

MAY 2018

# Solway College

## newsletter



### From the Principal

### Important Dates

We had an excellent response for Open Day from visitors and new families looking at our beautiful school. As usual, our girls were our best advertisement and did us proud with their willingness to help, their enthusiasm and their confidence in speaking with our guests.

Thank you to those parents who supported our parent teacher interviews at the end of last term. These interviews are very useful so that we can all work together to help get the very best possible results for our girls.

Many students are involved in internal assessments at the moment and our whole school examinations begin in Week 7. It is important that all students prepare well for these examinations as they give an indication to staff of how well students are progressing. This is particularly important to give practice to senior students who will be sitting external examinations in November and to give junior students practice for the future.

We hope our Solway Study Skills programme will be helpful to students in learning how to prepare for examinations. Parent teacher interviews will be in Week 2 of Term 3.

The winter sports season is well underway and we thank families for their ongoing support of our teams.

Monday 4 June  
**Queen's Birthday**  
**School Closed**

Wednesday 13 June –  
Friday 15 June  
**Examinations**  
**Whole School**

Friday 6 July  
**House Choral Competition**  
**Compulsory Attendance**

Friday 6 July  
**Last Day Term 2**

Monday 23 July  
**Term 3 begins**



# CONGRATULATIONS

## Scholars of the Week Senior

**Julia Ryan**

*Term One Week Ten*

**Georgia Wearing**

*Term Two Week One*

**Grace Collis & Dayna Udy**

*Term Two Week Two*

## Scholars of the Week Junior

**Keisha Richdale**

*Term One Week Ten*

**Tabitha Leinfellner**

*Term One Week Two*

**Lok Yi (Anson) Fan**

*Term Two Week Two*

## Merit Awards

### Intermediate Awards

Bianca Mancer

### Form Awards

Olivia Mancer

Nara Weschayanwiwat

Lucy Collis

Asha Graham

Moana Papworth

### Principal Award

Montana Robertson-Davis

# Other Achievements

## Sheilah Winn Intercollegiate Shakespeare

Aaliyah Allen  
Maisie Arnold-Barron  
Charlotte Bold  
Ella Cato  
Lucy Collis  
Paighe Crossan  
Nikita Decruiy  
Rhiann Dirkx-Dragovich  
Emma Faulkner  
Annie Ferguson  
Margot Ferguson  
Allyah Gowans  
Emma Gray  
Katelin Hardgrave  
Ava Jackson  
Imogen Marsden  
Fern McCallum  
Greta McGrath  
Olivia Morgan  
Paige Mowbray  
Baylee Parr  
Samantha Peters  
Lileana Petrovich  
Ella Phillips  
Tilly Rausch  
Emily Rolls  
Eilish Skeet  
Abigail Smart  
Madeleine Somerville  
Xanthe Somerville  
Emma Tapper  
Tilly Vallée  
Hannah Walker  
Georgia Wearing  
Freya Wright  
Victoria Wright

## Intercollegiate Debating

Kate Beach  
Abigail Hinds  
Hannah Walker  
Demira Singh  
Montana Robertson-Davis  
Tabitha Leinfellner  
Maisie Arnold-Barron  
Sophie McNab  
Georgia Wearing



# Other Achievements Continued

## Tramping

Meagan Hayes  
Jessica Gooding  
Paighe Crossan  
Travanna Graham  
Charlotte Gooding

## North Island Secondary Schools Championships

Siena Cockburn  
Asha Graham  
Monja Jacobs

## Intercollegiate School Cross Country

Amelia Adams	Fern McCallum
Bridget Allan	Sophie McNab
Maisie Arnold-Barro	Baylee Parr
Rosalie Bos	Mya Pendergrast
Charlotte Gooding	Tilly Rausch
Jessica Gooding	Montana Robertson-Davis
Asha Graham	Trinity Robertson-Davis
Meagan Hayes	Amy Rossiter-Stead
Monja Jacobs	Ella Shannon
Hazel Jones	Cadey Sims
Alicia-Eve King-Chapman	Eilish Skeet
Noemi Leinfellner	Dayna Udy

## Swimming

Siena Cockburn  
Bridget Allan

## Motorcross

Ella Shannon

## Lawn Bowls

Olivia Mancer

## Capital Hockey

Amy Rossiter-Stead

## Equestrian

Grace Gray

## Honey Labels

Annie McNab  
Maisie Arnold-Barron  
Jessi-Rae Watson

# Recognising Achievement And Effort



## Academic Colours Awards

The Academic Colours Awards Ceremony was held on the last day of Term 1 just prior to parent/teacher interviews. The top awards were:

Double Gold Academic Colours Award (for top level achievement for six years):

Jessica Gooding      Meagan Hayes

Gold Academic Colours Awards (for top level achievement for five years):

