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23 May 2014

From the Principal's Desk

Kia Ora

Next Friday, the school will be closed for a Teacher Only day. This will enable the long weekend to be a bit longer for some students and families while staff attend a workshop at Northern Southland College. The theme of our day is 'Collaboration' with a focus on all rural secondary school staff being able to strengthen their ties within these school's departments and share ideas and planning that will have benefits for all students. There will be an open presentation about 'Vocational Pathways' which is currently the Ministry's big driver in schools, as more emphasis is placed on career planning for students. They have developed plans for six sectors of the workforce; Manufacturing and Technology, Construction and Infrastructure, Creative Industries, Primary Industries, Service Industries, Social and Community Services. It is not solely about trades as the full range of careers are covered and they want students to get onboard early knowing what they need to achieve in order to fit in to one of these sectors. The concept is a good one and is still a long from being a finished model but if you would like more information check the website out at: www.youthguarantee.net.nz.

You may have read the article in Wednesday's Ensign about the work of Bob Gammel. This is a programme set up by the secondary schools in Eastern Southland, including Blue Mountain College with support from the MLT and Hokonui Runanga. It is Bob's intent to work with students whose behaviour may need some modification or because they are at risk of facing a stand down. Bob has been here every Wednesday for a year now and has made a big difference to a group of our students and is now picking up a couple of new students. His role is to act as a student advocate rather than counsel and to work through the issues that cause students to be sent from class or to disengage in learning. We think this is the first of its kind in the country and arose out of the Social Sector Trials that Gore was selected for. If you feel your child needs to be part of this, please feel free to contact me at school and I will discuss this with Bob.

Earlier this week I received an email from the Southland Rugby Union reminding players and spectators about what is and isn't acceptable while attending sport fixtures. There had obviously been an incident or two over the weekend and it certainly didn't involve our school community, but we do need to beware of comments about referees, other players, their nationality and colour.

This term we are focusing on 'Showing Respect' and this has to be upheld during all aspects of school life, including at sports venues. Good luck to all our teams this weekend.

*Gerry Ward
Principal*

Careers

The careers room will be open at lunch times every Tuesday and Thursday if students wish to carry out career research or seek some guidance. Mr Clark will be available to assist. Please take advantage of this. Check out the school Careers Page at <https://www.facebook.com/menziescollegecareers> for updates on University Liaison visits, Scholarships, STAR Courses, Work Experience, Gateway and Hokonui Tertiary High School.

CPIT are having their Open Day on 19 June. For further information contact either Stuart Clark or Katie Hall.

Liaison Officer Visits

Otago University - 27 May at 1pm in the Library.

P.I.H.M.S. - 30 July at 2:15pm (Hotel Management) in the Library.

University of Otago - Information Evening

This is being held on Tuesday 27 May from 7-8.30pm in the Waiau Room, Ascot Park Hotel, Corner Tay St and Racecourse Road, Invercargill. Hear about entrance, accommodation at Otago, course planning, loans and allowances, courses available, being a successful student and support services. All enquiries to liaison@otago.ac.nz (03) 479 8247. General University enquiries call 0800 80 80 98 | www.otago.ac.nz txt 866 | university@otago.ac.nz

Following the Tertiary Information Day in Dunedin on Monday, any students and parents/caregivers that were unable to go and would like the opportunity to engage with key staff from the Polytechnic and the University academic divisions, you are invited to attend presentations followed by 'open-floor' question and answer sessions at Stadium Southland on Wednesday 30 July.

CareerFest

CareerFest will be held in the new ILT Stadium Southland from Thursday 31 July to Friday 1 August. Menzies will be taking Year 12-13 students at 11am on Thursday 31 July. There is also a community session on the Thursday night from 5- 8pm if parents/caregivers are wanting to take their students along.

Liaison Officer Visits

Frank from Te Huka Maturaka/Maori Centre at the University of Otago will be visiting our school to talk to senior Maori students regarding potential course options, scholarships and support services available to assist Maori students who are perhaps thinking about going to University or even to have a korero about the possibility of going. He will be here on Monday 23 June from 10-10.45am in the careers room.

Health Careers Expo – Year 10 and 11

Jan Tait, the Nurse Educator, Surgical & Co-ordinator of the Incubator Programme from Southern District Health Board has invited any senior students who might be interested in a career in health, to a Health Careers Expo on Tuesday 24 June. This is 3/4 hour session with a range of health professionals at Southland Hospital. Please feel free to contact me if you would like more information.

