

Halcombe School



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Term 1 Week 3

11th February 2014

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Beach Education

Wow! Thanks for your prompt return of slips for the Beach Education trip. All forms and payment needs to be in by this Friday, please.

Community Constable

Constable Sarah Cree will be working in the school over the next few weeks, helping children learn about 'Keeping Ourselves Safe'.

Lunchtime Tennis Coaching

Lunchtime tennis coaching will continue in this term, starting on Friday 21st February. The cost is \$40 for six sessions. Kurt McNamara from Manawatu Tennis runs the coaching sessions. Students do not need to bring any specific gear. If you would like to sign up, complete the slip below and return this with your payment to the school Office by next Wednesday 19th February. Please note that children in the Green Team won't be able to do tennis.

Juicies

These are on sale every Wednesday this term. There's no need to pre-order - just bring your \$1 on the day.

PTA 'Meet the Teacher' BBQ

We are hoping to see most of you tomorrow evening at the **Family BBQ**, starting at 5.30pm. This is a great opportunity to come along and meet the teachers, other parents and their children.

Our wet weather plan:

The 'Meet the Teacher' part of the evening will go ahead regardless. Unfortunately we don't have the use of the hall if it's raining. If it's too wet, the BBQ will be cancelled.

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.

Road Marking

There will soon be alterations to the road marking where the buses park, which will allow 4 more carpark spaces along this stretch of roadway.

Kiwi Cricket Competition (Feilding)

A reminder to those students that signed up for the MCA Kiwi Cricket competition that your competition

begins today 11th February at Kowhai Park at 3.45pm. The \$15 registration fee is payable at this session. Any questions, please phone Karen Higgin 06 323 4082.

Green Team News

Congratulations to all those who were successful in their application for the Green Team for 2014 : Willow Darling, Trevor Short, Bethany Smith, Fritha Johnston, Emma Humphrey, Blair Gowan, Kyle Ronaldson, Jasmine Davenport, Victoria Short, Olivia Cobcroft, Greer Mudgway, Logan Gordon, Riley Tunnicliffe, Catherine Pyne, Jensen Alcock and Danielle Thompson-Gorinski. It will be an exciting year ahead for the Green Team. This year we are starting our own blog so everyone can see the great work we do.

<http://halcombeschoolgreenteam.blogspot.co.nz/>

Thank you to the teachers and students for working hard in their gardens already this year. Ka Pai te mahi!
Miss Kelly Campbell, Green Team

Reporting to Parents (Year 1 - 3 children)

This year we will be introducing a new reporting system, based on time at school rather than their year level, for children in their first 3 years at school. Reports and learning conferences will be held after your child has been at school for:

10 weeks, 6 months, 1 year, 18 months, 2 years, 30 months and after 3 years at school. This means that teachers will meet with parents regularly throughout the year, not just all at one time. We have worked hard to have National Standard expectations really clear for each of these anniversaries, so no child is penalised for being assessed against a standard they haven't yet reached. Teachers will talk more about this at the PTA BBQ tomorrow night.

Kind regards

Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Halcombe Child Care Centre

After more than 20 years' experience as a teacher and manager of a number of early childhood centres, my husband Mike and I are excited to announce that we are building an Early Childhood Centre in Halcombe. We will be located in the Halcombe village behind the rugby club rooms (corner of Levin and Ingham Streets) and will provide all day care from birth to 5 years. At this stage, all going well, we are aiming to be open in the third term and will keep the community posted through the school and Halcombe Community newsletter. Ange Ireland angeliner@xtra.co.nz

Missing from Kimber Street Area

4 weaner steers - 3 grey and 1 red/white. Please phone 323 1122 or 323 7672 if you know of their whereabouts.

Clothes Line

Large Hills hoist clothes line for sale in Halcombe. Excellent condition. Please ask the office.

Thunder Ride

The Harley-Davidson Thunder Ride is due to pass through Halcombe at 10.15am this coming Saturday, 15th February. The riders then continue into Feilding, down West Street, Warwick Street, Kimbolton Road, Aorangi Road and out Camerons Line. Over 900 riders are expected!

LUNCHTIME TENNIS - FRIDAYS

Student/s: _____

We will take part in lunchtime tennis coaching with Kurt McMamara. \$40 per player is enclosed OR I will pay online to 01 0625 0106729 00. Forms and payment due at the Office by Wednesday 19th February.

Signed: _____
(parent/caregiver)