

# Halcombe School



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**Term 4 Week 2**

**21<sup>st</sup> October 2014**

## *Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers*

### Cross Country

This is a reminder that the first race starts at 12.30pm on Friday. Please see last week's newsletter or the school website for details. If there is a postponement, please listen to the radio, or check the school website after 8am.

### Huntermville Cross Country

Following our school Cross Country, children will be chosen to represent the school at the Huntermville Cross Country on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### Yummy Stickers

Thank you for your support of the Yummy sticker campaign again this year. We had 1,500 stickers returned and will receive over \$170 in wonderful PE gear for our school. Our top Yummy sticker collectors will be acknowledged at a special ceremony today! This is also a House competition. The results are: 1st Kauri; 2nd Rimu; 3rd Totara; 4th Matai.

### Sausage Sizzle

We will be having a sausage sizzle part of Pet Day next Wednesday. Sausages are \$1.50 each. There is **no need to pre-order**, just bring along the money on the day and keep it safe until lunch time. Please note: NO pies on Pet Day.



### Interschool Speech Competition

Last night, Jorja Henderson and Jasmine Davenport represented our school in the annual Interschool Speech Competition. Both these girls had spent hours preparing for this event. Learning a 3 minute speech by heart is no easy task! Congratulations to both girls on an excellent performance. Double congratulations to Jorja, who won the Year 7 competition!

### PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting will be held next Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October in the staffroom, starting at the earlier time of 6.30pm. During the evening we will have a tour of the classrooms. All welcome.

### Teaching and Learning in Room 4

Room 4 have been busy! We are learning about Milk for our science topic. We have already sipped it, smelt it, and studied the nutrition labels on milk bottles. We found some surprising differences between the types of milk you can buy at the supermarket. We have also come up with interesting questions we want to find out about milk.

This term we are valuing the key competencies that we each hold. We place explanations, photos and symbols to show how well we are doing at Managing Ourselves, Participating and Contributing, and Relating to Others, in creatively made backpacks. Our backpacks represent us packing for all the challenges and situations we may face in life. You will also see that Room 4 students are making their own blog posts. To do this the children need to thoroughly plan their blog post, use the writing process, add photos, and email it all to Miss Campbell to then teacher conference. This is a big process which we have enjoyed learning and it makes us have more ownership of our [class blog](#). We love learning in Room 4 and are excited about all the fantastic learning and fun Term 4 will bring.

### **Pet Day Organisation – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October (week 3)**

Pet entries are due **by the end of this week**. Please use the entry form below. Note that Pet Day will start at 9am this year.

#### **On the day.....**

**Children with pets** arrive at school **no later than 8.45am and must be ready for judging at 9am**. They must stay with their pets out on the field. Judging will begin at 9.00am and should be finished by 10.30am.

**All pets must be under control at all times**. Judging will be followed by the Grand Parade. Parents and visitors are invited to the **HALL any time after 9.30** to see the **indoor exhibits**.

#### **Country Kids Competition**

The senior children will take part in an **Interhouse Country Kids Challenge** after the Grand Parade. This is a very exciting (almost) **NEW EVENT**. It would be wonderful if parents could stay to watch.

#### **School Photos**

This is a reminder that school photos will be taken on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October (week 3) (class photos and individual portraits). Order forms were sent home last week. If you would like your children to be photographed together, please contact the Office for a separate "sibling" order envelope. Please return your photo orders, with payment, to the Office before Photo Day (payments are made to "Photolife". No online payments please).

#### **Wednesday Pies**

A reminder that Hot Pies from TJ's Dairy will be available each week each Wednesday (except on Pet Day in week 3). Four flavours to choose – mince, steak, mince & cheese or steak & cheese. \$3.00 each. Orders are to be written on an envelope (student name, Room, pie flavour) with the money sealed inside. Correct change please. No credit. Orders are to be left in the Pie Box at the Office by 9am Wednesday morning.

#### **Friday Subways**

No Subways this week. Subways return next Friday.

#### **Feilding Kiwi Cricket League**

A reminder to return registration forms for the Kiwi Cricket League to the Office by this Friday. Payment will be made direct to the League (not Halcombe School). Please see the form for details.

Kind regards

Sue Simpson  
Principal

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **Halcombe Community Development Group**

- **Monday 20th October 7pm at Halcombe Domain** - Working bee to spread the rest of the post peelings. Bring gloves and a rake. We will have a tractor to help again so no wheel barrows required! All welcome.
- **Wednesday 22nd October 7pm at Halcombe Tavern** - With the first part of the Community Plan (the Walkway) almost complete, it's time to look at Phase II - the Stanway Road entrance to the village heart. No idea is a silly idea!!! All welcome.

#### **Casual Childcare Required**

If you are interested in providing casual childcare to a 3 month old approx. 8.00am-3:30pm, please call Amanda on 328 8691 or 021 315 050.

#### **Mill Street Kindy Gala Day: Sat 8 November, 2014. 11am to 3pm**

The Old Children's Home, 96 Tutaenui Road, Marton. Support the Kindy and bring the whole family! Call 06 327 6127 if you would like to book a stall.

## **HALCOMBE SCHOOL PET DAY 2014 – WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

Entries for ALL pet competitions are being taken now. Entries close on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

There are Senior and Junior Classes in each section:

- Senior Students: Years 5 - 8
- Junior Students: Years 0 - 4

### **CALF COMPETITION**

Calving Dates: Born between 1st July and 15th September. Records/Diaries are optional.

Calf competitions will be in three classes:

- Dairy Type or Beef Type
- Care and Attention
- Leading

### **LAMB COMPETITION**

Lambing Dates: Born between 1st July and 15th September. Records / Dairies are optional. There will be two classes:

- Care and Attention
- Leading & Calling

### **DOG COMPETITION (SENIOR STUDENTS ONLY):**

Judging for: care and attention; excellent knowledge of dog; involvement with dog on a regular basis; good control of dog; obedience; leading skills. Dogs must remain on their lead and be supervised at all times.

### **PET COMPETITION:**

This should be the child's pet - not grandad's, your brother's or the neighbours! All kinds of animals are welcome.

Judging for: care and attention, excellent knowledge of pet; involvement with pet on a regular basis. Please provide suitable cages and/or leads for pets. Horses and ponies to be led, not ridden. Pets must be supervised at all times.

*(NO dogs, please).*

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<b>HALCOMBE SCHOOL PET DAY ENTRY FORM 2014 – for lambs, calves, dogs or 'other' pets</b>			
	Student's Year Level	Student's name	Pet's name
JUNIOR LAMB	0 - 4		
SENIOR LAMB	5 - 8		
JUNIOR CALF	0 - 4		Beef OR Dairy <i>(select)</i>
SENIOR CALF	5 - 8		Beef OR Dairy <i>(select)</i>
SENIOR DOG	5 - 8		
JUNIOR PET (NO dogs, please)	0 - 4	Student's name: _____ Type of animal: _____	Pet's name: _____
SENIOR PET (NO dogs, please)	5 - 8	Student name: _____ Type of animal: _____	Pet's name: _____
Please enclose \$2 per entry. Parent/caregiver signature: _____			