

LOCHIEL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

10 October 2025



PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Hello everyone!

Welcome back to Term 4. We hope you all had a wonderful holiday break — even if the weather didn't quite cooperate! We're excited to be back and ready for a great term of learning.

Our building work is progressing well. Room 5 are currently set up in the library and making the best out of a tight situation — thank you to everyone for your patience and flexibility while this work continues.

A huge thank you goes out to a small but mighty group of people who worked over the holidays to get our new fence up — it looks absolutely amazing! To Fraser, Ryan, Ed, Sue, Dave, and your families and support crews— your time, effort, and expertise are so appreciated. We are very lucky to have such awesome people supporting our school. We can't wait to see the new sign go up and to do some planting to finish it all off.

This week our Year 8 students are meeting with their dean for next year at CSC — an exciting step as they finish up their time at primary and start looking ahead to new adventures. All classrooms have jumped straight back into learning, and this term each class is choosing their own topic to investigate. We're really looking forward to seeing where their curiosity takes them and to sharing some of their learning with you throughout the term.

You will have seen our staffing announcement for 2026. We're very sad to be farewelling Yvonne Green later this year and wish her all the very best for her future travels and new work experiences. We'll have a formal farewell for Yvonne later in the term.

We're also very pleased to be welcoming Ella Knight, who will be joining the Lochiel team next year. Ella will be visiting the school next week to meet everyone, and you may see her around doing some relieving this term — a great way for her to get to know us all.

You may have heard about the national teacher strike planned for Thursday, 23rd October. Please note that Lochiel School will remain open on that day. We have enough non-union staff to ensure the school can operate safely, and this will also allow us to continue with our swimming programme that week.

We, however, want to show our full support for our striking staff and for the many schools in our area that will be taking part. If you'd like more information about the strike and its purpose, please refer to the HERO post shared last term.

Lastly, Pet Day is just around the corner, so keep your eyes peeled for more information coming soon. I know how special, fun, and exciting Pet Days are, and I'm really looking forward to being part of this one!

Enjoy the rest of your week — hopefully with a bit more sunshine! We look forward to seeing you all at assembly next week in Rooms 1 and 2.

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IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4: 6 October - 19 December

9 October: CSC Yr 8 visit

10 October: Clubs

14 October: PTA Meeting

15 October: Bike ready

17 October: Ki-o-rahi tournament (Year 7 & 8)

17 October: Assembly - Room 4 sharing

10 - 24 October: School swimming lessons

27 October: School closed - Labour Day

31 October: Pet Day & Book Fair

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Sunhats must be worn during Term 4.
If you need to purchase a new sunhat,
please contact the school Office or
purchase online at
poppetclothing.co.nz

WELL DONE HOLLY K

Over the holidays Holly Kilpatrick competed in the Southland Motor cross Champs, held in Invercargill at the Sand Pit.

Holly raced in the Mini 7-11 year old competition and did an amazing job racing boys and girls a lot older than herself.

Holly placed 6th out of 14 riders and was in the top for the girls riding and was one of the youngest riders.
Well done Holly!



PTA EVENTS

14 October: PTA Meeting at Lochiel School

31 October: Pet Day (Safari Theme)

8 November: Gumboot Golf

December - January: Our Stock Drive is accepting calves for donation in December and Lambs in January. Get in touch with us if you have stock to donate :)

OTHER COMMUNITY NOTICES

INVERCARGILL ROCK'N'ROLL
JUNIOR LESSONS

MONDAY NIGHTS 5.30PM-6.30PM
157 BALMORAL DRIVE



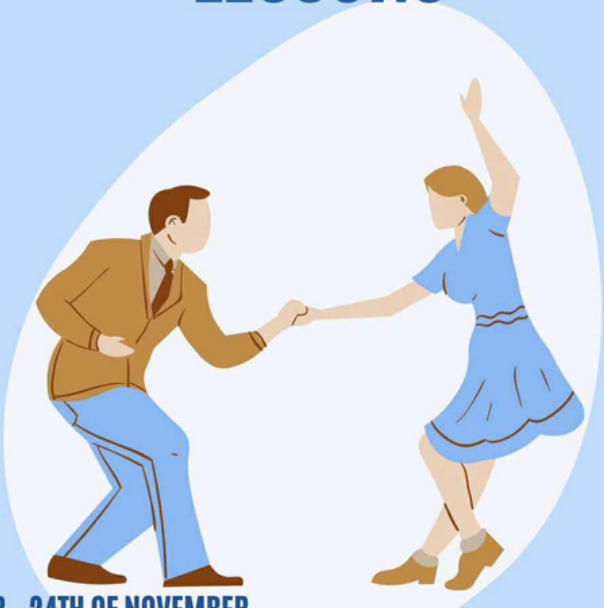
\$50 PER PERSON

STARTS ON THE 13TH OF OCTOBER AND
GOES TILL THE 24TH OF NOVEMBER.
(6 WEEKS SKIPS LABOUR DAY)

PLEASE CONTACT WENDY BUTLER FOR
ANY MORE INFORMATION OR TO ENROL
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Adult beginner
ROCK'N'ROLL
LESSONS



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SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAMMES

CLIP 'N CLIMB
Fun, Fitness & Teamwork!

Bring your students for an exciting climbing adventure! Safe, fun, and perfect for all abilities, Clip 'n Climb builds confidence, teamwork, and problem-solving skills. Ideal for PE, rewards, or team-building — book your school trip today!