Incubator

Year 13 work experience application in by 1 June 2014. Work experience for a day in school holidays with a health professional of their choice. One of the criteria is that they have to have had good attendance on the Incubator programme.

Parents/Caregivers

If you are interested in attending any of the liaison visits, careersfest or health expo's during the year please contact me as you are more than welcome to come and I would be happy to accommodate you.

2015 MESNZ Engineering Scholarship

A MESNZ (Maintenance Engineering Society of New Zealand) Engineering Scholarship worth up to \$5,000 is being offered for the specific purpose of covering tuition fees in 2015. This scholarship is available to assist students commencing study towards an IPENZ accredited engineering degree, diploma or certificate from any year level through a New Zealand University, Polytechnic or Industry Training Organisation. Applications close on 30 August 2014. Further details are available on the MESNZ website <http://www.mesnz.org.nz/scholarship/>

Miss Katie Hall - Careers Advisor

Gateway Profile

Justine Winn currently has a Gateway placement at the Heartland Hotel Croydon where she is being given the opportunity to experience different aspects of the hospitality industry. Justine is quite clearly, really enjoying her placement. She has done extremely well while meeting the many challenges put before her. She is to be praised for the commitment she is making to her placement. She has impressed the staff with her willingness to learn and work as a valued team member. Both Justine and the Menzies College Gateway team appreciate the time and effort that the staff of the Heartland Hotel Croydon have put in to Justine's placement; as well as the constant support and encouragement given to her. Justine's enthusiastic attitude towards her placement and her willingness to learn will serve her well as she continues her education and eventually moves on into her chosen career pathway.



Mrs Barbara Williams & Stuart Clark - The Gateway Team

Mathematics Department

PISA

Below is the answer to last week's question which is the last in the series of PISA test questions. If you have got them all correct, then you have done well (but remember that the test is administered to 15 year olds!). The statistics generated by the programme are very interesting – NZ ranks 23rd overall (of 65) and our mean score has dropped 0.5% per year. The top of the list is dominated by Asian (the top eight) and European countries. Why are these countries doing well in this testing? It is dependent on many variables, but looking at the top 10 they appear to have one major thing in common – they are all countries whose societies value education highly. We push our students to have similar priorities because it is a reality that our young people will compete with other young people from all over the world in their chosen careers.

Last week's Question: Level 6

Gerry has just got a new bike. He loves his new bike. It has a speedometer which sits on the handlebar. The speedometer can tell Gerry the distance he travels and his average speed for a trip.

Question

Gerry rode his bike from home to the river, which is 4 km away. It took him 9 minutes. He rode home using a shorter route of 3 km. This only took him 6 minutes.

What was Gerry's average speed, in km/h, for the trip to the river and back? **Answer: 28km/h**



Harder Question

I recently cycled from Nelson to Bluff with a group of friends. It took us 43h 23m 29s to cover 1032km. This was an average of 23.8km/h. What would our average speed have been if we had taken exactly 40 hours? Answers to me for a prize – one prize for students, one prize for adults. Feel free to e-mail in your answer or send it in with your student to brendon.wallace@menzies.school.nz

Brendon Wallace - Head of Department - Mathematics

Science Department

Year 10 Rural Studies

The Rural Studies class recently picked their pumpkins and the photo shows from left to right, Bobbi Nicholson, Tamara Poole, Bree Pickett and Rebekah Kingdon admiring their produce. The pumpkins were donated to the Wyndham Rest Home.

Beggs Bush Landcare Group

The inaugural meeting of the Begg's Bush Landcare Group met recently. The group members are Janet Gregory (Regional Co-ordinator Landcare Trust), Karl Erikson (Environment Southland), Brian Mason (former Counsellor Southland District Council), Toni Halliday (Menzies College Representative), Marie-Ellen Beggs (who gifted the area (460 acres) now known as Beggs Bush) and Denis Warburton (Silviculture Contractor) who has given lots of time and effort in to the project. It is hoped that as a landcare group, Beggs Bush will be enhanced with signage and fencing. Eventually, with the help of some Menzies College students, planting around the edge of the bush where there was once gorse, the area will be attractive for walkers and wilderness lovers. This is a very special area of untouched natural bush.



Mrs Toni Halliday - Year 10 Rural Studies Teacher

English Department

Level One English Assessment Dates

Assessment dates for AS90854 (Personal Response): ENG101 and ENG102- Response #3: Monday 26 May, period 2

Ms Sonja Swale - Head of Department - English



At the end of Term 2 (24-27 June) Year 9 students will be going on camp to the Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre. The confirmed cost of the camp is \$140. If you would like to come along as a parent/caregiver help, it would be appreciated if you could contact the school and leave your name and contact details and if you are able to take a vehicle or not.

