



## **Tumuaki Note:**

Kia ora Salford Whānau,



**Celebrations:** We love celebrating our tamariki at Salford School but this newsletter we will start by celebrating Mrs Katie Van't Wout.

Mrs Van't Wout joined the team at Salford School as a beginning teacher in 2021 in a Year 2 class. Last year she relieved and supported kapahaka with her guitar skills.

This year we have been fortunate to have her back again in a range of classrooms and year levels as well as once again supporting the kapahaka.

Katie is a fantastic teacher and we are very excited and proud to confirm that Mrs Van't Wout has officially finished her training and received her full teaching registration recently.

Congratulations Katie, we know the tamariki who are yet to come through your classroom over the years ahead will be very fortunate to have you as their teacher and a part of their learning journey!

## **Week 8 Glossary:**

Ka pai-	Good, well done
Whānau-	family, wider family
Tu meke-	showing respect or acknowledgment of a great effort, result or achievement
Kia ora-	hello, welcome, thank you
Ākonga-	student
Tamariki-	children
Noho-	to stay, sleepover
Kai-	food
Rōpū-	group
Rāhina-	Monday
Rātu-	Tuesday
Rāpa-	Wednesday
Rāpare-	Thursday
Rāmere-	Friday
Hakihea-	December
Ruma-	room (classroom)



**Santa Parade:** How wonderful to see so many of our tamariki in the Santa Parade on Saturday representing all sorts of different groups, agencies and activities that are available in Southland. Room 10 were especially fortunate to accompany the More FM Team on the 'UP' themed float with Steve, Simon, Corbyn and Nick who are all heard on the radio. The radio team were very impressed with the children, their behaviour, manners, questions and fun that they had throughout the parade.

Ka pai Room 10 shining brightly with our Salford School values!

**Swimming:** Once again our values have been on display for the public to see with the second half of the school taking their swimming lessons. It is fabulous having our senior students step up and support our junior children with swimming and our Year 5s have certainly been doing that for the past week, following the excellent example the Year 6s set the two weeks previous. We have had a number of community members comment positively on the behaviour and manners of the tamariki at the pool. Well done to everyone for remembering the expectations at the pool and also when on the buses. The swimming progress has also been fabulous with the consistency of the 10 sessions in a row.

**Sunhats:** Term four is the term where sunhats are everyday uniform items. The children should have these packed in their school bags every day ready for wearing. A bucket hat is the uniform, please no caps. With the weather being interchangeable, one day brilliant sunshine and then drizzle and rain for part of the next it is important that potae (hats) are at school everyday. Children who do not have a sunhat are restricted to playing in the shade of the trees in front of the staffroom area on days when they are needed.

**Mufti Day:** This Rāmere 1st Hakihea (Friday 1st December) we are having a mufti day to raise money for Chatbus. This service is well used by children across all levels at Salford School so we look forward to seeing how much we can raise to support its continuance. Children can wear whatever clothing they wish for the day and bring a donation to contribute to The Chatbus Fundraiser. Teachers will collect the money in class in the morning.

**Pack the bus:** Next Rāpare 7th Hakihea (Thursday 7th December) More FM are holding their annual Pack the Bus run. We ask everyone to contribute to this by bringing along a non perishable item (or two) to load onto the bus. Each ruma gets to walk through the bus for the tamariki to place their items into the boxes on board themselves.

The Kapahaka will also be performing for the More FM Team during their stop at Salford School so keep an eye on their facebook page or an ear on the radio to hear them perform.

**'Thank you' Morning tea:**

Have you coached a sports team, helped on a field trip, supported with teaching and learning programmes in the classroom (CLUBS etc), helped with swimming, transported children to or from an event for the school, slept over at the noho or cooked and helped feed everyone at the noho, helped at camp, contributed as a member of the PTA or the Board of Trustees? Then we need YOU!

**Rātu 5th Hakihea (Tuesday 5th December)** we are holding our THANK YOU morning tea. It takes a village to raise a child and we are very appreciative of all of the whānau who have supported us throughout the year. Please consider this your invitation to join us for morning tea at 11:00am. We ask everyone to RSVP on the google form - shared on Hero so that we can ensure we have plenty of food for everyone.

