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**Good afternoon Big Rock families/whānau.**

## Start of Year

**Big Rock Primary School will begin on Monday February 1st.**

## 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.**

## School Accounts

**School accounts are now out. We would respectfully ask that all accounts be paid in full by December 11th.**

## Pool Keys

**Pool Keys are now available at the office. A reminder that all school accounts must be paid up to date to be eligible for a pool key.**

## Brighton Surf Lifesaving Club Surf Carnival

**All the best to all of the athletes, but especially the Brighton ones, competing at the Surf Lifesaving competition on Sunday at Brighton Beach. Get down and support the locals, lots of excellent sporting action.**

## Brighton Trail Ride

**The Brighton Trail Ride is fast approaching, it is on Saturday February 13th. This has been incredibly successful over the last 2 years. Also, it has been a great fundraiser for the school, so much so, it is no understatement to say it has kept the school pool open.**

**WE URGENTLY NEED YOUR HELP. THE ROLES WE NEED TO FILL WILL BE MARSHALS, SUPERVISING ROAD CROSSINGS, TAKING REGISTRATIONS AND HELPING WITH THE BBQ. THERE MAY BE A FEW DIFFERENT ROLES TO BE IDENTIFIED A BIT LATER.**

**IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME AT THE OFFICE, AND IF YOU HAVE ROLE PREFERENCE, PLEASE LET US KNOW.**
**THANKS**




## Sports Round-Up

**Congratulations to the following players on earning Player of the Day for their futsal teams.**
**Archer Cockburn-------  Big Rock Stingray**
**Kendrick Keki---------  Big Rock Dolphins**
**Big Rock Sharks Defaulted to**



## Science and Nature School

**As part of the Science and Nature School programme, they headed to the University of Otago Genetics Department where they had to solve a crime using the magic of Science. A massive thank you to al of the Genetics Department.**



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**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**

**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.**