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Thursday 3rd December 2020

Week 8, Term 4 2020

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

This term continues to remain very busy! What a week we have had.

This week has seen the Year 7 students attend the COL (Community of Learning) Leadership Day. They participated in many activities / workshops on teamwork and communication, leadership qualities, transition to high school along with leaders from the other COL schools, and listened to motivational speakers like Jason Barrell, and Eric Rush. They came back excited, and it was great to be able to provide our school leaders with this type of experience.

Yesterday, our whole school ventured to town on a bus to the Te Moana Glow Show. While this was geared to younger children it contained a number of messages around 'beauty comes from within,' and not 'judging people by their looks, but getting to know them.' It was interesting to meet the four actors at the end of the show, and hear the number of characters and voices they had to learn. The children thoroughly enjoyed the show, and it was a great learning experience to be able to see a 'live' show and be 'open-minded.'

SCHOOL BUS SIGN: If anyone spots a yellow school bus sign on the road or roadside, could you please return to the school office. It has fallen off the back of the bus.

"TRASHTA" (usually known as SANTA) came to Poroti School!!! The hut area is buzzing this morning with the arrival of 'TRASHMAS' today. The Senior students have created a new experience for each other. According to my secret spy TRASHTA came to school with a garbage bags of gifts and under the Trashmas tree were surprises for all the residents in the hut village! It is so amazing to see the imaginations of our students overflowing into their play. It is this type of theme that accomplished writers follow – maybe some of our students will have bestsellers in the future?

TODAY we were visited by **More FM John Markby and Flash Gordon** (Toast sent his apologies) along with **Eric Rush from New World** for the New World School visits. We were so lucky to have this happen to us and thanks for organising Mrs Pye (even if you did make me do the Radio talk!) John, Flash and Toast thought they had been everywhere, but had not visited Poroti until today!

Keep an eye out at next week's Diary Dates as it too is busy with Bee Friends visit, the VIP Lunch on Wednesday and the School Prize-giving on Thursday night starting at 7 p.m. at the school.

Mrs J

Principal

BOT SPOT: The last BOT meeting was held on 30th November and minutes are available at school if anyone should wish to read them. The next meeting date will be advised when confirmed.



Our visit from More FM and Eric Rush was a real treat this morning with questions, great speeches and gifts of full lunch boxes for all the students !

Listen in to MORE FM tomorrow morning around 7.45am to hear us in action !!!

VIP LUNCH : This year we are putting out an open invitation to all our parents for your support with our on-line programme during Covid-19.

Wednesday 9th December 2020 – 12.30pm at School. Please RSVP to Office by Friday 4th December.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



FREE SUMMER SPORT PROGRAMM 11 - 15 January, 18 - 22 January 2021, 10am - 2pm Johnston Crawford Indoor Cricket Centre 79 Okara Drive, WHANGAREI



Pre-Christmas/January School Holiday Programme. Tuesday 15th December to Thursday 24th December 2020 AND Tuesday 5th January to Friday 29th January 2021

EDUCARE

Based in the Maunu School Hall, Austin Road, Maunu Hours 8.00am to 5.30pm. 5-13 year old children Maximum 50 Children. WINZ subsidies available. **Discounts available for 2+ children**. Exciting daily activities. 2 outside visits per week. For further information please email:

<u>info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz</u>, ring Christin on 0274821331 or visit our website -

www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz

ENCHANTED CHRISTMAS SHOW: Santa is bring the magic of the North Pole along with his helpers to the Ellerslie Racecourse Auckland from 4th to 24th December. We have been given some complimentary passes to this event which are valid until 12th December. If you are interested in one of these passes please let us know. The passes are on a first come first served basis. **Well done** to Shaylene and Lincoln-Blayze who completed at the Whangarei Athletic Champs recently. Shaylene finished 3rd in the Year 7 Girls Shot Put and Lincoln-Blayze finished 1st in the Year 6 Boys High Jump - well done !



Lincoln-Blayze in action in the Long Jump at the WPSSA Athletic Champs

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

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Tuesday 8 th December	Bee Friends Visit
Wednesday 9 th December	VIP Luncheon 12.30
Thursday 10 th December	End of Year Assembly (evening)
Friday 11 th December	Te Meke Day
Monday 14 th December	Student last day of school – finish usual 3pm time





JUNIOR CAMP 2020



