



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 20th May 2021

Week 3, Term 2 2021

Kia ora, and welcome

A mixed bag of weather, and a number of students showing signs of 'winter illness.' Please continue to let us know if your child is sick either by phone to the School Office, or through the website Absence Form.

On Wednesday our school took part in the National Simultaneous Storytime with around a million students from Australia and New Zealand, listening to the story 'Give me some Space,' by Phillip Bunting read to us by Dr Shannon Walker from the International Space Station!

Then for the Senior class this was followed by collecting up the Hi Vis vests, Safety Glasses, Rocket launcher, etc and off to the complex to start our Rocket project. After launching our bottle rockets, thinking like engineers, then learning about Isaac Newton's first law of motion, we turn back to our designs, and explore the second step in the Engineering Design Process – Imagine!

Unfortunately, the wind proved too much for our pool fence! It is now lying down. When we get longer replacement screws, or find a better solution we will put it back up again.

Wasn't expecting that! I thought that the turf was starting this week, but they did come in and put in the sleeve for the new basketball hoop and netball goal. The actual turf goes down Monday 31st May (weather dependent).

Our first Thursday (running every second week) Yarn 'electives' took place. As when learning new skills, the facilitator needs every inch (centimetre) of patience they can find! The students worked in House Groups with the older students helping out the younger students. Thank you also to the Parents and Grandparents for their support and help during this time. Feel free to come down next Thursday 27th May at 1.30 p.m. if you would like to join in.

A huge thank you to **OXFORD TRUST** for our successful application for new iPads (to replace stolen ones), and Maths resources. We are very appreciative as these resources add to our learning programmes, and are items our Budget does not stretch to.

Mrs J

Principal

BOT SPOT: The next meeting is Tuesday 25th May at 7 p.m. in school staffroom

AG DAY DATE SURVEY: Could you please let us know your preference by **next Wednesday 26th May** then we will make a decision based on the surveys returned. Thank you to those who have returned them.

NEWSLETTER SURVEY: Please let us know how you want to receive the School newsletter (Notice sent 5th May). So far we have only had three replies! Options were: Paper based only. Online. Both online and paper.

SENIOR CAMP: This year's Senior Camp is from Monday 1st - Thursday 4th November. **NB** We leave on Monday this year due to bookings. We are heading to Lonsdale Park up North this year. Camp may clash with Central Day, but we can sort that out for students who wish to go to Central Day.

ROOSTERS!!! We have two beautiful roosters roaming around the outside of our Chicken Coop. They are not ours – not sure where they came from. If you would like them or could 'rehouse' them please feel free to wander down at dusk when they roost in the mandarin tree by the Chicken Coop.

*****HELP US WIN A \$10,000 SPORTS GRANT !!!!! *****

No Strings Attached!! - AA Insurance is offering one lucky North Island primary school the chance to win a \$10,000 sports grant to be spent on whatever will help our students tackle their sporting dreams - new turf, coaching, boots, bibs - spread the word and nominate us – Enter for us at aainsurance.co.nz/big-little - it only takes a couple of minutes !! Entries close 19th June 2021

Celebration - Class Awards

- Lucas Fawcett - for your 'open-mind' with taking on new learning
- TeHina O'Leary - for your enthusiasm and love of learning - it's awesome to see
- Lincoln-Blayze Siafa - for stunning use of so many sentence starts in your writing
- Jarred Fowlie - for your outstanding effort in our first house group weaving session
- Lucas Fawcett - for much better attendance ! We can see your learning everyday
- Te Aroha Cooper - for an amazing independent effort in your learning
- Ngahana Hohaia-Prime - welcome to Room 2 at Poroti School !

Lexia Certificates - Well done to Marley Imeson and Lola Monos for moving up a level with their Lexia Learning



Cassidy Elliott - for your positivity, lovely manners and showing our Poroti School values

WHANGAREI LIBRARY LUNCHTIME MATARIKI TALK - TAIPARI MUNROE

Taipari Munroe is a well-respected Kaumatua and educator. He is the Kaumatua of Poroti's Maungarongo Marae. Taipari will be speaking about Puanga and Matariki from the perspective of our northern culture at the Whangarei Library Teen Space on Friday 25th June 12.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m. Free entry. Seating on a first come, first served basis.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM TWO	
Monday 24 th May	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes
Tuesday 25 th May	BOT Meeting - staff room 7pm
Wednesday 26 th May	Year 7 & 8 Winter Tournament – see notice students took home
Monday 31 st May	Year 7& 8 TECH – NB 2 weeks in a row due to a swap with schools.
Wednesday 2 June	Years 4-6 Winter Tournament – details closer to the time.
Friday 11 th June	Country Meal at Complex: Keep this date in your diary. It is our turn! For our new families this is an important event for our school to be involved in the community. Details to come.



*Thursday Afternoon
Yarn electives*



