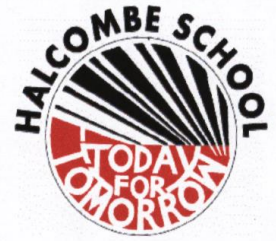


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Term 3 Week 4

13<sup>th</sup> August 2019

*Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers*

## BOT News

At its meeting last week, the BOT received Reports about Student Attendance, Reading Achievement and Writing Achievement.

- The attendance rates of our students is considerably higher than schools of the same, decile, type and in the Manawatu/Taranaki and Wanganui regions. Thank you to our parents who ensure that children attend school regularly.
- In the STAR Reading test 92% of our students in years 3 – 8 are achieving at or above average. Teachers also report the same result from their own observations and assessments in reading.
- In Writing, 79% of our students are achieving at or above our expectations across the school (except for students in Room 1 who have been here less than 6 months). Our goal is to have 84% at or above expectations by the end of the year.
- The school roll will close this year at close to 200 students.
- The staffroom will be painted in the next holidays
- Bi-ennial electrical testing of more than 640 appliances and items of equipment has been completed
- The BOT will be seeking input from the community towards the end of this term, as it reviews the current Charter.

## Mathex

Our Mathex teams were awesome last Friday, competing against up to 44 teams from across the Manawatu in each year level. A special congratulations to our Year 7 team which won their competition.

- Year 5 - 7th: Eddie, Poppy, Tristan, Finn
- Year 6 - 6th: Jordan, Austin, Jayden, Jayda
- Year 7 - 1st: George, Caleb H, Abbie, Ruby
- Year 8 - 8th: Rhianna, Georgia, Ashlee H, Hollie

## Book Fair

Our Book Fair has got off to a roaring start. The theme is DINOSAURS! The Fair has hundreds of wonderful books to choose from and also includes stationery. It's like a 'Pop Up' book shop.

*Kind regards*

*Sue Simpson  
Principal*

We are running a competition alongside the Book Fair with winners announced at assembly on Friday.

Years 1 – 3: Colouring Competition.

Years 4 – 6: Drawing Competition.

Years 7 – 8: A short story from a dinosaur's perspective.

The Fair will be open before school from 8.30 – 9.00, lunchtimes and after school from 3.00 – 3.30.

## South Makirikiri School

Tomorrow we welcome South Makirikiri School for Interschool sport. Good luck everyone.

## Assembly

This week, Room 3 will host assembly, starting at 2.30pm. All welcome.

## Tournaments and EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom)

- Rooms 3 and 4 visiting 'Wet Pets' in Palmerston North.
- Room 7 visiting the Esplanade
- NW Netball Tournament (2 netball teams)
- Turners Tournament (year 5 – 6 netball and rugby)

FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR MARIE AND ISABELLA TO GO TO FUTURE DANCERS IN AUCKLAND

QUIZ NIGHT

**WHEN:** 30th of AUGUST, 2019 from 6pm - 9pm

**WHERE:** Ashhurst Village Valley Centre  
21 Guildford St. Ashhurst.

**WHAT:** Tickets \$10 Per Person  
Up to 8 People per table  
Please Pre book and pay via Rowena  
Entertainment between rounds  
Snacks and nibbles provided  
Bar with Alcohol and non alcohol available.  
No eftpos. Please bring cash

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