

Halcombe School

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Term 2 Week 7

18th June 2013

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Chocolate Bar Fundraiser

It is time to sell those last few chocolate bars and get your money back to school! This fundraiser will end on Friday 5th July (end of week 9) – all money raised must be brought back to school by this date. Individual reminders will be sent home in KIT books later this week. Prize-winners will be announced during the last week of term. Well done to all those children in Rooms 5 and 6 who have taken this opportunity to raise funds for their camps. The profit from chocolates sold in other rooms will go directly to the classes. Last year teachers bought maths games, art equipment & books, and classes enjoyed a museum trip and the wonderful production by Tanya Batt, the story-teller.

Cybersafety and PTA Meeting

We would encourage you to come along to the evening about Cybersafety next Wednesday 26th June. This is an issue we all need to be concerned about. Increasingly, we hear about cyber-bullying & problems with social media sites like Facebook. Our children need support & guidance to use the internet safely and responsibly. The Cybersafety session begins at 7pm and will be followed by our PTA meeting.

Carpark

Please take care when driving out of the Hall carpark. You are driving out onto a public road which is used by several residents, who may drive straight past the carpark entrance. There has been the odd 'near miss', when people have driven out of the carpark without looking carefully enough for through-traffic.

North Street bus stop - parking problems

If you are parking in North Street to collect students from the Feilding bus, please use the allocated parks and do not double-park or block the bus's access to the bus stop. We have been made aware of problems at this stop, with the bus not being able to pull over safely when cars are left in the way. There are plenty of legal parking spaces down the street. Be aware that the police regularly monitor traffic along North Street at that time of the day.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The newly-elected Board will meet for their first meeting next Monday 24th June at 7pm in the staffroom. One of their first duties will be to confirm their Chairperson. You are welcome to attend Board meetings to observe Board process. If there are issues you would like the Board to discuss, please contact the Office as soon as possible.

e-Newsletters

If you are happy to receive your newsletters by email in future, please let us know. Our photocopying bill is thousands of dollars each year, so if we can email a newsletter to you rather than send a paper copy, that would be a saving. By next year, we are hoping that most people will receive their newsletters this way.

Dental Therapists

The dental therapists are due at Halcombe School from next week. Their "Rangitikei Rover" mobile dental unit will be at school until the end of term, and all students will have their regular checks. If you have particular issues or concerns, you can contact the dental therapists on 06 327 6016 or 0800 825 583, or leave a note for them at the Office.

3 Way Conferences

On Monday 8th July and Tuesday 9th July (the last week of this term) we will be having our 3 Way Conferences. These Conferences provide an opportunity to talk about how your child is getting on at school. Your children are involved in the process of reflecting on their learning and writing their reports, with teacher guidance and support. The reports will come home on Friday 5th July, with Conferences the following week. This will give you a chance to look through the report over that weekend and bring along any questions or comments to the Conference.

The booking sheet for conferences is attached and is due back at school as soon as possible. Please note that interviews are allocated on a first in-first served basis, and last year we had 70 returned on the first day! You can [e-mail](#) in the form, deliver it to the Office or fax to 06 328 8847.

- Please select as many times as you can. If you only tick a couple of times, you are not likely to get them!
- We will do our best to allocate consecutive interview times for families.
- We will confirm your conference times via KIT books.

Please note that **school will close at 12.15pm on Monday 8th July**. Only students waiting for conferences should stay at school - everyone else will go home. Buses will run at their usual times.

As always, if you have any questions about how your child is progressing at school at any stage, we encourage you to make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher.

Kind regards

Sue Simpson
Principal

Repeat Notices

- Basic Facts testing for years 4 - 8 - next week!
- Cybersafety evening 26th June at 7pm
- PTA Meeting 8pm 26th June
- Sheep manure approx. 15kg for \$8
- Collect Yummy stickers & bag labels!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mid-Winter Quiz - Feilding High Basketball Quiz Night

Do you love the challenge of a Quiz? Then come along for a great night of fun and food at the Feilding High Basketball Quiz night. Friday 12th July at 6.30pm at Feilding High School Hall; COST: \$10 per person (maximum 6 per team). For further information or for a registration form please contact Anne Langtry on 328 8177.

Gang Show 2013 at the Regent Theatre

Come and enjoy a special night of entertainment for all ages at Gang Show! Wednesday - Saturday 3 - 6 July 2013; evening and matinee performances. Gang Show is a revue show, produced and performed by members of the Scout and Girl Guiding movements. This is awesome entertainment, and "not to be missed". We look forward to seeing you there. Get your tickets from the Regent Theatre, or Ticket Direct.

Feilding Scout Group - Garage Sale

Saturday 20th July 7.30 am at Scout Hall, Manchester Street, Feilding. We are looking for donations of any saleable goods between now and 18th July. We are happy to collect or can arrange a location for you to drop your goods off. Please call Rose 3287010 021 215 8019 or Paul 3234240. Thank you for your support.

Babysitter Available!

Experienced baby-sitter available. Please phone Shenee 06 328 8842 or 027 388 3834.