



11th June 2026

Term 2 Week 8

**Kia Ora, Kamusta, Āyubōvan, Sata srī akāla, Namaskāra,
Hallå, Dia dhuit, Kam na mauri, Mālō e Lelei, Hello**

Kia Ora Parents and Whānau

We have welcomed **James** (and parents Julia and Sam) as a new entrant into Room 1 and **Yet** (and parents Leinard and Jessa) into Room 6.

It is great to be back at work after my leave. A huge thank you to Mrs King and the team for doing an awesome job while I was away.

Good luck to our competitors at the Southland Cross Country being held tomorrow at the Waimumu Field Days site: Aria-Lea M-C, Ashlyn D, Bede, Cruz D, Emma S, Georgia M, Hannah H, James J, Kate C, Leo W-G, Lexi M and Priyah B.

Coming up on Tuesday 30th June and Thursday 2nd July we have Parent Teacher Conferences. Keep an eye out on Hero later today to make your booking to see your child's teacher. Reports will come out the week before so you can bring them along to the conferences.

We have had to change the day of our Matariki Breakfast and Community Assembly as we will have a number of students away at a netball tournament. The new date is Friday 26th of June with breakfast from 8am-9am and Community Assembly starting at 9:15am. During the Community Assembly we will take the opportunity to celebrate Mrs Heather Wing who has been a member of staff for 30 years, and is still going strong.

Our next Board meeting will be held on Monday night, 7pm in the staffroom.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Nga mihi,

Bronwyn and the Riversdale Staff

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini

My success is not mine alone, it is the success of the collective

Kei te pai - Well done! You all displayed the school values so well.

Certificates from Week 7



| | STAR OF THE WEEK | Te Reo Māori Learner of the Week |
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| Room 7 | James | Bayden |
| Room 6 | Jaelyn | Evie |
| Room 5 | Ollie | Leigh |
| Room 4 | Resandi | Aliya |
| Room 3 | Freya | Anna |
| Room 2 | Charlie | Leo |
| Room 1 | Mitchell | Methuki |

Coming Up....

Term 2

- 12 June Southland Cross Country at Waimumu
- 15 June Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm. Agenda closes 12pm Thursday 11th June
- 24 June Year 5/6 Netball Festival
- 25 June Year 7/ 8 Netball Festival
- 26 June Matariki Breakfast followed by Community Assembly
- 30 June & 2 July Parent Teacher Conferences
- 3 July Term 2 Ends

Term 3

- 20 July Term 3 begins



Parents, Caregivers and Whanau are invited to visit the SchoolDocs site to review our school policies for Term 2 2026. This term we are reviewing topics in *Safety On and Off School Grounds and Education Outside the Classroom*. Reviews are open to the Board, staff and school community (parents/caregivers/whanau)

To review policy documents:

1. Visit the website link: <https://riversdale.schooldocs.co.nz>
2. Enter the Username: *riversdale*
3. Enter the Password: *excellence*
4. Go to *Current Reviews* and click the links to read the policies currently under review
5. Click the *Policy Review* button at the top right hand of the page
6. Select reviewer type - "Parent"
7. Enter your name (Optional)
8. Submit your ratings and comments

These policies will be reviewed by the Board during their meeting on the 15th of June.

| Term 2 policies | Review opens 20 April |
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| • Daily School Bus* | |
| • School Swimming Pool*/ Swimming Off Site* | Board review |
| • Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) | Board review |
| • EOTC Governance Roles and Responsibilities | |
| • EOTC Risk Assessment and Management | |

To view any of our policies go to the above site and search for the appropriate policy

Pinecones For Sale

We still have heaps of bags of pinecones for sale. Winter is coming! If you would like to purchase pinecones, come on down and grab them from school. They are 1x bag for \$10 and 4x bags for \$35.

School Buses

Our four bus drivers are Jan Robertson, Michael Lobb, Rhonda Wilson and Paul Eason

Please inform the driver if your child is off the bus in the morning.

Jan Robertson – 027 6088203 (Kaweku - Yellow Bus)
Michael Lobb – 027 3725785 (Wendon - Green Bus)
Rhonda Wilson - 027 2578895 (Waipounamu - Blue Bus)
Paul Eason - 021474580 (Mandeville - Red Bus)

Please do not make any alternative arrangements with your child's bus driver without first checking with the school as our bus routes are set by the Ministry of Education and we are unable to go outside of our transport zone to drop students in different places. We are aware that some of our buses do travel past houses on the driver's way home, unfortunately this does not mean they are able to drop off students. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to be in touch with the school.