MULTI-WALL
Active Learning Made Fun!

Engage your students with the interactive Multi-Wall! Combining movement and technology, it turns PE, maths, and team-building into exciting, hands-on experiences. Perfect for all abilities, it promotes fitness, coordination, and learning through play.



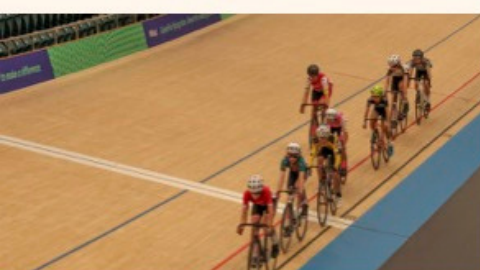
PICKLEBALL
Fast, Fun & Easy to Learn!

Introduce your students to pickleball, the exciting sport that's perfect for all ages and abilities! Combining elements of tennis, badminton, and ping pong, it's great for fitness, coordination, and teamwork.



CYCLING
Speed, Skills & Excitement!

What to experience the thrill of track cycling at the velodrome! A fun and safe way to build confidence, fitness, and teamwork, with expert coaching to guide them provided by Cycling Southland. Bikes and helmets supplied. Please note students need to be 10 or older



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FUTSAL
Fast, fun, and full of action!

Kick-start the energy in your class with futsal! With a smaller, low-bounce ball and a focus on quick footwork, teamwork, and strategy, futsal is perfect for all skill levels. Plus, it's played indoors, so rain or shine, the action never stops!



NETBALL
Play, Compete, and Be Inspired!

Take the court with netball all year round — fast, fun, and perfect for teamwork and fitness! Train and play where the Ascot Park Hotel Southern Steel call home, igniting passion and skills in the next generation



BASKETBALL
Step into the Shark Tank!

Experience the excitement of basketball at the home of the Southland Sharks! Perfect for all skill levels, basketball builds fitness, teamwork, and confidence. Talk to us about arranging 'Star' appearance.



WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL
Empowering, Exciting, Inclusive!

Give all your students the chance to experience wheelchair basketball, a thrilling and inclusive sport that promotes teamwork, fitness, and resilience. Suitable for all abilities, it's a fantastic way to develop skills and break down barriers



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COURT HIRE

Where the weather's never a worry

Our indoor courts are perfect for school groups, no matter the weather. Whether it's basketball, netball, volleyball, or a fun PE session, ILT Stadium Southland has the space to keep the game going — rain, hail, or wind!



Take advantage of our versatile indoor venue and explore opportunities to play, compete, and be inspired.

2025 SCHOOL PRICING PER HOUR

CLIP 'N CLIMB
\$10 per student
(8 - 13 climbers)

NETBALL
\$5 per student

PICKLEBALL
\$5 per student

CYCLING
Price on application

MEETING ROOMS
Per hour: \$30
Per day: \$150

COURT HIRE*
\$25 per court

• Tailor packages specific to your school needs.
• Equipment priced on application.
• Contact our team to find the perfect fit or arrange a meeting, we can come to you!

* School court hire pricing is only valid during school hours/term
Maximum 3 courts at \$25 per hour. The standard rate is \$37.50

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VOLLEYBALL
Teamwork, Fun & Fitness!

Bring your students together for an exciting game of volleyball! Perfect for all skill levels, it's a great way to build teamwork, improve coordination, and stay active. Get your school serving, spiking, and playing today.



SQUASH
Fast, Fun & Full of Energy!

Squash is a dynamic sport that builds fitness, agility, and teamwork! With quick action and endless fun, it's perfect for all skill levels. Four courts available to help them develop key physical and mental skills!



TENNIS
Serve up some fun!

Keep students active and engaged with indoor tennis. Indoor tennis helps improve coordination, teamwork, and confidence all while having a blast. With a covered court, the game is on rain or shine!



MEETING ROOMS
Big ideas need the right space!

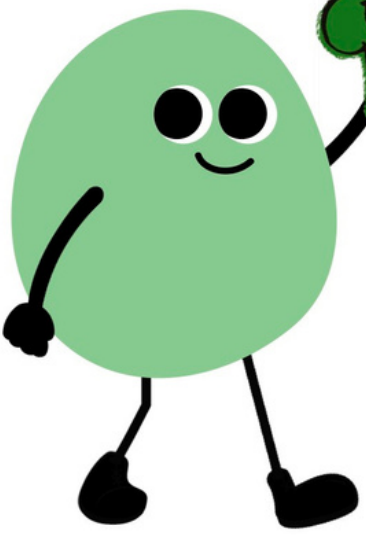
Looking for a flexible space for your next school meeting? Our Legends Lounges offer modern, private rooms with stunning views, perfect for meetings, presentations, or workshops. Whether for 10 or 100, we'll help create the ideal setup!



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WALLACETOWN
Softball Club 2025-2026



WE'RE BACK!

JOIN US
FOR THE 2025-26
SOFTBALL SEASON!

ALL AGES WELCOME!

REGISTER

use our new website!
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/wsc/>

QUESTIONS

Reach out to
our Facebook page!

KSOM
KENNEDY SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Vocals

PERCUSSION

Guitar

Term 4

MUSIC LESSONS

KEYBOARD

UKULELE

DRUMS



SIGN UP NOW!!

