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Thursday 19th September

Week 9, Term 3 2019

Kia ora, Greetings

The end of the term is fast approaching, and we have so much to do with preparing for our Annual AG Day. Susan is underway with the behind the scenes administration. Keep the date Saturday 19th October free as we need all hands on deck to help with activities and games etc. and tell everyone about the day. It is also a big fundraising day for us.

The Senior School Speech competitions were held last Friday with a good standard of speeches. Each year the speeches get better, and we are seeing the Write That Essay writing paying off with the structures of the speeches improved. Congratulations to our winners. The results were as follows:

Years 4 – 6 who all spoke on ‘Someone who inspires me.’ These speeches were very personal and we could tell each one really admired the person they spoke about.

1st : Te Hina O’Leary

2nd = Hamish Powell and Casey Stewart

Years 7 & 8:

1st: Riley Tonkin, **‘Rural kids should be able to get licences at 13 to ride tractors and farm machinery.’**

2nd: Erica Powell, **‘Is it appropriate to wear pyjamas in public?’**

Riley will represent Poroti School at the Lions Inter-school Speech competition tonight at the Mangakahia Complex at 7.30 p.m. Poroti School is hosting the event. We wish you all the best Riley.

Congratulations to Lincoln-Blayze Siafa who was our sole representative at the Northland Primary Schools’ Cross Country Championship event at Barge Park on Wednesday. Lincoln-Blayze finished 17th which is a great result considering the calibre of the children who compete at this event from all around the North.

With all the things happening, it is the small things that give us the most pleasure like the students who bring me their writing to share and they are so excited about their work. It really brings things into perspective and refocuses you onto what is really important – our tamariki and their learning and achievement.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

TIRITIRI MATANGI ISLAND TRIP:

A detailed notice is attached with times, transport details, what to bring etc. The whole trip has been funded by OXFORD TRUST and the GROWING MINDS FUND. We are extremely appreciative of this and know that everyone will have an amazing opportunity to experience this unique environment and its inhabitants. There will be other people on the boat and island, so it is important that we are actively watching our students so everyone has a peaceful day out, and are respectful of the island and its inhabitants.

We have 2 x 12 seater vans to transport, but still need 2-3 vehicles to take extra children and adults. If you can help please let me know if you are able to take a vehicle and how many children you can take.

Update from Mrs Pye. PLEASE READ!

Have you heard about the novel we are reading; 'Hatchet'. It is a fantastic book about survival in the Canadian wilderness. We have been making paper mache models of the setting where the main character 'lives'. Next term we will begin adding detail to the base. If you are able to pop down to a Coin Save in the holidays and buy some plasticine (may be called modelling clay) this would help add that extra pizzazz to the models for AG Day. I will provide toothpicks, more plasticine, glue, paint etc.

ALSO...There is no homework being given out tomorrow and there will be no spelling words to learn next week. Thanks again for helping your tamariki manage themselves this term with their spelling and basic fact learning. It makes such a difference.

ASB ST JOHN IN SCHOOLS:

Yesterday we had Jo King from St Johns come to school and give our students First Aid lessons around Injury Prevention involving school scenarios, bandaging, CPR, learning about R.I.C.E. and DRS AB. Ask your tamariki about what they learnt, and how they can help. The sessions were practical and informative, and after talking with the students a lot of new learning, and they are now ready for action. Each child also received their own First Aid Kit and certificate.

BOT SPOT:

BOT Meeting: Tuesday 24th September at 7 p.m.

Surveys: Thank you to those who have sent their surveys back in.

Reminder to please get survey forms back (attached to previous week's newsletter) by **TOMORROW** to go into the draw for a \$25 Pak n save voucher. Please remember to let us know if you choose to do it online so we can enter you into the draw. **The survey takes about 15-30 minutes and will be anonymous, so no names or anything that could identify you.** Melinda will give our school a detailed report back so we can use it as part of our Strategic planning. Surveys can be done on-line or hard copy. **It is important that we get as many back as possible so that the report will be a fair indication of the views of everyone in our community, and our Strategic Plan can reflect that.**

SENIOR CAMP:

Fees have been set at \$80 per student for this year's senior camp. Payment can be made at the school office or online at 123115 – 0216227-000, please use student's name as reference. Part payments are welcome but fees must be paid in full BEFORE 19th November - thank you.

OUTSTANDING INVOICES:

With the end of term three approaching, any outstanding invoices are now being sent home – if these could please be paid by the end of the term – either cash at the office or online. Should you have any questions, please be in contact.

BUS STUDENTS:

If your child is not going to be at bus stop, or there are any changes please contact Debra (the bus driver) on phone 021404903

AG DAY – SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2019.

AG Day Trophies from last year to please be returned.

Grocery item raffle for next week is packets (tinned from last week too please)

We are wanting to gauge interest in running a **pre-school section** for our indoor exhibits this year. If you have a child or someone wanting to enter, please can you let us know and we will forward some options for them.



Celebration - Class Awards

- Meīneta Sīafa for her lead in our waiata and 100% participation in the Te Horo rotation
- Lola Mōnos for 100% participation in all the activities at Te Horo
- Te Mihinga Rapana for fantastic improvement in her catching skills with a small ball
- Jose Edwards for getting on with his work and being on task
- Richard Rapana for practising his reading words
- Jethro Imeson for going up another reading level
- Szaffi Mōnos for great sounding out of words and using them in her writing

Student Leadership Award

- Hana Thomson for demonstrating great listening skills with Mrs Grenfell



Urumanawa Fowlie - for her caring of our teina (younger) students at school and at Te Horo

JOKE of the WEEK

...What Bird won an oscar? Lord of the Wings !!!! ...

Community Notices

Frazzled Kiwi Adventure Race – Sunday 29th September

The Frazzled Kiwi is an adventure race for families, students and beginners and is brand new to Whangarei. Take your map and clue sheet make your way around the course collecting points and completing mystery activities. Get your teams of up to 5 people and make a day of it. Enter as a Family Team, Student Team or Social Adult Team.

For more information or to enter online go to www.soakedinadventure.co.nz or contact Fiona on 0276267910.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM THREE	
Thursday 19 th September	Valley Speech Competition at Mangakahia Complex at 7.30 p.m.
Monday 23 rd September	Year 7 & 8 Tech
Thursday 26 th September	Tiritiri Matangi Visit – whole school trip
Friday 27 th September	Last Day Term Three
TERM FOUR	
Monday 14 th October	First day of the term Senior Year 7 & 8 TECH
Saturday 19 th October	AG Day – compulsory school day
Monday 21 October	Senior Year 7 & 8 TECH
Monday 28 th October	Labour Day – no school
Thursday 7 th November	Central Calf Club Day
Wednesday 13 th November	Poroti School ATHLETICS
Thursday 14 th November	Mangakahia Cultural Festival – Poroti School performing

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 !!



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GJ GRAEME JOHNSON
JEWELS & TIME



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