RIVERSDALE SCHOOL
Home & School Association

PROUD TO BE RIVERSDALE THROUGH AND THROUGH!

RIVERSDALE PROUD.

BEANIES FUNDRAISER

- THICK & WARM**
Perfect for keeping warm on the sidelines
- OSFM**
Good stretch - fits adults and children
- SUPPORT LOCAL**
All proceeds go to Riversdale Home & School

PASSIONATE FANS SUPPORT LOCAL TEAMS!

SHOP NOW & SHOW WHERE YOU'RE FROM!

RIVERSDALE

\$35

RIVERSDALE HOME & SCHOOL

Together we support our kids and community.

To order beanies please contact Kelly-Anne Blatch or email riversdalehas@gmail.com
Limited quantities available.

RIVERSDALE SCHOOL & COMMUNITY POOL

RIVERSDALE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY POOL Fundraiser

Available all year round from School Office

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| Baking Paper (100m x 30cms) | \$35 |
| Roll Foil (150m x 44cms) | \$30 |
| Roll Foil (150m x 30cms) | \$30 |
| Foodwrap (300m x 33cms) | \$26 |
| Foodwrap (600m x 33cms) | \$36 |

Use Description and Last Name as reference
Payment to: 03 0915 0285905 00

Community Notices

SPCA[®] Op Shop

**COME AND VISIT
OUR NEW STORE!**

Including a wide range of quality preloved clothing, homewares and more – every purchase helps animals in need.



**DONATIONS
WELCOME**

34 Main Street (next to BNZ)



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

www.spcan.z/volunteer-gore





**Family
Fun & Food
Festival**
10am – 4pm

**Thursday 9th July
Sunday 12th July**
FREE ENTRY

Entrances Available For Food And Activities

Badminton Hall
beside the ILL Stadium

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| Donut Dude |  |  | Southland Mini Jeeps \$8 |
|  | Astroball \$5 | Water Cylinders <small>2 Sizes available</small> \$15 |  |
| Jousting Arena \$5 |  |  | Bouncy Castles Various sizes From \$10 all day |
|  | Inflatable Animals & Aliens | Bumper Balls \$5 |  |

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| Food Canteen | Spicecraft |
| NERF Guns | Connect four |
| Face painting | Zumba Class |
| Plus Lots More | |

Some activities are free

Southland Owned & Operated

Wayne
027 479 4432
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BUSHCRAFT & SURVIVAL SKILLS Holiday Experiences

CHILD VS WILD [3 Days]

7 to 13 year olds
Invercargill
8.45am to 3pm
6th July to 8th July
15th July to 17th July

An Adventure quest in different locations. Children spend two days learning and acquiring bushcraft and survival skills ready to be tested on the final day in a teamwork survival challenge.

WILD FAMILY DAY [1 Day]

All Ages - A Family Day Out
Invercargill
10am to 3pm

Matariki Public Holiday Friday 10th July
Join us for a Wild Family Day out where families come together to slow down, reconnect, and celebrate the season out in nature, learning new skills and sharing nourishing food

BUSH KIDS [1 Day]

5 to 16 year olds
Invercargill & Gore
8.45am to 3pm

Thursday 9th July Invercargill
Monday 13th July Invercargill
Tuesday 14th January GORE

A one day bushcraft and survival skills experience

*Bushcraft and Survival Skills experiences include:

- Advanced fire starting skills
- Knife work, whittling, carving
- Bush exploration, navigating, orienteering
- Shelter building
- Cooking on gas stoves/ fires
- Survival first aid
- Herbal medicine
- Foraging
- Natural Crafts
- Nature Discovery

Our adventures explore the bush, estuary, beach and pine forests

*Every day brings a different adventure. Activities are weather, location and seasonally dependent

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Katie: 0226381497



8th August 2026

12-3 pm

**Taking People of all ages with Special Needs
Or Life long Medical Conditions
For a ride in a Big Rig, Classic Car or Hot Rod**



**VENUE: Southern Field Days Site,
Waimumu**



Food and Drink provided on the day by
Rapid Relief Team,
Mad Cow Coffee and Bees Bites



**Anyone wanting to Volunteer their Time, Truck or Car to help out on the day
please contact Dianne 027 7732700 or Ian on 0204 335500
Check out our Facebook Page : Southland Hug a Rig Day**

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