

13th October 2020

Newsletter 24

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa



The Ag Day Special - 3 days until Ag Day!!!

Ag Day is this Saturday and is an official school day. We expect all students to attend and be involved. It is one of the highlights of our school year - a chance for our school and the wider community to interact and enjoy a great event. Our children can share their learning, everyone can have fun <u>and</u> we get to make money for the school. We are all looking forward to another very special day!

Ag Day Roster

If you haven't already, (thank you so much if you have) please sign up for your roster slot on Ag Day - every family is required to help out for 1 hour on the day - one parent/caregiver per family.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE MAY HAVE TO CLOSE THE FOOD STALLS EARLY IF WE CAN'T GET THE HELP! We require adults on the food stall shifts for safety reasons.

If you haven't managed to sign up yet please complete the online Roster Form.

AG Day Tee Shirts Tee shirt orders will be given to students to take home on Friday.

Ag Day Collections – Please help if you can!

- Bounty Bags please fill a small zip bag with some goodies or individually wrapped sweets for this game.
- Chocolate Trailer game Chocolate donations any size or brand of chocolate bars needed.
- Eggs for our Co-op stall and our bacon & egg roll stand.
- Homemade goodies, sweets, jams, preserves, chutneys, produce and from Friday fresh produce & cakes
- Cake boxes will go home tomorrow Wednesday 14th October if you require more you can collect them from the school office

- Any **new unused items** for the Silent Auction – such as candles, toiletries, novelty items, wine, vouchers Please drop any of these items into the school office asap

<u>NO</u> CLOTHING, BOOKS TOYS OR PUZZLES THIS YEAR We would like donations of good quality clothing for selling on Trademe.

<u>Co-op</u>

On Friday: Co-op items can be taken to the Artec room. *On Saturday*: Co-op items can be taken to the Co-op (Rooms 6-7)

One of the most successful parts of Ag Day is the Co-op and without a doubt what makes it successful is the donations and contributions we get from you! So we thought it could be useful to let you know the types of things we need please:

Homemade chutneys, jams, relishes, homemade baking - baking boxes will come home tomorrow. It would be hugely appreciated and helpful if these boxes can be returned to school on Friday - the day before Ag Day as we need time to sort, price and display. Ideas for these cake box fillers include: cakes, cupcakes, fudges, wrapped sweets, marshmallow sticks, toffee & toffee apples.

<u>Other fresh produce</u> we'd love to see includes: fresh eggs, fresh fruit - e.g lemons etc, fresh vege's e.g. potatoes, fresh cut flowers, homemade candles, homemade soaps.

We are also looking for anyone who may like to donate cellophane or material to wrap items in.

Thanks again and any queries at all please don't hesitate to ask **Angela Van Der Watt 02041546208** vanderwatts@gmail.com

<u>On Saturday</u>

Parking

Parking will be at a premium especially as it is also election day and the Coatesville Hall is being used for election voting. Please observe any coned off areas and <u>do not move them</u>.

A drop off area will be established using the bus bay and play centre car park. Please listen and follow the instructions of the dad's running this.

We have secured parking on the Coatesville Reserve and we would ask that as many school families as possible use it especially if you will be bringing a horse float or trailer. This parking is the same as the market parking and will be signposted. It can be accessed through the second gate on the left going up Glenmore Road. This gate will be manned from 7:45-9:30am. The paddock to park in will be signposted. Do not park in the paddock closest to the school as this is used for pony rides.

Please be aware that you may be sharing this space with horses and the public as well as dogs who are allowed to be off leash on the reserve.

As you will be exiting along the same driveway that you entered please take care and open and close the gate on your way out.

Student arrival

Students <u>*need to be at school and ready to be judged*</u> in the correct tent, ring or classroom with their animal, plant or exhibit <u>**by 9am**</u> (there will be signs to show you which area is which).

Students *<u>need to stay</u>* with their animal, plant or exhibit until judging is over or the steward has said that they can leave. *<u>If they are not there they will not be judged.</u>*

Please be aware that our judges are volunteers who have given up their Saturday to help us.

Some categories have a large number of entries so judging will take time. Parents please be patient and considerate as we want to give every child a fair chance keeping conversations down particularly around the animal rings so as not to distract the animals. Stalls and activities do not open until after judging has been completed so students will not miss out.

