

Solway School Newsletter - Term 3, Week 2

Tuesday 28 July



Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders

Learning Conferences -

August 4th (early finish) &
August 5th (3pm finish)

School Photos- August 7th

Foodbank Muftiday- August
14th

Grandparents Day - Friday
August 21st

Jump Jam Competition -
August 27th

School Production -
September 3rd 6:30pm
Evening Show
11:30am Matinee

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Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Malo e Lelei, Namaste, Kia Orana, Bula
Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā mihi ki te whānau ō te kura ō Solway

Learning Conferences – Bookings Now Open

Our Learning Conferences are now open for bookings, and you should have received an email with instructions on how to book a time for your child or children. It would have come as a notification on your HERO app.

Conferences are 10 minutes long and will be held on:

- **Tuesday 4 August** (afternoon and evening)
- **Wednesday 5 August** (after school)

Important – Early Finish on Tuesday 4 August

To allow time for afternoon conferences, **school will finish at 1.00 pm on Tuesday 4 August.**

- **School buses will run at their normal time**, so bus students will remain at school until buses depart.
- **Emergency supervision** will be available for students who cannot be collected at 1.00 pm or whose parents have a Learning Conference shortly after school finishes.

Any questions or need help making a booking, please contact **Hannah Doherty** at hannah@solway.school.nz.

School Photos Friday 7 August School and class photos will be taken throughout the day. Please ensure children are in the correct school uniform.

Grandparents' Day Friday 21 August One of our favourite days of the year! We look forward to welcoming grandparents and other special family members into our classrooms to share in our learning. Events run 9:30am to 11:30am.

Jump Jam Competition Thursday 27 Aug. We wish our Jump Jam teams every success as they proudly represent Solway. We know they will do us proud.

School Production – A Night at the Oscars

Thursday 3 September – Wairarapa College

The highlight of the term will undoubtedly be our whole-school production, **A Night at the Oscars**. Students and staff are already hard at work rehearsing, and we can't wait to share an evening celebrating the talent, confidence and creativity of our tamariki.

There will be **two performances**:

- **Matinee performance** during the school day.
- **Evening performance** for families and the wider community.

Please see the attached flyer for performance times and ticket information.

To help cover the increasing costs of staging the production, we have made a small increase to the price of adult tickets this year. We appreciate your understanding and support in helping us provide this wonderful opportunity for our students.

Ngā mihi Mark Bridges,

Ma te Atua koe e manaaki me to whanau

Solway School 2026 Dates

Term 3 July 20th to September 25th

Term 4 October 12th to December 11th

Teacher only day October 23rd, Labour day October 26th

Pizza Fridays!

The Friends of Solway Pizza Friday fundraiser.

- Domino's Pizza – \$5.50
- Pizza & Fries Combo – \$7.00

Orders close at 12:00pm **each Wednesday**, with the option to order several weeks in advance.

Link to the Friends of Solway website to order your pizza:

<https://www.friendsofsolway.co.nz/>

★ SOLWAY SCHOOL ★
— PRODUCTION —

A night at the
OSCARS

★ THURSDAY ★
3RD SEPTEMBER 2026

★ VENUE: ★
WAIRARAPA COLLEGE HALL

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MATINEE
11:30AM

EVENING SHOW
6:30PM

LIGHTS ★
CAMERA ★
ACTION! ★

TICKETS ON SALE SOON!

★
\$10 PER ADULT
\$5 FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN
UNDER 5'S **FREE**

SOLWAY SCHOOL
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AKO NGATAHI – LEARNING TOGETHER

Grandparents' Day 2026

You're Invited!

Come and join us at Solway School for a special morning celebrating our wonderful grandparents and special whānau.



Date: Friday 21st August 2026



9:30 am

Welcome in the School Hall



Following the welcome

Visit your grandchild's class, explore their learning, and join in with fun activities happening across the school.



11:00 am

Return to the School Hall for tea, coffee, and a chance to chat together.

