

Halcombe School



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Term 4 Week 7

24th November 2015

Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers

Room 6 Camp – Turangi

Room 6 have returned from their fantastic camp at Turangi with lots of great stories! Visit the [Room 6 blog](#) to see some wonderful photos and read camp news. Thank you to Miss Simpson for running this excellent camp and to her camp parents for their support.

Christmas Raffle

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.



Feilding Buses 2016

We have negotiated with Uzabus to provide a second bus into Feilding in the **afternoons** next year. The new bus will travel via the Main Road directly to Feilding each afternoon (not via Stanway). There will be no change to the morning bus runs i.e. only the ONE bus comes to school from Feilding, as it does now.

We have named the afternoon bus runs:

- Stanway/Feilding bus (the one we already have)
- Main Road bus

The Stanway/Feilding bus will remain the same as now:

- It will transport children on Stanway and Makino Roads and occasional users going to town.
- This bus will arrive in Feilding at 3.30pm and stop at the North Street Playcentre, then at the High School.
- All casual users will use this bus to travel into Feilding.
- The cost of bus tickets will go up from 60c to 80c a trip (or \$8 per 10-ride ticket).

The Main Road bus will transport the majority of children who live in Feilding:

- It will travel directly from Halcombe School to Feilding along the Main Road.
- This bus will arrive in Feilding at 3.20pm and stop at the North Street Playcentre, then the High School.
- Priority is given to children who will use the service every day – 5 days a week. We will be contacting these families directly, in the next few days, to offer them space on this bus.
- Once this allocation is complete, and if spaces are still available, we will open up the offer to other families.
- There will be a new **term ticket system** for this bus and families will pay \$80 per child per term **in advance**. This amount will need to be paid before the start of the school year. Children will carry a bus pass so the drivers will know they have paid. The bus pass covers their morning rides as well.

Please note that, at this stage, there is no alteration to the Pryce Line/Tokorangi Road bus run.

Library

The school library is now closed and, except for Room 6 students, all books should be returned to school as soon as possible. Families will be charged for outstanding titles. If you have lost books, or have received a notice for books that have already been returned, please let us know at the Office.

PTA Meeting cancelled

We will not be holding another PTA meeting this term.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board meeting planned for next Monday 30th November has been postponed to Monday 7th December 2015 at 7pm. More details next week.

School Magazine

The school magazine will be \$12 this year. The order form will be in next week's newsletter.

Prizegiving Ceremonies 2015

We host two end-of-year ceremonies (Senior & Junior) at the end of this term to celebrate our achievements throughout the year. Families are welcome to attend.

- The Junior Prizegiving will be on Friday 11th December 2015 at 1.20pm (please note change of date).
- The Senior Prizegiving will be on Tuesday 15th December 2015 at 7pm.

Both ceremonies will be in the Hall. More information to come. (Please note – we have adjusted our programme this year and awards for swimming, winter sports & Pet Day have already been presented at school and won't be included in the end-of-year ceremonies.)

Stationery 2016

Student Stationery in 2016 will be in packs, as for this year. Packs will be delivered directly to the classroom, at the start of the school year, with everything that students require.

- The Junior Team (Rooms 7, 8, 1 & 2) and Room 3 will also get 'EZ Covers' for their books. Students will have a choice of covers and will be able to cover their own books in class.
- Students in Rooms 4, 5 & 6 will be asked to cover their own books with Duraseal or similar (they are not using EZ Covers next year).
- The price of stationery packs is still to be confirmed but will be very similar to this year (was \$35 - \$40 per pack).
- We will invoice families later in Term 1, giving you extra time to save up and pay.
- Families can 'opt out' of having their stationery supplied in packs and can make their own arrangements – please contact the Office.

Upcoming end-of-year events:

- Room 2 farm visit on Wednesday 2nd December (a notice has gone home)
- Room 4 overnight camp at school Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th December
- Athletics Day (whole school) Wednesday 9th December (morning)
- Junior Prizegiving FRIDAY 11th December from 1.20pm
- Year 8 Leaver's Lunch on Monday 14th December 12.30pm
- Senior Prizegiving Tuesday 15th December from 7pm
- School finishes on Wednesday 16th December at 1pm. The buses will run at this time.
- The 2016 school year begins on Monday 1st February.

Kind regards

Sue Simpson
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Feilding Library Summer Reading programmes

Feilding Library is holding its great reading programmes for children this summer. Register now for "Get Carried Away with Books" (children aged 3 – 10) or "i Read" (Years 6 – 8 (aged 10 – 13)). Leaflets have been sent home with Halcombe School students and are also available at the Office. Visit www.feildinglibrary.co.nz for more information and online registration.

Halcombe Community "Living Christmas" fundraiser

The Halcombe Community Development Group will be running a fundraising cake stall at the "Living Christmas" event in Feilding on 11th December 7pm - 9pm. Funds raised will go towards purchasing community Christmas lights for a bigger, better Christmas light display in the "Village CBD" display in 2016. There will be lights this year, however the plan is for something very special next year! PLEASE CAN WE HAVE YOUR HELP TO FILL THE CAKE/SWEET STALL WITH FABULOUS BAKING? ☺ Please email Halcombe.community@gmail.com to let us know what you are able to make or call Rachel on 328 8594. Cakes, biscuits, slices, fudge, sweets, toffee etc... all welcome! Please can all baking be dropped off to Rachel Lane, 210 Mt Biggs Road on or before 3pm on the 11th December. Thanks in advance for your help with this.

Photos from the Room 7,8 and 1 trip to Foxton Beach

Thanks to everyone involved in making this such a fun outing for the children.

You can see that they had a fabulous day

HALCOMBE COMMUNITY CAROLS



6:30pm, Saturday 12th December
Halcombe Memorial Hall

Bring a plate for shared supper, tea & coffee provided

Brought to you by:

Halcombe Community and
Development Group



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