



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Thanks everyone for a brilliant effort with the parent surveys so far. We have lots returned already. Keep them rolling in so that we get a good idea of the community feeling on how the school is going and what we need to work on. The staff and board of trustees are very keen to know what you think of the Salford experience and a summary of the results will be shared with you. Last day for the return of surveys is Thursday, 10 November.



Teacher Only Day – The Board of Trustees has approved a **Teacher Only Day** for Curriculum Development to be held on **Friday the 11th of November**. Therefore there will be **NO SCHOOL** for all **students** on this day.

Wattie's "Cans for Good" promotion and Mufti Day

Friday the 18th of November

We have registered for the "Wattie's Cans for Good" promotion. Wattie's are running this promotion in partnership with the Salvation Army. It involves children bringing cans of food on Friday 18 November to donate to the local food bank. Wattie's will match our donations, can for can – a brilliant way to stock up the food banks as we approach Christmas. This day will be a Mufti Day as well.



Class organization 2017

We are starting to plan classes for 2017. Our staff organization for next year will be almost identical to the current organization, with the exception of Tracey Jones returning (from parental leave) to teach a Year 2 class in Room 2. If you would like to make us aware of any educational or social factors you would like us to consider in placing your child in a class, please communicate in writing to

admin@salford.school.nz with "2017 classes" in the subject line (before 21 November).

You will appreciate that class organization is a complex job with many factors to be taken into account and that ultimately class placement is a school decision.

Thought for the day

"One of the key problems today is that politics is such a disgrace. Good people don't go into government." - Donald Trump....



Regards, Robin

REMINDERS

- **Pita Pit Orders—Monday** (remember these are now ordered online)
- **Subway Orders—Wednesday** (Order by 9:00am)
- **Sausage Sizzle—Friday—\$2.00 each**

- **4 Nov**—Calendar Art orders close
- **7 Nov**—Golf Southland Tournament
- **9 Nov**—PTA Meeting
- **10 Nov**—Parent Survey forms last day
- **10 Nov**—School Disco
- **10 Nov**—Board of Trustees: Cuppa & Cake
- **11 Nov**—Teacher Only Day—No Students
- **17 Nov**—Public Health Nurse visit - 11:00
- **18 Nov**—Mufti Day—"Cans for Good"
- **21 Nov**—Emails re class organization due in
- **21 Nov**—Governance Meeting
- **22 Nov**—Orange Parade—Yr 6
- **7 Dec**—"Spaced Out" - School Production
- **8 Dec** - "Spaced Out" - School Production
- **14 Dec**—Xmas Carol Evening
- **15 Dec**—Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- **16 Dec**—Last day Term 4—finishing 12:30pm

Keep visiting the website for regular school updates

PTA NOTEBOOK

We are pleased to act as the support crew to help the House Captains with their last disco at Salford this coming Thursday 10 November. We will have popcorn and bottled water and some glow/light up products available to purchase. If you are able to help with face painting or our product tables, please let me know.

Our next PTA meeting is this **Wednesday 9 November, 7:30pm** at the Staffroom, all welcome.

Currently we are planning the Christmas Community evening for Wednesday 14 December. We plan to have a "Bring Your Own" Picnic combined with a fun hour before the children sing.

We would like to hear from you if you have any contacts who could add some flavour to the evening in a few ways,

- 1) Food for purchasing
- 2) Child related activities (we have bubbles, and a take your own photo booth, and possible face painting)
- 3) Craft etc items for sale

More details about the evening shall follow in future Newsletters. Enjoy the upcoming activities!

On behalf of the Friends of Salford PTA, Adele Beck

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It's hard to believe we are fast heading towards the end of the School year. Things are going well at a Board level, with all members continuing to attend workshops and training sessions to ensure that we are well placed to meet our obligations to the School community. Our current workshop attendances have related to student achievement. This is our core focus and one that takes centre stage at Board meetings. Like all schools, we will always be striving for improvements in this area but we have been very pleased to see good progress in some targeted areas and it is clear that Salford has a dedicated staff, committed to ensuring all students are helped to reach their potential.

The Board is currently surveying staff and parents and we hope you have all filled out, and returned, the form sent home with your child. The class with the best return numbers gets a prize, so the pressure is on. Salford is your School and you are part of its community. We very much value your comments and ask that you take this opportunity to have your say. We would also like people to think about how they can be more involved with the School community and what can be done to foster a greater sense of community. A strong school community is important for all of us. We appreciate that time is precious for people but all contributions are valued and it is always amazing to see what can be achieved when people chip in from time to time. We look forward to your suggestions on this point.

Consultation with our Maori families is also an important process and we have been discussing this at Board meetings. Our aim is to start this process next year but of course, we are happy to discuss any issues around this at any time.

We hope we may also see some of you next week during the School disco - Room 12 for cake and coffee. It would be great to see you there!

Kind Regards,
Mary. Chair, Board of Trustees.



TERM DATES 2017

TERM 1

31 January to 13th April
(11 week term)
Public Holiday—Waitangi Day
School holidays include Easter and ANZAC Day.

TERM 2

1 May to 7 July
(10 Week term)
Public Holiday—Queen's Birthday

TERM 3

24 July to 29 September
(10 week term)

TERM 4

16 October to 15 December
(Approximate only—to be confirmed)
(10 week term)
Public Holiday—Labour Day

JUNIOR SCHOOL—has a **GIANT PICNIC** on the Reserve. It was a mixture of games and treats.



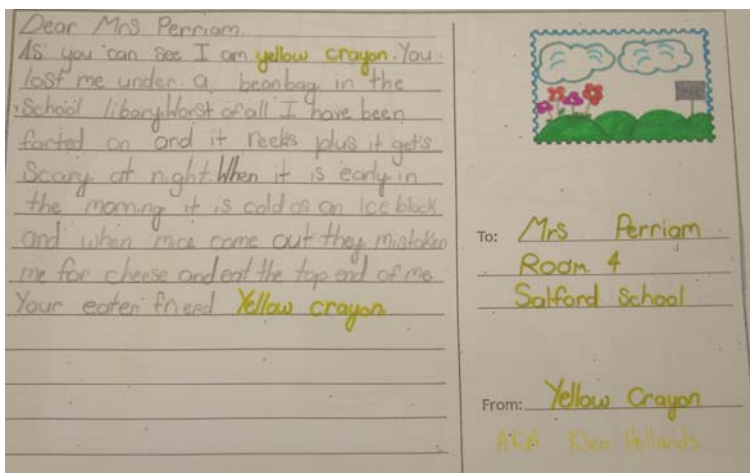
The best part of all and the smiles says it all.

Salford School Disco

BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION TO SUPPORT RONALD MCDONALD

COME AS SOMETHING THAT STARTS WITH THE LETTER M OR HALLOWEEN

DISCO IS 10TH OF NOVEMBER



Library Book Recall

We are stocking the Library and ask that families check at home for any unreturned library books.

We will be sending notices home where we believe a library book has not been returned.

Please pop returns into the Green Post Box in the Office as the Library is being used as a classroom.

Thank you. Tania.

