



REMINDERS AND UPDATES

Teacher Only Day – 31 May

Teacher Only Day is on Friday 31 May 2024 – **there will be no classes on this day.** However, if you are on a full day external course e.g., a Trades Academy/Star this will go ahead as normal. All sports games will remain on.

Appointment Passes

Student's need to bring a note to the Principal's Office for any Medical, Dental, Eye or Specialist appointments. Student Services will then issue a pass for students to be out of school during this time. Students must sign in and out at Service Services on their departure and return to school after their appointment.

Planned Absences

With an increasing number of planned absences request, for holiday leave during the term we thought it was important to explain the Ministry of Education requirements for such absences, that schools must follow. All holidays or overseas trip that are holidays, according to the Ministry of Education are classified as unjustified absence.

On our planned absence form we have clearly articulated our position and the codes we are required to use as follows.

Family holidays during term time according to the Ministry of Education are classified as unjustified absence and do result in a loss of learning, which in turn may affect students' achievement. If a student is sitting NCEA, including evidence exams and an internal assessment occurs during their absence, this may mean students are unable to sit these assessments. We feel it is important to be clear as to the risks with being out of school during term time.

Attendance Code

- G (family holiday, unjustified) J (justified) Q (school trip eg. tournament)
 E (explained not justified, including non-school events) O (overseas, unjustified)

Depending on the length of time of the absence, teachers may or may not provide work. All leave requests need to be submitted to the Principal in the first instance. If you have any queries, please contact our Attendance Officer, Margaret Flannery on 03 2116030.

School Jackets

Our supplier of jackets is currently experiencing difficulty acquiring the material and also a manufacturer to make the jackets. We have a large backlog of orders, and we are especially short in extra small, small and medium. We are wondering whether there are students that have outgrown their jackets, who might be willing sell them to the school. We are prepared to pay \$50 for a good quality second hand jacket which we then sell on at the same price to those on the waitlist. Deliveries are predicted to arrive in

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KEY DATES

June

10th-14th International Languages Week

10th and 12th Y9 Hearing Screening

11th Y13 Interested Maori and Pasifika students University of Otago visit

11th NZCF Big Sing Regional Final – FEMME and SANGUINE

12th Y12 Agriculture Trip to Wetlands at Spar Bush

12th Y13 Kapa Haka students tutoring Rockdale Kindergarten for Polyfest

13th-15th Y13 Economics Trip to Wellington

16th Y9-10 South Island Secondary Schools Netball Tournament

16th-19th Y9 Borland Camp (9MS, 9KL, 9PG, TMK)

17th-21th Pride in Schools Week

18th ROSSO Rehearsal ILT Sing Out

19th Y7-13 Table Tennis Champs



September/October however students can also while they wait, for a jacket, wear a plain navy/black jacket. Please bring your jacket for sale to Sharon Ridden or Kirsty Cotterill-Craig at Student Services.

Open Day

Our New Entrants Open day for 2025 enrolments will be held on **Thursday 1 August from 3.00pm-6.00pm**. For our staff and student helpers to prepare for this day, school will be finishing on this day at 12 noon. Further information about Open Day will be emailed out to all registered parents/caregivers in the near future.



SOUTHLAND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN DAY 2024

THURSDAY 1ST AUGUST

3:00PM - 6:00PM



Y7-13 ICAS Exam Information

Your child has the opportunity to participate in the following ICAS exams this year. ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Subject	Years	Official Sitting Dates	Price (incl)
Science	7-8	Mon 19 August – Fri 23 August 2024	\$21.50
Digital Technologies	7-8	Mon 5 August – Fri 9 August 2024	\$21.50
English	7-8	Mon 12 August – Friday 16 August 2024	\$21.50
Mathematics	7-8	Mon 26 August – Fri 30 August 2024	\$21.50
Spelling Bee	7-8	Mon 19 August – Fri 23 August 2024	\$21.50
Writing	7-8	Mon 26 August – Fri 30 August 2024	\$27.75

