



POROTI SCHOOL

Proud Open minded Respectful Outstanding Trustworthy Independent

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Thursday 5th December 2024

Week 8, Term 4 2024

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

A big thank you to Susan Pryor who kindly visited us and planted some giant pumpkin seeds and a seedling for us. You may recall that our giant pumpkins went missing last year and we were unable to take part in the giant pumpkin competition resulting in many disappointed students and staff. Fingers crossed for some giants again this year!! This is a fun contest for anyone to enter. Details were in last week's newsletter for anyone wanting to give it a go.



The Juniors are heading North as well next week to Lonsdale Park. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures on their return. Thank you to all those parents who are travelling and staying for the adventure. UPDATE...check out our Facebook page for some amazing photos!

Athletics: Well done and congratulations to Te Aroha and Leeana who competed in the Year 5 & 6 Championship Athletics as part of our Zone Team, both in the Shot Put.

End of Year Prizegiving: This is being held at the Complex on the night of Wednesday 11th December. This will start at 7 p.m. and lasts about an hour. We will put out a separate notice about this evening.

Beach Day: This is on Friday 13th December. This is a whole school outing and we are having Dry land Water safety sessions while we are there. Thank you to those who have returned the notice.



AMNESTY: No questions asked!

Please return any school uniforms (we are missing a number of black shorts), Library books, readers etc to school so we can do a final end of year stock-take. Thank you in advance.



Swimming will now take place until the end of the term. **Please send your children to school with togs, a towel and a bag to put them in.** If they don't have a towel they do not swim! As this is part of our school curriculum if they will not be swimming, please send a note as to why. Thank you.

Mrs J



BOARD REPORT: Next Board meeting will be in 2025 – date advised closer to the time.

The property projects are well underway. The toilet and cloak bay area are looking amazing.

POOL: As we received funding from the Whangarei District Council Community Grants to fix the pool, a decision has been made by the Board to offer Pool Keys this summer

Pool Keys: On sale for \$100. This includes a \$20 refundable bond on the return of the key. Keys will go on sale next Tuesday from the school office where contracts will need to be signed and keys paid for in full. One person is the keyholder and responsible for the key and its use.

The pool keys will be operational from the 18th December after school finishes until Mid-March. Pool hours are noted on the contract. Keys will fit the pool and toilet padlock.

This is a community service from the school and the school does not make any money from this. We are trusting that those who use the keys do so respectfully and within the contract guidelines. We have someone who is monitoring the pool use and toilet facilities on behalf of the School and the Board. Any concerns will be directed to the School Board and if necessary keys will be withdrawn. We hope you enjoy the pool and we have a hassle-free summer holiday!



Celebration - Class Awards

Congratulations to the following students for receiving awards

- Ruby Creelman - for always looking out for others at breaktime
- Te Haora Ngawaka Adams Edmonds – for great presentation of his work
- Emma Morling – for outstanding progress in reading – up four levels!!
- Kaimana Shelford – for a positive attitude and for always smiling
- Haylin Marsh - for great learning of spelling words
- Leeana Reneti - for great progress in all areas of school life
- Marley Imeson - for working safely and for great work on her waka hourua
- Iana Peeni-Takarangi – Wow! - what great progress with your writing!
- Aimi Morling – an all-round great learner and role model, always using school values
- Jaydn Byrne - for perseverance in all areas, just keeping on going, well done
- Peri Clark – for pushing through challenges in your learning, great independence
- William Carroll - great contribution and knowledge in science – amazing!
- Puhi Nathan – for being resilient and conquering challenges, fantastic mihi at Kapa Haka



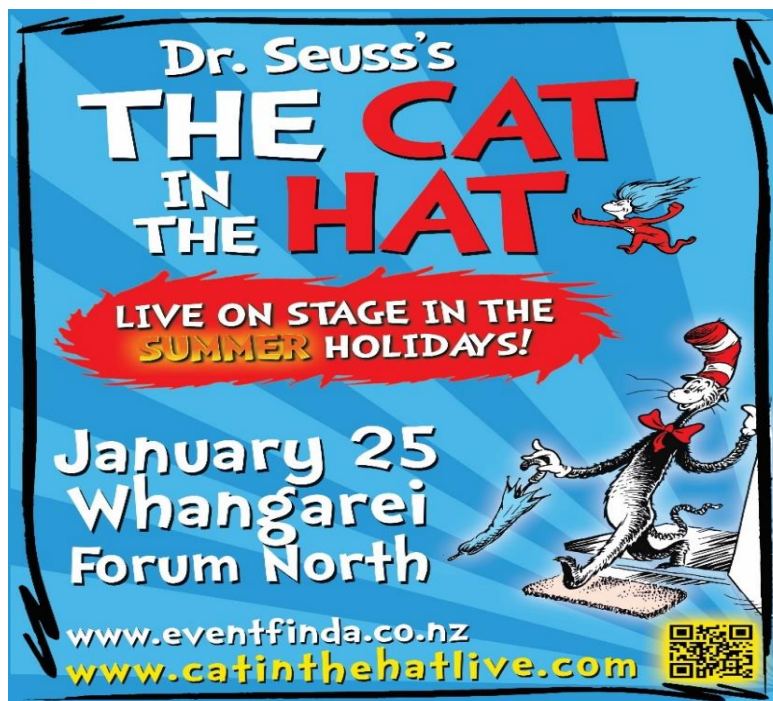
Sonny Kendall-Bercich for his support and encouragement of other students and adults at camp.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Star of Christmas: WIN \$1000 to spend at JB Hi-Fi

This Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB – it's *The Star of Christmas* singing competition on *The Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show!* The grand prize? **\$1000** in JB Hi-Fi gift cards! If you can sing, and are under 13, email a recording of yourself singing a Christmas carol to christmas@newstalkzb.co.nz before the 18th December.

Then tune into Newstalk ZB on Christmas morning from 8am to see if you've won!
If you have any further questions, feel free to contact via email (malorie@loveit.nz) or call on 027 464 8159.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM FOUR	
Wednesday 5 th – Friday 7 th December	Junior camp based at Lonsdale Park
Wednesday 11 th December	End of Year Assembly in the evening starting at 7 p.m.
Friday 13 th December	Beach Day – Leaving school at 9 am-ish
Monday 16 th December	Last day of the Year! Happy Holidays!! See you on 7 th February

