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27 July 2018

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora

Welcome back to Term Three. I trust everyone had a good break over the last two weeks and are now ready for the business end of the school year. Once again we have a busy schedule for the term, jam packed with school work, exams, winter tournament, careers days and loads more. 'Busy' is the word and it is imperative that all our students keep a good balance in their day so all activities and requests are managed.

We finished last term with an awesome Kapa Haka-Waiata house competition and as I mentioned at assembly this week, it's not so much about the final performance but the process of working together collaboratively as a group, learning to lead your peers and having the courage to perform. The quality of presentation and performance was truly outstanding.

Good luck to our school band 'The Methlene Blues' who will find out this weekend if they have qualified for the National RockQuest finals in Auckland. After winning the regional final for best band and original song they have since recorded four songs for the judges and fingers crossed, they get to advance to the next level.

This week at assembly we looked at the cave rescue of the 12 Thai students along with their coach and the parallels it has with learning. This was a model in complex problem solving using skills in collaboration, communicating, valuing the ideas of others, decision making and following through on an agreed plan. Like quality learning practice, we are never sure of the outcome but the process of finding a possible solution and working it through could never be more demonstrated than in this global example.

Open Night

Menzie's College will hold their Open Night for prospective 2019 students on Wednesday 15 August starting at 3.30pm and finishing at 7pm. We realise that this may clash with a half day of NZEI industrial action across our Primary Schools and we have considered a few options to avoid this but in the end we decided to stay with our planning and run from 3.30pm until 7.00pm. All students are welcome to come and visit the school and there will be a formal address from the Principal and Head Students at 3.30pm. More details will be advertised but please mark the date on your calendar if you wish to attend.

Upcoming Event

On Monday evening, 20 August we are hosting an 'Education Conversation' at Menzie's College and anyone in the community is welcome to attend. The focus is about education and what shape it will take in the future, how it could be delivered, what will it take to be a learner? There's no right or wrong answers, it's just a 90 minute conversation about education. Look out for the posters and spread the word.

50th Reunion

In 2021 the school will celebrate 50 years of existence as Menzie's College. Planning has just got underway and if you are interested in being on the committee to assist in the organisation of this celebration, there will be a meeting at 7.30 pm on Thursday 2 August in the College staffroom. We would love to see you!

*Gerry Ward
Principal*

TEXT 'follow themenziesway' to 8987 for information updates

PB4L - Achievement Slip Draw

Congratulations to the following students and staff member for winning the achievement slip draw this week - Kem Wanyo, Shaelin Moir, Olivia Perriam, Dylan Adams and Mrs Gibbs. Remember to keep showing respect and keep those achievement slips coming in!

NZQA Fees

NZQA fees are \$76.70 for all Year 11-13 students and these need to be paid in order for their Level 1/2/3 results to be released by NZQA. Menzies College collects the fees on behalf of NZQA and forwards them on the due date. If a family is on a benefit or has a community services card OR would qualify for a benefit or community services card if applied for, you are eligible for financial assistance. This is a reduction in fees from \$76.70 to \$20. If you are unsure whether you are entitled to receive these discounts, please contact Judy Gould in the office.

If you would like financial assistance please complete and return the form which is available at the office. The due date for fee payment to Menzies College is Friday 24 August.

Tutorial

Art tutorials will take place on Thursday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:30pm.

*Bianca Gibbs
Art Teacher*

Science Department

The Year 12 Science class are doing a presentation in Matura on Wednesday 1st August on the work they have done on trout in the Mimihau River. The workshop has been organised by Environment Southland and many local people, community groups and schools are expected to attend. Our presentation is at 6.20pm in the Community Hall, Matura.

Discussions with the environmental project manager of Beef & Lamb have resulted in the Mimihau River being identified as suitable for a nationwide three year pilot project involving farmers, students and the Three Rivers Catchment group. The aim of the project is to develop local monitoring capacity using aquatic insects as indicators. Farms along the Mimihau River are in the process of being identified and approached to see if they want to be involved in the project. Watch this space.

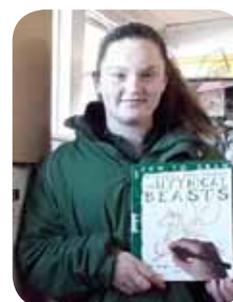
*Kit Hustler
Head of Department - Science*

Library News

Book Review - How to Draw Magical Creatures and Mythical Beasts (Dewey 741)

The book showed me how to draw the animals basic shape and the shading which made it realistic. The end result was beautiful. Other books in this 'How to Draw' series are Manga, Pirates, Knights and Castles, Vampires and Ghosts, Prehistoric and Ice Age, Science Fiction and London.

