

Week 4, Term 1 2020

Thursday 27th February

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

Reading is alive and well at Poroti School. Children of all ages are reading books during their break times, and are often seen getting off the bus and reading on the way to their classrooms (without incidents at this stage!). This is lovely to see in our Technological world. We encourage reading of books for all age groups, and we, as staff read to the children as well.

As part of our Digital Technology PLD we have introduced Google Classroom into the Senior Class, and as a school we have purchased Lexia Reading licences for the students to use to complement our reading programmes. It is a reading equilvalent of Maths Symphony which we have been using for some time now.

The cricket coaching sessions are going well and the catching, throwing, bowling and batting skills are improving every session. We are looking forward to our Cricket Tournament later next month.

The SUMMER FESTIVAL at Mangakahia Complex this Saturday is shaping up to be a fun event with lots of activities for the family and kids – Music with live bands, Climbing Wall, Raffles, Food, Pony Rides, Bouncy Castle, Tractor rides, Chainsaw Demonstrations, Face Painting, to name a few of the activities on show. Don't forget our DECORATED CAKE COMPETITION with a Summer Theme. Bring cakes to the downstairs part of the Complex for judging. Great prizes in both Under 10 and Over 10 categories.

Next week we have Write That Essay facilitators in our school to work with students and staff around assessing Writing. The children have continued to take their knowledge from last year into this year's writing. Staff will use their new knowledge to continue to extend our student's writing and achievement levels.

MRS J

PRINCIPAL

BOT SPOT:

Next BOT meeting is next Monday 16th 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 then 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.

ROOM TWO NOTICE: Please see attached notice for Room 2 students.

BALLET IN A BOX:

Next Tuesday we will be attending Ballet in a Box. The children will be given a school t-shirt to wear, but please ensure that they are dressed tidily with footwear. We are taking a bus to the show. We will collect the shirts back at the end of the day on our return.

CELEBRATION - CLASS AWARDS

- Marley Imeson for always trying her best
- Aran Morling for always trying his best and giving everything a go
- Aimi Morling for showing and demonstrating our school values
- Josh Chauhan for settling in well and for his great smile
- Kingston Mills-Heremaia for settling in well and trying hard
- Casey Read for stepping up and showing great responsibility
- Emma Morling for being a super learner with a positive attitude and producing great quality work
- Hamish Powell for great thinking and contributions to class
- Emma Morling for settling well into Room 1 and for her great work ethics
- Morgan Thomson for being a great writing assistant and helping Mrs J in the junior room



Meineta Siafa - for stepping up as a leader, working with other students and teaching others how to master riding the unicycle

Joke of the Week - What do you call an alligator in a vest ??? An investigator !!!

MANGAKAHIA SUMMER FESTIVAL Saturday 29th 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^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd}

**Entries on the day of the Festival to the Complex **Prizes sponsored by ...Graeme Johnson Jewels and Time



....Community Notices....

WANTED TO RENT.... Kia ora tātou, we are a family of 6, Mum and Dad both work, with 4 children all of school age (one comes to Poroti School), we are looking for accommodation (3-4 bedroom or open plan design) / a place to call home around Whatitiri or surrounding district preferably before the end of March. Please contact Hoana on 0225422110 if you are able to help. Thanks in advance.

<u>Mangakahia Summer Festival</u>: Saturday 29th February ...Mangakahia Sports Complex 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Family fun and games, live music, food.





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

<u>EXPERIENCING MARINE RESERVES</u> – On Sunday 1st 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 <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/pataua-estuary-drift-snorkel-2020-registration-84799665081</u>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Saturday 29 th February	Mangakahia Summer Festival at complex 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.
Monday 2 March	Cricket coaching
Tuesday 3 rd March	Ballet in a Box 12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. Whole school trip
Friday 13 th March	12 Seniors at Have- a – go day at Kai Iwi Lakes
Thursday 19 th March	School Inter-house swimming sports in afternoon
Friday 20 th March	Year 7 & 8 Immunisation