



DUNSANDEL SCHOOL COUNTRY DAY 2026

RETURN THIS FORM BY FRIDAY 28 AUGUST

PETS

All children are encouraged to bring a pet – families can share a pet, and children will be judged individually. The judge will ask your child questions around care, attention, knowledge and handling where appropriate. From there the judge will decide on either a first (red ribbon), second (blue ribbon) or a third (yellow ribbon) placing. All children will receive a ribbon. **Only those children who completed a pet project will be eligible for a first-place red ribbon.**

Criteria for Judging: -

First Place – Pet Project is completed. The child has a high level of knowledge about their pet and can confidently answer the judge's questions independently.

Second Place – The child can answer most of the judge's questions and showed a good level of knowledge.

Third Place – The child has some knowledge of their pet and was able to answer some of the judge's questions independently.

PET PROJECT

Pet or projects are to be completed at home to be handed in on Monday 14 September. These will be marked by the class teachers and displayed on Country Day. All projects are to be in A4 booklet/exercise book/scrapbook form - no posters or dioramas etc. For children in Year 3-6 projects must be handwritten. These are marked by teachers. Projects should include the following: Name, Breed, Care and Attention, Health Requirements and Housing.

RESEARCH PROJECT

Research Projects are for those children who do not have a pet and would like to have their work judged on Country Day and earn themselves a Country Day ribbon. This Research Project can be on any animal/creature that the child chooses.

The project must include an animal description, its habitat, diet, predators, interesting facts, pictures and/or diagrams. Judges will talk to the children about their projects on Country Day.

All projects must be on A4 paper/booklet, and the projects will be marked on the day by the judge. These will be displayed in the hall after judging.

IF YOU ARE BRINGING A CALF

- In order to bring a calf to Country Day the farm/ property where the calf lives must not have been under M-Bovis surveillance testing in the past 6 months.
- If you are bringing a calf, please ensure your calf has its own water and food containers and its own halter and lead. We will ensure that calves are tied up at least two metres away from other calves – this is the recommendation from MPI.
- Calves from different herds or farms should be transported to and from Country Day separately.
- When moving your calf at Country Day please ensure an adult is supervising the calf so it can be kept under control.
- All calves coming to Country Day must have a readable NAIT ear tag.
- Please lay straw to collect effluent and remove any faeces from our grounds.

ENTRY FORM

Family Name _____

PET and PET PROJECT

Child Name	Pet Name	Animal Type For dogs, please specify breed & age	Pet Project	Calf Drinking	Lamb Drinking

Please indicate here if your pet is being shared between siblings

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No Pet

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OR

RESEARCH PROJECT

Child Name	My research project will be on (ANIMAL)

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