Cherish Warren - Year 9



Health News

We have been notified of a case of school sores. Please monitor your child and if any suspicious sores appear please seek medical advice.

Office News

School Accounts/Stationery Purchases

A reminder that if students wish to purchase stationery on their school accounts, parents/caregivers need to be making automatic payments to the school. If you do not wish to do this, please ensure your student's account is 'in credit' to enable them to make these purchases, otherwise payment is required at the time of purchase. Thank you for your co-operation.

Lost/Found Property

There is a huge amount of lost and found property on display in the office foyer. Please call in and check if any of it belongs to your child. There are still some items from Year 9 camp e.g. towels, pillow etc. **We cannot return lost property if things are not named.**

Important Dates

August	5-7	ADEX Alpine Camp
	9	St Peter's College & Gore High Career Expo (Year 10-13)
	13-17	Green week (interruption free week)
	15	Open Day
	19-20	Three Rivers Girls Football Tournament
	22	Attitude Programme
	29	Whanau Conference Day
September	3-7	Tournament week
	10-14	Green week (interruption free week)
	11-18	Practice exams
	18	HPV Vaccinations
	24	SIT Liaison visit
	26	Sports & Cultural photos
	28	Last day - Term 3
October	15	First Day - Term 4
	15-19	Green week (interruption free week)
	22	Labour Day

World Kickboxing Championships

Year 8 student Levi Smith is fundraising to attend the World Kickboxing Championships in Italy from 15-23 September this year and a \$10 portrait fundraiser has been organised.

Check out the details for this event and support Levi in his dream to get to Italy to take part in these championships.

This is an awesome opportunity and we will follow Levi's success with enthusiasm.

Skiing at Remarkables/Coronet Peak

We will be running school ski trips this season and they are open for all year levels. The cost of this trip is \$110 for skiing or snowboarding. This price includes lift ticket, equipment rental, 1.5 hr lesson and transport. We will be running ski trips on the following dates: 5th August (Remarkables), 19th August (Remarkables), 26th August (Coronet Peak) and 16th September (Coronet Peak) – This last trip we will possibly make juniors only as it is in the middle of exam week. All these dates are Sundays. Places on these trips will be on a “first in, first served” basis. Permission forms and payment are required by the Friday of the week before each trip. Payment for the first trip needs to be in by Friday 27th July. There is a limit of 20 students (if we have high demand for a trip we will look at booking a bus, needs to be 40 people interested for this to happen). The van will leave Menzies College car park at 5.30 am on the day - you will need to be there by 5.20 am. Any pick-ups or drop offs in Gore (Mobil Station) or Mataura (Police Station) will need to be organised prior to the day and marked on the permission form. We will be returning to school at approximately 7.00 pm. The school office will be open and a phone available for students to use.

Each student will require appropriate gear, the following items are ESSENTIAL: (we will check these before we depart in the morning)

- * Waterproof jacket and ski pants (or waterproof over-trousers)
- * Warm fleece or wool jersey
- * Polypropylene top and long-johns
- * Woolen hat or beanie, scarf or neck warmer
- * Gloves (preferably water proof)
- * Sunglasses or goggles (MUST be tinted)
- * Sunscreen and lip balm
- * Water in drink bottle
- * Lunch or money to buy lunch
- * Some dry clothes to change into

Students are welcome to bring their own skis/boards if they prefer. Please fill in all information on the attached permission form, including height and weight. This information is pre-loaded onto an electronic lift pass and is used to speed up the rental process. NZSKI have strict rules around changes to school bookings. If a student withdraws from the trip after the Monday before a trip, refunds will only be given if a medical certificate is supplied. This is because changes can impact on the number of instructors and equipment available for other groups. Transport cost (\$55) is non-refundable after payment date unless the withdrawing student's spot is filled or the trip is cancelled. The trip will only be cancelled if the ski field is closed or the weather forecast looks extremely bad. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me at school on 03 2064979 or by email.

Alice Cade

alice.cade@menzies.school.nz

Menzies Rugby

Upcoming Girls Tournaments

If you would like to give rugby a go, here's the perfect opportunity. We have some exciting competitions coming up for girls rugby.

Confirmation of names is required by Friday 28th July, so as we can start training, and confirm team entries.

