

Solway School Newsletter - Term 1, Week 4

Tuesday 24th February



Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders

March 9th 5:30pm Solway Triathlon

March 10-13 Year 6 Camp

March 24 & 25 Learning Conferences

April 2nd Last Day of Term 1

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Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Mālō e Lelei, Namaste, Kia Orana, Bula.

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o te kura o Solway,

As we move further into the term, a quick reminder about school uniform expectations. At Solway we work hard to keep uniform costs affordable for families. There are several cost-effective options available — navy bucket hats can be purchased online for as little as \$3, and these are **essential during summer**. Please ensure hats are clearly named (a vivid inside works best!).

During the warmer months, plain black or navy Crocs are permitted. These should be free of decorations and can often be found for around \$15 locally. The key uniform items that must come from the uniform shop remain the Solway polo shirt and polar fleece due to the school logo.

A friendly reminder — **please name everything**, even socks and underwear. The speed at which clothing disappears at school continues to amaze us!

ICE BLOCKS: Friends of Solway will be selling Iceblocks again Friday lunchtime for \$1.

Year 6 Camp: Our annual **Year 6 Camp** runs **March 10–13** at Brookfield Camp, Wainuiomata. For many students this will be their first time away from home. Activities include kayaking, hut building, open-fire cooking and the climbing wall with specialist instructors. The school heavily subsidises camp each year to keep it accessible for all families.



School Triathlon :Due to recent weather disruptions, the **Solway School Triathlon** has been rescheduled to **Monday March 9 (evening)**. More details will follow next week.


Next week, **Easter Hamper raffle tickets** go on sale at \$2 each to help reduce camp costs further

HOT CROSS BUNS Easter is coming... and so are the YUMMY Hot Cross Buns! 😊 Friends of Solway are selling them to raise funds for our school – so every delicious bite counts!

Order online here: [Hot Cross Buns Order Form](#)

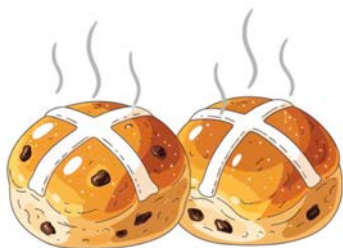
 **Orders close:** 08 March 2026

 **Pick-up date:** Friday 27 March 2026 2pm - 4pm at Solway Primary School.

 **Share the love!** Forward this link to friends, whānau, neighbours, and colleagues – the more buns we sell, the more we raise for our students.

Thank you for helping us make a difference – and enjoy your buns! 🐣 ✨

Ngā mihi,
Friends of Solway



Ngā mihi Mark Bridges,

Ma te Atua koe e manaaki me to whanau

School Notices

Week 4 Ako Card Winners!!!

Congratulations to Isaac, Manaaki, Emma, Paige, Isla, Alexis, Rena, Ellie, Elyse, Indie, Louis and Myra!



Term 1 Sport

- Tee Ball & Mod Softball have started. We have 2 Tee Ball teams and 1 Mod Softball team.
- Netball (Year 0-4) starts Tuesday the 24th February. We have 2 Year 3-4 teams, and 1 Year 0-2 team playing. Good luck this afternoon everyone.
- Senior swimming sports is on Thursday the 26th of February, at 1pm, the town pools. *Masterton swimming sports have been moved to the 18th of March.*
- Ki-o-Rahi coastal classic at Riversdale is on Friday the 6th of March. Brenda is going to be organising a team this week. Hannah & Brenda are going to be taking the team to Riversdale.
- Girls Smash Cricket comes to Solway on Wednesday 11th March. This is for Year 3-5 girls (Year 6 students are at camp). No cricket experience is required. There is a cost of \$10 but everyone gets a tee shirt. A notice will go out soon.



Thank you to Neke Sports who have donated a bag full of awesome softball gear. There are hundreds of dollars, maybe even a thousand dollars, of new gear in the bag. This will go a long way in restocking our softball gear. Coincidentally we have Two Tee Ball teams this year! So it's come at a good time. **Ka nui te mihi ki a Neke Sports.**

School Lunches are available from this Friday each week ordering on the....

kindo.co.nz website.

