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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. After a number of postponements the event is being held next week! The competition is on **Wednesday the 21st October** from 10- 1pm at Berkley Normal Middle School Rec Centre. Myself and another teacher will transport the children to and from the event.

I have included a blurb about the event below. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me. Please **email or speak to me if you are going to attend the quiz so that I can provide the organisers with your details (for contact tracing).**

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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I give permission for _____ to be transported by car to the event.

Signed _____ Name of parent _____

I will be coming to the Lit Quiz (name and contact details) _____

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