

Solway School Newsletter - Term 3, Week 6

Tuesday 25th August



Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders

Jump Jam Competition -
August 27th

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

End of Term 3 - September
25th

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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



Wood is Good! We were very fortunate to welcome the **Wood is Good** programme to Solway this week. Wood is Good is supported by the forestry industry and helps educate children about trees, forestry and the important role the industry plays in our communities and New Zealand's economy. A huge thank you to our visiting educators **Madeline and Vickie**, along with the fantastic team from **McCarthy Trucking and JNL** who helped make the experience possible. Our children had the chance to explore a logging truck and learn about keeping safe around logging trucks and on our roads. They also learnt about pruning and even got to have a go themselves!

We have also been especially blessed with a wonderful collection of books and resources donated to the school by **Wood is Good**. These will continue to support learning long after the visit.

Thank you Wood is Good, McCarthy Trucking and JNL for a fantastic hands-on learning experience for our tamariki!

2027 Solway Out-of-Zone Ballot - September 25th

Due to increasing pressure on our school roll, Solway School will have just 5 out-of-zone places available for New Entrant children turning five in 2027.

Our roll is continuing to grow strongly from within our school zone, which is great news for Solway, but means we need to be increasingly careful about the number of out-of-zone enrolments we accept as the ministry requires us to have less than 15% out of zone students before it will build us new classrooms.

Applications close: 3pm, Friday 25 September 2026

Ballot (if required): Wednesday 30 September 2026

Application forms are available from the school office or by emailing **office@solway.school.nz**.

Jump Jam Competition – Thursday 27 August

We wish our Jump Jam teams every success as they proudly represent Solway this Thursday (27 August). The teams have been working incredibly hard in preparation, and we know they will do us proud. Good luck everyone! Tickets are available online now.

<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/event/20448/tickets?sessionId=76953§ionId=57939>

Year 6 students Information and enrolment link for Masterton Intermediate School is below:

<https://enrolments.linc-ed.com/apply/NZ/2909>



Tea Towel Fundraiser: Pre-Orders Open Next Week!

This year, instead of the calendar art, every child will be drawing their own self-portrait, which will be printed onto a class keepsake tea towel. Pre-orders open **Tuesday 1 September** and close **12pm, Friday 16 October**.

School Production – A Night at the Oscars - (Next Week)

Thursday 3 September – Wairarapa College

One of the highlights 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 a fantastic day celebrating the talent, confidence and creativity of our tamariki.

There will be two performances on Thursday 3 September:

- **Matinee performance** during the school day 11:30am
- **Evening performance** for families and the wider community 6:30pm

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

Tickets are now available from the school office. Apologies, but ticket sales are **cash only**.

Thank you for your support – we can't wait for the show!

Please note that all children will return to school by bus after the matinee performance.

Grandparents' Day – Thank You!

What a wonderful morning we had on Friday! We were absolutely thrilled to welcome hundreds of grandparents, great-grandparents and special family members into Solway for our Grandparents' Day.

Grandparents and great-grandparents play such an important part in the lives of our tamariki and their families. You are supporters, storytellers, taxi drivers, babysitters, encouragers, role models and, so often, the extra bit of glue that helps hold families together. Thank you for coming along, sharing in the children's learning and making the day so special. We love having you as part of our Solway whānau!

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/>

School Notices

Sports



Please contact Hannah if your child cannot play

Solway Thunder - 4pm - court 1 vs Lakeview - coach Laura

Solway Stars - 4pm - court 2 vs DPS - coach Liz

Solway Lightning - 4:30pm - court 1 vs DPS - coach Hannah

Solway Shooters - 6pm - court 2 vs St Pats - coach Sonya

Solway Breakers - 7pm - court 2 vs Lakeview - coach Hannah

Week 6 Ako Card Winners!!!

Congratulations to Cooper, Zave, Liam, Max,
Addison, Emma, Angus & Harrison



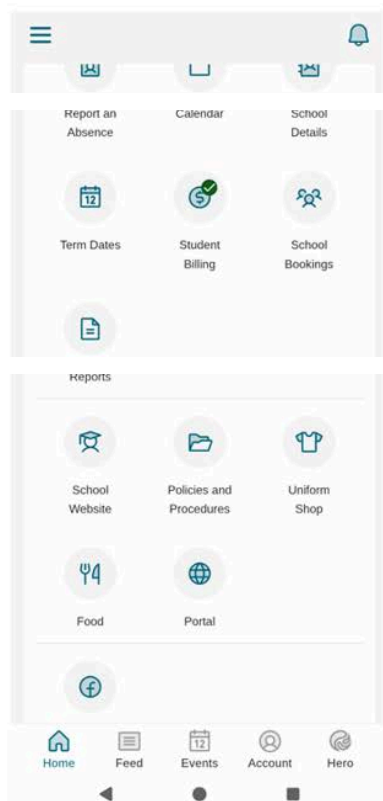
**Tickets On Sale
now from the
Office!**

CASH ONLY



HERO UPDATES

New features and quick links now available in Hero



Calendar

View all school events including Sports, Wheels Day, Mufti Day and other school activities.

School Bookings

See upcoming and past teacher meetings

Food

Order Pita Pit school lunches directly through Hero.

