

Halcombe School

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Term 1 Week 7

14th March 2018

Pool Closed

The school pool is now closed. Please return your keys to the office promptly.

3 Way Conferences

Thank you for returning your conference forms. We have 100% of families attending. It is such a credit to you all that you are interested in your child's learning and want to support them to achieve their goals. You're awesome!

Senior Swimming Sports

The Senior Swimming Sports were held yesterday. Thank you to the large group of supporters who came along to watch a wonderful morning of swimming talent and effort.

Results:

- Barnett Cup (fastest 50 metre freestyle): Jack
- Junior Girls Champion (Blunden Cup): 1st Annabel, 2nd Abbie, 3rd Ruby
- Junior Boys Champion (Blunden Cup): 1st George, 2nd Kaleb, 3rd Austin
- Senior Girls Champion (Wishnowsky Trophy): 1st Rebekah, 2nd Lucy, 3rd Holly T
- Senior Boys Champion (Wishnowsky Trophy): 1st Jack, 2nd Kane, 3rd Finlay
- Junior House Relay: 1st Totara, 2nd Matai, 3rd Rimu
- Senior House Relay: 1st Rimu, 2nd Kauri, 3rd Matai
- House Points: 1st Rimu, 2nd Totara, 3rd Matai, 4th Kauri
- Monk Cup (Most Improved Swimmer 2018 season): Shelby

PTA AGM

The following people have been elected to the PTA Committee:

- President: Lucinda Dodunski
- Vice President: Richard Waugh
- Secretary: Michela Fox
- Treasurer: Gary Dundass
- Other Committee Members: Cameron Waugh, Chris Monk and Rachel Lane

Our thanks to these people for putting themselves forward to support the school. It is much appreciated.

Kirstine Lehany was thanked for the service she has given to the PTA as President for the last 2 years. ☺

Junior Swimming Sports

The Junior Team held the swimming afternoon last Friday. We are so lucky to have a school pool where children swim every day. We are thrilled with their progress.

A special thank you to Christine Sinclair who came along every day to help with junior swimming.

Basic Facts Workshop

Basic facts are fundamental to good progress in maths. All students from Years 4 – 8 will have shared the results from their Basic Facts Tests with you, in their KIT Books. We have a clear expectation that children should know all their basic facts by the end of Year 6.

We will be holding a 45 minute workshop starting at 6pm on Monday evening 26th March for anyone with children in Years 4 – 8 who wants to know how to support their children in learning their basic facts. We rely on good support from home to help children who need extra support. Children attend the workshop with their parents.

Please return the slip below if you would like to attend.

ePro8 Challenge

Congratulations to the Halcombe Hawks on winning the ePro8 Challenge event last week. An excellent result for Finlay, Emily, Lila and Milla. This team now competes in the Palmerston North competition on 9th April. Go the Hawks!

Well done also to the Halcombe Hurricanes and while unplaced, learnt lots about teamwork and creativity.

PTA News

The PTA would like to invite members of our school community to come and join us for our first meeting of the year on **Thursday 5th April** at 7.00pm. We are a group of friendly mums and dads with the common goal of continuing to improve our fabulous school. The main way we do this is by fundraising, with events such as our gala and quiz night. We would love you to join us and share your ideas in regards to setting and shaping our goals for the year.

If you'd like to get involved but committing to the PTA is too much, please consider being 'a friend of the PTA'. For this you would be on our email list for things such as:

- Working bee e.g. spreading bark, fixing or cleaning equipment.
- Baking e.g. slices for the quiz or a dinner for bereavement.
- Support e.g. sorting the pies for the pie fundraiser, distributing platters on quiz night or helping behind the bar.

Please fill out the form below.

Science

All classes are starting their new topic in Science this week. Some classes are learning about how and why we experience different weather, others are learning to 'observe' closely in different environments, for example the roadside, a pond and a stream and yet others are focussing on bugs and beetles.

Teachers are enjoying their professional development in Science and are looking forward to a great year of learning ahead.

Lunchtime Hockey

Last Friday Sport Manawatu provided an opportunity for Years 3 – 6 students to have a go at hockey. Many of them enjoyed the chance to try something new.

Interschool Triathlon

Good luck to our Interschool Triathlon Team which is competing today.

Kind regards

*Sue Simpson
Principal*

Community News

Halcombe Community Walkway Autumn tidy-up and planting working bee. It's great to see so many people using the walkway: walkers, joggers, dogs, children etc. so we need your help to maintain this community asset. Come along on **Thursday 22nd March from 4pm** and join us for an hour or two. There will be a free sausage sizzle so bring the whole family. Bring a spade and gloves if you have them otherwise just a cheery face. We will be laying weed-prevention material* and planting around the Monteith Street end of the walkway. (*Note: If you have any old carpet or cardboard boxes please bring them along!)

Maths Basic Facts Workshop

I would like to attend the Basic Facts Workshop at 6pm on Monday evening 26th March

Name: _____ Signature: _____

PTA

We / I _____ would like to become 'A friend of the PTA'.

Please indicate by circle Y for yes, or N for no. which areas interest you.

I am happy to help out on working bee Y / N

I am happy to help out by cooking Y / N

I am happy to 'support' events Y / N

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me, Lucinda Dodunski on 06 3288524 or email lucindadodunski@hotmail.com



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