



From the Headmaster

Celebrating 100 Years of All Hallows Chapel

Dear Parents, Whānau, and Friends,

This week marks a historic milestone for Southwell as we officially launch our All Hallows Chapel Centenary week.

For a century, the Chapel has been the heart of Southwell, anchoring generations of students, staff, and families.

Our celebrations begin this Sunday, 30 August, with a special Alumni and Community Chapel Service to honour our shared heritage.

Throughout the week to come, our students will join the festivities with an All Hallows student celebration on the Oval, followed by Family House Chapel services on Wednesday evening. Students will also explore our rich history through in-class activities and a dedicated heritage exhibition running all week.

We look forward to a memorable week filled with gratitude for our incredible community - past and present - who have cherished Southwell across this remarkable century.

Keryn Bindon, Headmaster



SOUTHWELL NEWS - AWARDS, BADGES, CERTIFICATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

YEAR 5 SPEECH FINAL



1st - Phyllis Mai
2nd - Adelaide Oehley
3rd Equal - Zoe Johns
& Rylah Jones

YEAR 3 & 4 POETRY FINALS



Year 3

1st - Isla Amin
2nd - Sana Singh
3rd - Rohan Patel

Year 4

1st - Olivia Williams
2nd - April Jones
3rd - Zahra Ukra



YEAR 3 VALUES BADGES

3LSi - Arna Xu, Samson Scown, Louis Paterson, Lucy Glenn, Louis Hunt, Kingsley Xiang, Jack Harris
3JF - Diana Fan, Charlie Dong, Gabby Purser, Elijah Potter, Saphen Khashram, Phoebe Li



WAI MATHS COMPETITIONS

3RD - Amelia Li, Hannah Grayling, Theo Chen



JUNIOR HEADMASTER GRAYSON TE WEEHI - 5BG

Grayson is a wonderful example of a balanced and purposeful learner. Whether he is at rugby training, rehearsing for the Opera, carrying out his role as a Lost Property Monitor, or keeping on top of his learning, Grayson approaches everything with commitment and enthusiasm.

HOUSE WINNERS CROSS COUNTRY **YORK**



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Rockshop BandQuest Competitions



The Blue Socks | 1st Place

Theo Chen, Kobe Martin,
Mia Botha, Juno Knauf, Dylan Daws,
Hannah Li, Lucas Wang



Spicy Strings | 2nd Place

Caleb Winter, Ryder Laity, Eden
Chen, Briar Ord, Ellie Li, Adi
Patel, Jacob Li

Jump Jam Crew



Year 5-6 Jump Jam Badges

Vienna Berryman, Ayla Fraser,
Nina Johns, Rylah Jones,
Ella Schuster, Marlie Scott, Alina Su

Reawarded:

Avana de Groen, Ruby Gilbert, Bonnie
Hawthorn, Quinn Munro, Saachi
Rathod, Georgia Stark



Year 7-8 Jump Jam Badges

Mia Botha, Ishwar Dhillon, Charlee
Flaxman, Mya Gilbert, Maya Hudson
Libby Hyde, Ella Liu, Isabella Matheson
Blake McIntyre, Rose Stark,

Arahia Turia-Fox

Reawarded:

Emily Cooper, Georgia Donald, Mila
Germann, Esme Goatcher, Elsa Hu,
Emily Stevenson, Isla Anderson,
Amelia Burman, India Davison,
Kahurangi Deane, Mackenzie Fleming,
Indie Harvey, Addi Hawthorn, Karys
Jones, Eden McCaffrey, Samantha
McLeod, Leah Munro, Poppy Pearson
Hannalise Stratford,



SOUTHWELL NEWS- AWARDS, BADGES, CERTIFICATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

