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Term 4 Week 1

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Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

A warm welcome back to Term 4. There is so much on this term, so this newsletter gives details of what's happening. Please read this carefully, so you all know what's going on! The term calendar is attached and will look great on your fridge!

Student Council

Thanks to the Student Council who did such a wonderful job of organising the FUN DAY at the end of last term. We managed to squeeze in plenty of WHEELS fun between the showers and made 150 'Spiders' and cooked 200 sausages. A busy, but very exciting day!

Sunhats

Children need to have a brimmed (all-round) hat to wear at school each day this term **from Labour Weekend (24th October)**. We have a 'no hat means no play' rule. Please NAME hats, and cut off any ties or chin-straps (these are a hazard).

Speech Competition

Best wishes to Catherine and Emma H, who will be representing our school at the Interschool Speech Competition on Thursday evening. The topic is 'The one thing I can't live without...' Catherine has chosen to talk about her hairbrush and Emma about sleep. Good luck girls!

Robotics

We have 2 teams in the Robotics Club at Feilding High School. The teams meet each Wednesday and work on a challenge. Those involved are: Hamish, Samuel, Cameron, Briar, Jack, Heath, Steve and Regan. It sounds as if they have loads of fun.

Cross Country

Our Cross Country event is NEXT Friday 21st October starting at 12.30pm. A map, details of the event and parking are attached. Well done to those children who have been training in the holidays! Please check children have the correct gear (shorts, T shirt and running shoes) at school each day for Cross Country training. Children will be training every day.

Disco

The Student Council is VERY excited to host the DISCO on Friday 21st October! Start practicing your dance moves and get ready to have heaps of fun! Tickets are \$3 and can be bought from the school Office each morning from 8.30am, right through until Friday. Parents please note: teachers will be at the disco to supervise students. You are most welcome to wait in the staffroom where light refreshments will be available.

- **Junior Disco** (Room 8, 7, 1, 2, 3): 5.30pm - 6.45pm
- **Senior Disco** (Room 4, 5, 6): 7pm - 8.30pm

Assembly

There are no assemblies this term.

Wednesday Pies & Subway Lunches

Hot pies & Subway lunches will be available each week from tomorrow (except on Pet Day in week 3). See the school website for details on how to order.

**Halcombe
School
Disco** 

Friday 21 October (Week 2)

Junior Disco: 5.30-6.45pm
R8, 7, 1, 2 and 3

Senior Disco: 7-8.30pm
R4, 5 and 6

HALCOMBE SCHOOL HALL

TICKETS \$3 - ON SALE NOW!

For Sale At The Disco:
Lollies \$1 Drinks \$1 Glo-Sticks .50c

Brought To You By The Student Council!

Touch

We have had an EXCELLENT response to Junior Touch, with a whopping 10 teams involved. Best wishes to our younger students for a wonderful season.

School Photos

School photos will be taken next Thursday 20th October (class photos and individual portraits). Order forms were sent home at the end of last term (one per student). 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)

Student's Writing

How to be a Good Role Model

At Halcombe School there are many good role models. But how did they get to that point? This is how to be good role model.

Being sensible is one of the key features of being a role model. You will get noticed by the teachers, and by being sensible, you are acknowledged, and will be known. So by making the right choices, these are approved by many people, students and teachers, by your well-thought out decisions. For example, if someone next to you is having a little conversation with someone else, while the teacher is reading or talking, moving away from them will justify your good decision skills. If someone is new to your school, the best way to greet them is too introduce yourself politely. They will think you are a nice person, and will be friends instantly - easy, reliable and at the low, low price of your spare time. Respect coming your way!

Be aware of your surroundings. For example, if a little kid decides to make a sandcastle in a sand area, respect his creation and don't destroy it. Say some little kids are playing a game on the field. Stay out of their way, and know that if you get in their way, it could end with tears and injury. If something's wrong in a play area or out on the field, for example if someone's hurt, what do you do? Go to their aid, and do your best to help. Comfort them, ask them what happened, and make sure they're alright at the end of it. Also show respect for younger children. If your friends tell you to do something you shouldn't, don't do it. The younger children will be more likely to copy you, because they will think you're doing the right thing. But if you're not, that's where it could go wrong. Very wrong.

