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Meet your fellow

## Swiss-Kiwi Kids



Name: Michael Jordan

Age: 9

Town: Upper Hutt

What are your favourite things you do in your spare time?

Playing Lego, riding my bike, playing with my dog.

What is your connection to Switzerland?

My grandparents are from Switzerland.

When did you, or a family member, come to New Zealand and why? Grandad came in 1957 (50 years ago!) to learn English. He came with the immigration scheme on a boat and had a joiner job waiting for him in NZ. Grandma followed Grandad in 1960 and was one of the first to use the Wellington airport. Grandma came from Baden and Grandad from Langenthal and earlier Luzern.

When were you last in Switzerland? I've never been to Switzerland.

What is your favourite Swiss food? Chocolate and Fondue

What do you like about Switzerland? I like the Swiss Club

### Children!!

Please fill in a similar profile for yourself and send it with a photo to: [simons@swiss.org.nz](mailto:simons@swiss.org.nz) or 16 Sylvan Way, Silverstream, Upper Hutt, so we can print it in the next edition, we'd love to meet you!

### Answers:

- The letter M
- For holding up the pants
- Because they whip cream and beat eggs.
- Coal
- Because they whip cream and beat eggs.

## RIDDLES

- What occurs once in a minute, twice in a moment but never in 100 years?
- Why was the belt arrested?
- What is black when you buy it, red when you use it and grey when you throw it away?
- Why are cooks cruel?

## Sudoku

Place a number between 1 and 6 in each empty cell, so that every row, every column and every 2x3 box contains all the numbers 1 to 6.

3					5
	5			2	
6					1
1					3
	3			5	
5					2

## Swiss Birthday Competition

I'm sure you're aware that we celebrated Switzerland's birthday on the 1 August. Correctly answer the following questions and be in to win some Swiss chocolate! The winner will be published in the next *Helvetia*!

Send to: Sandie Simons, 16 Sylvan Way, Silverstream, Upper Hutt.

Switzerland started off with only 3 cantons. Which were they?

1 ..... 

2 ..... 

3 ..... 

4 What is the small mountain called (in Canton Uri) where the three cantons signed their pact against Habsburg?

..... 5 What year did this happen?

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## In Focus: Octopus

The octopus belongs to the scientific class Cephalopoda, which means "head on feet". Cephalopods live in all the oceans and in most of Earth's seas, from shallow waters to depths of over 7'000 meters.

The "head" of an octopus is actually the main part of its body. It contains also the respiratory and digestive systems and the heart.

## NEW SWISS

Newborns are joining the community of Swiss in New Zealand all the time. The *Helvetia* would be delighted to publish the names and photos of babies born to members of the Swiss clubs.

Arun Jo Jeram-Inglis



Born in Wellington 22.07.2007 to proud parents Petra & Prakash and older brother Roshan.

Kira Sibylle Sharma-Schwarz



Born 15.07.2007 to proud parents Ankit & Sibylle Sharma-Schwarz.

Congratulations to the families

### A BELL FOR URSLI

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Ursli is a little boy who lives in the Swiss Alps. He must find a big cowbell so that he can lead the spring procession through his village, so he goes alone to his family's chalet high up in the mountains.

There, he spends a lonely, scary night...

## Schellenursli

This classic Swiss children's story is now available in English from: Ceres Books, PO Box 11-336, Ellerslie, Auckland 1131. Ph: (09)5274519. [info@ceresbooks.co.nz](mailto:info@ceresbooks.co.nz)