2026 CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS



YEAR 1 BOYS ION CUP

1st - Lucas Barnes
2nd - Benjamin Burman
3rd - Leo Shaw



YEAR 2 BOYS PULLON FAMILY CUP

1st Equal - Kylem Jones
1st Equal - Zac Stevenson
3rd - Kees Marra

YEAR 1 GIRLS WILSON CUP

1st - Lilly Corkill
2nd - Katherine Brighthouse
3rd- Bronte King

YEAR 2 GIRLS HANSEN CUP

1st - Zahra Jennings
2nd - Blakey Taylor
3rd- Olivia Alipate



YEAR 3 BOYS UNDER 8 CUP

1st - Elijah Potter
2nd- Louis Hunt
3rd - Aashvik Chudasama

YEAR 3 GIRLS VELZIAN CUP

1st - Tessa Burns
2nd - Sophia Rawcliffe
3rd - Gabby Hart

YEAR 4 BOYS SIMPSON CUP

1st - Joshi Bourke
2nd - Harrison Fink
3rd - Dilsamraat Singh

YEAR 4 GIRLS BALME CUP

1st - Emily Roach
2nd - Milla Xu
3rd - Sophie McKenna

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2026 CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS



YEAR 5 BOYS CALLIS CUP

1st - Kaden Smith
2nd - George Woodyard
3rd - Kieran Yu

YEAR 5 GIRLS THOMAS CUP

1st - Adelaide Oehley
2nd- Jasmine Rope
3rd - Bella Rider

YEAR 6 BOYS CROFT CUP

1st - Daniel Bell
2nd- Eden Chen
3rd - Devan Prakash

YEAR 6 GIRLS SAXTON CUP

1st - Willa Crome
2nd - Veronica Lee
3rd - Tessa Spencer



YEAR 7 BOYS HUNTER CUP

1st - Jackson Greene
2nd - Deagon Everton
3rd - Tate Bradding

YEAR 7 GIRLS MURRAY CUP

1st - Emily Aquilina
2nd - Mikayla Wang
3rd - Esme Goatcher

YEAR 8 BOYS CHALLENGE CUP

1st - Riku Bryant
2nd - Louie Marra
3rd - Beauden Crome

YEAR 8 GIRLS KAY CUP

1st - Charlotte Bell
2nd - Alexa Sanders-Edwards
3rd - Georgia Hoy

SOUTHWELL NEWS - ASSEMBLY - WEEKS 5 & 6

THE BELOW IMAGES WERE DISPLAYED ON THE LARGE SCREEN AT ASSEMBLY
STUDENTS TELL US ABOUT BEING PURPOSEFUL



WHO IS PURPOSEFUL?



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WHO SHOWS GRATITUDE?





Our Languages Week opened with Cultural Clothing Day, a special occasion for students to proudly share their heritage or cultural connections through traditional clothing.

It was an inspiring day filled with pride, unity, and a rich reflection of our Southwell School whānau.



2026 SOUTHWELL CROSS COUNTRY

This year's Cross Country event was another huge success for Southwell. The fog cleared and made for a great day, allowing everyone to compete and participate. We saw inspiring individual achievements, and the event once again brought our entire school community together. A special thank you to Mr. Copeman and his team from Property Brokers Cambridge for providing a fabulous sausage sizzle that everyone enjoyed.



WINTER SPORTS EXCHANGES: SPIRIT, COMMUNITY & COMPETITION

Over the past few weeks, our winter sports calendar has been in full swing, packed with home and away exchanges that showcase the best of the Southwell School sporting spirit. From hosting **Iona College** to travelling for traditional fixtures against **St George's School, Huntley School, and Dilworth School**, our teams have experienced the excitement, challenge, and camaraderie that make these events so memorable.

Steeped in tradition, these inter-school exchanges extend far beyond the scoreboard. They provide our students with invaluable opportunities to grow both as athletes and as individuals:

Building Character & Values: Competing against other schools tests our determination, teaching students to handle victory with humility and defeat with grace. These experiences directly reinforce our core values of resilience, respect, and integrity.

Fostering Independence & Adaptability: Travelling for away fixtures requires students to step out of their comfort zones, take responsibility for their preparation, and adapt to new environments.

Creating Connection & Community: Whether billeting with host families, sharing post-match meals, or cheering from the sidelines, students forge lifelong friendships and deepen their sense of whānau across the wider school network.

