



POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 21st February

Week 3, Term 1 2019

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

This has been a very busy week and we have achieved so much in a short time.

We began on Sunday morning with a fabulous group of Dads putting up our new Pool fence thanks to a grant from the OXFORD TRUST. It looks great and makes the pool area very sheltered. The capping and flashing will be put on this week. Huge thanks to those who were part of that group. Also to the Mums who came in support and trimmed trees, weeded and generally tidied up the garden and orchard area.

We intend to hold another working bee later in the term.

On Monday we received a generous donation of 70 free Junior Sunshine Reading books from the Pye Foundation. These books are a very valuable resource and one we are most appreciative of.

Tuesday saw our Powhiri and Logo Blessing at the Maungarongo Marae followed by kai at school. It was great to see 10 students, a new staff member and families be welcomed. This is a special way to welcome everyone and bring our communities together. Our school values the relationship we have with Maungarongo Marae and appreciate Taipari, Jesse and Lorraine's input into our Powhiri. Thanks also to Whaea Hoana for leading our school in this celebration. I am always proud of the way Rewi takes a leadership role in our Powhiri. It is great to see. Also thanks to Maka for stepping in as the Kaikorero for the Manuhiri on Tuesday.

To witness the blessing of our new school logo was special and I felt very emotional. It has been a long journey to this point with many people involved along the way. A huge thanks to Janelle for leading the final part of the journey so it came to completion. Now is the time to get new school frontage signs, new sports uniforms, and discuss school shirts and sweatshirts.

Our Year 7 & 8 students started TECH at Mangakahia this week, and made a positive start. Mr Reynolds, the Principal (who drove them back to school) commented on their polite manners and behaviour. A great start to the year.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

YEAR 7 & 8 IMMUNISATION:

All year 7 and year 8 students have an immunisation due – forms attached. There is a video link to watch with your child. Please complete and send back to school as soon as possible. Should you have any questions please contact the Immunisation Centre on 0800 466 863 or visit www.immune.org.nz

WOOD: After the Axeman's Carnival we have a large amount of wood for sale. We have bags of chipped wood and logs (which we are having split). If you are interested in getting wood in early for winter, at a great price, please contact me or leave a message at school and we will get back to you.

PALLETS WANTED: We are in need of some more pallets (the lighter ones) for our Tech activities. If you are able to supply or source some, please let us know.

SCHOOL STATIONERY: Just a reminder that your student can purchase their stationery from school and this is now needed. Your child will have brought home a list of what they required. Packs are available at school. Payment can be made at the office or online.

SCHOOL PICNIC AND CLASS MEETINGS: Our School Picnic will be on Wednesday 27th February starting at 6 p.m. The pool will be open and during this evening each class will have an Open meeting to talk with parents or interested parties about classroom expectations, homework, programmes of work etc. More specific times will come home nearer the event. Opportunities for individual parents to meet the teachers will also be offered at a different time should you request this.

BOT SPOT:

This year in June will be the Triennial Board of Trustees Elections. It is now time to be thinking about who you would like to nominate, or if you would be interested. We have information should you be considering the role of Poroti School Board of Trustees member.

Next BOT meeting is on Monday 11th March. Public minutes of the meetings are in a clear file just in by the Principal's Office on the magazine stand should you wish to look at them.

Community Notices

ACTIVE ATTITUDE : Active Attitude (9 Commerce St) is all about having fun while participating in physical activity! They have classes for gymnastics, tumble, trampoline, fitness, and aerobic gymnastics. They offer both recreational and competitive classes. Contact them on (09) 945 4876, admin@activeattitude.co.nz or activeattitude.co.nz

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Wednesday 27 th February	School Picnic evening and Classroom meetings (more details closer to the time)
Monday 4 March	TECH
Monday 11 th March	BOT Meeting

