

Week 5, Term 2 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:

Navy Birch, Harriet Brown, Ezra Anderson-Edgar, Mila Hannah, Ariana Lowe, Ruby Thomas, Linden Andrew, Jack Cullen, Sophie Taylor, Henry Carter, Lyla Frost, Ollie Burnard, Eden Hosie, Lachie McEwan, Ariyah Hodges, Cassidy Gordon, Matilda Pearson, Connor Burnard

Our next Learning Celebration is on Friday 22 May at 2.25pm

PB4L - Our Expectations

Thank you for your support with our expectations for students; Joining in, and looking after our belongings by putting our things away inside our bags.

For the next fortnight, our focus turns to: We respect the right of others to be in a safe place where they can learn, and only eat the food from our own lunchbox.



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Updates

Planting Afternoon

Our front area around the shade house looks **AMAZING**. Special thanks to Taylor's Contracting, Mitre 10, Pete, Dan (Onus Projects), Sherwood Landscaping and everyone who contributed to making this happen.



Pink Shirt Day

Due to our staff only day last week we were unable to promote and celebrate Pink Shirt Day.

So - this Friday we will have our own **PINK** day. We will highlight anti-bullying messages and being an Upstander - someone who stands up for others. Our school AWA values promote belonging, and respect. Every student and adult in our community deserves the right to belong to our school and to be respected regardless of individual differences - we are all unique and that's what makes a community thrive.

Please support your child to wear something PINK on Friday. Classroom learning throughout the day will focus on this message. This is not for fundraising, this is an opportunity to concentrate on the message behind Pink Shirt Day.

Rippa Tournament

Congratulations to all of our students who took part in the rippa tournament on Tuesday. You supported each other on and off the field, you showed respect to the other teams and you all played really well. Thank you to Larissa for organising this event and to parents who helped with transport and supervision.



PINK DAY - THIS FRIDAY (22 MAY)

BRIGHTWATER SCHOOL

Pink Shirt Day started in Canada when a high school student was teased for wearing a pink shirt to school. Two older students saw what was happening and wanted to help. They asked other students to wear pink to show kindness and support.

Now, Pink Shirt Day is a special day when people wear pink to stand up for kindness, friendship, and respect. It also helps raise awareness about bullying and reminds everyone to treat others with respect.

**WE ARE CELEBRATING
THE
UNIQUENESS OF EVERY
PERSON IN OUR
SCHOOL COMMUNITY.
WE ARE UPSTANDING -
MEANING WE WILL
SUPPORT OTHERS AND
STAND UP FOR
WHAT IS RIGHT.
WE SHOW RESPECT TO
EACH
OTHER AND WE ARE
KIND.**



A big thanks to the team at MEGA Nelson Community Helping Hands!



Lunchbox Tips and Tricks

We are noticing an increasing number of students coming to the office with no food left in their lunch box for lunch. This can be due to eating it all at different times of the day or not having enough to get through a busy day. We would not let a child go hungry as they need the fuel to support their learning. Please ensure your child has a good breakfast and lunch each day. If there is a problem please reach out.

Hero - Communication 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.



If you, or another adult in your whānau, are not receiving updates then we may not have your correct email address - please get in touch so we can update the contact information for you.

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

[Instructions and Step by Step guide here](#)

Skool Loop - App

This is a free app that provides access to information, newsletters, sporting notices, permission forms etc and is a great communication channel between home and school. Please ensure you notify us of any absences before 9am - this can be done through the app or phoning the school. If you haven't already, please download it on to your phone.

We are continuing to use Skool Loop to support our sponsors.



Friday Juicie / Moosie

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

Proceeds will go towards supporting trips and outside school activities. **Helpers and support would be appreciated.**



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 device 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

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.

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 - This Term

Event	Date	Detail
King's Birthday	Monday 1 June	Public Holiday
School Cross Country	Friday 5 June	Fun run and competitive event to select team for cluster event
Cluster Cross Country	Wednesday 10 June	Selected students competing against local schools for place in regional event
Playhouse Theatre	Tuesday 16 June	Stage show at school
Last Day of Term 2	Friday 3 July	Term 3 Begins on Monday 20 July

Upcoming Events - Later in 2026

Event	Date	Detail
First Day of Term 3	Monday 20 July	Term 3 Begins
Community Matariki Celebration	Thursday 23 July	Wanderers
Dance Curriculum - Dance Fortnight	From 3 August	2 Weeks of dance instruction with final performance
Tackle Rugby Tournament	Tuesday 11 August	Selected students from Waimea Team
Tackle Rugby Tournament Regional Final	Tuesday 2 September	If we make it through the previous round
Aquatic Centre Swimming Fortnight	From 7 September	2 weeks of daily swimming for Wai-iti and Wairoa Teams
Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori	From Monday 14 September	Māori Language Week
School Photos	Tuesday 22 and Wednesday 23 September	Individual, class and sibling photos
Last Day of Term 3	Friday 25 September	Term 3 Ends Term 4 Begins on Monday 12 October