



# POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 10th December 2020

Week 9, Term 4 2020

Kia ora, Greetings and welcome

It was great to be able to say THANK YOU to all the wonderful supporters we have at Poroti School with our VIP Lunch.

There are so many ways that we receive support for our staff and students both in the classroom and on school trips.



**END OF YEAR PRIZE-GIVING:** This will be held tonight (Thursday 10th December) at school starting at 7 p.m. Can the children be here by 6.45 p.m. please so that the Prize-giving starts on time. This year we are having only the Prize-giving. We look forward to celebrating our successes and being able to farewell our Year 8s who are leaving.

**REPORTS:** The end of year reports will be given out on Monday. If your child is absent on Monday we will post them out to you.

**SWIMMING:** The pool is now ready for swimming and if the children wish to bring their togs and towel on Monday we will take them for a swim before school closes for the year.

As this is the last newsletter of the year, I would like to take this opportunity of saying a HUGE thank you to everyone who has been involved in Poroti School. To the BOT (Kerry, Janelle, Moera, Thereza, Olivia and our Hapū Rep Lorraine), thank you for your support and contribution. To our wonderful Staff (Mrs Pye, Mrs Grenfell, Mrs Booth, Whaea Hoana, Ms Macdonald, Mrs Crowson, Mrs McMurchy and Donna) we are extremely lucky to have such a great team. I have enjoyed working with you and look forward to continuing the combination again in 2021. To Mrs Baird and Molly, thank you for your input into our students well-being, learning and behaviour management. It has been a pleasure to have your support. To our wonderful students: it has been a crazy year, but hats off to you all for coming through it with positive attitudes and with focus on your learning. To our parents and caregivers: your support through this unprecedented year has been great, and we have appreciated the time and effort you have put into your child's Home Learning and classroom support.

To our Year 8 students leaving: Meineta off to Epsom Girls' Grammar School in Auckland, and Riley to Whangarei Boys' High School. Thank you for sharing a part of your learning journey with us at Poroti School. It has been a pleasure to have you here. You both have so much going for you in many different ways, and many different strengths. Use those talents and strengths and make the most of the opportunities that are in front of you. Best of luck for 2021 and keep in touch. To Hamish we wish you all the best in your Intermediate years and beyond. It has been great being a part of your learning pathway.

**FREE SCHOOL LUNCHES 2021:** Our school will be part of the School Lunch scheme next year. I am meeting with the caterers next week and I will post out the details along with the first newsletter of the year around the middle to end of January explaining everything needed for this and for the start of the school year.

I will be around school in the Office until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December if you know of anyone who would like to enrol their child for 2021 or if you have any questions.

I was proud to share the article (and a staff member also shared it on our Facebook page) that was written around the experience I have had this year with my Professional Learning at Springboard. Our school has also been asked to host a meeting with some Springboard personal at the end of January to show a rural school and how it operates. They will hold their Team meeting on our premises. This is exciting for us as a School and a Community.

Finally. have a safe, relaxing holiday. Enjoy your family time and we look forward to seeing you all back on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021.

Mrs J (Principal)



**BOT SPOT:** The last BOT meeting was held on 30<sup>th</sup> November and minutes are available at school if anyone should wish to read them. The next meeting date will be advised when confirmed.

**INVOICES:** Please could all outstanding invoices be paid by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you !

**TU MEKE DAY** ..... Remember that TOMORROW – FRIDAY is Tu Meke Day. We are leaving school just after 9 and will be back by 3pm. All children who are invited will need to bring

- \*Great Poroti Attitudes
- \*Big morning tea and lunch
- \*Water in a NAMED drink bottle
- \*Togs/Towel
- \*Hat (school hat or other)
- \*Warm Clothes
- \*Car seat if required.

Children MAY want to bring...\*Wetsuit, \*Snorkel Gear

**School Swimming Pool :** The school pool is **not** currently open for use, but will be available from next Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December and through the school holidays. Keys are now available to purchase at \$70 each (\$20 bond refunded on pool key return). Please call in to the office if you are interested. They will be available until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

## Celebration - Class Awards

This week we celebrated super readers from Room 2 with certificates presented to the following students for great progress with their reading...

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| • Josh Chauhan      | * | Aran Morling  |
| • Tayla Creelman    | * | Marley Imeson |
| • Nehemaia Shelford |   |               |

Other certificates presented were...

- Te Hina O'Leary - for improved independence in class
- Nevaeh Garrett - for her best personal maths result

Lexia Certificates were presented to Kitohi Shelford and Aran Morling for moving up a level with Lexia

Readicator Certificats were presented to Lola Monos, Te Hina O'Leary and Emma Morling



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

**COMMUNITY COUNTRY MEAL:** This Friday at the Complex it is the turn of the TITOKI PLAYCENTRE. Go along to the Mangakahia Complex at 6 p.m. for a great meal, and a good night out.

**Pre-Christmas/January School Holiday Programme. Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December to Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2020 AND Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**EDUCARE**

Based in the Maunu School Hall, Austin Road, Maunu 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 outside visits per week. For further information please email: [info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz](mailto:info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz), ring Christin on 0274821331 or visit our website - [www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz](http://www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz)



The poster features a green background with a central crest of the North Cricket Association (N.C.A.) which includes a tree and a cricket ball. Two photographs show children playing cricket on a field and indoors. The text is in large, bold, colorful letters. At the bottom, there is a rainbow graphic and logos for 'Touch New Zealand' and 'family & community services'.

**FREE SUMMER  
SPORT PROGRAMME**  
11 - 15 January, 18 - 22 January 2021, 10am - 2pm  
Johnston Crawford Indoor Cricket Centre  
79 Okara Drive, WHANGAREI

**REGISTER NOW!**  
[WWW.NORTHCRICKET.CO.NZ](http://WWW.NORTHCRICKET.CO.NZ)  
PH: 09-438 2400

**MULTISPORT:**  
Cricket  
Touch  
Turbo Touch  
Ripper Rugby  
& so much more!

*Break-Away  
School Holiday Programmes*

**Touch**  
New Zealand  
What a Touch!

**family & community services**  
support & resources for families  
a service of the Department of Social Development

Targeted at youth aged 11 - 18 years old, this free multi sport programme is an opportunity that you don't want to miss out on! Delivered during the school holidays this programme will keep teens & preteens engaged & inspired as they pick up top tips from our expert coaches, fine tune skills all whilst having a whole heap of fun! If your child isn't "sporty" no problem, we adopt a TGFU approach which means sessions are fun & interactive

**ENCHANTED CHRISTMAS SHOW** : Santa is bring the magic of the North Pole along with his helpers to the Ellerslie Racecourse Auckland from 4<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> December. We have been given some complimentary passes to this event which are valid until 12<sup>th</sup> December. If you are interested in one of these passes please let us know. The passes are on a first come first served basis.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM FOUR	
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Year Assembly (evening)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Te Meke Day
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Student last day of school – finish usual 3pm time
<b>WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2021</b>	<b>FIRST DAY TERM ONE 2021</b>

