



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Kia ora and welcome

Libelle lunches from Whangarei made a delivery of loaves of Tip Top Supersoft bread for our whānau in these tough times. Acts of kindness like this really go a long way, and we appreciate their thoughts.

Cobden School where our two students Lola and Szaffi will start attending next week have also sent us their thoughts and wishes during this tough time. They will be holding a mufti- day next week and sending the money raised to support our students. A small school with a big heart, just like Poroti. 

Reading Together: Attached to the newsletter is an envelope containing an invitation to a series of special whānau workshops being run at Poroti School later this term. It is **IMPORTANT** that we receive an answer whether you intend on coming or not. We would love to see as many families as possible take up this opportunity to support your / our tamariki and their reading together. 

The lovely feeling that was here at the beginning of the year has continued to be felt and seen around our school. Our Well-being definition of Poroti School being a Safe place where I feel **HAPPY, CONNECTED, VALUED and ACCEPTED** is being demonstrated by our students.

Mindfulness Breathing is a daily part of our programme, and the engagement in and understanding of why we do it is being embedded in our students. They know to use this when they feel anxious or angry – breathe in – breathe out. Such a simple technique taught and done properly can have such calming results in a short time. For our older students it is a way to self-manage without anyone knowing what they are doing! We teach belly breathing so you don't see shoulders rising when you breathe in. It is controlled like a balloon inflating and deflating. Great for us adults too!

Pool Update: Come prepared for swimming on Monday - we are hoping that it will be ready to go !

Mrs J (Principal)



Next meeting date to be Monday 27th March at 7 p.m. in School Staffroom.
NB the change of night for March due to Reading Together being on a Tuesday night.

New Board Member needed: Due to a vacancy we are looking for a new Board member. Thank you to those who have made it known you are interested. The Board would like to have expressions of interest as they may open it up to more than one member. Please let the school or Mrs J know if you are interested.

STATIONERY: Thank you to those who have made payments. The cost for 2023 is \$35 per student payable to the Office or online at 123115-0216227-00 with family name as reference. Thank you.

YEAR 7 & 8 IMMUNISATION: Forms went home last week for our Year 7 & 8 students. Please can these be completed and sent back as soon as possible. Thank you. Information on the immunisations can be found in the forms or there are video links to watch on...
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OuwcOyMjAzc> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tIKS9uQCQU>
Immunisations will take place at school on Friday 17th March.

MEASLES: With a confirmed case of Measles currently in New Zealand, we need to be vigilant. Free vaccinations are available. Please see the attachment for more information.

MANGAKAHIA SUMMER FESTIVAL: THIS SATURDAY! HELPERS NEEDED PLEASE!!!
Thank you to those who have offered to help - we still need some help in the middle blocks of 11am to 2pm. Please can you let us know – either returning form send last week or phoning the office. If you are attending on the day, and haven't offered to help, drop by our School Gazebo and see if you can give someone a break. The funds raised support our school camps and trips.

NETBALL: Our two netball teams were very successful last year and we are now seeking interest for children that may wish to play this year. Please complete form at end of newsletter. This is just seeking interest at this stage.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Saturday 25 th Feb	School is involved in Mangakahia Summer Festival from 10 – 3 p.m.
Monday 6 th March	Year 7 & 8 Tech - Remember shoes
Tuesday 7 th March	Bee Friends - Remember closed in shoes
	Reading Together - 6 – 7.30pm

NETBALL - EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Yes, my child / ren are interested in playing netball this year

..... Signed

