

Halsey Drive School Newsletter

Term 2 Issue 6 : 8 May 2019

A very warm welcome back to Term 2,
and a special welcome to our new
students and parents/caregivers.
We trust you all had a safe, enjoyable and
relaxing holiday break.

2019 Term Dates

Term 2: 29 April - 5 July
(Queens Birthday - Monday 3 June)
Term 3: 22 July - 27 September
Term 4: 14 October - 20 December

Calendar of Events Term 2



14 May: Year 0&1 Motat trip
15 May: Year 2 Motat trip
16 May: **CoLference - school closed at 1.30 pm**
20 May: BOT meeting
21-24 May: Year 6 camp
21 May: Orienteering zones
3 June: Queen's Birthday (school closed)
5 June: Wacky Wednesday dress up
18 June: Hockey zones
24 June: BOT meeting
28 June: Mid Year Reports
3 & 4 July: 3 way conferences from 2pm.
School closed at 1:45pm for conferences

2019 Assembly Dates Term 2

Friday 10 May: Room 7
Friday 24 May: Room 9
Friday 7 June: Room 11
Friday 21 June: Room 22
Friday 5 July: Room 23

Out of Zone Ballot

Please see our school website for further
information and the application pack.

<http://www.halseydrive.school.nz>

CoLference - Thursday 16 May 2019 SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30 PM

Dear Parents & Caregivers

As you know we are one of nine schools in the
Lynfield Kahui Ako (Lynfield College,
Waikowhai Intermediate, Marshall Laing,
Blockhouse Bay Intermediate, Blockhouse Bay
School, Chaucer, Hay Park and Glenavon).

On Thursday 16 May a conference has been
organised for **ALL** teachers across these
schools. It will focus on the new digital
technology curriculum which comes into place
in 2020. **All schools will close at 1.30 pm.**

We realise this is awkward timing with the Paid
Union meetings and possible strike action so
we thank you for your understanding, this is an
important event for our teachers and we
appreciate your support.

SKids will be onsite at 1.30 pm.

Kind regards,
Cheryl Davies-Crook
Principal

PhotoLife



School photos were taken on Monday (6 May).
Every child has been photographed individually as
well as in their class group.
When photos are ready students will bring home
their own unique shoot key and photos can be
viewed and purchased online. If you do not have
access to the internet, order envelopes will be held
in the office.

Lost Swimming Togs

If your child lost some swimming togs last term
we have a number of togs at the school office.
Please claim these before the end of the week.
Any left over togs will be recycled.



School Board of Trustee Elections 2019

Canterbury Education Services (CES) are providing BOT election services for your school in the forthcoming BOT elections.

In May nominations will be called to become members of the Board of Trustees. Key dates are as follows:

By Friday 10th May	Nomination forms will be posted to all persons on the School's caregiver roll.
Friday 24th May	NOMINATIONS CLOSE - 24th May at noon. An election will then be held if the number of nominations exceed vacancies. For your school the number of parent vacancies is FIVE.
Wednesday 29th May	Voting papers will be sent by post to all on the school caregiver roll.
Friday 7th June	Voting closes at 12 noon.
Thursday 13th June	Votes are counted, and your school advised of the results.
Friday 14th June	NEW BOARD TAKES OFFICE

CES has provided this service to many schools throughout New Zealand. Once again we look forward to working with your school.

Kind Regards,
Wayne Jamieson
Canterbury Education Services

BOARD ELECTIONS

With the upcoming board elections it is prudent to mention the uncertain times ahead for boards with the Tomorrow's Schools review. One of the recommendations is the dissolution of board's rights and responsibilities. This is presumed to take place over the next three years. From my point of view I find this to be a backward step in education. Working with a board has meant huge support for me as a principal and it is a privilege to work with such professional people. We are able to make decisions affecting our children and act on them quickly. The proposed Learning Hubs and bureaucracy will slow everything down. If you are thinking about standing for the board it is advisable to keep in mind that the role is highly likely to change. I for one, am very concerned about the impact this will have on all schools, not just our own. I fully support Boards of Trustees and the work they do and our board members are amazing.

HALSEY DRIVE WRITING WALL OF FAME

Memories

Memories of fun and fishing take me back to the ocean. Hearing the sounds of the calm waves always reminds me of swimming at the beach. Listening to laughter reminds me of happiness there. I reminisce about how I lay down and watched whales and dolphins jumping in the water. It felt peaceful as I tried fishing from the rocks. The ocean has and always will have a special place in my heart.

Written by Mikayla

At the Beach

The distinct smell of sea salt lingered in the chilly air as the trees forced by the wind, waved their leafless branches in unison. I sprinted down the golden beach and felt the sand squish between my toes. Bracing myself for the possibly cold waters I plunged in. "Eek," I shrieked as the cold water lapped around me. "Come on" I yelled to my sister who was nervously prodding the water. From inside the water I couldn't hear much except the wind which insisted on howling at my face and the seagulls. Gently covering my numb face to stop the wind from crashing into it I tried to slip into my imaginary world... It didn't work. Stomping up the sand strip of beach, I plonked myself under a tree. Moments later I somehow drifted off to a world with silver gates. Emblazoned on the iron gates read; 'Memories at the beach'. When was that? I asked myself, a bit amused. The memory that was playing in my brain was me chucking water at my sister.

Written by JinJia

This ratty tatty cat has green, shimmery eyes and his claws are as sharp as a knife. Coco zooms to the smelly rubbish bin and gobbles pieces of scrap food. His whiskers are white and thin. His fur is fluffy and grey and his tail is long like a stick.

Written by Aanya

This boisterous cat is scruffy. He has shiny, green eyes and he has a long tail. Coco is wild! His sharp claws are as sharp as a needle and his ears are pink. His ears are sharp and he is black.

Written by Abigail

This ratty tatty cat has curly, thin whiskers. He has black, scruffy fur and pointy ears. His green, dazzling eyes shine in the moonlight and his claws are as sharp as a knife. As he raids through the garbage he slices through debris.

Written by Yohaam

My Taonga

A droopy cared for creature, coloured black and white. Whenever I am upset, it brings a flutter of joy to my heart. It is one of a kind and nothing can replace it. It always sniffs up and down making it's intricate whiskers wiggle. Loyal but defensive when animals enter its territory, thumping loudly. It has an unordinary way of communicating but is still loving and affectionate. A gift with the best future. A pet, a friend, a companion, a taonga.

Written by Justine

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Lynfield Community Church Hall,
35 The Avenue

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