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Term 2 Week 4

28th May 2013

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Board of Trustees - School Trustees Election

Many votes have already been received and it is very encouraging to see the level of interest in the Board Election. Voting in the Election closes this Thursday 30th May 2013 at NOON. All votes must be received by then. Please post or deliver your vote to the school Office ASAP! Postal votes must be postmarked no later than 5pm Wednesday to be accepted.

The results of the Election will be announced on Wednesday 5th June 2013.



Student Council Event

A reminder that Thursday is PJ and Pie Day. Wear your pyjamas to school, and buy a pie for your lunch! We are ready for a whole lot of fun. Pies are \$2 and can be ordered from the Office before school. We've kept it really simple - all the pies are mince!

Basic Facts: A few more tips

A couple of sheets are included with this newsletter which you can use at home to help with multiplication. Don't forget all the addition, subtraction and especially division facts, though!

- Make 'flash cards'. When children know the 'fact', put it in the 'GOT IT' pile
- Play lots of different board games and card games. Turn off the TV.
- Make the learning fun. A short session lots of times, is far better than a long session once in a while.
- Ask questions in stories: "If there are 3 people in each car and there's 4 cars, how many people altogether?" Use stories as well as " $3 \times 4 = 12$ ".
- Learn some of the tricks for learning 9 x tables. If you add the digits in each answer, it will always add to 9, for example $9 \times 6 = 54$ ($5 + 4 = 9$) or $9 \times 3 = 27$ ($2 + 7 = 9$). The children will also learn other 'tricks' for learning and checking their 9 x tables.
- Put up a basic facts poster, or make one to use as a place mat at the table. It doesn't matter if children have to refer to the chart at the beginning.
- Make up chanting rhymes for the hardest facts, for example "Eight eights are 64, we all love Richie McCaw!" or "Seven nines are 63, I'm a monkey, I live in a tree!"

A reminder that in week 8 this term all the children in years 4 - 8 will be retested on all their basic facts.

Wool fadges

If anyone has a spare fadge or 2 at home, please send them along. We use these to recycle our rubbish. None with big holes, please!

Rubbish dumped at school!

Someone has dumped their home rubbish into our recycling area! If you see anyone dumping rubbish around the school, please let us know.

Chocolate fundraiser

Our fundraiser is going really well - nearly 3000 chocolate bars have gone out into the community already! There is still time to order chocolate - please use the order form below. This fundraiser will run until week 9 this term, but if you have finished selling chocolates already, please return your money to the Office now. Unsold chocolate can also be returned - we will pass it on to others to sell. Any returned chocolate must be in good condition - no broken bars or damaged packaging, please.

Repeat Notices

- School charges and tech fees are due
- Sheep manure approx. 15kg for \$8
- Book Club orders close this week.
- Collect Yummy stickers & bag labels!
- Queen's Birthday holiday on Monday.

Kind regards

Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Halcombe Combined Sports Grounds Committee - Extra Special Meeting

To discuss a proposal of amalgamation with the Halcombe Community Development Group. Venue: Supper Room, Halcombe Memorial Hall, Wednesday 12th June at 7.30pm Everyone welcome.

Farm dog pups for sale

Huntaway/heading dog pups. 9 week-old males. Fully vet-checked, wormed and vaccinated. \$50 each. Please phone Alison 328 8768.

Rural Rubbish Collection - Queen's Birthday

The refuse collection will be as per normal. Therefore Monday's (Queen's Birthday) rural Manawatu District refuse collection will be on Monday 3rd of June. Please note: The collection will likely arrive a little earlier than normal.

Shirley Wall Academy of Dance - Learn to Dance

Five week courses learning Latin American, Rock N Roll and Rhythm commence soon. Junior ballroom & Latin (10 to 12 yrs); Mon 10 June - 4.45 to 5.30pm. Pre-junior ballroom & Latin (6 to 9 yrs); Mon 10 June - 4.00 to 4.40pm. 5 WEEK COURSE - \$40. Course fees include a Social Dance held at the end of the course. Studio: Shirley Wall Academy of Dance, 3rd Floor, Regent on Broadway, Palmerston North. Bookings: Please contact Shirley - 06 355 2099 or sle-wall@ihug.co.nz

CHOCOLATE BARS FUNDRAISER - TERM 2, 2013- ORDER FORM

I give permission for my child/children to sell chocolates as a school fundraiser. All money received will be returned to the school. Any unsold bars will be returned to the school in PERFECT condition.

SIGNED: _____

(parent/caregiver)

The initial allocation is limited to 48 bars per student. Students can get extra bars once they have sold and returned the money from their first allocation (*Bars sell for \$2.50 each*).

Student: _____	Order:	Dairy Milk	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	12 <input type="checkbox"/>	24 <input type="checkbox"/>
		Caramello	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	12 <input type="checkbox"/>	24 <input type="checkbox"/>
Room: _____		Top Deck	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	12 <input type="checkbox"/>	24 <input type="checkbox"/>
		Crunchie	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	12 <input type="checkbox"/>	24 <input type="checkbox"/>