Thank you for your continued support, without which, camps would not be able to go ahead. If you have any questions, please contact either Matt Cook or Alice Cade (Year 9 & 10 Deans) at school on (03) 2064979.

Matt Cook & Mrs Alice Cade - Teachers in Charge

Important Dates

May	27	HPV Vaccination - No. 2
	30	Teacher Only Day - School closed
June	2	Queen's Birthday Observance - school closed
	13	Primary Schools Cross Country
	15-17	Year 13 Adventure Class - Tautuku Pre-camp
	19-20	Year 13 Chemistry Trip
	24-27	Year 9 - Tautuku Camp & Year 13 Adventure Experience
July	27	School Reports posted
	3	Parent/Teacher Interviews
	4	Last day of Term 2
	21	First day of Term 3
	25	School Ball

Outward Bound

On 12 April, 80 other students and myself set off for an amazing 21 days at Outward Bound. We were picked up from Picton and handed our first group challenge 'Sing a Song' which was a lot harder than it sounds. We soon docked in the beautiful Anakiwa which was our home for the next 21 days. After we had a meet and greet we were split into smaller groups of 14 and from there on it was just chaos. We went tramping, kayaking, rock climbing, sailing, running, swimming and more TRAMPING. I thought it was going to be easy doing these sorts of activities seeing as how Menzies provides us with the opportunities to do so through the outdoor class, but everything was harder - for the rock climbing I was blindfolded, the running went for 21kms and the tramping was just a nightmare, but the feeling I had after I had accomplished everything, was indescribable and overwhelming. I spent two and a half days in the bush by myself which for me was the easiest thing I had to do throughout the whole course. I was given two carrots, two biscuits and two apples for the whole duration of the solo. I was rudely awakened by a Weka running away with my shoe and a possum stealing my apples, but being on a solo for that long really made me appreciate toilets because buckets just didn't really do it for me! In the last week, my group set off on our six day expedition that meant no toilets, no showers and no beds for days. We spent three days in the bush and three days on the sea. We found our true potential on this expedition.

Outward Bound was the most challenging, overwhelming, amazing 21 days of my life. I cried, I laughed, I pushed my body to its limits but I will never forget the lifelong friends I made at Outward Bound. I went in as one person and left as 14 but I will never forget what I am truly capable of. If anyone has the chance to do Outward Bound I would encourage you to do so - you won't regret it. "Just do it, even if you suck at it, you may try and fail but you are not a failure."

Charday Deans - Year 13

Sports Department

Winter 7's Tournament – Northern Southland College

We took 76 students to Lumsden on Tuesday to compete at the annual Winter 7's tournament. The weather held out for us and everyone had a great day. Some teams had great results including the Year 7-8 netball girls who won their section and also the Senior Girls netball taking out their competition. Rugby and football teams had an enjoyable outing and finished mid table. Many thanks to staff and parents/caregivers who came along for the day to help with coaching and umpiring.

Menzies College Cross Country

After being ready to start the cross country on Wednesday, the weather packed up and the event had to be postponed. With the ground conditions and weather being the way they are, we will postpone the cross country until further notice and are possibly looking at Term 3 when things are a bit warmer.

Tim Landreth - Sports Co-ordinator

Menzies College Soccer

IMPORTANT GAME THIS COMING MONDAY 26 May - Menzies 'A' vs Menzies Development

This Monday, girls will need all their playing gear as they have a game to catch up from round 1 of the league. They need to be changed by 3.30pm to warm up and kick-off at 4pm.

Subs

The Menzies College Girls 1st XI soccer team and Development team subs were due on Tuesday 6 May. The boys 1st XI soccer team subs of \$40 are due by Tuesday 27 May.

Soccer Gear Orders

Any players requiring gear (shorts or socks) are asked to see Mr Lambert as soon as possible for an order form.

Trainings and Games for the Season

At this stage, the Girls 1st XI train on Mondays from 3.30pm to 4.45pm and games take place on Wednesdays. The Boys team train on Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm with game dates to be arranged.

Facebook Page

Menzies College Soccer have a facebook page which has match reports, important dates and other information. Just type in 'Menzies College Soccer' and then click on the 'LIKE' icon. You can also find the link on the Menzies College website in the sports section or do a search in google 'Menzies College Soccer'.

