

# Halcombe School

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Term 4 Week 6

20<sup>th</sup> November 2018

*Tena Koutou Katoa* - Greetings to all parents and caregiver

## Senior Camps

Rooms 7 and 8 loved their camps to Castlepoint and Nydia Bay. These major camps are a wonderful experience for children that they will remember for many years to come. We are very lucky to have teachers who do such an awesome job of 'Education Outside the Classroom'. Our sincere thanks go to all those who attended these camps and those who provided transport. We appreciate you taking time off work to support us.

## Other EOTC

- This week we have Room 6 away at Foxton Beach for 2 nights
- Rooms 1 and 2 are going to Foxton Beach on Friday
- Rooms 2 and 3 are travelling to Ohingaiti to visit the Whitecliff Boulders - Friday
- Room 5 is staying at school overnight on Thursday and will do the Tawa Loop Track and visit Te Manawa to learn about Flooding and Erosion, then visit the Lido.

It will be a very quiet day at school for Rooms 7 and 8 on Friday!

## Staffing

Regretfully, the Board of Trustees has received Kylie Olynsma's resignation. Kylie is having a break from teaching next year for health reasons. No doubt you will see her around school in a relieving capacity. We thank Kylie for being the amazing teacher she is and the 2 years she has dedicated to Halcombe School.

Unfortunately Tim Cranshaw who accepted a position here for 2019, has let us down and accepted a job at another school. We are currently advertising to fill these positions.

## Library

The library closes on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Please ensure all library books are returned to avoid being charged for a replacement.

## Tough Kids

A reminder that this event is being held at Mount Biggs School next week on Friday 30 November. Slight change of plan – the students will be travelling by bus, not in cars. A notice with more information will come home at the beginning of next week.

## Classes for 2019 – REMINDER (second notice)

As always at this time of the year, we offer you a chance to let us know your thoughts about your children's class for next year. There will be changes to staffing and we are yet to complete our appointments. If you have any special requests about your child's placement for 2019, please send an email to [ssimpson@halcombe.school.nz](mailto:ssimpson@halcombe.school.nz). Please don't send emails to Paula. If there are friendship clashes, family matters or learning issues you would like us to take into consideration, please let me know by **3<sup>rd</sup> December**. By then I will be in a better position to let you know teachers and class levels. Requests after this date are unlikely to be met. While we cannot guarantee the class your child will be in if there is a split year group, we are here to listen.

## Book Amnesty - REMINDER

Please have a look at home for school reading books. There are a lot of books missing and they're not at school, so they must be at your place! Please look behind the couch, under the beds and in that pile of stuff in the corner. Reading books cost such a lot of money and we'd love to have them all returned please. This is a reminder that reading books will not be sent home if the previous book has not been returned.



### Scholastic Book Club

The latest catalogues are out now. You have the option of ordering online directly from Scholastic via their new LOOP website. Your books are delivered to the classroom as usual. You can still send in cash or cheque orders to the office. Please make cheques payable to 'Scholastic NZ'. See the catalogue for the order forms and full details. Orders close Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

### End of year/Start of 2019

Our last day this year will be **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**. School will close at 1.00pm and the buses will run at that time. The first day of school for 2019 is Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January

### Manawatu Oroua Boys and Girls Agricultural Club Results

Last Saturday, we had 7 children enter the district championship at Rongotea. Congratulations to everyone!

- Team of 3 lambs: Halcombe 1<sup>st</sup> (Holly, Emily & Hannah)  
*See photo*
- Taylor: 1<sup>st</sup> Year 1&2 Lamb Leading
- Hunter: 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 1&2 Lamb Leading, 5<sup>th</sup> Year 1&2 Lamb Care & Attention
- James: 4<sup>th</sup> Year 1&2 Lamb Leading
- Hannah: 4<sup>th</sup> Year 3&4 Lamb Leading, 1<sup>st</sup> Year 3&4 Lamb Calling
- Emily: 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 5&6 Lamb Leading
- Holly: 5<sup>th</sup> Year 7&8 Lamb Care & Attention



### Yummy Stickers

Thank you so much to all those who supported the Yummy Sticker Collection. Our pile of stickers translated into just over \$400 worth of sports gear. Here are our top collecting families, pictured with the gear we've bought.

*Nga mihi  
Kind regards*

*Sue Simpson  
Principal*

### Community News

#### Manawatu District Council Rocks

Have you found a MDC painted rock? Take it to the council office at 135 Manchester Street and swap it for a baby tree.

