Ag Day 2026

Now is the time to start having a conversation with your children about how they want to be involved. This is a fun and exciting event that children enjoy, while also learning about responsibility, care, patience, and the work involved in looking after an animal.

Planned activities and events leading up to Ag Day:

Flower Art **Tuesday 13th October**	**Dogs (Y5-8 students only)** **Wednesday 14th October**
Students will bring flowers to school for flower based art. There will be a tour around the classrooms Wednesday afternoon at 2:15pm to share completed art.	Leading over an obstacle course; Calling and obedience; Care and attention *Will require an adult to bring your dog for a set time and then return home.*
Ribbon Day **Thursday 15th October**	**Lamb, Kid & Calf** **Friday 16th October**
We plan to hold a Ribbon day with students bringing their pony/horse. Planning to have on lead and off lead classes, and care & attention.	The lamb, kid and calf sections are leading, calling and care & attention. *Note: a 'kid' is a baby goat...*

VOLUNTEERS

We will also need considerable community support for the event including adult helpers for parking, judges, assisting judges, and the food stall. If you are able to help, email agday@kaharoa.school.nz

Some years we have parents who volunteer to link interested students with farmers who may have lambs, kids, or calves. If you are able to help with this please email agday@kaharoa.school.nz

Other Information

Every second year we include chickens and plants as part of Ag Day - this will occur in 2027.

Students who are still at **preschool** are welcome to enter their animal in the Open Ring. They are invited to participate and bring their animal along to be involved. Preschool children are welcome to take part in leading, calling, and care and attention, but this is not expected.

For **school-aged students** entering lambs and calves, we encourage you to also attend **Group Day** held on **Friday 23rd October** at **Waikite Valley School**.

From our school Ag Day, we can enter into Group Day the top two animals in each event - leading, calling, and care and attention - from each class group: Senior, Intermediate, and Junior. This means up to nine students can be selected for each animal section. However, all students are welcome to attend Group Day and participate in the Open Ring, which is also available for kids (baby goats). Lambs, kids, and calves must be born between **20th July and 25th September**.

There are 4 classes for Ag Day and Group Day: Senior (Yr 6, 7 & 8) / Intermediate (Yr 4 & 5) / Junior (Yr 1-3) / Open

There are resources available on our school website. www.kaharoa.school.nz following the green link titled "Click Here for Ag day Info"

If you have further questions regarding Ag Day, please email agday@kaharoa.school.nz