

Halcombe School



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Term 4 Week 8

1st December 2015

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Athletic Sports 9th December

On Wednesday next week, 9th December, we will be holding our Tabloid Athletic Sports, starting at 9.10am. Parents and supporters are most welcome to attend.

The morning will look like this:

- Teachers will run a tabloid-type activity that all age levels (with some modifications) can do. The emphasis is on FUN and PARTICIPATION.
- Children will be divided into teams of about 18 children per team.
- They will rotate round the activities on the field from 9.10am – 10.30am, spending about 8 minutes at each activity.
- After morning tea (about 10.50am) we will have the 100m sprint finals for the boys and girls Athletic Champions.
- All children will then compete in 2 age races (sprints) of different lengths.
- After this, we will have the final of the 400m races.
- The conclusion of the morning will be the Junior and Senior House Relays.

Christmas Raffle

If you have finished selling and have unsold tickets left, please return them to the Office **NOW**. We can pass them on to others to sell. The raffle will be drawn on 15th December 2015 at our Senior Prizegiving. All sold tickets and money needs to be returned to the Office as soon as possible.

School Magazine

We are going to produce another school magazine this year, since it was so popular last year. The cost is \$12 each. The magazines are a 50 page full colour publication. You can see a copy of last years' magazine at the Office. Please pre-order your magazine on the slip below.



Library Furniture

Thank you to our Student Council who have donated two fancy seats to the library. These were purchased from money that has been raised throughout the year. They look awesome!
Thanks Student Council.

Office

Please note that the Halcombe School office e-mail office@halcombe.school.nz is now being directed to Mrs Stace. It's Paula you will be contacting! She is fulltime in the school Office now and is happy to receive your bus notices and family messages, so please continue to keep in touch.

For messages for Mrs Otter, please use kotter@halcombe.school.nz (available until 16th December). Paula & Kirsten will pass on messages to each other as they settle into this new system, so don't worry if you think you've used the wrong address – your messages won't go astray!

BOT Meeting

We have a Board meeting next Monday 7th December at 7pm in the staffroom. You are welcome to attend to observe Board process. An agenda will be available from the Office on Friday. If there are issues that you'd like the Board to discuss, please contact the Office as soon as possible.

Dental Therapists

The dental caravan will be here from Thursday 3rd December to see new students and for catch-up visits with selected students. If you have particular concerns about your child's dental health, you can contact the therapists at 06 322 8791 or 0800 825 583, or leave a message for them at the school Office.

Prizegiving Ceremonies 2015

We host two end-of-year ceremonies (Senior & Junior) at the end of this term to celebrate our achievements throughout the year. Families are welcome to attend.

- **The Junior Prizegiving** (Rooms 7, 8, 1, 2) will be on Friday 11th December 2015 at 1.20pm.
- **The Senior Prizegiving** (Rooms 3, 4, 5, 6) will be on Tuesday 15th December 2015 at 7pm. ALL children in Rooms 3, 4, 5 and 6 attend.

Stationery 2016 (2nd notice)

Student Stationery in 2016 will be in packs, as for this year. Packs will be delivered directly to the classroom, at the start of the school year, with everything that students require.

- The Junior Team (Rooms 7, 8, 1 & 2) and Room 3 will also get 'EZ Covers' for their books. Students will have a choice of covers and will be able to cover their own books in class.
- Students in Rooms 4, 5 & 6 will be asked to cover their own books with Duraseal or similar (they are not using EZ Covers next year).
- The price of stationery packs is still to be confirmed but will be very similar to this year (about \$35).
- We will invoice families later in Term 1, giving you extra time to save up and pay.
- Families can 'opt out' of having their stationery supplied in packs and can make their own arrangements – please contact the Office.

End-of-year events:

- Room 4 overnight camp at school Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th December
 - Athletics Day (whole school) Wednesday 9th December (morning)
 - Junior Prizegiving FRIDAY 11th December from 1.20pm
 - Year 8 Leaver's Lunch on Monday 14th December 12.30pm
 - Senior Prizegiving Tuesday 15th December from 7pm
 - School finishes on Wednesday 16th December at 1pm. The buses will run at this time.
 - The 2016 school year begins on Monday 1st February.
- Kind regards
Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Pet Care Service

Going away, need someone to look after your pets and animals? Qualified Vet Nurse available to look after and feed your furry friends. Halcombe-based but can travel. Trustworthy, knowledgeable and reliable. Leave your animals knowing they will be well looked after while your away. Contact Emma Whiteman today for a quote or to book on 0276886565 or emma_john@slingshot.co.nz

SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2015 – ORDER FORM

Name: _____

No. Copies: _____

Payment enclosed: \$ _____ cheque/cash

Pay online to 01 0625 0106729 00; reference "School Magazine"

Magazines are \$12 each. Payment with order please. Delivery at end of term.