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Thursday 10th June 2021

Week 6, Term 2 2021

Kia ora, and welcome

It may have been a short week, but it has been a very busy week! I hope you all survived the wild, wet, Whangarei wind and rain? Graeme and I came to school and found the shade house hooked on a branch, up a tree! After Whaea Hoana and some senior boys 'unhooked' it in one break we then found it jammed up against the trellis in the next break! Once again, we untangled it and finally moved it back to its original resting place. Restorations and repair are needed, then we will peg it down!! The shelves have arrived so once they are in we can start using it.

This week the teaching staff celebrated our **WONDERFUL SUPPORT STAFF** with a week-long morning tea! We really appreciate the work our Support Staff Susan Macdonald, Whaea Hoana, Louise McMurchy, Annette Maley and Donna Edmonds do for our school and our students. They show through their mahi that they care about our students and our school. We consider ourselves very lucky to have them on our team.



Work on the turf has been put on hold due to the weather, so hopefully with the sun shining it will get back on track. Today saw the crew back hard at work. It is looking awesome and we can't wait to get onto it.

Another Thursday of yarn crafts. We are starting to see finished items so keep an eye on the trees over the next couple of weeks. Thanks to Raewyn and Dianne for your help and patience. If you have any squares of knitting or pompoms etc and would like to donate them to the cause please feel free to send them or drop them off at school.

Arriving back in the afternoon from my Maori Achievement Collaboration hui at Pakotai Marae, it was great to see the Bee Bots in action; Juniors coding their Bee Bots to navigate around mazes they had made. Working out what they needed to programme to ensure they went under the tunnels, through the maze and reach the bricks at the end to tumble them over to finish! Some debugging was needed during the learning process. Through the doors, coding of a different variety with Seniors coding dance moves and music on their Chromebooks. The school was buzzing with excitement coupled with concentration and patience coding step by step to get the final products just right.

Our honey is looking fantastic and will be on display for sale at our complex dinner tonight. \$5 for a 250g jar and \$10 for a 500g jar. A big thank you to Melissa for coming in this week to attach all the labels to the jars for us.

We have a roll return coming up on 1 July 2021. This is **an important** one for all schools as **it determines the staffing for 2022**. Could you please fill in the attached form and return to school so that I can predict our roll numbers for this return.

Mrs J

Principal

BOT SPOT:

• We had Air Quality Testing done on the cloak bay area, with the hope that we can get something done about that area, and bring it back up to standard. Fingers crossed!

- Our Learning Support Co-ordinator space (Room 4) refurbishment has had the approval. Project is set down to start on Monday 2 August.
- Working bee has been set down for Sunday 20th June 9 a.m. start. Lunch provided. The Obstacle course area has been set as the target, so we can then see what we have, and plan for the upgrading and maintenance of these areas. More details later.
- Next meeting: Tuesday 29th June at 7 p.m.

Complex Country Meal - TONIGHT!!!

Remember to bring salads either to the Complex (by 5.45 p.m.) Meal orders start at 6 p.m. so we need to be ready to roll at 6 p.m. Love to see as many people there as we can, and also lots of helpers. It's important we put on a good show for the community, as it is our chance to show what Poroti School is all about, and the great students and whānau that we have here.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

| TERM TWO | |
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| Friday 11 th June | Country Meal at Complex: It is our turn! For our new families this is an important event for our school to be involved in the community. |
| Sunday 20 June | Working Bee 9 a.m. start |
| Monday 21 June | Basketball coaching with Northland Basketball Development Officer – Date change due to turf completion |
| Friday 25 th June | Room 1 visit to Heritage Park N.B. Change of date |
| Tuesday 29 th June | Poroti School Matariki Celebration Event and Shared Breakfast BOT Meeting at 7 p.m. |
| Wednesday 30 June | Years 3-8 visiting Science Roadshow at Tauraroa Area School from 12.30 – 1.50 p.m. Transport will be required please. |