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Week 1, Term 3 2018

Kia ora, Greetings welcome



Welcome back to yet another busy term. I hope you all enjoyed the holidays with your children.

A special welcome to our new students Riley, Violet, Jethro and their families. We hope you all enjoy your time at Poroti School.

There are a number of events on this term so keep an eye out in the "Dates for your Diary" section of the newsletter.

We are still waiting for our draft ERO report, but we will keep you updated as we know more.

Our new School Website is almost ready for its launch. Watch this space!!

This term our study is around AIR. We are also underway with garden planting in time for the Barge Park Grow and Show competition and our own AG Day.

There is a potential strike day coming up on Wednesday 15th August for Primary school teachers and principals. I will notify you of the details, reasons, and the BOT decision around school closure when the details have been finalised. At this stage it is set for 1.30 p.m. until 4.30 p.m. but voting is happening around taking it out to a full day.

Janelle has been busy listening to the senior student's ideas around the logo and has come up with some new designs. Please feel free to contribute to this on-going process. We are collecting ideas, and sketches from many different people. Come in and talk about your ideas, or send us a sketch. These will be put onto the table for more formal discussion at our Term 3 community meeting later in the term.

Keep supporting your tamariki with their home learning, as it has benefits to your child in classroom programmes. We are seeing evidence of your support in our assessments, with those students making progress. The spelling results in the senior class showed that half the class achieved an improvement of more than 6 months which is awesome! . Mrs L-K tells me that her students are making good progress in their reading as well. Keep up the good work and keep those achievement results heading upwards!

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

AG Day:

We will be holding a meeting for those interested in being part of the organising committee for AG Day next week on Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the School Staffroom. This is to start the ball rolling, and many hands make light work. If you can't make the meeting and you are keen to be involved please let us know.

Senior Clubs:

On Friday during Clubs we will combine for some garden preparation, so come prepared in clothes and shoes that can get dirty (gumboots would be a good idea) .

Padlet : As part of our Professional Development, Ruma Tahi are now using an App called Padlet. Padlet will be a wonderful way of tamariki being able to show their whānau what they are doing and learning in class. They will be creating pages that can display video, photos and links. You will be able to view their work by...

Tablet-Download the App

Computer-Use the website porotischool.padlet.org (your child has a username and password)

Basic Facts for Ruma Tahi / One:

As part of the Maths problem we understand how important the mastery of Basic Facts are, and as a result of parent requests, the students of Ruma Tahi will get a Basic Facts Home Learning sheet on a Thursday and it needs to come back the following Thursday. We look forward to your support in this. Well done those who returned Week One's work.

Dental Service: Following up from some points made on Survey: The Dental Service that is available to our students can be obtained from Oral Health Service at the Northland District Health Board. Phone 0800 My Teeth (0800 698 3384) They generally schedule our school appointments in one lot, but individuals can contact them.

Free Phone and Web Chat Helpline: There is a free counselling chat helpline available for 5 – 18 year olds on 0800 WHATSUP (0800 942 8787) where no problem is too big or too small. Mobile or landline Monday to Friday 12pm to 11pm, Saturday and Sunday 3pm to 11pm and webchat Monday to Sunday 5pm to 10pm.

BOT Spot: (Board of Trustees)

Next Board of Trustees meeting is Monday 6th August at 7 p.m. in school staffroom.

Community Notices...

Athletics Northland Childrens Cross Country Invitational - Held at Barge Park Maunu on 12th August. Open to all children aged from 7 years as of 1st January 2018. \$5 entry fee, medals awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place getters. Spot Prizes, sausage sizzle, drinks, cake and coffee. Fundraising for Nikolas Kini's travel expenses to attend the Oceania Polynesian Regional Championships in Tahiti. Further enquires northlandathletics@gmail.com or phone 021 025 23222

DATES FOR YOR DIARY:

Monday 30 July	Year 7 & 8 TECH – shoes please
Tuesday 31 July	Year 7 & 8 Rugby Tournament with Kokopu students
Thursday 1 st and Friday 2 nd August	Mrs J at Tai Tokerau Principal's Conference – Mrs Pye in Room 1
Wednesday 1 August	AG Day meeting at 7 p.m. for those interested
Monday 6 th August	BOT Meeting 7pm
Friday 10 th August	Taniwha Challenge at Te Horo
Wednesday 15 th August	'strike' More details to come

