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THAT WILL NEVER FADE AWAY.

- 1 PETER 5:4 -



Kia Ora Tātou,

Kia ora Sonrise Whanau,

Term 2 is a very busy term for learning, and we appreciate the many parent – teacher conversations that happen along the way to support our Tamariki in class each day. With all the winter bugs taking hold, we appreciate families communicating so well when their child is unwell and not sending students to school to share these nasty viruses. Despite that, we are continuing to have a high attendance rate, and it is encouraging to know that we are on track to beating last years Term 2 result.

Mid-year reports will be available in Week 9 along with the Parent-teacher interviews. This is always an important time of the year to focus specifically on student achievement and have those critical conversations with your child's teacher. It is a time to celebrate the efforts put in so far, as well as to set goals for the rest of the year.

Regarding written reports, the Ministry of Education have put out the following statement:

"Reporting in 2026 and 2027 The Ministry has provided new reporting guidelines to align with the revised New Zealand Curriculum. To report student progress against the new curriculum, schools will explain progress using five progress levels – emerging, developing, consolidating, proficient and exceeding. Schools will start using the new reporting components during 2026, so you may not see all the changes in your child's report until next year. For more information, see Reporting to Parents and Whānau on the Ministry's Parent Portal."

We will be using our current report formats for Term 2 as we are still unpacking the new descriptors and how they align with our current assessment tools but look forward to the possibility of using the new report templates and descriptors in Term 4.

What's On This Term...

KAPA HAKA

Every Friday of Term 2

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SENIORS (ONLY) @ SONRISE
SAT 20 TO SUN 21 JUNE 2026
1:00pm to 8:30am

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

MON 15, TUE 16, WED 17 JUNE
3:00PM TO 6:00PM

BOARD MEETINGS

THURSDAY 18 JUN 2026
5:30PM – 7:30PM

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Year 1-8 ONLY
FRIDAY 26 JUN 2026



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Last week we celebrated our wonderful Support Staff. The school would not function without them, and we are so grateful for this caring and talented team. For our Teacher Aides: Walton, Jacqui, Sharon and Justine, for our Admin Team: Paku and Cherrylaine, for our Caretaker: John, and for our cleaners: Christine, Roseanne and Deepak – THANK YOU!

On Thursday Andrew, Shawn and Natalie (The Senior Leadership Team) head off to the New Zealand Association of **Christian School Leadership conference** in Queenstown. Please pray for us that we might gain powerful new insights into leading our school, connect with others and find mutual encouragement, and hear what God has to say through the international speakers and presenters.

E te Ātua e manaaki

Andrew Russell
Tumuaki/Principal



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Congratulations!

TE WHARE TE RITO

Bronson Kara & Lyla-Jane Neilson
For their enthusiasm in the gymnastic festival.

TE WHARE TU TANGATA

Aubrey Broughton & Aroha McNeish
For accurately showing their math thinking using a bar model.

TE WHARE MANAAKITANGA

Edwina Winson
Striving for excellence.
Aniva Sanerivi & Izzy Roche
For always being on task.

TE WHARE MATAORA

Caitlin Sutton & Leilani O'Brien
Excellent research report (paddock to plate).

TE WHARE MATAORA

Georgina Matenga
Maintaining a positive attitude in Mathematics and having tidy book work.
Hunter Kerr
Working through harder problems in order to gain understanding of complex concepts.

HOUSE POINTS:

KOWHAI > 1684

WHEREO > 1708

KAKARIKI > 1646

KAHURANGI > 1655

VISION

Education for Eternity

Te Matauranga Mutunga Kore
To provide Christ-centered education to prepare children for life both temporal and eternal.

"Knowing we will be with Christ forever far outweighs our burdens today! Keep your eyes on eternity!"
BILLY GRAHAM

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD:

PEGGY-MAE SMITH

For displaying the L.I.F.E values of the school and having a positive towards her learning.

