

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY CARING
Whakamiha – Mana Motuhake – Manaaki

From the Principal...

2025 Teacher Only Days - please note these MOE approved dates on our calendar (page 2) during Terms 2,3,4.

Attendance - One of the things we are continuing to focus on in 2025 is student attendance. If a student misses one day of school every two weeks, they miss more than a whole year of school by 16 years of age. As a parent or caregiver, you, alongside our school, play a key role in building strong habits of regular school attendance.

All students are legally required to attend school every day and it is a shared responsibility to make sure students attend and engage in learning from when they first start school.

You must let the school know if your child is going to be absent or intends to be absent for a portion of the school term for whatever reason, like a tangi or medical procedure. Family holidays or taking time off for extracurricular activities (not organised by school) are not acceptable reasons for being absent. We expect reasons for absences to be reported to us by contacting the school office before 9:00 am by calling our Freephone: 0800 242255 (leave a message), by emailing: absences@cgschool.ac.nz or via the Skool Loop App or website absence notifications.

Knowing if your child is well enough to go to school can be tricky. Health guidance to support you to decide is available [here](#). If you are still unsure, get in touch with us and let's work together to support your learner.

If you're struggling at home with getting your child to school, talk to us. If you are finding it hard to get your child to school, please talk with us so we can work together. Our school is committed to supporting your child to attend school.

Our school continues to build a culture that fosters attendance every day by having:

- ★ School staff who have strong relationships with students and family.
- ★ A school whānau that takes all practical steps to make sure your child is at school and progressing in their learning.
- ★ A school that is safe and welcoming for everyone in our school community.

If you have any attendance queries and issues, please contact us so we can work together.

Whaanau Fun Night - a most enjoyable evening, it was great to meet new faces and reconnect with our school community, congratulations to the Andrews Whaanau who won the Songbird Cafe voucher draw.

We have a busy final two weeks of term coming up - please make note of events for teams on page 2 and ensure you are organised and have returned permission forms. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ngā mihi nui, Raj Dullabh, Principal



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School Events & Notices

To stay up to date notifications will be sent to you via [HERO](#) and [Skool Loop](#) - if you are not receiving our notifications please let us know and we will check that we have your correct details.

Skool Loop App

- Download the App from App Store or Google play.

> Settings >Subscribe to Groups and update the year levels for your children to their 2025 year level.

If you are new to CG School, or haven't yet installed the app on your phone, we request that you do so as soon as possible as it's a great tool to ensure you don't miss out on all the important information and reminders.

Search [Skool Loop](#) to download the app from the app store.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

FEBRUARY 2025

Awarded for displaying Whakamiha (respect) in all curriculum areas.
Keep up the great work!

Pihinga	Rhevin S.	Room 14	Deucalion K.
Room 2	Luca S.	Room 15	Arielle E.
Room 5	Finn C.	Room 16	Bidhi S.
Room 6	Kabir M.	Room 17	Luke F.
Room 7	Talya F.	Room 18	Kaidan C.
Room 8	Kiarra P.	Room 19	Destiny L.
Room 9	Sharuv A.	Room 20	Madison H.
Room 10	Shehzeen K. B.	Room 21	Sehaj J.
Room 11	Eden B.	Room 22	Tamara T.
Room 12	Zain U.	Room 24	Indie J.
Room 13	Theo K.	Room 25	Mehar

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Student Phones & Devices - to be handed in to teachers before school. Smart Watches - please keep at home or seek permission from a Senior Leader.

Parking and Road Safety

Bikes & Scooters - Please ensure children are wearing a helmet and footwear when riding at all times, head injuries can be life changing.

Please remind children to dismount from their bike/scooter before they get to the school gate and walk to the bike racks. It is advisable to lock up your bike/scooter.

Evanda Cres has a NO STOPPING ZONE opposite the school office during pick up/drop times.

*PLEASE do not make dangerous turns at our school gates.

*PLEASE do not pull into driveways to drop off children.

*Having trouble finding a carpark? Try parking in one of the cul de sac streets and walk through the walkways into school, or parking further away and walking is a great option.

*PLEASE take care on our roads and have consideration for ALL of our students when dropping off and collecting children - this is a 40kmph zone and ensure you are modelling good road safety by using the allocated pedestrian crossings.

