



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora. Thanks to the parents and caregivers who attended our Meet the Teachers evening last week. It's great to have you involved in the school.



School organization

We have started the year with 235 students with 40 more new entrants "on the books" to enrol this year. The student roll has recovered nicely in recent years. The pressure seems to be on the schools in this area with neighbouring schools all reporting high class sizes.

We have split the school into three syndicates this year - Y1-2, Y3-4, Y5-6 - instead of the split of senior and junior classes as in the past. This is to make it easier for teachers to work closely together and share responsibility for a smaller group of children. Sharon Soper is the new syndicate leader, in the Y3-4 area.

Jo Griffin, our deputy principal, has taken over the SENCO (Special Education Needs Co-ordinator) role from Paula Wheeler. Paula has been in this role for many years and we are indebted to her for the systems she has developed and the amazing job she has done.

What's happening

Sports are underway with water polo, cricket, volleyball and touch happening at this time of year. Thanks to all teachers and parents who are involved in managing and coaching teams. Our Year 6 camp is being held this week. It is based in Bannockburn with activities in the camp there as well as in Cromwell and Arrowtown. Summer is happening in that part of the country so that's nice!

Fonterra have visited this week with a presentation about the milk production process. Many of our children benefit from the Fonterra Milk for Schools programme and it was very educational for the children to find out more about where milk comes from.

Blinds were installed in Blocks A and C in the holiday period. Thanks to the PTA for their contribution to this. It has certainly improved learning conditions in these classrooms.

Thought for the day

It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men. - Frederick Douglass

Have a great weekend.

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

- 21 Feb—Governance Meeting—7:15pm
- 21 Feb—Cricket Begins
- 22 Feb—PTA Committee meeting—7:30pm
- 24 Feb—Room 8—Assembly
- 24 Feb—ICAS Registrations close
- 24 Feb—Waterpolo begins
- 1 Mar—Puss in Boots show—1:30pm
- 2 Mar—Volleyball begins
- 2 Mar—New Entrant Information Evening 7:00pm
- 22 Mar—Hiwi the Kiwi Performance
- 28 Mar—Zone Athletics
Seniors—Waverley Park
Juniors— Salford School
- 4 Apr—ILT Singout Performance

Keep visiting the website for regular school updates

PTA NOTEBOOK

The PTA team would like to invite you to join us at our first meeting of the year,



Wednesday 22 February, 7:30pm, Salford School Staffroom

We will be working on our plans for the year, and we are always looking for more people to join us. Due to the commitments I have this year, I shall be stepping down as President at the April AGM, allowing someone else to lead the Team, and learn many new skills along the way. Please consider if you are in a position to help the PTA, whatever role you choose, it is very much appreciated by the School Community. We are working on an evening for a Community Cuppa catch up, as we heard via the Survey that many of you are unable to attend during school hours. We shall try and confirm a date soon.

We were very pleased recently to contribute \$5,000 toward the costs of roller sunshade blinds for the classrooms, and we also are looking forward to chipping in to help the BOT see the successful completion of other projects around the school this year.

Thanks for all the generous donations of food items for the Christmas evening last year. If you could please check the hall kitchen for any containers/platters that belong to you.

On behalf for the Salford School PTA, Adele Beck



New Entrant & Prospective Parent Information Evening

Wednesday, 2nd March 2017

7:00pm - Room 10



Come along and hear details of our Programmes here at Salford School.

Salford School, 110 Lamond Street, Hargest, Invercargill 9810

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Out of School Music

Is your child interested in music/ singing. Now is the time to enrol for classes at Out of School Music. Classes run on Saturday mornings during term time from Southland Girl's High. We have music and movement classes for Children from 6 months to 5 yrs, \$2 per week, a 6 week course for children 5-6 yrs, \$35, & musicianship classes for children 7yrs up, which teaches them to read music & gives them a knowledge of theory. \$65 per year. We also have a choir. Contact Deborah, 2165137 (answerphone), email admin@osmc.co.nz

ACCOUNTS REMINDER—Salford School's Financial year ends on the **31st of December**. Please arrange payment for all outstanding fees,

Donation Statement will be sent to families before the end of February for your 2016/2017 IRD Claim.

Remember you can claim 33% of donations made to the school.

STUDENT ENROLMENTS 2017—Do you have a younger child starting school in 2017. Please call by the Office and pick up an enrolment pack as we need enrolments in now to enable effective planning in Term 4 for 2017.