



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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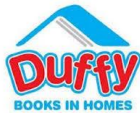
Thursday 11th April 2024

Week 11, Term 1 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

We welcomed River and her whānau to our school this week. River has joined the Junior Class. We hope you all enjoy your time at Poroti School.

In order to get trucks with containers and skip bins into our school grounds, (in preparation for our property projects,) we need to trim the tree branches overhanging our school driveway, on the school side of the fence. Is there anyone who can do this for us? Let Mrs J or the office know please.



Our Duffy Books in Homes Role Model assembly was held on Tuesday at 11.30 a.m. in the School Library. Our Role model was Trina Isaako: Trina is a dedicated Duffy Books in homes team member and she spoke to the students about the importance of books, how they choose the books for our students to select from and her experiences with books. The children received their free Duffy Books that they had chosen. These free books are funded by our Duffy Sponsor: **The Estate of Selwyn Dennis Hales Charitable Trust, and the Poroti**

School Board. We have been talking with the students about what to do with the books after they have read them. Suggestions were to swap with someone else, or maybe we set up a Pātaka Pukapuka (swap box for books,) where you can bring books and swap them for other books.

A BIG THANK YOU to our staff for their mahi this term. As part-time staff it is fair to say that our teachers do not just do their official days. They willingly do what is necessary to ensure that our students and their learning is paramount. As the leader of the school I am privileged to say we are extremely lucky to have such a great team who look out for each other as well as your children.

To our students, it has been a long term with lots happening – some interesting learning and achievement has been heard and seen. We have seen some of our Senior students show leadership with confidence in many situations, which aligns with our Graduate Profile qualities and attributes. **To you all as our whānau and community,** thank you also for your support of your children's learning. We appreciate this partnership as we work together to ensure the achievement and progress of our students. For those students who receive this support we see the results. **Last but not least to our Board** who work in the background to ensure our school complies with the Ministry of Education guidelines and our policies.



ATTENDANCE: As you will be aware the Government is taking a stand on Attendance and have announced the following:

- Starting publishing of attendance data weekly from the second week of Term 2, 2024
- Rolling out a communications campaign to improve awareness of the importance of students attending school from Term 2 2024
- Updating public health guidance to help schools and parents to decide if a student is well enough to attend school
- Clarifying expectations around attendance to school boards.

While overall Poroti School has a high average of attendance, there are still students who have attendance statistics that concern us. Evidence shows that there is a direct link between regular attendance and progress and achievement. Finding that balance between what is happening in 'life' and getting our children to school

can be challenging, but the regular attendance of your children is paramount, not just for learning but their well-being as well. Building those relationships with friends and their teachers, keeping up with classroom learning, being organized and developing those habits of learning. Feeling a part of the class and school.

Room 2 Home Learning took on a new look last week and we have seen some amazing results, photos, drawings, sharing what they did with others, and even some baking for the staff! These interactions both at home and school are so valuable and when you see the children take pride in what they did and want to share it makes it all worthwhile. Keep up the good work.

We wish our Netball teams all the best this weekend as they take on their first grading games. Soon we will see them outfitted in their new uniforms.

Hopefully the weather will change to sunshine (or it could be a good time to get some photos of puddles for the photo competition!) as we enjoy a two-week break, family time and rest! If you are travelling, be safe and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 29th April ready for Term 2.

Mrs J (Principal)



BOARD REPORT: Next meeting date to be Wednesday 1 May at 7 p.m.

- Parents can go onto School docs and review policies throughout the year. If you haven't looked at our School docs site it is worth a visit. Poroti.schooldocs.co.nz School: **poroti** Password for community: **watercress**
- We are hoping to start our projects at the end of Term 2.



CELEBRATION - CLASS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for receiving awards...

- Jaydn Byrne – For great accurate maths work
- Kimberlee Cooper - Awesome work on measuring angles in maths
- Kimberlee Cooper - For the top test result in number work
- Jethro Imeson - Excellent test result in number work
- Elia Anderson – For being open-minded and having the courage to try new things in class
- Temepara Cassidy - For developing independence and having a great attitude to her learning
- Kate Harmse – For working hard to craft her writing.

