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Week 7, Term 2 2022

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Kia ora and welcome

I hope you are all keeping warm as the weather gets cooler? Life at Poroti School is set to ramp up next week with our Matariki celebrations then our Powhiri the following week.

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The topic of "Food / Kai' has opened up a whole new world of information and learning for our Poroti students. With each teacher taking a different slant on the topic the students are being exposed to a multitude of learning experiences, across many curriculum areas: Maths, Science, Reading, Writing, Digital Technology, Visual Language (presenting their work), Art and Health. It has been 'Food for thought.'

Senior Class: Naomi Sutton came to speak to the senior class today about Healthy eating, food choices, sugars, and reading the labels on foods. Naomi will be back again next week for another session. Great buzz of conversation at morning tea as they investigated the contents of their lunchboxes! Staff were also informed of some of their choices

and how to improve! This really sparked an interest and many questions from Senior students. **Fun Food Fact**: Did you know that 10 grams of crickets (approx. 100 crickets) contains more protein than 10grams of beef? The practice of consuming insects is called 'entomophagy,' and there are more than 1400 edible insects to choose from. Yesterday the seniors and myself tested our open-minded skills and tried an edible cricket (NB not your common garden variety, but one that has been specifically farmed for eating) Their reactions "nutty, crunchy, salty." On request I have ordered some other edible insects.



Junior Class: The bread experiment has sparked a lot of interest, and I have heard from parents that this has been carried over into a home experiment. It is great when we see the children transferring their learning and wanting to investigate and explore further on their own. The Junior class also read about 'Fast Food' from Tibet('tsampa') and used their Social Science skills (Geography) to find out where Tibet is, and compared their 'fast food' to the 'fast food' we have in New Zealand.

MATARIKI: The celebration of Matariki is approaching. This year we have turned our celebration event to the kitchen. We have received great support from families who will come and cook their special country dishes with us on Wednesday 22nd June. You are most welcome to come and join us.

ROLL RETURN AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

Thank you to those who have responded. If you still have the green form at home (attached to last week's newsletter), please can you return this as soon as possible. It is very important for us to have returned to gain information needed for our annual Roll Return, and the Board's investigation of making ASC something that Poroti School could set up on a more permanent basis with an ASC carer, (not the staff members.) This would mean the children in ASC would have a programme set up in their own space.

Senior Camp Dates: For those who wish to join the Senior class on camp this year, and need to book time off work: the dates are Tuesday 15th November – Friday 18th November. The destination is still to be finalised, but no matter where it is it will be fun! Costs etc will come out in Term 3 so you can pay them off over time if necessary.

BOARD REPORT: Next meeting date is Tuesday 14th June in the staffroom at 7 p.m.

ERO (Education Review Office): Poroti School will have an ERO Evaluation Partner – Bill Ahern will be at Poroti School in Term 3 of this year. I will be attending a pre-ERO Review meeting with a Board member and we will be informed of the new process ERO is working within currently. The ERO Review has changed from our previous reviews.

Board Elections: This is an election year for our Board. Elections are in September for the next 3-year term. If you have an interest in being nominated for a place on our Poroti School Board, sitting in on a Board meeting is a good way to find out what is involved and whether it is what you imagined! Let us know if you wish to do this over the next couple of months.

Whangarei Library: Local author Michael Botur will be at the Central Library from 10am this Saturday 18 June to do a fun session about his new book "My Animal Family." He will be on hand to talk about the book and as a bonus he will also have 2 cartoonists there to help children create their own awesome art – so one for your budding artists!

On Wednesday 29 June, the Central Library will be hosting Kyle Mewburn from 4pm - 5pm to talk about her books and how to be a writer, so if you have any keen writers at your school, this session is a must!

CITRUS FOR THE SOUTH 2022

A LIONS CLUB PROJECT - Supported by Gary Younger, One Agency Real Estate.

Lions Clubs are asking residents of Whangarei & Districts to check out their citrus trees, **in particular sweet oranges & lemons** for fruit to send to the people of Christchurch, Dunedin & Clyde + Districts. **COLLECTION POINTS SUNDAY 3rd JULY 2022.** 8:30am to 2pm.

Bring your freshly picked citrus to the :

1/. MARIST SPORTS CLUB, PARK AVE, KENSINGTON PARK, WHANGAREI.

2/. MAUNGATAPERE COMMUNITY HALL, STATE HIGHWAY 14

3/. THE SPORTS COMPLEX AT NGUNGURU from 9:30 AM to 1PM

Mainfreight in Whangarei have again kindly agreed to pay for a shipment of banana boxes full of citrus from Whangarei to the South Island. Your gifts will be delivered to fruit and vegetable co-ops for distribution. There are now 30 distribution sites around Christchurch with 2300 or more active members. Some will go on to Dunedin & Clyde districts for distribution.

You can email Terry at : ward41@xtra.co.nz, phone 435 0654 or Gary at One Agency : gary@oneagencywhangarei.co.nz, phone 021 467 514 Please contact us if you have any queries.

CELEBRATION - CLASS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for receiving awards ...

- TeAroha Cooper for the outstanding effort in your work and taking pride in the presentation of it
- TeMihinga Rapana for putting the outdoor sports gear away and thinking about what you say a great year 8 attitude
- Jarred Fowlie for a great conversation and question asking with another student and complimenting them on what they had made



- Peri Clark for great writing in your Space Ship story, it had great action and was exciting to read
- Aimi Morling for a great storyline in your Girl in a Jar story

Readicator Awards - well done to Emma Morling and Aimi Morling for reaching the top of the senior readicator

Lexia - well done to Alexis, William, Sonny, Lucas, Szaffi and Puhi for moving up a level with their Lexia

"Caught Being Good" Well done to Cassidy Elliott who was caught putting bats and balls back and reminding everyone to wash their hands after playtime



Travis Crowson - for your patience and caring nature when working with the younger students

Congratulations: Lola, Emma and Te Hina have been accepted on a Year 7 & 8 Writing workshop with a renowned Author, Kyle Mewburn on Wednesday 29th June. We look forward to them bringing back some writing tips to share with the rest of our students. Kyle has written many children's picture and chapter books and is a winner of many writing and book awards. This is a great opportunity for our students thanks to the Tai Tokerau Literacy Association.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM TWO	
Friday 17 th June	Year 7&8 Careers Expo at Mangakahia Area School 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Monday 20 th June	Year 7 & 8 TECH - please remember shoes and lunch
Wednesday 22 nd June	School Matariki Celebration
Friday 24 th June	National Matariki Holiday
Monday 27 th June	Teacher Only Day (no school for students)
Tuesday 28 th June	School Powhiri to welcome new staff, students and families at Maungarongo Marae
Wednesday 29 th June	Kyle Mewburn writing workshop
Thursday 30 th June	Naomi Sutton 'Food for thought' – Senior Class