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Good afternoon Big Rock families/whānau.

End of Year

The end of year prize giving celebration is on Wednesday 9th of December at 4:30pm.

School will close for instruction at 1:00 on Friday 11th December. There is no After School Care on the last day.

Pool Keys

Pool keys will be available next week, probably Wednesday. Please be aware that school families get a better rate for these than the wider community. They will be available to the wider community later in the term and will have a limited supply. School families get priority.
To purchase a pool key school accounts must be up to date.

Classroom Disruptions

Over the next couple of weeks there will be disruptions in the classes as the teacher's undertake end of year assessments so as to ensure the most up to date information in End of Year reports. This is a legal requirement. Also, in school timetables will be more flexible.

Big Rock's Got Talent

A big thank you to all the children who performed today. The courage it takes to stand up in front of your peers and sing, play an instrument or dance cannot be underestimated. I for one, salute their courage and their endeavour. Unfortunately, I did not have the opportunity to take any photos, if anyone has any, can you please share them with me.

Brighton in the News

Yesterday there was an excellent article in the ODT by Associate Professor Viktoria Kahui, former Big Rock parent and loyal supporter of the school. The article regards the folly of the landfill and the value of Brighton. Outstanding Viktoria. I have provided an electronic link.
https://www.odt.co.nz/news/opinion/how-much-is-a-day-at-brighton-beach-worth-i8bthkmk

Sports Round-Up

Congratulations to the following players on earning Player of the Day for their futsal teams.
Harley Scott------- Big Rock Stingray
Ari Gilbert--------- Big Rock Dolphins
Kenzie Smeaton---Big Rock Sharks





School Barbeque

I hope parents are finding worth in the school Tuesday barbeque. It can be a challenge keeping children's lunches interesting etc. I don't know of another school that does this. It is proving valuable for the different children taking control of the tongs and spatulas. This week we had Lilly Scott and Jaxon Skerratt on the tools, and a fine job they did.



Have a great weekend

David Grant

Principal

Keith from Project Excavation Landscape is responsible for our school looking so smart. If you have any

landscaping or excavation projects we highly recommend using his services.

Reminders

Knowing if your child is well enough to go to school — guidance for parents and caregivers.

If you are not sure if your child is well enough to go to school, the Ministry of Health have a quick guide where you can check your child's symptoms to make an informed decision.

After School Care

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Bookings or cancellations for After School Care can be made by texting 021 082 50863 or by emailing

asc@bigrock.school.nz.

Office Hours

Monday and Wednesday – 8.45am – 3.15pm

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 8.45am – 12.15pm

Kelly is only in the office between these hours.

Please note that if your call goes to the answer phone, leave us a message. Staff may not be able to answer the phone at that time but will check the machine as soon as they can.

Lunch Orders

These can be made at the shop on a Friday or dropped at the school office before 9.00am.

Lost Property

This is located in the library.

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Absences

Thank you for getting your absences and late notifications in before 8.50am on Skool Loop.

It saves us a lot of time if we don't have to chase these up.

The new Stepped Attendance Response Regulations from the Ministry of Education and what they mean.

An automatic email will be sent from EDGE, as per Ministry requirements, when absences reach 4.5 half days

in a term.

Any absence must be recorded in accordance with the Ministry of Education attendance guidelines.

You can find further information about this on the Big Rock Primary School website under policies.