



**TE WAKA KURA O MOHUA**  
GOLDEN BAY HIGH SCHOOL

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## GOLDEN BAY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRINCIPAL, JONO HAY

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Tēnā koutou katoa,

### Change for 2026 - Removal of Wednesday late start

As we enter the middle of term 4, we are actively planning for next year. One change that Te Waka Kura o Mohua | Golden Bay High School is making, is the removal of the Wednesday, Day 8 late start. From the start of 2026, each school day will begin with form time at 8:55am. Hopefully this simplifies the morning routine for students and whānau.

### Uniform Proposal - Consultation

All parents, caregivers and students have been emailed the proposal for school uniform going forward. This has been developed following a comprehensive uniform review over the past 12 months. You have an opportunity to give feedback on this proposal until 10<sup>th</sup> November via the Google Form link in the email. Thank you to everyone that has provided feedback so far.

The board will be considering the proposal and feedback at their next meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> November and making a decision on the school uniform for students at the school from 2027 onwards.

### School Policies & Review

Te Waka Kura o Mohua | Golden Bay High School uses SchoolDocs to host our policies. Login information can be found on the school website. All policies and many associated resources can be found through our SchoolDocs site.

Each term, some of these policies are up for review. In term 4, 2025 the policies under review are:

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

If you have any feedback that you would like to provide on any of these policies, please go to our site, find the policy, click on "Start your review" and share your perspective.

### New Assistant Principal

We are expanding the senior leadership team at Te Waka Kura o Mohua | Golden Bay High School. We have done this by employing a second Assistant Principal. While this Assistant Principal will undertake a range of tasks and responsibilities, the primary foundation for the role is oversight of the year 7 & 8 students and their learning.

### TERM FOUR 2025 CALENDAR

4 Nov	Uniform Shop open
4 Nov	NCEA Exams start
5 Nov	Wednesday; school starts 9:45am
<b>5 Nov</b>	<b>PPTA Strike - School closing end of Period 4</b>
5-7 Nov	New Yr 7 Whānau/ SLT interviews
6 Nov	Year 6 Whānau Hui 7pm
11- 14 Nov	Yr 7 Teapot Valley Camp
11- 14 Nov	Yr 8 Abel Tasman Tramp
14 Nov	Goldie
18 Nov	Uniform Shop open
19 Nov	Wednesday; school starts 9:45am
24 Nov	Board meeting
26- 28 Nov	Yr 9 Camp
28 Nov	NCEA Exams finish
28 Nov	Goldie
2 Dec	Yr 13 Farewell Dinner
5 Dec	Yr 9 Mentoring
8 Dec	Senior End of Year Ceremony 7pm
9- 12 Dec	Yr 10 Activities
11- 12 Dec	Yr 9 Mentoring
12 Dec	Yr 6 Mihi Whakatau 10am
12 Dec	Goldie
15 Dec	Yr 7- 10 End of Year Ceremony 11:30am
15 Dec	End of Term 4, End of School Year
<b>16 Dec</b>	<b>Staff Only Day</b>

This encompasses/replaces what has previously been the year 7 & 8 Dean.

I am delighted to inform you that Dan Padiál will be taking on this role from the beginning of the 2026 school year. Dan's previous role has been Head of Learning Area - PE & Health. Dan is passionate about the school, our community and providing the best possible education for our year 7 & 8 students going forward.

Ake ake kia kaha  
Jono Hay



Whanaungatanga



Manaakitanga



Wairuatanga

Kaitiakitanga



## Summer Arts Evening 16th October

The first Summer Arts Evening at Te Waka Kura O Mohua was a rewarding experience for the audience and performers, as well as the sound and lighting crews. Several of the school's bands played - Chain Reaction and The Forgotten. Poppy Hughes played three original songs, yielding much applause from the crowd, as did Maggie Quinn. Two dance groups, Smooth Shapes and Taj with dancers, performed original pieces accompanied by music. To round off the night, the Year 11 drama group performed their devised drama A Change Of Tide, with great support from the student technicians controlling the sound and lighting. *By Lily Michell*

Attending the Summer Arts Evening was amazing; nerve racking too since we were performing. Many talented people played as bands and as dancers. The Forgotten and Chain Reaction played and were amazing. After seeing so many performers, we went on. I remember looking out to the lights instead of the crowd. Remembering all the small things I had to do were easier than I thought it would be. After our performance was done I felt glad to have been there for the event and to see so many performers and artists. *By Canaan*

