

# Halcombe School

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Term 1 Week 5

25<sup>th</sup> February 2020

*Tena Koutou Katoa*

## **Triathlon - TOMORROW!**

Only one sleep till the first ever Halcombe School triathlon! We have had 155 students sign up for this event, and we're thrilled that so many kids are keen to have a go. That's a big tick in the 'adventure' box of our Triple A values!

The first event will be the Year 1-2 students, starting at 11am. Here is some important information:

- Bikes and helmets go straight to the field before school. There will be senior students there directing you. Please double check the tyres are pumped up, and the seat is set at the correct height.
- No helmet = no go. The field is very dry and as hard as rock.
- Students will wear their togs to do the run and bike, with a t-shirt and shorts over the top. Footwear is recommended.
- Please name all gear, including helmets and waterbottles, as we know gear will be all over the place at the end!
- Parents are welcome to attend, but as with any sporting event at our school, you'll be in the 'observation zone'. If your child needs help at any time, this will be provided by staff, designated course marshals or senior students.
- Bikes will be left on the field and can be taken home at the conclusion of ALL races, or after school.
- Spectators can view the swimming from **outside** the pool fence.
- We'd like to remind everyone that **this event is all about giving it a go** and having fun.
- Please don't park on the neighbour's lawn!

## **3 Way Conferences for ALL Families**

We will be holding learning conferences for **all students** NEXT WEEK. These conferences with your child's teacher focus on goal setting, in both **Academic areas and the Key Competencies** for example - attitude, social skills, confidence, initiative, perseverance, cooperation, friendships, managing themselves, joining in, taking risks and leadership.

Attached, you will find a timetable which needs to be filled in and returned to school **TOMORROW**. We give consecutive times for families with more than one child and the times are allocated on a first in first served basis. **PLEASE tick several times that suit you**. Your interview time will be sent home on **FRIDAY** via your child's KIT book.

## **Moveathon – Less than 3 weeks away!**

A reminder that the **MOVEATHON** is on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 11am – 12pm. Children will **MOVE** around laps of the field as many times as they can in an hour. The idea is that children will ask people (relatives, neighbours, friends and Uncle Barry) to sponsor them to participate in the event. We know many children have already found sponsors.

Details about how to order your sausage will be provided next week.

## **PTA Thanks**

A sincere thanks to all those who came along to the 'Getting to Know You' afternoon tea recently. It was lovely to get to know some of our new families and the children loved their swim.

Thanks also to those who have put their names down to be '**Friends of the PTA**'. Your support is really appreciated.

## **Senior Swimming Sports**

The Senior Swimming Sports will be held at the Makino Aquatic Centre **next Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March**, starting at 12.30pm and finishing by 2.45pm.

- These sports are for children on Rooms 5 - 8.
- Transport will be by BUS to and from, leaving school at 11.45pm. There is **NO CHARGE**.
- Children do **NOT** need to return to school after the sports. **Please fill out the slip below**.
- Children must take their togs, 2 towels, sunhat, warm clothes and a drink of water.
- There is no 'grandstand' for parents to watch from. You might like to take your own chair/seat.

### Junior Swimming Afternoon

This will be held on **Friday afternoon - 6<sup>th</sup> March**, starting at 1.30pm and is for children in Rooms 1 – 4. Parents are welcome to attend. The children will need warm clothes to wear.

### School Values this week

<u>Room</u>		<u>For . . . .</u>
1	Lauren	setting high standards for herself in writing.
2	Hunter	showing initiative and a 'can-do' attitude
3	Ollie	stepping up and accepting responsibilities
4	Chloe	always being honest and reliable
5	Hailey	her willingness to give things a go and working hard to show understanding of different maths concepts.
6	Charlie	always doing the right thing and being a team player
7	Saskia	having a positive attitude in all aspects of school life.
8	Dylan	persevering to perfect his diving skills in swimming



Rooms 4 and 8  
enjoying Buddy Class  
in the pool.

Kind regards

*Sue*  
Sue Simpson  
Principal



### SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS – WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020 (Rooms 5 - 8 only)

ONLY return this slip if your children are NOT returning to school. Return by FRIDAY this week – 1st March

Student/s: \_\_\_\_\_

My child/children will NOT require a ride back to school AFTER the sports (i.e. they will be collected from the pool or will walk home).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_