



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 25th July 2024

Week 1, Term 3 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School



A very warm welcome to our lovely new students: Pikau, Ruku, Valerie and Lana. We hope you and your whānau enjoy your time at Poroti School and of course a special welcome back to all our other wonderful students as well.

GOOD NEWS!! We have crossed the finish line for a third classroom. We have a process to follow and an appointment to make. When more details are available you will receive a letter outlining the changes to class groupings etc. This is very exciting and something that has been close to my heart and one of my goals since becoming Principal. We have been close, but to finally achieve that goal is totally awesome!



Property Projects: Poroti School property projects and the funding of those projects has been approved by the Ministry of Education. This will see a number of changes in our classrooms, Library and resource room, toilet block area and other minor projects. Super exciting times ahead.

Term 3 Learning: This term we are looking at School Now and Then . . . Asking questions like...

What did you bring for lunch? What clothes did you wear? What chores did you have to do? Did you get punishments and what were they? How did you spend your spare time? What school subjects did you study? What games did you play? We have some guest speakers coming in starting this Thursday with Mrs Parton who was a Principal at Poroti for 9 years. Students are interviewing family members and learning how to write and present questions to our speakers as part of their Literacy programmes. This is authentic learning.

Camps: Preparations are underway for camps later this year so keep an eye out for notices. It is vital that these are returned asap whether your child is attending or not so we can work out our finances and arrangements.

Hangi: Our Matariki hangi evening was amazing. Under the stars (real and imitation) eating, what I am told was the loveliest tasting hangi ever! The atmosphere was just so chilled and everyone looked to be thoroughly enjoying their evening. A very special thanks to Krystle, Jason and their team for the preparation along with our Year 7 & 8 students. It truly celebrated the meaning of Matariki.

AG Day: This year's AG Day will be Saturday 19th October, the first Saturday in Term 4. Planning is underway and information about this will be home soon. Lambs, goats and calves born after the 1st July are eligible for bringing to AG Day.



Parent / Teacher Learning conversations: These are happening next Tuesday and Wednesday. The bus will pick up as usual from school but at **2 o'clock on both days**. Not too late to send your form back or ring and book a time.

Mrs J



BOARD REPORT: Next Board meeting is Wednesday 7th August.

Contact with Whānau

A reminder that teachers at our kura love to connect with whanau and work with you to make sure our tamariki feel safe and learn. We will call, email and send text messages but **WILL NOT** use **Messenger or any other private message apps** unless 'all else fails'!

You can help by....

1. Making sure your contact details are correct at school.
2. Responding to contact so we know you have received it. Send a thumbs up, pop into Kura, send a note in their HW books.
3. Talk to us if you have issues or if our messages have been unclear.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

TE MANAWA TAHI COMMUNITY TIMETABLE FOR TERM 3...

All Hubs are open from 9am until 12pm unless otherwise stated.

Wednesday 31 st July	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutai Place Ruākakā
Thursday 1 st August	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
Thursday 8 th August	Onerahi Community House, 130 Onerahi Road, Onerahi
Wednesday 14 th August	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville
Thursday 15 th August	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo
Wednesday 21 st August	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
Wednesday 28 th August	Bream Bay Community Trust (10am – 12.30pm), 9 Takutai Place Ruākakā
Thursday 29 th August	Te Kura o Otangarei School, William Jones Drive, Otangarei
Thursday 5 th September	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George Drive, Hikurangi
Wednesday 11 th September	St John Otamatea Ambulance Hall, 172 Hurndall Street East, Maungaturoto
Thursday 12 th September	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
Wednesday 18 th September	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville / Clark Road Chapel, 46 Clark Road, Kamo
Thursday 19 th September	Ngunguru School (9am – 10.30am) Te Maiki Road

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM THREE	
Tuesday 30 th July	Parent / Teacher learning hui to discuss reports starting at 2.15 p.m. until 7 p.m. SCHOOL CLOSING 2PM - NORMAL BUS RUN AT THIS EARLIER TIME
Wed 31 st July	Parent / Teacher learning hui starting at 2.15 p.m. until 5.30 p.m. SCHOOL CLOSING 2PM - NORMAL BUS RUN AT THIS EARLIER TIME
Wednesday 7 th Aug	Board meeting at 7 p.m.
Friday 16 th August	Taniwha Challenge at Te Horo

