

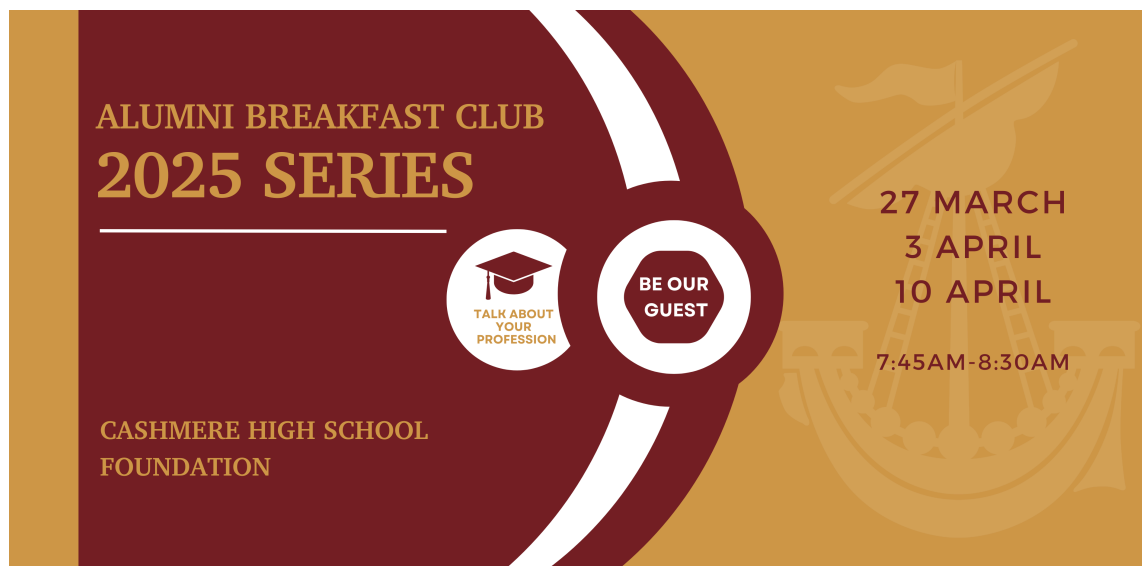
Welcome to the first edition of our alumni newsletter for 2025.

Building on from the success of 2024, this year is shaping up to be an incredibly exciting one for the Cashmere High School Foundation. From engaging events to a major fundraiser, we have an action-packed calendar ahead, and we'd love for you to be a part of it. Your involvement helps us continue supporting the next generation of Cashmere High School students and enriching our community.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to connecting with you throughout the year!

Upcoming Events

Alumni Breakfast Club Series



**ALUMNI BREAKFAST CLUB
2025 SERIES**

**27 MARCH
3 APRIL
10 APRIL**

7:45AM-8:30AM

BE OUR GUEST

TALK ABOUT YOUR PROFESSION

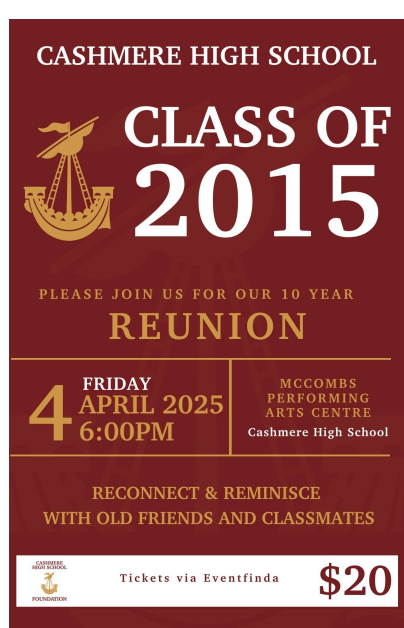
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We are looking for guest speakers for our 2025 Alumni Breakfast Club (ABC) Series to be held in March/April. The ABC series aims to provide current Year 12 & 13 students with insights into various professions and career paths beyond their academic journey, helping them to bridge the gap between academia and the professional world.

As members of our alumni community, we invite you to join us as guest speakers for our Alumni Breakfast Club events. Whether you are in business, the arts, technology, trades, healthcare or any field, we'd love to hear from you! Either as a recent graduate just new to the workforce, or an experienced professional, your journey and insights can make a real impact on students preparing for their future and motivate them to pursue their passions and aspirations with confidence. Areas of particular interest are Law, Health, Sport &, Engineering.

If you are interested in speaking at an upcoming session, please complete the [Registration of Interest](#) form or contact us at alumni@cashmere.school.nz. Join us in helping the next generation make informed career choices!

