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Thursday 5th June 2025

Week 6, Term 2 2025

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

A HUGE thank you to our amazing staff for continuing 'business as usual' while I was away in Christchurch at a Rural Principals' Conference. It is great to be able to take these opportunities and attend such a high calibre event. I know that some principals at the conference were dealing with issues within their schools while trying to embrace the key messages of the conference, and listening to some amazing speakers and their stories. I came away thinking how privileged we are at Poroti with the culture that has been built around our kura with whānau, students, staff and community. It is a result of a lot of hard mahi by many people and one we should all be proud of. I love being back at school again though!

Mrs Booth is off to China next week until the end of the term. A BIG thank you to Mrs Grenfell who will teach Te Weu on Thursdays and Fridays while Mrs Booth is away. We wish Mrs Booth a successful trip and we look forward to seeing the photos.

Wear Yellow for Harold - On Friday 13th June we will be having a "Wear Yellow for Harold" day in support of Life Education. A gold coin donation is appreciated in support. Come dressed in yellow or as a giraffe! We have a lovely prize which has been donated for a student who embraces this day.

This year we have 4 athletes competing at AIMS Games in Tauranga. Leah in Squash and Kimberlee, Tahua and Jethro will be Orienteering both as individuals and in the team's event. AIMS Games are for 11,12 and 13-year olds to compete in 27 sports over the week starting August 30th. There are 14,021+ athletes, 431+ schools and 4+ International schools competing. An amazing experience for our small rural school athletes.

Camp in Wellington: I have been confirming activities for Te Rea's camp in Wellington over the last couple of weeks – so much to do and so many decisions to make!! See the payment plan notice on the next page. We have already paid deposits for accommodation, flights and some activities from school funds, so we would appreciate some payments to start. The cost of the flights alone is more that \$180 so your child is getting real value for money spent. Thank you.

BUS – Our driver is Yvonne and we now have our own bus route again. **Morning:** Bus will start from Brewer Road at 8.25-8.30 a.m. and travel along Whatitiri, down Kerehunga to Blagrove pick up at 8.40 a.m. then back to school. In the afternoon she will do Blagrove Road first. Thank you for your support and patience everyone.



Mrs J

COUNTRY MEAL: 1 week to go!!!! This week is Packet items. Please if each family can donate a packet item of food for our Country Meal raffles. If you have individual items that can be added to our Multi-draw raffle on the night those items would be greatly appreciated too. Thank you - please can items be dropped in at the office - house points up for offer!



The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th June at 6.30 p.m. in the School Staffroom.



Board news: This year is a **Board Election Year**. Elections will be held in September, but it is time to start thinking about being a School Trustee and asking what is involved if you are interested. We have some Board members standing down so we NEED YOU. You may even want to sit in on a meeting to see what is involved.

STATIONERY - A reminder please that all stationery is to be paid by the end of this term. Invoices are being sent home. The cost is \$35 per student and can be paid at the office or online 123115 – 0216227 -00.

TE REA (Room 1) CAMP \$180 - Thank you to those who have paid already or have a payment plan in place. If you start a payment plan now of \$ 7.20 per week, (including holidays) this will have it paid before we leave!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

WHANGAREI TRI CLUB - Are holding a kids duathlon series day on Sunday 22nd June starting at 8.30am at Pohe Island Cycle Track. Ages 7 and under – 400 metre run / 2.5km bike / 400m run and ages 8 and over 1.6 km rub / 5km bike / 800 m run. Essential equipment needed of a bike, helmet and shoes. Entry feee \$10. Spot prizes and a free sausage sizzle. Pre-register by emailing whangareitri@gmail.com or regisiter on the day from 7.45am.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: TERM TWO			
Monday 9 th June	TECH - Year 7 & 8 – please remember shoes. Bus leaves at 8.45 a.m. to get to TECH on time.		
Friday 13 th June	Wear Yellow for Harold day. Country Meal at Complex! We are hosting.		
Friday 20 th June	Matariki		

The students enjoyed a visit from author Sharon Ferguson last week who read one of her books and talked about writing and illustrating. She also kindly donated some of her lovely picture books for our library.



