

Halcombe School



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Term 3 Week 2

8th August 2017

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Pet Day and Cross Country Term 4

We have set dates for these events next term which are both in the week following Labour Day:

- Pet Day: Wednesday 25th October
- Cross Country: Friday 27th October

Digital Citizenship Agreements

Thank you for returning these forms so promptly.

Pie Fundraiser

Last few days! This fundraiser closes next Wednesday 16th August. You can deposit directly in to the PTA account if you like, or bring cash/cheques to school.

- Particulars: Activity (eg Pies)
- Code: Family Name
- Account No: 01-0625-0110103-00

Interschool Sport

The senior students are excited about their first sports exchange with Hiwinui School tomorrow. Please refer to KIT books for details.

Tough Kid Challenge

Thanks to all the organisers and helpers who made this day so much fun for the 'Tough Kids'.

- 'This was my first time going to the Tough Kid Challenge, but it was really fun and extremely muddy.' Brooklyn
- 'The water was numbingly cold to walk through. It was muddy and stank!' Hayden
- 'All of us 'Tough Kids' had a great muddy time. The best parts were getting muddy and dirty and finally finishing.' Jay.
- 'I jogged the whole way through the challenge. I liked the obstacles especially the climbing wall and the tunnels.' Sarah
- 'We had to go through tunnels, and over walls and under a net. The best part was going in the freezing water. Lachie

Triple A Students this Week

Room		
8	Felix	Attitude: for showing kindness, being tolerant and cooperating with others.
7	Tom Mya	Attitude: for being honest and reliable Attitude: for persevering and having a 'can do' attitude
1	Liam Lucy	Achievement: for your positive attitude to learning and great progress in reading. Attitude: for always being ready to learn and following directions quickly.
2	Maggie Alannah	Attitude: for being an excellent helper in Room 2 and always having a smile when on the job! Adventure: for being brave and speaking up in class 'conversations' to share her ideas.
3	Emily Moss	Adventure: for doing the Tough Kid Challenge, and enjoying it. Adventure: for putting 100% effort into the Tough Kid Challenge and coming out with a smile!
4	Caleb H Mikayla	Achievement: for working hard to complete tasks to a higher standard. Attitude: for becoming more confident to share her opinions
5	Alyssa Maia	Achievement: Great improvement and success in basic facts and 'Club 100'. Achievement: Great improvement and success in basic facts and 'Club 100'.
6	Rebecca Jessie	Attitude: for making a fantastic start to life at Halcombe School. Attitude: for the positive way she handled her netball injury?

Assembly

Room 3 will host assembly this week.

Mathex:

On Friday we have 4 teams representing our school at the Manawatu Mathex Competition. We wish them the best of luck!
Year 5: George, Jock, Ruby, Abbie
Year 6: Rhianna, Georgia, Ashlee and Briar
Year 7: Zoe, Tommy, Cameron and Holly
Year 8: Alyssa, Georgia, Hannah and Samuel

Cohort Entry

Our Board of Trustees recently agreed in principle to **Cohort Entry** for 5 year olds when starting at our school. This means that new entrant students would be able to start school a few weeks earlier than their fifth birthday.

- If their birthday is in the second week of the holidays, or weeks 1 – 5 of the term, they would start at the beginning of the term.
- If their birthday is in weeks 6 – 10 or the first week of the holidays, they would start in the middle of that term.
- This means that we would have only 2 intakes of students each term.
- No student would start school any later than their 5th birthday.

We would now like to consult with parents of current and prospective students, to consider whether our community finds the policy generally acceptable, before we decide to introduce cohort entry in Term 1 2018.

If you would like to comment on cohort entry, or need more information, please fill out the slip below and return to school by Friday 18th August, email me, or call in for a chat.

Kind regards

A Little bit Country

Help us celebrate our 140th birthday! We are having an evening with the band 'Winsome Lost' on 23rd September. Get a group together and organise the babysitter. Tickets are limited and will be on sale next week.

Sue Simpson
Principal

Cohort Entry Comment/Feedback.



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