



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 2nd December 2021

Week 7, Term 4 2021

Kia ora, and welcome



It is good to see so many children bringing their togs and towels for a refreshing swim. GOOD NEWS! Northland Spa and Pool think they have fixed our leaking pool. The kids are so pleased after disappointing them this week, that they could not swim and maybe we would have to empty the pool. At this time, it is still looking promising for a summer of swimming. Keep your fingers crossed.

CONGRATULATIONS: When our Year 7 & 8 students go off-site for Technology the Years 5 & 6 also have a Technology session at school. This year we decided to enter the Kiwi North Primary Schools competition and chose to make either a 'Multi-species Insect Habitat' or an 'Outdoor Cat gym' as seen in photos in last week's newsletter. I had an email with the results today: **In First Place Te Hina with her Outdoor cat gym, and Runners up were Emma with her Outdoor cat gym, and Maia with her Insect Habitat.** We were proud of all our entrants, but special congratulations to the winners. I will collect their prizes later this week!



Unfortunately, we have had some people down here on a Sunday morning, or Saturday evening – pushing over the huts, climbing the pool fence and swimming, (leaving undergarments!) If you notice anyone around school at this time, please notify me so we can address the issue. We are happy for our school grounds to be used respectfully, and hope that those who use our facilities also respect them. It is not appreciated when we have people who abuse our facilities and school grounds. Our families pay for the use of the pool, and it is not fair when this is taken advantage of by those who do not!

END OF YEAR PRIZE-GIVING: Next Tuesday 7th December 2021 outside the Junior Room.

We are able to continue with our EOY Prize giving as schools remain in the same alert levels until 1 January 2022 despite the Traffic Light system. There are however safety measures in place in order to hold the event.

- Everyone over 12 must wear a face covering (Our School children and staff are exempt)
- Scan in or sign the register
- Sit in family groups apart from other groups.



We would like the children here by 6.45 p.m. to organise and ready to start at 7 p.m. The night will be a mixture of items, acknowledging student achievements, and farewelling our Year 8 students. Come and join us as we celebrate our students.

THANK YOU to Whaea Hoana and her son Roera for the awesome job they did clearing the pallets, waratahs, branches etc from the hut area after it was 'vandalised' last weekend and pushed over. A good opportunity to clear the area of broken pallets, and boards ready for a new start in 2022 with more creative ideas and construction.

ATHLETICS (PART ONE!) We had some very close running in the sprints, a closely fought Inter-house relay, and then into a round of Tabloids with jumping and throwing activities. Due to a downpour of rain we have postponed the last two activities and the Inter-house Tug of war to tomorrow afternoon, after lunch.

AMNESTY: *If you have any school books, i.e. reading or Library or any other items from school please return them so we can start our End of year stock take. No questions asked! Thank you.*

Mrs J (Principal)

BOARD REPORT: Next meeting date to be confirmed.

POOL KEYS FOR SUMMER! After much discussion the Board has agreed to open pool key sales to school families only i.e. you have a child enrolled at Poroti School. Safety is paramount with the opening of a community facility, so we have implemented some changes this year with regards to numbers using the pool at any one time, and for groups greater than 10 there will be a booking system operating. Due to costs of chemicals and pool valeting for safety. Keys will be \$90 with a \$20 refund on the return of the key. A contact tracing code will be at the gate of the pool. Further information will be given when you sign the contract and receive the key. **Pool Keys sales will start Thursday 9th December.**

RAFFLE TICKETS: Thank you to all the amazing tickets sellers out there and also to those who donated prizes and items for our raffles!!! Our raffle will be drawn tomorrow afternoon Friday and lucky winners will be notified. The winning family for selling the most amount of tickets was the Morling Family. Well done! We have a special prize for you too!

Celebration - Class Awards



Thank you to Kodie and Matu for hosting our assembly this week.
Congratulations to the following students for receiving awards...

Our winning house this week was Kauri

- Jethro Imeson - for your amazing thinking in maths
- Te Aroha Cooper - for a great job trying hard to write words using sounds
- Marley Imeson - for respecting nature when rescuing a bird in the sandpit
- Ruby Fawcett - for a stunning recall of facts on our Quarry Gardens trip
- Oriwa Tipene - for an awesome improvement in all three areas in maths
- Kodie Lord - for great helping out with his knowledge in class this week

Readicator awards - well done to TeHina for again reaching the top of the Readicator

Lexia Certificates - well done to Szaffi and Jethro for moving up another level

Aran Morling - for being so positive, enthusiastic, a great sense of fun and using our Poroti School values.



