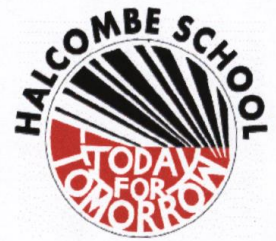


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Term 4 Week 2

20<sup>th</sup> October 2020

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

## Quiz Result

Thank you, thank you, thank you! Friday night was awesome!

We truly appreciate all the support given to the school including all of you who so kindly donated items for our raffle and goods for the auction, bought raffle tickets and paid way too much for auction items!

Thank you also to all the businesses which so generously donated goods.

Thank you to our amazing PTA who did such a wonderful job of running the bar and organising the supper on the night.

Thanks to the auction crew.

Thanks to the staff who were the markers and pitched in to help when needed.

Thanks to the Room 6 students who did an excellent job of setting up the hall.

**The total raised is more than \$10 500. Incredible!**

## Pet Day Thursday

**We are all looking forward to Pet Day on Thursday. Judging will start at 9am.**

**We have just under 100 pets coming!**

## Sausage Sizzle

**There will be a sausage sizzle on Pet Day. Sausages are \$2 each.**

**There is no need to pre-order, just bring your money on the day. Thanks PTA.**

If your pet is no longer coming to Pet Day, please let us know urgently!

## Country Kids Challenge

Following the Grand Parade on Thursday, we will have the Country Kids Challenge where the Totara Tornados, Kauri Kings, Matai MnMs and Rimu Runts will compete for the best Country Kids team.

They'll have bales of hay to stack, 'lambs' to dock, 'sheep' to drench and lots of practical activities to complete. Loads of fun.

## Cross Country – 27<sup>th</sup> October

This is a reminder that our Cross Country will be held next Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>. A couple of reminders:

- Please do not park in the areas indicated on the map or wherever there are cones/tape. We keep these areas clear for safety reasons.
- ALL children walk back to school TOGETHER so they can collect their bags. It is far too complicated to keep track of children leaving directly from the event.

Children need to have:

- shoes at school to walk over to the course.
- a named drink bottle
- warm sweatshirt or similar
- a sunhat
- shorts (long pants are unsuitable)

Details were in last week's newsletter. You can access this via our website [www.halcombe.school.nz](http://www.halcombe.school.nz)

### Start of year

The 2021 school year will start on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February. The following Monday will be a public holiday as Waitangi Day is 'Mondayised'.

### iPads for sale

We have 17 no-longer-needed older iPads. These all work and would run simple apps and searches. These will be sold for \$40 each on a first in first served basis. Please pay at the office. We have EFTPOS.

### Class Placements 2021

As always at this time of the year, we offer you a chance to let us know your thoughts about your children's class for next year. If you have any special requests about your child's placement for 2021, please send an email to [ssimpson@halcombe.school.nz](mailto:ssimpson@halcombe.school.nz) Please don't send emails to Paula. If there are friendship clashes, family matters or learning issues you would like us to take into consideration, please let me know by **6<sup>th</sup> November**. Requests after this date are unlikely to be met. While we cannot guarantee the class your child will be in if there is a split year group, we are here to listen. Please note that Room 8 will be ONLY year 8 students next year.

### Mathex Results

We are more than a little bit proud of our Mathex teams this year which competed in the Wanganui competition. Well done to our awesome mathematicians.

- Year 6: 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 25 teams: Charlie, Tristan, Eddie and Finn
- Year 7: 1<sup>st</sup> out of 22 teams: Austin, Jordan, Lily and Jayda
- Year 8: 1<sup>st</sup> out of 29 teams: George, Holly, Abbie and Caleb H

### Roll

Yesterday we reached a milestone when we enrolled child number 200. We are expecting 2 more students before the end of the year. Next year's roll is chock-a-block!

### Trampolines

You will have seen on Facebook that we have 2 new awesome trampolines at school. Lucky kids! We have a few rules in place which apply to out of school use by the public as well.

- ONE person at a time
- Barefeet only
- No sharp items
- Do not go underneath the trampolines
- Hair must be tied back
- Use the steps

If it's your day, you can also use the trampolines before and after school.

- Monday: Room 8
- Tuesday: Room 7
- Wednesday: Room 6 and Room 1
- Thursday: Room 5 and Room 2
- Friday: Room 4 and Room 3

### Sunhats

These are now compulsory. Thank you for your support.

### Wanted

We still need more clean ice-cream containers please. Just send them to the office thank you.

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*Sue Simpson  
Principal*