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Thursday 27th August 2026

Week 6, Term 3 2026

Kia ora koutou and welcome to Poroti School

Now that the show is over, our focus shifts to Speeches and AG Day activities. Te Rea are adding the final touches to their Science Fair Boards (a BIG THANK YOU to Molly and Lynfa for their support with our boards). The Central North Science Fair is at Forum North from next Monday until Thursday. It is well worth a look if you are in town from Tuesday onwards. Some innovation mahi has been done.

Staff have been released this week for Professional Learning around BSLA (Better Start Literacy Approach) and SCRIBO (Writing). It is great to work in a team that supports each other and steps in to make these Professional Learning opportunities-which are so valuable-happen.

Absences: We are aware of the 'nasty' coughs and colds that are around currently and appreciate that you are keeping your unwell child at home. **Please let us know if you are keeping your child home and the reason. A text message is fine. Our Attendance Management Plan states that we follow up daily on any absence, so please reply to the text or email you receive. We just want to know your child is safe.** We have had a situation where the bus did not pick children up and neither the caregiver or the school knew until contact was made when they were not in class. An email reply to the school's contact meant that there was a happy outcome, but it could have been a very different outcome!

Many thanks to Oxford Trust for funding our new Poroti School sign - big thanks to Greg and Zion for putting this up for us.

AG DAY UPDATES..... Saturday 17th October

We are now starting to prepare for our raffles for the day and to help with this we ask if all Whānau can contribute a few different items over the next few weeks. We will run a different theme for items each week....

THIS WEEK - "PACKET ITEMS"

This week we are seeking PACKET items. These can be dropped into the office - remember house points up for grabs - many thanks for your support !

Also a reminder..... ***If you have any businesses or contacts for raffle prizes or sponsorship opportunities for our day please let us know so we can make contact with them.***



AG DAY ANIMALS: As we have not received any entries for our animal section this year and our cut of date has now passed, **we will NOT be having an animal section this year.**

We will look to run alternative activities on the day. Any suggestions will be welcomed!

DAFFODIL DAY - Thanks to everyone who supported and wore something yellow. Congratulations to our raffle winners Subira and Jasmine. We raised \$80 which will be sent to the Cancer Society.

Many thanks
Mrs J



COMMUNITY NOTICES

HOLIDAY PROGRAM



KIDS RUGBY CAMP

RC4KIDS
RUGBY CAMP FOR KIDS

30th Sept & 1st Oct
Whangārei Boys High School
245 Western Hills Drive, Avenues,
Whangārei

\$60 PER DAY

COACHED BY EXPERIENCED TEACHERS!

- Boys & girls ages 5 - 13
- 8:30-3pm
- All abilities welcome
- Rippa
- Overall sport skill development
- Our coaches are all experienced teachers. Meaning your kids are in great hands!



SPORTSCAMPS4KIDS.CO.NZ

Mangakahia Summer Festival

Event Coordinator Wanted!

Fixed Term / Part-Time
Up to 8 hours per week (October–February) - WFH

We are seeking a passionate community minded Event Coordinator to organize our fun & vibrant community festival to be held on Sunday 21 February 2027

You will plan, manage, & oversee all aspects of our event coordinating all of the moving parts to ensure everything runs smoothly. Working closely with our committee to bring the festival to life & be the driving force behind a successful & fun event.

Key Responsibilities Include

- Marketing & Communications:** Spread the word through social media, newsletters, & community outreach
- Planning & Coordination:** Oversee stallholders, volunteers, performers, entertainment, activities & equipment to ensure every part of the festival is in place.
- Event Day Management:** Oversee festival day timeline, health & safety, waste management, & sound system setup.
- Budget Management:** Keep track of expenses & help the festival stay on budget.

If you've had experience in events, are organised, enthusiastic, & community-minded, this role is for you.

You'll play a key part in bringing people together and creating lasting summer memories for Mangakahia.

Apply Now: email mangakahiasummerfestival@gmail.com



MAUNGATAPERE HALL
EARLY BIRD CHRISTMAS MARKET

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 2026 • 10AM - 2PM

CONTACT: LEONIE 021701928
MAUNGATAPEREMARKETS@GMAIL.COM

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Monday 31st August	"Science Fair" week
Wednesday 2nd September	WPSSA Cross country champs - Barge Park
Saturday 5th September	AIMS Games start



Many laughs were had with the students enjoying a "Duffy Show" this week. The message to remember 'Balance is the Key' when it comes to technology - lets not forget the enjoyment of reading too!!



Alice in Wonderland Show

Here we have it.
Wonderland.
Magical, fun. Isn't it grand?
Faces appear
In the air
A cat! A Cat!...or a hare.
Now a queen.
Cruel and mean
Executes beings,
Without any feelings
Talking flowers
That's their powers.
Tweedle Dum and Tweedle Dee
Twins they are
But arguments free
Here's a rabbit.
He has a bad habit.
Always late for every date.

Yesterday was wild
Mad and magical.
I'm fidgeting with my fingers.
Nervous.
Laughing and Laughing
With my friends.
Now the play is happening.

Me?
I'm not so scared now.
This show is not so bad.
I hear the audience as I hide
Behind the wings
Now it's my scene.
On stage, I see
So many people
Even my Mum
I give it my best.
Now its over
And it feels even better.

Poem by Daisy



Some amazing Alice in Wonderland poems from Te Aka.....

Alice in Wonderland Show

The crazy, upside down dream
A blue, talking caterpillar
Blowing bubbles in the dark.
Some sparks on his long, blue tail.
The Cheshire Cat always smiles.
He appears then disappears when needed.
Talking trees with two flowers.
One flower talks, the other one shines.
Bright like the hot sun
At the Mad Hatter's Tea Party
It is always 4 o'clock.
That's right. Always Teatime

Me?
I am a narrator.
Keeping the story going.
I see smiles and laughter on my whanau.
I hear clapping and compliments.
I feel happy, proud and OUTSTANDING
I know that my whanau were amazed.

Poem By Te Haora