Please have your parents/guardians register you at www.sporty.co.nz/menzies (just leave the team blank)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email me:
Carol Potter - Menzies Rugby Administrator (in School) - 027 380 1996 or carolpotter2014@gmail.com

Skills and Drills

with Scott Eade

Wednesday

1st August

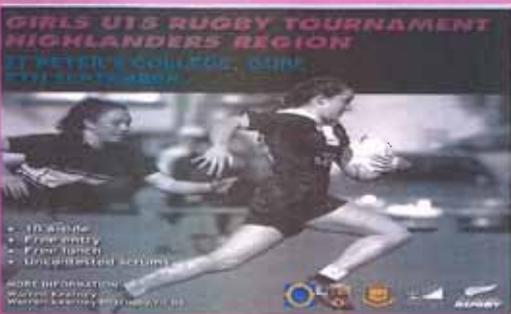
3.30pm at Raglan St grounds



Rugby Southland Intermediate & Secondary School Girls Rugby Festival 2018

When: Monday 20th August 2018
First matches kick off 11am

Where: Centrepark, Dunns Road, Otara



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Secondary School

Girls 7s

14 September
21 September
28 September

Hold on Fridays, games starting at 4pm

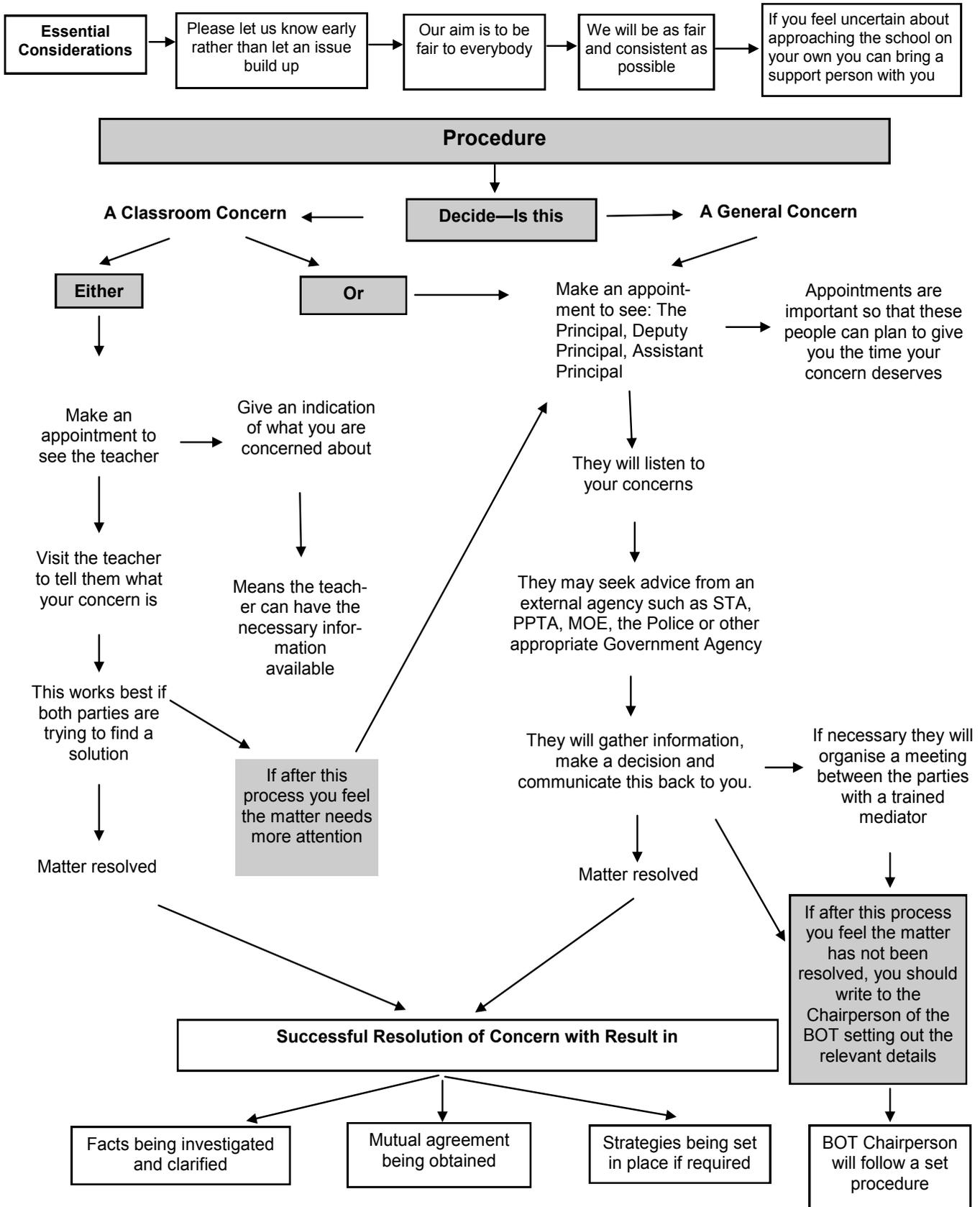
Two grades - U15 and Senior Girls

Mouthguards and boots are to be worn.

