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Thursday 29th August

Week 6, Term 3 2019

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

And it just gets better . . .

We received a grant from the OXFORD TRUST for new sunhats to match our new uniforms, and the van hire to transport us to and from our Tiritiri Matangi trip on Thursday 26th September.

We also received funding for the trip from the 'Growing Minds Programme' which covers the cost of the ferry ride to and from the island, and the guided tour around the island. This will tie into our 'Birds' studies in both classes extremely well, and give the children knowledge around conservation not only of birds, but plants, lizards and reptiles in order for these creatures to be around in their futures.

This week, after a number of hours, six of our Year 7 & 8s took their Science Fair investigations into Forum North to participate in the Central Northland Science and Technology Fair. We were so proud of their exhibits. Each student had to be interviewed by two judges as part of the event so they had to talk about what they had done. They all received positive feedback from the judges about their work.

Meineta – 'Blowing bubbles,' **Erica** – 'Tastebuds,' **Delilah** – 'Burning Time,' **Jose** – 'Taking Flight,' **Danny-Lee** – 'Melting Chocolate,' and **Uru** – 'Coffee cups.' The exhibits look absolutely fabulous among the many exhibits from 16 schools with Years 7 – 13 students. In the Year 7 Investigation category there were 46 entries, and Year 8 42 entries. We all learnt lessons along the way, but the big one is we need to start earlier and time manage ourselves a little better.

When they come back to school and the Year 4-6 Research is complete we will have our own exhibition at school.

Delilah was the winner of the Year 7 Judges Award for her 'Burning Time' investigation. The Judges award this for an 'exhibit worthy of recognition.' Delilah's investigation will be in an Exhibition at Celebrate Our Junior Scientists [Kiwi North Museum, Kiwi House & Heritage Park](#), 500 State Highway 14, Maunu, Whangarei from

Friday 30 August 2019 – Thursday 12 September 2019



We have another group of students who we are just as proud of. Our Cross country runners who competed at Barge Park along with hundreds of other students from Primary and Intermediate schools with upwards of 150 runners in each race. Our team consisted of **TeHina, Hamish, Lincoln-Blayze, Erica, Casey, and Meineta**. Congratulations to each one of you for continuing to train and move to the next level of competition competing against the best from each school at this Championship event. Special mention to **Lincoln-Blayze who finished 11th in his race making him eligible to compete at the Northland Cross Country event on Wednesday 18th September.**

Thanks to all the parents who have supported our Poroti Students this week with their extra events.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

DEMONSTRATION EXTRAORDINAIRE: Yesterday we were treated to the amazing powers of Liquid Nitrogen, thanks to Vanessa. We learnt about the uses of Liquid Nitrogen, the safety that goes along with its use, and we watched as fragile jonquils became like glass, and an apple core froze to the core literally. The ice cloud as it spilled over the bucket and froze inside intrigued our students and staff. Thank you so much Vanessa.

SENIOR CLASS CAMP: We have booked the dates of Tuesday 19th November until Friday 22nd November for our Senior Class camp. It will be in the Bay of Islands area, staying at the Bay of Islands Holiday Park. Costs will be similar to last year. **If you would like to attend as a parent please let me know as early as possible.** We need to Police Vet those who did not come last year as our Policy requires. This takes time, so even if you are unsure and are thinking 'maybe' it would pay to let me know, and get the Police Vetting done. No Police Vet then sorry we cannot take you with us, as it is School Policy.

AG DAY – SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2019.

Please look at the notice about AG Day that is attached to this newsletter. It contains the Home activities for both Junior and Senior classes.

Reminder for those entering an animal on the day, please send back your entry forms as soon as possible so we can organise ribbons etc.

If you know of any sponsors we could approach with a letter, or if you have any prizes that you can organise please let Susan in the Office know, or bring them in.

Community Notices

MAUNU TENNIS CLUB

SENIOR opening - Saturday 21st September, 10 am start, thereafter 1 pm on Saturdays

TWILIGHT - starts Thursday 3rd October, 5.30 pm

LADIES Day - every Wednesday, 9 am

JUNIOR RALLY - Tuesday 15th October, 3.30 pm

Queries - Ray or Sue Webb 09 4346898



Want to play cricket?

The City Cricket Club Junior Registration Day is on Saturday 14th September from 9am – 1pm at the Cobham Oval Main Pavilion, Okara Drive.

They are looking for interested boys and girls to join our club and play for the FireCo City Juniors for the coming season. Professional coaching provided. Parent helpers welcome!

Questions and further info please contact Krystal Currin (Junior Coordinator), on 021 159 4644, or email:

krystal.riley.denim@gmail.com Follow us on Facebook – City Cricket Club Whangarei Website - www.citycricketclub.co.nz

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM THREE	
Friday 13 th September	School Speech Competition
Wednesday 18 th September	First Aid Presentation
Thursday 19 th September	Valley Speech Competition
Thursday 26 th September	Tiritiri Matangi Visit – whole school trip
Friday 27 th September	Last Day Term Three

AG DAY SPONSORSHIP & DONATIONS

Leading up to our Ag Day on October 19th we will be acknowledging those who contribute to our day through donations or sponsorship - please watch this page as our list of supporters grows and please support those who support us !!


