



POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 3rd September

Week 7, Term 3 2020

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Spring is in the air, and what a difference it makes!

Tuesday was a hive of activity in more ways than one! House groups worked together to rid their garden patches of weeds, add compost and get them ready for planting. Planning is underway for the types of plants they want to plant in their House Gardens ready for judging as part of AG Day. Who will be the top gardeners? Which House Group has 'green fingers'?

The Junior class have been experimenting around 'Do plants need light to grow?' The results of their experiment are in. Ask your child what they think and learnt. On that note, the Senior class are looking at Tropisms and have also started an experiment on Phototropism with bean plants, a shoe box and a maze.

Look at our Face book page, for some great photos of the Senior Art work around Space. It looks awesome.

Our 'Bee Friends' group had another session at the hives today. They learnt about, and saw a 'smoker' in action to calm the bees. The Queen bee was spotted and at one point one student said 'they were in a tornado of bees!' Samantha and Nanette told me they were impressed with our group, and they enjoyed working with them.



DISCO: The long awaited Disco is closing in. Next Thursday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. in the Poroti School Library we are having our School Disco. This is for our students only. Details about the disco will come home on a separate newsletter on Friday. The Theme is ONSIES or Pyjamas (PJs). Prizes for these, but just normal clothes is also acceptable. The main idea of the night is fun and dancing to the beats! We will require a couple of parents to help. Book this in your diaries.



AG Day is creeping up quickly. Class Indoor Exhibits are getting underway. Keep an eye out for the first AG Day newsletter and entry forms over the next week. Any ideas for Adult competitions or Family competitions welcome.

Mrs J

Principal

BOT SPOT:

The next BOT meeting will be held at the School on Monday 23rd September at 7 p.m. Minutes are available at school after the meetings if anyone should wish to read them.

TEACHER ONLY DAY: The BOT have approved a Teacher Only Day on **Monday 14th September**. This day will be used for strengthening Teacher knowledge around Assessment, and Reporting as part of our Teaching and Learning Programmes. School will be closed for instruction that day.

SPEECHES : Next Thursday afternoon (10th) at 2pm, we are having a display of the winners of each year level from Room One's Speech competition, plus a little something from Room Two! This is an opportunity for the person chosen to represent our school at the Lions Club Speech competition (Thursday 17th at the Complex) to practice their speech to a wider audience and for all our students to see examples that they can attain to. It is also good for Room Two to practice being confident in front of an audience.

Parents/Whanau are most welcome to this and we would love to see you.



AG DAY: As part of our AG Day we do indoor exhibits both at home and school. Room 2 have some awesome ideas for their AG Day creations and would appreciate any of the following:

- Clean, empty tin cans (spaghetti and baked bean size)
- Egg cartons
- Curved scallop shells

AG DAY MEETING: For those interested in helping with AG Day we will have a meeting on Monday 7th September at 7pm in the staff room. All welcome - many hands make light work ! Thank you.

CELEBRATION - CLASS AWARDS

- Jarred Fowlie - for his effort and focus on his work and his learning
- Nevaeh Garrett - for demonstrating our School value 'Independence' and for great self-managing in the classroom
- Kingston Mills-Heremaia - for his great effort in Kapa Haka on Tuesday
- Josh Chauhan - for a big improvement in his reading
- Szaffi Monos - for helping our younger students
- Jethro Ineson - for helping our younger students
- Aimi Morling - for helping our younger students
- Jarred Fowlie - for moving up in his reading and great managing self in class with his literacy books
- Meineta Siafa - for great speech writing and , independent problem solving in class



Room Two Children - for the wonderful way you are working and playing together in the sandpit

Readicator Awards this week - well done to Hamish Powell for reaching the top of our Readicator

JOKE OF THE WEEK...

What's the best thing about Switzerland? *I don't know but their flag is a big plus !!!*



Gardening Day

Many hands make light work!

The first day of Spring and what a lovely day it was. Everyone got stuck in and we cleaned and prepared our vege gardens for planting next week. The gardens are part of our AG Day again this year and the students in their house groups are planning what to plant and where.



A BEE TORNADO....

On Tuesday we had another visit from Tahi to check how our bees were going.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM TWO	
Monday 7 th September	Year 7 & 8 TECH . Van leaves at 10 to 9. Please be on time. AG Day Meeting 7pm in staffroom
Thursday 10 th September	Speech's in the afternoon starting at 2pm School Disco - Onesies and P.J theme 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Friday 11 th September	Planting Day
Monday 14 th September	Teacher Only Day – School is closed to students
Tuesday 15 th September	Bee Friends group –shoes please
Thursday 17 th September	Lions Speech Competition at Complex