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Week 7, Term 2 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

What a wonderful day it was on Friday – our whole school trip to The Waitangi Treaty Grounds. The weather was great and the company even better! The Waitangi Treaty Grounds educators were impressed with the knowledge of our students. It was a quick tour of the grounds touching only on what we had learnt about. There was so much more to see – I am sure some of your tamariki have asked to go back again! The thing we noticed as teachers were the connections between what was talked about in the classroom and the reality of seeing and touching it in person. We received a lovely note from the bus company as well about our tamariki. "The Kids were really good to take away on a trip, so well done Poroti School Tamariki \*\*\*

A huge thank you to those parents who supported us on the trip, shared their knowledge and kai, and enjoyed the learning experience as well. You were very much appreciated.

A highlight for a lot of the tamariki was the Cultural performance in Te Whare Rūnanga. A small group of performers with lots of humour and heart, and the setting surrounded by carvings from all over Aotearoa added to this. Actually, seeing and being able to touch the waka 'Ngatokimatawhaorua,' held a special place for others.

Our Year 7 & 8s will be visiting Mangakahia Area School for an *Education to Employment Expo* on Friday to 'kick start' their thinking about their possible future directions.

**High School Open Day** season is upon us for our Year 8s. As we receive details of these we will send the information to you, so you have the opportunity to make that all-important decision early.

**COUNTRY MEAL:** On Friday, (tomorrow,) we require helpers during the evening. *Can you help?* Please see one of our staff and offer your help – we will point you in the right direction.

- Set up from 5 p.m. 4 or 5 people
- 2 people to take orders from 6 p.m.
- 1-2 people to help with desserts
- 2-3 people to deliver meals to the tables and help clear tables
- 1-2 people to sell raffle tickets
- We all help clean up.

**SALADS:** We would like **2** salads from each family to add to the communal table. Bring your salads on the night or bring in to school on Friday and someone will take it over if you can't make it.

Bring your whānau and friends to support our school. We also have a multi-draw raffle. It's a great night out. Come and meet your community. Thank you in advance.



**Garden to Table:** Thanks to one of our whānau we had some lovely home-grown oranges given to us for our trip. We also used them in our cooking this week. Lightning Orange Cake and Bliss balls — absolutely delicious- and we took the 'oranges' theme into the Science Room as well. The garden compost bins got an overhaul this week, the weeding, which is a weekly chore and the watering of our growing plants. A hive of activity as usual on a Tuesday.

**Rotary games:** As the Think and Be Me programme is sponsored by Rotary. As part of the sponsorship Rotary come and facilitate a tabloid sports session for our students. They bring everything, including the people to run it. It will be on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

**NITS:** Please check your child's hair as nits seem to be doing the rounds again. We have treatment and combs available at school and can send home if required, just contact the office.



<u>BOARD REPORT:</u> Next meeting date will be *Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7 p.m.* We will be looking at Strategic Planning, Policy review and Student Achievement.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

TERM TWO					
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	School hosting Country Meal at complex - many helpers needed!				
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Years 7 & 8 visiting Education to Employment Expo				
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Rotary games time as part of 'Think and Be Me'				
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Years 7 & 8 TECH – shoes please				
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Senior Student Leadership Team organising School Tabloids event				
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Group of students visiting Pakotai to celebrate Matariki				
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Matariki Day – National Holiday and school will be closed.				
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Years 7 & 8 TECH – shoes please				
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	School MATARIKI events + School Powhiri for our new students and whānau				
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Term 2: Happy Holidays!				







Room Two moments at Waitangi