

Halcombe School



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Term 1 Week 4

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Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

3 Way Conferences for all Families

Your interview time will be sent home TODAY in your child's KIT book. Please keep a note of your time, so that teachers are not left waiting or appointments are missed. We still have a number of families to return their forms. This is now URGENT.

If you would like to collect your child from school next Monday afternoon from 12.30, (25th February), you are welcome to do so. Please collect your children from the court area at the front of the school. We will be providing supervision for students who stay at school during conferences.

GALA - How you can help?

- We would like to borrow about 4-5 putters and a dozen golf balls please. The putters can be old ones. Please send them along to the office.
- Send along butter or sugar. Our bakers are ready to go!
- Keep selling the raffle tickets. Remember – if you're not selling the tickets, return them to school straight away. Remember that there are 2 x \$50 cash prizes for the 2 families which sells the most tickets.
- We need a couple of people to help sort out the clothing stall. There is plenty of stuff here already. A team of helpers would be awesome! If you are sending clothing, please make sure it is clean and in really good condition. We can't sell items that are dirty, ripped and missing the zip! We are not selling bedding this year.
- See below for details about our '**DECORATED BIKE competition**' and the '**Pet Lamb Dress Up Competition**'. Junior and Senior sections. Start thinking about how you can decorate your bike.
- If you know of any organisation or business which might be in a position to donate goods to our **AUCTION**, please let us know, so that we can make contact.

Gala Leaflet drop in Feilding

We'd like some more helpers! If you're someone who goes out for a walk/run in town, you might be able to help advertise the Gala by delivering flyers. This is often a great job for Nana or Grandma. Please let Paula know and we'll send home some flyers. Thanks to the Manson, Kui, Chan and Otter families who have made such a great start!

DECORATED BIKE COMPETITION

Junior: Years 1-4

Senior: Years 5-8

\$1 entry fee on the day.

\$15 first prize in each section.

Bikes must be able to be ridden.

**USE YOUR
IMAGINATION AND
GET CREATIVE!**

Decorated Sheep competition

Junior: Years 1-4

Senior: Years 5-8

\$1 entry fee on the day.

\$15 first prize in each
section.

**Dress up and/or
decorate your
lamb (any age).**

Board of Trustees News

The Board of Trustees met for their first meeting of the year last evening.

- Shane Casey was elected as the Chairperson of the BOT. We thank Jess Pettersson for the excellent work she has done as our Chair for the last 3 years. Jess will continue on the BOT.
- We are very pleased to report that every classroom now has new sink benches, hot water and much improved storage areas.
- Rooms 7 and 8 have had their break-out spaces carpeted, painted and additional storage added.
- The school roll remains very healthy with no out-of-zone enrolments being taken during this year.
- Fire, Earthquake and Lockdown procedures have been reviewed and the children have practised their first fire drill.
- Minor changes have been made to our EOTC (Education outside the Classroom) forms.
- Beginning of year assessments have been completed, so teachers have up to date information about their students. This will be shared during the 3 Way Conferences next week.
- Beginning of year highlights have included: the school picnic to Totara Reserve, a visit from Harold (Life Education Trust) for Rooms 1 – 4, a visit from Constable Cree who talked to older students about digital citizenship and keeping ourselves 'Cybersafe' and the class camps.
- The school has a current Asbestos Management Plan



'Surprise in a Jar'

We are running a 'Surprise in a Jar' stall again for our Gala Day. We need donations of any size jar filled with a surprise, for example sweets, buttons, pens, pasta, chocolate, soaps or toys. The jars are then numbered on the bottom and you can buy a jar at the Gala, however you won't know what number jar you've bought!

You might get a jar of buttons or a jar with \$50 in it!

The class that contributes the highest percentage of jars will win free Juicies.

Please take these jars TO YOUR TEACHER. Let's get creative and fill up some jars!

(If you don't have a jar with a lid, we have some available at the Office.)

'Meet and Greet' Part 2

This is a reminder for parents of new and 'soon to start school' 5 year olds that Mrs Davies will be meeting with you at 2pm on Thursday this week in Room 1. All welcome.

Kind regards

Sue Simpson