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Thursday 16th May

Week 3, Term 2 2019

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Our heartfelt aroha and thoughts are with Jason, Donna and their whānau on the tragic passing of their father and grandfather last week.

We have received news that our CoL (Community of Learning) Achievement Challenges have been approved by the Ministry of Education and that we can start the process of appointing Across the Schools teachers to support our Challenges. If you wish to see the Challenges we have selected please feel free to call in and see me. We have one around Writing, one around Science and the Environment and the third around Student Wellbeing. These challenges will be enhanced and supported by: Play-based learning, Performing and visual arts, Cultural responsive pedagogy, and Improving student transitions. These challenges fit into our Strategic Goals and Annual Plan as well.

We are having a Whānau meeting on Thursday 13th June (sorry it's the night before Complex dinner), to discuss Digital Technology, Digital Citizenship, Look at what our students are doing and it will be facilitated by Te Ahua Park.

Keep those **Board of Trustees nominations** coming in. We need at least five nominations for our BOT.

The school is travelling into town next Tuesday to perform at an Early Childhood Centre and then venturing down to the Town Basin. Mrs L-K and Whaea Hoana are leading this event.

The Year 7 & 8 students are off to play Badminton and Table Tennis on Wednesday 5 June as part of the Whangarei Primary Schools' Year 7 & 8 winter tournament. We require parents to transport and supervise as they are at two separate venues. Please let me know if you can help. The tournament is from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

As you will have heard in the media the Primary and Secondary Schools' Teachers and Principals are having a combined Strike Day on Wednesday 29th May. Please see attached letter from Wayne Chapman Chairman of the BOT.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

BOT SPOT:

Next BOT meeting is Wednesday 5th June at 7 pm in School Staffroom - (note change of day to Wednesday)

Put your name forward for election onto the Board of Trustees. We need a total of 5 trustees. The Returning Officer is Susan Macdonald.

Nomination forms were sent home in envelopes this week. There is one per voting member of the family.

Dates for BOT Elections:

May 24th: Nominations close

May 30th: Voting papers are sent out

7th June: Voting closes at 4 p.m.

June 13th: New BOT announced at Whānau meeting at school

<u>FIREWOOD:</u> The wood has been split and is ready for your fires. \$80 per trailer load, approx 1 cubic metre. Money can be paid at office or online with your name as reference. Thank you.

PHOTO COMPETITION: TOMORROW is the LAST DAY.

Time is running out team! We have entered one awesome photo from our school from Jethro.

Send photo to us and we will send it onto Mr Kirk.

A reminder that the Rotary school photo comp closes TOMORROW. (3pm, Fri 17 May). The overall theme for this year's comp is the 250th Anniversary of Captain Cook's landing in NZ in 1769.

The categories are: Yrs 1-6 BOATS; Yrs 7-10 MONUMENTS; and Yrs 11-13 SHADOWS.

Remember there is a **\$50** prize for each group winner, and a Supreme Award (best overall photo) of **\$50** as well. Each photo must be emailed to Mr Kirk <u>in PDF format</u> before 3pm, Fri 17 May, and must have the student's name, with year level and school (a must!) as well as a brief description about why you like the photo and the link to Captain Cook.

.....COMMUNITY NOTICES.....

<u>Family Movie Night</u> - Mangakahia Sports Complex are holding a family night at the movies on Friday 24th May at 6pm. \$5 per person. Food and drinks for sale on the night. Most welcome to take your own bean-bags/cushions.

Garage Sale at Purua Hall

Pipiwai road, Purua -Saturday 18th May - Gates open @ 5pm. A mini Purua Primary school fundraiser

To have your own stall - just turn up a couple of hours beforehand or ring Maria 09 4595069- \$5 a table or donate goods to the school table. They are also hoping to have a sausage sizzle, coffee etc for sale in the kitchen.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM TWO				
Tuesday 21 st May	Whole school performing at Early Childhood Centre			
Wednesday 22 nd May	Year 7 & 8 Winter Tournament			
Monday 27 th May	Years 7 & 8 TECH			
Monday 3 rd June	Queen's Birthday – no school			
Wednesday 5 June	Years 4 – 6 Winter Tournament			
	BOT Meeting 7pm in staffroom			
Thursday 13 th June	Digital Whānau meeting and BOT announcement in evening			
Friday 14 th June	Our turn on the COUNTRY MEAL at the Mangakahia Sports			
	Complex. Let everyone know and invite them to join us.			
	Put this date in your diary please.			