On 16 October 2025 at the Summer Arts Evening, me and my group performed a play named 'A Change Of Tide.' We spent a few weeks learning our lines and we suitably used drama conventions, techniques, and technologies. During the moment of performing we were nervous, but confident that the performance would be a success. The audience enjoyed watching our play as we received compliments from many. *By Levi*

It was fun doing my dance. It was cool that other people danced with me and I taught them my dance. I learnt the swirly kick that I did in my dance on the spot. *By Taj*

I found it quite fun performing the two dances. I really liked practicing and performing them. Milo's dance classes were a fun thing to do at lunch time. *By Ella*

Without Kaito, I had to use my former knowledge to play the audio at the right volume and space. The sound and lighting team were so good! *By Azza*

I really appreciate the opportunity to perform for the school. I believe the evening was a huge success and I hope to see more events like this soon. *By Cosmo*





New Board photo back row from left: Jono Hay, Andrew Lamason, Haydon Ward-Holmes. Front row from left: Kylee McGregor, Susi Struck, Hannah Clarke. Insert: Tarnae Palmer

**Remember...**  
 If there are any school-related ads, photos or articles you would like put in the Goldie, please email to [goldie@gbh.school.nz](mailto:goldie@gbh.school.nz)

**Trophy Return**  
 If you have any trophies from last year's school prize giving, please return them to the office, ASAP.

**the CRAVE**  
**Under 18**  
**Music Fundraising Event**  
 a mash-up of live music and DJs  
 15<sup>th</sup> November 2025 ... 7-12pm  
 Pahara Hall, Golden Bay  
 (Entry 13-17yrs only)

**Are you an artist who wants to contribute your talent to this fundraiser - We'd love to hear from you!**

**We are inviting expressions of interest:**  
**Solo artists, duos or bands**  
**DJs – all genres may apply**

**For more information or to send a clip of your music or performance please email [thecravegb@gmail.com](mailto:thecravegb@gmail.com) or ring 027686645**

## UNIFORM SHOP



The Uniform Shop will be open in Term Four 2025 on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> November** from 1-2pm (lunch break). Please check with the school office for directions to the Uniform Shop.

You will need either cash, or phone internet banking and be able to show the transaction before you can take the uniform.

**Please note the new bank account number.**

**Uniform Acc: 03-1354-0370134-000** and use student's name as reference, please.

Any uniform returns must still have tags on the clothing, and not have been worn, thank you.

Any enquiries please speak to the uniform co-ordinator, Maki Reed  
 Email [gbhsuniforms@hotmail.com](mailto:gbhsuniforms@hotmail.com)

## Meningitis

is on the rise again in New Zealand.

The vaccine is free of charge to students entering Halls of Residence, or armed forces next year, and also to any students who turn 13 years of age while living in boarding school hostels.

Meningitis strains covered are A,B,C,W &Y, 2 vaccines at first visit followed by a booster 8 weeks later. Ideally you would want to start mid-end November in order to get the booster dose before moving to new living situation.

**Please book with a nurse at Golden Bay Medical Centre 035250060 or more information from Youth Health Nurse Caroline 0272031213**

## The Adventures Continue: Junior Adventure Education and Senior Outdoor Education

Kia ora whānau,

Our junior students have been literally 'Reaching New Heights,' trading the classroom for the world-class limestone cliffs of Paine's Ford. It was incredible to watch them build real confidence, trusting their gear, their partners, and themselves. A massive ngā mihi to Dom, Alianna, Dawn, and Troy for your time and energy to support, belay, and encourage our climbers.



and transformation.

In our 'From Branch to Blade' unit, they've been mastering the craft of carving. I have been blown away by the focus and artistry they've shown, turning raw willow branches into high-quality, beautiful spoons and even fish! Once the final oil is applied, don't be surprised if one of these unique pieces of hand-crafted *taonga* makes its way under your Christmas tree!

From the heights of the cliffs, we're now moving to the water. With the school pool back up and running, our 'Splash and Slide' unit is underway. We're building a solid foundation in water safety and skills, with one clear mission: to take that spark of courage they found on the rock and light a new flame for kayaking. We aim to get them ready for adventures on our stunning local waterways in Parapara.

