



## Principal's note:

Kia Ora Koutou,

There has been a lot going on this term with many opportunities available for the children to take part in. We had a team of four students take part in the Kids Lit Quiz at Longford Intermediate in Gore recently, coming away with third place in their age group.

Congratulations Ella-Rose, Mercedes, Nichole and Aston for your efforts.

Thank you Ms Henery and Paula for accompanying the children.

The Student Council have been very busy gathering student voice about the school so that they can then work to improve the school for everyone.

We still need help to build the play-house that was fundraised for last year and the wood donated by Niagara.

We have one parent so far but we need at least one or two more to get this built for the children to enjoy. Please contact the school if you are able to help.

Kapahaka has been working on the School Haka and senior school students will soon be helping the rest of the school to learn it. They will be demonstrating leadership, pukumahi, tuakana teina and noho haepapa through this as well as bringing mana to the school, Salford students and of course the kapahaka ropu. It is the aim to have the whole school able to perform the haka by the end of the term.

The House Captains met last week to discuss a mufti day and the end of term disco. We will be having a mufti day on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to support Gumboot Day. Gumboots are optional but we will be thinking of original ways to get photos of our gumboots throughout the day. (Gumboots are not to be worn in classrooms though please).

A gold coin donation to go towards the "I am Hope' Gumboot Day appeal would be appreciated.

Our school disco will take place on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April** with the theme Easter. More details about the disco will come closer to time.

### Athletics Day

We are looking forward to our athletics day this Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Hopefully the weather clears so that we can enjoy a warm dry day running, jumping and throwing with friends from Waverley Park and Bluff Schools. Hopefully you will be able to find some time to come down and support the children at some time throughout the day.

*Sunhats TERM—these can be purchased from the office.*



## **School Anniversary**

We are still seeking photos and memorabilia from Salford School's history. If you know of anyone who is an ex Salford student or have anything at home we would appreciate it being brought or sent in for us to share with our alumni facebook page and also with the current tamariki of the school.

## **PB4L:**

Our PB4L focus for the next two weeks is listening to and following instructions quickly. This will support with transitions between lessons, allow more time for learning tasks / group work and additional activities such as games or even 'free / choosing time'. There will be less wait time for children who are prompt and ready quickly, and will simply support the children with their self management and organisational skills by having things ready to go and preparing for their day. The tamariki will take responsibility for their belongings and actions through this focus as well.

**Corona Virus (COVID-19)** is certainly filling the news at the moment. The school is following all Government (Ministry of Education) advice and guidance regarding this but we please ask you to be vigilant and keep your child(ren) at home if they are unwell.

*You will all know now that the World Health Organisation has declared COVID-19 to be a pandemic. The Ministry of Health has been working through its pandemic plan since January. You will also know the Government has already implemented a range of measures to minimise the impacts to New Zealand. This includes border restrictions, a requirement to self-isolate on arrival in New Zealand, and immediate and detailed contact tracing of any confirmed cases.*

*We have 8 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in New Zealand and it is pleasing to know they are all doing well and all but one are at home. Children of the affected people, continue to be well and show no symptoms. While we expect that more cases will arise, the Ministry of Health says that with continued vigilance the chance of*

*widespread community outbreak is expected to remain low in New Zealand. We all have a role and responsibility to play in this.*

*For our school, our pandemic plan is also ready to be implemented if needed. In the mean time we will continue to focus on good hygiene practices. Hand washing and good cough etiquette are very important tools in preventing the spread of illness including colds, flu and COVID-19.*

*With that, there is a good video clip from Nanogirl that will help your children to better understand the virus - [YouTube clip - Nanogirl](#)*

*You may have also seen the Prime Minister sat down with Dr Michelle Dickinson (aka Nanogirl) and the Prime Minister's Chief Science Advisor, Juliet Gerrard, to talk about coronavirus:*

*[Watch on the PM's Facebook page](#)*

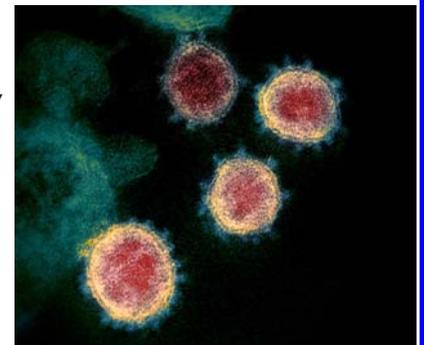
*[Read and watch on the Newshub website](#)*