We would love to see you and spend the morning with us at Solway.

Koro • Nanny • Granny • Gramps • Grandma • Grandpa • Grandad
Oma • Opa • Nana • Pop • Kuia • Poppa

Celebrating the special people who make a difference in our children's lives every day.

Solway School
LEARNING, TRUST, RESPECT

Term 3 Sport

A very big thank you to Brooke Crosbie & Plumbing World for the new footballs



Week 2 Ako Card Winners!!!

Congratulations to Oscar, Louis, Aratia-Rose, Skylar, Freya, Elliot, Rome, Louie, Jordan, Ruby, Lily, Ayva & Harrison





STARS OF THE WEEK



Kahikatea: Noah is already showing all of Solway's school values after just a few days of school. He has settled into Kahikatea Class so well, joins in with all activities, listens carefully, follows instructions, and is kind and caring towards others. We are so proud of the positive start you have made, Noah. Ka pai rawa!

Pōhutukawa: Anna has had a fantastic start to the term. We are loving her growing confidence! Anna has been using her lovely big voice during reading, and is reading her books beautifully. Keep up the great work Anna, we are proud of you.

Kānuka: Charlie Williams has settled back into school beautifully after the holiday, stepping seamlessly into the new term with ease and a warm smile. She consistently shines as a fantastic role model, bringing the Solway values to life by always being the first to offer a helping hand to her peers.

Rimu: Jonty is our Star of the Week. Jonty has displayed amazing Manawanui this week practising our production item. He is very enthusiastic and puts in 100% effort. Jonty has been an amazing role model this term displaying both Manaakitanga and Pono welcoming our new students to Rimu! Well done Jonty!

Harakeke: William has shown all three values last week- Manaakitanga, Manawanui and Pono. He is an interested and focused learner who always is striving to do his best. You are amazing William.

Tītiki: Oliver is our star of the week. Oliver, you are always showing that you are an amazing Solway school student. You try your very best all the time. We are proud of you. Ka pai rawa!

Kauri: Emma consistently demonstrates all of our school values and is a responsible, motivated learner. She always completes her work to a high standard and takes pride in everything she does. Emma has also been a wonderful helper in Kauri, showing kindness, initiative, and a willingness to support others. We are so proud of you, Emma- miharo! Keep up the fantastic work!

Tōtara: Louie S scores recognition for Manaakitanga. He has a great deal of respect for what he's to learn. He responsibly gets on with this work and takes huge pride in what he can then do - or even discover on his own. He's then really mindful of others and loves to share what's learnt with them. He'll now learn to show others how he gets his answers.

Matai: Georgia Yaxley has shown Manawanui with art. She persevered and showed a growth mindset when completing her piece of work. Awesome, Georgia. Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui.

Mānuka: Elise - For having a really positive attitude towards work and new learning. Also a great mouse patrol person. Tino Pai Elise.

Rata: Billy is our star this week for all the effort he has been putting in to learn our production dance. He is smiling, laughing and giving new things a go! Awesome to see Billy!

Community Notices

Registrations are now open for the Paul Ifill Football Academy (PIFA) in Masterton.

PIFA offers professional-standard football coaching for players aged 8–17years, and is located at Rathkeale College. Sessions are run by Paul Ifill - former Wellington Phoenix all-time leading scorer, FA Cup finalist, and 3× Coach of the Year, and focus on technical and tactical development, decision making, and the mental skills needed for the game.