Class of 2015 Reunion



CASHMERE HIGH SCHOOL

**CLASS OF
2015**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR 10 YEAR
REUNION

4 FRIDAY
APRIL 2025
6:00PM

MCCOMBS
PERFORMING
ARTS CENTRE
Cashmere High School

RECONNECT & REMINISCE
WITH OLD FRIENDS AND CLASSMATES

Tickets via Eventfinda **\$20**

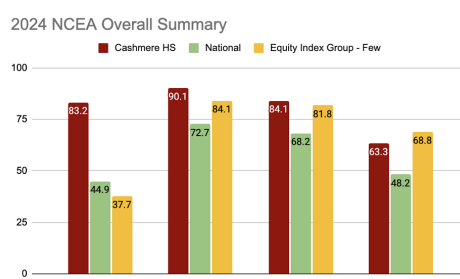
Welcome back, Cashmere High School Class of 2015 graduates! We are hosting a 10-year reunion for the Class of 2015 on April 4th and look forward to this cohort coming together to reconnect with old friends and classmates as we celebrate your journey since graduation.

Tickets for the event are available from [Eventfinda](#) now.

School News

2024 NCEA Results

Cashmere High School students achieved some outstanding academic results in the 2024 NCEA exams, with Cashmere High School once again outperforming the national averages across all three levels of NCEA.



These great results mirror the results of previous years, and are testament to the combined commitment and effort of staff and students.

Note that some schools have withdrawn from NCEA Level 1.

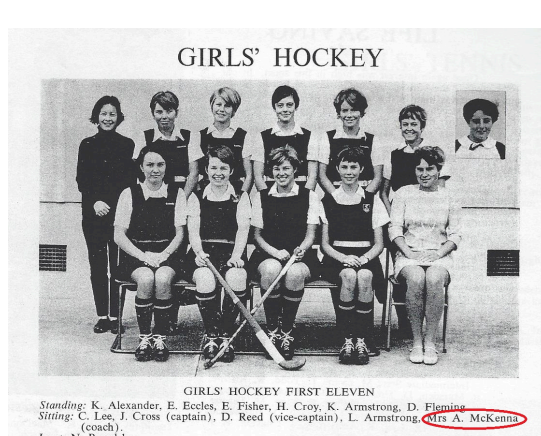
In Memoriam - Ann McKenna

Former pupil and staff member, Ann McKenna (née Colville) passed away on January 24th, 2025, in Nelson.

Ann attended Cashmere High School from 1957 to 1961, and in 1961 was a prefect and Captain of the Girls Hockey XI. She returned to CHS as a science teacher from 1966 to 1969, and again in 1978 until 1985. During this time she also coached the girls' hockey team.

Ann was an outstanding cricketer and field hockey player. She was a Canterbury representative in hockey during the 60s and 70s, and represented NZ in 1967 and 1971. She was assistant coach of the NZ Women's Hockey Team from 1988 to 1992. In cricket, Ann represented Canterbury between 1962 and 1988, and 1991. She was a NZ representative in cricket in 1969, 1984 and 1985-1987. In 1982 she coached the NZ U23 Women's team, and coached the NZ Women's cricket team from 1992 to 1997. From 1993 to 1994 she was the NZ Cricket Coaching Director for Women's Cricket.

The Foundation extends their heartfelt sympathies to Ann's family.



Alumni in the Spotlight

Whaea Claudine, is one of our dedicated staff members teaching English and Te Reo Maori, who is also a proud former pupil of Cashmere High School!

Claudine Tapsell - Class of 1992



What have been some of the highlights of your career to date, and some of the main challenges?

This year is shaping up to be a true highlight in my career as having the opportunity to teach Te Reo Māori is a testament to the quality of teaching I received as a student of Whaea Miriama during my schooling here at Cashmere. My family has a long history with this school and it feels great to be strengthening this connection by being a staff member myself, and also having my own children attend this kura.

Read the full article on Claudine's journey from student to staff member, and how she continues to make a positive impact on our school community.

[READ MORE](#)

Alumni News

Hannah Wheeler (Class of 2005)

Hannah is the General Manager and Producer for Cubbin Theatre Company, the



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only specialist theatre company for little children in New Zealand. The company is also the first ever Company-in-Residence at the Christchurch Arts Centre. Its unique shows are devised with the aid of child development research. Additionally, Cubbin is taking its show for babies to a festival in Marseille, France in March.

Congratulations to **Tyler Logan** (Class of 2014) who has recently been appointed Club Development Ambassador - Wide Bay, for Football Queensland. Tyler's extensive experience from a range of roles in NZ will stand him in good stead for this new role in Wide Bay.



Congratulations to **Alex Boot** (Class of 2023) who was selected to be a guest performer at the Mitre 10 Sparks concert in Hagley Park, Christchurch on February 8th. Alex performed Dave Brubeck's Take Five on saxophone, accompanied by the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra.

We're always keen to hear what our alumni have been up to. If you or your former schoolmates have recently achieved success in the sporting, arts, business or academic fields please let us know so that we can share these successes with the alumni community.

From The Archives



Stage Band 1994

Help Us Build Our Alumni Community

If you know any past pupils or staff that may be keen to join our alumni community, please encourage them to visit our website: [Cashmere High School Foundation](#); [Facebook](#), or [Instagram](#).

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