

	<p style="text-align: center;">Newsletter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">25th February 2025</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders</p> <p>Feb 27: Triathlon (Evening) March 5-7: Year 6 Camp March 21: Cultural Day March 28: Awa / River trips April 1-2: Learning Conferences</p>
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Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Malo e Lelei, Namaste, Kia Orana, Bula
Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā mihi ki te whānau o te kura o Solway`
Ma te Atua koe e manaaki me to whanau i tenei Arangi

Thank you : Cory Haeta, dad of Addison & Ben Chase, dad of DJ for volunteering their time over the holidays to put in new edging around the playground. Between their effort, Robs Walkers Painting and the hard work of Dave & Jimmy the school has saved 10's of thousands. Over the coming months we are looking at adding a few new items Watch this space.



FIREWOOD RAFFLE : Time to stock up for winter. \$2 per ticket for over 2 cubic meters of pine donated by Richard Southey. More forms are available at the office. Proceeds going to Year 6 camp, thank you for your support.

Solway School TRIATHLON : The annual school triathlon will be this **Thursday, 27th February** with registrations opening from 5.15pm and the weather will be great. The entry fee is a gold coin donation which will go towards covering the costs of the Year 6 Camp. Bring a picnic dinner, we will also have an optional sausage sizzle / \$2 each & camp raffles.

Out of Zone Ballot Solway School is pleased to be able to offer a limited number of Out of Zone enrolments in 2025. If you have friends or family with 4 year olds then spread the word. We have just 15 places for new entrants students who turn five in 2025 or term one of 2026. Applications are available from the school office

Subject: Important Notice – School Sores (Impetigo) Alert. We have had a few cases of school sores (impetigo) at school this week. This is a common and highly contagious skin infection that spreads easily among children.

If your child has sores that are red, blistered, or have a yellow crust, please keep them at home until they have been treated with antibiotic cream for at least 24 hours, or until sores are completely covered.

Encourage good handwashing and avoid sharing personal items to help prevent further spread.

For more information on symptoms, treatment, and prevention, please visit:

 [School Sores \(Impetigo\) – Health NZ](#)



Some very cool new signage showing our school values, the design has been a passion project of Whaea Rose and Artist Rosie from Green Grubs Gardening Club. These were gifted to the school from Mrs Booth.

Ngā mihi **Mark Bridges (Principal)**

Solway School Fundraiser - Saturday March 15th the Cophorne is hosting the **GMSV Corvette Nationals**. New & old Corvette sports cars from all over New Zealand are coming to Masterton. The Corvette Club has reached out to the local school (Solway Primary) and offered to raise money for us by opening up the collection for a couple of hours in the morning to the public in return for gold coin donations (all going to Solway). Our hope is to purchase STEM equipment for the school (likely lego). We will need half a dozen volunteers to help run the event, collect coins etc and **we need everyone to come along with their friends and extended family.**



We all know finances are tight. Parents do have the option of paying off expenses like stationery, camps and trips over the course of the year by setting up automatic payments. If you would like to discuss options please phone the office. Thank you so much to the parents who have made payment.



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Applications are available from the school office, office@solway.school.nz.

These must be received by 4pm Thursday March 27th.

Ballot Day if required is Monday March 31st.



Moving March

This starts next week. Come to school by walking, riding, scootering or by school bus. Fill in the passport (at school) for each trip and go in the draw for prizes.

Road Patrol - There is a teacher and signs out from 8:30am-8:50am daily for safe road crossing. Everyone must use the crossing to cross the road both in the morning and afternoon even if you do not have your child with you when you cross.

Solway School 2025 Dates

Term 1 February 3rd to April 11th

Waitangi Day Feb 6th

Term 2 April 28th to June 27th

King's Birthday June 2nd, Combined schools teacher only day June 3rd, Matariki June 20th

Term 3 July 14th to September 19th

Term 4 October 6th to December 16th

Teacher only day October 24th, Labour day October 27th

SOLWAY SCHOOL WOOD RAFFLE

Fundraiser for Year 6 Camp

\$2 per ticket



PINE
2 cubic metres

Drawn Friday 4th April

Raffle forms sent home Monday 24th February. More forms are available at the office.

Thank you for your support!

Solway School Triathlon 2025

When: Thursday 27th February

Where: Solway School Field

Time: 5:15pm registration - hall deck

Cost: Gold coin

Bring along a picnic or there will be sausages to buy and also some exciting raffles fundraising for the year 6 camp.

Swim/walk/run across the pool, bike along a track
and finish with a run.

Helmets and shoes must be worn for the bike & shoes for the run.

Tee Ball / Mod Softball

Tee Ball and Mod Softball start this Saturday. Tee Ballers are playing at Douglas Park School. Mod Softballers are playing at St Patricks. Good luck to both of these teams.

