



Southbrook School news & celebrations Term 3 Week 4

Kia ora Koutou

Our Production Gerald's Great Groove is going to be amazing - the tamariki are all practicing hard! Save the date - matinee on Tuesday 1st September AND matinee and evening performance on Thursday 3 September. Tickets are on sale now at the school office.

Attendance - a reminder to check your child's attendance dial on Hero every so often. The visual shows very clearly your child's attendance record to date this term.

Last week I posted on Hero about the potential opportunity to host International Students. Please see the note later in the newsletter. Please email me if you are interested.

Have a fabulous 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



TEOTEO		Carly, we are so pleased to have you in Teoteo. You have made a wonderful start to school. Your positive energy sees you adding to all 3 of your Kete already. We notice how you are respectful and helpful to those around you. Keep up all the wonderful qualities you have and your Kete will flourish!
NGĀ MANU NUI		Mahuri, you are a gem to have in Ngā Manu Nui! We are so proud of the way you follow our routines and expectations, and show respect to your peers and kaiako. We notice how hard you have been working to grow your Three Kete, especially in the way you approach new learning with enthusiasm. Keep up the amazing mahi!
NGAHERE		Willow, you are a shining star in Ngahere! We've noticed how hard you've been working to grow your three kete by showing respect, managing yourself so well, and always trying your best in your learning. Your positive attitude and kindness towards everyone around you make you a wonderful role model in our space. We are so proud of you, Willow!
TI KAWA		Savannah, you are such a wee treasure to have in our Learning Space. You are one of the first to volunteer to help your kaiako or peers, and you are always super respectful. We love the positivity that you bring to school every single day, and always with a beautiful smile. You are accepting of everyone and this is a huge character strength of yours. Keep being awesome, Savannah!



Bernard, we have been really impressed with your organisation of Clubs and the way you engaged parents at our Celebration of Learning. In class you have been focused and working super hard to complete your mahi. We have noticed your confidence and maturity and you should be proud of all your efforts. Keep up the amazing mahi Bernard!

More Superstars from Southbrook:

Milo superstars from Week 3:



Southbrook Cantamaths team - so proud of the 12 mathematicians who competed at Ohoka last Wednesday. Next outing, Christchurch competition next Wednesday!



Reminders:

- PTA Hot Chocolate - this Friday 8:30 in the hall.
- Ngahere is swimming this week every day except Thursday.
- PTA lunch this Friday.
- Head Student Fundraiser for Child Cancer - Party on a Plate lunch Tuesday 18 August. \$5.00
- PLEASE remind your child - NO TOYS at school. This includes ooshies.
- School Production tickets are on sale from the school office.
- Kapa Haka performance tickets are also on sale now.

Kids do well if they can!

OTHER NOTICES:

School Uniform

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

Board of Trustees Update

The Board recently met to discuss several exciting opportunities and important matters for our school community.

We were pleased to receive a presentation from the Christchurch Opportunities for Gifting (COG) Trust regarding a potential solar installation project for Southbrook School. This initiative has the potential to provide both environmental and long-term financial benefits for the school, and we look forward to exploring the opportunity further.

The Board also discussed an exciting international opportunity following interest from Hongling Experimental School in China to visit Southbrook later this year. We look forward to learning more about this potential partnership and exploring the benefits it could bring to our students and wider school community.

A further discussion focused on the importance of maintaining a positive and respectful culture within our community. Board members reflected on how we represent and speak about Southbrook School and the importance of treating others with kindness and respect. We encourage everyone to support our school, staff and students by fostering positive conversations within the community.

Finally, we would like to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our teaching team. We are delighted to welcome Miss Rayment and Whāea Maria to Ngā Manu Nui, and Miss McKenzie to Ngahere. We look forward to the valuable contributions they will make to the learning and wellbeing of our students.

Dan Daly

Board Parent Representative

Party on a Plate Lunch

Head Student Fundraiser for Child Cancer

Tuesday 18th August

Fairy Bread / Cheerio Sausage / Jelly Cup /
Popcorn

\$5.00

Please pay cash at the office or online 03-0674-0109694-000
(Reference party on a Plate)



Orders in by 13 August (No Late Orders)

Head Student Fundraiser for Child Cancer

Party on a Plate Lunch

Tuesday 18 August

\$5

Orders by 3:00pm Thursday 13 August

Child's Name: _____

Learning Space: _____

\$5 Cash **OR** School Account 03-0674-0109694-000 (reference **Party on a Plate lunch**)

Host International Students at Southbrook School!

We are excited to share that Southbrook School may soon welcome a visiting group of students (aged 10–13) and their teachers—likely from China—for a fun, two-week cultural exchange!

To give them an unforgettable experience, we are looking for warm, welcoming host families within our school community.

What's Involved?

As a host family, you'll welcome **two students** into your home for the duration of their stay. You will be responsible for:

- Providing a safe, supportive, and nurturing environment.
- Offering a warm, private or shared bedroom with comfortable beds.
- Providing daily meals and snacks.
- Showing them a slice of Kiwi life and making their stay fun!

Safeguarding & Support

To ensure the safety and well-being of both our students and host families:

- All host adults will undergo a standard Police Vet.
- We will conduct a brief home visit/inspection.
- A short interview will help us make sure it's a great fit.

 **Host Allowance:** Families receive **\$35 per night, per student** (\$70 total per night) to cover hosting costs.

Interested in Opening Your Home?

If you might be open to hosting two students for roughly two weeks, we'd love to hear from you! Please reach out to register your interest:

✉ **Email Julie Walls:** julie.walls@southbrook.school.nz

TUAHIWI KĀ MATAKURA O RUATANIWHA 2026

NORTH CANTERBURY KAPA HAKA CELEBRATION



**10TH & 11TH
SEPTEMBER 2026**

**HELD AT
OHOKA HALL**
261 JACKSONS ROAD, OHOKA

**TICKETS ON SALE FROM
3RD AUGUST 2026**

**\$10 EACH
NO DOOR SALES**

Te Kura o Tuahiwi
EST 1863

RAFFLES UP FOR GRABS
SAUSAGE SIZZLE & BACON BUTTIES
CAKE STALL & OTHER GOODIES FOR SALE

GET YOUR TICKETS HERE

PHONE: 03 313 8521

SOUTHBROOK SCHOOL TEACHER ONLY DAY FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST

DON'T PANIC!!! KIDSBASE ARE OPEN

Southbrook school will be closed for a Teachers Only Day on Friday 28th August 2026. If you are stuck for Childcare Solutions on these days – Don't Panic! Kidsbase are OPEN and will have an action-packed day full of fun and engaging activities that will keep your child/ren entertained all day.

- Operated on-site at Southbrook School, Rangiora.
- All activities & morning/afternoon tea included – no hidden fees
- A Great Fun Way for kids to build friendships, confidence and self-esteem.
- WINZ Subsidies available

Bookings available NOW: kidsbase.aimyplus.com

Contact us now for full details: 027 239 7690, www.kidsbase.co.nz

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Kidsbase are an Oranga Tamariki and MSD Approved and Accredited Provider



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Before School

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Southbrook School Proudly Presents

GERALD'S GREAT GROOVE



A heartwarming jungle adventure about a giraffe who finds his own rhythm!

Tuesday
1st Sept

1:00 pm Matinee Performance

Thursday
3rd Sept

1:00 pm Matinee and
6:30 pm Evening Performance

**Tickets on sale now at the school
office (\$10 Adult, \$5 Child).**
