



Silverstream School
Te Kura o Māwaihākona

'Together We Inspire a Passion for Learning'

- Welcome, Haere mai-Afio mai- Welkom-Namaste-Bienvenue-Willkommen-
-Maeva-Yōkoso -Fūnyihng -Aloha-Fáilte-



Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou,

School books at the end of the year

We are keeping your children's class books at the end of the year to hand over to their next teacher. The purpose of this is so the 2024 teacher can have the books to work from in the first few weeks of Term 1. This will ensure that the children start the year working from where they finished in 2023 and don't spend weeks trying to find out what they are capable of. We know the children are very proud of their books and they are a great memento for parents to keep, so we will ensure you get those books home in Week 4 of Term 1.

Staffing update for 2024

We have an exciting staffing line up for 2024 with some of the most outstanding teachers from across New Zealand who are joining the team.

We are, however, also sadly saying goodbye to some staff members. Andrea Dennis has been a Teacher Aide here for a number of years, working with our special needs students. She is moving to Christchurch to be closer to family. We will miss her, as will the students.

We are also farewelling Bridget Keenan, who has worked as a Teacher Aide for just over 3 years and more recently as a relief teacher. Bridget is taking up her first teaching position at Rata Street, congratulations on her achievements.

Nycki Proctor is moving to Raumati Beach. Nycki took over Thomas Searancke's class from Term 3 this year. We wish her well in her new venture.

Angela Law is moving to work at St Brendan's from 2024, Angela has worked here for the last 8 years, a huge thank you to Angela too.

ERO Visit

We were very pleased to host Dr Christine Harris from the Education Review Office last week. Dr Harris completed her 2023 visit to us and was very positive about the work that the school has been engaged in over the last year. Having a clear focus on quality teaching practices, monitoring expected progress in reading, writing, maths and science, tracking academic achievement and building stronger partnerships with parents and whanau has been a priority. This will continue into the 2024 year.

Board of Trustees thanks

As we near the end of the year we would like to sincerely thank Anthony Tebbutt for his service on the Board of Trustees over the last 9 years. Anthony has been the BoT Chairperson (Presiding Member) for the last 3 years too. It has been my absolute pleasure, as Principal, to

work closely with Anthony. He has been pivotal in supporting the changes to the curriculum needed at Silverstream which have resulted in huge improvements for students. His positive impact on the school will last and we have appreciated his work around this.

At the first BoT meeting of the year in January a new BoT chair will be voted on by BoT members for the 2024 school year.

Car Parking

We have been asked to remind parents not to park in the spaces outside the shops on Whitemans Road. They have spaces for customers which are currently being blocked by cars at 3.00 pm.

End of year dates

School finishes this year at 3.00 pm on Friday 15th December.

We restart for the 2024 year on Tuesday 30th January 2024 at 9.00 am.

2024 dates

Term 1 (96 half days)	Tues 30th Jan	Fri 12 April	Waitangi Day: Tues 6 Feb TOD's: Thursday 8th Feb and Friday 9th Feb <u>Easter:</u> Good Friday 29 March Easter Monday 1st April Easter Tuesday 2nd April
Term 2 (96 half days)	Mon 29th April	Fri 5th July	King's Birthday Mon 3 June Matariki Fri 28 June
Term 3 (100 half days)	Mon 22 July	Fri 27 Sept	No closed days
Term 4 (94 half days)	Mon 14 Oct	Wed 18 Dec	Cluster TOD: Fri 25 October Labour Day: Mon 28 October

Congratulations

To Carter Burt from Room 16, who completed the 16 km Lakesider event at the Lake Taupo Cycle Challenge over the weekend. We are so impressed by this achievement, 16 km is a long way to cycle! Well done Carter, great job!



The Silverstream Cheetahs had their final touch game for the term and prizegiving this week. Theo from Room 8 getting most impressive player and Lucah from Room 4, most valuable player. Well done guys!





The Silverstream Tigers had their final game for the term and prizegiving this week. Beau from Room 6 getting most valuable player and Charlie from Room 9 most impressive player. Awesome mahi!