Rural Traditions

The following classrooms will be used for Rural Traditions

- Room 9 Junior Arts & Crafts and Kitchen
- Room 10 Intermediate Arts & Crafts and Kitchen
- Room 11 Senior Arts & Crafts and Kitchen
- Room 12 Handy Person All Age groups

Students will have access to these classrooms to set up their project from 8am.

As students are being judged in the same classroom once judging starts at 9am students will be asked to stay outside the classroom and wait until they are called.

There will be a teacher steward managing the process at each classroom but it would be extremely helpful if you are able to stay with your child and support them while they wait for their turn.

If they are not there they will not be judged.

Some Rural Tradition categories have a large number of entries so judging will take time. Please be patient and considerate as we want to give each child a fair chance. Again *our judges are volunteers who have given up their Saturday to help us.*

Rooms 9-12 will be locked after all students have presented their projects to the judge and will reopen when the judges have completed their deliberations and reveal the results.

<u>STALLS</u>	FOOD
Bounty Bags	Bacon And Egg Rolls
Chocolate trailer	Coffee Cart
Со-Ор	Dumplings
Dunk the Teacher	Ham Rolls
Fishing Game	Nachos
M&M Flagon Count	Salad
Plant Stall	Sausage Sizzle
Pony Rides	Teachers Tea/ Coffee/Scones and Baking
Silent Auction	
Tea Cup Ride	

Bacon and Egg Rolls and Sausage sizzle Will be available by the main school gate from 8am.

Coffee - will be available near the office from 8

DOGS are not allowed Even small dogs that can be carried. Please let your family and friends know.

Money Please bring cash. Eftpos is available at the Staff Room. No Credit Card Payments.

Prizegiving 1.30pm All students to attend please in the assembly area. A great way to finish the day!

Silent Auction - Room 5

Thank you to those who have already generously donated to this stall. If you have any unused products such as beauty, wine, specialty foods, candles, new books, memorabilia, free tickets etc.... we would love to have more items to auction. There is a box in the office foyer to pop donations in or please contact Alanah Dando on <u>alanahdando@hotmail.com</u>. Thank you.

'Day in lieu' - School closed Friday 23 October

As we are open on Saturday for Ag Day, **school will be closed on Friday 23 October as a 'day-in-lieu' of the Ag Day event**. This has been on our school calendar for a number of months.

Enjoy a <u>four-day weekend</u> as school will also be closed on Monday 26 October for Labour Day.

New Enrolments for 2021

We are currently starting to examine staffing needs for next year.

Our staffing needs are directly related to the number of children we have on our roll for 2021.

So it is important we are aware of all children who will be attending.

If you know of anyone in the area (**'in zone'**) who is not on our list of prospective new enrolments please ask them to contact the school office immediately.

Anyone who is **'out of zone'**, but wanting to come to our school next year, must go through the **ballot process which will be held in October**. Contact the school office to receive the necessary information.

Generally we take all new entrants who apply via the ballot.

Applications for Out of Zone Enrolment 2021 - Close Tomorrow Wednesday 14th October

If you live out of the school zone and have a child turning 5 next year you must complete a Ballot form and return it to the school office tomorrow as the ballot closes on **Wednesday 14th October.** This ballot applies to siblings of current pupils living out of zone. We have sent ballot application forms home to these families. If you have not received one please call in or phone the school office.

Touch Rugby 2020 - registrations close tomorrow Wednesday 14th October

It's that time of year again! Touch Rugby will kick off in Term 4. The competition will be held at Riverhead fields on a Thursday afternoon and is open to Years 1-6. If you would like to find out more and <u>register</u> your child, please go to the <u>Touch Rugby page</u> on our website. Registrations close tomorrow Wednesday 14th October. *Amelia Macnab*



PIZZA DAY - Next Monday 19th October

An order form will go home with each child this Friday. Please fill out **ONE form per child** and give to the classroom teacher on Monday before 9.00am. Remember – there will be no Sausage Sizzle on Monday 19th October.

THANK YOU

A very big thank you to Diana Wilson and family for their very generous donation of 6kg of sausages. They will be put to good use at our sausage sizzle. Thank you.

Ka kite ano. Hei konā mai. Richard Johnson Principal

