

YEAR 3 & 4

NEWSLETTER



TERM ONE, 2026
Rooms 15, 18, 19 and 20

Nau mai hoki mai for 2026. We are all excited to see what everyone has been up to over the summer holidays and hope you are ready to have an amazing term.

Kia Ora!



A big welcome also goes out to all the new students and whānau who are joining us at S.P.S this year. We are equally excited to reconnect with our returning students as we embark on another fantastic year together.

Term One is focused on establishing positive classroom routines and building strong connections with one another. As a syndicate, our learning will centre around the themes of Places, Where We Come From, and Tangata Whenua. Students will explore how people in our community have come from many different places, and how some continue to feel a strong connection to their place of origin. We will also learn that places around us often have stories and meanings behind their names. In addition, students will learn that Māori were the first people of Aotearoa — The Tangata Whenua — and explore stories of where they came from and how they arrived in Aotearoa. This focus will provide exciting opportunities for hands-on learning, both in the classroom and beyond.

We can not wait to see what Term One has in store for us!

Kind Regards,
Aimee, Emma, Lydia and Tori



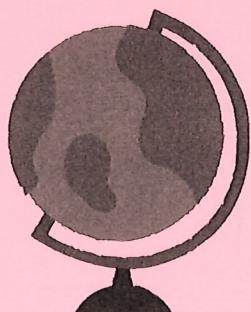
Are you on the School App?

The School App is the quickest and easiest way to stay up-to-date with what is happening across the school year. All notices, reminders and any important information are shared via this platform.

Please search, download and follow the prompts to find Stratford Primary School. If you have any trouble please see the Office, they will be happy to help you.

In Term One, we will be learning about...

Class Routines and Expectations
Our School Values
Basic Facts, Statistics, Number Structure and Operations
Athletics
Places and Tangata Whenua
Devices – Computers





Reminders



Library Times: Room 15 = Tuesday

Room 18 = Friday

Room 19 and Room 20 = Thursday

Please send your children to school with a named hat. It is an expectation that all students wear a hat while outside! Applying sunblock before school is also recommended. There is also sunblock available for students to use in their classrooms.

Students are welcome to bring scooters to school for break times. Make sure they are identifiable (e.g. named underneath), as many students have the same type of scooter! Helmets are encouraged.

WATER! Please make sure your child has a named water bottle to keep in class each day. This ensures our tamariki are hydrated and ready for learning!

School Lunches



Should you find that this is not working for you or your child, please let your classroom teacher and the office know so that they can be removed from this programme.



Save the Date!

Week 1: 2 - 6 Feb

Monday - First Day of School 2026, Powhiri for new Whānau to S.P.S., Open Classrooms @ 3.30pm
Thursday - Top Team Day
Friday - Waitangi Day - NO SCHOOL

Week 2: 9 - 13 Feb

Sunday - S.P.S. Home and School Fun Day 10am - 2pm

Week 3: 16 - 20 Feb

Week 4: 23 - 27 Feb

Friday - Americana

Week 5: 2 - 6 March

Thursday - Kapa Haka Starts
Friday - Teacher Only Day - NO SCHOOL

Week 6: 9 - 13 March

Monday - Taranaki Anniversary - NO SCHOOL
Friday - Tryathlon

Week 7: 16 - 20 March

Friday - Athletics Day
S.P.S. Home and School Quiz Night

Week 8: 23 - 27 March

Friday - Whanau Day

Week 9: 30 Mar - 3 April

Thursday - Last day of Term One
Friday - Good Friday - NO SCHOOL

Contact Details:

Please free to email your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year. We will always be happy to help!

Room 15 - Mrs Emma Garlick

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Room 18 - Miss Lydia Barber

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Room 19 - Whaea Aimee Woodhead

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Room 20 - Miss Tori Goble (Team Leader)

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