Meanwhile, my Senior Outdoor Education students have been on a different kind of adventure, one of patience, skill,

On a personal note, I shared a final, fantastic game of kayak polo with my Level 3 students last week. It's been a privilege to share so many adventures with this group, especially having known them since they were in Year 7. Watching them grow into capable and confident young adults has been a true highlight. I wish them all the best as they forge their own new paths and adventures.

Ngā mihi, Mr Skerten

Teacher in Charge of Outdoor Education

## Study Space in Tākaka Library

Youth study space every Monday at the library in November

10.00am - 1.00pm

The meeting room at the library will be reserved for students studying once a week for the month of November.

Warm, quiet and free wifi.

Monday 3 November  
Monday 10 November  
Monday 17 November  
Monday 24 November



## The YOUTH HABITAT Monthly schedule November 2025

84 Commercial Street, Takaka

Contact us for more information!  
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Mon	Tues	Weds	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
					01	02
					Board Games Onekaka hall 12pm-5pm	
03	04 Hang out space 3-5 pm CAS Lunchtime Visit WHEELS PROGRAMME	05 Bacon Butties 9-10 am DnD 3-5:30pm	06 Mural painting 3.30-5.30 pm	07 BUILT NOT BORN youth hackerspace 3.30-6pm	08	09 Climbing Day 11 am-3 pm
10	11 Expressive writing 3:30-5:30pm WHEELS PROGRAMME	12 DnD 3-5:30pm	13 Hang out space 3-5 pm	14 Collingwood Hall MOVIE NIGHT 4.30 - 7.30 pm GBHS lunchtime visit	15	16
17	18 Games afternoon 3.30-5 pm WHEELS PROGRAMME	19 Bacon Butties 9-10 am DnD 3-5:30pm	20 Pool Playoffs 3-5 pm	21 BUILT NOT BORN youth hackerspace 3.30-6pm GBHS lunchtime visit	22 Movie and munchies 1 - 4 pm	23
24	25 Disk Golf 3.30-5pm WHEELS PROGRAMME	26 DnD 3-5:30pm	27 Hang out space 3-5 pm	28 HABITAT CLOSED FOR TEAM BUILDING	29	30

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GOLDEN BAY  
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# 75th Annual Boys and Girls Agricultural Show

Sunday 16th November 2025

Rec Park Centre

Free Entry

9:00am - Booth Closes  
9:45am - Dog Judging  
10:00am - Horse Judging  
10:30am - Calf Judging  
10:30am - Booth re-opens  
11:00am - Lamb and Goat Judging  
11:30am - Hack Vaulties  
1.00pm - Remove Exhibits

## Booth

Booth will be open to receive entries on Saturday 2pm – 5pm and Sunday 8am-9:am

All booth entries are split into age groups unless stated

### Age Groups:

Preschool, Years 1&2, Years 3&4, Years 5&6, Years 7-12  
Class Entry

Booth entries need a small card with

On the front:

Section: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age Group: \_\_\_\_\_

On the back:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
School: \_\_\_\_\_

### Section: Artwork

Artwork Theme – Kiwiana  
Painting  
Drawing  
Collage

### Section: Cooking

Three Pikelets  
Decorated Face on A Cookie – judged on the decoration  
Three Chocolate Chip Biscuits  
Small Pizza  
Decorated Cake –judged on the decoration  
Decorated Cup Cake –judged on the decoration

### Section: Vegetables

Smallest Vegetable  
Smallest Fruit  
Biggest Vegetable  
Biggest Fruit  
Funniest Fruit  
Funniest Vegetable

### Section: Floral

Sand tray with Accessories  
Sand saucer – no sand to be visible  
Jam Jar of Flowers  
Aqua Jar/Snow Globe  
Floral Arrangement in a Novelty Container

### Section: Sewing

Any Hand Sewn Article  
Any Machine Sewn Article  
Upcycled Garment

### Section: Craftwork

Plastic Construction made from Lego, K'nex, etc.  
Play Dough, Plasticine Model or Pottery  
Any Other Craft Work

### Section: Photography

Animal Photo  
Portrait  
Golden Bay Attraction/Place  
Any Photo Not Specified Above

### Some important info:

There will be heaps of fun activities and goodies for sale  
If you would like a fundraiser stall please email [stephaniesowman@gmail.com](mailto:stephaniesowman@gmail.com)  
All animals must be registered - please email [abbie.langford22@gmail.com](mailto:abbie.langford22@gmail.com)

## Livestock

Livestock judging has the main emphasis on care and handling.  
Please ensure you clean up after your animal  
You will need to provide a bucket for water.

