



IMPORTANT DATES

- ◆ Monday 26 September
School Closed
- ◆ Wednesday 28 September
School Disco Book
Character/Movie Star Theme
(more information to follow)
- ◆ Thursday 29 September Blue
September Mufti Day
- ◆ Thursday 29 September
Celebration Assembly + Year
8 Leadership Awards +
Sports Certificate
Presentations 2.10pm
- ◆ Thursday 29 September Last
Day of Term 3 BUSES WILL
BE COMBINED AT 3PM
- ◆ Friday 30th September
Teacher Only Day School
Closed
- ◆ Monday 17 October Term
4 Begins

Monday 26 September 2022

Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day School Closed



Kia ora e te whānau,

Most of our staff and some of our students sat up very late on Monday night to watch the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II. It was a remarkable accomplishment to have everything run so smoothly and what a stunning display it was! I sat up with my 86 year old mother and as I drove home in the wee hours of the morning I noticed lights on right across mum's retirement village. It was quite special thinking we had all shared an important moment in our history together.

When referring to the Queen's life and legacy the Bishop of Canterbury said *"those who have served will be remembered when those who cling to power and privileges are long forgotten."* I believe this statement sums up the approach to life the Queen had and the reason for the respect so many had for her.



We invite you to join us for a small flower laying service to remember the Queen at school this Friday at 12.45am followed by a cup of tea afterwards.

- At 12.45pm we will all gather around the flagpole where each student will lay a flower and we will sing the national anthem and sing a waiata.
- Our staff will all be wearing black
- If it is raining or windy we will gather in the hall.

This week and next week Kupe Team are getting stuck into **STEM challenges using the ePro8 equipment**. This is a wonderful opportunity for hands-on learning, problem solving and developing our ROCKERS values, particularly resilience and collaboration. Keep an eye out on Seesaw for photos from your child's class.

2022 is racing by! It is wonderful to feel more relaxed and be able to connect with our school families more this term and we look forward to continuing to work together with you next term.

- **Term Three ends on Thursday 29 September (next week) and the buses are combined.**
- Term 4 begins on Monday 17 October at 8.50am

On Friday 30 September our staff have a day with Ngāti Kahungunu visiting Awakura, Tautāne and Akitio. Then on Friday 14 October many of our local schools and ECE have a day with Rangitāne at Mākirikiri Marae. We are all working to grow our knowledge and understanding of our rohe (area) and its local history and people. We are very excited about these learning opportunities and are very grateful for the support of our local iwi.

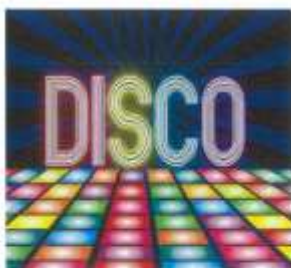
Last Saturday our PFK ran two significant fundraisers for our school. They hosted a motorcycle touring club for lunch and then held the highly successful Quiz night in town. There were 28 teams registered and some fantastic costumes! It was a lot of work for our small PFK team and the staff who supported them. Thank you to all of you! The fundraising undertaken by our PFK goes directly to our tamariki in the form of learning resources such as books and equipment, and playground equipment and enhancements. Ngā mihi kia koutou :-)

Sarah McCord
Tumuaki



DISCO

- **DATE:** week 10 wednesday 28th september
- **TIME:** 5.30-6.30 year 0-4 6.45-8pm year 5-8
- **ENTRY:** Gold coin donation
- **VENUE:** Ruahine school hall
- **THEME:** Movie or Book character
- **SHOP:** Glow sticks, Flashing Rings, Food



Blue September

When: Thursday 29th September

What: Raising money for cancer

Please bring a gold coin donation and wear blue!

Best dressed wins a prize!!

**RUAHINE SCHOOL PFK
PROUDLY PRESENTS:**

2022
QUIZ
Night

The PFK would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who was involved in our Quiz Night. From our sponsors, donations for prizes and all the help and support turned it onto an amazing night. It took a team of outstanding helpers to hold such a successful fundraiser, and we appreciated every bit of it! Congratulations to our lucky raffle winners and to our Quiz winners:

1st place- Team Google, 2nd place- Don't Have a Cow Man, 3rd place- What's For Dinner

Best Team Name- Risky Quizness, Best Dressed Team- The Kwik-E-Smarts





PFK NEWS



Next Meeting

Term 4 Week 3

Date to be confirmed

Last Saturday the PFK put on a lunch for a motorcycle club. They hosted 116 riders in the school hall who enjoyed a delicious meal of filled croissants, a selection of slices, fruit and tea & coffee.

