



"Teach the child first, not the curriculum!"

NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 9, 26th June 2025

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Please remember to notify the school office of any absences before 9am each day.

Please remember to
SLOW DOWN to 40kms
between the signs near
our school.

Remember you must
SLOW DOWN to 20kms
when passing a
stationary school bus!!



Term 2 2025

Last day Term 2: Friday 27 June



First day Term 3: Mon 14 July

Tues 22 July: 100th Day at School!

Wed 23 July: F'stn Football Tourny

Mon 18-Fri 29 Aug: Constable Julie

Thurs 4 Sept: SW Kapahaka Festival

Mon 15-17 Sept: Harold and the Life
Ed bus are here!

Fri 19 Sept: Last Day of Term 3

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Team
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2025 School Term Dates

T1: Mon 3 Feb - Fri 11 April

T2: Mon 28 April - Fri 27 June

T3: Mon 14 July - Fri 19 Sept

T4: Mon 6 Oct - Tues 16 Dec

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Arrival Time at School

Just a gentle reminder that
children should **not** be
arriving at school before

8.15am

Nine busy weeks . . . ! It's pretty staggering to think we've got to the end of the second term of this year already! My mind is still thinking 'February' but my body tells me it's definitely the end of a term! We have some pretty exhausted ākonga/learners, kaiawhina/learning support assistants and kaiako/teachers looking forward to a well-earned break over the next two weeks.

Welcome: Since my last newsletter a couple of weeks ago (sorry about that! Insanely busy times!) we've welcomed four new ākonga/learners and their families to South Featherston School. We've had Shelby-Rae (Y7) joins Kerri and her Senior Room crew, as does Connor (Y7, brother of Carne). Aurora (Y1) has started her school journey in the Junior Room with Alison and her munchkins, and Ronel and the Middle Room team welcomed Kylah (Y5) just yesterday! Our numbers are growing fast out here!

Learning Conferences: It was wonderful to see so many of our parents and whānau here this last Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for learning conferences. We had an amazing 91% attendance of our parents and whānau come along over those two days to share in and celebrate their child's learning, the highest number ever in my 9 years of being here! Not to make it a competition or anything, but LJR had 100% of their parents meet with Paige and Pete, so well done to you all! We already have meetings booked for the first week of next term for some of the few that were unable to make it this week, so if you did miss out and want to schedule something, please email your child's kaiako/teacher and sort out a time with them directly.

A reminder of our kaiako/teachers' email addresses:

Alison, Junior Room: alison@sfs.school.nz

Paige, LJR: paigew@sfs.school.nz

Ronel, Middle Room: ronel@sfs.school.nz

Kerri, Senior Room: kerrib@sfs.school.nz

Featherston Matariki Festival 2025: I was SUPER proud of our small, but dedicated bunch of performers last Friday at the mihi whakatau! With St Teresa's tamariki, we were about 45 strong, but we really did lift the roof of the Anzac Hall!



Latest (and last!) cross country event for 2025: Two of our SFS runners - Kayaal Nirmal Rajkumar (Y5) and Nicole Potaka-Coltman (Y7) - travelled over to Upper Hutt on Tuesday to take part in the Greater Wellington Primary and Intermediate Cross Country Champs. That was the last event in the cross country calendar - and then we get to do it all again next year!

And last but not least: We have a very busy term coming up, with loads of exciting things planned for our learning programme. Please keep reading these newsletters, as well as any paper notices that come home to you in your kidlet's schoolbag. There will continue to be notifications that come out to you via our SkoolLoop app (see below for instructions on how to download that.) Have a safe and restful holiday break and enjoy some special time with your babies. We'll certainly miss each and every one of them, but are happy to be handing them back to you for the next two weeks! See you all back here on **Monday, 14 July** for Term 3!

Ma te wā!
Tana Klaricich

"In a world where you can be anything, be kind . . ."

If you haven't already done so, please download our **SkoolLoop** app to your phone so you can keep right up to date with what's happening at school, and receive any important notices or emergency notifications: <https://www.skoolloop.com/> If you need help downloading the app, come in and see Jo or me.

You gotta have friends!!

