



# POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 20th February

Week 3, Term 1 2020

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Everyone is settling into their classroom routines, and the staff are continuing to reinforce the classroom treaty 'rules' and the school values with regards to the student's learning and behaviour. We want to see our School Values and Key Competencies (Thinking – Using symbols, language and text, Managing Self – Participating and Contributing and Relating to Others) become a natural part of our everyday school life i.e. something that our students do naturally without even thinking. That is our Ultimate Goal.

Our value of **Respectful** is one we are working hard on and ensuring that our students are **Proud** of themselves in all respects.

This Wednesday and Thursday saw our staff undertake Professional Development Learning (PLD) around writing by attending sessions with the Write That Essay facilitators. Writing continues to be a focus for our staff and students in 2020, and both staff and students will continue to have PLD and in-class coaching throughout the year to improve both staff and student's knowledge of writing and our student's individual writing achievement across all year levels.

While it is so awesome to see our carpark full of cars and parents after school, please support us in teaching and reinforcing moving around the cars and bus in the carpark. I do appreciate that many of you walk into the school grounds to collect your child / children and take them with you to the car.

**Congratulations** to Oriwa for her inclusion in the Northland Development Under 13 Basketball team. We wish her all the best for her training and tournaments later in the year.

**Ex-pupils:** We want to wish Mererau and Zion all the success they can achieve as they venture to Hamilton, to Waikato University and WinTec respectively to further their education to reach their future career goals. Ngawai has also been successful, achieving a high standard of grades, and receiving a scholarship to continue her studies. If you know of any students who attended Poroti and they are achieving please share with us. We hope that by doing this we can motivate and inspire the next group of children.

Over the holidays we were successful in gaining grants from **OXFORD TRUST** for Science equipment, musical instruments, 100s boards for teaching Maths, new mats for each classroom and some STEAM resources. Thank you Janelle for your time and commitment to this process.

**UP-Coming events:** On Monday a notice will come home with the details of a number of events this term. Please look for it if your child does not give it to you!

**MRS J**

**PRINCIPAL**

## **BOT SPOT:**

Next BOT meeting is next Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7 pm in School Staffroom. Minutes are available at school after the meeting if anyone should wish to read them.

## **CLASS MEETINGS:**

Thank you to those who attended our Class meetings and 'pool picnic.' It is good for us as staff to have the opportunity to mix and mingle in an informal situation, and be able to inform you of how our classes and curriculum operate. If you have any concerns or questions please contact us, rather than let it simmer and build up.

### TROPHIES:

If you could return all trophies to school by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February we will get them engraved and up to date and back to you.

### WANTED:

Ice cream containers and lids please for storage of craft items.

### MANGAKAHIA SUMMER FESTIVAL:

Our school is having a stall at this festival. If anyone has access to quantities of watermelon and / or corn please contact the school or see Mrs J. We can pay for them at a good price! We envisage having games for kids to play similar to those we have on AG Day as a fundraiser. A volunteer notice will come home with time allocations. There is a Decorated Cake competition for the children as well. See details below.

### MANGAKAHIA SUMMER FESTIVAL Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February at the Mangakahia Sports Complex **KIDS DECORATED CAKE COMPETITION - 'Summer Theme'**

**Two divisions:** Under 10 years and Over 10 years.

**Prizes in each division:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

**\*\*Entries on the day of the Festival to the Complex**

**\*\*Prizes sponsored by ...Graeme Johnson Jewels and Time**



### ...Community Notices...

**FREE HELP SESSION AVAILABLE ....** Te Manawatahi Hub at Back to Basics 8.30am – 12.30pm Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February– free drop in for parents who have concerns about their children's learning or behaviour that can not be addressed at school

**Mangakahia Junior Soccer Club** invites boys & girls aged 5 – 12 to join for this year's season. Registration days to be Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Feb on field at Maungatapere School or Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Feb at Kokopu School. Rego times from 3pm to 5pm. Enquires to Rebecca Harrow 021 1295 734 or you can see Susan here at the office.

**Mangakahia Summer Festival: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February ...**Mangakahia Sports Complex 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Family fun and games, live music, food. As per the flyer on the back of previous week's newsletter



**Open Night, Thursday 27 February 2020 5:30 to 7:30pm** First Floor Civic Arcade, Bank St 09 430 0693 [admin@dyslexiaplus.org.nz](mailto:admin@dyslexiaplus.org.nz) Is your child being well taught but still not making the progress you would expect? Could your child be dyslexic, have a specific learning disability? Come and see where we are based, meet our teaching team and learn what we can offer to support your child's learning. All welcome. Entry is through the fire escape on Bank St.



**SATURDAY 29 FEBRUARY 2020 - 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M.**

**WAKA AND WAVE - HIHIAUA PENINSULA**

**FREE ENTRY..FOOD...MUSIC...DANCE...FAMILY DAY...CULTURE...CRAFT**

EXPERIENCING MARINE RESERVES – On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March from 9.30 to 12.30 explore the Pataua Estuary through this fund guided drift snorkel experience. Bring your own gear or there is free hire of mask, snorkel, fins and wetsuits. Children under 15 will need an adult supervisor in the water with them. Registrations essential. 3 rotations with a maximum of 24 participants each. Registrations via eventbrite on <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/pataua-estuary-drift-snorkel-2020-registration-84799665081>

## Girls' Brigade

... invites you to join a fun and energetic group for young women aged between 5 and 18 who want to make the most out of life. Our motto is 'To Seek, Serve, and Follow Christ'. We are currently taking new enrolments for 2020. We meet on Thursday nights during term time: 6.00 - 7.45pm at St John's Golden Church, 149 Kamo Road, Kensington commencing 20<sup>th</sup> February. Contact Brenda on 0272 771 159 or 5.30 to 7pm at Hope Whangarei Church, Hunt Street, Whangarei commencing 20 February contact Sue 021 260 0792.

### KAI IWI LAKES OPEN DAY 2020



Mountains to Sea  
Conservation Trust  
*Ngā Moutunga ki te Moana*

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March | 10am-3pm | Pine Beach**

**ACTIVITIES**

- Day and night snorkelling
- Waka Ama & water safety
- What lives in the lakes?
- Looking after our fresh water
- Interactive games & artwork
- Food and drink to purchase

**Further info**

- Search for us on EventFinda
- Visit [www.whitebaitconnection.co.nz](http://www.whitebaitconnection.co.nz)
- Contact [isabel@whitebaitconnection.co.nz](mailto:isabel@whitebaitconnection.co.nz)

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Koha of cash/ efitpos or donations of time volunteering are appreciated.








## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Te Manawatahi Hub at Back to Basics 8.30 – 12.30 – free drop in for parents who have concerns about their children's learning or behaviour that can not be addressed at school
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> February	Mangakahia Summer Festival at complex 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Ballet in a Box 12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. Whole school trip
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	12 Seniors at Have- a – go day at Kai Iwi Lakes
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	School Inter-house swimming sports in afternoon
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 7 & 8 Immunisation