# Hukerenui School Agricultural Day 27 October 2018



This year's AG day is on Saturday, 27 October 2018.

This is one of the most important days of the year for the school and community. A fantastic day on our school and community calendar, where we celebrate the rural character of our school. The strength of our Ag Day is one that is envied by other schools in our district.

This year, our Board of Trustees has made the decision not to hold bovine livestock competitions at Ag day this year. DairyNZ and MPI agree that mixing young animals, and then returning them to their home farm, is not worth the risk under the current state of heightened biosecurity and we are following that advice.

There will also be no calf club section at the Whangarei events this year.

If your child is still intending on raising a calf, we do suggest looking at doing the 'Virtual Calf Club" project. As a board, we have decided we will be implementing this at our Ag Day – see details attached.

Judging will start at 9.30am, but feel free to come earlier and soak up the atmosphere! Children will be competing with virtual calf science boards, lambs, goats and pets, as well as displaying all their indoor exhibitions.

On this day children demonstrate how well they have cared for their pet over the past few months. All children are encouraged to rear an animal; there are plenty of cups, ribbons and rosettes for everyone.

We realise it can be expensive for a non farming family to have a pet; however, it is a great opportunity for children to learn the importance of animal care. There is a Pet section with prizes for those children who cannot raise an animal listed above. The pet section does not require pre registration; you can enter on the day. Bring your favourite chicken, cat, rabbit or any other pet you may have. **No dogs or horses, please. Small animals must be in secure cages.** 

There will be coffee and cake available for sale, hamburgers, sausage sizzles, ice blocks & drinks etc. Please remember to bring cash as eftpos may not available.

The Central Day Calf Club event at Barge Park will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> November; where there is a great opportunity to get as many of our children to compete with their animals once again. All the work has been done, and it does take a huge amount of work to prepare an animal for Ag day. Central Day is another chance for the children to parade their animals and stockmanship. Hukerenui competes strongly on this day and we encourage all Ag Day participants to attend and compete both individually, and for Hukerenui School and getting our name on the trophy. There will be no calves at this event.

Another event is at Waimate North Show in November – a great opportunity to compete at another calf club and experience an authentic A&P Show. Lastly, there is the Summer Show in early December to finish off the Calf Club Season.

Please ensure that Saturday, 27 October is marked on your calendars –come along with friends and family for a wonderful community day – bring your sun umbrellas, cash (Eftpos may not be available) and enthusiasm. We look forward to seeing you all!

If you have any queries regarding Ag Day – please contact Hukerenui School on 433 9895.

Information on rearing animals is also available at <a href="www.calfclub.co.nz">www.calfclub.co.nz</a>.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION — FRIDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

Photographs must be taken by a child enrolled at Hukerenui School. Only one entry is allowed per category. Children can enter all three categories if they wish.

All photos for the photographic competition must be **delivered** to school by **end of term 3.** There are three categories: Pet, Family and Landscape. Judging will take place on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October.

# FLORAL & CRAFT DAY – FRIDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER:

If classes are having traditional exhibits a list of requirements for this day will be sent home at the end of Term 3. Pupils bring their flowers, foliage and containers to create their arrangements. We appreciate if parents are able to come and guide the children, however, all the work is to be done by the children themselves. Judging will take place at lunchtime on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **MASTER CLASS**

This year we will not be running the Masters Class section as historically it is a competition for calves

## CLASS DISPLAYS AND EXHIBITIONS - SATURDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

Classrooms will be open and displays may include children's floral, art and craft work and baking. Please ensure children are supervised when viewing the exhibits as a lot of hard work has been put into creating them.

# STALLS - SATURDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

To be confirmed

## **AG DAY TIMETABLE**

**8.30 – 9.00am** Register lambs and goats

Classrooms are open for viewing – Please do not remove the traditional

exhibits or certificates until the end of the day.

**9.00am** Morning Tea Meeting– Judges and Officials

**9.30am** Judging will begin – order to be confirmed.

**11.30am** Judging will finish – Parade

**12.00pm** Lunch

If you are able to stay behind and help pack up and clean up we would really appreciate it.

#### **AG DAY REGISTRATIONS**

To ensure you child is registered to bring a lamb, goat or virtual calf science board to Ag Day please contact Helen at the school office – (09) 4339 895 or office@hukerenui.school.nz. Calves, Lambs & goats must be born after 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018. **Registrations must be done by 1<sup>st</sup> October**, this year we will not be accepting registrations after this date. Please be fair and make sure the animal registered has been trained/cared for by the child who is entering. Only open to Hukerenui School Students.

We will also have a preschooler's section and they can bring their lamb or goat. A pre-schooler is aged 4 years old up until they start school. These children must have an affiliation with the school, i.e. on the enrolment waiting list, attending Hukerenui Playcentre or have an older sibling enrolled at our school. The animal entered into the pre-schoolers ring cannot be entered into another ring. The format for this ring is determined by the judge on the day.

The pet section does not require registration as it can be done on the day; however, you can phone the school office and Helen will note down the particulars.

## **PRIZE AREAS**

Calves	Goats	Lambs
Science Boards	Leading	Leading
	Rearing	Rearing
	Calling	Calling
	Champion / Reserve Champion	Champion / Reserve Champion

#### **Pre-Schoolers**

Lambs or Goats

## Pets

Please make sure they are in secure cages. No dogs or horses.

## CENTRAL CALF CLUB DAY – BARGE PARK – 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

All children are also encouraged to enter the **Central Calf Club Day** being held at Barge Showground Events Centre. Our students attending will be given a Hukerenui Shirt to wear on the day.

Registrations are taken from 9am, with judging commencing at 10am. Animals must be born after 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018. All participants should wear enclosed footwear (no gumboots) when showing their animals. Every child will receive a certificate of participation and a ribbon. Pre-schoolers are allowed to enter but will not be eligible for prizes. They will receive a merit ribbon and certificate.

## **LEADING COURSE**

The animal rings will be: Lambs 10 x 10 Goats 10 x 10

The correct leading course is as follows: -