School Uniforms (including hats and correct footwear)

We expect all students to be in correct uniform, including hats:

Hats are worn in Term 1 & 4 (Year 1-6 red bucket hat, Year 7-8 green cap)

Footwear: Black shoes and socks or black sandals only please. Crocs, slides, jandals ARE NOT part of the school uniform. Uniform items can be purchased from the Warehouse, Takanini.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS Mainly small sizes, polar fleeces and jackets \$5 each, check availability with the office staff.

2025 DATES TO NOTE:

25 Mar	Issue 2 Scholastic orders due in
28 Mar	Matomato/Whanake Team items/mufti
1 Apr	NC Football
2 Apr	Whanake Botanical Gardens
2 Apr	Matomato Overnight Camp
3 Apr	Matomato Botanical Gardens
3 Apr	Whanake Overnight Camp
4 Apr	EOTC Matomato/Whanake
7 Apr	Whole School Assembly 10am
8 Apr	Rm 2,5,8,11 Howick Village trip
9 Apr	Rm 3,6,9,10 Howick Village trip
10 Apr	Rm 7,12,Pihinga Howick Village trip
11 Apr	End of Term 1 - 3pm finish
28 Apr	Term 2 begins
30 May	Teacher Only Day - no school

2025 TEACHER ONLY DAYS:

30 May	Teacher Only Day - no school
28 Aug	Teacher Only Day - no school
5 Sept	Teacher Only Day - no school
28 Oct	Teacher Only Day - no school

2025 TERM DATES:

TERM 1	3 Feb - 11 April
TERM 2	28 April - 27 June
TERM 3	14 July - 19 Sept
TERM 4	6 Oct - 16 Dec

2025 BREAK TIMES:

School starts	9:00am
Morning break	11:00am- 11:45am
Lunch break	1:15pm - 2:00pm
School finishes	3:00pm

GATES:

8:15am	School pedestrian gates open
9:00am	School gates close
2:50pm	School pedestrian gates open

Need to drop lunches off or collect children during the day?

Please drop off before eating times:
11:00am & 1:15pm

Please use Evanda Cres entrance and report to the school office first.

LOST PROPERTY:

The lost property box is located in the Junior Quad by Room 7.

The lost property box is emptied twice per term - we do our best to return items that are clearly marked with:

Child's Name	Room Number
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Unclaimed property will be disposed of or washed and added to second hand uniforms. It is not staff responsibility to chase up lost property.

Unisex uniform items for all students

SUMMER

Black lightweight sport short
Schooltex Green Polo Shirt



WINTER

Green Polar Fleece
Red Fleece lined Jacket
Black track pant



Sports Uniform

Red Sports Tee
Black Sport Shorts
(Year 3-8 only)



Sunhats

Yr 0-6 Red Bucket Hat
Yr 7+8 Green School Cap
(compulsory Term 1 and 4)



Footwear

Black Sandals OR
Black Shoes + black socks
(NO Crocs, jandals, slides please)

Uniform Guidelines:

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform.

New uniform is available to purchase at The Warehouse, Takanini store.
Please note that if coloured vests/t-shirts are worn underneath your child's polo shirt, it is not to be visible.

- Please name each item of clothing clearly with your child's name in TWO places.
- Hats are to be worn in Terms 1 and 4 (after Labour Weekend).
- Red Bucket hats for Year 0-6 students, green caps for Year 7 & 8 students only
- Black sandals or black shoes (with black socks) NO Crocs, jandals, slides please
- Nail polish is not to be worn and long hair should be tied up with brown, black, red or green hair ties.
- No jewellery to be worn other than a small pair of stud earrings.



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COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Tai Chi

Monday nights 7:00pm
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Australasian Toyakwai Karate Association



Tuesday nights 6:30pm
School Hall
Contact: KJ
taaka@karate.co.nz



**2025 REGISTRATIONS
OPEN**

ALL AGES
KURA KICKS 5-7
SMALL WHITES 8
JUNIOR 9-12
YOUTH 13-18
SENIOR
WOMEN & GIRLS

REGISTRATION NIGHTS

- TUES 25TH FEB
- WED 5TH MAR

5:00PM - 6:30PM

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View books and choose up to six books to borrow from the Knowledge Centre.

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