

**Tena koutou katoa nga mihi ki te whanau o te Kura o Koputai – greetings to all families of Koputai (Port Chalmers) School.**

**Bully Free Week**

Next week is Bully Free Week. The Week provides an opportunity for everyone to campaign against and raise awareness of bullying. This year's Bullying-Free NZ Week theme is 'NZ Students with Solutions – Working together to end bullying'. Bullying can happen anywhere and to anyone, in lots of different ways. It could be in a physical place, such as the playground, the classroom, the sports field or in the park. Or, it might take place in the cyber world, on social networking websites, through online games or by text message.

No matter where or how it happens, we all have a responsibility to make it stop. Bullying is not a harmless rite of passage. Internationally, bullying is now considered to be a serious public health issue with long-lasting consequences. Its effects (physical, emotional, psychological) on the target (victim), as well as the initiator (bully) and those who witness bullying (bystanders) are both immediate and long-term. It doesn't matter who you are, or where you are, you can make a difference to someone's life by saying NO to bullying.

Over the week classes will be running some fun activities which will we encourage them to talk about at home. Bully Free NZ has a website for schools and parents <https://www.bullyingfree.nz/>.

We believe in talking about bullying and working to solve any issues. Please talk to your child's teacher or to me if you have any concerns.

**BoT News**

At our Board meeting on Tuesday night it was decided to go ahead and purchase new furniture for Rooms 2 and 3 and some furniture for the Junior Classes. We are working with Furnwear (a New Zealand furniture company) to supply flexible furniture for our school. How exciting!



We received a grant from the Thankyou Payroll Trust for playground marking. The new markings are being enjoyed by our learners and also others who use our school after hours. Thank you to the trust and our PTA who also contributed.

Ka kite ano

**Netball Results**



Our first game was a good game. We played against Arthur Street School. The final score was 7- 4 to us. Congratulations to Najila, our player of the day.

Our second game against Portobello Strikers was a lot closer. We still managed to win by 1 though. Congratulations to Sersha, the player of the day for that game.

**These pupils are the short listed children for the Zine competition with writer/illustrator Paul Beavis**



**Scholastic Book Orders**

Book orders are due back by Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> May. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic New Zealand please. ☺

**Health Snippet**

**WHEN DO I NEED TO GO TO THE DOCTOR?**

See a doctor if your child:

- Has been unwell and is not improving
- Is more tired
- Has sore ears
- Coughs a lot
- Has a sore throat
- If they are more irritable, grizzly or sleepy than usual
- Breathing very fast
- Refusing food or drinks
- Has a fever

If you are worried about how sick you or your child are at any time don't hesitate to see a doctor.

If you have other medical problems you should see a doctor earlier.

Contact the doctor immediately if you or your child develops any of the following danger symptoms

- Severe headache or neck pain
- Eyes intolerant to light
- Drowsy, floppy, is less alert or difficult to wake
- Skin rash or spots
- High fever
- Vomiting
- Unusual or high-pitched cry



Craft, fun and games for primary/intermediate age kids. Held at 4pm on the 2nd Floor, City Library.

**CRAFTS AND TREATS FOR MOTHERS' DAY**  
Thursday 11 May

**BE CREATIVE: DECORATE A HAT USING RECYCLED MATERIAL**  
Thursday 25 May

**COOKING SESSION**  
Thursday 8 June | BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: 474 3670

**BAKING SESSION**  
Thursday 22 June | BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: 474 3670

**CREATIVE FOOD GAMES**  
Thursday 6 July

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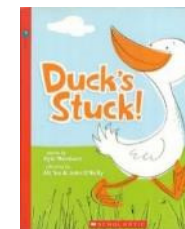
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**DUCK GOT STUCK**

A DUCK GOT STUCK IN THE SHED.  
THE RAT HELPED THE DUCK IN THE SHED.  
HE BLEW THE DUST INTO THE HOLE.  
HE BLEW A HOLE IN THE GROUND.  
HE WENT TO SLEEP.  
THE RAT GOT THE DUCK UNSTUCK.  
BY WILLOW

DUCK GOT HIS HEAD STUCK IN A HOUSE.  
BY GRACE

DUCKS STUCK IN THE SHED.  
HE ATE GRAIN.  
RAT HELPED HIM.  
HE GOT DUST.  
DUCK SNEEZED.  
HE WAS FREE.  
BY JIMMY



DUCK GOT STUCK. HE GOT STUCK IN THE SHED.  
HE WANTED GRAIN.  
FRIENDS TRIED TO HELP.  
THEY TRIED AND TRIED BUT THEY COULDN'T GET HIM OUT.  
RAT CAME ALONG.  
SHE SAID "GET ME IN".  
SO HORSE DUG A HOLE WITH HIS FOOT AND RAT GOT IN THE SHED.  
RAT SAW THE PROBLEM. DUCK HAD A MOUTH FULL OF GRAIN.  
RAT GOT SOME DUST AND BLEW IT.  
AAAA CHOOOOOOOOO. DUCK SNEEZED.  
HE WAS FREE!  
BY TED

DUCK WOKE UP. DUCK WAS HUNGRY.  
HE STUCK HIS HEAD IN THE SHED.  
HE ATE A WHOLE PACK OF GRAIN.  
HIS HEAD GOT BIGGER.

HIS HEAD COULD NOT FIT THROUGH THE CRACK.  
HORSE, COW, CHICKEN AND GOOSE PULLED AND PULLED  
BUT THEY COULDN'T GET HIM OUT.  
THEN RAT CAME.  
HE WENT INTO THE SHED.  
THEN RAT BLEW A BIT OF DUST AND DUCK SNEEZED AND  
BLEW THE SHED UP.  
DUCK WAS UNSTUCK.  
THE END.  
BY TOMMY

DUCK WENT STUCK.  
DUCK WENT QUACK.  
THE OTHERS CAME HELPING, EXCEPT MR OLD RAT.  
DUCK SNEEZED BADLY.  
DUCK SNEEZED OUT.  
BY RILEY

IN THE BARN THERE WAS SOME GRAIN.  
THE CRACK WAS BIG.  
THEN THE CRACK WAS MEDIUM.  
THEN THE CRACK WAS SMALL.  
THE MOUSE TOOK THE GRAIN TO ITS NEST.  
BY TYE

DUCK GOT STUCK IN A CRACK BUT HE HAD GRAIN WHAT  
SAVED THE DAY.  
HE GOT STUCK.  
SOME ANIMALS CAME TO GET HIM UNSTUCK.  
BUT RAT GOT SOME DUST AND BLEW IT.  
AAAAAAA CHOOOOOOOOO.  
HE CAME FLYING!  
AHHHHH!  
AND NEVER STUCK HIS HEAD IN ANOTHER CRACK.  
BY JAMES

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE ON THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY.  
JUST \$2.00 ☺**

Calendar of Events	
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Whanau Hui (5:30pm)
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bully Free Week
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Sausage Sizzle \$2.00
26 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Quiz Night
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Queen's Birthday
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Matariki Breakfast
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Fundamental Fun Day Years 1 - 3
30 <sup>th</sup> June	School Disco 6-8.30. Carnival Theme
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Term 2 Ends
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Term 3 Begins
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Term 3 Ends

**Caught Doing Great Learning in Week 3**

**Writing**  
Moana Rm 5  
Bella Rm 5

**KEI TE PAI**

**Vicki Nicolson**

**Principal**