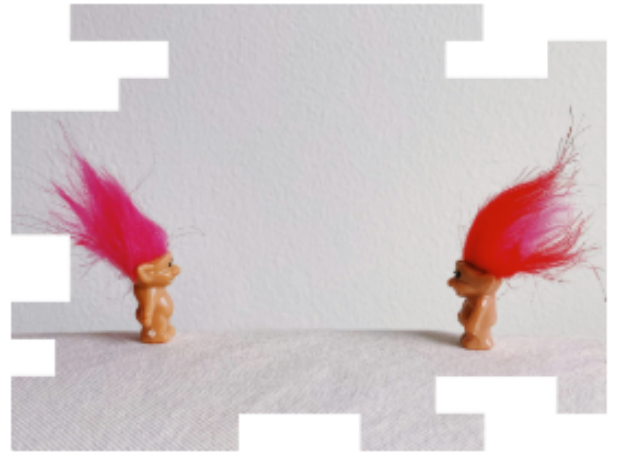
Win or lose, these exchanges remind our young people that wearing the Southwell stripes is about pride, sportsmanship, and representing their school community with heart.



TROLLING AND TAMARIKI

Trolling is an online behaviour that involves sharing, commenting or posting deliberately provocative content to evoke an emotional reaction, create conflict, or disrupt conversations. Find out how to identify online trolling and what you can do if you or your tamariki are being trolled, with this [advice from Netsafe](#).

Have you been affected by online harm?
Contact the [Netsafe helpline](#) for free confidential advice: 0508 638 723



IS FOR HAROLD



There was a huge amount of excitement recently when Black Caps legend, and Southwell parent, Ross Taylor stepped into the role of Harold the Giraffe! Ross, who serves on the Life Education Trust National Board, helped make Harold's visit an extra-special surprise for our students. The reaction said it all, a swarm of very excited kids and plenty of big smiles across the school!

It was fantastic to welcome Life Education Trust and educator Nicky back to Southwell after some time. We love seeing our tamariki so engaged and excited about learning the valuable skills and knowledge that help them make healthy choices throughout their lives.

A huge thank you to Ross for being such a great sport and putting on the suit, and to the Life Education team for creating such a memorable experience for our school community.

SOUTHWELL NEWS

TE MIRO TUSSLE TRAIL RUN

On Sunday, 16th August, three talented Southwell students, Deagon Everton, Kaden Smith, and Lockie Smith represented our school with distinction at the Te Miro Tussle Trail Run.

All three boys delivered outstanding performances across their respective events:

Deagon Everton: 1st overall and took 1st place in the 5km run.

Kaden Smith: 1st place in the 9-10-year-old category in the 2km run.

Lockie Smith: 1st place in the 7-8-year-old category in the 2km run.

A clean sweep of top finishes and a fantastic achievement for all three runners. Congratulations, boys!



WAIMATHS COMPETITION 2026

Southwell sent two talented teams to Hamilton Boys' High School for the annual Waimaths Competition. Both our Y7 and Y8 mathematicians represented the school with pride and performed exceptionally well against strong competition.

Year 7 Team: Achilles Xiao, Elsa Hu, and Daniel James scored 47/60 points, placing a commendable 8th overall.

Year 8 Team: Theo Chen, Amelia Li, and Hannah Grayling scored 48/60 points, securing a fantastic 3rd place finish!



Congratulations to all six students for their hard work and wonderful results!



ARTZONSHOW

School Holiday

WORKSHOPS

DANCE DRAMA
ART VOCALS

ENROL NOW!

SOUTHWELL SCHOOL
5-9 OCTOBER

TERM 3 HOLIDAYS

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NATIONWIDE WRITING SUCCESS: ROIMATA TAKES 1ST PLACE!

We are thrilled to celebrate Southwell student Roimata Buckle, who took out 1st place nationwide in the Intermediate category of the recent Every Reader Has A Story writing competition!

