

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

Developing Learners

One of our aims is to foster the growth and development of students as active learners who understand both themselves as learners and the process of learning. Researcher Chris Watkins provides a useful analogy of driving and talks about learners being in the driving seat. Before setting off on a journey we consider where we are going, the possible routes and what we might need to take with us. During the drive we review how we are going and observe what is around us and when we arrive at our destination we can review the route and consider where to next. Parallels can be made with learning; learners need to develop the skills of planning, monitoring and reflecting to help them be more aware of the experience of learning and take greater control over it. Promoting this student ownership and decision-making pivots around purpose, voice and choice. In growing students as active learners we are inspired by the philosophy of Reggio Emilia, central to this is the pedagogy of listening - really listening to students with your heart and mind in order to connect with their world and follow their interests, eliciting their theories, and using these to build learning. This approach talks about the hundred languages of children (the arts) and the importance of students using these to construct and communicate learning. Student questions and wonderings are used to shape the classroom programme, thus developing purpose and voice and students are supported to use (writing, drawing, constructing, drama, music, dance etc.) to explore ideas and communicate understandings, providing the opportunity for choices. We are exploring science this term and are looking at aspects of the world as scientists. We look forward to sharing this learning with you later in the term.

Ka kite ano

Netball

Senior Netball

On Thursday our team played against Liberton Christian School. In the first half we were winning but Liberton caught up to us in the second half. The final score was 10-7 to Liberton.

Congratulations to Georgia, our player of the day. ☺

Open Night

We extend a warm invitation to whanau from Rooms 2 and 3 to come and see stage 1 of our new learning environments on Tuesday the 15th August from 6:00pm-7:00pm. We are keen to show you what learning happens in the senior block, especially the flexibility that the new furniture is giving us.

We wish to welcome Robyn and Carla the Dental Therapists who are working in the Dental Bus. Contact number is 0800 672 543



Port Chalmers Swim Club Inc. REGISTRATION DAY 3rd September 2017

If you are interested in learning to swim, wanting to swim competitively or just for fitness, join our friendly swim club, we also have adult swimming lessons. All welcome!

Returning members - you NEED to re-register to ensure your child's place

12:00pm - 2:00pm All new members Register @ Port Chalmers Swim Club rooms above Port Chalmers Pool, Albertson Ave. Spaces are limited so be quick! Any enquiries to Licia coaching director 0274178798

Scholastic Book Orders

Tomorrow is the last day to get your book orders in. Please make all cheques payable to Scholastic NZ.

Tikanga Māori

Māori words every New Zealander should know

- aro**ha (love)
- awa** (river)
- haka** (generic term for Māori dance.)
- hangi** (traditional feast prepared in earth oven)
- hapu** (clan, sub-tribe; to be born)
- hiko**i (walk)
- hui** (gathering, meeting)
- iti** (small)
- iwi** (tribe)
- kai** (food)

Ink Spots and Twisty Plots

Ink Spots and Twisty Plots is a day for all those who love children's books. It's a free event at Dunedin City Library on August 12th for adults and children and includes master writing classes with Ella West and Donovan Bixley and afternoon tea at UBS at the end of the day with Julia Marshall of the amazing Gecko Press. For the full programme go to: <http://www.dunedinlibraries.govt.nz/events/literary/kids/ink-spots-and-twisty-plots>

Caught Doing Great Learning in Week 3

Health Troy Rm 4	Maths Isabella Rm 5
Writing Angelina Rm 5 Alesia Rm 5	Alesia Rm 5 Malakai Rm 5 Moana Rm 5
Handwriting Rosa B Rm 7 Sybil Rm 7 Mila Rm 7	Carlos Rm 5 Amelia Rm 5 Viola Rm 5 Logan Rm 5 Angelina Rm 5 Bella Rm 5

