

# Halcombe School



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Term 1 Week 5

27<sup>th</sup> February 2018

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

## Sexuality Education Years 1 – 4

**TONIGHT** Neil Buddle (Health Promoter, Family Planning NZ) will be holding an evening to introduce the Sexuality Education Programme to parents of Year 1 – 4 students. Sexuality Education is part of our Health Curriculum. The evening begins at 7.30pm.

## 3 Way Conferences

This year we are returning to 3 Way Conferences for ALL students and their families in the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> March.

Your child's beginning of year assessments will provide you with a clear picture of what goals your child will be working on. It's very important that we share these with you, so you can support your child at home.

- Attached you will find a booking sheet.
- Times are allocated on a first in-first served basis. Return these to the office asap. We know that at least 50 will be returned tomorrow!
- We make every effort to give you consecutive times if you have more than one child.
- Please tick ALL of the boxes showing the times you are available. If you only tick one box, you are unlikely to get that time.

## Senior Swimming Sports

The Senior Swimming Sports will be held at the Makino Aquatic Centre next Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, starting at 12.15pm and finishing by 2.45pm.

- These sports are for year 4-8 children.
- Transport will be by BUS to and from, leaving school at 11.45pm. There is NO CHARGE.
- Children do NOT need to return to school after the sports. **Please fill out the slip below.**
- Children must bring their togs, 2 towels, sunhat, warm clothes and a drink of water.
- There is no 'grandstand' for parents to watch from. You might like to bring your own chair/seat.

## PTA AGM

The PTA will hold their AGM NEXT Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

## Cybersafety

Thank you for getting all the Cybersafety forms back so promptly. Constable Sarah Cree will be talking with students in Rooms 4, 5 and 6 tomorrow about Cybersafety.

## **SPIDER DAY**

**WEDNESDAY 28 FEBRUARY**

**BRING \$2 FOR A SPIDER.  
NO PRE-ORDERING, JUST BRING  
YOUR MONEY ON THE DAY!**



## Spider Day

A reminder that tomorrow is SPIDER DAY. Don't forget your \$2.

## Junior Swimming Afternoon – NEXT WEEK Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March

The Junior Swimming afternoon will start at 1.30pm in the school pool. This afternoon is mainly for students in Years 1 – 3. Parents are welcome to attend. There will be fun events as well as more competitive events for our able swimmers. Parents/caregivers will be able to watch from the covered area at the end of the pool. The children will need warm clothes to wear between events.

## Firewise

Last week, Senior Firefighter Kevin Darling talked to students in Rooms, 8, 7, 1 and 5 and 6 about being Firewise. A chat with your children about being Firewise would be an opportunity to follow-up what they have talked about at school.

## Contact Details

Please return these forms and your payment for stationery asap.

### **Guitar Lessons**

Byron Foley is offering guitar lessons at school. Lessons are 30 minutes: Group lessons (2 students) are \$15 per student and individual lessons are \$30. If you are interested or want to know more, please contact the school directly. You can check out Byron's website at [www.homerunguitar.com](http://www.homerunguitar.com) Tomorrow is the last day to register your interest.

### **Board of Trustees News**

News from the first BOT meeting of the year:

- The Playground has had the majority of its additions installed and been power washed. Currently we are waiting on the swing to arrive and the boards on each platform to be replaced.
- The new storage shed is now finished and is an excellent addition to the school
- Painting of the school will commence in the next school holidays
- ERO will be visiting our school in Term Two
- The next Board meeting will have an open invitation to attend. Details closer to the time.
- The Board received the first student achievement report for the year - Maths Basic Facts. While results are very pleasing, there is a group of students who need extra support. Teachers are putting plans in place to address this.

Jess Pettersson

*For the Board of Trustees*

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### **Totara Posts Wanted**

If anyone has any totara posts, we would like some to put alongside a new garden behind the swimming pool. Posts not battens please.



*Kind regards*

*Sue Simpson  
Principal*



**Rooms 3 and 8  
enjoying Buddy Class  
reading**



### **SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS – WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018 (years 4 – 8 only)**

**ONLY** return this slip if your children are **NOT** returning to school. Return by **FRIDAY this week – 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Student/s: \_\_\_\_\_

My child/children will NOT require a ride back to school AFTER the sports (i.e. they will be collected from the pool or will walk home).

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_