

# Halcombe School



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Term 3 Week 6

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*Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers*

## Congratulations to the Ricketts Family

Warm congratulations to Chris, Liz and Ben on the safe arrival of baby Samuel last week, weighing in at 10lb 11oz. Everyone is doing well.

## 'Let Us Entertain You'

A reminder that children will be involved in a presentation evening, here at school, on the last Wednesday of term: 25<sup>th</sup> September, from 6.00pm-7.30pm. Each class is working hard on items to entertain you! If your child is unable to attend, please let class teachers know as soon as possible.

## Winter Warmers

Over the past 2 months, Rooms 1 - 5 have participated in a Feilding Library programme called 'Winter Warmers'. Each child was given a booklet in which to complete 10 book-related activities, such as redesigning new book covers, describing main characters, and writing book reviews. Once everyone in each class had completed 5 activities, Jennie Hogan, the Feilding Library Children's Librarian, gave the children their first incentive: a tattoo, mug and spoon. Children were very excited and eager to complete the rest of their booklet. Once all 10 activities were completed, Jennie returned with a wonderful book for every child who participated. Thank you very much, Feilding Library, for encouraging children to explore books, and for the amazing prizes each child received!

## Goodies For Sale

There are still a few goodies for sale. You can buy these every day before school, from the Office.

- lollies \$1
- chocolate \$2
- K bars .50c

## Juicies

Don't forget these are on sale for \$1 at lunchtimes on Wednesdays, starting tomorrow!

## South Makirikiri Interschool

Students involved in our winter sport exchange with South Makirikiri School had a fantastic day last Wednesday. Even though the weather conditions were slightly icky, the kids got stuck in and enjoyed their games. Thank you those who came to support the teams, to Angela Baker, Megan Brett, Alison Short and Jeanette Henderson, for their work in helping to prepare the afternoon tea, and to Sam Otter for umpiring the soccer match. Match reports and more photos on the [class blogs!](#)



### Netball

The netball season has now finished. We have had three teams entered in local competitions since the beginning of last term. The girls have had practices each Thursday after school, too. Well done to all players for their wonderful commitment and attitude they have shown throughout the season.

A huge "thank you" to Anne Langtry, Anne Humphrey and Di Simpson for coaching our teams; Jo Darling and Rachael McLaughlin, our assistant coaches, and all our referees and supporters. Bring on 2014!

### Yellow Day

Last Thursday was a very special day at Halcombe School. Once again, our students showed excellent spirit and a sense of fun as they dressed in yellow to celebrate Daffodil Day. The Student Council would like to thank everyone for their generous support. We have made a donation of \$300 to the Cancer Society. Check out the [class blogs](#) for more photos!



### Michelle Humphrey

Last Friday we farewelled Michelle Humphrey from our teaching staff. Michelle has been associated with the school for over 10 years, beginning as a first-year teacher in 2003 and finishing her full-time position as our Deputy Principal in 2010. She has been working part time for the last 3 years. Michelle has been a pleasure to have at our school. This year she has worked at all levels, from Year 1 to Year 8, and everyone will miss her bright, bubbly personality. Sincere thanks Michelle, for all you have contributed to Halcombe School. Michelle has a full-time position at Longburn School which started yesterday!

### Fridge Required

Our fridge in the hall kitchen has almost had it. If anyone has a second-hand fridge they no longer require, or know of an amazing deal, please let us know. A bench high fridge would be best.

### Reminders

5<sup>th</sup> September: Assembly 2.30pm

11<sup>th</sup> September: PTA Meeting 7pm staffroom

16<sup>th</sup> Sept: Board of Trustees meeting 7pm staffroom

25<sup>th</sup> September: 'Let Us Entertain You' evening at school. All children are involved.

27<sup>th</sup> September: End of term

Kind regards

Sue Simpson  
Principal

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Judge Becroft

Feilding Intermediate would like to invite you to share an evening with Judge Becroft. Focus: Keeping our children in school. Wednesday 4 September (TOMORROW evening) at 5.45 p.m. in the school hall. Come along and listen to Judge Becroft who is an inspiring speaker and is passionate about the youth of today. He is currently the Principal Youth Court Judge of New Zealand. Please phone the school office on 323 6528 to order your complimentary (free!) ticket.

### Makino Kindergarten \$10 Portrait Fundraiser

A professional 10 x 13 colour or black & white portrait of your family for just \$10! Book today for a photo session with Jack 'n' Jill Portraits Ltd at Makino Kindy on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2013. Spaces are limited, bookings essential - please phone Sarah 323 3853 for more information.

### GLEE CLUB in Feilding

Interested in joining the 'Glee Club' in Feilding - a singing and dancing group for 8 to 13 year olds? Information Evening and auditions on Friday 13 September 2013, 6.00pm, Feilding Civic Centre. For an application form or further information, please contact Lesley Chapman at the Feilding Civic Centre (06) 323-8306 or email [manager@feildingciviccentre.org.nz](mailto:manager@feildingciviccentre.org.nz)