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Term 3 Week 9

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Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Kia Ora Tatou,

What a difference a pandemic makes! Time is flying by and we are hard at work trying to make sure that we get our student's learning back on track. Again, we want to thank our parents and community for the way they kept things real during lockdown and were really good at communicating with us. The week back last week was tiring for the kids and they had to show a great deal of perseverance.

Last week I had the privilege of visiting some Hawke's Bay schools. When I do that I am always observing and thinking about our own school - how can we do better? What opportunities are there out for our pupils? I am pleased to be able to say that our learning and teaching standards are amongst the best around. Our facilities are also right up there. Our students are very fortunate to have the skill and support from our heir parents and their teachers. What a great place Halcombe School is!

Last month the Board got very detailed information on how well our pupils are doing in reading, writing and mathematics. I will be sharing some of this with you in next week's newsletter. Suffice to say that our pupils achieve and develop very highly here over their time in our school.

Kia kaha Halcombe School!
Alastair & the 'H' Team.

Parents in school at Level Two:

It is good to have our parents back in school BUT please remember the protocols you need to follow:

School Grounds:

- You **scan in** using the QRs on the gates (or register at the office),
- You **wear a mask within the school including** , and
- You **practise social distancing from other adults.**
- Please phone or email for teacher specific questions still.

Assembly: We would like to welcome back our adults to assembly too. Please feel free to come in and join in the sharing and celebration. You will need to sit at the back of the Hall in the spread-out seating provided. Please ensure you have scanned in, are wearing a mask, and observe social distancing.

Daffodil Day

We had an awesome day last Friday! Thank you so much to those who were able to bring along a gold coin. Between us we managed to raise \$443, which has been donated to the Manawatu Cancer Society. Check out the video of all the students in their yellow outfits on Facebook.

Sports Uniforms

All sports uniforms should now have been returned. If you find a school top at home, please return it immediately.

Drink Bottles Please

Under Level restrictions we have covered up the drinking fountains. We ask that each child brings their own drink bottle, filled, to have during the day. Please ensure your child has a drink bottle so they can hydrate easily.

Main Car Parking

Just a reminder about the school mobility park in the top parking area: This is only for those people who need it for any mobility issues - not a general park for anyone. Please let this remain free for those who really need it.

Calves at Pet Day

Children who have indicated that they might bring a calf to Pet Day, will be given information to help with preparation and safety around M. Bovis.

Community News



**PET LAMB
vaccination week 21-24 September**



Totally Vets Feilding is offering a vaccination and docking service for your pet lambs

This service includes rings on tails/testicles, local, and a shot of lamb vaccine for \$10 per lamb.

**BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED
CALL 06 323 6161 TO BOOK**

The promotional period runs from 21 to 24 September only.
Outside of the promotional period the service will be \$15.

Enrolment Scheme – Kiwitea School

As you may be aware, the Kiwitea School Board have been working collaboratively with the Ministry of Education to develop an enrolment scheme. As part of the process, the Ministry are asking for public submissions on the proposed scheme via the Ministry of Education website link below. All submissions are confidential and will be considered as part of the final report. Submissions close on 23 August. Thank you for your help

<https://consultation.education.govt.nz/education/kiwitea-school-enrolment-scheme-consultation-2021>

HALCOMBE SCHOOL PET DAY 2021 – THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER

Entries for ALL pet competitions are being taken now. Entries close on **Wednesday 29th September**.

Calf & Pet Competition:

- Senior Students: Years 5 - 8
- Junior Students: Years 0 – 4

Lamb Competition:

- Senior Students: Years 5 – 8
- Intermediate Students: Years 3 – 4
- Junior Students: Years 0 – 2

Dog Competition:

- Seniors Students Only: Years 5 – 8

Goat Kids:

- All year levels.

CALF COMPETITION

Calving Dates: Born between 1st July and 15th September. Records/Diaries are optional. The Calf competitions is in three classes:

- (a) Dairy Type or Beef Type
- (b) Care and Attention
- (c) Leading

LAMB COMPETITION

Lambing Dates: Born between 1st July and 15th September. Records / Dairies are optional. There will be two classes:

- (a) Care and Attention
- (b) Leading & Calling

GOAT KID COMPETITION

This season young. Judging for: care and attention, excellent knowledge of goat kid; involvement with goat kid on a regular basis.

DOG COMPETITION (SENIOR STUDENTS ONLY)

Judging for: care and attention; excellent knowledge of dog; involvement with dog on a regular basis; good control of dog; obedience; leading skills. Dogs must remain on their lead and be supervised at all times.

PET COMPETITION

This should be the child's pet - not grandad's, your brother's or the neighbours! All kinds of animals are welcome.

Judging for: care and attention, excellent knowledge of pet; involvement with pet on a regular basis. Please provide suitable cages and/or leads for pets. Horses and ponies are to be led, not ridden. Pets must be supervised at all times.

(NO dogs please)

HALCOMBE SCHOOL PET DAY ENTRY FORM 2021 – for lambs, calves, goat kids, dogs or other pets

	Year Level	Student's Name	Pet's Name
JUNIOR LAMB	0 – 2		
INTERMEDIATE LAMB	3 – 4		
SENIOR LAMB	5 – 8		
JUNIOR CALF	0 – 4		Beef OR Dairy
SENIOR CALF	5 – 8		Beef Or Dairy
GOAT KIDS	0 – 8		
SENIOR DOGS	5 – 8		
JUNIOR PETS (NO dogs)	0 – 4		Pet's Name: Type of animal:
SENIOR PETS (NO dogs)	5 – 8		Pet's Name: Type of animal:

Please enclose \$3 per entry.

Parent/Caregivers Signature: _____