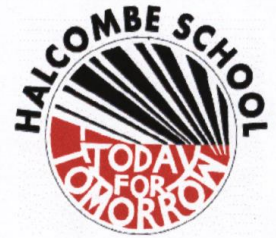


# Halcombe School



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Term 1 Week 4

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016

*Tena Koutou Katoa - Greetings to all parents and caregivers*

## Beach Writing

Writing is a focus for us this year. Below, are some great excerpts from the children's recounts about their trip to Foxton Beach.

- 'My legs pushed the crumbling sand behind me as my legs stretched forwards, determined to reach the icy water before it was too late. As I touched the salty water, an icy chill slithered up my legs.' **Ash**
- 'The water licked my feet as I walked along the wet sand next to the water's edge. As I walked, my feet left indents in the sand, some clearer than others.' **Jack**
- 'I was prancing on the hot sand, while most of my class was in the water, keeping away from the murderous sand. Then I felt a pinch on my feet and realised they were burning.' **Catherine**
- 'We set off down the beach. I was a bit behind everyone else because I had dug my feet into the sticky wet sand, and it took time to dig myself out. We walked through the crashing waves, the white foam swirling around our feet, going in ankle deep.' **Emma**
- 'Man this sand is scorching, I thought to myself. I ran into the cool foamy water and my feet started to feel way better. I continued to walk in the water, not willing to torture my feet again.' **Jensen**
- 'First we did the wheelbarrow races. I chose my buddy. She face planted in the sand and it was hilarious. On the way back, she face planted again! Then it was my turn. It was hard and my arms got tired quickly. The started to get wobbly and I fell into the sane. Wheel barrow racing is harder than it looks!' **Ashlee**
- 'We dug two separate holes. Then I decided to put a boardwalk around it and a moat, so using the sand from the hole, we built a thick wall, but the waves washed in and smashed it to smithereens A change of plans was needed.' **Alex**
- As the wave approached, it got bigger and bigger. I realised that it was a monstrous wave and looked as if it was about to devour me. I quickly backtracked towards the sand.' **Tommy**
- One activity stood out for me. That was the wheelbarrow race. To me, 'light and strong' is a good combination for wheelbarrow races. I was beginning to visualise how easy it was going to be for me. When we were ready and raring to go, my partner was lying on his stomach, all set. Little did I know that he did not meet my 'light and strong' criteria!  
**Cameron**

*If you would like to support your children's writing, the best thing you can do is to encourage them to read.*

*Great readers are great writers.*

## Student Leaders

Well done to Jensen, Jack, Emma (Matai house captain), Grace, Greer (Kauri house captain), Catherine, Mya (Rimu house captain), Sinead, Lydia (Totara house captain), and Leah, who will form our Student Council. They are very much looking forward to hosting lots of exciting events this year.



### Congratulations

One of our students, Jack Pettersson, is currently playing for the U10 Manawatu Tennis team. Well done and good luck for the rest of your matches Jack!

Kind regards

Sue Simpson  
Principal

### COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### Feilding Saturday Morning Rugby

Registration Days for Saturday morning rugby are Thursday 3rd March 5.30-7pm & Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 5.30-7pm at the FOB Oroua Stags clubrooms, Johnston St Feilding. We welcome Years 1-8. \$40 per player, \$60 per family (up to three children) and \$10 per extra child. Payment *must* be made with Registration, EFTPOS available. Any Enquires: Contact Andrew Reilly 027 551 7445.

#### Avon

Avon brochures are now available. Please contact Annie O'Fee on 027 217 8947 or 06 328 8697. A portion of sales will go to the school as a fundraiser

#### Garage Sale

Garage sale this Saturday at 1 Barton Street Halcombe, gate opens at 8am. Selling a variety of toys, bikes, electrical items, bird aviaries and lots lots more.

#### Found Pet Lamb

A pet lamb has been found on Tokorangi Road, lamb is wearing a collar. Contact Lisa on 06 328 8552.

EVERYONE ACTIVE EVERYDAY

**SPORT**  
MANAWATU

## RUN, RIDE & SLIDE

### KIDS TRIATHLON 2016

**DATE: THURSDAY 17 MARCH** (POSTPONEMENT DATE: TUESDAY 22 MARCH)  
**LOCATION: TIMONA PARK, SIMON STREET FEILDING**

COURSE DISTANCES:

5 - 6 yrs	Run 400m, Cycle lap 500m with a slip and slide
7 - 9 yrs	Run 800m, Cycle lap 1km with a slip and slide
10 - 13 yrs	Run 1.2km, Cycle lap 1.5km with a slip and slide

**Registration:** 4.15pm - 4.45pm  
**First race start:** 5pm  
**Prizegiving:** Commences after last race of the night

**Entrant conditions:**

- Be supervised by someone 16 years or older	- Check brakes, tyres, chain and reflectors
- Wear covered footwear	- Make sure your bike is the right size for you
- Wear a helmet	- <b>Have fun!</b>

Please return completed registration form and \$2 fee to:  
Sport Manawatu, 131 Manchester St, Feilding

**Huntermville Domain Paraekaretu Street**  
**10am to 1pm Saturday 5 March 2016**  
**A day for the whole family - not to be missed!!**

**Huntermville Lions Club**

## PLANT/MACHINERY AUCTION

Entries still open!

Auction lots advertised in the Rangitikei Mail and Feilding Herald the week prior.

If you have items you'd like to donate or sell on commission please contact:

Chris McKay 0274501702 / 3228161  
Greg Maughan 0274722986 / 3276539

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## GALA DAY/GARAGE SALE

FOOD STALLS GALORE  
INDEPENDENT STALLHOLDERS  
GARAGE SALE/WHITE ELEPHANT  
BOUNCY CASTLE  
PLENTY OF FREE ACTIVITIES!!!  
CAKE/SWEET STALLS  
PLEDGE AUCTION  
BOUNCY CASTLE  
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
PUMPKIN/SUNFLOWER  
COMPETITION  
PONY RIDES  
DUNKING MACHINE