If your child has been involved in anything outside of school you are super proud of, a sports achievement or event, a hobby they have mastered, a dance, drama, speech, church group, community event please do let me know so that we can celebrate in the newsletter each week. Send a photo along too if you have one to lorraine.taylor@silverstream.school.nz

As always, have a great week,

Ngā mihi
Lorraine Taylor
Principal

Principal's Awards – Term 4 Week 8

Room Number	Student Name	<i>Reason for award (school value it relates to; being responsible (kia mānakotū), being kind (kia ngakaunui), being brave (kia mārohirohi), being safe (kia haumarū), having fun (kia tākarō).</i>
Room 1	Ira Vyawahare	Ira, you are such a hardworking student. You apply yourself fully to all tasks and always try your best. Thank you for being such a keen learner. You are amazing!
Room 2	Zoya Uzair	Zoya, you are a kind and caring classmate. Thank you for being such a responsible member of our class.
Room 3	Swarith Karanth	Swarith you have a great attitude to learning and you are always willing to give everything a go. You are so kind and caring to everyone in Room 3.
Room 5	Najeeb Ali	Najeeb, you have made fantastic progress with your handwriting this term. I am super proud of all your efforts. Ka pai!
Room 6	Ayvan Chadwick	Ayvan, you have been interested in every learning topic we have covered this year. I hope you never lose your curiosity about the world around you. Ka pai!
Room 7	Elyon Tavita	For always trying your best with your work. You have made great progress this year Elyon, keep up the great work!
Room 8	Monika Babylon	What an amazing year you have had Monika! You have been the most wonderful member of Room 8. You have made fabulous progress in all areas of learning. Ka Pai!
Room 9	Talulah Leggett	Talulah, you brighten our classroom. Your attention to detail with your handwriting and story writing is developing so much. You are clever in maths. Keep doing your best in all areas and you will reach the stars!
Room 10	Darcey Hewitt	You are a very diligent learner. You always listen carefully and follow instructions. You are brave enough to ask for help if you need it. You are very empathetic and a very kind friend. Keep shining Darcey!
Room 11	Madisyn Green	Madisyn, what an incredible first year of school you've had! You have been such a delightful member of Room 11. You are always willing to help, you're always kind, always responsible and lately very brave with your learning. You have truly blossomed these last few weeks. You should be so proud of yourself and all the hard mahi you have done. Keep shining bright like the star you are. Tino pai rawa atu!!
Room 12	Haize Kiernander	For the positive attitude that you bring to class every day and your continued effort in your work.
Room 14	Ella Green	For trying hard at your learning and for the progress you have made with your phonic sounds. Ella thank you for being kind and helpful tidying around the classroom.
Room 15	Tamati Paki	For your enthusiastic attitude and hard work. Well done!

Room 16	Benjamin Torrance	For having a great attitude this term. You have worked hard to improve your writing and spelling. Keep up the good work!!
Room 18	Mabel Betteridge	For the effort you are beginning to put into your writing. Keep working hard, and keep pushing yourself Mabel. You are amazing!
Room 19	Jade Huang	For the support and encouragement you gave your peers on our Year 5 bike trip. You helped keep them focused and safe. Ka pai Jade!
Room 20	Scarlett Harris	For having a positive attitude this term and showing great improvement with your learning. Keep going for Greatness!
Room 22	Mackenzie Shaw	Mackenzie, you've had a great start to school. You're very enthusiastic about your learning and always put a lot of effort in everything that you do. Well Done!



Last chance for Pack the Bus donations!!!!

The Crew from The Breeze Radio Station will be bringing the bus, **tomorrow, Friday 1st December.**

If you would like to support the appeal, please place your donated item (unwrapped) beneath the Christmas tree in the office foyer, **before 12.30pm tomorrow.**

The Wellington City Mission asks for the following items for Pack the Bus:

Christmas Items:

Muesli Bars
Tinned Fruit
Jellies
Tinned meat and fish
Meals in a can
Breakfast Cereals
Spreads: Jams, Peanut Butter, Vegemite
Fancy Biscuits and Confectionery

New Toys and Gifts (new toys only please - and unwrapped):

Retail Vouchers
Event vouchers - Movies, Zoo or Pool
Lego and Meccano
Art Equipment
Educational Books
Beach, Picnic or Water toys
Puzzles
Outdoor Sports Gear
Board Games

Other:

Toiletries for the Whole Family



Ako Iti's Christmas in the Park

You are invited to Ako Iti's Christmas In the Park
on **Wednesday 6th December**.

