



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Week 10, Term 3 2020

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

The end of the term has finally arrived! It has seemed a non-stop roller coaster for us all.

We were lucky to have a visit from Dale Bailey (the CEO of Springboard Trust), Carol Barnett and Carol Ashton also from Springboard. Springboard is a programme that works with Principals and their schools on Strategic Leadership, and I have been privileged to be a part of the pilot programme for Rural School Principals. It was a proud moment sharing our classrooms, and our outside environment with these visitors, having the opportunity to share the great work our staff and students do while being able to talk about the impact that Springboard has had on Poroti School with our Strategic Planning and Vision.

AG Day is well underway here at school with activities being completed, and looking great. I love this time of the year when we get to see the students independent and showing real creativity. It is pleasing to note that most are managing their time well, and planning out their exhibits. I hope that the Home Exhibits are also underway, or being part of the holiday plans. We always look forward to seeing what comes into school on the Friday.

ADULT AG DAY ACTIVITIES: We have two trophies up for grabs for Adults – (Over 16)! This year's competitions are:

- Scones – choice of flavour. Present 4 homemade scones for judging
- Biscuits – choice of cookies, shapes etc. Present 6 uniform, home-made biscuits for judging.



Let your imagination run wild – the best taste, texture and artistic flair will take out the trophies! Deliver to school on Saturday morning of AG Day by 10 a.m. for judging to the main tent.

CONGRATULATIONS: Meineta represented Poroti School in the Mangakahia Lions Speech competition last Thursday against speakers from Maungatapere and Kokopu. She did a great job of representing our school, and received very favourable feedback from the judges. Meineta also looked the part in our school uniform, and new school jacket. You did us proud Meineta.

CROSS COUNTRY: Training had stopped, and the uncertainty of whether the event would continue meant that only two students ran in the Cross country – a last minute entry. This event saw it run as a Northland event with runners from all over the North. Lincoln-Blayze and Te Hina ran in the event and did us proud.

THANK YOU: This term we have had great support in many ways. A big thank you to everyone for your continued support of our school and students. Special thanks to Paula for the spraying. To Dianne McLaren who has become a 'friend' of our school listening to our children read – we have students queuing up to have their turn, and they love the juicy oranges she brings in for Morning Tea. To Mr J for those weekend jobs around the school!

To our staff: Mandy, Sue, Vicky, Susan, Donna, Hoana, Leeanne and Louise. We are so lucky to have you all on board at Poroti School. To Fiona Baird, (our RTLB) who has worked so hard with our staff, students and families to get extra help and support. Have a well- deserved holiday everyone.

I wish everyone a safe, and relaxing holiday. Take care and we look forward to seeing you back in Term 4, which starts with a very busy week and a great AG Day at the end of it. Rest up it will be a fast- moving term.

Mrs J

Principal

BOT SPOT: The next BOT meeting will be held at the School on Monday 19th October at 7 p.m. Minutes are available at school after the meetings if anyone should wish to read them.

DIGITAL CONTRACTS: We would like to have ALL student Digital Contracts signed and back by TOMORROW please. If you need a new one just ask.

FREE TO GOOD HOME!!!: One computer screen monitor – in working condition. First in first served!

JUNIOR CAMP: Room Two Camp is coming up in week 7 of term 4 - November 25th and 26th and we will need some parent helpers on the day and overnight. Camp will be based at school with a day trip (place to be confirmed). If you are interested in being a helper please can you let us know asap by completing and returning the form at the bottom of this newsletter. By law all helpers will need to have a current police vet completed prior to attending camp.

TOUCH TEAMS: The school is keen to enter Touch teams in the competition mentioned below. Age groups are Under 8, Under 10, 12s and 14s. A commitment to playing every Thursday will need to be made. If we don't have enough we will slot those who want to play into other teams. School will provide the uniform and pay the team fees. Fill in the form and let us know if you are available. If you can coach or supervise a team I would love to hear from you as well. Competition starts WEEK 1 TERM 4.

Ag Day Raffles Tomorrow and in week one our new items along with TINNED ITEMS and PACKET ITEMS will be items starting with the first letter of your surname. Can all families donate items to put towards our grocery raffles to be drawn on the day. Items can be sent to school with students or dropped in at the office. Many thanks for your support.



ROOM ONE - Letters to Cadbury - You may recall that earlier in the year Room One wrote to Cadbury with some suggestions for them to consider regarding the wrapping of their chocolates - to make them more environmentally friendly. This week we received a response from them and are the first school in New Zealand to test their new prototype. Each student has written a letter in response and here are some examples...

