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Thursday 23rd July 2026

Week 1, Term 3 2026

Kia ora koutou and welcome to Poroti School

Welcome back to Term 3! It is great to be back and in the classroom with the wonderful Te Rea students. This week we have been impressed with the way the senior students have been working alongside the teina in many different ways from Garden to Table, production, Taniwha Challenge training and in the playground during break times. It is a special thing to witness. The classrooms have a calm vibe about them too. A great way to start the term. Keep up the great work Poroti Kids!

Term Three: Our overarching theme is I AM SPARKLE! Talents, Creativity and Uniqueness. Focusing on what makes each student special and how they contribute their 'light' to the school community. Term 3 is packed with many opportunities for our students to shine their light with our Production, Taniwha Challenge at Te Horo, Keeping Ourselves Safe, AIMS Games, Science Fair, Speeches and AG Day preparations. Whew! Take a few deep breaths, calm the body and calm the brain. We have got this!

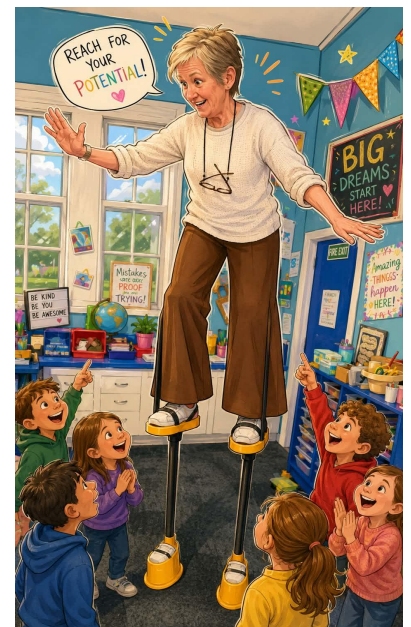
Te Rea: A reminder that Mr Bryce Perrett will be teaching in Te Rea with his first day being tomorrow. We are looking forward to welcoming him and having him as part of our Poroti team. For our Year 8 students the High School Open Day and Evenings are fast approaching. This is the term for decision making and contacting your preferred schools for enrollment information. We will send out any information we receive to the relevant students. Molly will work with our Year 8 students on transition to High School in a series of sessions over the term as part of their preparation and readiness to move onto High School.

Bike Track : We were most appreciative to have been approved for a grant of \$15,000 from Whangarei District Council towards our School / Community bike track. Work has already started with the designing, diggers and the track construction. It has been a great way to use excess soil from our other project. It has been tested by some seniors, changes made, metal compacted and looking AMAZING!. We are hopeful that the asphalt will start being laid within the next week. Due to all the construction on the school grounds at present the grounds remain closed until further notice.

Parent / Teacher Learning Conversations : These will take place Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th from 3pm each day. Forms regarding this were sent home on Monday this week. If you would like to attend a meeting with your child's teacher, please return the form asap so we can get times organised. School will close at 2.30 p.m. and the afternoon bus pick up will also be at 2.30pm.

Production : Thank you to those who helped their child learn their words over the holidays - this has been a great assistance to both the cast and the staff. Rehearsals are going very well. We are working on volume and expression and we would love that the speaker's parts to be known by the end of the week so we can abandon the scripts next week and concentrate on gestures and movements.

GRANTS: As part of our **Oxford Trust** funding we purchased a number of sensory and co-ordination pieces of equipment. One of them being stilts. Mrs Grenfell gave a demonstration to Te Weu and thanks to Anna we have the 'action shot of the day!' Mrs Grenfell is truly reaching her potential!!



COMMUNITY NOTICES

WHANGAREI GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL - For our year 8 girls, Whangarei Girls High School are having an open night on Wednesday 29th July from 5.30pm to 7.30pm in their Manawahine Gym. Enrolment interviews will then commence on 11th August at the school. Should you have any questions about this, please let us know or alternatively they can be contacted on 09 430 4411.



Haylin, Riverlee and Isabella trying out the new stilts following Mrs Grenfell's example !

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Monday 27th July	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - please remember to wear closed in shoes. The bus leaves at 8.45 a.m.
Tuesday 28th July - Wednesday 29th July	Learning Conversations from 3pm School closing early at 2.30pm
Wednesday 29th July	Whangarei Mobile Library van visit 11.15 -11.45 in car park Morning tea is back on at 10.45 a.m. if you wish to join us.
Monday 10th August	TECH - Year 7 & 8 - please remember closed in shoes
Wednesday 12th August	Taniwha Challenge at Te Horo School - details closer to the time
Wednesday 19th August	Production - Alice in Wonderland

