



# POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 22nd August 2024

Week 5, Term 3 2024

Kia ora koutou

This week we welcomed Gerry to our Senior Class. We hope that Gerry and his whānau enjoy their time at Poroti School.

Last Friday, a smaller number of students than usual made their way to Te Horo and the Taniwha Challenge. With all the sickness it was pleasing to see just how well our athletes did in their races. A number of hours were put into the training and preparation for this event. Congratulations to all those who attended to support and to compete. You did us PROUD! **A special mention to our athletes who came in the TOP 3 of their races and won medals. Lana – 3<sup>rd</sup>, Nesian – 2<sup>nd</sup>, Daisy 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**DAFFODIL DAY:** I am sure we all know someone who has experienced Cancer in their lives? Daffodil Day is next **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August** and we are having a Daffodil Day coin trail to raise money that will stay in Northland to support the Cancer Society. If the children wish to **wear YELLOW they can, and bring a gold coin donation (or any coin)** it would be very much appreciated.



**AG DAY ANIMALS:** Attached to this newsletter is an entry form for animals for AG DAY 2024. (Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October). **We will decide next Wednesday around the animal categories** due to the fact that we need to organise judges, ribbons, trophies etc. **Please fill in the form and return to school by next Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August. Our decision will be made on the forms that are returned.**



**New Classroom update:** The applications for our new staff member close tomorrow, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. After that appointment we will be able to send home information on the class set up for the remainder of the year.

**AG DAY:** Attached to last week's newsletter were the **HOME activities and WHĀNAU home activities** for our up-coming AG Day (Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October which is the first Saturday in Term 4.) If you are new to this please come and ask what it all is about. The children have lots of time to plan out their activities and pace themselves over the term and next holidays rather than the first week of Term 4 rush!

**UNIFORM AMNESTY:** Please return ALL school uniforms that you may have at home to school as soon as possible. With rising numbers, we need to stock-take and purchase extras. In order to stock-take we need to have the uniforms here at school. No questions asked, we just need the uniforms back.

Last week at our local schools' Community of Learning (COL) to discuss our Achievement Challenges and how we work together for our students we had the opportunity to discuss and be filmed for Maori TV in Te Tai Tokerau. Megan McCollum (Principal of Tangiteroria and Joint COL Lead), Rachel Clothier-Simmonds (Principal of Mangakahia Area School) and myself (Joint COL Lead) spoke about the inequalities in Northland for our students. I have put the link address below if you wish to see the film and report. Quite a scary experience I must say, but for a great cause!

<https://www.teaonews.co.nz/2024/08/15/mounting-hardships-for-rural-northland-schools/>

Mrs J

**BOARD REPORT:** Next Board meeting is Wednesday 11th September



Board members, Mrs J and our Property project managers will meet tomorrow to discuss the up-coming building projects. It is getting closer to the start line!

## CELEBRATION - CLASS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for receiving class awards.

- Ruku Wira - Welcome to Room 1 - we are especially enjoying your honesty, manners and great maths skills
- Pikau Wira - Welcome to Room 1 - we are especially enjoying your great attitude, listening skills and great maths skills
- Swayde Ryan - for demonstrating a great growth mindset in increasing his reading
- Valerie Wira - Welcome to Room 2 - it is lovely having you here
- Lana Going - Welcome to Room 2 - it is lovely having you here
- Readicator - well done to Marley for reaching the top of the readicator

Lexia - well done to Kimberlee, Laquandre, Maverick and Tahua for moving up a level with their Lexia



- Pikau Wira - for being amazing in the kitchen during Garden to Table
- Tiaan Fowlie - for showing awesome skills in our Leadership Day

TERM THREE	
<b>AUGUST</b>	
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	TECH – Year 7 & 8
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Daffodil Day



Some  
Taniwha  
Challenge  
Moments.....



