

# Halcombe School



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Term 3 Week 2

3<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

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

Kia Ora Tatou,

What a difference a weekend makes - great weather and happy people! I was out at Sixtus Lodge with friends and it was superb! After a successful possum hunt, we were walking back to the lodge and stopped to look up. We stared for about 45mins in wonder at the stars. They were truly amazing - bright and detailed. One of our crew had a star-app and pointed out Saturn. Looking through the binoculars we had Saturn and its moons were awe-inspiring. What an incredible creation we have.

What has this got to do with school? Well, I truly believe that good learning takes into account a strong connection to the world we live in - that's why we have contexts like 'The beach' or 'Solar System'. We relate learning to real situations - in Maths, Science etc. The other thing we should be mindful of is to stop and allow ourselves to be inspired, to have a sense of awe & wonderment of what we see, experience and read.

Katie told me today that all horses have the same birthday - August 1st. Mind Blowing when you think about it. What on earth is that about? Why? She couldn't tell me - yet...

Out of awe and wonderment come questions. Good questions that we can think about and learn from. Schools should be places where we not just learn facts and figures, but are encouraged to stop and think about them.

Why not talk to your children tonight about times you have stopped and thought, and the good things that have come out of that. Have a great week,

Alastair & the H Team.

### **Book Fair**

Next Monday our Book Fair begins! The theme is Reading Oasis: A Cool Place to Discover Hot Books!

There will be an amazing range of wonderful books for you to choose from. Books are suitable for all ages and interests. The Fair also includes stationery, and is like a 'Pop Up' book shop. All monies raised goes towards our library.

The Fair will be open before school from 8.30 – 9.00, lunchtimes and after school from 3.00 – 3.30. A flyer is being sent home today with everyone.

### **End of Year Camps**

Many notices about the senior camps for Term Four went home yesterday. Please make sure you have read over these camp notices carefully to know what is going on and be prepared. What exciting adventures await our students.

### **Assembly**

We continue whole-school assemblies for the term, and this week Room 6 will host assembly. We start at 2.30pm on Friday in the hall. All are welcome to come and celebrate. Come early to get a park!



### **Pics around the school:**

We have a tree-climbing height limit for a reason. Lachie got this one down eventually!

Practice for winter sports happens every break time.



**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Taylor & Hutt Stall**

For sales Lemons \$1 bag, pinecones \$5 bag and walnuts \$2 bag. 210 Mt Biggs Road 027 555 2868.

**HALCOMBE VOLUNTEER  
FIRE BRIGADE**

**Honours Night  
and  
Service Recognition**

**7th August 2021**

**Halcombe  
Memorial Hall**

**7pm**

PURCHASE TICKETS FROM THE HALCOMBE  
TAVERN OR A BRIGADE MEMBER

LIMITED TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE

**CASH BAR ONLY**  
**NO EFTPOS AVAILABLE**



**TICKET  
PRICES**

**\$10.00  
per ticket**

**ALL WELCOME!  
SUPPER PROVIDED**

**QUESTIONS?  
CONTACT A BRIGADE  
MEMBER**

The HUB Church  
Jesus in community

COMMITTED TO THE  
FEILDING COMMUNITY

LifePoint  
church

**Sunday  
Funday**  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August  
10.30am - 12.30pm

FEILDING CIVIC CENTRE, 84 RAMBARI ST. FEILDING

Bring a little love, bring a lot of joy, games and fun for all.  
Please bring your own hot/cold drinks for yourself & your family.

It's for a good reason too... for children's wellbeing. Children please bring an adult with you.

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**Ngā Tau Miharo Parenting Programme** **The Incredible Years®**

Incredible Years is a **14 week** programme for parents who have a child between **3 to under 8 years old** and find some of their child's behaviour a real challenge. Parents gain confidence and start to enjoy parenting, grow a positive relationship with their child while in an understanding and relaxed group!

Learn effective strategies to support your child in:

- Strengthening social skills, self-control & problem solving skills
- Gaining emotional awareness, self-esteem & confidence
- School successes e.g. reading & social readiness
- Decreasing challenging behaviours

**Date: Morning and Evening groups starting in Palmerston North in August**

Contact Parentline for  
more information  
and/or to register on  
0800 432 6459

