



# Sunnyhills School



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## Koru Whanau Poetry Festival

In term 4 the Koru Whanau will be holding their first Poetry Festival.

Poetry helps to teach children how to read, as well as developing their oral language and performance skills.

Over the coming weeks, every student will be asked to choose a poem to practice at home and perform in front of their class. Room 12 and 13 will be practising one poem as a class and will present this together at the Festival on 2nd November.

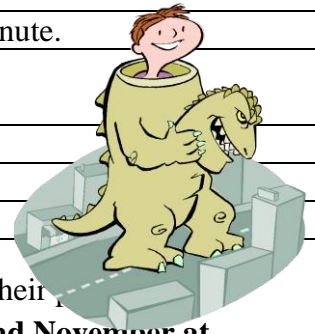
The poems can come from anywhere, including your class poetry folder!

Please support your child by helping them to find a poem and learning it at home.

Your child will be presenting their poem to the class between Tuesday 23rd October and Friday 26th October. Below are the criteria that they will be marked against.

### Poetry Festival Criteria

<b>I can...</b>
Learn my poem off by heart or with prompt cards. Maximum length 1 minute.
Speak in a clear voice, using expression. (Including appropriate speed, pauses for effect)
Look at the audience.
Use gestures/actions where and when it is appropriate.
Give a confident performance.



Each teacher will select a small number of students per class to perform their special Poetry Festival which will be held in the school hall on **Friday 2nd November at 2pm**. Family and friends are most welcome to attend.

Our special judges will award certificates to the outstanding participants.

We are all looking forward to hearing each of the students

Happy Reading!

The Koru Whanau Teachers