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Thursday 31st October

Week 3, Term 4 2019

Kia ora, Greetings

Once again we are whizzing through the term, and it will be over for another year before we know it!

Tiritiri Matangi trip is on tomorrow. It will be an early start for most of our children. We **must** leave school by 7 a.m. in order to catch the ferry because it will not wait! Those being picked up in town please be ready on time. You will set the pace for the day. (No pressure!) We are looking forward to finally getting to go to the Island.

We are noticing some behaviour that we are not happy with in the playground. Please support us by talking with your children about appropriate language, our school values and getting enough sleep as we are noticing a lot of tired children. We are not exclusive in this, as I spoke with several Principals at a meeting yesterday who commented that they were observing the same things. It's about changing the Attitude to a positive one – we are here to teach and have our students learn, having the good old-fashioned value of respect for each other.

On a positive note we do have some great learning going on in both classes, with students engaged in their work, and demonstrating some great thinking, seen in the senior class as they produced their 'Feather Padlet work from their observations, and the knowledge and thinking of the Juniors in our 'Dancing Raisins' Science experiment. Watching the students of all ages working together during break time today on the trampoline and in their hut building and rebuilding makes us proud. I am really enjoying my days in the Junior Room while Mrs Grenfell is away on Jury Duty.

Our thanks to Poroti Community Trust, through Paul Thompson for a generous donation to our camps.

Athletics on Wednesday 13th November is the next BIG Fundraiser for us. Please add that date to your calendar and come down to help and support our students. The BBQ tent will be operational again and busy as always we hope.

MRS J PRINCIPAL



Poroti School Facebook Page is being Updated

If you haven't found it and liked it yet, please do so. We aim to put school and community notices on it as well as a few snippets of school happenings. You are welcome to contribute (positively!) to this as well.

PLEASE BE AWARE this is an open group, so if you *do not* want staff members to post photos of your child, give us a call and we will endeavor to support your wishes. If you post pictures of Poroti Children, please make sure it is OK with their whānau.



From Mrs Pye

This term homework continues. *Spelling City* needs to be done regularly at home. If your tamariki tell you that they have done their assignment, they can still revise their word list using games or practice test. This is important as they will need to know them for the test that happens on Thursdays.

The Ladder Challenge ... begins this term. This is a competition where children compete with each other in their basic facts to get to the top of the ladder. Remember to spend time testing your children on their times tables and other basic facts.

There will be no homework sheets going home this term. Study ladder is still being added to and I recommend this if you would like to support maths learning at home.

MANGAKAHIA AREA SCHOOL CULTURAL FESTIVAL:

Our whole school will be attending this annual event to be held on Thursday 14th November. Permission slips will come home shortly. Mangakahia School is again offering for sale their delicious Hangi at \$12 each. If you would like to order please complete and return slip at the bottom of this newsletter and return back to us with your payment.

WORKING BEE:

Due to a number of 'key' people not being available the weekend we chose and the Tuia 250 flotilla arriving on the Saturday the BOT have decided to postpone the working bee from that weekend.

We have several gardening type projects needing to be completed, a shade house to erect, and creating a pathway through the Living Garden. If you do have some time on your hands and can come down and do some of the jobs that would be very much appreciated.

Te Manawa Tahi o Whangarei: Supporting your child's learning:

The Ministry of Education (MoE) and Resource Teachers Learning and Behaviour(RTLB) will be commencing a new Learning Support delivery model called **Te Manawa Tahi** in the Whangarei area from 14 October 2019. As part of this new way of working they will be hosting **Community Hubs** where whānau and community members can come in and talk to education specialists about their child's learning needs, on their terms. Anyone can call **0800 5248 4256** to make an appointment with the Te Manawa Tahi team. This is a free service.

We have a **school hui here in Week 4 Term 4, Wednesday 6 November: 2.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m**. to find out the details and ask questions.

SENIOR CAMP:

Information around camp will start coming home next week. Please keep an eye out for it. Fees have been set at \$80 per student for this year's senior camp. Payment can be made at the school office or online at 123115 – 0216227-000, please use student's name as reference. Part payments are welcome but fees must be paid in full BEFORE 19th November - thank you.

Celebration - Class Awards

- Erica Powell for volunteering and just getting involved when she sees things need doing
- Cyrus Clark for persisting and challenging himself on our cycle day

- Meineta Siafa for finishing 3rd in class basic facts
- Tana Hiku for having great manners and welcome to Poroti School!
- Lincoln-Blayze Siafa for being an amazing sportsman
- Tiaan Fowlie for her amazing effort in writing
- Te Hina O'Leary for stepping up as a leader and being a positive role model in class

Student Leadership Award....

Tana Hiku - for choosing our school to come to



Lola Monos - for fabulous work focus in class and awesome persistence in your cycling

Community Notices



Whangarei Lions Club Fireworks Spectacular - This year on Saturday 2nd November at Sememoff Stadium, gates open 6pm. A great family night out.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

| TERM FOUR | | | | |
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| Friday 1 st November | School Trip - Tiritiri Matangi | | | |
| Thursday 7 th November | Central Calf Club Day – Riley, Te Hina and Jethro attending | | | |
| Monday 11 th November | Year 7 & 8 TECH | | | |
| Wednesday 13 th November | Poroti School ATHLETICS | | | |
| Thursday 14 th November | Mangakahia Cultural Festival – Poroti School performing | | | |

MANGAKAHIA SCHOOL - HANGI ORDER

| Yes, I would like to c | order nangi at \$12 each |
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| Childs name | |
| Payment Attached | OR I have paid online (123115 – 0216227-000 use child's name as reference) |
| Signature | |

ORDERS MUST BE BACK TO US BY 7TH NOVEMBER