



# POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Week 4, Term 1 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

Welcome back to Roitana and his whānau. Roitana has joined the Senior class bringing our school roll to 45. We have had some 4-year olds having their school visits which is exciting as we get closer to that magic roll number of 51 and open a third classroom.

**Think and Be Me ...** Cat and Willi came to school today with their messages around emotions using 'Worry Watchdog,' 'Angry Dragon' and 'Cool Cat.' These characters play a role in our thoughts and feelings. This was an introduction to our students and staff, followed by a staff meeting with the theory behind the programme.

Today we learnt how to **Notice it, Name it** – i.e. Worried. Am I scared, nervous, stressed, guilt or judged. One feeling can represent many things.

**Calm your body. Calm your brain.** – Take time to notice, talk about it, breathe, take a break

**Catch it** – the 'stinking thinking' i.e. you are dumb! **Check it** – Is that thought true, kind or helpful? **Change it** i.e. I am kind, I am fun, I am awesome.

*As we work through this with the children we will send resources and links home for whānau to use with their tamariki and mokopuna.*

**MANGAKAHIA SUMMER FESTIVAL:** *Thank you to those who have already donated and offered to help on the day. This is a great day to promote our school in the community and make some money for camps.*

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- Hoop La! i.e., little \$2 gifts, toys

**WHĀNAU HOUSE LEADERS:** As part of developing our young people we have many opportunities for leadership roles in our kura. Today we are voting for our Whānau House Leaders. They will be organisers of events, role models / tuakana – teina and have the responsibility for creating a positive whānau group culture alongside their allocated staff members. Our groups are KAURI – KOWHAI and RIMU.

**Senior Class Camp:** Prior notice for two reasons: Getting leave from work and paying off the camp fees. This year's camp for Room One will be up North from Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November until Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. It will be approx. \$120 per person. If you wish to start paying this off with a small amount each week we are very happy for you to do so. We provide experiences and opportunities on these camps that leave memories!

Mrs J (Principal)



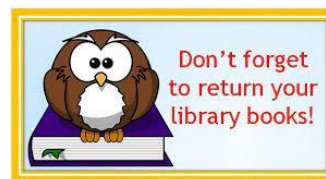
**BOARD REPORT:** Next meeting date to be Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 7 p.m.

- **Property:** Currently we have had companies through the school on site visits as the Tender process takes place for our property work.
- **Strategic Plan:** Thank you to those who contributed their ideas. Your ideas have formed part of the plan in the initiatives and actions.
  - The three goals have been identified: **Curriculum – Teaching and Learning. Environment. School, Whānau and Community engagement in Learning.**
  - Discussion was held around the draft document and wording was refined and altered.
  - The document will be put together and put onto our website. This will form a plan of action to success for Poroti School over 2024 and 2025.
- **Oxford Trust:** We were successful in our application for funding for new Netball uniforms. Along with the funds from Mangakahia Lions and school we are able to purchase enough uniforms for 3 teams. This funding is greatly appreciated.

**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:** Last call for any library books that may be at home.... Please send back to school. Invoices will be sent home for books still outstanding.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

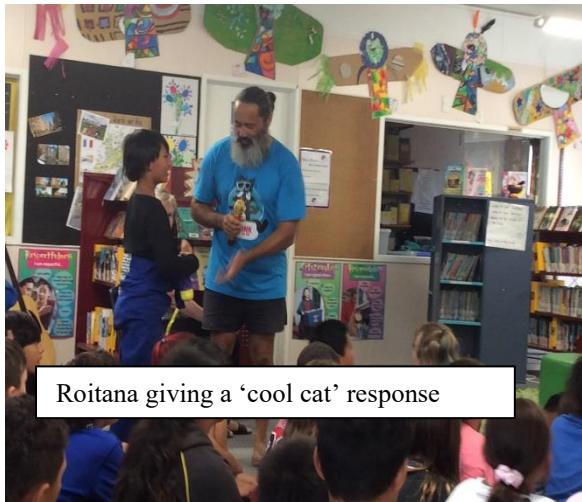
<b>TERM ONE – February and March</b>	
<b>Dates</b>	
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b><i>School is involved in Mangakahia Summer Festival from 10 – 3 p.m.</i></b>
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b><i>Year 7 and 8 TECH – Remember shoes not crocs please.</i></b>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	<b><i>Swimming sports – Parents get your team ready! Kids have been going to swimming lessons!!</i></b>



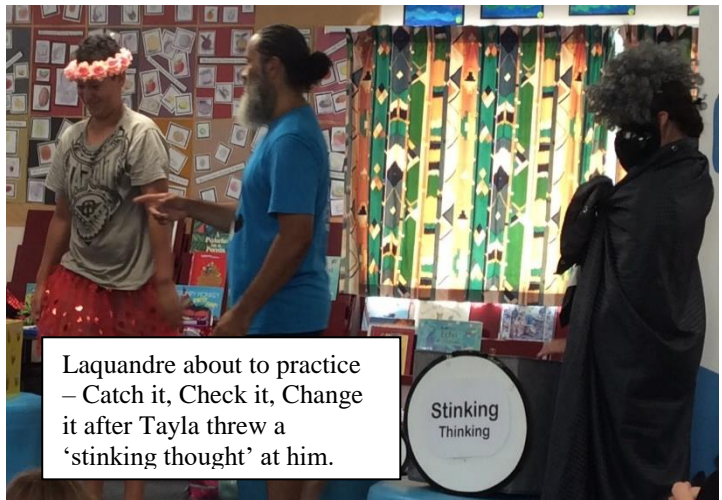
Cat and Willi



Cat and Cool Cat talking with Peri



Roitana giving a 'cool cat' response



Laquandre about to practice – Catch it, Check it, Change it after Tayla threw a 'stinking thought' at him.

# THINK & BE ME



Willi showing the 3 steps and then the actions.



Bella catching Cool Cat thoughts

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

**BUS DRIVERS WANTED!!!** Are you retired? Or thinking about it? Why not support your whānau and get paid to do it as a Ritchies bus driver? Ritchies buses are the lifeline of our schools and communities, and we need new drivers right now.

All you need is a clean driver's licence and we take care of the training. There's good pay, guaranteed hours and a great team to work with Contact Malcolm at our Dargaville Depot 09 4394902 or email [jobs@ritchies.co.nz](mailto:jobs@ritchies.co.nz) and we can go from there.

A poster for a football rally. At the top left is a soccer ball icon. The background is a photograph of a football field at dusk with several people playing. The text is overlaid on the image.

**MANGAKAHIA  
FOOTBALL RALLY**

**22nd of March**  
**5.00pm - 6.30pm**

Upstairs at the Mangakahia complex  
Boys and girls aged 4 - 14

For more information email:  
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