



# POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Week 1, Term 3 2022

Kia ora and welcome to the first newsletter of Term 3

We welcome Mrs Grenfell full-time into the Junior Class for Term Three while Mrs Booth is on leave. Mrs Booth will continue to coach our Netball teams so you will no doubt see her around school.

**CONDOLENCES:** It is with great sadness that I let our Poroti School Community know of the passing of Riley Tonkin. Riley was a pupil here 2018-2020. Riley had a big personality, was an AG Day Champion and an avid reader. Riley was always willing to share his knowledge and his tech skills. Our sincere thoughts are with his family and friends. I will put funeral details out as I know them should anyone wish to attend.



**Masks:** The Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education is recommending that students in Years 4-8 continue to wear masks while inside. We are also recommending that this happens at Poroti School and would appreciate your support in this. We are still experiencing cases of Covid with students from our school and at the end of last term we had some very sick children. We want to maintain our students' attendance at school, and prevent the sickness that we witnessed at the end of the term.

**Kia ora funding:** We were lucky enough to secure funding for potting mix, seedling mix, and some raised garden beds for our school through the Kia Ora Fund. Whaea Hoana and I will attend a workshop as part of this funding application next Wednesday.

**Oxford Trust:** Our school has also secured funding to purchase some Reading assessment resources which will help us collect data and analyse Literacy to ensure that we can continue to move the achievement of our students forward.

**AG Day** is set for Saturday 1 October. Notices will come home tomorrow with exhibit information and entry forms for animals. Please check your child's school bag.

**Parent Well-being evening:** *Staff have had their say! Students have had their say! It is now the turn of our Parents and Caregivers.* Rebecca Thomas will be facilitating an evening for Parents to have their say and input into the School's wellbeing definition as part of our Strategic Plan i.e. school systems, staff, students, community. **This will be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August from 5.30 p.m. until 6.30 p.m.** Light refreshments provided. Kids looked after! Come and have your say. We value your input into our programmes.



**Taniwha Challenge** is being held at Te Horo School on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August. This is a whole school event, and it is always a fun event where our community supports our students as they venture around their various

age group cross country courses. Hangi are also available (see the end of the newsletter.) We require transport for this event so we will send out a notice with a request.

**ERO – Education Review Office:** Bill Ahern, our evaluation partner met with me on Tuesday afternoon for an introductory meeting about Poroti School. Bill will return on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September to start the process of Te Ara Huarau. Under Te Ara Huarau ERO has shifted from event-based external reviews to supporting each school in a process of continuous improvement. Bill will work alongside Poroti School to ‘support our school to be a great school and every child a success.’ ERO’s evaluation role will look to connect our school’s strategic planning and reporting cycle as part of an on-going improvement journey.

**Parent Interviews:** We look forward to catching up with Parents and Caregivers tonight at Parent Interviews.

Mrs J (Principal)

**BUS TODAY – THURSDAY** - Apologies to those affected by no bus this morning. The relief bus driver for the day was given the wrong times. All good for tomorrow. Thank you to those parents who brought their children to school.

**BOARD REPORT:** Next meeting date is Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August in the staffroom at 7 p.m.

**Board Elections:** Nomination forms have now been issued. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else please complete the forms and return back to the school office in the envelope provided.

**Nominations close Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022.**

**DIGITAL CONTRACT FORMS:** We are currently updating our digital contract forms. If your child needs a new one, they will be attached to this newsletter. Please can you and your child sign and return to the office. Thank you.



**TANIWHA CHALLENGE:** The annual TeHoro Taniwha Challenge is coming up fast - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August. For those new to this it is full on fun day. This is a compulsory school event where we all travel as a school to TeHoro and students complete against other schools in a cross country run catered to their ages. Students have started their training at school and we will train most days weather permitting so if they could please wear appropriate gear for running in. We also encourage a bit of training at home if possible. Those who have been before know this is a ‘real’ cross country run through paddocks and up and down hills so the fitter students are the more enjoyable it is. We will also need some help with transport so please keep the day free if you can. There is food available to purchase there and Te Horo will again be offering their delicious hangi meals and pre-ordering is needed. If you would like a hangi, please complete the form at the end of newsletter and **return with payment** or you can pay online 123115 – 0216227-00 with name as reference.

**AG DAY and END OF YEAR TROPHIES:** Please could all trophies now be returned to school so we can get them ready for presenting this year. Thank you.



**SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS:** The latest scholastic book club issue is attached. In this issue they are running a ‘Free Book Offer’ when placing an order through their online LOOP system. Spend over \$30 get 1 free book, over \$50 get 2 free books and over \$70 get 3 books. A list of free book titles to choose from will be displayed before checkout when you order.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING PROGRAMME:** The Mangakahia Sports Complex is looking at holding this Parenting Programme in August. They need 16 parents/caregivers to get this off the ground. The programme caters for parents/caregivers of 3 - 8 years old and runs for 14 weeks. This is a very

good programme and if you would like more information check <http://pb4l.tki.org.nz/Incredible-Years-Parent> or contact Karen at [Karen.Carr@education.govt.nz](mailto:Karen.Carr@education.govt.nz) or 0272 899 860 . Brochures also available at school office.

**MAGNOLIA GARDENS OPEN DAYS:** In association with the I Have A Dream Charitable Trust, Dave and Cath Davies-Coley are opening up their beautiful Magnolia Gardens at 37 Proctor Road, Poroti. Gardens open from 10am to 4pm on 6 - 7 and 20 - 21 August. Entry fee \$5, refreshments \$5. Great raffle prizes. All proceeds go towards the Year 13 Dreamer's Rarotonga Trip Of A Lifetime in 2023. Contact Jodie 021 23 077 for more details.

**FUTSAL:** Spaces are still available for Term 3 Futsal. Open to children ages 7 - 17. A great opportunity to gain futsal skill development and competition. For information contact [admin@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz](mailto:admin@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz) or phone 021 246 7328.

**TE MANAWA TAHI COMMUNITY TIMETABLE:** *If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī 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 Tahī flag. Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing [TT.Support@education.govt.nz](mailto:TT.Support@education.govt.nz).*

You are also more than welcome to join your local Te Manawa Tahī Facebook group for the most up to date information regarding our hubs: Whangārei: [Te Manawa Tahī Whangarei | Facebook](#) Up-coming dates are as follows for weeks 1 – 5 for Term 3. Clinics are open from 9am to 12pm

**Thurs 28 July** Te Rito, Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei

**Thurs 4 August** Raurimu Avenue School, 48 Raurimu Avenue, Onerahi Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo

**Wed 10 August**, Kaiwaka Back 2 Basics Childcare, 179 Newton Road, Maungatāpere

**Thurs 18 August** Te Ora Hou, 104 Corks Road, Tikipunga

**Thurs 25 August** Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM TWO	
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> July	Life Education Caravan Parent Interviews 3.30 p.m. until 6.30 p.m.
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	Year 7 & 8 TECH - Remember shoes
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Wellbeing Parent night 5.30
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	BOT Meeting – 7pm staff room
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> August	Te Horo Taniwha Challenge
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 7 & 8 TECH - remember shoes

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## \*\*Te Horo Taniwha Challenge - Hangi Order\*\*

Hangi consists of pork, chicken, potato, pumpkin, kumara and cabbage

I would like to order ..... Hangi at \$10 each.

Payment is attached OR I have paid online (circle which applies)

Name ..... Phone ..... Signature .....

**ORDERS DUE BACK TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