Dear Cadbury New Zealand Team

Thankyou for sending us your new eco friendly prototype.

I think that it will have a positive impact on the environment because paper doesn't take too long to disintegrate and there will be less plastic in the world.

I enjoyed testing out your new packaging. The tests we did were to see how durable the paper wrapping was. Tests like seeing if the paper was water resistant and how the wrapping ripped. We did these tests to see if it was strong enough to survive in our busy homes.

I hope that soon I will be able to see and buy these chocolates in paper wrapping at the supermarket.

Finally, I think that this recyclable wrapping is a big improvement for Cadbury and when my mum sees it she will be very happy and probably will want to buy a block of chocolate.

Yours sincerely

Lola

Dear Cadbury New Zealand Team

Thankyou for letting us test what this new packaging is like and how different it is. I think that it is a good idea because if it blows away it won't affect the environment because it's paper.

I like that it is the same style of packaging as plastic. It is interesting that the paper is waterproof for a while unlike normal paper. I wonder if it will become a big thing and that other chocolate companies might be inspired with this paper wrapping and do the same thing.

I hope that it will be official and you will start making the packaging into this better wrapping. I enjoyed feeling it and testing the paper. Finally I noticed that the sealing felt like a waxy glue.

Yours Sincerely,

Casey

.....COMMUNITY NOTICES.....



International Dyslexia Awareness Month

Dyslexia PLUS invites supporters, friends and families to join a **dawn walk of the Town Basin Loop** on **Sunday 18 October**.

Start time 6am from the Canopy Bridge.

More information 430 0693 admin@dyslexiaplus.org.nz

Maunu Educare

October School Holiday Programme

- Hours 8.00am to 5.30pm • 5-13 year old children • Maximum 50 Children • WINZ subsidies available
- Discounts available for 2+ children • Exciting daily activities • 2-4 outside visits • Based in the Maunu School Hall - Staying In: \$39.00 per day (\$4.10 per hour) - Outings: \$42.00 per day (\$4.42 per hour)

For further information please email: info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz or ring Christin on 0274821331

We aim to provide a safe and stimulating programme where the children can relax, make new friends and above all have fun. Visit our Website! www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz

Mangakahia Rugby Club

9 weeks of Touch Rugby. At Mangakahia Sports Complex. social, family friendly environment. No experience needed. Limited teams per grade. Team registrations now open until 1st October. All information and registration details found on our Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/MangakahiaRugby>

Starts Thursday 15th October from 4:30pm GRADES: Open Mix (adults & over 14years of age) \$120 per team

Junior grades: Under 8's, 10's, 12's & 14's \$60 per team Referees:

Any volunteers welcome! Contact: Hayley Taylor, Mb: 021

2621674 Email: Mangakahia.touchrugby@gmail.com

***** *Our School is keen to enter the above touch rugby tournament. If your child is interested please let us know on the bottom of this newsletter and return to us. This will be at no cost to our students.*

MAUNU TENNIS CLUB: Tennis for all ages and abilities.

Runs from September to May with senior open day on September 19th and Junior coaching on Tuesdays starting October 13th 3.15pm and Twilight on Thursdays 5.30pm. For enquires phone Ray or Sue on 434 6898.

Junior Athletics Whangarei

Get Running! Get Jumping! Get Throwing! Season runs in Term 4 and Term 1 on Monday Nights www.athleticswhangarei.co.nz

Email: juniorthleticswhangarei@gmail.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM TWO	
Friday 25 th September	Last day Term 3
Monday 12th October	FIRST DAY TERM 4



School Holiday Programme

-  Kids aged 7 - 13 years
-  Mon 28th Sep - Fri 2nd Oct
-  8:30am - 4:00pm
-  The Home of Northland Futsal @ Excellere College, Kamo
-  1 day: \$40 per day
3+ days: \$35 per day
-  15% discount for siblings

www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
or contact Christian
021 246 7328

MANGAKAHIA TOUCH RUGBY COMPETITION

Yes, my child is keen to enter the above tournament and I give my permission for them to be part of the Poroti School Team.

..... Signature Date

ROOM TWO CAMP - NOVEMBER 25TH & 26TH

Yes, I would like to be a parent helper for the day trip / overnight / both

..... Signature Date

**THANK YOU TO THIS YEARS AG DAY SPONSORS - PLEASE
SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT US !!**

GAS MAUNGATAPERE





FUN AND FITNESS FOR ALL AGES!