



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 6th May 2021

Week 1, Term 2 2021

Kia ora, and welcome

It's great to be back! Have you seen our amazing school grounds? The working bee held on the first weekend of the holidays was a major success. THANK YOU to everyone for their commitment and efforts that day, (and during the holidays.) It makes such a difference, and gives a real sense of pride when you walk around the school. Our students noticed over 20 things that had been changed or were different from Term Two – very observant students, and testament to the amount of change that has been made over the break.



Our drainage project has been almost completed with just the floor in the boys' toilets to be corrected. The next project is the Turf due to start on Monday 17th May all things going to plan i.e. weather!

We had a very productive Teacher -only - day on Monday with learning our way around our Student Management System, and updating our files, Assessment, reviewing reports, and many other Agenda items. This term is a busy one with written reports being issued at the end of the term ready for Parent Learning Conversations in Week 2 of Term 3.

GOOD NEWS! We were successful in our Application in the “**Growing for good grant**” promoted by **Countdown**. There were over 500 applications nationwide! This is to supply shelving for our shade house, potting mix and compost.

The concrete table tennis table purchased from a grant from **Pub Charity** has been a major hit during break times. Thanks to those Dads that put it together for us.

Thursday afternoon Electives: On even week Thursdays starting next week (Week 2), we are having electives with the outcome of ‘decorating,’ ‘yarn-bombing’ our Oak trees for winter. Crafts involving wool, or fabric are being taught. If you have a craft that you would like to share or just want to come along and get involved please let us know. It will be from 1.30 p.m. until 3 p.m.

This term our classes will be investigating:

Juniors: Composting with Mrs Booth; the use of food scraps. Bug hotels and habitats with Mrs Grenfell; looking at what bugs we have in our school environment.

Seniors: ‘Our special places:’ Maunga, volcanoes, eruptions, Maunga geology with Mrs Pye. ‘Our special places’ investigating places in the school environment, looking at how we interact with those spaces, and what can be done to improve or update spaces. Water rockets (Wonder project) with Mrs J.

We wish Bobbie-Rose and her whānau all the best for their future as they venture South. Keep in touch.

Mrs J

Principal

BOT SPOT: The next meeting is Tuesday 25th May at 7 p.m. in school staffroom

WOOL: If you have any wool, yarn, string etc please send it into school. If you have any connections with places that could supply larger quantities as a donation and need a letter please let us know.



WANTED !! **PLASTIC 1.5 LITRE BOTTLES:** If you have any empty 1.5 litre plastic bottles that are not needed at home, please can you send these in to us. Thank you !

COMMUNITY NOTICES

DO YOU NEED SUPPORT TO BE THE BEST PARENT YOU CAN BE? See this free course!

The Incredible Years is a proven parenting programme that gives New Zealand families the confidence to succeed. It is for parents of children aged 3-8 years (there are exceptions for children with learning delays that are older than 8 years old) and involves weekly sessions for **14 weeks**.

Over the weeks, parents develop strategies to build positive relationships with their children and manage unwanted behaviours like aggressiveness, tantrums, swearing, yelling, hitting, answering back and refusing to do as asked.

These behaviours cause enormous family stress and parents can feel alone and helpless. However, positive and harmonious family life **is** possible.

Assessment will be completed before start date either by phone or home visit

The programme will support with Day-care and travel costs if needed

The Incredible Years is a group programme where parents come together each week, talk through what has and has not worked, set goals and learn ways to achieve those goals during the following week.

PROGRAMME DETAILS

Time: 10.00 – 12.30pm –

Wednesday 19th May-2nd Sept 2021

At: Family Works Northern (Genesis Centre)

16 Mair Street

Whangarei

(Walk down the right - hand side of the building around the back)

To book please call either:

or email: Cecelia.Eilering@fwn.org.nz

09 4376729 or 027 299 4172

Or Eileen Turner -09 436 8909

IY.TT@education.govt.nz



THE AMAZING DINOSAUR

DISCOVERY... See flyer attached -

We have been very lucky to be given a few discount passes to this event. If you are interested please call the office - first come first served basis!

“Circus Kumarani is back by popular demand, with circus classes in Whangarei for all ages and abilities. Students will learn circus skills, build confidence and have fun! All classes are held weekly at Kamo War Memorial Hall.

Sign up at www.circuskumarani.co.nz or find the 'Whangarei Circus Classes' events on facebook for more details.”

LOST PROPERTY:

We have many items of lost property at school.

The students have had a look through and taken items familiar to them but could all families please pop in and have a second check - items as per photo. The lost property basket is located outside of Room 1.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM TWO	
Monday 10 th May	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes
Thursday 13 th May	Afternoon 'electives' 1.30 p.m. -2.50 p.m.
Monday 17 th May	Tiger Turf project due to start
Wednesday 19 th May	Vision and Hearing testing at school
Monday 24 th May	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes
Tuesday 25 th May	BOT Meeting - staff room 7pm
Wednesday 26 th May	Year 7 & 8 Winter Tournament – details closer to the time
Monday 31 st May	Year 7& 8 TECH – NB 2 weeks in a row due to a swap with schools.
Wednesday 2 June	Years 4-6 Winter Tournament – details closer to the time.
Friday 11 th June	Country Meal at Complex: Keep this date in your diary. It is our turn! For our new families this is an important event for our school to be involved in the community. Details to come. 