*One other action we can all take is to be vigilant about our own health and the health of our children. I will be encouraging the staff to stay away from school if they are showing signs of illness such as coughs and colds. This will mean some challenges with staffing as other schools do the same however it is an important measure to take and we ask for your patience with this.*

*Whilst very few children have been affected by COVID-19 it has been found that children carry it. I ask that you please keep your children home if they are showing signs of illness.*

*Colds and flus are common in schools and by staying away, seeking medical attention and practicing good hygiene, we can all keep any spread of illness to a minimum.*

Nga mihi nui  
Sarah Gibbs, Principal



Te Anau	278
Hauoko	211
Manapouri	205
Wakatipu	206

# REMINDERS

## STUDENT LUNCHES

- **Daily—Heat-ups** - (Food being bought to school for heat ups, **MUST NOT BE FROZEN** for health and safety reasons.) All heatups **MUST** be wrapped in foil or other oven safe covering and cleared named.
- **Wednesday**—Subway Orders (Order by 9:00am at the Office) via the office (envelops can be collected from the office) or online—[www.subwayexpress.co.nz/](http://www.subwayexpress.co.nz/)
- **Friday** - PTA Sausage Sizzle—\$2.00 each

## WHATS ON:

- **17 Mar**—Governance Meeting—7:00pm
- **18 Mar**—Phoenix Zone Athletics—Seniors—Waverley Park Primary  
Phoenix Zone Athletics—Juniors—Salford School  
(Juniors Sausage sizzle orders in please)
- **20 Mar**—Assembly—Room 1
- **24 Mar**—Pubertal Change Evening—Year 5/6—6:45 to 8:15pm
- **25 Mar**—New Entrant—Information evening—6:30 to 8:00pm
- **30 Mar** - GRIPP Student Leaders Conference—House Captains
- **1 Apr**—Public Health Nurse visits
- **2 Apr**—Celebrate Salford—50 Years
- **3 Apr**—Assembly—Room 4
- **4—8 Apr**—Road Safety Week
- **5 Apr**—Southland School Swimming Champs—Splash Palace
- **8 Apr**—Easter Disco
- **8 Apr**—Values Assembly
- **8 Apr**—END OF TERM 1
- **9 Apr**—Teacher Only Day—NO SCHOOL
- **27 Apr**—ANZAC Day observed—NO SCHOOL
- **28 Apr**—FIRST DAY OF TERM 2
- **29 May**—Teacher Only Day—NO SCHOOL

**Keep visiting the website, School Stream, and Facebook for regular school updates/messages.**

## SPORTS UPDATE:

Sports being offered at the time of this newsletter for Term 2 are:

- Future Ferns Netball—Year 1-4 Thursday
- Future Ferns Netball—Year 5-6—Tuesday
- Hockey—Wednesday
- Whack n Run—Tuesday
- Table Tennis—Thursday

As details come to hand, registration details will be posted to SchoolStream, Facebook and our website.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

*Olivia Johnson, has just competed in the NZ Junior Swimming championships (Mako Zone). This event is a qualifying event for New Zealand's Junior Swimmers throughout the country. Events are swum as timed finals across all zones. Olivia had a very heavy workload for this meet, having qualified for 10 events over three days. Despite the workload, she has returned to Invercargill with amazing results—10 personal best swim times, taking a total of 36 seconds off her best recorded times.*

*Olivia place 3rd overall in New Zealand in the 50m Backstroke and 3rd overall in the 200m Backstroke.*



Mrs Godsall-Folster's writing group putting their writing to real purpose. Advertising and selling this coffee table that was no longer used at School.



## Salford Happenings.



Room 9s dragons to perform and recite their dragon poem from last weeks learning.

### ROTARY YOUTH DICTIONARY PROJECT.

Anne McCracken and fellow Rotarians presenting Year 4 students with their very own dictionaries. The original project was aimed at providing year 4 students in low decile schools in our district with their own dictionary. As students with low literacy skills are found in all schools, many clubs link with schools with higher deciles and students above Year 4.

The dictionary is seen as a gift to each child that will be taken into the home and become a reference for all family members.



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