Featherston School
Te Kura o Paetūmokai

Looking Ahead to 2027 – School Dates and Staff Only Day

Kia ora e te whānau,
As you begin planning for next year, please pop these important dates into your calendars, in your phone, on your fridge.

2027 Term Dates

Term	Starts	Finishes
Term 1	Wednesday 3 February	Friday 9 April
Term 2	Tuesday 27 April	Friday 2 July
Term 3	Monday 19 July	Friday 24 September
Term 4	Monday 11 October	Thursday 16 December at 12pm

Confirmed Staff Only Day – Thursday 25 March
Featherston School Te Kura o Paetūmokai will be **closed for tamariki on Thursday 25 March 2027** while our staff attend a South Wairarapa professional learning day in Greytown at Kuruanui College..
Schools across South Wairarapa will close for this shared day, bringing together approximately 300 staff from 14 schools. It is an opportunity to learn together, share effective teaching approaches and strengthen collaboration across our schools to support learning and wellbeing for our tamariki. We will share more about the programme once it is finalised.

A six-day Easter break
The Staff Only Day falls immediately before Easter, meaning tamariki will have **six consecutive days away from school, from Thursday 25 March to Tuesday 30 March inclusive**.

- **Wednesday 24 March:** Last classroom day before the break
- **Thursday 25 March:** Staff Only Day
- **Friday 26 March:** Good Friday
- **Saturday 27–Sunday 28 March:** Weekend
- **Monday 29 March:** Easter Monday
- **Tuesday 30 March:** Easter Tuesday school holiday
- **Wednesday 31 March:** Tamariki return to school

Please arrange care for your tamariki during this time.

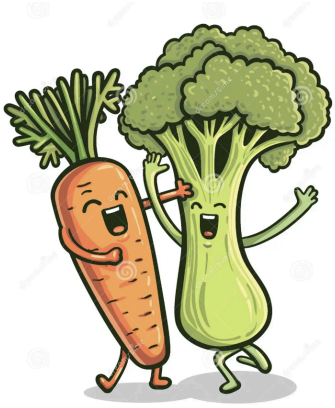
Other public holidays during term time
School will also be closed on:

- **Monday 8 February:** Waitangi Day observed
- **Monday 7 June:** King's Birthday
- **Friday 25 June:** Matariki
- **Monday 25 October:** Labour Day

Wellington Anniversary Day, **Monday 25 January**, and ANZAC Day observed, **Monday 26 April**, fall during the school holidays.

🥕🥦 Look at these amazing writers from Akomanga Kōkako! They have been busy writing to persuade us which vegetable is best, carrots or broccoli!
Which team are you on: Team Carrot 🥕 or Team Broccoli 🥦?













Today, Akomanga Kārearea helped paint another mural in Featherston! Keep an eye out around town for this latest splash of colour. Ka pai, Kārearea, helping make our community a brighter place! 💙

Ngā mihi nui,
Vanessa Phillips