Junior Netball

This starts up next Tuesday, Week 4. Thank you to the many coaches that have offered to help: Salome le Roux, Sonya Soromon, Amanda Herrick for the Year 3 + 4. Joe Simpson, Latoiya McCarron, and Olivia Gamble have put their hands up to help the little ones. It's a lot of fun at the netball courts. Good luck to all teams.

Pita-Pit Lunches

Good news for our Solway children returning and new families to Solway, Pita Pit lunches are up and running on Friday's each week.

For our new families: It's simple; all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz

1 Register an account

2 Add member/s using your child's name & classroom

3 Make a payment so you have funds in your account before ordering

4 Select your lunch and place an order

Orders can be placed right up until 8.30 on the day the lunches are available. Any problems/queries with set-up please see Selina in the office. We have found the lunches healthy & enjoyed by the children with quite a few options available.

IMPORTANT: Can families with existing accounts for children, please make sure you update the classroom for your child/ren if applicable as it saves many tears on a Friday!!

Year 6 Camp

Wednesday 5th - 7th March. We will be leaving school at 9am. Children come to school with their gear in the morning. Please send any required medication in a well-labelled container. (no need to wear school uniform) Check Seesaw for any other information.



STAR OF THE WEEK



Pōhutukawa: Willow for being a fantastic leader and role model in Pōhutukawa. We love how well you listen and follow instructions. Keep it up!

Kānuka: Anders has been an amazing friend to all in our class. You include everyone in your play and proudly display our school value of Pono in all that you do. Ka pai Anders!

Rimu: Charlie for showing amazing resilience and determination with his swimming. Charlie began the year not wanting to get into the pool at all and is now getting his head under the water and joining in with his swimming group. Ka mau te wehi Charlie!

Harakeke: Elyse Culver for showing our Solway School value of Manawanui. She always tries hard with whatever she does. She takes responsibility for listening and learning new things. Ka pai Elyse!

Titoki: Mason Deys-Shailer - For showing our Solway School value of Manawanui. Mason is taking responsibility for his learning and eagerly participating in our oral language activities, sharing his great ideas with the rest of Titoki. Ka pai Mason!

Kōwhai: Piper is passionate about her learning and always puts great effort into everything she does. She is a wonderful role model for others and is always ready to lend a helping hand. Mīharo Piper!

Tōtara: Saskia, for showing Manaakitanga as a learner. She's got an extremely cheerful nature - super enthusiastic with everything she has to do. She is an incredibly responsible learner, respects what's to be done and is making fabulous progress already - particularly in writing, maths and swimming.

Matai: Aleisha has shown Manaakitanga recently. She is caring and helps out other students that are not sure what to do. She takes extra responsibilities seriously and is listening to instructions carefully. Ka mau te wehi, Aleisha.

Mānuka: Darragh has shown Manaakitanga in Manuka, by being hugely helpful and very informative! Ka Pai Darragh.

Rata: Karli, for showing Manawanui during our swimming sessions! Your determination and effort stand out as you continue to make progress. Ka taea e koe! You can do it!



TERM 1, 2025
Indoor skating sessions
 for roller/inline skaters of all levels

Weekly sessions - Most Thursdays 4:30 - 5:30pm Children and adults of all age	Skate Dates: February 13th, 20th and 27th March 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th April 3rd and 10th	Clareville A&P Stadium, 2nd entrance off Chester Road.
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No bookings required, just turn up on the day.
 Adults, please stay and supervise your children. Skates are BYO, safety gear (especially wrist guards) is recommended.
 We have some skates available to borrow, please call/text Leah on 021 1590762 the day before with the size you require.
 Carterton Roller Skaters is a not-for-profit community group. Join us on facebook for the latest news.

Masterton GirlGuiding, Brownies, currently has space to take more girls aged 7-9.5 yrs keen to join in on the fun that GirlGuiding NZ has to offer.

We offer a non-competitive learning environment that is open-minded and values-based. It's a supportive place to grow confident, adventurous girls who are ready to be tomorrow's leaders. We offer a programme where the girls themselves have a say in the activities they get to participate in and offer experiences like camps, crafts, and real-life experiences, rewarding them with badges as they learn new skills.

To register your interest and find out more about our rewarding programme, complete the form found here: [Register Your Interest - GirlGuiding New Zealand - You be the Guide!](#)

JOIN US!

WAIRARAPA
Kids Choir

WHAT: A CHOIR FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
 AGED 7 AND UP
 WHO LOVE TO SING

WHERE: CARTERTON COURT HOUSE

WHEN: FRIDAYS 3:50-4:50

CONTACT:
 JILLBEBBINGTON@WISE.NET.NZ



REGISTRATIONS
NOW OPEN



**WE WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING PLAYERS WHO
 WISH TO JOIN OUR CLUB FOR THE 2025 SEASON!**

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 WWW.DOUGLASVILLAFC.CO.NZ**

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