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Thursday 27th September

Week 10, Term 3 2018

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Well that term went fast! Still not sure whether Winter is still with us, or Spring.

A huge thank you to Maka and Raewyn for their involvement with our Boys' and Girls' clubs on Friday afternoon. Last Friday saw the boys putting together storage boxes made from the pallets they dismantled and sawn into packs by Graeme. They are looking great. While the boys were working hard the girls had an old-fashioned high-tea party with dainty sandwiches, scones with jam and cream that they made, and some modern day food. Eating with a cake fork and food off a china plate while sipping their 'tea' was a great way to end our term. Lots of great conversation too.

Talking about gardens: If you are around in the holidays the student's gardens will need to be weeded as they will be judged this year at AG Day. The juniors are in house groups and the seniors are also in house group plots, but have their own individual gardens. Extra plants can be added if you wish – the gardens are now the student's responsibilities. Worm Tea is available out by the gardens. Dilute on a ratio of 1:10 – one part worm tea and 10 parts water or else it will burn the vegetables. Used correctly it can accelerate growth! Criteria for gardens are weed-free and healthy.

If anyone has some hay we can buy or have for mulch at the beginning of next term it would be appreciated to help keep the weeds at bay and the moisture in.

New School Logo: Have your say in this. BOT Members have copies or come into the school and we can arrange for you to take a copy home to add your ideas and opinions. We are aiming to have this in the Budget next year, so we can update the school frontage signs, apply for a grant for new school t-shirts and the possibility of a school sweatshirt with the logo on it, and get out into the community to promote our school. There is great potential for marketing of our school with new branding. Think also about colours – from Poroti's past or moving into the future.

Thank you to our wonderful staff: Mrs L-K, Mrs Pye, Susan in the Office and Classroom, Donna, Demi and Whaea Hoana. We are so lucky to have such a wonderful group working with our tamariki. Enjoy a well deserved break.

To our whānau/families enjoy the holidays with your children. We look forward to seeing them back relaxed and refreshed on Monday 15th October. Travel safe for those travelling.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

Chickens: Just a reminder if your child has chosen to have a chicken for AG Day and you are able to care for it at home, it can be picked up tomorrow Friday 28th from the office, we will supply some food to keep you going. They will need to be kept in a secure cage and need water and food regularly and be kept in a warm dry place.

PGG WRIGHTSONS - Raising Funds For Your School: Purchase Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser between 1st September and 30 November 2018 and nominate your school and they will donate \$1 for every tonne of qualifying fertiliser to your school. Also prizes for the school with the highest nominations in both North and South Island with Apple iPads as prizes.

Mangakahia Touch Rugby Module: This starts again in Term Four on Thursday 18th October (first week back at school). If you wish to play for Poroti School we would like to enter teams. There are a variety of ages from Under 8, Under 10, Under 12 and Under 14. Game times usually 4.30 p.m. till 6 p.m. Module goes for 10 weeks (all of Term 4) Depending on the numbers and ages will depend on our entries. We need a minimum of 6 and maximum of 10 per team. Our Kiwi sport funding will pay for the entries. If any student Under 12, or under 14 would like to learn to ref then Hayley will be running referees coaching sessions. Fill in the form below.

ASB Promotion: For all home loans of \$250,000 or more drawn down with ASB, ASB will donate to your chosen school \$500. If you know of anyone in the community or anywhere – family, friends, that may be looking at this, please spread the word and nominate Poroti School! Promotion runs through until 30 June 2019 – ASB lending criteria and conditions apply.

Stationery: With the end of the term coming up, now is a good time to find out what stationery your child needs for next term and add it to your shopping list. When students do not have the right equipment they can be slow to get organised and do not produce their best work. Please help them learn the best they can by making sure they have pencils, erasers and pens. We will send home a list with each child that needs new items before the end of term.