Families that previously had a lunch online account and any unused balance has been transferred to kindo, Pop in and update your details and carry on. There are a few different options to choose from. New families can set up a user-friendly account in a few short steps. We are happier with some of the options than we are with others but we are making it available to our school community to see what you think. We are not locked into a contract and may look at changing our Friday lunch offerings at some point in the future.





STARS OF THE WEEK



Pōhutukawa: Lewis is our Star of the Week! We love the way he is settling into school life. He is showing great enthusiasm towards his learning and is fantastic at completing his morning jobs. Ka pai, Lewis!

Kānuka: Adalyn arrives at school every day with a smile, ready to learn and ready to help her classmates. Adalyn makes valuable contributions during class conversations and is a kind friend to her classmates, including everyone in her activities. Tino pai, Adalyn!

Rimu: Tom is our Star this week. He is showing a huge amount of Manaakitanga through the school day. Tom does his morning jobs as soon as he arrives at school every day and is very enthusiastic about his learning. He has been very focused on his writing and is determined to be writing independently! Ka mau te wehi Tom!

Harakeke: Riria quietly does the right thing at the right time. We love the effort you are putting into your writing Riria, there's a lot to remember and you're doing so well! Thanks also for being a kind and respectful member of Harakeke.

Tītoki: Louie is full of wonderful knowledge and it is a pleasure to have him as one of our class experts. He is extremely hard working and focused on his learning. Keep up the great work. Ka pai rawa!!

Kauri: George is our Star of the Week for demonstrating Manawanui in his learning. He is always ready to learn, stays focused, and consistently tries his best. Ka pai, George!

Tōtara: Willow shows all of our values, amazingly well. Her work is of a fabulous standard and the manner she interacts with others - by way of support and TLC is a wonderful example for her entire class. Tino Pai Willow! Thanks so much!

Matai: Iver has been showing Manawanui with the way he has been taking on writing tasks. It has been awesome to see the improvements Iver has made with his descriptive writing. Good work, Iver. Keep it up.

Mānuka: Finn for showing lots of independence in the playground and working successfully with his buddies. Tino Pai Finn.

Rata: Luka has shown excellent skill in swimming over the last few weeks. She gives other children advice, showing them how to improve. This has been awesome to watch! Keep it up Luka, I can't wait to see how you go at swimming sports.

Community Notices

ChillOut 

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

6.45AM-8.45AM
2.30PM-5.45PM

Breakfast & Afternoon tea provided
Swimming Tuesday & Thursday afternoons
Homework help
Friendly, trained and educated staff
Drop off and pick up to Swim Tangaroa lessons



NEW LOCATION:
2 DIXON ST MASTERTON (TRUST HOUSE POOLS - LOCATED IN STADIUM)

CONTACT US:
mastertonchillout@clmnz.co.nz
027 467 7156
or pop in and see us!



Douglas Villa AFC

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE 2026 SEASON

We welcome all new and returning players

Ages 5 - 13

More info and to register:
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/469509>

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SUMMER HUMMER



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TICKETS ON **EVENTFINDER**

SUPPORT ACTS
CULTURE EMBASSY • MACEO FIELD • LUCAS STONELEY
TOM FAR • THE YOUNG FELLAS • RUBY BREMNER

SATURDAY 28 FEBRUARY
QUEEN ELIZABETH SPORTS GROUND - MASTERTON



Expressions of Interest Open

FOR OUR

2026

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

★ Spaces available for
\$10 music lessons
in our scholarship programme

APPLY NOW!
Don't Miss Out!

<https://forms.gle/6jMb8AXp5Wd54k4CA>

Sunday 1st March 2026

Te Maipi Road,
Stronvar Masterton
Signposted from Masterton

**NEW
FARM**

A and B Circuits
Kids track for beginners and younger riders

Adults \$50
Under 13yrs \$25

**NO
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Lunch is provided

Wainuioru Trail Ride

Riders Briefing: 10.00am

Starts: 10.15am

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