 Technology
Week 10 08/12 Miss P away	09/12	10/12 BOT meeting	11/12 Poolburn/Omakau Triathlon	12/12 Year 8 Day and Dinner
Week 11 15/12	16/12  Last full day of school Prizegiving 6pm	07/12	18/12	19/12

Start Date for 2026 Tuesday February 3rd - Whanau Confernece Day
Wednesday 4th February - First Day in Class for 2026

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