



POROTI SCHOOL

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Week 3, Term 1 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

The pool has been a great asset on these hot afternoons. It looks fabulous with its new colour and sparkling water. Please ensure that children have their togs and towel each day for swimming. We accept shorts and t shirts from those who are conscious of their body or do not have togs.

Whānau Water Fun afternoon.



Our annual Whānau Water Fun afternoon for the beginning of the year is happening. We are having a fun-filled, active, whole school afternoon of water activities this FRIDAY from around 1.15 p.m. until home-time

Molly, our Learning Support Co-ordinator is working with our students on Mondays. She has a variety of groups from across the school that she is supporting. Some groups are curriculum based i.e. Maths and swimming, and some are 'social' groups looking at and becoming aware of behaviours, then investigating strategies to deal with these behaviours to focus on their learning. Having Molly in our school allows us to work with small focused groups for a short term to address social and learning needs of our students towards positive outcomes for everyone.

THANK YOU: A BIG shout out to Mr Booth for his amazing help around our school property today. It is very much appreciated and certainly improves the look of our property.



Garden to Table got underway this week, with Rimu attacking the weeds in the overgrown summer gardens, Kowhai making relish and herb muffins (herbs harvested from our herb garden) and Kauri doing Kitchen Science experiments and starting to look at our Enviro-Schools work.

MANGAKAHIA SUMMER FESTIVAL: House points are on offer for the following to put into our stall.

- Bottles or jars of anything e.g. lemonade, bubble bath, lollies for our Tombola.
 - We wrap the bottles, jars, containers and give them a number. You buy a number and win, so it is like a lucky dip.
- Small prizes for the Lucky Dip and Duck-La! i.e. bubble wands, little \$2 gifts

We also need helpers for the stall. Any time you can offer will be appreciated. See form at end of newsletter and return if you are able to help - thank you!

Mrs J (Principal)



BOARD REPORT: Next meeting date to be *Wednesday 21st February at 7 p.m.*

YEAR 7 & 8 VACCINATIONS: Forms and information were sent home with Year 7 & 8 students earlier this week. Please can these be completed and sent back as soon as possible whether your child is being vaccinated or not. Further information can be found as follows...

Year 7 (Boostrix)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNIKS9uQCQU>

Year 8 (HPV)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OuwcOyMjAzc>

STATIONERY: Thank you to those who made payments over the holiday period. **The cost for 2024 is \$35 per student payable to the Office or online at 123115-0216227-00 with family name as reference.** Thank you.



LIBRARY BOOKS: We have a number of overdue library books dating back to last year which have not been returned. Please can you have a look at home for these as invoices will be sent home next week for books that are still outstanding. Thank you.

ADVICE NEEDED: Because they have been sitting in the water for such a long period of time our beautiful Totara trees have died. These have been in our school grounds for many years. If you or someone you know can advise us to what needs to happen next, we would appreciate any advice. There are the two in the middle of the grounds and 2 more on the back-fence line.

NETBALL - EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: Saturday netball is starting up again next term. After a very successful session last year we are seeking expressions of interest for this year. If your child may be interested in playing in a school team, please complete and return the form at the end of this letter. This is not a commitment at this stage, just helps give us an idea so we can look at possible teams and uniforms needed. Please return as soon as possible. Thank you.



COMMUNITY NOTICES



CELEBRATION - CLASS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards this week...

Welcome to Darlene, Szaffi and Maverick who started at school this term in Room 1.

Welcome to Hemiere and Haylin who started at school this term in Room 2.

- Maia Shelford - for super leadership and welcoming of all students to Poroti
- Leah Carroll - for super leadership and welcoming of all students to Poroti
- TeAroha Cooper - for a great focused start to the year
- Sonny Kendall-Bercich - for a strong start to your mahi
- Puhi Nathan - for a strong start to your mahi



Kingston Mills-Heremaia - for being amazing at playing with and helping our new students

Alexis Harmse - for being a kind and caring student when you can see that someone else was hurt

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE – February Dates	
Friday 16 th Feb	<i>Whānau Water Tabloids afternoon</i>
Monday 19 th Feb	<i>Years 7 & 8 Technology at Mangakahia – Shoes please (no crocs)</i>
Wednesday 21 st Feb	<i>Think and Be Me programme – First Session</i>
Saturday 24 th Feb	<i>School is involved in Mangakahia Summer Festival from 10 – 3 p.m.</i>

NETBALL - EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Yes, my child/ren are interested in playing in a Saturday netball team this year.

Yes / No I may be available to help coach / manage a team.

.....Name Signature



Yes, I am available to help during the following times on the day

9 – 10 am	Set up	
10 -11 am	Helping in Tent	
11 – 12pm	Helping in tent	
12 – 1pm	Helping in tent	
1 – 2pm	Pack up	

.....Name Signature