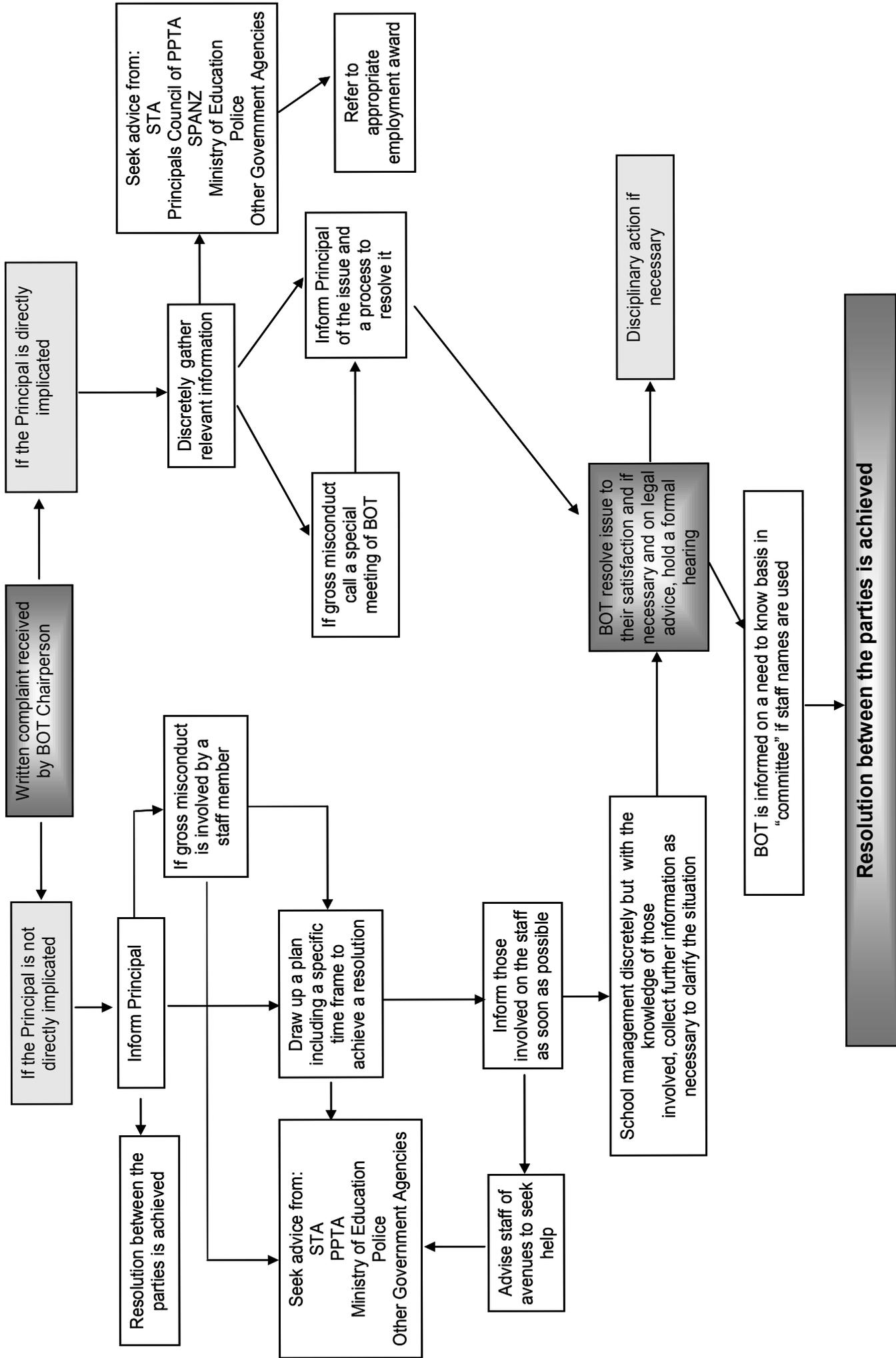
Please let me know if require help with organising these.

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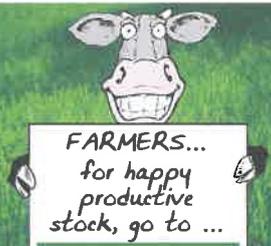
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