



# POROTI SCHOOL

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Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Week 3, Term 1 2025

Kia ora and welcome to Poroti School

A warm welcome back to Kitohi and Kaimana who have re-joined Rooms 1 and 2.

**School hours**.... 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The beginning of the day is important for children to have that time to socialise, get organised for learning and hear the important notices of the day. The expectation from the Ministry of Education is that children are at school before the bell rings at 9 a.m. so they are ready to start the day and their learning.

**Picnic, pool and class meetings:** Thank you to those who attended the informal picnic and went into the class meetings. If you were unable to make these meetings and have questions please talk with your child's teacher when the question or concern first arises before it escalates.

**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 but it is a great day out for the family.

**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.



Mrs J



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

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Year 7 & 8 School immunisations** - With school immunisations taking place soon (forms are attached please complete and send back asap – thank you). Please find links and information regarding these. If you have any questions, please do contact our Health Nurse Melanie Hawkins on 021 671768.

[Immunisations for school-aged tamariki](#) Or alternatively:

Year 7 (Boostrix):

<https://youtu.be/Zq3BB-LPQso>

Year 8 (HPV):

<https://youtu.be/pG0cIf8nW9Q>

### TAHI OPEN DAY

Tahi (our bee hive helpers) are having an Open Day on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March from 9am To 3pm at 1824 Pātāua North Road, Whangārei. Explore their 800-acre living Eco-lab with guided walk, learn about biodiversity, regeneration and bee keeping, Enjoy Mānuka honey tastings, food truck, coffee carts and more. [www.tahi.com](http://www.tahi.com)

Hey whangarei community! Just putting it out there on behalf of my grandma that there will be a yard sale on Saturday 22nd of February in the poroti/maungatapere area 🙌 they'll be around five large table filled with goodies as she's organised with the neighbours to come around 😊

Lots of Knick knacks like power tools 🛠️, clothing 👗👕, plants 🌱 and more!

Trash and treasure where free items will be available on the day!

It will be held on draffin road starting at 9:00am and finishing at 2:00pm with balloons marking which yard 😊 It's super important that people do not come before 9:00am as there are guard dogs on the property that will be put inside 🐕

**AA INSURANCE “BIG LITTLE SPONSORSHIP”** - AA Insurance is offering schools the opportunity to win one of 4 x \$10,000 sports grants. All that is needed is to go online and nominate us!! Promotion runs until Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March and is free to enter. To nominate us go to their website [aainsurance.co.nz/big-little](http://aainsurance.co.nz/big-little)

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
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

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