

Week 4, Term 1 2026



Kia Ora Koutou

Congratulations to the following students who received a certificate in our last learning celebration - we celebrate our students who display our values of respect, connect, belong and resilience:

Aisling Dewar, Bodean Steer, Olivia Marr, Weston Mantell, Harriet Kristofski, Carter Fielding, Kobi Heath, Ariana Lowe, Izzy Bonis, Harlan Bayliss, Legacy Coles, Ruby-Jae Brown, Corban Kotua, Blake Masters, Dani Lowe, Jordi Harmon, Iveagh Archbold, Alex Yang, Khloe Hannah, George Kristofski

Our next Learning Celebration is on Friday 27 February at 2.25pm

PB4L - Our Expectations

Thank you for your support with our expectations for students; wearing helmets when on our wheels, and walking our bikes and scooters until we get to Ellis Street Auto.

For the next fortnight, our focus turns to: taking our own rubbish home or putting it in the bin, and wearing a hat when we are outside.

Staffing

Holly Chandler has tendered her resignation from Brightwater School, effective from the end of Term 1. She is moving to Perth. Paula Le'mon will be taking leave also from the end of Term 1 for the remainder of the year. We wish them both all the best. We are currently working through the appointment process.

Updates

Meet the Teacher and Health Expo - Thursday 26th February

4:00 - 5:00pm - Health Expo

5:00 - 5:45pm - BYO picnic or dinner, sausage sizzle and juices \$2

5:45 - 6:30pm - Classrooms open to visit

Thanks to Helen from Nelson Primary Health, we will have a number of stalls set up with experts and information available on a range of topics. This is a chance to come along and talk to someone to help with a range of issues that we can sometimes face as parents - is my child getting enough sleep? What can I do to help them to eat their meals? Do I struggle to get my child to school sometimes? Should I be worried about my child's speech development? How can I support my child to be safe on-line? And if you need help with our new Hero app, we will be available for support. This isn't a sit down and listen opportunity - it's a chance to informally chat to a range of different people who can support us to support our children. Following that please stay for a BYO picnic on the grass, buy a sausage and juicie if you wish and then visit your child's classroom.

Whole School Tryathlon and Splash & Dash

Our Whole School Tryathlon and Splash & Dash is on **Friday 6 March**. Syndicate teams will take part at various times throughout the day. A separate email will be sent out via Hero with further details.

Goal Setting Conferences

These will take place on **Tuesday 10 March** and **Thursday 12 March**. This is an opportunity to share learning and social goals with your child and their teacher. Further details will be provided soon. Booking options will be on the Hero app.

Information has been sent out to download our new Hero app - we are confident that this will be a more effective communication tool and (over time) replace the many different ways you receive information.



Please follow this instructions in the link below to download the app or reach out to Aimee or Glenda at school for help.

Weetbix Kiwi Kids Tryathlon - Sunday 8th March

You can find our school group and sign up here:

<https://raceroster.com/events/2026/109742/nelson-weet-bix-kids-tryathlon/register?team=858392>

We would love to see lots of our children get involved and give it a go - there are a range of events on the day, starting from the Splash & Dash for 6 Year Olds and team/individual events for 7 to 15 Year Olds.

Our own school Tryathlon and Splash and Dash will take place on Friday 6 March - more information to follow.



Friday Juicie / Moosie

After school on Friday each week - \$2 each.

Proceeds with go towards supporting trips and outside school activities.

**Helpers and support
would be appreciated.**



Parking at Pick Up Time:

When parking to collect your children, please park in correct places (not over driveways). This is to ensure there is no disruption to the public at busy times.

Also - the gate into the school must be kept clear at ALL TIMES.

Road Safety

If your children walk, scooter or bike between home and school, please talk to them about road safety and crossing roads. It has been brought to our attention that there have been some near misses recently when children are crossing Starveall St and Lord Rutherford Road before and after school. Another dangerous area is when crossing the forecourt of NPD. Electric scooters can be particularly problematic given the speeds they can go. Our school policy states that children must be 10 years of age before riding their bikes on the road unsupervised.

SUBWAY LUNCHES – ONLINE

How easy is this??? – You can now logon to subway.co.nz/schools and order Monday subway lunches and they will be delivered to school. These can be ordered at any time during the week with a close off time of 9am on Monday morning. Here is how to do it:

On your PC or laptop go to:

- subway.co.nz/schools
- Subway express
- School lunch programme
- Register – takes a few minutes – but only has to be done once – next time ordering will be very simple
- Make your order by clicking through the selections and pages

We're happy for school parents and caregivers to use the premises for pick-ups / drop-offs.

Parking is **only permitted if vehicles reverse in along the fence line for the safety of the children** and if the driveway is full, they're welcome to park at the rear of the workshop.

Please be mindful of neighbouring driveways and ensure all workshop entrances remain clear at all times.

All parking is at owner's risk.



Upcoming Events

Event	Date	Detail
Meet the Teacher Evening and Health Expo	Thursday 26 February	4.00 - 5.00pm - Health Expo From 5 pm - BYO Picnic or buy a sausage sizzle or juicies for \$2 From 5:45pm - Opportunity to visit classrooms
Tima Waimea Swimming Sports	Tuesday 3 March	9:00am - 1:00pm at Wakefield School
School Tryathlon and Splash and Dash	Friday 6 March	More information with timing to follow
Weetbix Kids Tryathlon	Sunday 8 March	Tahunanui Beach - join us at the Brightwater School gazebo
Hockey in School Sessions	Week 6 and 7	An opportunity for classes to develop hockey skills with outside instructors
Volleyball in School Sessions	Week 7	An opportunity for classes to develop volleyball skills with outside instructors
Goal Setting Conferences	10 and 12 March from 2pm	An opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and generate social and learning goals for the year ahead
Interschool Swimming Sports	Thursday 12 March	Wakefield School
Senior Leadership Training Day	Thursday 19 March	Senior students leadership training with Nick from Sport Tasman
Fire Evacuation Drill	Tuesday 24 March	Time to be determined - opportunity to practice our processes in the event of a fire at school
Last Day of Term 1	Thursday 2 April	Friday 3 April - Good Friday Monday 6 April - Easter Monday

Event	Date	Detail
First Day of Term 2	Monday 20 April	Term 2 Begins