



POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 4th May 2023

Week 2, Term 2 2023

Kia ora and welcome

A **HUGE** Thank you to Kevin McKenzie from Bike Northland who came into the school and worked tirelessly all day on Monday with his trusty, hardworking bike technicians Jethro and Peri. We now have a full fleet of bikes with new handgrips, brakes, tyres replaced and pumped up. This was also funded for us.

Auditions for the speaking roles in 'The Lorax' were held today. Some great auditions, scripts learnt and enthusiasm abundant. Well done to all our students who auditioned. Students will be informed on their roles asap so they can start practising. Whaea Hoana has kindly offered to be here on a Thursday to listen to and read with any student who wishes to get some help and support with their speaking role and learning their words.



Garden to Table is underway again this term. Lots of action in the garden, cleaning up weeds in the garden and shade house, planting a selection of seedlings – winter vegetables. The smells wafting from the kitchen were followed up by the taste of home-made vegetarian pizzas and upside-down mandarin cake. The media room had the students taking photographs of all the action and then focusing on the Bush Area, starting to clear it and making a plan of action for the term including planting, protecting small trees, bird feeders and making of the old concrete blocks in the area.

The children have chosen their next Government funded Duffy Books that they will receive later in the term.

Our Mauri Tui Tuia workshops will start next Monday. Every student will be involved. Please ensure that the children have comfortable clothes as they will be doing Art and moving as well.

Winter tournaments are set down for this term. The Years 7 & 8 tournament is Wednesday 17th May and the Years 5 & 6 is Wednesday 24th May. We will require parents to support this day. A notice will be sent home.

Mrs J

BOARD REPORT : The Board met on Monday 1st May and we welcomed our new trustees: Michelle and Thereza.

The Board looked at Achievement Data and targets for 2023. Also, on the agenda was the start of discussion towards a new Strategic Plan for 2024 – 2026. Community stakeholders in Poroti School will be consulted later in the year as part of the process.

We are looking at where we want Poroti School to be in three years – what will it look like? Something to think about. Keep your eyes peeled for a chance to have your say in the direction Poroti School goes.

Board members, Janelle and Simon, Mrs J, Ministry of Education and Avail (our project managers) met today on site to discuss proposed property projects happening in the near future. Exciting times ahead.

CELEBRATION - CLASS AWARDS

You may recall in a previous newsletter we mentioned being fortunate to receive a visit from Lory a poet who spent time with our students sharing some of her poems. She invited our students to create their own poems and send to her. She gave some marvellous feedback. Well done to all who entered - special mention to Leah, Te Hina and Aimi for being the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizewinners.

Lexia Certificates - Well done to Jethro and Peaches for moving up a level with their Lexia.

Maths Masters - Well done to Cassidy and Tahua for moving up a stage with their maths.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM TWO	
Monday 8 st May	Mauri Tui Tuia starts
Monday 15 th May	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes
Wednesday 17 th May	Years 7 & 8 Winter Tournament
Wednesday 24 th May	Years 5 & 6 Winter Tournament
Monday 29 th May	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes



Garden to Table was its usual hive of activity with garden planting, shade house cleaning and grapevine pruning. The kitchen made a delicious vegetarian pizza with ingredients from the garden - spinach, radish and also made a very tasty upside down mandarin cake.



The media craft walked through the bike track and bush area and set in place an action plan for tidying and beautifying this area - watch this space!



