# Halcombe School

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Term 1 Week 2 4<sup>th</sup> February 2014

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

The children have returned to school with smiles and enthusiasm, all ready for the new year. A special welcome to new students to our school. We hope you enjoy your time at Halcombe School.

#### <u>Swimming</u>

What a wonderful start to the swimming season! We are so lucky to have pools here at school, so our children can swim every day. Thanks to Mr Martin for getting the pools ready during the holidays and maintaining them for us. They look fantastic.

## Parking in Bus Turning Bay

Please keep well clear of the bus turning area on Monteith Street at all times. This turning bay is only just big enough for the large bus to turn, which means that if someone parks here, the bus has to go up the road and turn elsewhere.

#### Crossing Monteith Street

If you are crossing the road in front of the school after school, please do so **ONLY** at the corner, where there is supervision each afternoon. We discourage people from crossing between, in front of, or behind the buses.

# Feilding Bus - Squash Club Parking

This is a reminder not to park in the parking spaces nearest the North Street intersection. This is where the bus pulls in. Please park on the other side of the Squash Club driveway.

#### Drama

This year, Heidi Jeynes will be taking a drama class at lunchtime, for older children. This will begin later this term. There will be no 'Tall Poppies' classes this year.

#### **Beach Education**

Today, all children will bring home a notice about Beach Education at Foxton Beach, which all children will be involved in during week 4. Please return the slip to the office asap.

## Keeping Ourselves Safe

The theme for the first part of this term is about 'Keeping Ourselves Safe'. Each class will look at different aspects of this theme, from dog, road and water safety, to cybersafety and border security.

# 'Getting to Know You' Camps

Rooms 4, 5 and 6 are having their 'Getting to Know You' camps next week. Children in Rooms 4 and 5 are sleeping in tents at school and enjoying 'Managing Themselves'. Room 6 will head to Sixtus Lodge to focus on leadership and relating to others. Teachers appreciate the opportunity of getting to know the children in a less formal setting and it is a great way to develop a positive class culture at the start of the year. Thank you very much to the parents who have offered to do baking for these camps.

#### Chooks

- Many thanks to Tammy and Jason Stanley who feed our chooks every weekend during the year. We
  really appreciate how responsible and reliable you are in doing this job.
- We'd like to say a big "thank you" also to Olivia Cobcroft, for looking after the chooks during the Christmas holidays. Thank you for taking such good care of them.

#### PTA 'Meet the Teacher' BBQ

The PTA would like to invite you to meet your children's teachers at the **Family BBQ**, next Wednesday 12th February, *from 5.30pm*. This is a great opportunity to come along and meet the teachers, other parents and their children.

Teachers will explain their class programmes for 2014 at the following times:

5.45 - 6.00pm Rooms 1 and 2 Mrs Turner and Miss McCartin 6.00 - 6.15pm Rooms 3 and 4 Miss Jeynes and Miss Campbell

6.15 - 6.30pm Rooms 5 and 6 and 7 Mr Ricketts, Miss Simpson and Mrs Lynch

- The PTA will provide the sausages / sauce / bread and salads.
- Please bring plates and cutlery for your family.
- The swimming pool will be open. Please supervise your own children.
- This is a family occasion and children attending should be accompanied by their parent/caregiver.

## Juicies - Back for 2014!

Our senior students will be selling "Juicies" (frozen juice treats) again this year. Students can choose from a range of flavours. There's no need to pre-order - just bring the money on the day.

# Juicies for sale on wednesdays only \$1





Kind regards

Sue Simpson Principal

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### Rangitawa Publishing Children's Story Competition 2014.

Calling all local authors! Write a children's story and have the chance to be published! Selected entries will be published in the "Rangitawa Collection of Children's Stories 2014". Sections 1 and 2 are open to school-aged writers resident in New Zealand. Section 3 is open to adult writers internationally. Entries in by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014. For full details, e-mail <a href="mailto:rangitawa@xtra.co.nz">rangitawa@xtra.co.nz</a> and visit <a href="www.rangitawapublishing.com">www.rangitawapublishing.com</a> Rangitawa Publishing, 1309 Halcombe Road, RD 9, Feilding 4779.

# Guitar, ukulele, piano lessons

Want to learn a musical instrument this year? Call Hamish @ Learn It on 353-2288. We teach the Piano, Guitar, Ukulele & Drums. Studio open days: 8th February & 29th March (10am-4pm). Be quick, spaces are limited. Hamish Guthrie, "Learning Studio", Square Edge, Palmerston North. <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/j.net.nz">https://doi.org/10.2016/j.net.nz</a> Visit us online at www.learnit.net.nz

# Halcombe Playcentre Open Day



Looking for something different for your children in 2014?

Safe and fun learning for all children aged 0 – 6 years

Date: Wednesday 12 February

Time: 9am - 12pm

Place: 77 Willoughby Street, Halcombe Contact: Lisa 324-0027 or 027 631-4879

# HALCOMBE COMMUNITY WAITANGI FAMILY FUN DAY

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February – Halcombe Domain The fun starts at 1pm and concludes with food at 4:30pm

\*\* GOLD COIN DONATION ENTRY \*\*

Join us for an action packed event with games, obstacle course and lots more...

Once again we will be joined by the Halcombe Volunteer Fire Brigade so be sure to bring a towel and change of clothes!

In addition to all the usual fun and hijinks a

HEALTHIER HALCOMBE will be the focus of the day with:

- · Dr Dave and his "Healthy Bastards Club"
- MoleMap
- Prostate Cancer Foundation
- Cardiovascular checks
- Free Fruit sundaes

PLUS your opportunity to give feedback on a proposed plan for the Domain area

BYO drinks, picnic food and cutlery plus a salad to share for the community BBQ. Sausages will be provided by the Halcombe Community Development Group and BBQs will be available if you want to bring additional meat.











LOLLY SCRAMBLE

@ approx. 4pm