Lexia Superstar - Well done to Szaffi for moving up a level with her Lexia.

Principal's Award went to Room 2 for their incredibly tidy room.

House Points: 1st: Kowhai, 2nd Kauri and 3rd Rimu



Duffy Book Assembly with Duffy Role Model Trina who spoke about the importance of reading and her own passion for reading as a child.



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Life Education Trust Whangarei Community Event



A CYBER SAFETY EVENING

With Rob Cope - Author, parent and film maker of the 2020 documentary 'Our Kids Online'

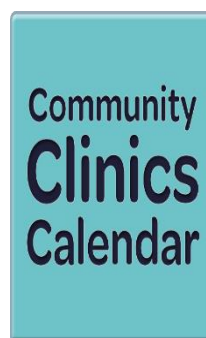
- Understand the harms our kids are facing online in relation to pornography, predators, social media access, and the 24/7 switched on effect on the developing brain.
- Learn practical solutions to keep your children safer online.
- Get advice on healthy ways to approach these tricky subjects.
- Learn what to do when your child has been exposed to something harmful.
- This talk also includes an online safety plan tailored to suit your family's needs.

Tuesday
21st May
2024

Northland Rugby Union
136 Riverside Drive
Whangarei

6.30PM \$15

TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT ROB AND KAREEN'S WORK VISIT: WWW.OURKIDSONLINE.CO.NZ.



Online community health clinics calendar

Health New Zealand – Te Whatu Ora in Te Tai Tokerau Northland now has a Community Clinics Calendar on its website.

Clinics listed include Tamariki Ear Clinics, Youth Health Services, and Immunisations – all available free of charge to school students and their whānau. It allows anyone to browse or filter to find upcoming clinics of interest, throughout the region, as well as information on how to book an appointment if necessary.

To find it, visit northlanddhhb.org.nz and click on the Community Clinics Calendar tile on the home page.

Tutukaka Surf April Holiday Program!

Tutukaka Surf is running a School Holiday Program at Sandy Bay this Easter Holiday! Our amazing, experienced ISA qualified coaches will use their ocean knowledge and experience combined with their passion for surf and teaching, meeting each individual student at their level.

Our focus:

Ocean knowledge and safety.

We explain how to identify and manage rips and currents from the beach; learn water safety skills and hand rescue signals are practiced together as a group before entering the ocean. Respecting and understanding the ocean is invaluable knowledge!

Teaching our students how to ride a wave.

We explain and practice the ideal posture on the board, paddling technique, the stages of popping up, and the ideal surfing stance to ride awesome waves!

Surf Etiquette.

Scenarios like, 'Who has the right of way is it?', or 'Where should I paddle out' are explained to students as they progress with their surf journey after attending our program.

Having fun outside!

There is nothing better than making friends out in the fresh air and riding the ocean's waves, we're here to share the best feeling in the world!

Duration: Week 1: 15th-19th of April (Monday-Friday), Week 2: 22nd-26th of April (Monday-Friday) **Time:** 09:30AM-12PM

Cost: \$45 per day for individual day, \$190 per for the full week (all 5 days)

Gear included:

A wetsuit & soft top board will be provided for each lesson.

Booking information: Phone: 027 306 7047 Email: surf@tutukakasurf.co.nz

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE – April	
Friday 12 th April	<i>Last day of Term One – finishing normal time 3 p.m.</i>
Monday 29 th April	<i>First day of Term Two – starting at 9 a.m.</i>
Wednesday 1 May	<i>Poroti School Board meeting at 7 p.m.</i>
Monday 6 th May	<i>Year 7 & 8 TECH – SHOES please</i>
Wed 15 th May	<i>Years 4-8 will be attending Science Roadshow</i>
Friday 17 th May	<i>Years 4-8 will be attending the House of Bricks: Bricks Education day</i>
Monday 3 rd June	<i>King's Birthday – school will be closed</i>
Tuesday 4 th June	<i>Teacher Only Day – school will be closed</i>



Some of the
AMAZING
activities created
by Room Two in
their Home
Learning



Holiday Bash with Ash
Monday 15 April – Friday 26 April
Phone Ashleigh 021 029 7495

