



# POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 23rd May

Week 4, Term 2 2019

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Another busy week in the life of Poroti School staff, parents and students!

Tuesday saw us performing our Kapa Haka along with several other cultural performances at the Smith City Early Childhood Centre. We received a lovely email from Lin Smith (the owner) to thank us and say how happy they were with our performance – in fact she would love to make it an annual event! We were fortunate enough to be able to watch other cultural performances from China, Malaysia and Jakarta.

From there we went on a hikoi (walk) to the 'Waka and Wave' Sculpture. Lots of fun along the way climbing all the sculptures and exercise machines. Whaea Hoana shared some of the stories around the information plaques along the walk. The children became tuna and elvers in the hīnaki (eel pot) along the water front. A HUGE thank you to all the parents who supported us, transported our students and supervised. We really appreciate all that you do.

Wednesday saw the Year 7 & 8s at their Winter Sports Tournament with 21 other schools from the Whangarei area. Six students went with Maka to Badminton and two with me to Table Tennis. Both lots of students had a great day playing a sport for the first time against other schools. I think we may have some Badminton converts. Thank you Maka for giving up your day to be with our kids.

**AWESOME NEWS:** A huge thank you to the **OXFORD TRUST**. Our school signs were put up on Monday and they are hard to miss. They look fabulous and people passing will know where Poroti School is now. The second bit of news is equally as wonderful. We received \$5,000 to purchase new school sports tee-shirts, a dress shirt for when we travel as a school and shorts. They are working on designs and then we will make a decision before purchasing them.

With regards to next Wednesday's Strike Day for Primary Principals and Teachers who are joining with their Secondary colleagues; there will be a march starting at Mander Park at 11 a.m. and walking through town to the Town Basin by 12 noon. We do not take this type of action lightly, and believe that we are taking a stand for your children's futures, as well as ours. Anyone who wishes to support this march is most welcome to join in, or write in support to your local MP or Chris Hipkins the Minister of Education.

As part of our Digital contract we will be sharing with Parents and those who are interested on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June. This will be in the evening and will be facilitated by TeAhua Park. It will demonstrate some of the programmes our students are using, and also an information sharing around Digital Citizenship – which in this day and age with so much technology and change is a priority if our children are on-line.

**MRS J**

**PRINCIPAL**



**Oral Health Care** - Children's oral health care is very important as they grow. Please ensure that you have their teeth checked at least once a year. Free dental check-ups are available at the hospital. We also have free toothbrushes and toothpaste available at the school.

**BOT SPOT:**

**Next BOT meeting is Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7 pm in School Staffroom - (note change of day to Wednesday) Last BOT Meeting before the new BOT is elected.**

Put your name forward for election onto the Board of Trustees. We need a total of 5 trustees. The Returning Officer is Susan Macdonald.

Nomination forms were sent home in envelopes last week. There is one per voting member of the family.

**Dates for BOT Elections:**

**May 24<sup>th</sup>: Nominations close 12 noon**

May 30<sup>th</sup>: Voting papers are sent out if an election is needed.

7th June: Voting closes at 4 p.m.

June 13<sup>th</sup>: New BOT announced at Whānau meeting at school

**FIREWOOD:** The wood has been split and is ready for your fires. \$80 per trailer load, approx 1 cubic metre. Money can be paid at office or online with your name as reference. Thank you.



## .....Celebration Class Awards.....

- Hana Thomson - for her great achievement in spelling
- Szaffi Mōnos - for a big improvement in spelling
- Riley Tonkin - for passing his 7x tables and great handwriting
- Damien Fowlie - for being switched on in algebra and reading
- Kyliesianne Kingi - for improvement in writing
- Lola Mōnos - excellent tutoring and helping with stitching in Girls' Club



Jose Edwards - for his willingness in sharing ideas in class and outside the classroom

## .....COMMUNITY NOTICES.....

**Family Movie Night** - Mangakahia Sports Complex are holding a family night at the movies on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm**. \$5 per person. Food and drinks for sale on the night. Most welcome to take your own bean-bags/cushions.

**Northland Badminton Centre** - Junior Club badminton available at 41 Porowini Avenue on Tuesday and Thursday from 4 to 5.30pm. Cost \$40 per term for two nights per week or \$5 per session casual rate. Contact Aaron 027 274 7745.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

<b>TERM TWO</b>	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Years 7 & 8 TECH
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	STRIKE DAY - no school
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Queen's Birthday – no school
Wednesday 5 June	Years 4 – 6 Winter Tournament
	BOT Meeting 7pm in staffroom
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Digital Whānau meeting and BOT announcement in evening
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Our turn on the COUNTRY MEAL at the Mangakahia Sports Complex. Let everyone know and invite them to join us. Put this date in your diary please.

Rising Starz Present

# BUGSY MALONE

**28th June - 6th July**  
Riverbank Theatre  
Whangarei

**Music and Lyrics by PAUL WILLIAMS**  
**Book by ALAN PARKER**

By arrangement with Warner/Chappell Music Ltd.  
administered by Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd.  
Bookings through [whangareitheatrecompany.org.nz](http://whangareitheatrecompany.org.nz)  
or Storytime, Reyburn House Lane

