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Thursday10th September

Week 8, Term 3 2020

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

The term is fast closing in, but there is a great vibe and lots happening. Our hut city has expanded into two towns, with 'Juniorville' being the latest 'housing' development. Both towns have a Mayor. Such creative thinkers at Poroti School. Real life in action!

The Senior Speech competition was at another level this year, with students showing more confidence in their delivery, and the content was also of a higher quality. We made changes to how we approached the teaching of speeches this year, and our approach of more structure using the Write That Essay formats, worked. Senior students had more control over their content, and the knowledge of how to put a speech together as an essay first, then into a speech.

**DISCO**: Don't forget to get ready for the Disco tonight. There are a lot of excitable children around (When you pick them up at 8 p.m. they will already be dressed for bed!!) We look forward to seeing our students at 6 p.m. in Onsies, Pyjamas or dancing clothes. Parents you can have 2 hours of freedom. We will entertain them. The music is ready, the lights are ready, the food is ready we just need the kids to dance the night away.

AG Day activities are getting underway at school, and a notice is attached to this newsletter about the TO BE DONE AT HOME activities. For those new to our AG Day if you need further explanation please ask.

We had a shared lunch with our retiring bus driver Debra on Wednesday. Debra has been driving our students to and from school for four years, and she not only drives them she has got to know them well. Her last day is this Friday. Thank you Debra for your care of our students on your bus run, and we wish you all the best in your next 'journey.' We know you will keep in touch with us.

**TEACHER ONLY DAY**: Next Monday the staff will be having a TOD for their Professional Learning. *School will be closed for students.* 

AG DAY CALVES: We are applying for a NAIT event number and will notify those entering calves so you can register on the NAIT Tracing system. The school is a VOTING BOOTH for the Election on that day, so you will be able to attend our AG Day and vote!

White Party Tent: As the Library (our usual Cow Café) will be in use for the election, I would like to set up our Cow Café between Room 4 and the Library. I was wondering if anyone had one of those Party Tents we could use for this purpose? Please contact the school if you can help out. Thanks in advance.

Mrs J

Principal

#### BOT SPOT:

The next BOT meeting will be held at the School on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 7 p.m. Minutes are available at school after the meetings if anyone should wish to read them.

**TEACHER ONLY DAY**: The BOT have approved a Teacher Only Day **on Monday 14**<sup>th</sup> **September.** This day will be used for strengthening Teacher knowledge around Assessment, and Reporting as part of our Teaching and Learning Programmes. School will be closed for instruction that day. **HOODIES:** If you ordered a Hoodie these should be arriving sometime next week. If you are still to pay for these please can you either pay at the office or online 123115 - 0216227-000 with your name as reference.

**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. School will provide 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:** As part of our AG Day we do indoor exhibits both at home and school. Room 2 have some awesome ideas for their AG Day creations and would appreciate any of the following:

- Clean, empty tin cans (spaghetti and baked bean size)
- Egg cartons
- Curved scallop shells

**Ag Day Raffles** ... With AG Day fast approaching we are starting to prepare for our grocery raffles on the day. This week is TINNED ITEMS...please can all families donate some tinned 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.



# ....COMMUNITY NOTICES...

### Mangakahia Rugby Club

**9 weeks of Touch Bugby.** At Mangakahia Sports Complex. social, family friendly environment. No experience needed. Limited teams per grade. Team registrations now open until 1<sup>st</sup> 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: <u>Mangakahia.touchrugby@gmail.com</u>



\*\*\*\*\* 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 19<sup>th</sup> and Junior coaching on Tuesdays starting October 13<sup>th</sup> 3.15pm and Twilight on Thursdays 5.30pm. For enquires phone Ray or Sue on 434 6898.

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

TERM TWO	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Planting Day
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Teacher Only Day – School is closed to students
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Bee Friends group –shoes please
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Lions Speech Competition at Complex

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## **WHANGAREI**

## 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