You and your whānau are welcome to bring
a picnic tea from 5:30 pm.

A sausage sizzle and possibly some other treats will be available
to purchase with cash.

Please meet us on the field by the outdoor stage.

All of our Year 0 - 2 students will share some items with you from
6pm.

The event will be finished by approximately 7pm.

Feel free to dress up in the Christmas spirit!



House Themed Baubles for your Christmas Tree!

Below is a photo of what the baubles look like. They will be available to purchase from the office from Monday 27th November.

The cost of these baubles is \$10 each.

There are limited numbers so please get in quickly before they all disappear!

(We are unable to take orders, this is on a first in first served basis).



U12 Upper Hutt Girls Only Football Team

The team started off Winter Football in League E, achieving promotion at the end of each round, resulting in them being promoted to league B in the final round. This is a fantastic achievement considering they are one of the youngest teams in the grade and this is their first season playing U12's on larger pitches. They often played against older, more physical, girls but they have held their own and outplayed and outfought most teams.

7 players are currently Year 6 Silverstream students. Ayla Campbell, Harper Carey, Lauren Bowness, Lilah Cronin, Lily Parker, Mia Ireland and Zoe Tebbutt. The team are skilful, resilient, fearless, strong with a winning mentality, working towards being one of the strongest girls teams in the Wellington Region.

The girls played 16 games, remaining undefeated for 14 games, losing the final 2 games by 1 goal in each game to controversial decision against our nemesis team Petone. Scoring 48 goals, conceding 16 games, a 32 plus goal difference. Goals were spread throughout the team.

The girls have carried their form through into Summer Football playing against boys they continue to be a strong team playing good football. This Summer season the girls lost their 1st grading game and have won 3 and drawn 1 game. The girls consistency is a credit to their success, during the past 3 seasons they have reached the final in their division, winning once and were runners up twice losing by 1 goal in the other 2 finals.

A coach's role is to develop every players ability and provide them with opportunities and an environment to be brave and grow.

They are a credit to the club, school and parents, often being praised by the opposition coaches, parents or passers by.

In a year when the FIFA Women's World Cup has been held in Aotearoa, inspiring the next generation of footballers which has seen a significant increase in participation numbers, Upper Hutt are always looking for players girls and boys.



Chug-a-Lugs



For those who have signed up, a friendly reminder that Chug-a-Lugs is on every Tuesday morning. Please meet in Room 5 by 07:20 am.

If the weather is bad, we will make a call by 07.00 am and let you know if we are going to cancel. We will only do this if the weather is really bad.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Liesl van der Merwe (Room 6)

liesl.vandermerwe@silverstream.school.nz

Laura Taylor (Room 5)

laura.taylor@silverstream.school.nz

Friends of Silverstream School Fundraising Team

FoSS are proudly supporting Silverstream School with three events in December:

Whitemans Bake Sale

Plates for the Whitemans House should go home Thursday Nov 30 or Friday Dec 1. The delicious home baking is taken to the school hall Monday Dec 4. All baking should be covered, and it is helpful to note allergy indications if at all possible. The sale is from 2:45pm - with pricing for individual items ranging from \$1 to \$4, with whole cakes \$10. Thank you for your support

Ako Iti Christmas in the Park

There will be a sausage sizzle, some soft drinks (and possibly other treats) available for purchase at the Picnic. A huge FoSS thanks to Steven Hillary from Insurance Market and Kevin Hussey from Silverstream Espresso for your support.

Year 6 leavers dinner

FoSS are putting on a light dinner for the Year 6 leavers.



****Whitemans Students****

Please drop off your baking to the school hall by 9.15AM on Monday 4 December

Items will be available for purchase from
2:50PM TO 3:20PM

Don't forget to bring cash & stock up on some treats



After School Programmes Coordinator

If you enjoy looking after children, bring your own children for free!

