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Thursday 12th March Week 6, Term 1 2020

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

It is wonderful to see the children using our environment and their creativity, and working together to make a 'city' in the bush area.

We had our Whānau meetings on Wednesday with the following results:

Kauri: Co-Captains are Kodie and Nevaeh.

Kowhai: Co-captains are Casey and Lincoln-Blayze with Emma as the Junior Vice- captain

Rimu: Captain is Meineta and Vice- captain is Damien

Our first Inter-whānau event is the Swimming Sports when the whānau groups will unveil their new banners!! This event is next Thursday. We will send home a note with more details.

Keep working with your children on their home learning. We can see the results. New research shows that parental engagement has a positive effect on a child's academic attainment ... regardless of age or socio-economic status. This research showed that for school-aged children, home-school partnership is hugely important. Regular attendance also has an effect of the social and academic progress of our students. Arriving at school 10 – 15 minutes before the start of the day allows students to be socialised and ready for learning. They are there to hear all the important information that is generally shared at the beginning of the day. Let's keep that home-school partnership working to benefit our kids!

We have sized the students, and they have chosen their colours for our school t-shirts. We will put in the order and update you when they arrive.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

BOT SPOT:

Next BOT meeting is next Monday 16th March at 7 pm in School Staffroom. Minutes are available at school after the meeting if anyone should wish to read them.

TEACHER AIDE:

We are looking for a Teacher Aide to support one of our students. The job is one hour a day or we could negotiate one hour, 15 minutes over 4 days. If you know anyone who would be interested please contact Mrs J for further details.

POROTI HOODIES: Due to interest received, we are now able to order some 'Poroti Hoodies'. These are a grey hoodie with our Poroti School logo on front and POROTI on the back. If you are interested in ordering prices range from \$38.05 plus GST for a kids crew hoodie to \$39.50 plus GST for ladies/men crew hoodie. Payment must be made up front before we can order. Pictures of the hoodies are available at school if interested.

<u>KIDSCAN SPORTS GEAR:</u> As part of the 'Kidscan' programme we have been fortunate to recently receive a number of sports item under their new 'donate your kit' scheme where no longer needed sports gear is donated to them. Kidscan schools

can order what they think may be useful to their students. We have netballs, soccer balls, a rugby ball, hockey sticks, tennis racquets and balls, soccer socks (yellow), cricket bats and flippers. If you have a child who is playing in a team sport this year, and could use an item listed, please contact us. These items are available free.

TE MANAWA TAHI O WHANGAREI: Te Manawa tahi o Whangarei is a learning support hub where you can go in and talk to education professionals about your child's learning needs. This is a free service. They are held a Back 2 Basics ECE, 179 Newton Road Maungatapere.

Dates: Wednesday 25 March 2020 from 8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

EAR CARAVAN: The Ear Caravan will be at Back 2 Basics ECE on 16th March and 14th April from 8.30 a.m. until 2 p .m.

STATIONERY: Thank you to those families who have paid already. A reminder please for those yet to pay – this year it is a flat fee of \$25. This can be paid at the office or online with your name as reference. The bank account is 123115 – 0216227-000.

....Community Notices....



WANTED TO RENT.... Kia ora tātou. We are a family of 6, Mum and Dad both work, with 4 children all of school age (one comes to Poroti School). We are looking for accommodation (3-4 bedroom or open plan design) / a place to call home around Whatitiri or surrounding district preferably before the end of March. Please contact Hoana on 0225422110 if you are able to help. Thanks in advance.





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Friday 13 th March	12 Seniors at Have- a – go day at Kai Iwi Lakes. Those not going
	Mrs J is at school for you!
Thursday 19 th March	School Inter-house swimming sports in afternoon. Start time 1.30
	p.m.
Friday 20 th March	Year 7 & 8 Immunisation – Forms please
Monday 23 rd March	Year 7 & 8 TECH
Friday 3 rd April	School Triathlon- details nearer the event