

Solway School Newsletter - Term 3, Week 9

Tuesday 9th September, 2025



Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders

- ★ Superhero/Onesie day dress up 12th September
- ★ Last day of term Friday 19th Sept
- ★ Pet and Flower day 10th October

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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,



AUGUST READING CHALLENGE: Well Done to all of our amazing Readers over the month of August - Huge thanks to Jo & Hannah for sorting out our Fish & Chips.

WANTED! : Do you have a child turning 5 in 2025 or 2026? We are aware that many of our existing students have younger siblings. It's a huge help to us if parents enrol their four year olds up to a year prior to them starting. These pre enrolments can be used by us to gain more teachers for the school which in turn lowers our class sizes, even if they are not 5 for another year, please help us out by enrolling them now. Enrolment forms are available at the office.

ONESIE & SUPERHERO DAY - This Friday September 12th in Onesie and Superhero Day. Children can come dressed as a superhero or wear their Onesie or even their Pajamas. Bring a Gold Coin donation with all proceeds going to the Wellington Free Ambulance and the Heart Foundation.

Solway Board of Trustee Elections: Please remember to **VOTE** - just **24 HOURS** to have your say.

Have a great week

Ngā mihi

Mark Bridges

School Notices

Friday 12th September - Week 9

Come to school dressed up for Onesie Day or Superhero Day!
Both are fantastic causes, and since we couldn't choose just one,
we've decided to support both.



OR



Mini Ball Draw Wednesday 10th September at YMCA

Year 3/4 team Solway Thunder v DPS Bridges 4 pm

Year 5/6 team Solway Lightning v Lakeview Raptors 6 pm

Week 9 Ako Card Winners!!!

Congratulations to Mila, Felix, Darragh, Emma, Blaire, Dylan,
Lexus and Abi



School photos

Photo Life will be emailing photo codes to the email address that we have on our student management system for your child/ren. Please check your junk/spam. If the email does not appear within the next few days, please contact the office.

CLASS SPOTLIGHT - Rata

Maths in Rata



We've been learning about Financial Mathematics.

We have practised adding money and working out the correct change. We are linking this learning to our own small businesses for our upcoming stall at the Masterton Youth Market. We are learning about important ideas such as cost price, selling price, revenue, and profit.



Market Research

Keep an eye out for Rata's stall at the Youth Market at the Spot, Saturday 8th Nov.



This term we've worked so hard learning our times tables and we are all getting so good!

We competed in the NZ wide primary and intermediate schools competition. Rata came 7th out of 1, 438 classes!

Pet and Flower Day 2025

This is coming up in the first week on Term 4. [Friday 10th October](#). A detailed letter will be sent home on Monday 6th Oct. In the meantime get thinking about some flower day fruit/veggie creations and a pet you may bring along.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Pōhutukawa: Tom is a quiet and considerate member of Pōhutukawa who always makes good choices. He approaches his learning with a positive attitude and consistently tries his best. Ka pai, Tom!

Kānuka: Mia is our star this week. Mia consistently demonstrates Pono in our classroom. Mia works so hard with her taumata homework and often goes above and beyond by doing extra work. Ka pai Mia for going the extra mile.

Rimu: Thomas is working on his self confidence and giving everything a go, no matter how hard or tricky they might seem the first time. He displays resilience throughout our gymnastics sessions giving every activity a go and never giving up! Well done Thomas!

Harakeke: Jayden is our star this week. On Friday he was brave when he spoke in Assembly last Friday. He remembered all his words and spoke clearly and confidently. Mīharo Jayden!

Tītoki: George displays our Solway value of Manaakitanga, by having a 'can-do' attitude. He is a ray of sunshine in Tītoki, whether he is learning inside the classroom or playing Rippa rugby for the Tītoki Tuataras, he spreads positivity to the rest of the class. Mīharo George!

Kōwhai: Nish always shows Manaakitanga in the classroom. She is passionate about her learning and puts a great deal of effort into everything she does. Ka rawe Nish!

