



POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 21st March

Week 7, Term 1 2019

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Our week started with a quiet talk about the tragic events of last Friday. The children were respectful in their discussion as were the staff. We also discussed LOCKDOWN and what that might mean, our school procedures for Lockdown and why you chose the place to gather during a lockdown. We reflected on what we were grateful for, and it was pleasing to see it was not the material things in our lives but the people that mattered. We would like to join the National "Colour your Day" tomorrow by wearing something bright (preferably not red) and bring a gold coin koha to school. This koha will be to support the families impacted by the tragic events. This is optional, and no consequences will be in place for those who choose not to participate in the "colour your day." As part of this day we will observe a one minute silence at 1.40 p.m.

It was great to be able to watch Rewi swim in the Whangarei Primary School's Year 7 & 8 Championship event yesterday along with Maka and Thereza. Great support for one swimmer. He swam a great race both in his event and in the Zone Relay team. Congratulations Rewi.

Olivia donated a box of apples which we have cooked up and will use for Apple crumble and to make apple pies to freeze for winter. Thanks for the apples Olivia.

Our Kai Ora Fund application - which we are joining together with the Maungarongo Marae Komiti Wahine – has been sent and we will have the results mid- April. The application called 'The Hononga' (The Joining) is based around our gardens and orchards, including purchasing a shade house for seed propagation.

We are all looking forward to the Triathlon next Wednesday at 1 p.m. See the separate notice with details.

We are finding that a number of items of clothing are being left around as the layers come off when the sun comes out. We are talking about Managing Self (a Key competency) meaning being responsible, organising our things, picking up after us. As you can see this is a life skill not just for school! The Library has also been offered to those who do not have internet access for homework tasks. It is just a matter of talking to Mrs L-K and being organised before Thursday cut- off date for homework tasks. Again, managing self.

Have a wonderful weekend. Enjoy the time before winter sport kicks in. My first hockey game is this weekend!

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

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 and bike track
2. The front of the school driveway and garden in turning bay
3. The Obstacle course around the field

Bring chainsaws, weed eaters, 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. 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.

Community Notices



Maunga Mayhem : 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

FOR RENT : 5 brm Country Home. Clean and insulated. Separate bathroom, shower room, 2 toilets, 2 vanities. Private, farm, bush and river views. Large double garage with sectional door and internal access.
20 mins west of Kamo \$470/week.

If you are interested please email
Margaret wpdunn@xtra.co.nz with relevant details.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Friday 22 nd March	Scholastic book orders due back today
Wednesday 27 th March	School Triathlon at 1 p.m.
Saturday 30 th March	School working bee 9am to 1pm
Monday 1 st April	Year 7 & 8 Tech - remember shoes
Tuesday 9th April	Easter raffle tickets and money due back
Wednesday 10 th April	Easter Raffle drawn
Friday 12 th April	Last day Term 1

