



Woodville School Pānui

Monday 10th November Week 6 Term 4

87 Vogel Street, Woodville, 4920 – office@woodville.school.nz - 06 3765276

Welcome

Tēna koutou katoa e te whānau, and welcome to the last term of the year.

Pet Day

Last week saw a great turn out for our annual Pet/Ag Day. A massive mihi to Liesha and Mel who helped organise the event. A huge thank you to all of our sponsors who contributed their time, energy, and prizes to our day. You are all very much appreciated! A special thanks also to our whānau who came down with the family pet and made our day extraordinary for our tamariki.

School Uniforms

We are pleased to announce that the new polo uniforms are designed and ready to roll out from 2026. You can view the uniforms in the office foyer. This has been quite the lengthy process but we are excited to finally share with you all. There is a 2 year roll-out plan: Years 1-3 will be required to be in the new uniform from 2026. Years 1-6 will be required to be in new uniforms from 2027. All students will be in new uniforms in 2028. These can be ordered from the office or our supplier in Palmerston North, Academy Apparel. Additionally, we have made the decision to have optional hoodies for our Y7 and Y8 cohorts. You would have seen the AIMs games hoodies amongst the team already and we believe that our Y7s and Y8s, if they choose to, can wear these in place of their polar fleece jerseys. These can be ordered and purchased in the office only from 2026.

Ngā mihi nui
Pā Wes

Fundraising

We are fortunate to have a dedicated number of whānau supporting our fundraising efforts. Over the past week and a bit, we had a stall at the recently held Mad Hatters event and a Tapping Back opportunity following the Woodville Races. Both events were successful and raised \$1947 which is only achievable by the kindness and generosity of our whānau support. Fundraising goes directly into purchasing resources or equipment for all of our students to excel or enjoy. However, we require more whānau support for future fundraising efforts so please consider getting in touch with us as soon as possible.

Property - Block A

We finally have confirmation on the Block A renovation that was planned over 4 years ago!!! Contractors will be in to start some of the demolition work in December. The majority of the demo work will begin during the summer break meaning R8 and R9 students will continue to use their classroom until the end of the year. Disruptions and displacements are to be expected but hopefully we can keep it to a minimum. We are very excited to finally have some traction after so many years.

School Athletics

School Athletics is due to occur on Wednesday 12th November for our 8+ year old students - postponement date Wednesday 19th November. Please come along and support our tamariki as they give each event a go and while striving for excellence.

Prizegiving

Our annual end of year Prizegiving is timetabled for Monday December 15th @ 12pm at the Woodville Stadium. We look forward to seeing you all there in support of all the academic, sporting, and service progress and achievement during the year.

Education Sector Talking Points

Unfortunately, it feels like the education sector is under attack at the moment and I wanted to offer some reassurance that while the negative narratives on Te Tiriti, the hastened curriculum changes, and the Teaching Council takeover tactics by decision-makers in Wellington occur, we remain steadfast in doing what's best for our tamariki and school whānau. Some of these decisions are unlikely to affect our school directly but they will no doubt affect other schools and the future generations of decision-makers, particularly the Te Tiriti clause - essentially, reversing the progress that has been made in the relationship between Māori and non-Māori. It is sad to see the division that these decisions have had on our sector and on our country as whole. We are fortunate to have committed staff who support and tautoko the school management's aspirations of steering our ākonga towards a cohesive synonymous goal of upholding quality education and mātauranga māori.

Upcoming/Important Reminders

- Wednesday 12th November - School Athletics 9.20am start
- Thursday 13th November - Bush Agricultural Day
- Friday 14th November - Celebration Hui 2.15pm in the School Hall
- Tuesday 18th November - Year 7&8 Moving Forward Conference
- Tuesday 25th November - School Board Hui, Conference Room @6pm
- Friday 28 November - Bush Athletics

Our Awesome Ākonga



THANK YOU TO ALL OUR
SPRING SHOW AND PET DAY SPONSORS



Te Kete Hauora o Rangitāne
Health & Social Services



SARAH JONES
UPCYCLED INTERIORS



Whāia Te Iti Kahurangi - In Pursuit of Excellence