



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Kia ora. Here we are at the last day of the first term and a very successful and settled term it has been. A lot has happened in the last 11 weeks and I'm sure everyone is ready for a good break.

Thanks

A huge thank you to Adele Beck and Steve Lawson for their leadership of the PTA over the last few years. Adele and Steve stood down as President and Vice President at the AGM last night. Adele has done a mighty job leading the PTA in their support of the school and building relationships between parents and the school. Steve has contributed significantly to the success of so many PTA projects. We have been very fortunate to have people of the calibre of Adele and Steve in the driving seat of the PTA and acknowledge their contribution to the school.

What's been happening?

Our children competed very well at the Southland Primary School Athletics Championships held last weekend and we have a number of Southland champions and place getters as a result..... We also had children competing at the Southland Schools swimming sports on the Sunday... Our choir will perform at the Invercargill Schools "Singout" show tonight. Thank you to teachers Natalie Kerr and Kris Gray for their work with the choir... Room 5 visited a local rest home last week as part of the Outreach programme. Outreach involves the children learning some of the favourite old songs from the residents' vintage and singing along with them. This visit was a great success and the class really enjoyed socializing with the residents. Cybersafety sessions were held for Y4-6 classes by John Parsons. The sessions emphasized the importance of protecting personal information when online and were very relevant and useful for this age group.... House Day was held last week. This was an excellent opportunity for the whole school to have some fun together and build relationships between the different age groups.

Next term

The Board of Trustees has approved funding for the Mathletics computer programme for the senior classes, Rooms 5, 6 and 7. Mathletics provides a great number of motivating maths practice activities which can be done at school and at home. We are increasing the number of children on the Reading Recovery programme from 4 to 6 per day. Reading Recovery targets 6 year olds who need a boost with their reading and this increase will catch a number of children just on the fringe who would otherwise miss out. ALIM (Accelerated Learning in Mathematics) and ALL (Accelerated Learning in Literacy) programmes will "kick off" at the start of next term. These are small group intervention programmes to boost children's performance in these areas. ...

Parents, we need you to support and encourage your children to do their very best in all of these programmes so that these opportunities are not wasted.

Best wishes for a lovely Easter and I hope you all get a chance to have a relaxing and fun time with your families.

Regards, *Robin Harris, Principal*



REMINDERS

- Daily—Heat-ups - see website.
- **Monday**—Pita Pit Orders (remember these are now ordered online at "LUNCHONLINE" www.orders.lunchonline.co.nz/home)
- **Wednesday**—Subway Orders (Order by 9:00am at the Office)
- **Friday** - PTA Sausage Sizzle—\$2.00 each
- **1 May—First Day of Term 2**
- 5 May—Room 1 Assembly
- 8 May—Road Safety Week
- 9 May—Squash starts
- 10 May—Hockey starts
- 11 May—Table Tennis starts
- 11 May—Netball starts
- 12 May Room 5 Assembly
- 16 May—Story Tellers—Celebrate Stories
- **5 June—Queens Birthday—no school**
- 6 June — Phoenix Zone XCountry
- 23 June—Southland XCountry
- 21 June—Southspell

Keep visiting the website for regular school updates and messages being loaded to Facebook.

PTA CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER— On behalf of the Salford School PTA.



CHAMPION CHOCOLATE SELLERS—Amelia-Jane Curry 28 boxes sold, and Thomas Boath 27 boxes sold. Amazing effort by these two students.

While we are still tidying up the Easter Fun Box and Chocolate Mixed Bars Fundraiser, the results have been outstanding. The support of our families and students has been something to be proud off. Thank you.

PARENT HELP - Next term, Rooms 10, 11 9 and 1 would like to operate our PMP Programme (Perceptual Motor Programme) on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:00pm. We require 5-6 parents to help us with our rotation activities.

What is the Perceptual Motor Programme? The objective of the PMP programme is to improve a number of skills such as language, concentration, concepts of print, social skills, behaviour and motor skills. PMP is incorporated into weekly learning for New Entrant and Year 1 classes.

We will send a notice out for helpers on the first Monday of the term. Helpers can be the parents from our classes, as well as parents who would like to help with our programme.

Any questions, please see Mrs Wheeler in Room 9.

Southland Primary Schools Athletics Results:

8 Year Boys—Relay—1st

Cody

Achindra

Tawanda

9 Year Girls—Relay—2nd

Jaeda

Kleo

Aayliah

10 Year Boys - Relay - 1st

Cyrus

9 Year Girls—Long Jump—2nd

Jaeda

9 Year Girls—High Jump—2nd

Jaeda

10 Year Boys—800m—3rd

Ryan

10 Year Boys - Shot Put - 1st

Lucas



MR HANNA's Hair and Mo have gone.....

Thank you to the House Captains and Mr Hanna for the fantastic effort on behalf of Leukaemia and Blood Cancers New Zealand who raised \$861.10.

Thank you to the students for their creative writing that has followed.

At the disco there was food and some glow stuff. But the funniest thing was when Mr Hanna shaved his hair and his moustache off. We all laughed and he was terrified.

He wore a hat and a fake moustache and someone said "you look like a chicken".

By Oliver, Room 1



HAI R Today, Gone Tomorrow

As our school focus for this year is on writing, we decided to run a writing competition based around Mr Hanna's recent haircut.

There were some amazing stories, however the following children were selected as our overall winners.

Eden—Room 1
Oliver—Room 1
Michaela—Room 2
Madi son—Room 4
Emma—Room 9

These children will be receiving a prize and certificate at our assembly today.

We hope you enjoy reading their stories which will also feature on the "Creative Writing Wall" on the school's website, directly under the "news page".

<http://www.salford.school.nz/2017-writing-wall.html>



Mr Hanna and Sam are "Facebook Super Stars" - they have reached 2470 likes on our Facebook page. Can you help them to reach even higher? If you haven't hit the "Like" button yet, do so now.

At the disco Mr Hanna shaved off all of his hair and his 40 year old Moustache. It was done by a lovely lady. Lisa was so kind because she made Mr Hanna a hat and a fake moustache. He shaved off his hair for blood cancer and because we raised \$500 before the disco. Mr Hanna felt nervous. I could see it in his eyes.



By Eden, Room 1