

Kia Ora Tatou!

This week is our bi-annual Book Fair! Our students succeed in reading overall (with 95% of our students being able to read very well). One of the reasons for this is that homes have books that our children can access, and they are read to from a young age every day. The Book Fair allows our families to purchase books to have at home for reasonable prices. Our last Book Fair raised a lot of money that went to our school library. Library visits are a weekly event for every child at Halcombe School, so we expect this Book Fair will help our library to continue to flourish.

And now we are into senior camps/mode! Good luck for all our camps and our thanks to our teachers for leading each of them. You're going to have HEAPS of fun! Here's what our kids are in for over the next month:

R5 - Sixtus Lodge - 3 nights

R6 - Sixtus Lodge - 3 nights

R7 - Napier - 4 nights

R8 - Turangi - 4 nights

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

Pet Day Results

It was great going ahead with Pet Day last week. Many thanks to all the parents and whānau for coming out in such good numbers. Despite the ground conditions it was the right decision to go ahead and the weather bore that out. As a principal one thing I learned quickly was, as much as is practicable, not to cancel or postpone events! Pet Day ended up being a great day full of good memories. Thanks everyone!

Board of Trustees Update

The Board met on the 19th of October in Room 8. It was great to have a glimpse into the learning environment of the senior school. There is a significant amount of work and resources on display. It is clear there are some very clever individuals and the creativity shown throughout the classroom is impressive. The following topics were discussed:

- The 2023 Lamb Fattening scheme has been another success. The scheme raised \$7807 dollars for the school and the Board wish to thank all involved.
- Approval has been given and design plans are underway for a new breakout area in the junior school. The property team (Rachel Lane and Scott Linklater) have been working tirelessly, engaging with our teachers and stakeholders to design and create a fit for purpose space.
- Drainage has been completed on the rear field and this should address water issues in this area.
- An application has been made to the Ministry of Education to have a water filtration system installed to mitigate the issues encountered by the external water supply.
- The next BOT meeting is set down for the 27th November

Luke Shannon

Book Fair

Our Book Fair has begun! There is an amazing range of wonderful books to choose from, that are suitable for all ages and interests. The Fair also includes stationery, and is like a 'Pop Up' bookshop. Call in to the office to check out the selection: 8.30-9am and 3-3.30pm each day this week. EFTPOS is available.

School Photos

School photos will be taken next Monday 30 October. This year you can view and purchase photos online. All information is on the Photolife flyer that has been sent home today. Sibling photo requests are on the back of this flyer and must be returned to the office BEFORE photo day.

BLACK OUT

FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER

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SHOW YOUR SUPPORT
FOR THE ALL BLACKS!

RUGBY WORLD CUP FINALISTS!

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Certified Menopause Coach
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