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Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Week 2, Term 3 2021

Kia ora, and welcome

We welcomed Andrew and his family to our school this week. It is lovely to have you and we hope you enjoy your time with us here at Poroti School.

**ASB First Aid presentation and workshops with Jo King**. It was good to get an update on first aid processes. Do you know what RICED, FAST, OR DRSABS mean? Ask your children about 'dab- dab-far away mountain,' or 'dab-dab- ice cream scoop!'

Some interesting facts: Hospitalised = one night or more spent in hospital as a result of injury.

- 1 quad bike child every 2 weeks is hospitalised
- 4 burns every week hospitalised
- 5 kids poisoned hospitalised
- 7 cuts from sharp objects hospitalised
- 12 non-traffic transport e.g. bike, scooter hospitalised
- 70 falling hospitalised

This means 90 children per week are being hospitalised in New Zealand from things that could be prevented, so it is important to keep our kids up to date with what to do.

**Attendance:** This has reached a level of real concern not just in our school, but nationally. Every meeting I have attended as the Principal this topic has been top of the Agenda. Regular attendance at school ensures learning and a direction for our children's futures. It is linked very strongly to your child's wellbeing, as well as academic achievement. We need the support from home in this matter, so that we can do our best for your children. If they are not here, they miss out on their learning, and that affects their well-being, and it means catching up on what they have missed. We do understand there is sickness, and family matters that lead to absence. On a POSITIVE note **CONGRATULATIONS** to our students who attend on a very regular basis.

## Mrs J (Principal)

**BOT SPOT:** The BOT have approved our school to register with Duffy Books in Homes for 2022, which is awesome. More details about what this means after our registration has been accepted.

We are using some contingency money left from our Turf and Fence projects to upgrade the sand pit shade cover. Our new Basketball goal from Oxford Trust Grant has arrived and will be installed shortly.

We are looking to continue Free Lunches in Schools in 2022.

Room 4 is looking great and nearing completion with the doors going in, new carpet and autex on the walls. We are hoping that it will be completed in 2 weeks time ready for use.

School photos will be taken on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October (early in Term 4). More details nearer the time.

Next meeting is Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021



NEW DATE FOR 2021 AG DAY is SATURDAY 2 OCTOBER (first Saturday of the end of Term 3 holidays) Same day just different date! Put it in your Diary.

Get those home projects underway – this day will creep up on you very quickly!

**TANIWHA CHALLENGE** - We are off tomorrow!!! A reminder children will need full lunch boxes tomorrow as we are away all day. Also, warm clothing for after their run and a bottle of water.

**DAFFODIL DAY** - This year Daffodil Day will be on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August and we have registered to show our support for this very worthy cause. More details will follow closer to the time ... but in the meantime look in your wardrobe for something yellow !!! as it will be a day to show your support by coming to school dressed in yellow. Any \$\$ donations you are able to make on the day will be greatly appreciated and passed on to the Cancer Society from Poroti School.



## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Te Manawa Tahi Hub** - If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahi have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them. This is a free service and each site will be identified by a Te Manawa Tahi flag. Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 5248 4256 or email <u>TT.Support@education.govt.nz</u> Up coming dates are as follows...

- Back 2 Basics Childcare 179 Newton Road, Maungatapere 2<sup>nd</sup> September 9am to 12pm
- Mangakahia Area School 1480 Mangakahia Road, Titoki 8<sup>th</sup> September 9am to 12 pm

TERM THREE		
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Whole school - Taniwha Challenge at TeHoro School	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	TECH – Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes !!	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	Bee Friends Starts again	
	AG Day animal entry forms due back by today	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes !!	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> August	Daffodil Day - Wear something yellow and gold coin donation – if you are able !	

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

FIRST AID PRESENTATION We received our visit from Jo King this week who presented First Aid Training to all our students. Here Room 1 practice some of the important skills they learnt. Did you know where our nearest defibrillator is ?? There is one at the Mangakahia Complex with another one located at the Whatitiri Hall.