Jessie-May Cassells  
Noemi Leinfellner  
Amy Rossiter-Stead  
Renee Bacon

Alexandra Robbie  
Emily Rolls  
Julia Ryan  
Madeleine Somerville

Academic Elite Awards (For overall excellence in NCEA in 2017):

Rosalie Bos  
Paighe Crossan  
Allyah Gowans  
Travanna Graham  
Tee Hao-Aickin  
Grace Kavanagh  
Noemi Leinfellner  
Baylee Parr  
Lileana Petrovich

Amy Rossiter-Stead  
Mikala Shannon  
Bailie Sims  
Jessica Gooding  
Meagan Hayes  
Emily Rolls  
Julia Ryan  
Lyn Lo

The Quirke Sisters Trophy  
(for student gaining most excellence credits in NCEA 2017): Meagan Hayes

## Student Activities

### House Competition Results

**House Boards:** 1<sup>st</sup> Redwood    2<sup>nd</sup> Silverbirch    3<sup>rd</sup> Poplar    4<sup>th</sup> Pine

**House Pavement Art:** 1<sup>st</sup> Redwood    2<sup>nd</sup> Silverbirch    3<sup>rd</sup> Poplar    4<sup>th</sup> Pine

### House Choral (Singing) Competition – Friday 6 July



The main House activity for this term is the Interhouse Choral (Singing) Competition and preparation for this is now underway. The competition, which is a **compulsory attendance** event, will be held on Friday 6 July. **Please do not make arrangements which require your daughter to leave prior to this.** Family and friends of Solway are most welcome to attend this event.



# Cultural Activities

## Sheilah Winn Intercollegiate Shakespeare

Solway College participated in the annual regional Sheilah Winn Intercollegiate Shakespeare Competition held at Rathkeale College in the last week of term one.

Solway had a large cast of 37 actors drawn from all year levels. This year our 15 minute production was The Mechanicals' play from A Midsummer Night's Dream. Our performance was lively and funny and very well received by audience and judges.

It was an awesome performance for which we won best 'Costume and Props' and Madeleine Somerville won 'Best Comedic performance'. Well done to all the actors and backstage people and especially to our director, Mrs Rogerson!

## Intercollegiate Debating

Yesterday was the first round of the Intercollegiate Debating Competition against Chanel and judged by Mrs Marilyn Bouzaid.

The Year 9 team of Kate, Abigail and Hannah debated the moot "That all plastic supermarket and bread bags must be banned by the end of 2018." The topic for the Year 10 team of Demira, Montana and Tabitha was "That social media lowers social skills" and the Year 11 team of Maisie, Sophie and Georgia argued against the moot "That New Zealand does not live up to its clean and green image."

All three teams were on the negative side. These were challenging topics and the girls did extremely well, with the Year 10 and Senior team both winning their debates.

We look forward to hosting Makoura later this week for the next round of the competition.

## Tramping

The Duke of Edinburgh girls did a 62km tramp around Mt Ruapehu over 5 days in the second week of the holidays.



Each day brought a new vista - of bush, volcanic rock, icy peaks and waterfalls.

The tramp was the Duke of Edinburgh Award's qualifying gold tramp for; Meagan Hayes, Jessica Gooding, Paighe Crossan and Travanna Graham. The tramp for Charlotte Gooding, was her qualifying silver tramp.

Ka mau te wehi!

A big thank you to Mr Graham for being such a stalwart support person, and Mr Sayer for his help in getting the van ready.

## School Sisters' Teddy Bear Picnic

School Sisters had a Teddy Bears' Picnic, which included teddy bears, of course, food and a movie in the hall, held during a lunch break.

Thank you to our kitchen staff, Bridget in the laundry, Chapel Leaders and to Jessie-May our photographer for all their help.

Your biscuits looked delicious!



# Sports News

## Student Successes

### North Island Secondary Schools Athletic Championships

Towards the end of last term Siena Cockburn, Asha Graham and Monja Jacobs competed in the North Island Secondary Schools Athletic Championships in Whanganui. The results were as follows;



Monja 6<sup>th</sup> in Javelin and 10<sup>th</sup> in discus

Asha 18<sup>th</sup> in 100m and 17<sup>th</sup> in 200m

Siena 15<sup>th</sup> in 100m and 4<sup>th</sup> equal in high jump

Junior Girls relay consisting of Siena, Asha, Abby Green (St Matthews) and Tessa Sandall (Wairarapa College) 9<sup>th</sup>

All the girls competed well and had a great weekend!

### Intercollegiate School Cross Country

On Wednesday 2 May 2018 24 students from Solway College participated in the Wairarapa Intercollegiate Cross Country which was held in the beautiful grounds of Rathkeale College.

