



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 14th March 2024

Week 7, Term 1 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

A warm welcome to Jasmine who had a school visit today ready for her start on Monday in the Junior class. We hope you and your whānau enjoy your time at Poroti School. That brings our total roll to 48 which is the biggest roll we, (those of us currently here) can remember.

Totara Trees update: We have had an arborist look at the trees and he has told us they are dead. The Board are seeking guidance from Tangata Whenua before felling or deciding the next steps. A meeting will be held to decide on a process and actions. These trees are 80 – 90 years old and have been a big part of the Poroti School landscape.

Swimming Sports: *This Friday 15th March starting at 12 noon*

Programme:

- Juniors demonstration
- Junior swimming races – width
- Year 3 & 4 Length races – Free, Backstroke
- Senior Events Years 5-8
 - 1 length Free, Back, Breaststroke
 - 2 lengths Free, Backstroke
- Inter whānau relays
- Final event: Parents vs Students vs Staff



There will be a lunch break 1 p.m. until 1.30 p.m. Eat first then play.

Children need:

- 2 towels – one to keep dry
- A warm jersey that can get wet to put on between races
- Something in their house colour i.e. Kauri is BLUE, Kowhai is YELLOW and Rimu is GREEN. Unsure what group your child is in just ask us.

Anyone with stories to share about Poroti 'in the olden days!' we would love to hear from you. Any photos to share, please contact us and enhance our Poroti students' learning about the history of their local school and community.

GOOD NEWS: Jenny from the Transport Agency 'Safe speeds around Schools programme' rang with good news for Poroti School. A **variable speed limit of 60kph** will be set up past Poroti School making our roads safer for our tamariki. They will be installing signs in the holidays, but at present are doing the preparation work for the installation. This is great

news for our students, and parents coming on foot across the State Highway and into our school carpark. The signs should be operating at the beginning of Term 2. They will automatically be on for our morning and afternoon start and finish times.



An opportunity for parents and caregivers from Sport Northland – Bike Northland

Friday 5th April:



Mrs J (Principal)



BOARD REPORT: Next meeting date to be Wednesday 3rd April at 7 p.m.

SCHOOLDOCS: This is a website that contains all the policies of Poroti School. If you wish to find out about policy e.g. Te Tiriti o Waitangi, Communicating with Parents, Community Conduct Expectations, at our school please follow the instructions below. There are policies that the Board review every term following a schedule of review. The ones mentioned will be reviewed this term.

Schooldocs: How to find our Poroti School Policies:

1. Visit the website <https://poroti.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (poroti) and password (watercross).

NITS - *Please keep a look out and check your child/ren's hair as nits are doing the rounds again. A reminder that we do have free treatment and combs available at school if needed – just enquire at the office and we can send home.*



EASTER RAFFLE *We will be running our popular Easter raffles again this year. Tickets are attached for selling and more sheets are available if needed. Prizes for the families that sell the most tickets. To help with our raffles, please can all families donate something suitable for our raffles. House points on offer. Thank you !*

Celebration - School Awards

Congratulations to the following students for receiving school awards...

- Cassidy Elliott - for an awesome effort in singing and kapa haka
- Mila Anderson - for being super helpful in garden to table
- Te Haora Adams-Edmonds - for amazing progress in reading
- Jaydn Byrne - for great thinking and managing self
- Peaches Peeni-Takarangi - for a positive and focused effort with her work
- Tiaan Fowlie - for much improved enthusiasm to her learning and conversations
- Riverlee Armstrong-Phillips - Welcome to Room 2!
- Ruby Creelman - Welcome to Room 2!

Well done to TeAroha, Jethro and Peri for moving up a level with their Lexia



Puhu Nathan - for stepping aside and letting others in the doorway
 Maturangi Arama-Heta - for stepping aside and letting other in doorway
 Mila Anderson - for her kindness and inclusion of younger students in games at break times
 Shiquan Erueti - for lovely manners and letting others go before you



Tayla Creelman - for strong leadership in assembly

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE – March and April	
Friday 15 th March	<i>Swimming sports – Parents get your team ready! Kids have been going to swimming lessons!!</i>
Monday 25 th March	<i>TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes !</i>
Friday 29 th March – Tuesday 2 April	<i>Easter holidays – Please note that Tuesday is also a holiday. We start back on Wednesday 3 April.</i>
Friday 12 th April	<i>Last day of Term One</i>