### Section: Calves

Best Cared for Calf Light Breed  
Up to 7 yrs and 8 years and over

Best Cared for Calf Heavy Breed  
Up to 7 yrs and 8 years and over

Best Handled Calf  
Up to 7 yrs and 8 years and over

Our NAIT event number is 12652778 .  
Please ensure you comply with all NAIT requirements.  
Calves will need to be kept 2 meters apart at all times.

### Section: Lambs

Best Cared for Lamb  
Up to 7 yrs and 8 years and over

Lamb Calling

### Section: Goats

Open class  
Best cared for Goat

### Section: Horses

Horses to be ready at 9:45 please

Advanced - Riders who can walk, trot and canter unassisted.

Beginner - Riders who can walk and trot unassisted  
Lead Rein - on a Lead Rein

Best Turned out Pony & Rider  
Paced & Mannered Pony

### Section: Dogs – open classes

Exhibitors to assemble at the show ring at 9:40am. Please keep your dog on a lead.  
For safety reasons, please keep your dog away from other dogs.  
All handlers under 10 years are to be accompanied by an adult please.

Puppy Dogs 3 months – 1 year  
Small Dogs  
Large Dogs

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Our place for all

## 2025 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

Examinations available digitally shown in **blue**.

Date	Session	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Tue 4 Nov	AM		Mathematics & Statistics	Dance	Classical Studies
	PM		Latin	Japanese Making Music Spanish	Statistics
Wed 5 Nov	AM			English	
	PM		Geography		Earth & Space Science
Thu 6 Nov	AM		English		Latin
	PM		Chinese	History	French
Fri 7 Nov	AM			Chemistry	Accounting
	PM		Accounting		Biology
<b>WEEKEND</b>					
Mon 10 Nov	AM	French Spanish	Lea Faka-Tonga Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoan
	PM	Commerce	Korean	Agricultural & Horticultural Science Chinese German	Media Studies
Tue 11 Nov	AM	English			Physics
	PM	Gagana Tokelau	Dance	Biology	Art History
Wed 12 Nov	AM	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Chemistry	Drama	Geography
	PM	Korean	Cook Islands Māori Drama	Digital Technologies Samoan	Psychology
Thu 13 Nov	AM	Mathematics and Statistics	Art History	Statistics	Drama
	PM	History	Physics	Accounting	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
<b>CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 14 Nov)</b>					
<b>WEEKEND</b>					
Mon 17 Nov	AM	Te Reo Māori	French	Latin Psychology Te Reo Rangatira	Chemistry
	PM	Japanese	Biology	Economics	
Tue 18 Nov	AM	Science	History	Physics	Te Reo Rangatira
	PM	Digital Technologies	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Media Studies	
Wed 19 Nov	AM	Chinese	Te Reo Rangatira	Lea Faka-Tonga	English
	PM	Social Studies	Classical Studies	Art History	Economics
Thu 20 Nov	AM	Physics Earth & Space Science	Media Studies	Te Reo Māori	Calculus
	PM	Vagahau Niue	Education for Sustainability Samoan	Earth & Space Science	Chinese
Fri 21 Nov	AM	Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani		Music Studies	Spanish
	PM	Geography	Music		History
<b>WEEKEND</b>					
Mon 24 Nov	AM	Gagana Sāmoa	Japanese	Geography	
	PM	German	Earth & Space Science		Religious Studies
Tue 25 Nov	AM	Chemistry & Biology	Home Economics	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
	PM	Lea Faka-Tonga	German	Home Economics	Digital Technologies
Wed 26 Nov	AM	Religious Studies	Social Studies	French	Japanese
	PM	Health Studies	Business Studies	Health	
Thu 27 Nov	AM		Economics	Korean	
	PM		Health	Business Studies	
Fri 28 Nov	AM		Digital Technologies Spanish	Cook Islands Māori Social Studies	German