But to be a top student at Halcombe School, you need to show all the Triple AAA values. Have the right Attitude towards learning. Have the risk-taking ability to seek Adventure, and to have all round skills to Achieve, in all areas in learning. Attitude is showing respect towards others, having the kindness to let a little kid go first. Be tolerant around others. If someone's doing something they shouldn't, don't go straight to the teacher and tell on them. Just tell them to stop, and they will probably stop. Have a positive can-do attitude! Adventure is taking risks and stepping outside your comfort zone and doing things you wouldn't usually do. Achievement is being co-operative, and practicing whenever you can while using your own time to make your work perfect. It's doing an excellent job at writing, reading and maths, and everything in between while being polite and achieving new things.

By achieving all of these key steps, you will certainly be a Triple AAA student at Halcombe School.

Cameron Year 6

PTA Meeting

The PTA will meet Next Wednesday 19th October at 7pm in the staffroom.

Photos from Room 8's Farm Visit

Here we have Stanleigh testing the electric fence and Jamie emerging from tunnel.



Kind regards

Sue Simpson

Pet Day Organisation – Wednesday 26th October (week 3)

Pet entries are due by **Friday 21st October**. Please use the entry form attached.

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. Pet Day is held regardless of the weather.

All pets must be under control at all times.

- Junior Lamb ring – closest to the Hall
- Senior Lambs – between Junior Lambs and Calves
- Calf ring – near the rugby goalposts
- Dogs – ring closest to Room 7. This competition is **ONLY** for Years 5-8 children. There is no Junior Dog Competition, and dogs cannot be entered in the General Pet Section. **Dogs must be on a leash at all times, and children must stay with their OWN dog.**
- All other pets will be in the area between Room 8 and the Adventure Playground, except horses/ponies which should be in the centre of the field.
- We ask that parents leave their children with their pets.

Judging will be followed by the Grand Parade and presentation of trophies. Parents and visitors are invited to the **HALL** to see the **indoor exhibits**.

Indoor Exhibits

This year each class will present **2 exhibits**. **Please see class blogs and KIT books for more information.**

Country Kids Competition

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

Pet Day Sausage Sizzle

There will be a sausage sizzle at Pet Day – details next week!

See below for more Pet Day details & the entry form

HALCOMBE SCHOOL PET DAY 2016 – WEDNESDAY 26TH OCTOBER

Entries for ALL pet competitions are being taken now. Entries close on Friday 21st 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:

- (a) Dairy Type or Beef Type
- (b) Care and Attention
- (c) Leading

LAMB COMPETITION

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

- (a) Care and Attention
- (b) 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 are to be led, not ridden. Pets must be supervised at all times. *(NO dogs, please)*

HALCOMBE SCHOOL PET DAY ENTRY FORM 2016 – for lambs, calves, dogs or ‘other’ pets

	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
SENIOR CALF	5 – 8		Beef OR Dairy
SENIOR DOG	5 – 8		
JUNIOR PET (NO dogs, please)	0 – 4		Pet's name: Type of animal:
SENIOR PET (NO dogs, please)	5 – 8		Pet's name: Type of animal:

Please enclose \$3 per entry.
Parent/caregiver signature: _____

Halcombe School - Term 4 2016 Calendar

October	12th	Room 8 'Gruffalo' trip
	19th	PTA Meeting 7pm
	20th	School Photos
	21st	Cross Country 12.30 pm Disco
	24th	Labour Day
	26 th	Pet Day, Sausage Sizzle and Country Kids Challenge
	28th	Huntermville Cross Country
	31st	Room 5 camp to Castlepoint
November	7th	Board of Trustees meeting at 7pm
	13th	Room 6 camp to Nydia Bay
	15th	Rooms 7-1 trip to Te Manawa
	16th	Room 2 trip to Waiouru
	17th	Room 3 Gorge walk and overnight at school
	24th	Room 4 to Mount Bruce and overnight at school
December	7th	Athletics Sports Day
	9th	Years 4-8 reports sent home
	12th	Junior Prizegiving afternoon 1.30pm
	14th	Senior Prizegiving 7pm
	15th	School finishes for the year at 1pm