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Dear Parents / Caregivers

Your child has been working with me this year preparing to take part in the Waikato Literature Quiz. This week we completed the final test and your child has been selected in one of our two teams! The event is going to be held on Monday the 24th of August. This year the event runs from 10am to 1pm and is at the Southwell Performing Arts Centre. The school has met the costs of the event.

I have included a blurb about the event below. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me. Please speak to me this week if your child is unable to take part in this event.

The event is primarily for intermediate aged children. We enter this event to encourage children to continue to read widely and to enjoy the 'sport' of reading!

Quizmaster Wayne Mills challenges teams of four Year 6 / 7 / 8 students with questions on a wide variety of children's literature such as authors, titles and storybook characters. Their reading knowledge and recall is tested in a fun competition. Contestants ponder questions from almost any genre including comics, poetry, nursery rhymes, classics and contemporary fiction, and questions may range from what is the relationship between Dudley Dursley and Harry Potter to who flew with an umbrella?

Wayne Mills is a former Senior Lecturer at the University of Auckland and believes passionately in the importance of getting and keeping children reading. He created and runs the Kids' Lit Quiz as a way of encouraging, acknowledging and challenging readers, particularly at the important transition from childhood to adolescence.

- Teams of four Year 6 / 7 / 8 students (10-13 year-old girls and boys) from schools all over the country take part in 13 regional heats.
- They answer questions on children's literature put to them by Wayne Mills the quizmaster. There are ten rounds with categories such as Big Cats, Wizards, Adventure, Survival and Folktales etc with ten questions in each category.

Website: www.kidslitquiz.com

Regards
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