

Halcombe School



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Term 4 Week 6

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Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Classes for 2016

Below is the staffing and classes for next year. You will note that we start the year with 8 teachers. If you have any special requests about your child's placement for next year, please call in, or send a quick email to principal@halcombe.school.nz. If there are friendship clashes, family matters or learning issues you would like us to take into consideration, please let me know. While we cannot guarantee the class your child will be in if there is a split year group, we are here to listen.

Room 8	Mrs Barbara Davies	Year 0 - 1
Room 7	Mrs Debbie Turner	Year 1 - 2
Room 1	Mrs Lucy Buckley	Year 2 - 3
Room 2	Miss Cara Crothers	Year 3 - 4
Room 3	Mrs Heidi Jeynes	Year 4 - 5
Room 4	Miss Dayna Fleet	Year 5 - 6
Room 5	Miss Kirsten Main	Year 6 - 7
Room 6	Miss Di Simpson	Year 7 - 8

Room 5 Camp – Sixtus Lodge

Room 5 enjoyed a fantastic week at Sixtus Lodge in the Ruahines. Visit the [Room 5 blog](#) to see some wonderful photos and read camp news. Thank you to Mr Ricketts for running this excellent camp, and his camp parents for their support.



Buses 2016

Next year we will need a **firm commitment** from families that their child/children will use the Feilding bus to town **EVERY** day they attend school. At the moment managing our daily bus list, with all the changes each afternoon, is a nightmare. We have some children on 1 day, others on 2 days, some on every day "except Tuesdays and Thursdays" – you name it – we've got it! With the numbers wanting to use this bus increasing, we simply cannot manage these daily changes.

We currently have a waiting list of children who will use the bus to town every day, and they will have priority. If you have any questions about the buses, please talk to Sue. Phone 328 8845 or e-mail principal@halcombe.school.nz

PE gear

We have a number of children, especially the younger ones, who are not bringing the right gear to participate in daily PE at the moment. Shorts or tights and T shirts are great for PE. Boots and slip-on shoes are not appropriate. There are quite a few bees on the field at the moment, so shoes or sneakers that stay on are best.

I'm sure everyone wants their children to join in PE, rather than sitting watching from the sideline.

Furniture for Sale

We have some 'no longer required' items in the hall foyer, including:

- 2 soft-sided suitcases
- Double-sided carrel table
- 3 Melteca tables (trapezoid)
- small kneeling table
- set of 'cubby holes'

If you are interested in anything, please ask at the Office.

Carpark

Thank you to those who are now in the habit of reversing in to our carparks. This is an important safety concern. We have added a few signs to remind everyone about this and we appreciate your support.

Arrival Time

Unfortunately we still have a number of children, especially the younger ones, who **often arrive late for school**, and come running in the door at bell time. School **STARTS at 8.55**, so your children need to be here at least 5 minutes before that to unpack their bags and get ready for the day. Children that arrive late are interrupting the start of the day for other children, which is very frustrating.

Cricket

Last Friday, students in Rooms 7-8, 1, 2, 3 & 4 had cricket coaching sessions with Tim & Mitch from the Manawatu Cricket Association. Each class had 30-minute sessions to introduce them to cricket and develop their skills. It was great fun! Visit our [class blogs](#) for more great cricket photos!



Library

The library closes on Friday this week. Please check that your children return all their library books to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

PTA Meeting

We have a PTA meeting next Wednesday 25th November at 7pm in the staffroom. All welcome!

Christmas Raffle



We are nearly sold out! Thank you for your support. If you have finished selling and have unsold tickets left, please return them to the Office NOW. We can pass them on to others to sell. The raffle will be drawn on 15th December 2015 at our Senior Prizegiving. All sold tickets and money needs to be returned to the Office as soon as possible.

- First Prize – a new wheelbarrow full of Christmas goodies!
 - Second prize is \$300 cash
 - Third prize is \$100 cash
 - There will be a 'seller's prize' of \$50 for the family that sells the most tickets!
- Kind regards
Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lifestyle Block Shearer

Mike Hare is available for all your lifestyle block shearing needs. Mike has portable gear and is able to meet every requirement from one old ewe in the orchard to a shed full of ewes and lambs with a few grizzly old rams. Mike is in Feilding, phone 323 3535.

After-School & holiday care in Halcombe

If anyone is looking for reliable Halcombe-based after-school or holiday care, please call Teresa Mayer on 0223357621.