



Southbrook School news & celebrations Term 1 Week 5

Kia ora Koutou

Welcome to Week 5! During the last week I have noticed many of our tamariki showing kindness and respect to others. I am feeling proud of our team!

I would like to thank you whānau for engaging in the Hero app - reading the notices, celebrations and checking your child's attendance. Please remember to ask if you have a question.

School Policies

If at any time you wish to view our School policies please go to www.schooldocs.co.nz. Our username is southbrook and password is 3kete.

A huge thank you to Macmad Charity for their generous grant of \$5000. This grant will go towards helping with Sport bus transport for our tamariki this year.



Have a super rest of your week.

Ngā mihi nui

Julie

Celebrating Southbrook Superstars...



Kete Kids this week - Tamariki who have been consistently adding to their Three Kete

<p>TEATEO</p>		<p><i>Summer, what an amazing start to school you have had. We are impressed with the brave way you start your day and tackle new learning. You are a role model to others in the way that you are always in the right place at the right time. Thank you for the kindness you show to your peers and kaiako. You are a Teateo gem!</i></p>
<p>NGĀ MIHI NUI</p>		<p><i>Chime, thank you for being an amazing role model in our learning space. You consistently follow all our routines and are always so polite and helpful. We are proud of the time and care you take in always doing high quality work. You are really flying in growing all your 3 Kete!</i></p>
<p>NGĀHERE</p>		<p><i>Caleb, we value the thoughtfulness you bring to Ngahere and the way you lead by example among your classmates. We appreciate that you consistently follow our routines and expectations each day. We notice the effort you put into your learning and the positive attitude you show when tackling new challenges. Keep up the fantastic effort, Caleb!</i></p>

		<p><i>Carter, we are so impressed with your start in Te Awa. You are a consistent role model for others with your respectful nature and the way you strive to be your best every day. What a joy it is to have you in our team, be incredibly proud of your efforts!</i></p>
		<p><i>Ayla, your positivity, kindness, and strong work ethic have been an absolute delight to see. Your calm and respectful demeanor is a real asset to Aoraki, and you set a wonderful example for those around you each day. We love the energy and positivity you bring to our space—keep up the amazing work, Ayla!</i></p>

*More Superstars from Southbrook:
Week 4 Milo Superstars -*



Introducing our 2026 Head Students -



Our aim for 2026 is to grow our leadership skills, be role models for others and to give back and raise funds for our school and community.



In the weekend, Archie got Player Of The Day for Canterbury Juniors and Youths American Football. His team name is Snipers. Ka pai Archie.

Reminders:

- *If your child brings a cell phone to school, they are required to hand it in at the office each morning.*
- *Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform each day - this includes a hat for Term 1.*

Kids do well if they can!

OTHER NOTICES:

School Uniform

Southbrook School uniform is available through: southbrookschool@impakt.co.nz

Meet your PTA team!

Sammy President
Suzie
Abby C
Megan
Leah

"It's a fun and rewarding way to be involved in our school community. Come join us!"

"As a busy mum, I really value being able to give back to our school community and connect with other whānau"

"We get to be a vital part of the school community and bring joy and new opportunities to those within it"

"As a team, it's so rewarding to find ways to support our kura, knowing it makes a real difference for our kids!"

"From organising pizza lunches, to big events like our Quiz Night, there is something for everyone to get involved with!"

Tanya
Laura
Abby F
Breeze

"Being part of the PTA has been a great way to connect - It's a fun and supportive team to be part of!"

"We all have skills we can bring to the table, and would love you to join us - team work makes the dreamwork!"

"It's such an awesome team of people, bringing their own strengths, working together to make a positive difference for our kids"

"Making a positive contribution to the school is so rewarding - seeing the impact our efforts can have on our tamariki!"

we would love you to **JOIN US!**

email pta.parent@southbrook.school.nz for more info

Lost **Purple Diary** along Railway Road on Wednesday 11th February around 3.00pm -
\$200.00 reward - Phone Anne (021 298 3957)



Please use the link below to click on to register.

<https://myaccount.rugbyexplorer.com.au/register>

SAVE THE DATE

PAINT & SIP

FUNDRAISER

SAT 21ST MARCH

TICKETS ON SALE SOON FOR OUR ANNUAL PAINT & SIP FUNDRAISER!
BE SURE TO GET YOURS AND JOIN IN A NIGHT CREATIVITY AND FUN!
WITH LOCAL ARTIST (& SOUTHBROOK TEACHER) JANE REID

Southbrook School PTA
working together to support our kids



Thank you so much to those who attended the Southbrook Community Emergency Hub open event where we introduced some locals in the area to the community emergency hub on the 13th February.

The draw for the 1st aid kit was done this morning and congratulations goes to Evy for winning that 😊 I'll be in contact with you soon to arrange delivery.

The [Community Emergency Hubs](#) are being set up across the Waimakariri at both schools and other public facility sites so that community groups around the district can come together and coordinate a local response to a major natural hazard event, such as a [large earthquake](#).



Some of the things that were on display on the day were a home readiness or evacuation kit. These can take several forms such as the example you see above or a tramping pack that's ready to go or even if you own one, a caravan or camper van that is stocked ready to go. The items that can go into these kits is limitless depending on your needs but here are some [suggestions](#).



Planning for your household if something happens is important – even just agreeing on where to meet up during or after an event can help your family get through by being together. They don't need to be elaborate; they don't have to be technical – they just need to be workable 😊



Living where we do, the Waimakariri District coastal area does have a risk of tsunami. But like other natural hazards you can increase yours, your families, and your communities' chances of surviving one by being prepared and knowing what to look out for. In the Waimakariri our tsunami zones are predictably along our eastern seaboard and stretch inland in one cases as far as Sefton but in most cases only up to state highway one. Know you zone to help you plan an effective evacuation route.

FENZ is a key member of response to various sized responses. They have a raft of information about being fire wise on their site to help us with that. Remember that you need a decent amount of room (4m wide by 4m high) at your gate way and along your drive for fire appliances to get to your

home. More information about rural and wilds fires
(<https://www.fireandemergency.nz/outdoor-and-rural-fire-safety/when-wildfire-threatens/>)



Neighbourhood Support
North Canterbury

Knowing our neighbours and people in the wider community during our normal day to day is a good thing – it helps us all get along a bit better and provides some security if we are all looking out for one another. In an event the knowledge, skills and resources of the community will play a big part in how it recovers from a major event. You can help your families and the communities' odds by joining neighbourhood support. Follow the link above.

<https://commbase.nz/join/northcanterbury>

Following the Hub launch on the 13th Feb there will be follow up with a training session around practically how the hubs work with the different roles and a wee tabletop exercise. If you are keen to be a part of this training and you have people that you'd like to invite them to come along – the more the merrier.

Date: 26th March

Time: 6:30 – 8pm

Location: Southbrook school hall

I look forward to seeing again soon

**Dean Eades | Emergency Management Advisor
Civil Defence Emergency Management**