

## **A generous offer from Judy McKinnon's daughter via our own Mr Ian Coombe.**

Through a **contact of Ian Coombe's**, a generous offer of **700 white golf polo shirts** [with sponsor logos] was given to North Harbour Rotary Club to distribute to needy communities. Sizes ranged from 6 to 16 children's size and small & medium for adults. It was suggested that the polo shirts be given to the low decile schools in the Northland and delivery be facilitated by the **Rotary Club of North Harbour's Northland Liaison Team**.

In speaking to principals, they suggested that it was best to start from the most northern school & come down the peninsula. They said that the timing was great as a number of schools use this time of the year for their compulsory **EOTC [Education Outside The Classroom] curriculum** activities ie cultural, education and camping activities. As always, they were very appreciated of Rotary's ongoing commitment to schools in Northland.

Some were sent over to **Vanuatu** with their **Police Officer, Daniel Obed, David Hutch's** contact.

The following schools received and were extremely grateful for the generous offer of these polo shirts:

- **Te Hapua School**, Te Kao School, **Ngataki School**, Pukenui School, **Waiharara School**, Awanui School, **Pukemiro Kura**, Herekino School, **Te Rangiawhia Kura**, Taipa Area School and **Kawakawa Primary School**.

Following are samples of children's responses:

- Pukenui school would like to thank the Rotary club for donating the lovely T-Shirts to us. Sorry for not introducing myself. Hi my name is Kaitlyn. Year 5 Room 1.
- Thank you for the golf T-Shirts they felt so light and they were easy to put on. The buttons were good because when you are putting on the T-shirts and your heads too big like mine you can undo the buttons and slip it on. Steven Room 1 Year 5.
- My name is Lucy & I would like to thank you for the T-Shirts. I think that they look wonderful and great quality too. I hope everyone's T-Shirts stay white. From Lucy Room 1.
- My name is Kara & I am 10. My school is Pukenui. I would like to thank you for the most amazing T-Shirt of all. The T-shirt has a lot of detail on it. From Kara.
- I am writing to you to thank you for the cool t-shirts that you sent us all. Thanks for the donation I'll be wearing it on golf days and school days. Thank you. Byron.
- My name is Jade from Pukenui School. I love that you donated the T-shirts. I am going to save my shirt for a special time. I really love it. From Jade
- Thank you very much for giving us the cool T-Shirts, my dad wanted one for himself. We appreciate you for supporting our school camp. We are really thankful for your club. Tyler Boyce. Ngataki School.
- Thank you for giving us cool white T-shirts and when I put it on it was as white as the clouds. From Ngatokorua Ngarua
- Thank you very much for those awesome shirts and thank you for supporting our camp. We really do appreciate your clubs help. Yours faithfully Janaia.

**Special thanks to Judy McKinnon's daughter** for the generous offer through her business and **sincere thanks to Ian Coombe** for initiating the process to achieve an excellent outcome on behalf of our club.

**All the best for the festive season.** Yours in Rotary. **The Northland Liaison Team**