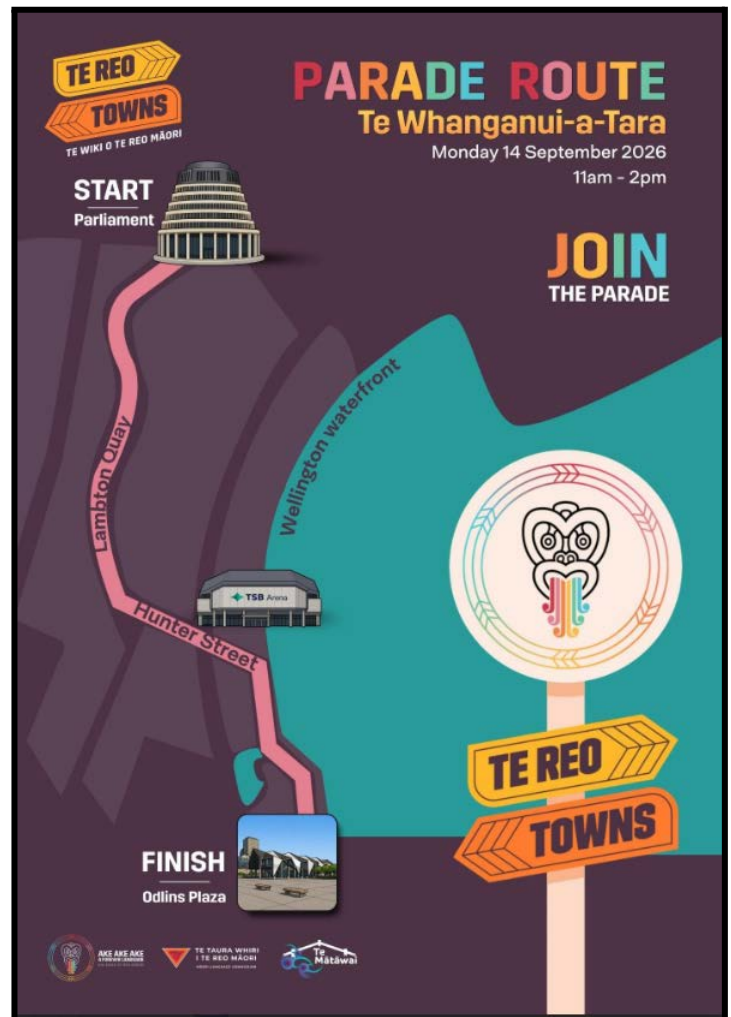
TERM 3 ACADEMY DETAILS

- 8–12 year olds: Mondays, 3.45–4.45pm
- 13–17 year olds: Mondays, 4.45–5.45pm
- 6-week block starting Monday 10 August
- Cost: \$210 for the term

Registrations can be completed online at www.paulifill.com

If you have any questions or would like to discuss how PIFA can support your players' development, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

On behalf of Paul Ifill Football Academy
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**MASTERTON SCHOOLS
NON-UNIFORM DAY
MASTERTON FOOD BANK**

Friday 14th August

*Instead of a gold coin donation,
please bring at least
1 non-perishable
food item.*



SOLWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

LET'S GET GROWING!

OUR OCTOBER PLANT SALE IS COMING!

Every plant donated helps raise money for our school!






WHAT TO START PLANTING NOW (JULY & AUGUST)

 Beetroot	 Spring Onions	 Spinach	 Lettuce	 Mesclun Mix
 Bok Choi	 Capsicum	 Eggplant	 Leek	
 Poppies	 Cornflower	 Lupin	 Snapdragons	 Foxgloves

Easy to grow, **fun** to watch, and **great** for our plant sale!

THE SCHOOL CAN HELP!

We have supplies available to help you get started.



Pots



Potting mix / soil

If you'd like some supplies, just pop into the school office. 

GET THE KIDS INVOLVED!



- ✓ Plant a few seeds
- ✓ Watch them grow
- ✓ Water them together
- ✓ Learn about nature
- ✓ Help your school at the same time!



WE NEED PLANT SITTERS!

We have a heap of plants already sowed that need looking after.

They need to be kept inside, watered and taken outside for some sunshine once they have started to grow.

Please let us know if you can plant sit! 




THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SOLWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL!

Whether you donate 1 plant or 20 plants, you're helping make our **October Plant Sale** a success!



Ka nui te mihi, ā, kia pai te wiki