JOKE OF THE WEEK

Why are bees' hairs so sticky? *Because they use a honeycomb!!!!*

COMMUNITY NOTICES



**NORTHLAND
FUTSAL
ACADEMY**

School Holiday Programme



Kids aged 7 - 13 years



Mon 20th - Thu 23rd December



8:30am - 4:00pm



The Home of Northland Futsal
@ Excellere College, Kamo



1 day: \$45 per day
3+ days: \$40 per day



10% discount for siblings

[details and registration online
www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz](http://www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz)
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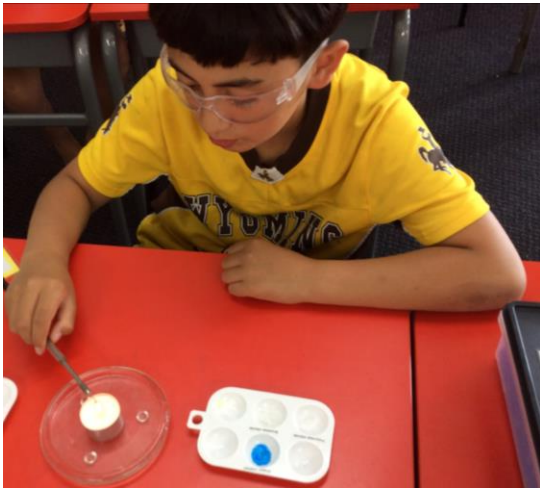
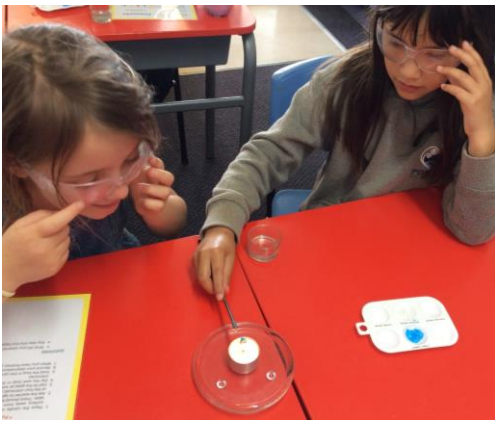
Maungarongo Marae

Raumati Whanau Day
"Come And Get Your Vaccination"

Live music – Kai – Covid 19 pātai
Tuesday 7th December
10am – 2pm

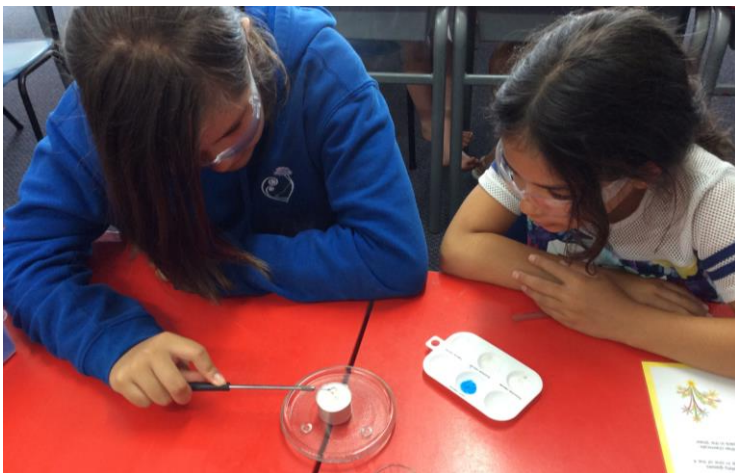
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM FOUR	
Tuesday 7 th Dec	End of Year Assembly – 6.45 arrival for a 7 p.m. start
Friday 10 th Dec	Tu Meke Day – invitation only Separate notice
Monday 13 th Dec	Whole school Cycle Day in Whangarei with Sport Northland and Kevin
Tuesday 14 th Dec	Last day for the students Normal 3 p.m. end of the day and bus is running.
2022	
Thursday 3 rd February	FIRST DAY TERM ONE 2022



ROOM 1 Science

Our seniors had some fun this week learning about the dynamics of fireworks and how different elements can change colours of the flames. They also conducted experiments with oil and water and fizzer tablets making fireworks in a test tube



Colour / Effect	Element
Green	Barium.
Orange	Calcium Salts
Blue	Copper
Red	Lithium.
(Bright White)	Magnesium.
Gold	Sodium
Red	Strontium.

