

	<p style="text-align: center;">Newsletter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1st April 2025</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May 9th: Awa / River trips April 1-2: Learning Conferences (1pm finish on April 1st).</p>
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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`

Ma te Atua koe e manaaki me to whanau i tenei Arangi

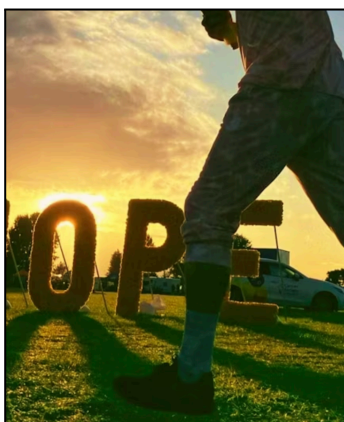
Busy as always at Solway, Learning conferences, Wheels day and my last week until Term 3. If you need to contact the Principal then please message hannah@solway.school.nz or principal@solway.school.nz which will be forwarded to Hannah in my absence.

LEARNING CONFERENCES: Today & tomorrow. **1pm finish today, April 1st.** We have Learning Conferences on today April 1 from 1:20 pm to 5:30pm & tomorrow April 2nd from 3:20 pm to 5pm. School finishes early at 1pm today, emergency supervision will be provided until 3pm for those with no alternatives. The buses will run at 3pm or later as per usual.

There are no more bookings available today but you are still able to book for tomorrow.

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/dxsp5> the code is **dxsp5**

RELAY FOR LIFE : We had a significant number of our Solway community involved in the Relay for Life fundraiser over the weekend. Iver from Kowhai was a stand out running on the track from 4pm-8am as part of SASS FIT MASTERTON TEAM. His team raised \$3,500 for the cancer society adding to a total of \$200,000 raised from the Wairarapa! Pictured is Iver at sunrise after completing one of his many laps. With him is his Pop who is currently fighting cancer. Well Done to all who participated in this amazing cause.



The final numbers are in for the Corvette Show, a total of \$5,500 has been raised for Lego kits at Solway Primary. This included the show, raffles and Charity Auctions. The Corvette owners have been extremely generous.

EASTER RAFFLES - due to kind donations Mr Veale has secured through his Foodstuff contacts, we have two Easter Hampers up for grabs. Each is slightly different and stuffed full of goodies like Lindt Chocolate Bunnies, Eggs and Boxed Chocolates, a Lego set, a Kids Baking kit and other assorted treats. Sign up sheets have been sent home with tickets priced at \$2 each. Please return by April 10th with the draw being April 11th.



WHEELS DAY WEDNESDAY- the first Wednesday of every month is a wheels day, children are free to bring scooters, skates, skateboards and bikes for use at break & lunchtime. Helmets are compulsory.

Ngā mihi **Mark Bridges (Principal)**

Wairarapa Swimming Sports

Last Wednesday we had 13 swimmers take the pool to compete with other primary and intermediate aged swimmers across the Wairarapa. Everyone did a fantastic job. Notable placings were:

Issy Hopman - 5th 50m Freestyle, 3rd 25m Backstroke

Grayson Vollebregt - 5th 25m Freestyle, 6th 25m Backstroke

Manaaki Harwood - 4th 25m Backstroke

Annie le Roux - 8th 25m Backstroke

Renley Reinhardt - 8th 50m Freestyle

Felix Reynolds - 9th 25m Backstroke

Luka Lissington - 9th 25m Freestyle

Luke Hamblyn - 9th 25m Backstroke



Season's for Growth - this is an 8 week programme for children who have experienced loss or grief. We are able to provide this service for next Term. If you would like your child to be part of this please contact hannah@solway.school.nz

Local River Trip - new date

On **Friday 9th May** the whole school will visit their local 'house group' awa (river). Each house group will go to their house river, with staff and explore the river for the morning.

The cost of this trip to cover the buses is **\$5 per child**.

Please send along **\$5** to the school office as soon as possible.

Children can wear sensible walking shoes and clothes that are their house colours on that day.

Your child's teacher can let you know the house group your child is in if they are unsure. We will be learning the pūrākau (stories) of these rivers.

Any questions please email hannah@solway.school.nz

Waipoua River - blue

Waiawangawanga River - Red

Ruamahanga River - Yellow

Waiohine River - Green

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

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!!



