



# POROTI SCHOOL

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Week 8, Term 1 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

Just when you thought Summer was over it comes back again, although the mornings are a little cooler. Swimming will finish at Easter. Teachers will make the decision taking into account, weather and the number of swimmers in their class.

**Swimming Sports on Friday** was an amazing community day for our school. Our swimmers really took on the challenge and there were some races of the 'titans' in all age groups. We were so proud to see how far some of the students have come with their confidence and swimming ability. As one parent said 'it was great to see how they just wanted to give it a go.' Thanks to everyone for their role in the day.



**Congratulations to the Parent Relay Team (champions again!) and to Rimu for being the overall Whānau Winners on the day with Kauri and Kowhai second and third respectively.**

**Okoihu Pa** visit on Tuesday was an amazing experience for all of those who participated in the field trip. A lot of background work went into this trip to enable our Poroti students, parents and staff to visit a very special place in the history of our whenua. The group were told of the history, the significance and the stories of Okoihu Pa along the journey to the summit. We are very much aware of the privilege we had had bestowed on us and are grateful to have had the korero of this site relayed to us. Our next generation of tamariki will hold those stories in their memories. The trip enabled a lot of the classroom discussion and learning to be put into real-life, authentic learning outside of the classroom.



**Netball** is underway with the 'Intermediate' team starting their practices with Vanessa and Jacqui who will be coaching again this year. The other two teams will be underway soon. You can practice at home with passing and catching skills. Good luck for a successful season.

Mrs J (Principal)



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

**STATIONERY** - A reminder that stationery fees of \$35 per student are due. Please can these be paid by the end of this term in cash or online - using name as reference. They can be paid off in instalments if needed.

**EASTER RAFFLE** - Ticket sheets were sent home last week. If you need more, please ask at the office. 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 to those who have donated and sold tickets so far. Great work.



*Room 2 have had a reading group enjoy reading the book "A Patch of Pancakes" so the whole class took the opportunity to have fun making and eating some delicious pancakes on Tuesday – "yum," was the feedback!*



**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

TERM ONE – March and April	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - remember shoes !
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March – Tuesday 2 April	Easter holidays – Please note that Tuesday is also a holiday. We start back on Wednesday 3 April.
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of Term One