There were 10 top 15 placings over the four age groups – U14, U15, U16 and Senior Girls and 5 top ten placings to the following students; Noemi Leinfellner, Eilish Skeet, Maisie Arnold-Barron, Baylee Parr and Meagan Hayes who was runner-up in the Senior Girls' race.

The racing was close and the Solway athletes acquitted themselves very well.

### Swimming

#### North Island Secondary School Swimming Championships


Recently Siena Cockburn and Bridget Allan swam in the North Island Secondary School Swimming Championships in Palmerston North.

Results as follows;

Siena;	100m Backstroke	4 <sup>th</sup>
	100m Freestyle	10 <sup>th</sup>
	50m Backstroke	Bronze medal
	50m Freestyle	Silver medal
Bridget;	400m Freestyle	6 <sup>th</sup>
	100m Backstroke	6 <sup>th</sup>
	200m Backstroke	Bronze medal
	50m Backstroke	Silver medal



Bridget has also broken the Wairarapa U14 Long Course records for 100m and 200m Backstroke which is yet to be ratified.



Siena also swam at the Fiji Open National Swimming Championships which entailed 10 days of international swim training and racing.

Her results as follows:

4 Gold medals (50 Freestyle, 100 Freestyle, 50 Fly and 100 Backstroke)

3 Silver medals (50m Backstroke, 400 Freestyle and 800 Freestyle)

1 Bronze medal (200 Freestyle)

Well done girls!

### **New Zealand National Age Group Championships**

Siena Cockburn and Bridget Allan did really well at the New Zealand National Age Group Swimming Championships held in Auckland in April.

Results as follows;

Siena;                Top 6 in the 50m Freestyle in tight racing  
                         Top 12 in 50m Backstroke over her 4 event swims

Bridget;            7<sup>th</sup> 200m Backstroke  
                         Silver 50m and Bronze 100m Backstroke plus 6 personal best times over her 3 event swims

Both girls have qualified to race in the New Zealand National Open Championships in July 2018. Well done to them, and their coaching, family and support teams.

### **Motorcross**

Ella Shannon belongs to the Bush Riders Club and this year she competed in the Central Cross Country series which was over 5 rounds which started in February 2018.

It was a well fought battle for points and Ella was leading until the last round when she ended the series coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Junior Class of the Central Cross Country series.

Well done Ella.

### **Lawn Bowls**

Congratulations to Olivia Mancer who was chosen to represent Wairarapa in a Quad Bowls fixture, as part of the Women's Four team.

It was an exciting day for her because the team won Silver.

Awesome effort.

### **Capital Hockey**

Congratulations to Amy Rossiter-Stead who gained selection in the Capital U18 Hockey team which will compete at the National Regional Tournament in Dunedin in July.



## Equestrian



A huge well done to Grace Gray, our Equestrian Code Captain.

Grace rode her lovely young thoroughbred gelding, Marco, at the North Island Secondary Schools' Eventing Championships in Taupo over the weekend. Grace rode for a mixed team with 3 other members from Tokoroa and Masterton. The team was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in the 95cm section of the competition.

There were a total of 29 teams entered from all over the North Island so this is a great achievement and was well worth the long journey! A huge congratulations from everyone here at school and from the Equestrian Academy we are all very proud of your performance.

## Student Matters

### Fees for NCEA 2018

Students must pay an annual fee to have their results recorded on their Record of Achievement, and to receive certificates for NCEA.

Domestic student entry for all NCEA standard subjects is \$76.70 (GST inclusive) per year.

Entry fees are paid to the school acting as a collecting agent. We then pass those fees onto NZQA. Details as to how to pay the fees to Solway College for each candidate will be individually sent out to families at the end of term 2 beginning of term 3. Please take note of the deadlines for payment, if applicable. It takes a considerable amount of time and resource chasing up late payments. If you receive an invoice for fees please make it a priority to pay. Failure to pay by due date will result in NZQA charging a \$50 late payment penalty.

Any student wishing to sit scholarship will have to pay a fee of \$30.00 per school subject over and above this fee. This decision was made by NZQA in the light of a number of students enrolling for, but not attending the exam.

Financial assistance is available to assist with the payment of entry fees for National Secondary Schools qualifications. To be eligible to apply you must be the fee-payer and meet at least one of the following criteria:

- be receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit (benefit-based applications)
- have a joint family income that would entitle you to receive a Community Services Card (income-based applications)
- be a fee-payer with two or more children who are candidates, irrespective of family income (multiple candidate applications), where the total fees you would have to pay would otherwise be more than the \$200 multiple candidate maximum



Complete one application form for all members of your family for whom you are seeking financial assistance. The form is available from the office or NZQA website. Applications for financial assistance must be made by **30 June 2018** at the latest, to allow a new invoice to be issued.