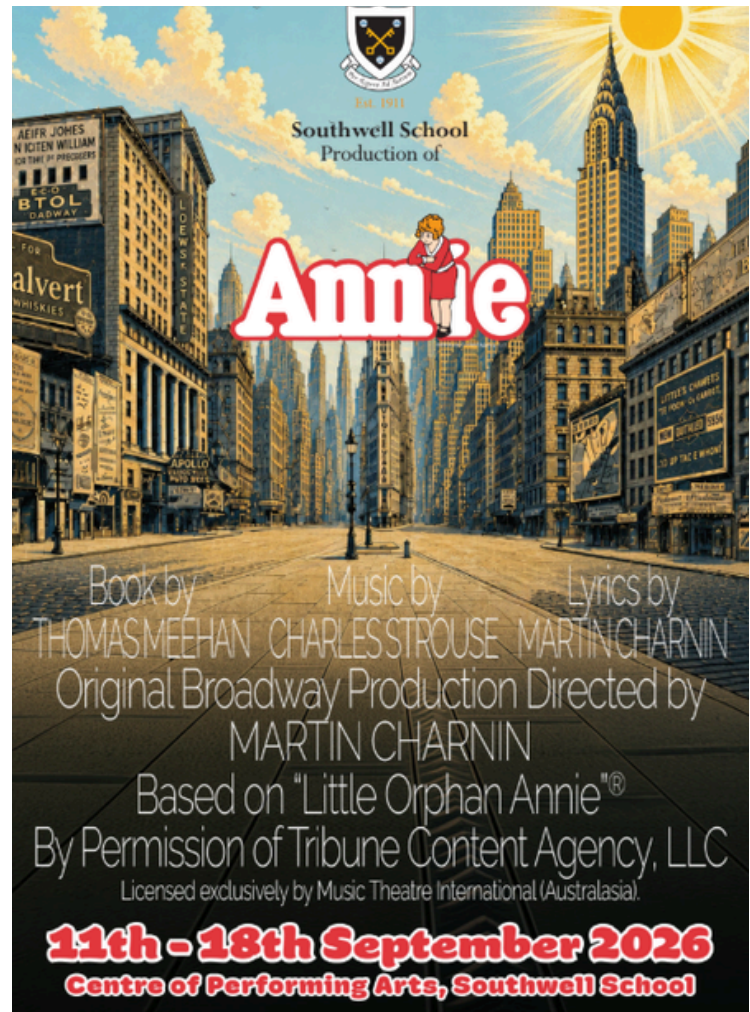
Held in celebration of NZ Children's Books Week, the competition asked students across New Zealand to submit a true, personal essay reflecting on how a book has made a difference in their life. Roimata blew the judges away with her deeply moving and powerful essay titled "Chapters of Healing".

As part of her well-deserved win:

- Roimata receives \$250 worth of books for herself.
- Southwell School Library will receive \$500 worth of brand-new books to add to our collection.
- Publication: Her essay will be published on The Sapling website for readers across the country to enjoy.

Acclaimed author Sonya Wilson will be visiting Southwell School over the coming week to present Roimata with her prizes.

Congratulations, we are so proud of you.



from the LIBRARY

Our Head Librarians have issued a challenge to all.

Just Read time after lunch is a beautiful, peaceful moment when all students have the opportunity to read for pleasure.

Lachlan and Sienna are going to host an Ice Block morning tea in Week 8 to recognise 3 or 4 students from every class who make the most of that opportunity on a consistent basis.

Well done, Lachlan and Sienna, for your initiative and passion.

THE JUST READ CHALLENGE

Presented to you by Sienna & Lachlan

THE REWARD!!!

The REWARD of our Just Read challenge is a bookmark, that you can cash in for an ice block morning tea which will be held during Week 8 in the library hosted by us!!

These are our amazing Just Read winners from Term 2.



YOU HAVE GOT TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT

To Get Selected...

- Arrive on time.
- Read with purpose.
- Make every page count.
- Get lost in your book

Do all this consistently and YOU could be one of the three, maybe four, lucky people to get selected.



AS VOTED BY OUR STUDENTS - SOUTHWELL'S BOOK AWARDS

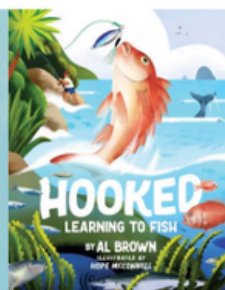
1st



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2nd=



4th



5th



**Picture Book
Winner, Book
translated into
Te Reo
and OVERALL
WINNER**



**Junior Fiction
Winner**



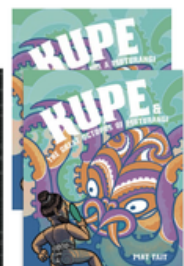
**Non Fiction
Winner**



**Best First Book
Winner**



**Best
Illustration
and Te Reo**



NZ BOOK AWARD RESULTS

SOUTHWELL NEWS – SNAP SHOTS