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Bake Sale

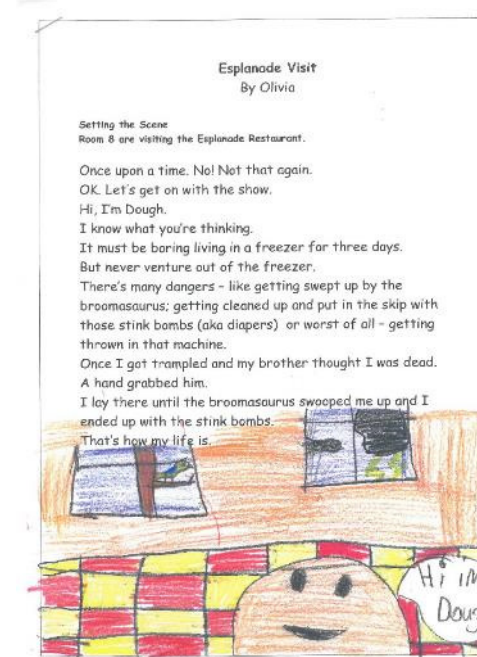
The PTA is looking at having a Bake Sale at the monthly Port Chalmers Market. We ask that every family donate some baked goods (cupcakes, muffins, cakes, biscuits etc.) for us to sell at the market on Sunday the 20th of August.

The goods can be dropped off at school on Friday the 18th of August or on the morning of the bake sale in the empty section opposite the 4 Square. The PTA will be making soup and bread to sell as well. Every little bit helps so we thank you in anticipation.

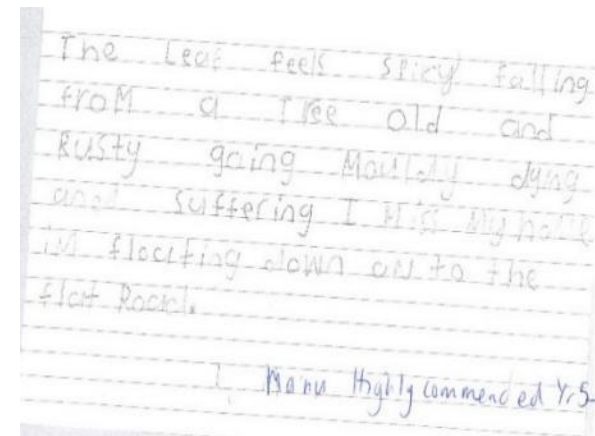
Otago Literacy Association Writing Competition



Olivia Highly Commended Yr. 4



Manu Highly Commended Yrs5-6



2nd Place Yr 1-2

Golden Autumn
Leaves fall down like tear drops.
They are really sad
when they hit the ground
without a sound.
Billions of crunched up leaves
bunched into a crowd.
When a child
runs over them,
they crunch, crunch, crunch.
Broken into little bits.
By Arie Van Rij
Yr 2

Highly Commended Yr

Bark goes the dog
Meow goes the cat
The dog growls
The cat hisses
Growlllllll
Hisssssss
Cat runs
Dog chases
Cat scratches dog's nose
Owner comes
Dog runs
Cat having fun
Dog's glum...
By Rosa Barson
Yr 3

1st Place Yr 4



Assembly Roster

8 th September	Fun Run (1.30pm)
15 th September	Room 4 (2:15pm)
22 nd September	Room 2 (2:15pm)
29 th September	Room 5 & 7 (2:15pm)

Calendar of Events

10 th August 2:00pm	Mountain View High School Jazz Band Show
15 th August	Open Night 6pm
16 th August 9:00am	Ukulele Jam (Rm 4)
17 th August	Kiwi Golf @ school
20 th August	Bake Sale @Port Chalmers Community Market
8 th September	Fun Run
21 st September @ 6:00pm	Theatre Restaurant (Rm 8)
29 th September	Term 3 Ends
30 th September	Seafood Festival (helpers needed)
16 th October	Term 4 Starts
14 th December	Last day of Term 4

Vicki Nicolson

Principal