



# POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Week 2, Term 1 2025

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

We have had a great start to the 2025 year. A warm welcome to our new students and their whānau. Lizzy has joined the Year 4-6 class, Isla, Robert and Shilo have joined the Year 0-3 class. We hope you enjoy your time at Poroti School.

Our first day ended with a fun afternoon wet and wild water activities. There was lots of laughter and the students all worked so well together. A great way to start our year. As you walk around the school our students are engaged in their learning and school has a wonderful vibe / feel about it. It feels great to be back.

**Building projects** are moving along and changes can be seen. The cloak bay and toilet area are looking fabulous and the space will be great. New doors and windows are going in modernising the classrooms and when the Autex on the walls goes up it will transform our teaching spaces.

Our over-arching theme for 2025 is '**GOING BEYOND**' which will take us in a variety of directions and places throughout the year, including a Talent Show in Term 3. Get your acts together whānau and join in.

This year we have introduced a new house group – Pohutukawa which will be red. Some students will be in the same house and some a new group as we have endeavoured to keep our family members together.

**Mangakahia Summer Festival** is on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February this year. Poroti School will not be having a stall this year due to a number of factors.

**CAMPS FOR 2025:** Room 4 and Room 1 are underway with camp preparations for two different reasons: Room 4 is due to have their camp at the end of Term One and Room 1 is preparing to travel to Wellington this year. Please keep your eyes peeled for notices. We would appreciate it if you return any notices you receive promptly.

**Payments for Stationery and Camps:** We are very happy for you to set up a payment plan for these expenses. Please see Mrs J or Ms Macdonald to start these payments. Stationery for the year is \$35 and can be paid in cash or online 123115 – 0216227-00 (Please use student name as reference). Thank you to those who have paid already. All students have received their stationery and have been using it in class.

**SCHOOL LUNCHES:** Libelle is still the provider of our school lunches and we have received our lunches on time and hot! Can you please update us as to whether your child will have a school lunch? It is an **in or out option** not a choice on the day. As the lunches are filling, please be mindful of how many packets or how much morning tea is provided to ensure that the lunches and morning tea are eaten so we don't have any wasted food. Morning tea break is a snack break. Thank you in advance.

**SCHOOL CAR PARK SPEED:** I am very mindful of the safety of adults and children walking through the carpark especially after school, as cars do pickup, school bus, and trade vehicles converge in our small area of the driveway. Could you please be aware of this and **SLOW DOWN** coming into and leaving the carpark at this time. Already we have seen some near misses!

**ENROLMENTS:** If you know of anyone new to the area or looking for a change we (Poroti School) would love to show what we have to offer with our 3 small classes, new buildings and updated facilities along with a lot of other positives. I am only to happy to talk to families who are considering Poroti School as an option for their children.

Mrs J

The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday 25th February at 7 p.m in the School Staffroom.



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**TE MANAWA TAHI COMMUNITY TIMETABLE - TERM ONE-** If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional well-being or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them. Te Manawa Tahī is a learning support hub where you can talk to educational professionals about your child's learning needs. This is a free service. All hubs are open from 9am until 12pm unless otherwise stated.

Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Onerahi Community House – 130 Onerahi Road Onerahi
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Clark Road Chapel – 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Te Kura o Otangarei School, William Jones Drive Otangarei
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George St, Hikurangi
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside
	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

<b>TERM ONE</b>	
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Whānau night – Picnic/Pool and class meetings
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Mangakahia Summer Festival at the complex grounds
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	TECH - Years 7 & 8 – remember shoes
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	TAHI BEE FRIENDS – Remember shoes
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming Sports- Get your parents' team ready.
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	TECH - Years 7 & 8 – remember shoes
Monday 17 – 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Room 4 on camp at Waipu Caves Farm Park

## **SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS 2025**

Please circle your preferred choice for our weekly Thursday newsletters for this year

Email copy / Paper Copy / Both

### **SCHOOL LUNCHES:**

I wish my child to have a school lunch each day: YES / NO

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (if wanting newsletters by email) \_\_\_\_\_

