



# The Pukeko Call



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Tena Kouto

On Monday I will be attending an NZEI Union Meeting. This is the Union's response to the review of funding that is currently underway. Hekia Parata's proposal to introduce "Global Funding" is a significant change in the way schools are managed.

I am very concerned that our schools will be funded based on an average teacher's salary. We have four experienced teachers who are at the top of their salary scales. I am at this stage unsure of the implications for our school, however, based on the information I have to date I suspect we will have to make up the balance of our salary budget from our operational grant. I hope to clarify this point on Monday.

We are going through a time of significant change in the administration of education in New Zealand, this is just one of a number of government initiatives that will change education significantly.

### Communities of Learning (Schools)

We have joined a COL that involves our local schools: Mahurangi College, Matakana, Snells Beach, Horizon School, Warkworth Primary, Leigh and Pakiri School. This group of schools form a learning pathway that sees the majority of students attend Mahurangi College as their secondary school.

As a group we will set achievement challenges that relate to National Standards and then implement strategies to achieve those goals. For example we may say that we want 30% of students to be achieving above the standard in writing.

As a group of Schools we will then appoint an Executive Principal, 2 -3 Across school "Expert teachers" and several "Within School Expert Teachers." We will then implement strategies delivered by these teachers to hopefully improve performance in writing.

There also appears to be other significant systems attached to the Communities of Learners, more recently referred to as Communities of Schools by the Ministry.

Last week I attended a meeting addressed by the Minister of Education who announced that services such as Finance, Property and Social Services would be bundled and offered to COL's and then administered COL wide. We are also aware that much of the professional development for teachers will be delivered through COL's.

These developments lead me to believe that the development of COL's will change the way in which schools are managed in New Zealand.

These changes may be for the best or they may not be, I am not at all sure about this, but what I do know is that they are major changes that challenge some of the fundamental ideas of Tomorrows Schools, a system of self managing schools that we have worked under for the last 30 years.

I apologise for boring you with this, however, the landscape of education is changing and the most affected people will be parents and children and I feel that as a community we need to be informed and aware.

**More importantly our Country Show Day** is only two weeks away. Our container of items to be sold in our stalls is slowly filling up. I urge you to have a great big clean up at home and bring those books, bric a brac and clothes into school. Our Show Day is second to none and only happens due to the hard work of our PTA and the total involvement of our community. The program and the roster for the stalls has been sent home today. Please keep this somewhere safe and check what time you are rostered on. A reminder - no dogs on the day please.

Our PTA are meeting on Friday this week and the meeting is totally devoted to Show Day. If you are involved in any way I urge you to come along at 3pm on Friday so that our final organisational wrinkles can be ironed out.

Nga mihi nui  
 Gary O'Brien

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**13 DAYS TO SHOW DAY!**

## School and Community Notices

### **Photolife - Tomorrow, Tuesday 13 Sept**

PhotoLife Studios will be at school tomorrow, 13 September to take class and individual photos. All orders must be pre-paid. Thanks.

### **Yummy Apple Stickers**

These need to be at school by the end of this week please. Thanks to everyone who has been sending them in. The school receives free sports gear for collecting these stickers.

### **Athletics Registration**

14th and 21st September 5-6pm at Shoemith Domain  
Contact: Mark Illingworth 425 9183

### **Missing!**

We recently bought some great new sandpit toys. Sadly, one of the trucks has gone missing. Please could you keep a look-out and return it to school if you spot it somewhere.

Thanks, Mrs Adamson.



### **Gibbs Farm**

We have booked our school in for a trip to Gibbs Farm on **Thursday, Oct 20th**. This will be a whole school trip and there will be a cost of \$5.00 per child. Gibbs Farm, is an open-air sculpture park located on SH16. It contains the largest collection of large-scale outdoor sculptures in New Zealand. We are also using this as a fundraiser and will be offering tickets for this sort-after venue at \$20.00 per person. Parents and Family will have first option on these tickets. We are limited to 200 Tickets. Put this date in your diary. More details prior to the end of term.

Visit the Gibbs Farm Website: <http://www.gibbsfarm.org.nz/about.php>

# COUNTRY SHOW DAY

## 13 DAYS TO SHOW DAY!

Thanks everyone for all your contributions to Show Day so far. This week we are asking for **Crafts, Produce** and also for your **Mystery Jars**. So if you have any extra preserves, jams or chutneys we would love to sell them on our Produce stall. We are also looking for any vegetables, herbs, citrus or fruit that you may also have. If you would like to know more, please contact Toni Dando on [toni.dando@gmail.com](mailto:toni.dando@gmail.com)

For those of you wanting to bring in your Mystery Jar's these can be left on the little table outside Jan's office.

*We are also in need of more books and Bric a Brac so keep bringing in your goods. Please also remember your non-perishable food items for the Grocery Raffle basket.*

## Cake Stall Contributions

Next week a plate will be sent home so that each family can contribute a cake / biscuits /sweets for the school's Country Show Day cake stall. Contributions can be left on the table beside Jan's office on the Friday before Show Day or brought to the stall on Saturday. We really appreciate everyone's help!

### Term 3 Dates:

Sept. 6th Tues. Hockey Field Day.  
 Sept. 12th Bus Safety Awareness Week.  
 Sept 15th Thurs. Board of Trustees Meeting.  
 Sept. 16th Fri. Celebration assembly.  
 Sept. 20th Tues. Library Road Show.  
 Sept. Fri. 23rd Final Day of Term.  
 Sept. Sat 24th Country Show Day.

### Term 4 Dates:

Oct 10th Mon. First Day of Term  
 Oct 10 - 12th Mon - Wed. Life Education Van

Sept 27th Thurs. Board of Trustees meeting  
 Oct. 20th Thurs. Gibbs Farm Outing  
 Oct. 30th Conservation Week.  
 Nov. 8th Tues. Inter School Athletics.  
 Nov 11th Mahurangi College Orientation Day.  
 Nov. 16th. Wed. School Production  
 Nov. 17th ASB Get wise Programme.  
 Nov 30th - Dec 2nd Year 6 Camp.  
 Dec. 8th Thurs. BOT Meeting  
 Dec 12th End of year Reports.  
 Dec 14th End of Year Prize Giving.  
 Dec 16th Final Day of Term.

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