

Thursday 14th March

Week 6, Term 1 2019

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

There are a number of attachments to the newsletter today, so look carefully in your child's bag. Newsletter, Raffle tickets, Photo competition, and Book Club.

Gymnastics first week... I was lucky enough to be a part of the Junior Class and their first session of gymnastics with Ashleigh last Friday. I was impressed with their skill and how they challenged themselves. Ashleigh ran a circuit of activities involving forward and backward movements, rolling, balancing, throwing and fine-motor skills. Keep up the great work Juniors.

Congratulations to those Juniors who have moved up their reading levels. Mrs L-K is busy testing reading in the Junior class and there is a buzz of excitement as the children and staff see their progress. Keep up the reading at home too as this complements the work we do here at school for your child's achievement.

Trophies.... Please return the end of year trophies for engraving. Bring to the Office.

Photo competition... The Rotary Club of Whangarei South (who donate generously to our school) are holding a Photographic competition for our Community of Learning Schools (CoL) The information sheet is attached to the newsletter. Years 1-6 have the topic of BOATS. Years 7-10 have MONUMENTS. The photos need to be into our school by Thursday 9 May. (Week 2 Term 2) We need to be able to save as PDF format and email to Al Kirk. See the form for further information. Great cash prize to be won.

Swimming . . . We will continue to swim until the end of March, so please send your child's togs. It is very hot by the time we swim in the afternoon. We have a great pool which costs us a lot of money to run, so we want it to be used. We have been seeing some great stroke improvement in our swimmers.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

<u>SWEETS / LOLLIES</u> : As a health promoting school, we ask that all lollies and sweets be kept at home please.

BOT SPOT:

The Board of Trustees has set a **WORKING BEE** date of Saturday 30th March from 9 a.m. until 1 p .m.

Work to be done:

- 1. Trimming trees around the main back field ready for spraying
- 2. The front of the school driveway and garden in turning bay
- 3. The Obstacle course around the field

Bring chainsaws, and any equipment you think you will need. We do have some spades, forks rakes etc. We also need trailers to put vegetation on to take to the dump.

At present the BOT has two applications for funding into the Oxford Trust (IPads for the Junior Class) and Pub Charities (In-ground Trampoline). We have our fingers crossed.

Keep thinking about the up- coming BOT Elections. If you can't be the one then who could be the right person for our Board. We have a couple of people who are not re-standing this election, so we do need replacements.

EASTER RAFFLE: As part of our fundraising for our school camps this year, we are holding an Easter Raffle. We are asking families to please donate some Easter eggs or similar products towards the raffle and also help by selling tickets. Please find tickets attached for your family to sell. We have plenty more tickets available and there are prizes up for grabs for the family and individual who sells the most tickets! You can start sending in Easter Eggs anytime now and you can return sold ticket forms and money to the office. (Don't forget to write your family name up the top of the form). Extra ticket forms available at the office. All tickets and money to be back by Tuesday 9th April - raffle being drawn on Wednesday 10th. Thank you for your support.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDER: The latest brochure is attached. If you would like any books, please send book order and money back to school by 22nd March 2019.

<u>Celebration - Class Awards</u>



- Violet Urlich for great achievement in her basic facts
- Morgan Thomson for great achievement in her basic facts
- Danny-Lee Siafa for a huge effort in all subject areas and a great attitude
- Te Mihinga Rapana for great independent problem solving without a teacher
- Jose Edwards for awesome science, great writing, thinking and great contributions
- Danny-Lee Siafa for a great science fishing experiment
- Meineta Siafa, Erica Powell, Rewi Edmonds for representing Poroti School at the zone swimming at Maungatapere School

.....And the Principals Award this week goes to.....

• Bailey Larsen - for great independent learning in her class, working well and giving 100% in all areas



Community Notices

<u>Maunga Mayhem</u>: On Saturday 30th March beside Maungatapere Mountain, three races over obstacles and challenges including water slide, maize, scramble nets, hurdles, tyres and more. Prizes for placegettings and spot prizes available. Tickets from \$25. For more information and tickets go to maungamayhem.co.nz **<u>ACTIVE ATTITUDE</u>** : Active Attitude (9 Commerce St) is all about having fun while participating in physical activity! They have classes for gymnastics, tumble, trampoline, fitness, and aerobic gymnastics. They offer both recreational and competitive classes. Contact them on (09) 945 4876, <u>admin@activeattitude.co.nz</u> or activeattitude.co.nz

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Monday 18 th March	Year 7 & 8 TECH Van leaves at 8.50 a.m
Wednesday 27 th March	School Triathlon at 1 p.m.
Tuesday 9th April	Easter raffle tickets and money due back
Wednesday 10 th April	Easter Raffle drawn
Friday 22 nd March	Scholastic book orders due back today