STAR OF THE WEEK



Pōhutukawa: Caius-Lee. You are such a ray of sunshine at school! Your happy and friendly nature and the way you've settled in so well has been wonderful to see. Keep up the fantastic effort. We are so proud of you!

Kānuka: Vinnie is our star this week in Kānuka. Vinnie has been working so hard with his writing and reading and shows Manawanui in always trying, even when it can be hard sometimes. Ka pai Vinnie for never giving up.

Rimu: Te-Atawhai consistently displays our school value Manaakitanga. She includes everyone and enjoys making sure everyone in our class is happy. What an awesome friend you are Te-Atawhai!

Harakeke: Gregory has shown the value of Manaakitanga by being responsible. He participates in discussions and in his reading group with answering questions. Tino pai Gregory!

Tītiki: George has shown our Solway School value of Manaakitanga by taking responsibility for his learning. During our maths session, George participated with enthusiasm when we were exploring 'multiplication', and he also used the new maths vocabulary that goes with it. Mīharo George!

Kōwhai: Isla is always respectful to her friends and teachers. She is a kind and caring helper in Kōwhai - keep showing your wonderful Manaakitanga, Isla!

Tōtara: Finnley is really taking on the Manaakitanga challenge with his learning - taking a lot of responsibility for how his work - in all areas of school life rolls now. He's really focusing well on his reading and spelling in particular. Ka Pai Finnley!

Matai: Millie-Rose is starting to show Manaakitanga to others around her. She is using kind words and making an effort to do the right thing. Keep up the good work, Millie-Rose. Aroha mai, aroha atu!

Mānuka: Grace Baxter - Showing Manaakitanga by having a positive attitude towards work and fantastic manners in Manuka.

Rata: Jordan has shown Manawanui in writing. He has been carefully selecting words, using hooks, adjectives and descriptive verbs to make his stories exciting and interesting. Jordan has been trying to 'paint a picture' in the reader's mind and he is doing a great job at it! Ka pai tō mahi, Jordan. Awesome work.

GLADSTONE JUNIOR RUGBY 2025

FIRST 100 REGOS FREE RUGBY BALL!

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY

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MORE INFO

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GLADSTONEJAB@GMAIL.COM

MUSTER THURS 3 APR 3.30-5PM
MEET YOUR COACH & TEAM. GET YOUR KIT. **FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE.**
LAST MINUTE REGOS ON THE DAY.

PRACTICES THURS.
U8-U13 GAMES SAT AM.
U6 RIPPA GAMES FRI EVE.
SEASON FEES \$40; SOCKS \$20




Quiz - Sip - Repeat

READY TO PLAY?

11 APRIL-7PM

COBBLESTONES museum

CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT & AUCTION

Register - cobblesstonesmuseumgreytown@gmail.com
or by phone - 021800089

VENUE - GREYTOWN RUGBY CLUBROOMS
TEAMS OF 4 - \$120 A TABLE

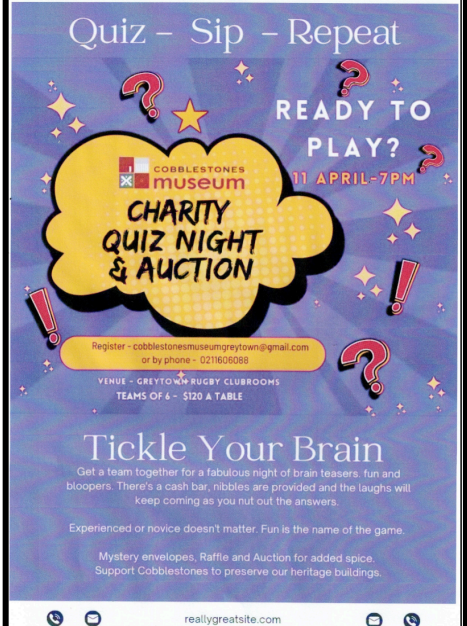
Tickle Your Brain

Get a team together for a fabulous night of brain teasers, fun and bloopers. There's a cash bar, nibbles are provided and the laughs will keep coming as you ruf out the answers.

Experienced or novice doesn't matter. Fun is the name of the game.

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EASTER 2025

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SATURDAY 19 APRIL

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- Face Painting Zone
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Selection of market stalls
- The magical night balloon performance - lit up to music
- Delicious food and beverage options from Street Food vendors
- An unforgettable experience


Gates Open 3pm. Entertainment starts at 3pm

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