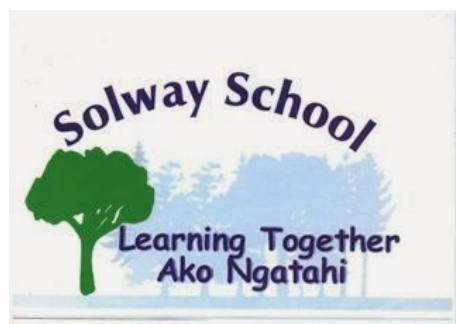




Newsletter

19 March 2024

Upcoming Events, Dates & Reminders

River house group walks
22nd March

Learning Conferences
26th & 27th March

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Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Malo e Lelei, Namaste, Kia Orana, Bula

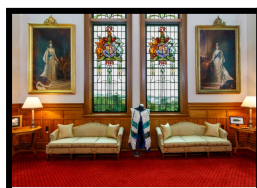
Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā mihi ki te whānau o te kura o Solway

Great to be back at school, I have been away a bit over the past few weeks with both Covid and more recently for study at Waikato University. I will also be away at University for a few days in May. If I am ever away our Deputy Principals, Hannah Doherty or Steve Hornby will be able to help with whatever matters pop up.

Learning Conferences March 26-27th - Learning conferences will be held 1 week from today. On **Tuesday March 26th we will close the school at 1pm** (some emergency supervision will be provided). On Wednesday 27th school will finish at 3pm as usual. A link for making online bookings is here: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/srr4k>



Thank You - Tararua team Government House & Te Papa trip. Huge thanks to the staff and adult helpers who came on the bus with us to Government house and Te Papa. The staff at Government house were incredible. Our kids as always were great. You will see the chair picture, this is the "Masterton chair" which sits in the Royal banquet room.



SMASH CRICKET Thank you to Mr Veale and our helpers, 40 amazing girls represented Solway School and the Masterton "Smash" cricket day at QE2 park.



Sausage Sizzle (tomorrow), these will continue until Easter with all monies going to help fund camp.

Swimming is now finished, the pool is scheduled to reopen in mid November.

River Trip - just a heads up, this Friday (March 22nd) we have our House Group River Trip. Children and staff travel by bus to the River their House group is associated with. No swimming is involved and children are back well before lunchtime.

Have a great week, Nga mihi **Mark Bridges (Principal)**



The Rangitumau team Year 0-3 invites any interested parents to an information evening on BSLA (Better Start Literacy Approach). Hannah and Rosie are trained facilitators in this literacy approach and the teachers are trained or are training to implement it into their class programmes. This is a highly successful research based method of teaching reading through structured phonics. This whanau hui is Thursday 21st March at 6pm in the school hall.

We look forward to seeing you there.

If you came to this hui in 2023 you are warmly invited to come along again and bring any questions that you have. It will be the same content as the 2023 meeting.

SOLWAY HOUSE GROUP - Awa walks

This Friday 22nd March all of Solway School are going to visit their house group river. Please return the permission form for this trip asap or email your child's teacher saying that they can go.

Children will need:

- **Suitable walking shoes**
- **Sun Hat if hot and jacket if cold**
- **Water bottle**

We will be back by lunchtime so Pita Pit lunch orders can still be ordered.

We all know finances are tight. Parents do have the option of paying off expenses like stationery, camps and trips over the course of the year by setting up automatic payments. If you would like to discuss options please phone the office.

Solway School 2024 Dates

Term 1 events coming up that will be good to take note of -

March 4th - Triathlon (5:30pm) This is a Solway tradition with all students participating, we follow with a picnic / sausage sizzle and swim.

March 13th - Tararua team to Government House & Te Papa.

March 26-27th - Learning conferences.

April 3-5th - Year 6 Camp

Term 1 January 30th to April 12th

Waitangi Day Feb 6th, Easter Break March 29th to April 2nd.

Term 2 April 29th to July 5th

King's Birthday June 3rd, Combined schools teacher only day June 4th.

Term 3 July 22nd to September 27th

Term 4 October 14th to December 12th

Teacher only day October 25th, Labour day October 28th

Swimming Sports

These students are competing in the Wairarapa Swimming Champs tomorrow night; Harry Newton, Jessica McRae-Kreig, Jodie Dennes, Brooklyn Bowman, Meila Goodger, Macey Shaw, Malakai Soromon, Grayson Vollebregt & Issy Hopman. Congratulations on getting into the Wairarapa Champs representing Masterton and Solway School. Good luck!

