

Solway School Newsletter - Term 3, Week 1

Tuesday 15th July, 2025



Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders

- ★ Learning Conferences next Tues/ Wednesday - early finish at 1pm Tuesday July 22nd
Event code **nmmcg**
- ★ Grandparents Day Friday August 8th

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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,

We have lots of great events planned for this term, Grandparents Day, Jump Jam, a Super Hero day and the Kapa Haka Festival to name but a few. We are thrilled to welcome **14 new students** who started at Solway yesterday, marking the beginning of Term 3 with fresh faces and new friendships. Some of our tamariki have moved here from as far as the South Island and Hawke's Bay in addition to local five year olds who are beginning their primary school journey. We extend a warm Solway welcome to all of you and your whānau – we're so glad you've joined our Solway community. Ka mau te wehi!

On a personal note, it is genuinely great to be back after my term 2 sabbatical, I really missed you all. Huge thanks to Hannah, Steve and the team for the tremendous job they have done running Solway in my absence.

Sincere condolences – as a community all of our love and heartfelt condolences go out to Katrina, our longest-serving teacher aide on the passing of her beloved husband Kim yesterday. **Ma te Ariki koe e manaaki me to whanau .**

STUDENT LEARNING CONFERENCES – Next week , Tuesday July 22nd 1:20pm to 5:30pm
Wednesday July 23rd 3:10pm to 5:00pm Parent teaching meetings - School will finish at 1pm on the Tuesday, buses will run at 3pm, supervision until 3pm will be available if essential.
[Here is the link to book appointments https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/nmmcg](https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/nmmcg)

Grandparents Day – Friday August 8th, please ask Grandparents to keep this morning free - it's always a highlight of our year, more details to come in the coming weeks.

Dogs in schools – Very warm welcome to Garry Hardgrave from the Masterton District Council and Scruffy (the dog) who run the dogs in schools programme which teaches children about responsible ownership and care for our four legged friends.

Scruffy is always a big hit with the Solway community.

Starting Dates for 2026 - The last day of 2025 will be Tuesday December 16th. I can now also confirm that our first day of 2026 will be Monday February 2nd ending Friday December 11th.

Ngā mihi Mark Bridges

School Notices

CLASS SPOTLIGHT - Pōhutukawa



Day One Fun in Pōhutukawa!!!

We have been enjoying learning new maths games in class, like Snakes and Ladders, Uno, Dominoes, and Noughts and Crosses. We also welcomed Emma, Ethan, and Iyla-Rose into our class. We're excited for Term 3!



School interviews

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/nmmcg>

School 2025 Dates

- ★ Term 3: July 14th to September 19th
- ★ Term 4: October 6th to December 16th

Teacher only day October 24th

Labour day October 27th

Community Notices

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