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Term 3 Week 4

12th August 2014

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Quiz Night – Friday 22nd August

Doors open 7pm – quiz starts 7.30pm

We still need more groceries please!

We still need a few more bottles for the bottle auction!

We have 30 teams entered already, so only have room for another 5 teams. Don't miss out!

All our Quiz Rounds are now sponsored – thank you for your support!

You can pay for your team entry (\$10 per player) or sponsorship (\$50) NOW.

Pay cash/cheque at the office or online to 01 0625 0106729 00. Thank you.

We are looking forward to a fun night!

Interschool Sport at South Makirikiri School

The new date for this interschool sports fixture is Wednesday 20th August. Same time, same place, same details! Please refer to the [week 2](#) newsletter.

Maths Week

This week is Maths Week and we have some special activities planned. The Junior Team will be having a 'Maths Trail' to solve tricky problems together. The Senior Team will be running a school Mathex Competition, based on the Manawatu Competition. There's lots of activities for you to try at home too on <http://nzmaths.co.nz> (from the jigsaw logo at the top, click on the 'Families' section).

Mathex

We are thrilled with our results at Mathex last week. Well done to the teams, which have worked so hard over the last few weeks.

- Year 5 (13th): Azriella Harland, Emma Humphrey, Fritha Johnson, Hamish Higgle
- Year 6 (3rd): Jack Poulsen, Jensen Alcock, Tyler Walters, Emma Jukes
- Year 7 (5th): Darian Buksh, Sophie Langtry, Madison Tai, Jordan Walters
- Year 8 (6th): Cody Kirkpatrick-Smith, Jago Alcock, Trevor Short, Blair Gowan

Afternoon Tea with Sue

This is a reminder about the 'Afternoon Tea with Sue' on Friday this week. This is a chance for an informal chat about whatever you would like to know, or comment on. The Board of Trustees will be consulting with the community shortly, so this is your opportunity to have an input into that consultation and what you'd like included. Please join me in the staffroom from 1.45pm until 2.30pm. (Assembly starts at 2.30pm)

Scholastic Book Clubs

Book Club orders to the Office by Friday this week please. Your orders will be delivered back to school in the following week to 10 days.

Pet Day

Pet Day is coming up in Term 4 (Wednesday 29th October – week 3) and full information about all competitions will be available early in Term 4. Please note that this year we won't be having a Junior Dog section at Pet Day. Last year

we had significant concerns around the safety and control that younger children had of their dogs. Children in Years 5-8 will be able bring their own dogs to Pet Day.

Dental Therapists

The dental therapists will be here for a short visit in week 5 for urgent appointments and catch-up visits with some of our students (families will have been notified). They will return in Term 4 for their routine dental checks of all students. You can contact the dental therapists on 06 322 8791 for advice and appointments.

Board Report for 4th August 2014

Our Board meeting was held on Monday 4th August. The following areas were discussed and outcomes are as follows:

- In the area of curriculum, the Ka Hikitia document was discussed. We reflected on the goals that had been set and what our school was undertaking. Currently our teachers and students are continuing to develop their Te Reo and building their confidence in the knowledge of Te Reo.
- The Board was presented a detailed and thorough document on the key competency of Thinking. Each teacher presented what and how they were developing this competency. Our students are certainly involved in a wide variety of experiences in this area.
- We have reviewed and completed the National Administration Guideline on Legislation and Regulation. Currently our Hazard Register is being reviewed and updated.
- We can confirm that the dates for 2015 have been set. We will begin the year on Monday 2nd February and will end the year on Wednesday 16th December.
- A recent review of our finance confirms that our budget is on track and we remain on target for the year.
- We are thrilled to have the Hall back in working order again. The students in Room 6 are benefiting from this with Senior Technology underway for our Year 7 and 8's.
- We also acknowledged the large donation our PTA presented to the school and expressed our thanks to all involved. As you will have seen from the list in last week's newsletter, the money raised by our parents and those in our wider community benefits our students significantly and in a variety of curriculum areas.
- The next Board meeting will be on Thursday 4th September 2014 (Term 3, week 7)

Kind regards

Anne Langtry for the Halcombe School Board of Trustees

Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

FAHS "Evento" Dress Rehearsal on Friday

Students are invited to attend the dress rehearsal for Feilding High School's Wearable Art "Evento" on Friday 15th August at Manfeild Park Stadium, starting 6.30pm. The cost is \$5 per student, paid at the door from 6pm. The dress rehearsal is for students only. Mrs Karen Higgie is offering to supervise Halcombe School students that want to attend the event. Please contact Karen directly at Feilding High School 06 323 4029 to make your arrangements.

"Evento" - Saturday August 16th 2014 at Manfeild Park Stadium

Feilding High School's Iconic Wearable Art Show! Purchase Evento tickets from the approved ticketing outlets or order them online from the Evento website <http://www.evento.org.nz/index.html> General Admission: \$32.00 Student Admission: \$17.00 Premium Admission: \$45.00 (nibbles, drink & grandstand seating) Ticketing Outlets: Feilding & District Information Centre, FAHS Feilding High School Office, i-Site Palmerston North, The Square.

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Name: _____

YES! I/We will be entering a team of _____ members (6 players max.)
(number)

Team Name: _____

YES I/We want to come, so please put me/us in a team.

Payment enclosed for my team/individual entry (\$10 per player): \$ _____

Online payments to 01 0625 0106729 00.