Tee Ball and Mod Softball

Solway has one Tee Ball team and one Mod Softball team. The games that I have seen, students have shown the Solway School values. A special thanks to Amy Munn, who coaches the Tee Ball team, and Sonia Rutene and Kellie Lissington, who were gently persuaded into coaching the Mod Softball team.

Year 1 - 4 Netball

Netball has been off to a great start, especially with the donation of 14 new Size 4 netballs. The teams are coached by: Shannon Bayliss (Y0-2), Dena Hartnell ((Y0-2), Mel Futter (Y3-4), and Danielle Bishop (Y3-4).

Year 6 Camp

This will be held the 3rd, 4th and 5th April at Kaitoke Outdoor Recreation Centre. Check Seesaw for links to fill in online forms.

Sausage Sizzle

This will happen over the rest of this term. Orders need to be in each Tuesday, Sausages will be eaten on Wednesdays. \$2 per sausage.

Lunches Pita-Pit

Good news for our Solway children returning and new families to Solway, we will start up Friday Pita Pit lunches again on: **Friday 2nd February.**

Sushi lunches are no longer available.

For our new families: It's simple; all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz

- 1 Register an account
- 2 Add member/s using your child's name & classroom
- 3 Make a payment so you have funds in your account before ordering
- 4 Select your lunch and place an order

Orders can be placed right up until 8.30 on the day the lunches are available. Any problems/queries with set-up please see Selina in the office. We have found the lunches healthy & enjoyed by the children with quite a few options available.

IMPORTANT: Can families with existing accounts for children, please make sure you update the classroom for your child/ren as it saves many tears on a Friday and Monday!

Free Holiday Programme, Wild West Holiday Club 9am - 3pm April 15-19. St David's Church Carterton

<https://www.facebook.com/events/420825670395485/420825680395484/?mibextid=9VsGKo>

We would love to extend an invite to our upcoming Good Friday Family Fun Day hosted by Equippers Masterton.

Giant Easter Egg hunt, food trucks, face-painting, inflatable obstacle course, bouncy castle, candy floss, sausage sizzle and more.

Everything is free (except food/drink purchased from food trucks).

Friday 29 March

1pm - 3pm

Douglas Park School Field

See you there!



STAR OF THE WEEK



Pohutukawa: Oscar for showing enthusiasm in all his learning. We love how you come to school excited and ready to learn every single day. Keep up the awesome positivity Oscar!

Kanuka: Emilie - for being an independent learner, happily coming to school and getting herself organised. Emilie always has a friendly attitude towards her classmates and is eager to include them in her games. Tino pai Emilie!

Rimu: Tiaia for Manawanui. She is a great writer and is using everything she is learning during phonics and reading to help her with her writing. Keep up the awesome mahi Tiaia.

Harakeke: Jack for showing Manaakitanga. He is showing determination when he works with Anne and has become a great reader. Tino pai Jack!

Titoki: Annie, for showing determination with her learning. She always strives for excellence in everything she does. Annie shows our school values and sets high standards for herself every day. Tino pai rawa atu! You are awesome.

Kowhai: Olivia for showing Manaakitanga in Kōwhai. She is kind, thoughtful and always shows our Solway values. Ka rawe Olivia.

Totara: Mehar - for showing Manaakitanga alongside all he does and with everyone he interacts with. Thanks for taking respect, responsibility and compassion so seriously Mehar!

Matai: Billie showed all the Solway values on the Wellington trip. She showed fantastic listening skills and discipline. I can tell she learnt so much and took advantage of the experience. Awesome Billie.

Manuka: Lucas Drummond for being an amazing buddy, stepping up to take on extra responsibilities this year such as wet day monitor and always trying his best!

Rata: Cooper - asking sensible and thoughtful questions when we were visiting Government House, tino Pai Cooper.




Masterton redstar

Jab registrations

Colombo rd clubrooms

Thursday 14TH March 5.00 – 6.30pm

Sunday 24th March 1.00 – 2.30 pm

Tuesday 2nd april 5.00 – 6.30 pm

No registration fees for 2024



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Where: Carrington Park

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