



## 2023 Newsletter

Parents/Caregivers,

We are looking forward to 2023. We would like to extend a special welcome to our new families joining our Southwell community and look forward to reconnecting with our returning students after their summer break.

This newsletter contains important information for both **new & returning students**, please carefully review each section of this newsletter,

### Dates for 2023:

New Student Day will be held on **Thursday 26 January 2023**. This day is for **new students** starting Southwell in Term 1, 2023.

[Please click here for the New Student Day Programme](#)

[Please click here for Term Dates for 2023.](#)

### Boarding Students

**New Boarding Students** are to attend the New Student Day (detailed in the section above). **New Boarding Students** will arrive on the afternoon of **Wednesday 25 January 2023**. An afternoon tea will be hosted for the new boarding families and will be held in the Dining Room at 4.30pm that day.

**Returning Boarding Students** will arrive on the afternoon of Thursday 26 January 2023.

Further information will be supplied to Boarding families from the boarding house staff.

Boarding queries can be directed to:

Head of Girls Boarding, Louise Sybrandy [louise.sybrandy@southwell.school.nz](mailto:louise.sybrandy@southwell.school.nz)

Head of Boys Boarding, Keith Rees-Gibbs [keith.rees-gibbs@southwell.school.nz](mailto:keith.rees-gibbs@southwell.school.nz)



## Device Purchase - Y7/8 Only

**New students** coming in to Year 7 or Year 8, as well as **returning students** moving through to Year 7 will need to purchase their own device for e-Learning.

[Please click here for BYOD Device Information](#)

## Stationery & Uniform

Stationery is provided within the classroom. Students do not need to purchase stationery for the start of the school year.

All **new students** should have booked their **new student** uniform fitting to purchase their uniform ready for the start of the school year.

Students will wear summer uniform for the start of the school year. Summer uniform is: Grey short sleeve shirt/blouse, tie, blazer, grey shorts/culottes, sandals & Southwell sunhat.

**New Student** Appointments will run from mid November 2022, to late January 2023.

[Please click here for Uniform Booking.](#)

The uniform shop will reopen to **returning students** from Monday 23 January 2023 (9am-4pm).

Uniform queries can be directed to the Uniform Shop Manager, Tess Benseman

[uniform@southwell.school.nz](mailto:uniform@southwell.school.nz)

## Southwell School App

**New families** should have received the activation link to setup their Southwell School login. This login will be used for the school app and for the parent's portal on our website.

The app has important features for daily school life, timetable, absence notification, term dates and more.

[Please click here for Apple – App Download](#)

[Please click here for Android – App Download](#)

[Please click here for App Navigation Information](#)



## Sports

Sport is an important aspect of our all-round Southwell Education. Summer sports will begin in Term 1, 2023. Selecting and participating in sport is compulsory for Year 5-8 students.

All **new & returning students** will need to complete their sport selections below for 2023. Any existing selections for 2022 will conclude at the end of the 2022 school year. 2023 sports selections **MUST** be completed by **23 January 2023**.

[2023 Year 1 Sports Options - Term 1](#)

[2023 Years 2-4 Sports Options - Term 1](#)

[2023 Years 5-6 Sports Options - Term 1](#)

[2023 Years 7-8 Sports Options - Term 1](#)

Sports queries can be directed to the Sports Department Administrator, Cathy Bagley  
[cathy.bagley@southwell.school.nz](mailto:cathy.bagley@southwell.school.nz)

## Itinerants Music, Speech & Drama

Music, Speech & Drama lessons are offered as extracurricular activities at Southwell and are managed by our Performing Arts Department. The Performing Arts Department provides students with a range of high quality learning experiences in the disciplines of Drama & Music. Individual and/or group lessons are taught by qualified, experienced specialist teachers.

Those **new or returning students** interested in lessons will need to complete their selections for 2023. Any existing selections for 2022 will conclude at the end of the 2022 school year.

[Please click here for further information and Enrolment for Music/Speech & Drama Lessons](#)

Performing Arts queries can be directed to the Performing Arts Administrator, Kerry Jurgensen  
[kerry.jurgensen@southwell.school.nz](mailto:kerry.jurgensen@southwell.school.nz)

## School Lunches

The school kitchen provides a lunch option for the children each school day. The [lunch menu](#) is published each week on our website & the school app.

Lunches can be purchased on a casual basis at \$7.50 per day. Students or families can add their name to the list at the front on the dining room. The charge will be loaded to your account.

Lunches can be purchased on a permanent basis at \$290.00 per term. The e-Form for permanent lunch sign up will be available on the parent portal & school app from January 2023.

Lunch queries can be directed to the school office [office@southwell.school.nz](mailto:office@southwell.school.nz)



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## Bus Service

There is a Southwell School bus that provides a bus service to the Tamahere area.

10 concession bus tickets can be purchased from the school office.

[Please click here for the bus route & timetable](#)

Bus service queries can be directed to the school office [office@southwell.school.nz](mailto:office@southwell.school.nz)

## After School Care

The after school care programme runs every school day from 3.30pm – 5.15pm and is supervised by Southwell Staff.

For Year 0-4 students, this programme is held in the Junior School. For Year 5-8 students, this programme is held in the Library. Students will receive an afternoon tea snack.

Students sign in on a casual basis for \$10 per day. This charge will be loaded to your account.

[Please click here for After School Care Information Sheet](#)

After School Care queries can be directed to the school office [office@southwell.school.nz](mailto:office@southwell.school.nz)

## Further Information:

We encourage you to carefully review each of the links within this newsletter. From there you can familiarise yourselves with the following sections of our website [Everyday at Southwell](#) and [Information for Students Starting in 2023](#).

We also encourage you to follow our Facebook & Instagram pages to keep up with "what's happening at Southwell".

## Contact:

If you have any questions in relation to this newsletter or your child's start at Southwell, please do not hesitate to contact the Registrar, Becky Russell on 07 855 2089 or

[becky.russell@southwell.school.nz](mailto:becky.russell@southwell.school.nz)