



# POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Week 9, Term 3 2023

Kia ora everyone.

With Mrs J away at the moment, I thought I would take the opportunity to write a wee bit in the school newsletter...So I'm going to cheat and include some snippets of what other teachers have been up to too.

The students in Room 2 have been very busy writing and practicing their speeches and poems. We had a practice session on Friday last week and we were very impressed with the level of memorisation from all students. It is obvious that they have been practicing at home! We sat in small groups and practiced being a good audience member and then gave constructive feedback to improve the delivery of the speech or poem. The ability to give and receive peer feedback is an important skill as well as being able to stand in front of people and speak. Awesome mahi Room 2 students, so much learning going on!

Constable Lisa and Constable Martin presented " Keeping Ourselves Safe" sessions to Year 1-3, Year 4-6 and Year 7&8. The students participated enthusiastically in the discussions and were interested in the topics. This is a valuable part of our learning to enable students to identify dangerous situations to their physical and emotional health and know how to get help.

In Room One, speeches are being practised, essays are being published and in our spare(?) time we are a hive of activity getting our exhibits for Ag Day underway. (Don't forget the home ones!)

Next week is the last week of term and we will be wrapping up speech season in the senior class with presentations on Monday.

Remember that the holidays are a great time to make a good start on the HOME exhibits. Please do get in touch (email..text...note...) before the holidays if you need any school supplies for the home projects.

Mrs Pye and Staff





**BOARD REPORT:** The next Board Meeting will be advised closer to the time.

**TOUCH RUGBY :** The Mangakahia Touch Rugby Season will get underway next term. Starting Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October and weekly thereafter for 9 – 10 weeks. See notice under Community Notices. We are looking for expressions of interest for school teams again this year. Lots of fun. Please complete notice at end of newsletter if your child/ren is interested in playing. Also if you would like to be a parent helper.

## Class Awards

- Kingston Mills-Heremaia - Welcome to Room 1 and well done on passing 2 levels with your homework and mastering using the Chromebook so quickly
- Leah Carroll - for a stunning effort in your algebra maths result
- Puhi Nathan - for a stunning effort in your algebra maths result
- Hamish Robertson - welcome to Room 2 it is lovely to have you here
- Daisy Robertson – welcome to Room 2 it is lovely to have you here
- Cole Anderson – for fantastic use of school values and for lovely mat manners in class
- Tayla Creelman – for diligently working in class and always working to a very high standard



Lexia Certificates - well done to Peaches, Peri, Laquandre, Cassidy and Sonny for moving up a level with their Lexia

Winning House - Well done to Rimu our winning house this week.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### 9/10 weeks of Touch Rugby.

At Mangakahia Sports Complex.  
Social, family friendly environment.  
No experience needed. Limited teams per grade.  
Team registrations now open until 29th September.  
All information and registration details found on our Facebook page  
<http://www.facebook.com/MangakahiaRugby>

**Starts Thursday 12th October from  
4:30pm**

**GRADES: Open Mix (adults & over 14years of age) \$130 per team  
Junior grades: Under 8's, 10's, 12's, & 14's \$70 per team  
Referees: Any volunteers welcome!  
Contact: Hayley Taylor, Mb: 021 2621674  
Email: [Mangakahia.touchrugby@gmail.com](mailto:Mangakahia.touchrugby@gmail.com)**

**Maunu Tennis Club 2023/2024 season** - The new season is nearly underway.  
Seniors - Opening Day. Sept 16 at 10.00 (There after Saturdays at 1.00) New members welcome  
Juniors - Tuesday October 10 at 3.30. Includes coaching. New members & all levels welcome  
Seniors Twilight - starting Sept 28 at 5.30. All queries to [mary.brown.nz@gmail.com](mailto:mary.brown.nz@gmail.com)

## Junior Athletics Season Opening

Tuesday 10th October at 4pm at the track, Park Ave, Kensington.

Ages 5yrs - 12yrs, all inclusive, of all abilities.

We hope to see you there.

Senior athletics 12yrs up at 5.30pm.

Club nights: Tuesday.

**FREE CYBER – PARENT TO PARENT TALK** - Come and hear Filmmaker and Author Rob Cope in a hilarious, straight talking Parent to Parent talk on understanding our kids 'Online World' and how to keep them safe. Covers cyberbullying, social media, gaming, online predators, online porn, smartphones, filters and boundaries. Note due to the nature of the content covered this presentation is not for children or teenagers to attend. Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 4 – 6pm Whangarei Boys High School Auditorium, Whangarei Boys High School, 245 Western Hills Drive, Whangarei. Register for the event at [Eventbritecyber-safety-working-group@rtlb.school.nz](mailto:Eventbritecyber-safety-working-group@rtlb.school.nz)

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

| TERM THREE                          |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September | Mangakahia Lions Speech Contest – Top Year 8 competing |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September   | END OF TERM THREE – normal 3 p.m. closing              |
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| Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October      | FIRST DAY TERM FOUR – School starts at 9 a.m.          |

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## Mangakahia Touch Tournament

Yes, my child /ren ..... is interested in playing in a school touch team.

Yes / No I am available to be a parent helper.

Signed.....

Phone .....