



Kia Ora te whanua

Good afternoon Salford School

This week the appointments for the advertised teaching positions were completed. Four teachers in the school were in fixed term roles. Congratulations to Monique Mair, Tania Perriam, and Linda Priscott who have won permanent teaching positions at Salford. Lucy Howe will continue to be in a fixed term role to cover Tracy Jones's paternal leave for 2016.

The process to appoint a permanent Principal is in place and please don't believe the Southland Times – I told him I had retired and would not be applying for the job. I also said Salford was an excellent school –and just needed a permanent Principal to continue to move forward.

Thank you to all the parents who returned the survey forms – the comments were very positive and parents who responded are mostly satisfied with the school and report that their children are learning and happy. We have taken on board some of the suggestions – particularly around communication and will endeavor to do better.

Health Programme - Parents were surveyed re the Health curriculum in Term 1 but as far as I can determine there was no question around the teaching of Pubertal Change for Y5/6. We need to have some indication from parents as to whether Pubertal Change is a health topic the school community wants covered at Salford. Apparently this hasn't happened for the past couple of years.

A brief survey form for parents to respond to is being sent home today with Year 5/6 students. Please return to school by **Friday 30th October** so we can plan for this, if this is what is required.

The weather this week has not been particularly conducive to sunhat wearing but it is going to improve (hopefully) and your child needs a sun hat in their bag every day.



Caps are not okay as they do not protect the skin on the back of the neck – so full sunhats please. These are now available for purchase at the office \$10.00 each. (Large sizes have to be ordered)

Lets Celebrate

- Tayla Muir representing Southland in a squash tournament in Timaru and getting a silver medal
- The fabulous technological experiments happening throughout the school.ie the baskets in Room 2 and the tooth fairy bags in Room 3 are great examples



Have a restful weekend with family and friends.

Regards, Pam

REMINDERS

- **Pita Pit Orders—Monday (In by 9:00am)**
- **Sushi Orders—Tuesday—restarts Nov 10th.**
- **Subway Orders—Wednesday (Order by 9:00am)**
- **Sausage Sizzle—Friday—\$2.00 each**

26 Oct—Labour Day

29 Oct—Lucky Book Club closes

2 Nov—Seniors visit to Murihiku Marae

6 Nov—High Schools Open Day (Yr 6 students)

11 Nov—New Entrant Evening

17 Nov—Year 6—Orange Parade

10 Dec—Christmas Evening (PTA)

11 Dec—Reports home

3 Dec—Governance Meeting—visitors welcome

15 Dec—Year 6 Graduation

16 Dec—Last day for 2015

NOTE—(For forward planning)

Start date 2016—2 February—ALL STUDENTS

Keep visiting the website for regular school updates

PTA NOTEBOOK

Preparation has started for the Christmas evening, on Thursday 10 December, - Mark your calendars now! We are all looking forward to being part of another fun and social community event, the children are preparing many interesting items with their technology inquiry this term, and they shall be showcasing and selling some of these on this evening, followed by a short window for the PTA to cook some "pay on the day burgers or sausages" (we have had a lot of practice cooking sausages!) and time perhaps for a treat, before the classes perform Christmas songs.

On behalf of the Friends of Salford PTA

Adele Beck,
President



SCHOOL GARDENS

Please talk to your children around respecting the hard work Trevor puts into making our school a credit to our Community. Children are running over, playing in, and in general showing no respect for newly planted areas.

We don't want to rope areas off so children can't enjoy the freedom of play.

Thank you for helping by talking to your children.



INQUIRY LEARNING IN ROOM 9 TECHNOLOGY UNIT

Throughline: How can we design a range of technological models and plans to create a product or system.

By the level of concentration being displayed by pupils in Room 9, this is learning at its best. Students are asked to develop a plan, identify the key stages and to complete an outcome. Students can be seen working on their prototype before they move to the next stage.



WELCOME TO our NEW ENTRANT STUDENTS IN ROOM 11

Room 11 has been very busy with new students enrolling. This class ballooned by 8 students at the start of Term 4 and we look forward to sharing your journey at Salford School.

Back Row: Darby , Henry, Ameliia, Michaela, and Paige.

Front Row: Koby, Charlie and Joshua.



The Dark Night

The white snow covered the ground like an icy blanket of death. The lamps flickered in the dead of night. The once happy and cheerful place at day is now a very dark and dangerous place. The rickety chair stood alone amongst the tall white trees. The sky is blank. Not one star or a moon to let out any light. Amongst the snow covered ground footprints were planted deep in the snow. Small bushes and shrubs marked the edges of the footpath guiding you down the path. The once happy place is swallowed up into the inky blackness.

By Rebecca Johnstone, Room 6



Room 5 Support— OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Samaritan's Purse is a non-profit, Christian organisation providing emergency relief and development assistance to suffering people around the world. Samaritan's Purse is meeting the physical needs of victims of war, famine, natural disaster, poverty and disease.

Operation 'Christmas Child' is supported all around the world. Shoe boxes are filled with gifts then shipped to a country with the most need.

Room 5 students watched a video recently about the refugee crisis in Europe.

This sparked ideas about how we could help. With the Samaritan's Purse 'Operation Christmas Child', students were very passionate about buying the gifts and filling the shoe boxes, making a difference to a child's life.

We have donated 16 Christmas shoeboxes.

Excellent effort Room 5.



The Southland Society of Model Engineers

Proudly Present Our 2015...

THE GREAT LITTLE TRAIN SHOW

Train Rides only \$2, Model & Doll House Displays, Train Layouts, Retailers, Radio-Controlled Boats & Off-Road Racers.



Labour Weekend, 24th -25th October, 10am to 4pm Daily



SSME Club Grounds & Badminton Halls

Surrey Park, Invercargill

Children \$2.00 (up to 14yrs) Adults \$5.00 (15yrs and older)

Family \$10.00 (2 Adults and up to 3 children)

SORRY WE DO NOT HAVE EFTPOS AVAILABLE

The Southland Society of Model Engineers, invite families with members who have sensory issues, to enter their "Great Little Train Show" 45 minutes before opening on the morning of SUNDAY 25th October, from 9.15am