**Cultural afternoon tea:** We are looking forward to having another afternoon tea for our whānau who have come to New Zealand and Invercargill to live. We want to support our families with connection, useful information and to obtain some ideas and suggestions about what you may have needed or found useful when moving here so that we can make things easier for others. We will also be asking for ideas of what we could provide to support new families in the future as they move to Invercargill and Salford School from other countries. This is also a chance for families to connect, share the joys and challenges they are finding at the moment with coming from other countries.

We hope you can join us to help us develop and improve this part of our school. **Thursday 7th December 3:15pm** in the staffroom. Please RSVP on the google form so that we have enough afternoon tea for everyone to enjoy.

**End of Year Reporting:** Our end of year reporting will be opened to whānau next **Rāmere 8th Hakihea ( Friday 8th December)** on Hero. Hero is our formal reporting and communication platform.

You need to have this platform accessible on your computer or phone in order to receive formal information from the school including surveys, a range of

**REMINDER—Term 4 is a Sun Hat term** as per school Policy.

Please ensure all akonga have a sun hat **at school** for out of the classroom activities. There is a lot of borrowing and sharing of sunhats between akonga and this is not ideal. They are also being exposed to bacteria, head lice etc. Yes they are all Navy, look the same, hard to label—there is a lot less loss by those families who are when purchasing spending \$5.00 more and getting the name embroidered on the front. Easily returned to the owner. Help us to help you.



## End of Year Events:

**Final Values Assembly** - On Rātu 12th Hakihea (Tuesday 12th December) we will be having our final values assembly for 2023. This is where we recognise and celebrate tamariki who have consistently demonstrated the school values throughout the whole year or who have shown real growth and learning in one particular value. This assembly will begin at 1:30 in the hall.

**Year 6 Leavers** - Rāpa 13th Hakihea (Wednesday 13th December) we have our Year 6 leavers assembly. We have a large group of 51 Year 6 ākonga this year so we will be beginning this assembly at 1:15 to ensure we can celebrate them fully.

**Carols Night** - This will be taking place on Rāpa 13th Hakihea (Wednesday 13th December). You can bring a picnic dinner from 5:30pm onwards. Flying Wasabi can be preordered, Rad Dad will also be there with burgers for sale along with coffee cars and the shake van. The kapahaka will open the entertainment around 5:45pm.

At the Carols night there will be tables set up in the hall for you to have your say on the Salford School Strategic Plan for 2024 - 2025. This is a document created by the Board of Trustees based on community surveys, ākonga and staff voice over the past 3 years looking at the direction of growth, priorities for learners and professional learning for staff at Salford School for the next two years. We look forward to hearing your thoughts, suggestions and ideas about the Strategic Plan.

**Last day of Term** - the last day of term four and the 2023 school year is Rāpare 14th Hakihea (Thursday 14th December). School will finish at 12:30 with all children needing to be picked up at this time. If your child is to walk home at this time please let their classroom teacher know. The day is a messy one with cleaning, furniture moving and generally making sure the school is all set for a rest over the break. There are also a lot of games and activities to be had and, weather permitting, the slip and slides. (Children wishing to take part in the slip and slides need to bring a change of clothes to school.)

As we approach the end of the year candy canes and other Christmas goodies and treats are often handed out by children to their friends. We ask that these are given to teachers first thing in the morning to hand out at the end of the day. All sweets are expected to be taken home for whānau to determine when they are eaten. Often we have children eating candy canes and other treats first thing in the morning when they are handed out by the children. This is not helpful during classroom time for learning and also does not support individual whānau values around treat foods.

Only a few weeks left and still plenty to do before the end of the year. Please keep an eye on Hero for information and notices to ensure you are up to date with everything that is happening and relevant for you and your child.

***'Poipoia te kākano te puawai'***  
Nurture the seed and it will grow.

Kā mihi nui  
Sarah Gibbs



## **ACCOUNTS REMINDER:**

Accounts for Uniform, After School Care, Stationery, Sport, etc. The **31st of December** is the end of the financial year for the school and we ask where possible that all accounts for 2023 be cleared no later than the 31st of January 2024.

