Term 4 Week 8 2nd December 2016

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Summer is here – our weather worries are behind us as we head towards the finish line of the school year. We are working hard on our preparations for the Spaced Out production next week and look forward to sharing this with you.



Health and Safety

Car parking on the verge close to the hall is causing a health and safety issue. We have been advised by the police that parking there is illegal. We are working with the council to get more signage to remind people not to park here. Thanks to those people who have already stopped parking there and I would appreciate your help in getting the message out so that we can make the school as safe as possible.

Class organization 2017

We have nearly completed our class organization for 2017. Classes will be published in the second half of next week and children will have a session with their 2017 teachers in the last week.

Parent survey

Thanks again for your contributions to the parent survey. A snapshot of the results is included below. The results are very positive and very encouraging. Where the ratings are not so high we will be looking to investigate further and work on improving our performance. Only the results of the multi-choice items are shown. Your comments are equally important and we will be digesting them and identifying those issues where there is significant "parent voice". N.B. Percentages are for parents who selected either "Agree" or "Strongly agree" with the statements.



Regards, Robin

| My child enjoys school | 95% | My child feels safe at school | 95% |
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| The school is organised and orderly | 95% | Children are well behaved | 92% |
| The school deals with behaviour problems well | 82% | Teachers treat children fairly | 93% |
| Children respect the teachers at this school | 99% | My child finds the work interesting | 93% |
| My child is sufficiently challenged in his/ her work | 92% | The teacher gives my child helpful feedback about their learning | 95% |
| The teacher knows where my child is at and what they need to learn next. | 95% | The teacher provides helpful information and advice about my child at interviews and in reports | 95% |
| The teacher has high expectations and maintains high standards for children's work. | 93% | My child is achieving at the appropriate level considering his/her ability and attitude. | 86% |
| School reports are written in plain English and are easy to understand. | 96% | As parents, we feel welcome and valued at Salford School. | 98% |
| We have a positive relationship with the teachers and leadership team at Salford. | 95% | We feel comfortable talking with our child's teacher(s) about any concerns we have about his/her wellbeing. | 97% |
| If a problem arises, I can count on the school to sort it out fairly and satisfactorily. | 90% | The school is doing a very good job educating my children. | 94% |

What values or qualities do you think it is most important to foster in children at Salford School?

The top five values selected by parents were – Respect (87%), Honesty (83%), Responsibility (79%), Empathy (59%) and Caring for others and Perseverance (tied on 41%)

PTA NOTEBOOK

As the year draws to a close, the PTA have more people to thank than there is room for on this page, and firstly to the PTA team of Steve, Janelle, Julianna, Tienkie, Sandra, Jenny, Liz, Lana, Carol, Wendy, Gavin, Tony, Dr Kamal, Ainslie, and Staff and Principal representatives, Jan and Robin, and BOT representative Grieg, and your families, Thank you for the support, ideas and time you have given to help Salford be a better place for all our children (and grandchildren). Some stats from our current members, we have Two Grandparents, Six Males, and Nine parents with children Year One and under, and if you would like to join the PTA or come along to a meeting, (we usually have about half of the team available to attend meetings due to family commitments, so everyone is welcome), The date is advertised on the website, Facebook, and usually in the Newsletter. We meet once a month, currently on a Wednesday evening from 7:30pm in the Staffroom. Please feel free to email Salfordpta@gmail.com
Our next meeting will be early in February 2017, we hope to see you there.



To all the Staff at Salford, who do an incredible job looking after our children, thank you wholeheartedly for the massive amount of support you gave the school with The Rumble Fundraiser this year, it wouldn't have happened without your commitment, it has been a pleasure getting to know you all better, and likewise the newish Board of Trustees, a more committed and caring and motivated group would be hard to find.

Looking forward to seeing you with your Family and Friends enjoying the Community Christmas evening on Wednesday 14 December.

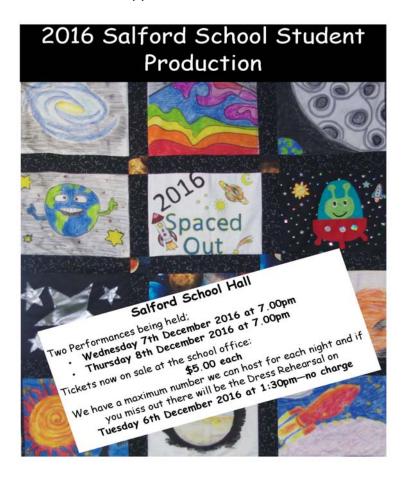
On behalf of the PTA, Adele Beck

PTA UNIFORM SHOP 2017

As we approach the end of the school year, families are reminded if they are replacing uniform, leaving Salford, or have uniform at home that isn't being worn anymore, and would like to donate this to the PTA for sale it is well received. Items can be dropped into the Office.



CONGRATULATIONS to Allie DeClifford received a very special end of year "Diligence in Jazz" award at the Shelley Coutts Ballet Academy on Sunday night. There were only 4 awards in Jazz given out across all levels and age groups and we are very proud of her efforts. Well done Allie!







Orange Parade

On Tuesday the 22nd of November the Year Six's went to the Clock Tower to take part in the Orange Parade. The Orange Parade is for people that have done road patrol this year. We paraded down Esk St until we got to the City Council Chambers, from there we got onto buses and went to Splash Palace to have a two hour play.

Reporter: Mac, Rm 6

REMINDERS

- Pita Pit Orders—Monday (remember these are now ordered online)
- Subway Orders—Wednesday (Order by 9:00am)
- Heatups—Thursday
- Sausage Sizzle—Friday—\$2.00 each
- 5 Dec—Thank you tor Parent Helpers
- 7 Dec—"Spaced Out" School Production
- 8 Dec "Spaced Out" School Production
- 9 Dec—Room 6 Assembly
- 13 Dec—Year 3/4 Bike Trip to Andersons Park
- 13 Dec—Governance Mtg
- 14 Dec—Xmas Carol Evening
- 15 Dec—Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- **16 Dec—**Last day Term 4—finishing 12:30pm

NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Keep visiting the website for regular school updates