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Teacher in Charge, Mrs Amanda Tiplady amanda.tiplady@southlandgirls.school.nz. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

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19th-22nd Y9 Borland Camp
(9MP, 9PS, 9AL, AIGA)

21st Y7 Citizenship
Ceremony

22nd-25th Y9 Borland Camp
(9JL, 9LP, 9SM)

25th Showquest

26th Y13 Kapa Haka
students tutoring Rockdale
Kindergarten for Polyfest

26th Y12 Hospitality Barista
Course

26th Y9-10 Enterprise
Market Day

26th L2 Agriculture Trip to
Pypers Produce

26th School Board Meeting

28th Matariki Day -(Public
Holiday)

July

3rd Y11 Visual Arts Trip to
Te Rau Aroha Marae Bluff

5th End of Term 2

22nd Start of Term 3

August

1st OPEN DAY for new
students 2025 – school
closes 12 noon

10th Y7-13 Ski Trip to
Coronet Peak



ILT Kidzone Festival 10-15 July

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help us run the ILT Kidzone Festival 2024, a six day family festival held at Southland Girls' High School during the winter school holidays!

✓ Give back to your community ✓ Gain work experience ✓ Have fun this school holidays

Shifts are from 9am-1pm and 12pm-4pm daily from Wednesday 10 July – Monday 15 July.
You choose which shifts and how many days, and we'll find an activity for you!
Volunteers must be over 14 years old.

This event is delivered by **GREAT SOUTH**

SIGN UP NOW AT ILTKIDZONE.CO.NZ

WEEK 5: 27th May – 31st May 2024

Mon 27 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y13 Otago Tertiary Open Day in Dunedin all day. Click HERE to complete the permission form.
Tues 28 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y10 (Period 1) and some Y11 (Period 2) NCEA Common Assessment Activity Reading
Wed 29 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y10 (Period 1) and some Y11 (Period 2) NCEA Common Assessment Activity Mathematics School Board Meeting, 2.00pm-5.00pm
Thurs 30 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y10 (Period 1) and some Y11 (Period 2) NCEA Common Assessment Activity Writing Y9-13 Otago/Southland Road Teams Relay all day in Milton Ngā Manu Kōrero – Māori Speech Competition, 3.00pm-5.00pm
Fri 31 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enwood House Boarding 2025 Applications Close Ngā Manu Kōrero – Māori Speech Competition Teacher Only Day - no classes on this day

WEEK 6: 3rd June – 7th June 2024

Mon 3 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kings Birthday – (Public Holiday)
Tues 4 June	
Wed 5 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y12 Agriculture Trip to Waituna lagoon and dairy farms, 9.00am-12.15pm Māori Whānau Hui 6.00pm in Staffroom
Thurs 6 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7-8 SMAC Maths Practice Competition, 12.00 noon to 12.45pm ILT Tertiary Scholarship Presentation for interested Y13 students, 12.00pm-1.00pm
Fri 7 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y8 Ambassadors National Young Leaders Day all day in Dunedin Y9-10 Te Tomairangi Marae Visit, 9.00am-12.15pm Y7-8 Cross Country – 1.00pm-1.30pm

14th Y12 Agriculture Trip
Telford Polytechnic

14th School Board Meeting

20th ROSSO Rehearsal ILT
Sing Out

September

9th ROSSO rehearsal – ILT
Sing Out

10th ROSSO Rehearsal –
ILT Sing Out and Evening
Show

9th-12th Y8 Deep Cove
Camp (8AZ)

12th-15th Y8 Deep Cove
Camp (8LM)

15th-18th Y8 Deep Cove
Camp (8LL)

18th-21st Y8 Deep Cove
Camp (8SH)

21st-24th Y8 Deep Cove
Camp (8HK)

24th-27th Y8 Deep Cove
Camp (8ND)

27th End of Term 3

October

14th Start of Term 4

For more dates please
our website:

www.southlandgirls.school.nz

