



Term 3, Week 7 - 27 August 2025

Kia Ora, Bula Vinaka, Bonjour, Kon'nichiwa and Olá

A lovely busy two weeks have passed at school with sports events, a show and the all important speech finals. Last week, we were visited by ARA with their musical *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. This was an amazing performance and had us all spellbound. There were over 25 people in the cast, all working together spectacularly well. We were very lucky to be chosen by them for a visit.

Our year 7/8 boys joined with TaiTapu for Lincoln Zones rugby and they won their grade being unbeaten on the day. Callum, Jarod, Slater and Ollie all gave up their teacher only day to attend this function which shows just how seriously they take their rugby.

***Ki te kotahi te kākaho, ka whati: ki te
kapua, e kore e whati***

*When we stand alone we are vulnerable,
but together we are unbreakable.*

2025 School Speech Winners



The winners are:

Year 1: Gabe - My passion is lego.

Year 2: Summer - Swimming

Year 3: Margot - Horse riding

Year 4: Sarai - Science

Year 5: Erin - Why dogs are the best pet.

Year 6: Georgia - Why you should travel.

Year 7: Isla - How technology has changed the world

Year 8: Callum - Everyone should play a team sport.

Upcoming Events

Thursday 28 August - Mobile Library Visit

Friday 29 August - Daffodil day

Monday 1 September - Selwyn Speech Competition

Tuesday 2 September - 6.30pm School Board Meeting

Friday 12 September - Cricket with Josh

Friday 19 September - Hot school lunch and house challenge. Last day of Term 3 2025

Friday 19 September - 6-8pm Disco

Monday 6 October - School reopens for Term 4

The World of Writing

The inspiration for this fortnight's writing challenge



What is this rabbit up to?

The Parent Portal

Understand your child's learning
Parent Portal

Understand what your child is learning at school or kura, how they are progressing against the curriculum, and what you can do to support them at home.



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Year 6 Technology

This year the year 6s have been building stuff like planes, ships, trains and motor bikes. We have also been sewing projects like sewing machine covers and hacky sacks. We year sixes love tech! It's great fun to do it with your friends and by yourself. We have learnt a lot about sewing and woodwork. We have also learnt about the design process. We are looking forward to doing some cooking and electronics next term.

By MICAH :)



Tuning into Kids

Tuning into Kids parenting programme starting 9th September, Tuesday evenings in Rolleston, Rolleston Christian School, 630-830pm.

Email whitneyt@psusi.org.nz to register.

Tuning in to Kids™ is a parenting programme that aims to give you helpful ways of teaching your child the skills of emotional intelligence. The programme teaches you about how you, as a parent, can help your child develop good emotional skills.



Kahikatea

It's been a busy and exciting few weeks for Kahikatea! The children have been working incredibly hard on their speeches, and it was fantastic to see their hard work pay off with some impressive presentations.

A huge congratulations to Callum and Isla, who have been selected to represent our school at the upcoming Selwyn Lions Speech Competition. We wish them the very best of luck!

I'd also like to give a special mention to Callum, Maria, Isla, and Sean who did an excellent job of representing our school at the Cantamath competition last week. They should all be very proud of their efforts.

And the good news doesn't stop there! Our Kahikatea students also absolutely rocked the South Island Times Tables Rockstars competition, coming in 1st place! It's clear their hard work and dedication to learning their times tables has paid off.

It's wonderful to see our students embracing these opportunities and representing our school with such confidence and skill. Tino pai, Kahikatea!

Kānuka

It was a bittersweet week, last week, as we both celebrated with Margot and Gabe with their speech results ... but also farewelled them, as they head to Dubai for the next chapter of their adventurous lives! Speeches have of course occupied much of our writing and oral language programme these past weeks and it has been so heartening to see the progress in confidence the children have gained in this learning. All have made progress they can be proud of!! We are loving the great weather and taking the opportunity to work outside in the fresh air; one of the topics muted as our persuasive writing topic continues. In science we have dug deep inside to check out our skeletons in our 'Dem Bones' unit, and this was complemented by our reading work this month.

