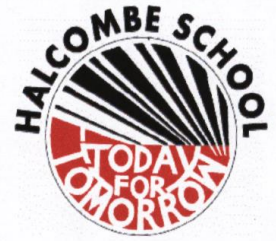


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Term 3 Week 1

23rd July 2019

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

With cricket, netball and the start of the Rugby Championship, there's been a fair bit of TV watching at my place during the holidays! Welcome back to another fun-filled, action packed term. The term calendar is included and gives you all the important dates for what is happening during the term.

Our roll has reached 190. A special welcome to our new students:

- Room 1: Lauren Higgin
- Room 3: Lucy McKinnon
- Room 4: Ethan Reid

Assembly

This week, Room 5 will host assembly which starts at 2.30 on Friday. All welcome. There is no assembly next week (2nd August) as we have more than half the school away at the 'Tough Kids Challenge'.

Term 3 Theme

'Tangaroa' – the Sea, is our theme for this term. This theme will be integrated across a broad range of curriculum areas.

Classes will be learning about various aspects of the sea, for example:

fishing, what lives in the sea, pollution and threats to marine life, adaptations of sea creatures, conservation of the oceans, food cycles under the sea, how we use the sea, exploration and navigation, boats through time, floating and sinking, mapping the oceans and the Southern Ocean.

Gymnastics

We will be doing gymnastics for the first 5 weeks of this term. Children need appropriate clothing ie not jeans, or buttoned shirts. T shirts and shorts/leggings/tights or track pants are ideal. Children will be told what day they need PE gear. In the second half of the term, the focus will be on Dance.

A couple of reminders

- Hair which reaches the collar needs to be tied back.
- Hair should not cover the eyes.
- Nailpolish is not to be worn to school.

BOT News

- Staffroom painting: The staffroom will be painted as part of our cyclical maintenance.
- Room 2 upgrade: The BOT is working on upgrading Room 2.
- Room 6 term 4 staffing: While Mrs Fleet is taking Maternity leave, Mrs Olynsma will teach Room 6 in the morning and Mrs Simpson will be teaching in the afternoons.
- BOT Portfolios: Shane Casey - Chairperson, Andrew Managh - Finance, Jess Petttersson - Property, Rochelle Chase - Personnel, Richard Dodunski - Health and Safety.

Calves at Pet Day

Pet Day will be the Thursday of the first week in Term 4 – 17th October. We have received guidelines from Biosecurity NZ about safe practices for having calves at Pet Day this year, due to Mycoplasma bovis. Information for those wishing to have calves this year is below, or you can visit the website www.biosecurity.govt.nz/bovis

- Calves will be tethered 2m apart.
- Individual water containers.
- Calves must wear a halter.
- Children must be in full control of their calf. We will have someone supervise and assist with this.
- NAIT compliance is essential. Tags must be readable.

Key Competencies – Creating Childhood Memories

You cannot create childhood memories or develop Key Competencies through watching TV or looking at a screen.

In 10 years time, your kids won't remember that online game, or what programme they watched on TV. They WILL remember when you made a giant sandcastle at the beach, always went to the library on a Friday, made a mud slide, built a hut over the dining room table, lay on the floor and played with their Lego, played backyard cricket with the whole family, built a dam over a creek, had 'boat races' down the creek, made a rocket out of old cardboard boxes or biked along a track.

You can give your kids the fanciest toys and clothes every day, but the truth is that as soon as they get something new, they will forget all about the old things. However, they **will** remember the experiences they shared with their family and friends.

We all have wonderful memories of our childhood that are in our hearts forever. It's not the things that cost the most money, it's the time spent with the ones we love the most that we'll always remember. Try to spend quality time with your children. It's not what you buy them, but the memories you make together, that they'll look back on when they're grown. The simple pleasures that cost nothing, yet are priceless. Think of the things you talk to you own children about – it's not the new clothes you got for your birthday, it's about experiences you had as a child. These are the experiences that develop the Key Competencies.

Book Fair

We will be holding a **Book Fair** this term, starting in Week 4 on 12th August. This is when we have LOTS of great books for students to purchase at really good prices. Two years ago we sold over \$2 000 worth of books which meant we received \$600 worth of free books, \$600 worth of credit and \$400 in cash for even more library books! More information to follow.

Charter Review

Later this term, The Board of Trustees will be reviewing our School Charter - the strategic aims for the school. This is an opportunity for the school community to have an input in to the goals and aspirations you have for your children and our school. More to follow.

Kind regards


*Sue Simpson
Principal*

TERM 3 CALENDAR 2018		
July	22	Gymnastics begins
	26	Assembly – Room 5
August	2	Tough Kid Challenge. NO assembly today
	6	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm.
	7	Interschool Sport vs Colyton School (here)
	9	Manawatu Mathex Competition Assembly - Room 4
	12	Book Fair this week
	14	Interschool sport vs South Makirikiri (here)
	16	Assembly – Room 3
	20	New World Netball Tournament (years 7 – 8)
	21	Interschool sport vs Newbury School (here)
	23	Assembly Room 2
	26	Dance starts
	28	Interschool sport vs Bulls School (away)
	29	Turners Tournament (years 5-6 netball/rugby)
	30	Assembly Room 1
Sept	5	Pirate Day! (Student Council event)

Sept	6	Assembly Room 8
	10	Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
	13	Assembly Room 7
	20	Assembly Room 6
	25	Student Council event
	26	Senior Social
	28	Dance Display at 2.00 instead of Assembly.

PARENTING WORD FLIP

A TINY WORD SWITCH THAT CAN MAKE YOUR DAYS FLOW MORE SMOOTHLY



The Empty Threat:
IF YOU DON'T PUT YOUR SHOES ON, YOU AREN'T GOING TO THE PLAYGROUND

The Naturally Occuring Reward:
FIRST YOU PUT YOUR SHOES ON AND THEN WE WILL GO TO THE PLAYGROUND.

SIMPLE FAMILIES