Tōtara: The whole class were Stars last week - the feedback from the reliever was absolutely amazing; the work that was done shows that a fabulous amount of effort was put into it and so thanks for showing all the values Totara! Ka Pai!

Matai: Luca has shown Pono recently with her huge improvements in writing. She is listening well, not worrying about what other people are doing, and publishing some fantastic pieces of writing. Tu meke, Luca. I look forward to reading your writing every time you submit it on Seesaw.

Mānuka: Mahauariki - He has shown lots of perseverance in developing his vaulting skill in gymnastics. He is taking off, landing and completing a range of vaults with developing skill.. Ka mau Te Wehi Mahauariki.

Rata: Blaire has shown all of our Solway School values this week by going the extra mile in her Youth Market research and preparation, both at school and at home. Her thoughtful ideas, enthusiasm, and engagement have made a real difference to our work. Ka mau te wehi, Blaire!

Community Notices

THE JAZZ DANCE & DRAMA CENTRE PRESENTS

Central Park NEW YORK

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BASED ON THE DREAMWORKS ANIMATION MOTION PICTURE

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WAIRARAPA SPITFIRES BASEBALL CLUB

2025/26 Wairarapa Spitfire Baseball season online registrations will open mid September!

We have club teams available for all levels of experience. The season will start on October 16th and pause for the summer school holidays before re-starting in early February and finishing at the end of March 2026. All Local Development games and trainings are held on the Spitfires Baseball Diamond at Kuranui College, Greytown.

ROOKIE BALL – Ages 5 to 8 play games on Saturday mornings at 9 am

MAJORS 10U/12U DEVELOPMENT (School Yrs 5-8) – Ages 9 to 12 play games on Friday afternoons at 4pm, training Thursdays 4pm

MAJORS 14U/16U DEVELOPMENT (School Yrs 9+) – Ages 13+ play games on Friday afternoons at 5.30 pm, training Thursdays 5.30pm

12U/14U/16U TRAVEL TEAMS – Competitive baseball in the Wellington Regional Competition.

Wairarapa Spitfires Club Travel Teams will be formed late September, email mcwilliamae@gmail.com asap if you are interested. Games are on Sundays and played at home on the Spitfires Baseball Diamond at Kuranui College and away at other Wellington regional diamonds in Terms 4 and 1.

Our Have a Go Open Day is on Sunday October 12th from 10am to 12pm at the Kuranui College Baseball Diamond. Come along for a fun morning learning about baseball and eating yummy sausages.

For more information and to register check out our website <https://www.sporty.co.nz/spitfiresbaseball>

Join our Facebook Page for news and updates: Wairarapa Spitfires

Contact our Teams Coordinator, Eileen McWilliam, mcwilliamae@gmail.com or phone 0276028597

COACHES NEEDED

If you've ever thought about coaching – whether you're experienced or brand new – we'd love to hear from you! There is a small financial incentive for each week of coaching, so if you have an older child who would like to coach the younger ones. Please reach out! Wairarapa Basketball is pushing for more girl grades this year. Let's get basketball back thriving!



What's involved?

- One training night per week
- Game day at Walter Nash Stadium
- Assistant coaches to help share the load
- Flexible support because we know life gets busy!!



Message us here on Facebook or email:
basketballwairarapa@gmail.com

**CALLING ALL
FUTURE COACHES
WE NEED YOU!**



BASKETBALL WAIRARAPA

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 - ✓ Game day at Walter Nash Stadium
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Applications Open – Scholarship Brass Music Lessons, Term 4 2025



Kia ora

The Wairarapa Youth Orchestra is delighted to announce that **applications are now open for scholarship-supported brass music lessons in Term 4, 2025**. Thanks to the generous support of local Lions and Rotary Clubs, these lessons are offered at an affordable rate to help more young people experience the joy of music.

Key details:

- Lessons are just **\$10 each** (7 lessons per term = \$70 total).
- Open to school-aged students across the Wairarapa.



Ka nui te mihi, ā, kia pai te wiki