

# AGRICULTURAL DAY 2017 - ROTOKAURI SCHOOL

The date for our Agricultural Day has been confirmed as Wednesday, 18th October 2017. There is no postponement date so the event will go ahead rain, hail or shine. Group Day will be held on Tuesday, 24th October at Gordonton School starting at 9.45am. The A & P Show Day is on Friday, 27th October starting at 10.00 am at Claudelands Show Grounds.

We would like to encourage as many children as possible to participate in our Agricultural Day, so please start to think seriously about having a lamb, goat or calf.

Please ring the school office between 8.30 am - 2.30 pm if you have trouble getting an animal as we have contact names of people who are happy to help out.

We also have booklets we can photocopy with information on rearing, leading and looking after your animals. Please ask for these. Look up the following website for information - [www.waikatoaandp.co.nz](http://www.waikatoaandp.co.nz)

## **Saving Dates for animals are listed below**

Kids	Early	10 July	-	19 August
	Late	20 August	-	20 September
Lambs	Early	10 July	-	19 August
	Late	20 August	-	20 September
Calves	Early	1 June	-	26 July
	Late	27 July	-	20 September
Beef	Early	1 June	-	26 July
	Late	27 July	-	20 September

## **Animals are judged in the following categories:**

### **Calves:**

Rearing, Leading and Dairy Type

1. They must not be clipped or oiled
2. NAIT tags are compulsory.
3. Bull calves are accepted to Group Day level but not Show Day. They can go in the Beef category at Show Day.
4. Meal and water can be fed on the day.
5. T.B. Certificate to accompany calves on all competition days.

### **Lambs:**

Rearing, Leading and Most Obvious Pet

1. Lambs must not be washed
2. Milk can be fed only after the Most Obvious pet section.
3. Ram lambs may be entered for School Club Days, Group Days and Show Day.

### **Goats:**

Rearing, Leading and Most Obvious Pet

1. Milking, meat and feral goats may be washed but not fibre (Cashgora, Mohair) goats.
2. Buck kids are accepted to Group Day level but not Show Day.
3. Milk can be fed after the Most Obvious Pet section.

### **Competition Rules**

1. If a child is sick, a fellow pupil may show the animal at the judge's discretion in rearing type classes only.
2. No two pupils can show the same animal.
3. Parents may assist the children in cleaning animals on arrival and must leave the tie up area when requested.
4. No animals to be carrying lice.
5. Children's ages are as at show days.
6. Covered shoes (i.e. sneakers) must be worn by competitors while in the rings.
7. Only one animal per child (calf / lamb / goat sections).

### **Children's Age Groups:**

#### **Calves:**

Junior	5 to 7 year olds
Intermediate	8 to 10 year olds
Senior	11+ years

#### **Lambs and Goats**

Sub Junior	5 and 6 years
Junior	7 and 8 years
Intermediate	9 and 10 years
Senior	11 and over

### **Group Day**

This follows the same format as our school Agricultural day but on a larger scale as the students are competing against children from eight other schools in our area. Information booklets about Group Day will be given out to those who wish to attend when you register your interest at Rotokauri School office by Friday, 20th October. Group day is being held on Tuesday, 24th October at Gordonton School starting at 9.45 am. Any child who competes at our Agricultural Day is able to participate at Group Day.

## **AGRICULTURAL DAY ENTRY FORM 2017**

Child's Name: ..... Age: (on Ag Day) .....

Room: ..... Animal's Name: .....

Please circle the options that apply to your entry.

<b>Calf</b>	Light Early Junior	Heavy Late Intermediate	Senior
<b>Beef</b>	Early Junior	Late Intermediate	Senior
<b>Lamb</b>	Early Sub Junior	Late Junior	Intermediate Senior
<b>Goat</b>	Early Sub Junior	Late Junior	Intermediate Senior

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Please tick if you would like to receive more information regarding raising your animal ready for Agricultural Day.