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Term 3 Week 8

8th September 2015

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Black Day

A reminder that it is **Black Day** next Thursday 17th September!

We are encouraging everyone to come along dressed in black, to show our support for the All Blacks as they kick off their World Cup campaign. Please note we are NOT collecting money at this event.



Sausage Sizzle

The Student Council is having a sausage sizzle next Wednesday 16th September (no pies that day). Sausages & bread are \$2 each and you can order them at the Office before school from tomorrow onwards. The last day for orders is Tuesday 15th September (by 9am, please).

Trailer

Do you have a trailer with a cage and cover? Room 6 is looking for such a trailer to take to camp in November. Please contact the Office if you can help. Room 6 will wash your car (inside and out) for free in exchange for the use of your trailer!

Netball

Since the beginning of Term 2, we've had four netball teams entered in local competitions. Congratulations to all students on a wonderful netball season. It has been awesome to see everyone develop some great skills, and have lots of fun along the way. Thank you so much to our coaches Nicky Lankshear, Kathleen Watkins, Paul and Natasha Jukes, Jess Pettersson and Di Simpson. We also greatly appreciate the support of our referees Katrina Payne, Michela Fox and Te Aniwa O'Fee. Congratulations to the Red Team for coming runners-up in their grade and extra special congratulations to the Year 3-4 team which WON their grade!

All netball uniforms now need to be returned to the Office please.

Winter Sports Prizegiving

We're running things a little differently this year and are presenting some of our sports awards on Friday 18th September, instead of at the end-of-year prizegiving. This prizegiving will take place as part of the usual school assembly at 2.30pm. We'll be presenting awards for soccer, basketball, netball and rugby. Parents of those students receiving awards have been contacted.

School Assembly

Room 1 will host assembly this week at the usual time of 2.30pm. All welcome.

Our **final school assembly** for the year will be next week on Friday 18th September.

PTA Meeting

We welcome Joyce Waugh, one of our Public Health Nurses, to the PTA meeting tomorrow evening, starting at 7pm. Joyce will talk about the role of the Public Health Nurse in schools. Come along and hear how the Public Health Service supports schools.

Lucky Book Club

The latest book club catalogue is out now! We are loving the new format of the catalogues and having the option of online ordering via Scholastic's LOOP website <http://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/Parent.aspx>. Cash & cheque orders are still welcome at the Office. Please make cheques payable to 'Scholastic New Zealand'. Orders will close on Friday this week.

Yummy stickers

A reminder to collect "Yummy" stickers and bag labels, and return them to school by the end of this term, please! We exchange them for wonderful sports gear. Full details on the school website www.halcombe.school.nz/newsletters2015.htm

Kauri - Interhouse Nukumball champs for 2015!

Last week, many of our senior students participated in the annual Interhouse Nukumball Challenge. Nukumball is a modified version of volleyball. The competition between the houses was intense!

First we had a round-robin competition where everyone played everyone, winning points along the way.

The second day of competition was interesting, as the yucky weather forced us to play in the Hall. The court was a bit smaller than we are used to, which caused some problems for some teams!

On the final day of competition, Matai faced Totara in the playoff for 3rd and 4th. Some smart play by Matai meant they won the match. The final between Kauri and Rimu followed and there were some great tactics and skills shown by both teams. Congratulations to Kauri, who were the eventual winners!



Kind regards

Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Ring Found

A silver ring has been handed in to the school office. It was found in the Halcombe playground (not at school). Please ask at the office.

Cash for Communities

PGG is running the 'Cash for Communities' programme again this year. When you buy Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser, we'd love you to nominate Halcombe School which will earn us a donation. Farmers who took part last year are already registered, otherwise you can register Halcombe School at cashforcommunities@pggwrightson.co.nz. Thank you for your support.

Youth Group

A reminder that a Youth Group is being set up at the Halcombe Memorial Hall for children between the ages of 10 and 15. There is an open night this Friday 11th September starting at 7.00pm. The first night is free. After that, there will be a charge of \$2 per child per night to help cover costs. If you have any inquiries, please ring Yvonne Pene on 328 8108 or 027 815 5999 or email: honeyzuckle1@hotmail.com

Halcombe Fire Brigade Movie Fundraiser

A reminder to contact Kevin Darling (kevin.darling@fire.org.nz; 027 244 5407) if you are interested in taking part in the Halcombe Fire Brigade's movie fundraiser. See last week's newsletter for full details.

Halcombe Community Group Update

And a reminder that the next working bee is this Saturday 12th September, starting at 10am!

We need 2 teams:

1. One group with battery-operated drills, sledge hammers and saws to complete the edging from Levin Street to Monteith Street.
2. One group to help spread the rest of the barley straw.

Any and all help is greatly appreciated. If you are unable to help out on the day but could do some baking to feed the workers, it would also be most appreciated. Either drop it down on the morning or drop it off to 210 Mt Biggs Road prior to Saturday.