

Halcombe School



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Term 1 Week 10

3rd April 2013

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Teacher Only Day

Next Monday 8th April is a Teacher-Only Day. Teachers will be attending the Learning@School ICT Conference in Palmerston North.

Celebration of Learning

We will share our learning for the term with you all on Wednesday 17th April (last Wednesday of the term) in the school hall. The evening will start at 6pm and be finished before 7.30pm. We would like ALL children to attend. If your child is unable to attend, please let teachers know as soon as possible, as children are already practicing their items to share with you.

Trail Ride - marshals urgently needed

We still need 6 road marshals for our annual school trail bike ride on Sunday 14th April. This is not a difficult job and simply requires you to be in one location for approximately 2 hours while the riders pass your area. Your role ensures that areas are safe for the riders, and that vehicles approaching are aware that there is a ride occurring. Many of us even have time to read a few pages of our books while we are waiting for the riders to arrive! If you can help, please ring Anne Langtry 328 8177.

Thank you for all the offers of muffins! These can be brought to school later next week. Please use a disposable container. No paper muffin cases required.

Touch

Our touch teams played their final games last week. It has been awesome to see the skill level of the players really improve, and some brilliant team tries were scored by all teams. Thank you so much to our coaches, Ali Skelton, Megan Brett, Peter Te Whatu, Sarah Tunnicliffe and Chris Ricketts.



Student Council Fun Day

Next Friday 12th April the Student Council is hosting a Fun Day at school. Students are invited to bring along their 'wheels' (scooters, ripsticks, skateboards, and skates are okay, but no bikes, please). We have lots of wheelie fun activities planned! Helmets are recommended. We are selling spiders for lunch too (limit - 1 per person) - students will be able to order their spider at the Office before school next week for \$1.50. Bags of lollies will also be on sale for \$1 on the day (limit - 1 per person). The wheels images (*above*) were created by one of our Year 8 students, Tyler Jefferies.

Senior Team Marae Sleepover

The 3 senior classes are having a sleepover at Taumata O Te Ra tomorrow night. Please refer to the gear list and other details on the notices already sent home.

Rippa Rugby

We will be hosting several members of the Manawatu Turbos Rugby Team on Friday. They are coming in to run some Rippa Rugby sessions with each of the Senior Team classes. It should be a lot of fun! Good luck to the two teams which are representing our school in the Interschool Rippa Rugby Tournament next Tuesday.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board meets tonight at 7pm in the staffroom. You are welcome to attend to observe Board process.

Repeat Notices

- Tickets for the 'Kids for Kids' concert on **Monday 20th May**, are on sale now. Follow the link: <http://www.kidsforkids.org.nz/index.php/dates-and-locations>
- Vision Hearing Technicians will visit on Tuesday 9th April for routine testing of Year 7 students and any students that have missed earlier tests or need re-testing.
- School will close at 1.00pm on the last day of term - Friday 19th April. Buses will run at 1.00pm.

Kind regards

Sue Simpson
Principal

Halcombe School Board of Trustees Election 2013

The School Trustee Elections are coming up soon. Trustees share their skills and their experiences to help shape a positive future for our children. Please see the attached leaflet on the role of school trustees and how you can make a difference to our school.

The Electoral Roll is currently being prepared. All parents, caregivers and/or guardians of students at Halcombe School will be on the Roll and will be able to nominate candidates and vote in the election. The roll will be available for inspection at the Office from today 3rd April 2013. Nominations for candidates will be called from 15th April (week 12) and will close on Thursday 16th May (week 2, Term 2). Nomination forms will be posted to everyone on the Electoral Roll, or they can be collected from the Office. For more information about the election or any aspect of trusteeship, please contact the Office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Find out what the Manawatu District Council has planned for the District in the coming year.

Come along to a meeting at the Halcombe Memorial Hall Monday 8 April 7:30pm where your Liaison Councillor, Tony Jensen, will explain the key points around the 2013/14 Annual Plan.

Kittens!

Four cute, adorable 9 week old kittens need homes. All boys! All weaned, toilet-trained and used to dogs. Please contact Jeannette Henderson 328 8647 for more details.

Civic Badminton Club

Civic Badminton Club has resumed for the new season. Every Wednesday at 6-9pm Civic Centre, Feilding. All are welcome. Coaching and racquets are available for use. Contact Christine 06 323 9193, 027 231 9194, or canned@xtra.co.nz

Te Manawa School Holiday Programme 22 April - 3 May

An exciting range of fun, hands-on activities for children aged 6-12 years. Themes are linked to our Body in Action exhibition, and include *Down the Hatch* and *Blood & Gore Galore ...* Sessions: morning (9am - noon) and afternoon (1 - 4pm). Cost is only \$18 per session. Booking essential for all programmes. For more information visit www.temanawa.co.nz To book ring (06) 355 5000.