



Newsletter

4th February 2025

Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders

Feb 13: Meet the Teacher 2:30pm
Feb 27: Triathlon (Evening)
March 5-7: Year 6 Camp
March 21: Cultural Day
March 28: Awa / River trips
April 1-2: Learning Conferences

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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

Welcome back Solway School,

I trust everyone had a wonderful holiday. The pool will be open everyday whilst the weather holds. All children need to bring togs, a drink bottle and a navy blue sun hat everyday. Can parents please make sure students have sunscreen on before they come to school on really sunny days.

We have hit the ground running with swimming, a renovated playground, road patrol training, learning through play and brand new maths resources for the whole school, Oxford Maths.

As per last year, students can wear black or navy blue Crocs but they need back straps and no Gibitz.

We have had 6 new students start this week. A very warm welcome to all of our new students and their whānau.

We are sure they will love it here. Our first point of communication is the SeeSaw app. Teachers will be able to share information on how to sign up with this.



NO SCHOOL THURSDAY - WAITANGI DAY Just a reminder that this Thursday is **February 6th is Waitangi day, a public holiday.**

School will be open on Friday February 7th but those who are able to take an extra long weekend and get away or head to the beach with family should feel free to do so. We acknowledge not all have the option of taking yet another day off so the school will be open for a funday for those who cannot get away.

Funday Friday will include a MUFTI DAY (no donation required), a free sausage sizzle (1 per student) and of course the pool will be open.

MEET THE TEACHER: Thursday February 13th 2:30-3pm we are having an open classroom for parents to come and meet their child's teacher. At 2:30pm all students will go to the hall (I will make sure the air con is on). When parents arrive they can collect their child / children from the hall and they can accompany you to their classroom. All other students will be dismissed at 3pm as per usual.

This is just an informal meet and greet, formal one on one interviews are later in the year.

STATIONERY PACKS: All children at Solway School receive a stationery pack. Selina and Viv have negotiated very good deals for the packs with suppliers ensuring families the best value possible. **This is NOT a donation, it is an actual cost** that parents must pay before the end of term 1. We provide these packs and digital subscriptions to Online Numeracy sites and Seesaw so that teachers can have consistency across the school and so we can still provide quality education if instruction needs to be homebased again. As children run out of books we can replace these and charge parents as we do.

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.

Mark Bridges (Principal)

No students at school before 8am - Just a reminder that no students should be at school before 8am. School starts at 8:55am. Teachers cannot and should not supervise children who come early.

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.

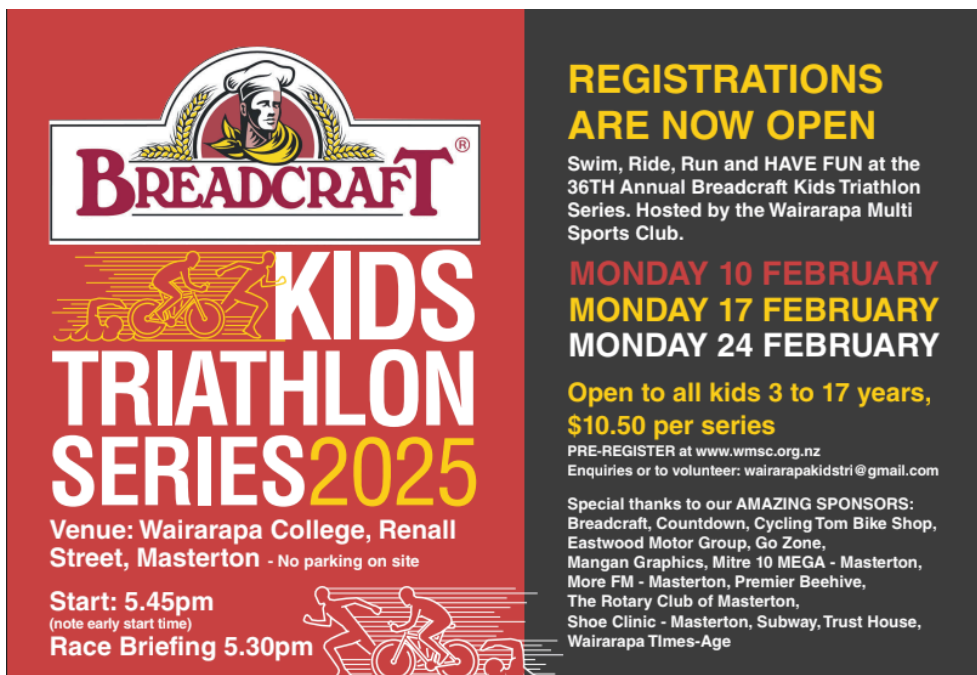
Solway School 2025 Dates

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



BREADCRAFT
KIDS TRIATHLON SERIES 2025

Venue: Wairarapa College, Renall Street, Masterton - No parking on site

Start: 5.45pm
(note early start time)
Race Briefing 5.30pm

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Swim, Ride, Run and HAVE FUN at the 36TH Annual Breadcraft Kids Triathlon Series. Hosted by the Wairarapa Multi Sports Club.

MONDAY 10 FEBRUARY
MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY
MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY

Open to all kids 3 to 17 years,
\$10.50 per series

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