

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

**MID YEAR REPORTING**

Student three way conferences will be held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July from 3:15 – 7:00pm. Room 3 will have some extra time slots available on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July from 2:00 – 5:00pm. Three way conferences are an important learning opportunity. They provide valuable insight into how your child/ren see themselves as learners and what they understand about their role in the learning process and can also provide strategies and ideas on how you can further support your child's learning goals.

Before the conference:

- Talk with your child about their learning
- Check with your child to see if there is anything he/she would like you to discuss with the teacher
- Discuss what your child considers as their learning strengths

Questions to consider for the conference:

- How engaged is your child in their learning?
- How well do they manage themselves and their learning time?
- How resilient is your child - do they persist when learning gets challenging?
- Does your child ask questions if unsure or to further their understanding?
- Where are your child's growth opportunities?
- How can you support your child's efforts at home?

Information it may be useful to share:

- Times when your child has made connections
- Information about your child's learning preferences, interests, passions, etc.
- Anything that the teacher could do to support parenting efforts you are working on at home.

The goal setting sheets for students in Years 1 - 3, includes teacher judgements in relation to National Standards expectations for reading, writing and mathematics. These judgements are recorded around your child's birthday - after 1, 2 or 3 years at school or after they have been 6 months at the next age level. The goal setting sheets in Years 4-8 show progress in relation to the National Standards and next learning steps for your child. In making judgements teachers draw on a range of information sources such as ongoing classroom tasks, observations and learning conversations. Three way conferences are an opportunity to share and celebrate your child's learning. If you wish to talk with your child's teacher without your child present please contact them to make another time.

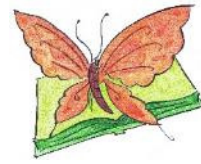
Learning conversations between your children and their teacher are very important to the progress that children make. We are really looking forward to sharing this learning with you all.

**Forms went home with today's Newsletter. To book on line go to <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/> and use the code 7GF8J.**

**Matariki Breakfast**

Thank you for coming this morning for breakfast. Our learners, parents, grandparents, helpers and staff all had a wonderful time. More photos next week!

**Parent Support Group  
Dyslexia  
Autism  
Learning differences**



**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June  
2-3pm School Hall  
Topic - Apps  
All Welcome**

**Tikanga Māori**

**Months of the Year**

	<b>Ngā Marama o te Tau</b>	<b>Loan Words</b>
January	Kohitātea	Hanuere
February	Hui-tanguru	Pēpuere
March	Poutū-te-rangi	Maehe
April	Paenga-whāwhā	Āperira
May	Haratua	Mei
June	Pipiri	Hune
July	Hōngongoi	Hūrae
August	Here-turi-kōkā	Ākuhata
September	Mahuru	Hepetema
October	Whiringa-ā-nuku	Ōketopa
November	Whiringa-ā-rangi	Noema
December	Hakihea	Tihema

**Health Snippet**

**MANAGING YOUR CHILD'S COLD SYMPTOMS**

Research tells us that bed-rest and warm fluids is better treatment for colds than taking antibiotics and buying expensive cold products. That means keeping children at home when they are unwell and giving warm drinks like Milo/hot chocolate/lemon drinks. Hot drinks will help with sore throats. Giving lots of fluids helps with fever.

Some effects of a cold, for example sore throat, may be helped by products from the chemist. However, throat lozenges that do not have local anaesthetic in them are the same as giving them sweet lollies, and do not help sore throats. Discuss with the chemist the sugar content of some medications as these can affect your child's teeth.

Remember to keep your child home if they are unwell. Colds are one thing that we don't like passing around! Our Public Health Nurse is: Emma Lloyd Phone 4769851 Cell 0272233461

**Policy Update**

The BoT has been reviewing our policies for employment (NAG 3). The updated policies and procedures are available on our school website or in the school office for you to have a look at. If you have any comments please contact Vicki or Anna Hudson (BoT Chair).

**Enviro Schools Kite Making**



Welcome to Viola and her family, we are sure you will enjoy your time here at Port Chalmers School. ☺

**Chess**



We went to Kavanagh College for a Chess Tournament. There were many rounds of checkmates, stalemates and time outs. One of our members fell ill and could no longer play.

We were forced to get a substitute. His name was Linus. Sadly he is in the intermediate class so by default the other person who was to play Linus had an automatic win. At one stage we were in second place. In the end we came in seventh place which was pretty good considering we only had three players and everyone else had four. Our finished score was 14 1/2 points.



By Nico, Fen and Tom.

- ❖ The organizers made special mention of our team noting how well they did with only 3 players. Well done. ☺

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Coco for being a finalist in the NZ Radio Awards



**Assembly Timetable**

Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June (2:15pm)	Room 8
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June (2:15pm)	Room 3
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July (2:15pm)	Room 2

**Calendar of Events**

23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Fundamental Fun Day Years 1 - 3
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Meet MP for Dunedin North David Clarke 3pm
27 <sup>th</sup> June	BOT Meeting 7pm
30 <sup>th</sup> June 6-8.30pm	PTA School Disco Mid-winter Carnival Theme
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Parent Conferences Room 3 only
4 <sup>th</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent Conferences
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Term 2 Ends
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Term 3 Begins
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Term 3 Ends

Vicki Nicolson

Principal