Important Dates

26 May Monday	Game - Menzies Development vs Menzies 'A' at Menzies 4pm Kick-off
27 May Tuesday	Boys 1st XI Soccer team subs \$40 due
28 May Wednesday	Game – Menzies 'A' vs SGHS Red at Menzies 4pm kick-off Game – Menzies Development vs NSC at Lumsden 4pm Kick-off Boys Team Training 3.30pm to 4.30pm
4 June Wednesday	Game - Menzies 'A' vs James Hargest 'B' at Invercargill 4pm kick-off Game Menzies Development vs SGHS Blue at Menzies 4pm kick-off Boys 1st XI Training 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Carl Lambert - Organiser

Menzies College Rugby

Subs for 2014

Year 7 & 8, U14, U16 - \$30 (if not paid by 31 May, increases to \$45)

First XV - \$150 (if not paid by 31 May, increases to \$175) this includes jersey and socks

Money for subs and gear (may be paid together) is to be paid to Lois Heads, left at the school office, given to the team manager or paid by internet banking to account No. 03 0962 0066078 000 with your name as a reference.

U15 Tournament Team

We are looking for coaches and a manager for this year's U15 tournament team going to Queenstown from 31 August to 3 September. If anyone is interested, please contact Peter Bee or Guy Michaels for information.

* A reminder that all players need mouth guards or they will not be allowed to play.

* The committee reminds all supporters of the need to show positive support from the sideline. Thank you.

Results - 17 May

Menzies Preston-Russell Law 1st XV	v	Southland Boys High lost 60-nil
Titiroa Transport U16/17	v	Southland Boys High lost 75-5
Tisbury Wool U14	v	Southland Boys High lost 83-10
Advance Ag Year 7 & 8	v	Mataura won 29-25

Draw - 24 May

Menzies Preston-Russell Law 1st XV	v	South Otago at Menzies Ground 1 at 1pm
Titiroa Transport U16/17	v	Te Anau at Menzies Ground 2 at 1.15pm
Tisbury Wool U14	v	Southland Boys Red at Menzies Ground 2 at 12pm
Advance Ag Year 7 & 8	v	POB Blue at Menzies Ground 2 at 10am

To our supporters - Text 1XVHLD to 3080 and you will receive one text message at the end of your game with all your regions 1ST XV results for the duration of the Highlanders Competition.

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Peter Bee - Chairperson

Menzies College Sports Tour Australia 2015

We are holding a Casino Night on Saturday 28 June at the Wyndham Memorial Hall. As this is one of the major fundraisers for the year we need your support. This can be helping with the supper catering, helping on the night or providing goods and/or services for the auctions that will run throughout the evening. If you know of a business that would be happy to donate goods or services please contact Kevin Heads on (03) 2066057. If you can donate food items for supper please contact Rachel Hillis on (03) 2066588. We expect each family to sell 4 tickets for this fundraiser and are asked to donate an item to the value of \$10 for raffles, which we will sell on the night, for a share of the profit.



Any queries please contact either:

Greg McLellan (03) 2064520

Allan Woodrow (03) 2036030

Murray Howe (03) 2064979

Kevin Heads (03) 2066057

Rachel Hillis (03) 2066588

Racquel Kingdon (03) 20644720

Menzies College Netball

Draw 10 May

Team	Opposition	Time	Court
Senior A	Blue Mountain A	11.30am	1
Senior B	St Peters 10A	3.10pm	2
Development	St Peters C	9.40am	1
Junior Mixed	Gore High 9C	12.25pm	4

Mrs Kath Luoni - Teacher in Charge - Netball

Wyndham District Community Pool - Meeting

A meeting is being held on Tuesday 3 June at 7.30pm in the Menzies College staffroom. Remember donations can be left at the Menzies office. Thank you for your support. Apologies to Carlyn on (03) 2064373.