Send the completed form to Solway College. If your application covers more than one candidate, send the form to the school of the first candidate you have listed. That school will process your application. If you are the fee-payer for candidates attending different schools, the first school will send it on to those schools for you.

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Mrs Pat Beech

Principal's nominee

## VEHICLES

Students require written permission to drive vehicles to and from school. The vehicle permission forms are available from Mrs Stevenson. Hostel students must hand their car keys to the matrons. No student is to travel in a vehicle driven by another student without the necessary permission.



## TO KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE PLEASE OBSERVE THE SPEED LIMITS IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS.

This is particularly important in the area past Rata Dormitory, the Main Office and Solway House where the speed limit is **10 kph**.

Vehicles parked at Solway are parked at the owner's risk.

# Other News

## Solway College Parents' Association

**Congratulations** Mr & Mrs Graham who were successful in the draw for Term 1 2018.

## Snapper Cards

From Monday 30 April 2018, Snapper Cards will be replacing Tranzit a.to.b. payment cards as a way to pay for travel on all Metlink buses in the Wairarapa.

If you have not already made the change you can purchase a Snapper Card online ([snapper.co.nz](http://snapper.co.nz)).

## Regional Public Health - Influenza

Influenza season is upon us, so we recommend that families visit the following websites;

- Influenza vaccination is recommended for children and teens to stop them getting sick and reduce flu spreading in the community – [www.fightflu.co.nz/information-parents](http://www.fightflu.co.nz/information-parents)
- 2018 "Flu can be anywhere" brochure and RPH 'Influenza' brochure – [www.rph.org.nz/influenza](http://www.rph.org.nz/influenza)



## Donation

In 2008 Quality Sheds launched the “Donate To Your School Of Choice” program whereby they promised their clients that for every kitset shed sold, Quality Sheds would donate \$50 to the clients nominated school.

Thank you to Quality Sheds who recently made a donation to our school.

If you are thinking of building a shed or garage call them on 0508 4 SHEDS or visit their website [www.qualitysheds.co.nz](http://www.qualitysheds.co.nz)

## Honey – SCOOP Fundraiser

Congratulations to Annie McNab, Maisie Arnold-Barron and Jessi-Rae Watson who were the finalists in the Solway College honey label competition.

Well done to Annie who was the winner.

Have you ordered any honey? If not please do so **NOW** by completing an order form at the school office or downloading an order form from our website.

## Wairarapa Times-Age Sports Awards

The annual Wairarapa-Times Age Sports Awards recognise Wairarapa’s top sports people for their achievement during the period 1 March 2017 – 31 March 2018.

A combination of the public vote and judges vote determines the winner.

Please support Solway by completing the voting page in the Wairarapa Times-Age and sending it to; Wairarapa Times-Age, PO Box 445, Masterton 5840. Voting closes on **FRIDAY 1 JUNE 2018 at 5:00 pm.**

Thank you.

## News Of Old Girls

A big ‘thank you’ to our Old Girls who supported us on Open Day.

Special thanks to; Rose Collis, Charlotte Lake and Aspen Pugh who worked along side our staff in the science labs and digital rooms.

## **Solway College fundraising team (SCOOP) news**

The SCOOP group's first fundraiser of the year is now underway. We have specially packaged pottles of delicious coastal bush honey to sell as a fundraiser for \$10 for a 500g pottle. Funds from the honey sales will go towards upgrading the fitness centre, which will help to make this a great facility for our girls to use.

The honey is locally produced and supplied by Hunter Reilly, one of our Solway families. The top quality honey features artwork by Year 9 student Annie McNab, who won a competition to design the artwork for the pottle labels. Special thanks to local designer Elton Gregory, who judged the competition and then donated his time to design the label, and to Printcraft who produced the labels at a significantly discounted cost.

### ***How to order your honey***

You can get a honey order form from the SCOOP page on the college website (under the Community section) or from the college office. Completed order forms can be emailed to [scoop@solwaycollege.school.nz](mailto:scoop@solwaycollege.school.nz) or dropped into the marked box at the college office. Payment can be made by online banking, cheque or cash.

Please help us to make this fundraiser a success by buying some honey and getting orders in from friends and family. You can also help by liking our Solway College Organisation of Parents (SCOOP) Facebook page and sharing our posts.

### ***Upcoming events***

We've got a couple of other fundraising activities coming up including a movie night and a calf rearing programme. We'll provide more details about these in the near future. If you're interested in being involved in the calf rearing programme or can help out with the movie night or other upcoming activities, please contact us for more information.

### ***How to find out more***

Check out our Facebook or website pages for news and updates. You can also email [scoop@solwaycollege.school.nz](mailto:scoop@solwaycollege.school.nz) if you'd like more information or want to get involved in any of our activities.