

# Halcombe School



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Term 3 Week 3

10<sup>th</sup> August 2021

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

Kia Ora Tatou,

I am a reader. I love sitting with a good book (not Ministry stuff so much!), and read of other places, times and people. A good detective novel helps to unwind and satisfy the adventurous spirit in me too. Being a reader has helped me to unlock many doors in my life and career. Being a reader is a statement that not all of us can say with confidence, but it is one of the prime abilities that helps us succeed in life, in jobs, and for leisure. It is one of the most important skills that we as teachers can develop, build and instil in your children - being able to read and enjoy it. I am nearly at the end of writing an Achievement Report to the Board of Trustees that includes Reading. Did you know that over 90% of our pupils are able to read and comprehend at their appropriate age level? This is cause for celebration indeed! Much of this success is down to the kids themselves and their attitude towards reading, as well as the hard work and skill of teachers. BUT it is also due to the fact that many of our families read to their children, or did when they were young. There is no greater habit you can give to your child. Curl up with them and read to them a story at bedtime. It develops a love of reading, an enjoyment of being together and really good oral language ability. Plus it is a good bonding time too. I have loved reading to my boys when they were growing, and I know you will too. It's a habit for life. If you're not a great reader - it's never too late to become one. Kia kaha and persevere.

The Book Fair we are having at the moment is all about celebrating reading, getting good quality stories into home and also fundraising for our own school library. Our library is well stocked and I am amazed at the number of our students who borrow books are each week. Thank you all for supporting this cause. And thanks for reading to your kids!

Have a great week,  
Alastair & the H Team.

### **Teacher Only Day**

The Board of Trustees has approved a Teacher Only Day for **Friday, September 3rd**. School is closed on this day and buses will not be running. Teachers will be attending professional development course this day.

We understand that this can be inconvenient for some families and we have tried to give as much notification as possible. This is an important day for our teachers to join with others in this course of learning.

### **Book Fair**

Our Book has got off to a roaring start. The Fair has hundreds of wonderful books to choose from and also includes stationery. It's like a 'Pop Up' book shop. Eftpos is available.

The Fair will be open before school from 8.30 – 9.00, lunchtimes and after school from 3.00 – 3.30. All monies raised goes towards our library.

### **Assembly**

We continue whole-school assemblies for the term, and this week Room 3 will host assembly. We start at 2.30pm on Friday in the hall. All are welcome to come and celebrate. Come early to get a park!

### **Pet Day**

We have received a reminder from the Manawatu Oroua Boys and Girls Agricultural Club that washing lambs for Pet Day is not allowed. If a lamb has been washed, it will be disqualified.

## South Makirikiri Sports Exchange

Good luck to all our students involved in the exchange on Thursday. Go Halcombe!

## Wanted

If you have any of the wool insulation wrap that comes with Nadia Lim's Food Bag, we'd love you to drop them at school. Thank you.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



# Great Fathering Programme

This 8 session Fathering Course covers topics:

- Why Fathers and fathering are important
- Being the Father you want to be
- Gender difference
- Guidance and discipline
- Working in partnership with Mothers and others
- Building your child's self esteem
- Fathering outside the child's home
- The future of your child



### What Fathers have said about it:

'Enjoyed sharing with other fathers'

'Reaffirming was helpful for me as a father'

'I'm more patient and positive'

'I wasn't sure what to expect when I first turned up. I'm glad I attended. I have discovered that my health, wellbeing and mind-set have a huge impact on my parenting'

### When?

Starts Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021 (for 8 weeks)

6.30pm – 9.00pm



### Where?

Hancock Community house

77-85 King St. Palmerston North

Supper provided

Ring **Parentline Manawatu** on **355 1655** or **08004FAMILY**

to register your interest!

**The HUB Church**  
Jesus in Community

COMMITTED TO THE  
PEILDING COMMUNITY

**LifePoint church**

**Sunday Funday**  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August  
10.30am - 12.30pm

PEILDING CIVIC CENTRE, 44 RUMFORD ST, PEILDING

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