

“During the 19th century, workers in New Zealand tried to claim the right for an 8-hour working day. In 1840 carpenter Samuel Parnell fought for this right in Wellington, NZ, and won. Labour Day was first celebrated in New Zealand on October 28, 1890, when thousands of workers paraded in the main city centres. Government employees were given the day off to attend the parades and many businesses closed for at least part of the day.

The first official Labour Day public holiday in New Zealand was celebrated on the second Wednesday in October in 1900. The holiday was moved to the fourth Monday of October in 1910 and has remained on this date since then.”

Rakaia / Dorie School Athletics 2016

The 2016 Athletics Day will be held at Rakaia on
Wednesday 26th of October.

- Events will commence at 9:00am sharp, therefore we ask for children to be lined up in their ages groups at 8:45am.
- We need parents to be marshals on the day. Their responsibility is to assist with finding events for age groups. **Please contact Miss Kelly if you are able to help.**
- Lunch will be approximately 12:30pm. School support will be providing a sausage sizzle, bacon sandwiches, drinks and ice blocks.
- A timetable will be displayed around the school on the day.

Community Notices:

As you may be aware Rakaia Pony Club will be hosting Springston Trophy next year in October 5-8th. We will be on the look for anybody who can provide accommodation for teams and horses for the duration. Could you please circulate amongst your student families and get them to contact me if they can offer then we will be able to put this all together as options. If you could let me know what exactly you can offer - i.e. wool shed with a toilet that could house 6 and yards for 6 horses or truck/float parking only and a 4 acre paddock etc.

Thank you so much Su Bowden

New Notices on School Notice Board:

- Ashburton Touch Rugby
- GP- care around the clock
- Thursday 3rd November Geraldine Summer Fete