Senior Camp: Senior Camp cost will be \$70 per child. You can pay at the office or start payments on-line at ASB 123115-0216227-00. Payments need to be made in full before Friday November 9th. Please come and see me if this is not possible.

AG Day: If we could have the Animal Entry Forms back please that would be great. It's good to see more entries in the Farm Animal section this year. For those having Virtual Calves this year we have core flute Science Boards at school if you wish to use them or you can buy heavy duty Science boards from places like Warehouse Stationery.

Whangarei Calf Club Central Day - Central Day this year is to be held Thursday 8th November. Anyone who is entering a virtual calf, lamb or goat can enter – you don't need to be a prize winner at your school AG Day. To get an idea of numbers and rings / ribbons needed we have been asked to provide numbers of those wishing to attend. If you are planning to go, please can you let us know by tomorrow - Friday. All animals entered must be born after 1st July 2018.

Room Two Ag Day: All junior students will need an old tyre as part of their AG day exhibits this year - if these can please start being brought to school. Also needed If anyone has any spare house paint, can you bring this in for the students to paint their tyres. Thank you

AG Day Family and Adult Activities: Could be a great holiday family exercise?

- Male and Female section of **"Bake and Decorate a Cake"** Enter on the morning of AG Day.
- Make a **'GUY'** or **'SCARECROW'** as a family and enter it on the morning of AG Day.
- **Heaviest Eel competition** – Weigh on the day

AG Day Raffles: This fortnight's item for the Grocery Hampers is **packets**. Last item was **Tins**. If each family could send in 1 or 2 items for the hampers that would be great – either drop in tomorrow or early next term. Thanks to those who already have! If you have an opportunity during the holidays to gather up some extra raffle prizes for our Multi-draw that would be much appreciated also.

BOT Spot: (Board of Trustees)

Next Board of Trustees meeting is Monday 15th October at 7 p.m. in school staffroom.

BOT members are currently looking at the new school LOGO brief to discuss with members of the community for feedback. Should you wish to view these designs and have input please feel free to come into school and view the folder, or contact a board member to comment. At the October meeting this will be on the Agenda.

Community Notices...

Whangarei Futsal - Girls only holiday programme Monday 8th October at Tikipunga Whangarei, morning sessions 9am to 12noon \$24, full day 9am to 3.30pm \$40, bring boots, shin pads, water, warm cloths, snacks and lunch. Kamo High School gym Tuesday 9th to Wednesday 10th morning 9am to 12 noon \$24 full day 9 – 3pm \$40, bring non marking shoes, socks, shin pads, food and drink. Thursday 11th to Friday 12th morning 9 – 12noon \$24, full day 9 – 3.30pm \$40, bring boots, shin pads, water, warm clothing, snacks and lunch. Register at NFF.ORG.NZ

Also Futsal starting Sundays from 28th October to 16th December at Kensington Stadium. Junior mixed U12, youth mixed U14 and U16, senior mixed social, mixed semi-social, mens premier, womens premier. To find out more contact Kezia Singleton northlandcdo@nff.org.nz 021 0377 187

Kiwi Kids Can Cook To be held at Bay of Island P & I show on Saturday 10th November at Waimate North. Do you like the taste of good food ? Have you got a favourite dish you like to cook ? If you are in year 1 – 8 represent your school in a fun cooking competition. For details www.nzchefs.org.nz/Competitions

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Thursday 27 th September	Senior class off-site after school event
Friday 28 th September	Last day of the term. Normal school hours
TERM FOUR	
Monday 15 th October	First day of Term four
	TECH – please remember shoes
Thursday 18 th October	Mangakahia Touch module starts
Monday 22 nd October	Labour weekend – No school today
Saturday 27 th October	AG Day 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Compulsory school day.

TOUCH RUGBY: NEEDS TO BE BACK TOMORROW!!!

My child / children have permission to play in the Touch Rugby teams.

Names: _____

Names for referees coaching clinic: _____

Signed _____

