

Halcombe School

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Term 3 Week 8

17th September 2013

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Furniture for Sale

We have a few pieces of furniture and odds and ends to sell (very cheaply!) which are no longer required by the school. These include a fridge, 20 small metal framed chairs (ex-Room 7), 4-drawer filing cabinet, teaching 'station', display units, foosball table, large doll's house with lots of furniture, sports trolley, tap dance shoes and ballet pointe shoes (both about size 4). This is all currently in the hall foyer. If you are interested in any of the items, please call in to the Office and make an offer. We'd love it to be all gone by next Wednesday.

Basic Facts

After the wonderful progress everyone made with our push to learn basic facts last term, we hope you are continuing to practice at home. The final testing for the year will be very early in November. It's especially important for those children in years 6 - 8 to keep learning and practicing if they have not achieved 95% in all 4 tests. Check in your KIT book for your scores!

'Let Us Entertain You'

A reminder that children will be involved in a presentation evening, here at school, next Wednesday 25th September, from 6.00pm-7.30pm. Each class is working hard on items to entertain you!

Term Dates 2014

At the Board of Trustees meeting last night, a change to the starting date for next year was approved.

Term dates will now be:

- Term 1: Monday 27th January - Thursday 17th April (18th is Good Friday)
- Term 2: Monday 5th May - Friday 4th July
- Term 3: Monday 21st July - Friday 26th September
- Term 4: Monday 13th October - Thursday 11th December 2014

Pet Day

We are going to have a sausage sizzle and muffin lunch at Pet Day next term, which is Monday 21st October, the second Monday of the term. We need about 20 dozen muffins. If you are able to help, perhaps you could make them in the holidays. We'll put a note in the first newsletter next term to confirm those who are able to help.

Terracotta pots wanted

Do you have any spare small- to medium-sized terracotta pots around your house that you no longer require? If you do, could you please donate these to Room 7 and the Green Team? Thank you.

New fridge

Thanks very much to the Munn family for the kind donation of a new fridge for the hall.

Afternoon Tea with Sue

A reminder that you are invited to an informal afternoon tea and chat in the staffroom on Friday this week at 2.15pm. This is an opportunity to ask questions and just have a chat or ask questions about whatever you would like to discuss!

Year 7 - 8 Technology

This is the final week for the Year 7 - 8 technology programme which has been running for the last 2 terms. Our sincere thanks to Gary Stoneley, Nicky Bowles and Cheryl Nevile for running such a fantastic and motivating programme. The children have had experience with hard materials (woodwork), food technology and they've made CO₂ cars. It's been a pleasure to have these teachers working at our school. Thank you.



Yummy Stickers due now

Please send in all your Yummy sticker collection sheets to the Office by FRIDAY this week.

Kind regards

Reminders

- 25th September: 'Let Us Entertain You' evening at school.
- 27th September: End of term at 3pm

Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Meet the Candidates - Local Body Elections

There will be a 'Meet the Candidates' evening tomorrow at 7:30pm at the Halcombe Memorial Hall. The evening will host Northern Manawatu Rural Ward candidates and also Horizons and DHB candidates.

Treasurer Position - Halcombe Playcentre

Halcombe Playcentre needs a new Treasurer to take over after their AGM in October. Are you able to help or do you know someone who could? The job includes keeping the books up-to-date, advising on finances and providing a monthly report, preparing an annual budget and doing a budget update halfway through the year. Training is given and we run a computerised system. If you can help please phone Lisa 324 0027