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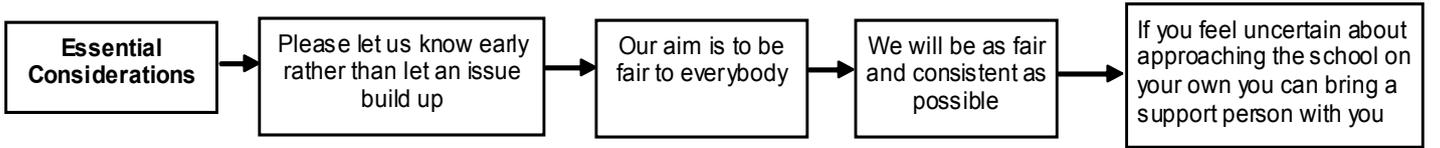
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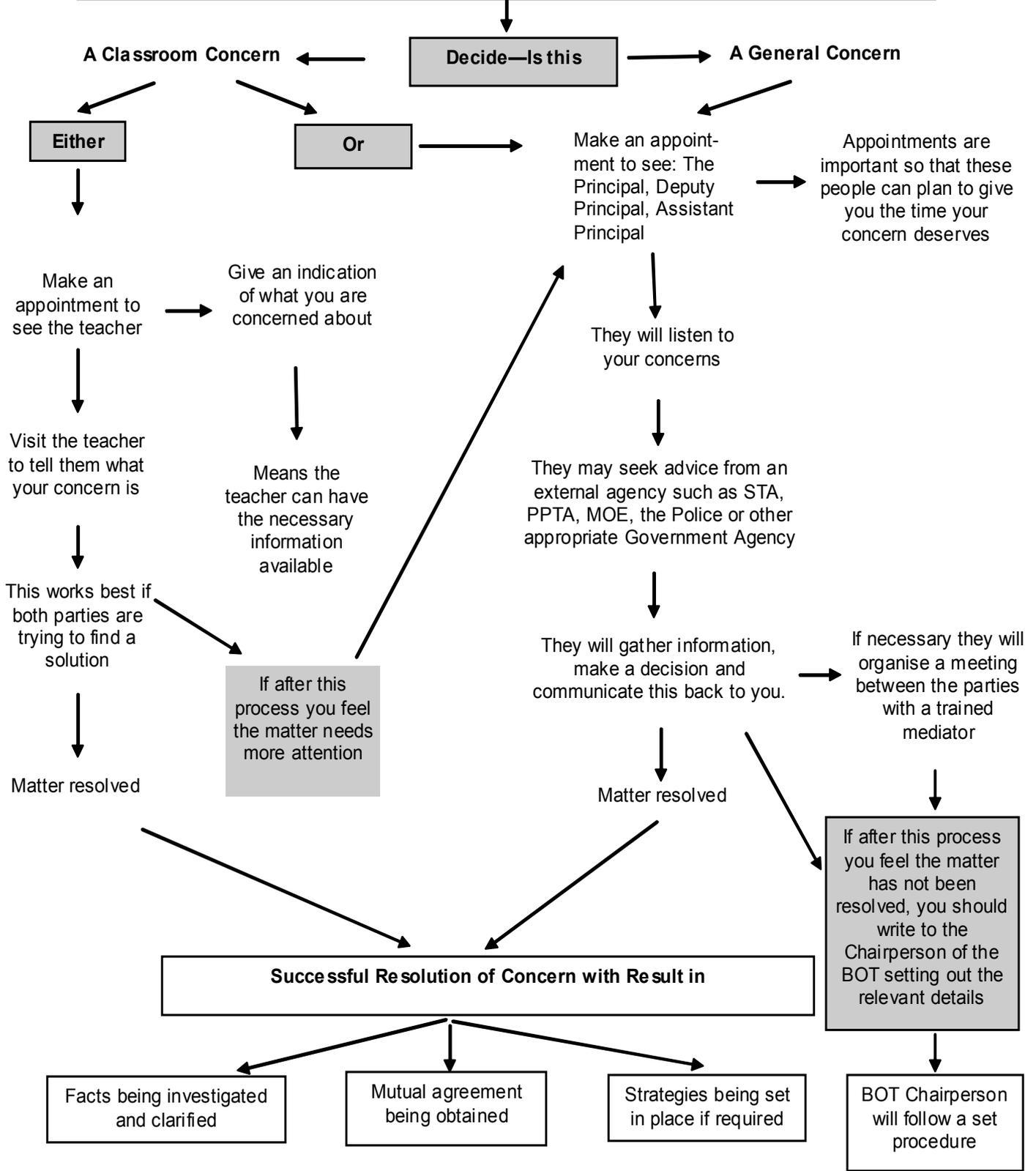
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 Jun	1 Jul	2	3	4	5	6
30 Jun - 6 Jul		Y9&10 Speech Competit	Parent Teacher Interview	Haka & Waiata P5 Term 2 Ends		Holidays
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
7 - 13 Jul			Holidays			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
14 - 20 Jul			Holidays			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Term 3 Week 1				School Ball		
28 Jul - 3 Aug	29	30	31	1 Aug	2	3
	Week 2	Hotel Management Care Y7&8 Speech Competit	Carrear Fest			

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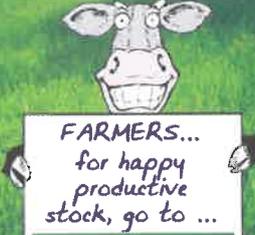
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