

TEACHER'S ONLY DAY - THIS FRIDAY - SCHOOL IS CLOSED

Kia Ora Tatou,

After last week's COVID announcements I am wondering if there is finally some light at the end of the tunnel? Or could it be a train coming the other way?

The new COVID rules that came into effect last Friday, will make a difference to us and to you, in the way we can now interact more frequently and be involved in the life of the school once again. As well as increased numbers we can have at events, there is now no need to scan in here, so the signs have gone down.

You are finally, for the first time this year, able to come in and see our teachers in more 'normal' ways. This is something which we are grateful for, as having relationships with our parents, and the ability to have conversations about children and activities is something our teachers and I see as vital. Please see the note later on about 3WC.

This is also a good reminder that we have a clear procedure on communicating and sharing concerns that you may have from time to time:

- Always see the classroom teacher in the first instance. They know your child well and most parents queries need their input for explanation and detail;
- If you're not satisfied with the outcome of this meeting, see the Team Leader. Both Margot (Juniors) and Di (Seniors), can be contacted and a time made to meet;
- If you still have concerns following this, make a time to see the Principal to discuss the issue further;
- If you still receive no satisfactory outcome, you can contact the Board of Trustees Chair. Contact details will be given to you.

We are fortunate at Halcombe School, that we have very approachable teachers, and reasonable parents, who communicate openly and frequently. As we get back to 'normal' we look forward to seeing you more in person more often.

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

Board of Trustees Meeting: Tomorrow

This Wednesday night we have our second meeting of the term to go over school governance matters. This is part of our normal cycle. Anyone in our community is welcome to come to our meetings and hear what goes on. If you are interested in standing for the Board at our next elections then you may like to come along and see how it all works. Normally we meet from 7pm, but because our BOT is visiting some local schools tomorrow, we are starting a little earlier at 6.30pm.

3WC Catch Ups

If you would like to meet with your child's teacher, now is the time to organise this. Just write a note in the KIT Book, and our teachers will be in touch to arrange a time. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss any aspect of what's happening at school for your child, we encourage you to let us know.

Athletics Sports - next Friday 8 April

We have a full morning of events planned for our athletics sports being held next Friday 8 April - check out the timetable for what's happening and when. We warmly welcome all parents and whānau to come along and watch. Please wear your masks.

HALCOMBE SCHOOL ATHLETICS SPORTS							
	Room 1 & 2	Room 3	Room 4	Room 5	Room 6	Room 7	Room 8
9.10-9.25	shot put	tug of war	discus	fun games	hurdles	long jump	high jump
9.25-9.40	high jump	shot put	tug of war	discus	fun games	hurdles	long jump
9.40-9.55	long jump	high jump	shot put	tug of war	discus	fun games	hurdles
9.55-10.10	hurdles	long jump	high jump	shot put	tug of war	discus	fun games
10.10-10.25	fun games	hurdles	long jump	high jump	shot put	tug of war	discus
10.25-10.40	discus	fun games	hurdles	long jump	high jump	shot put	tug of war
10.40-10.55	tug of war	discus	fun games	hurdles	long jump	high jump	shot put
10.55-11.15	BREAK						
11.15-12.45pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • final of the 100m - Athletics Champs • sprint races x2 for all students • final of the 400m • house chants • house relays • presentation of athletics trophies and 400m cups 						

Congratulations Sophie!

Not only did Sophie break our school long jump record last week, but she placed 2nd in the New Zealand School Triathlon Champs held in New Plymouth over the weekend. Two awesome achievements in one week - well done Sophie!



On Board Skateboarding

We are excited to bring a new opportunity to the legendary students of Halcombe School! Next term, the students in Rooms 3-8 will have four 45 minute skateboarding lessons, with the crew from OnBoard Skateboarding. These sessions will be spread over four weeks, starting in Week 1. All gear is supplied (including knee/elbow pads and helmets), though the students must wear covered shoes. This is compulsory. Safety first! The total cost per student is \$16 and we are asking families to contribute \$5 per student towards this. The school will cover the rest. Please make this payment to the school office.



Feilding Junior Hockey 2022



Term 2, Skills and Drills

6 weeks 5:00 - 6:00 pm

Who: 5-12 year-olds

Where: FAHS Turf, Churcher Street

When: Mondays - starting 9th May 22

Cost: \$40 per player

Sign up: Feilding Hockey Sporty page

www.sporty.co.nz/fhc/junior

Or go to the Feilding Junior Facebook page.

Bring shin pads and mouthguard and a smile.

Sticks provided for those who don't have them.

Contact us: feildingjuniorhockey@gmail.com

Followed by:

Term 3, 6 a side competition games

Who: Years 3/4 and 5/6

(maybe Years 1/2 if volunteers come forward)

Cost: \$10 per player

Sign up: through your school or us if your school isn't forming teams.