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Thursday 25th October

Week 2, Term 4 2018

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Wow! It's been a hive of activity over the past two weeks with all eyes on AG Day this Saturday. We get to celebrate our student's efforts both with their animals and their exhibits. Friday is the time for bringing in their home items ready for judging on Friday night, as well as the 'at school' floral activities being worked on during the school day.

If you are here on Saturday, please ask if you need a job, as there is always something to be done, or someone needing a break. We have had some wonderful sponsorship again this year for prizes, so please look around and see who they are and support them when you can. Without these generous sponsors we would struggle to have the day and the activities we do.

Next event to gear up to is the Athletics Day on Tuesday 6 November. This is a day when we host about 350 – 400 students from 6 neighbouring schools. We will again need a host of volunteers for the BBQ, helping to run events both Senior and Junior. More details next week.

The bikes are proving very popular again thanks to Kevin's wonderful fixing up. If you venture into the school during break time, please watch out for the kids on bikes!

Paula Walker from Write that Essay will be in the classrooms working alongside the teachers around writing and in particular sentences. This is part of our focus on raising the achievement of our student's writing. She is working with schools in our COL (Community of Learning) as it is one of our Achievement Challenges for our COL Schools.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

BOT SPOT:

AG Day will be a chance to have your say on the logos Janelle has designed after consultation. Be sure to offer your ideas. Look out for the LOGO Board outside Room 4.

Our school is having a fundraiser at Imeson's farm on Sunday 11 November. More details after AG Day.

SWIMMING - The pool is now up and running and with the warmer weather we would like to see the students swimming. Swimsafe sessions are due to start on a Friday afternoon, and these are important for our students to participate in. Students to please bring in togs and named towels. Also for room 2 please provide named goggles and a swimming cap. If your child is not swimming for the day a note must be brought from home, or let us know. Swimming is part of our curriculum and with drowning statistics it is important that our students learn confidence In, Under and Around water.

HATS - Hats are now required to be worn, as part of our Health Policy. We are a Sunsmart School. Children are required to wear the red **School hats only** – all hats are kept at school, each child has their own hat which is numbered. **Hats are NOT shared.**

PGG WRIGHTSONS - Raising Funds For Your School: Purchase Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser between 1st September and 30 November 2018 and nominate your school and they will donate \$1 for every tonne of qualifying fertiliser to your school. Also prizes for the school with the highest nominations in both North and South Island with Apple iPads as prizes.

ASB Promotion: For all home loans of \$250,000 or more drawn down with ASB, ASB will donate to your chosen school \$500. If you know of anyone in the community or anywhere – family, friends, that may be looking at this, please spread the word and nominate Poroti School! Promotion runs through until 30 June 2019 – ASB lending criteria and conditions apply.

Senior Camp: Senior Camp is coming up next month. Reminder that payment is now due - cost will be \$70 per child. You can pay at the office or start payments on-line at ASB 123115-0216227-00. Payments need to be made in full before Friday November 9th. Please come and see me if this is not possible.

Whangarei Calf Club Central Day - Central Day this year is to be held Thursday 8th November.

AG Day Family and Adult Activities:

- Male and Female section of **"Bake and Decorate a Cake"** Enter on the morning of AG Day.
- Make a **'GUY'** or **'SCARECROW'** as a family and enter it on the morning of AG Day.
- **Heaviest Eel competition** - Weigh on the day

Community Notices...

Kiwi Kids Can Cook To be held at Bay of Island P & I show on Saturday 10th November at Waimate North. Do you like the taste of good food? Have you got a favourite dish you like to cook? If you are in year 1 – 8 represent your school in a fun cooking competition. For details www.nzchefs.org.nz/Competitions

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

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Monday 22 nd October	Labour weekend – No school today
Saturday 27 th October	AG Day 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Compulsory school day.
Monday 29 th October	TECH - Please remember shoes
Friday 2 nd November	Free Show at 2 p.m. "The Sailor Asthma Show" All welcome to come and view the show. Suitable for all ages. A koha to help the Asthma cause is welcome.
Monday 5 th November	Ear Screening in school
Tuesday 6 th November	Poroti School Athletics Day
Thursday 8 th November	Central Day
Friday 9 th November	Swimsafe sessions start – Dry land session one
Tuesday 13 th – Friday 16 th November	Senior Class on camp at Waitomo Bus will still run as normal

