

Halcombe School



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Term 4 Week 7

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Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Kia Ora Tatou

With the ending of class camps, we now have a couple of junior-school trips this week: Whanganui and the Honey Farm. These trips, as well as providing some fun activities to do as a group, provide a nice link to the classrooms too - local places & history, and science. This is all part of a broad and interconnected curriculum that our pupils are able to experience as part of our Education Outside the Classroom programme (EOTC).

EOTC has and continues to be a very special part of the Halcombe School curriculum, providing experiences and development that a fully classroom programme cannot. We try hard to bring learning into the real world. Not many children will remember page 57 of the Nautical Almanac, but they will remember the time they experienced something new or special or exciting or challenging. Thanks once again to the teachers and parents who organise and help on these trips - we could not do it without you!

Have a great week.
Alastair & the 'H' Team.

COVID Updates

Parent Immunisation Register

Many thanks to parents who have been open with us and provided Vaccine Passport Information. We hold this securely here at school. From next year, any parents wishing to coach, provide transport, come on camp will need to show evidence of their COVID Immunisation status, using the COVID Passport. This is different to the Immunisation record (the purple card). Parents who normally help in these ways will be approached this side of Christmas about early next year events. This will help with 2022 planning.

Student Immunisation Register

All schools have been asked to add to their Immunisation Register the current status of COVID immunisation for students aged 12 and up. This is held securely here at school and requires a parent to tell us whether their child is immunised or not for this virus. This is the same as for all other immunisations. Parents of pupils aged 12+ this year have already been contacted. Please get this information into Paula as soon as you can. It is appreciated when your child has this vaccine that you let us know. This will keep records up to date in case of an outbreak.

Stanway Bus Update

Thanks to those who were able to come yesterday afternoon to hear and question the operator changes to this bus. For those who were not there we have a letter and conveyance form for you to fill out coming home today. We need these back to the office by THIS Friday. We will send the applications in together. Please remember to have the bank account slip with your family's application.

Social Media Use

Just a friendly reminder - did you check your child's devices last week? If not, please do. The follow-up conversation will be important.

Swimming Pool News

We have opened the pool during school time. If you would like your child to swim during lunchtimes or afternoons during the hot weather, please send them along with their togs and towel (named please). The pool will be open for the community from 11th January 2022. Keys will be \$40 with a \$10 refund on the return of the key. Keys will be available to purchase from next Monday 6th December. **If keys are not purchased before the end of the year, they will not then be available again until 31st January 2022.**

Prizegiving - Rooms 1-7

- Monday 13 December, 1pm at school.
- No parents sorry, but we are working on a live-streaming option for you to watch at a distance.

Prizegiving - Room 8

- Tuesday 14 December, 7pm at school. Two adults per student are allowed to attend. See a note in KIT Books for more detail.

HALCOMBE SCHOOL
DISCO
FRIDAY 3 DECEMBER

JUNIOR DISCO: 5.30-6.45PM
R1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

SENIOR DISCO: 7-8.30PM
R6, 7 & 8

HALCOMBE SCHOOL HALL

TICKETS: \$5 -
ON SALE NOW!

This includes lollies and a fizzy drink.
There is nothing to buy at
the disco this time.

Pick Up/Drop Off:
parents, please wear masks and socially
distance yourselves outside the hall while
you're waiting for your kids