If you require additional time, please contact the school office or Mrs Gibbs to discussed payment arrangements.

Thanking you and thank you for your support in 2023.





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**Use the Calendar icon on SKOOL LOOP and keep up to date with all events at Salford School.** *This is linked directed to the School online calendar.*

## STUDENT LUNCHES

**Daily—Heat ups**—please ensure your child's lunch is in a container or wrapped suitable for a warmer. Lunch must be clearly named and include the class room number.

**Tuesday—Sushi—Flying Wasabi—**( Ordering method: Parents can order by texting Kana on 021784501 or messaging the facebook page (Flying Wasabi) by Monday 2pm with their child's name / room number / which sushi pack / School their child attends. Payment is made by bank transfer by Monday. **before 2.00pm on Monday.**

**Wednesday—Subway Orders** - **please order ONLINE via the website** — **Order BEFORE 9:00AM AT [www.subwayexpress.co.nz/](http://www.subwayexpress.co.nz/)**

### Calendar:

- 1 December—Mufti Day today.
- 4 December—Whanau Hui—3:15pm
- 5 December—Thank you to Volunteers—Morning tea—11:00am
- 7 December—Pack the Bus
- 7 December—Cultural Afternoon— 3:15pm
- 8 December—End of Year Reporting available on Hero.
- 12 December—Governance Meeting—6:00pm
- 12 December—End of Year Values Assembly—1:30pm
- 13 December—Year 6 Leavers Assembly—1:15pm
- 13 December—Christmas Carols—starting at 5:30pm with food etc. = starting from 5:30pm
- 14 December—Last day of term—school will finish at 12:30pm.

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- 22 January—School Office Opens
- 29 January—Teacher Only Day
- 30 January—FIRST DAY FOR ALL STUDENTS.



**Hero** - All formal communication will come through Hero—newsletters, notices and information (processes and procedures) connected to Covid. You have access to your child's attendance, reporting graphs, and formal curriculum learning information posts. These all accumulate overtime so as your child progresses through Salford School their progress in their learning can be seen over time.



**Skool Loop** —please download the app now—this is working very well for all our communications.



**See-Saw** - The classes use this to share day to day learning activities and happenings with you. Seesaw has been invaluable over the last two years through lockdowns and distance learning times. Should we need online and distance learning again this app will be used for this as well as.



Teachers have appreciated being able to share what is happening in class with you easily on this app and the children are becoming more proficient at creating posts to share their own learning with you as well. The children are very proud of being able to do this and enjoy your feedback on their posts. With parents and whanau not able to be on the school grounds, Seesaw has definitely helped everyone stay connected and see what is happening regularly in the classroom.



**Facebook** - This is our sunshine, rainbows and lollipops page! We will be sharing lots of great things that happen at the school, events and opportunities as well as photos of just the 'everyday' things as well.



**School Website**— we are nearly complete with the reload of the new website. This is being built on a skool loop platform and you will be able to access skool loop for messages, schools policies, enrolment information etc. Once live, if you have any suggestions for improvements please let the Office know. The new site will be simple to make your way around.

# Murihiku Christmas Tree Festival

Presented by *Waihopai City Lions*

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# Family Fun Day!

12PM SATURDAY DECEMBER 2ND, WAIHOPAI PRIMARY SCHOOL



come and

# ENJOY

some family fun!

Saturday 2nd December

12pm - 2:30pm

Waihopai Primary School Hall

121 Herbert Street,  
Gladstone, Invercargill

Bouncy castle

Face painting

Horizontal Bungy

Sports - basketball, football

Silent auction

Sausage sizzle & cakes

Food, Fun, Family Time!

**+2 Great TALKS**

Inspiring Presentations from 1pm



Miles Guenther-Dotten  
Children's Counsellor

Geoff Woodcock  
Education Dynamics



## Charity Fundraiser

All funds raised from the day will go to NZ Charity  
Freeslaves.org to provide refugee resettlement for  
the Ishaq family ([gofund.me/f24e9eee](https://gofund.me/f24e9eee))





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