Portal

Access the Friends of Solway website and pizza ordering link.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Kahikatea: Olivia has settled into Kahikatea really well. She is always ready to learn and is keen to get stuck into her learning. Olivia is often one of the first to want to do writing and handwriting. She is a kind and caring friend and is always lovely to have in our class. Olivia is also doing a fantastic job with our production dance. She joins in every time and always tries her very best. Well done, Olivia! Ka pai!

Pōhutukawa: Ka mau te wehi, Lewis! You have been making fantastic progress with your reading and writing and working super hard in class. We are so proud of the effort you are putting into your learning and the progress you are making. Keep up the amazing mahi!

Kānuka: Duncan has done a wonderful job settling back into his routine after his time away, jumping right into his favorite independent activities in the Kowhai space. He has shown fantastic focus while laying out the green mat to build a play farm. Duncan also loves setting up his own pretend picnics, and he often takes time to recharge and relax on the comfy swing. Ka rawe, Duncan!

Rimu: Hank Lyttle is Rimu's star this week. Hank is a wonderful role model in Rimu by following our class expectations with a positive attitude everyday. He also demonstrates a fantastic commitment and knowledge of Rimu's production dance. Great mahi Hank.

Harakeke: Sophia Deo consistently shows all of our school values, all the time. She is always quietly doing the right thing at the right time and gives her best in everything she does. Sophia is focused and hardworking and she is also a fantastic friend and role model. Ka rawe !

Tītōki: Te Atawhai you are our Star of the Week. You are amazing. I have noticed that you are so kind and caring towards others, showing great empathy. Te Atawahi you are also working very hard every day to be the best that you can be. We are all so proud of you. Ka pai rawa!!!

Kauri: Jakob - for showing awesome Manaawanui in his writing. He always listens carefully and shares lots of interesting learning about the animals we are exploring in class. He also put great effort into his information report writing. Well done, Jakob!

Tōtara: Emma, you've taught our entire class - the Hannah Montana's production song, with a good deal of fun and patience. Your level of passion and enthusiasm has been outstanding. A huge shout out also goes to your co-leaders Willow and Isla for their additional support and skill set. What a team! That covers all the values!

Matai: Ollie - I love how strongly Ollie sings our production songs. He doesn't hold back and sets a good example for other students. A great example of Manawanui Ollie.

Mānuka: Luca has been making a great effort to improve her writing. She has been using planning templates to organise her ideas, and adding more detail to make her writing interesting and engaging.

Rata: This week we are celebrating everyone in Rata! What a lucky teacher I have been to have you all this year. Thank you to every single one of you. See you at the show, my little superstars.
- Ellaine

Community Notices



147th ANNUAL SHOW

**1 NOVEMBER 2026
CALF CLUB CLASSES**

In conjunction with the SOUTH WAIRARAPA GROUP DAY
Judging will commence at 11:00am on Sunday
ENTRIES CLOSE: 23 OCTOBER 2026
NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Entry Fee: \$2.00 per class
BNZ Account: 02-0608-0018129-004
Reference: Please use the word "calf".

IMPORTANT NAIT REQUIREMENTS

Full NAIT Number must be provided with all entries.
Example: 982 123471584356
Calves will be scanned in their pens to confirm RFID numbers.
Calves will be penned in the Cattle Pavilion.
Please park behind the pavilion and use the middle door.

Email Entries To: colvale@xtra.co.nz
We look forward to seeing you at the 147th Annual Show



- Lawn Mowing
- Pruning
- Hedging
- Gardening
- Rubbish Removal
- Weed Spraying
- Lawn Fertilising
- Odd Jobs

Blair Heming

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EQUIPPERS BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Open:
6:45am- 8:45am
2:30pm - 6:00pm

Pick ups and drop off to
all local schools.
Breakfast and afternoon
tea provided.

Contact:
oscar@equipperschurch.com
outofschoolcare.co.nz
021 086 32187



Friends of Solway
PRESENTS

PLANT FAIR

SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER
FROM 9AM
SOLWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

1000s OF PLANTS!

PLANTS INCLUDE

- NATIVES
- VEGETABLES
- FRUIT BUSHES
- FLOWERING PLANTS
- INDOOR PLANTS
- AND MORE!

GREAT PRICES GREAT QUALITY

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL & OUR STUDENTS

CASH & EFTPOS AVAILABLE

SOLWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

STOCK DRIVE

HELP US GROW. SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL.

- ANY SHEEP, RAM OR LAMB CAN BE DONATED
- KEEN TO REAR LAMB FOR SCHOOL, *we can make this happen!*
- CONTACT KELLY LISSINGTON
kelly.bot@solway.school.nz
with any questions
- PLEASE REGISTER INTEREST
- ANIMALS TO BE READY FOR JANUARY PICK UP OR EARLIER IF WEIGHT REACHED (40KG+ IDEAL WEIGHT)

Thank you for supporting Solway Primary School!

Friends of Solway

CLASS SELF-PORTRAIT TEA TOWELS

A little piece of their school days to treasure forever

A special keepsake featuring the self portraits of your child and their classmates!

\$15 FOR YOUR FIRST ONE

\$10 EACH THEREAFTER

COMING SOON!

Ordering details will be announced soon - watch this space!



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Out of Zone Enrolments

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Ka nui te mihi, ā, kia pai te wiki