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Intensive Holiday Programme

18th - 21st December

between 2.30 and 5.30pm

Swim Every day for 4 days

45min. classes for School Age \$110

30min. classes for Pre-School \$76

Amazing Results in just 4 days!!

📞 Taking enrolments now 📞

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Intensive Holiday Programme

23rd - 26th January

between 3 and 5.30pm

Swim Every day for 4 days

45min. classes for School Age \$110

30min. classes for Pre-School \$76

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Weetbix TRYathlon - Wellington 2024

Entries are now OPEN for the Wellington 2024 Weetbix Try!

Unfortunately, there is not going to be a Hutt City event in 2024, so our nearest one will be the Wellington City event held at Kilbirnie Park on Sunday March 19.

We have registered Silverstream School as a school group, which means we will be eligible for prizes, along with other benefits such as delivery of the TRYathlon kits to school (saves you a few dollars!).



It's a really fun morning and being on the weekend, families are more able to come along and support their children and the school group as a whole. There are food & coffee trucks, sponsor giveaways and spot prizes to be won!

If your child is keen, I would encourage you to register them sooner rather than later, as the event will sell out before the end of the year most likely. Make sure you link your child to Silverstream School, so you are attached to our school group.

For more information, and to register, [follow this link](#). Or you can follow them on [Facebook](#).

Alternatively, if your questions can't be answered from their FAQ's, feel free to contact Erin Edmonds our school coordinator via email, erin.edmonds@silverstream.school.nz



Whitemans Bake Sale - Monday 4th December

Last Day of Term 4 2023 - Friday 15th December – School Closes at 3.00 p.m.

First Day of Term 1 2024 – Tuesday 30th January

SCHOOL will be CLOSED on the following days:

Waitangi Day – Tuesday 6th February

Teacher Only Days – Thursday 8th & Friday 9th February

Good Friday – Friday 29th March

Easter Monday – Monday 1st April

Easter Tuesday – Tuesday 2nd April

Last Day of Term 1 – Friday 12th April – School Closes at 3.00 p.m.

For **ALL** calendar events and any school information please access our school website.

<https://www.silverstream.school.nz/calendar.html>

Follow us on

Website: www.silverstream.school.nz

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHRISTMAS GIFT BAGS

Are you're looking for Childrens' Christmas Stocking Stuffers or a Christmas gift for your child's special Silverstream School Teacher?

Save battling the crowds at the shops and do your shopping online with these Christmas Gift Bags made by a former Silverstream School student, Shahana.

They are \$15 per bag and you can place your order by simply texting Shahana on 021 2655656. You can either collect from Shahana here in Silverstream – or she may be able to deliver, depending on where you are located.





Our holiday camp allows children from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Create and train your own AI Avatars, make games, code drones & go to work for a simulated Tech Gaming Studio to build games for a big pretend client.

Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems, presenting & collaboration. Create your own games, worlds and apps to make our world a better place.

We also have [Literati Lab](#) just for girls

Enter our competition to win a FREE 4 day pass to one of our CodeCamps

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Dates: 8th - 11th & 15th - 18th January

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December/January Holiday Computer Classes.

Grand Training runs educational and fun computer classes over the holidays at our Wellington City location for ages 5 to 16.

- Minecraft from Introduction to Mods and Servers
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- Code and Create 3D Games
- Web Design, HTML and CSS
- Build a PC
- Film and Video Editing
- Discovery Course in Computing - suitable for younger children
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Information & bookings: grandtraining.co.nz or call 499-2211





Enter by the end of November 1st to get the best entry fees for Karapoti 2024.

Enter Here Now !

When registering, please link your orders to Silverstream school as team.



Go on... You know you wanna!



Support Your School

Below are some local businesses who support and give donations to Silverstream School when parents/caregivers, friends and family, use their Business and mention SILVERSTREAM SCHOOL.



Lani's window cleaning services. We are a local, small family business. We do commercial and domestic cleaning, specialising in window cleaning and exterior house cleaning including waterblasting. Typically, a standard 3 bedroom house will cost approximately \$150 to clean the inside and outside windows. For a free quote or to request a job, please contact Lani on 027 360 4263.

We will also pay \$10 per job that is completed to the school which have been referred through the school newsletter so please let us know that this is how you found our business!





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