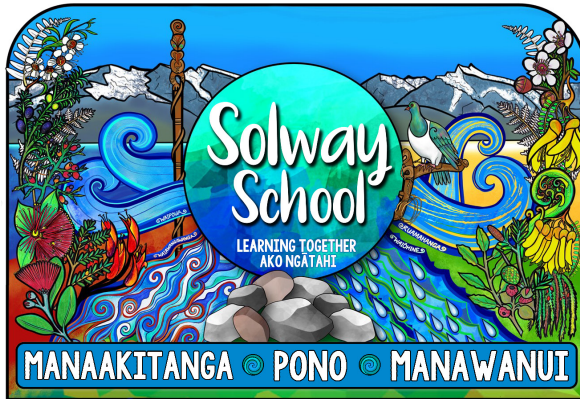


# Solway School Newsletter - Term 3, Week 4

Tuesday 5th August, 2025



## Upcoming Events Dates & Reminders

- ★ 'Reading Nights' starts Monday 4th August
- ★ Girls Ripa Rugby Tournament 6th Aug
- ★ Grandparents day 8th Aug

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*Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Mālō e Lelei, Namaste, Kia Orana, Bula.*

*Tēnā koutou e te whānau o te kura o Solway,*



**GRANDPARENTS DAY - THIS FRIDAY** is Grandparents Day. It's one of the highlights of the year.

Children are to arrive at the usual time but we are asking that Grandparents come a little later at 9:30am. We will start with an Assembly in the Hall and finish with a morning tea around 11am.

Whilst I am increasingly aware many grandparents are younger than myself, it should be noted that the school has higher than usual sickness currently which may need to be considered for the very elderly. Hunting and Fishing have kindly set aside a number of carparks for the community, so it would be nice to pay them a visit afterwards - I highly recommend their \$19 merino socks having just walked over 800km in a pair (lol).

**WHEELS DAY TOMORROW** - Bikes, scooters, rollerblades & skateboards are most welcome just make sure you bring your helmet.

**AUGUST READING CHALLENGE** - Solway School's *Reading Nights challenge*, for 2025 started yesterday! This challenge - for all students, will run throughout August, from Weeks 4-7. *Students are encouraged to ensure they are reading every single night, Monday-Thursday nights - getting their Reading Log signed in the process.* How this is done, is simply according to how the homework reading

reality works for your child/ren. The focus is *not* specifically about how many nights one reads this time, albeit that's necessary, but to seriously read **for the WHOLE MONTH of AUGUST** itself. At the end of every week, teachers will identify who has completed a full week, to see who goes into the **Mystery Envelope Draw**, that'll be held during the assembly on Monday mornings. Inside the mystery envelope will be some vouchers for extra fun! Students who complete a full week of reading **every week** in August, will score an awesome **Fish 'n Chip Lunch** on Monday 1st September. This will recognise and celebrate how 'into reading' we can all be. **This 'Reading Nights' programme has now begun.** Have fun! 😊

**Vacancy:** Junior Teacher for Term 4. Solway will require an additional experienced teacher in Term 4. This is likely to be for a New Entrant class and could be either fulltime or as a jobshare. Please contact myself (Mark) for further information at [principal@solway.school.nz](mailto:principal@solway.school.nz) or just pop in.

**Reminder:** Nominations for the Solway School Board of Trustees close tomorrow - Contact [election@electionpilot.nz](mailto:election@electionpilot.nz) or 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369).

Ngā mihi  
Mark Bridges

## School Notices

### CLASS SPOTLIGHT - Harakeke



Harakeke celebrated 100 days of school by making a 100's hat, sharing a race to 100 with dice, practising number knowledge and the best activity was making chips and eating them!

Koro Nanny Granny Gramps Grandma Grandpa Grandad

## Grandparents Day 2025

An invitation to all Grandparents - come and join us at Solway School on  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2025

9:30am – Grandparents turn up - welcome in the school hall (children come to school as normal)

9:45 - visit your grandchild's class and look at their work and take part in the activities in their class

11am - cup of tea/coffee back in the hall for the grandparents (children can go to play outside)

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

Oma Opa Nana Pop Kuia Poppa

### Week 4 Ako Card Winners!!!

Congratulations to Thomas, Tom, Anders, Emma,  
Aleisha, Billie, Luke, Lincoln and Piper!



### Mini Ball Draw Wednesday 13th August at YMCA

**Year 3/4 team Solway Thunder 5:30 pm vs Lakeview**  
**Year 5/6 team Solway Lightning 6:30 pm vs Hadlow**

### **2025 Solway School Board of Trustee Parent Representative Elections**

This will be happening in September this year. The school electoral roll is printed and available at the office if you wish to see if you are on the roll and eligible to vote.



## STARS OF THE WEEK



**Pōhutukawa:** Emma has shown enormous resilience as she has moved to a new town and started at a new school. You have settled in so well and we love having you in Pōhutukawa, Emma! Ka pai!

**Kānuka:** Nivish has worked really hard this term with his reading and should feel so proud of his achievements. He has shown awesome perseverance and we look forward to supporting him more this term as he continues his literacy journey. Ka rawe Nivish!

**Rimu:** Sophia has shown huge amounts of resilience, patience and kindness this week as she has supported Constantine in adjusting to new routines. It's great to see Sophia independently step up for her peers! Ka pai!

**Harakeke:** Tiaia is our star this week. She shows Pono by being inclusive with everyone around her. I love her kind heart and the patience she has for others in need. Ka rawe!

**Tītoki:** Erin for her fantastic thinking during maths time. She has been finding ways to make 10 and then also applying that knowledge to bigger numbers. She has not just taken responsibility for her own learning, but has shown that she is able to work in a team: collaborating with classmates and focusing on their task. Ka pai Erin!

**Kōwhai:** Wolfie has been working super hard on his phonics. He always shows *Pono* towards those around him and is a friendly, happy member of our class. Ka rawe Wolfie!

**Tōtara:** Annie continues to show all the values with outstanding effort in everything she's doing - including homework! The detail and level of practice in her homework book is the most 'full-on' deal I've ever seen! That's dedication to the max. Ka Pai!

**Matai:** Dylan has shown Manawanui since starting at Solway. You would not even know that he only started in Term 3. He has made lots of friends, listens well, got involved in kapa haka, does all his school work and home work. Tu meke, Dylan.

**Mānuka:** Thanks Manuka to those of you who have shown Manaakitanga, to all that goes on in class, and for all the work, all of you did for your assembly last week!

**Rata:** Jayden had shown all three of our school values over the last few weeks. He has settled into Rata seamlessly and we are so happy to have him with us. Ka pai, Jayden!

# Community Notices

## Mr WIFI

WIFI & Network Specialist

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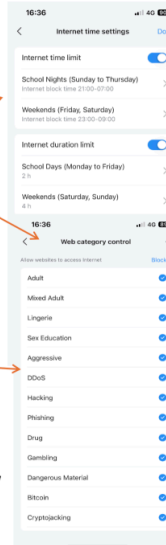
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- See inside an ambulance
- Learn CPR & how to use an AED
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