A huge thank you to Rachel Bowie, Diane Barrow, Jo Passey, Vanessa DJ, Lauren Passey, Amanda Passey, Milla Bowie & Pippa DJ for all your hard work. The feedback has been really positive and the riders have said they will be back again next year for sure!



We are looking for helpers to assist on the day for this clearing sale. If you are able to give a little time please call Kirsten 027 203 8027.

2022 Lamb & Calf Day

Wednesday 19 October

Before the long weekend!

Please return all cups & trophies to the school office.

Lambs must be born after

1st August 2022

Calves must be born after

20 July 2022

Entry Form on page 5

Wednesday, 19th October 2022

Calf Entry Form

Child's Name:

Child's Age: Child's Year:

(as at 19th October 2022)

Calf's Name:

Calf Breed: Dairy Light Breed Dairy Heavy Breed Beef

(Please circle appropriate class)

Entering a calf for Ruahine School Lamb and Calf Day 2022 is permitted, calves must be tied up or supervised at all times by an adult. As a condition of entry all calves must have a NAIT tag and must not come from a farm under movement controls. In order to keep animals healthy and stop the spread of diseases like Mycoplasma bovis, the Ministry for Primary industries advises calves should have their own food and water containers, and be on a halter and lead. Calves should be tied up at least 2 metres away from other calves, allocated areas will be set up for this. It is important that you have visibility of your animals or have your animals in a safe place throughout the day.

At Ruahine Lamb and Calf day 2022, I agree that I will take full responsibility for the above-entered calf/calves. I will be responsible for their welfare throughout the day and I will keep them tied up and supervised by an adult as outlined above. I agree that Ruahine School is not responsible for watching or caring for animals during the Lamb and Calf Day and will not be held responsible if calves contract Mycoplasma bovis.

I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the above.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Nait No.: _____

A \$5 fee per entry is required to help cover the cost of ribbons and engraving trophies

Ruahine School Lamb & Calf Day

Wednesday, 19th October 2022

Lamb Entry Form

Child's Name:

Child's Age: Child's Year:

(as at 19th October 2022)

Lamb's Name:

Please Note: This year all children with a lamb will be doing calling as well as leading and care and attention.

A \$5 fee per entry is required to help cover the cost of ribbons and engraving trophies

Lamb & Calf Day Outline

Dear Parents and children,

Lamb & Calf day is fast approaching. In this newsletter we outline some information about the day.

Lamb & Calf Day is on **Wednesday the 19th October**, with judging beginning at 10.30am.

Please be ready to go with your animals at 10.25am. Once the judging starts the day moves quickly through each event.

Schedule for the day:

9.20 – 10.15 Arrive and prepare.

10.25 – 10.30 Assemble near judging area awaiting instructions (***Remember to keep 2m distance between calves to protect against M.Bovis. Parents will need to be vigilant!***)

1.30 – 2.30 Main cup/ribbons presented

Please bring your vehicles and animals onto the backfield to park. Enter through the gates near the astroturf. Due to health and Safety we will open for entry from 9.20am – 10.15am. The gate will reopen to exit at 1.15pm. During these times there will be traffic wardens on duty wearing yellow vests to support safety. The area for traffic will be coned and roped off. The speed limit is 5km/hr.

If the weather is really bad Lamb & Calf day will be held on **Friday, 30th October** at School. A decision will be made by 8am about whether or not we are going ahead at the school. A message will be sent via txt from the school cell phone if we move due to the weather. Please note the weather will have to be particularly nasty for us to move the day. Showery, windy weather will not be enough.

Children competing in Lamb & Calf Day do not need to wear school uniform, but they need to be presentable and wear covered shoes. All children are to wear sunhats and sunscreen.

Bring a rain jacket just in case.

This is some guidance for judging, about what they will be looking for on the day:

clean, well presented animals

clean ears etc in the calves and no dags on lambs eg they've been crutched or they're clean anyway because in good health.

well turned out handlers eg no sloppy hoodies etc.

confident kids who know lots about their animals and want to tell the judges about them tidy collars/leads/halters etc, no baling twine!

Calling for lambs will be part of the programme once again this year. We have orange netting to make the ring secure.

Please note you are not able to take bottle or treats into the ring for your pets. ***No vat milk on the premises to protect against the spread of M.Bovis***

Lamb & Calf day prize giving assembly will be held at an assembly in November (TBC).

No dogs please – This is a dog free event.

