



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

TUMUAKI NEWS

Matariki Breakfast

Tomorrow we will join together as a learning community to celebrate Matariki with a breakfast. Matariki signals the Māori New Year. It is a time of renewal and celebration in New Zealand that begins with the rising of the Matariki star cluster.

We will gather at 7:30 am at the rugby clubrooms on Watson Park and share breakfast. Food (including gluten and dairy free options) and hot drinks will be provided, we just need your company and for you to bring a mug for your hot drinks. All other plates and cutlery will be supplied.

Our Kapa Haka group will perform. We are looking forward to sharing and celebrating with you all.

Our kapa haka group will need to be at the rugby clubrooms by 7:25am. We are asking that you gather outside the clubrooms at 7:30am as we are going to welcome everyone with a haka before we head into the clubrooms for kai.

Habitual Lateness

We are noticing an increase in the same children arriving late to school several times a week. While it may only be 15 minutes, when this is added up over a week it can be quite a bit of learning time that is missed. Often this is setting up learning for the day so the children are on the back foot right from the word go. The other impact is that they don't connect with their friends before formal learning starts. Please support your children to be at school before 9:00 am every day.

Student and Parent Conferences

In week 2 next term (Tuesday and Wednesday 30th and 31st July) we will have our student and parent conferences. We have enclosed a form today. There is an option to book your own conferences on line or sending the form back to the office where Katy will be able to book times for you.

Keeping Safe in Cyberspace

Our students are growing up in a digital age and are very confident when using technology – probably much more so than we are. Many of our older children have Facebook and Instagram accounts and use social networking sites to communicate.

As the internet is such an important part of our kids' world it is important to keep asking ourselves questions about their safety when they are online. We all like to think that we are aware of the risks associated with technology and that our kids would not get caught up in anything inappropriate, but the reality is that we need to constantly be speaking to our kids about ways of keeping themselves safe in cyberspace so they do actually take care and keep safe.

Netsafe is a site that is worth visiting.

www.netsafe.org.nz

Netball Results

This week the P.C. Hoops played against Grants Braes. It was a close game. The final score was 7-8. We all did a great job. By Hartley.

Miniball Results

Port Bouncers

On Monday we played against Carisbrook. We did really well and the score was 10-39. I think we really need to pass the ball more. We need to practice shooting as well. By Angelique.

PC Year 8 Boys

On Monday we played against the Fairfield team. They were a really good team. We played well against them but the score said otherwise. The score was roughly 8-40. We need to work on our shooting by Matthew H.

Draw Monday 1st July

Port Bouncers vs Brockville Bulls. 4.05pm Court 4
PC Year 8 Boys vs Tahuna 8 Green. 4.05pm Court 7



Edible Garden

We are looking for some volunteers to help us with the Edible Garden. We need some people to help us maintain, plant and harvest our edible delights. If you have a wee bit of time and green fingers (although the green fingers are not an absolute necessity) please see Vicki.

Holiday Programmes

There are a number of programmes running over the up-coming holidays. These are in one handy place on our website.

http://www.portchalmers.school.nz/community_noticeboard.html

Tots to Teens Magazine

Tots to Teens magazine is a free community parenting resource for Kiwi families.

<http://issue1906s.totstoteens.co.nz/>

Mobile Dental Bus

The mobile dental bus will be at school early next term. It has been two years since we have had the bus at school, so it will be great to welcome it back.

Non-Emergency Police Phone Number

NZ Police recently launched a new non-emergency number, 105. We've done this to make it easier to get hold of us in the event of non-urgent situations or 'Things which have Already Happened', which don't require Police assistance immediately.

You can call us on 105 for all non-emergencies, or you can go online at 105.police.govt.nz to report things like:

- Lost property
 - Theft for a public place or car
 - Intentional property damage
 - Or to get an update or add info to a previous report
- In the event of an emergency, always call 111 - Things that are Happening Now.

Carpark Safety

There have been a couple of incidents recently in the carpark beside school. Moving vehicles and children are not a great combination. We ask that you don't park against the wooden fence as this creates a visual barrier and also makes it difficult for cars parked legally to get out. They are backing out and trying to watch for children and have to also worry about having enough room to get out. There are yellow no parking lines painted beside the wooden fence and we are asking that you respect these. Pick up is a difficult time for all, please be mindful of all children, not just yours.



Chess Team

On Saturday Fen, Nico and Jayden and Max entered the Otago Intermediate Chess Tournament. We came second and won \$60 for the school. We plan to buy chess boards for the school and fund our trip to Ashburton for the South Island Final.



Family Times

A copy of the Family Times has gone home with this newsletter please look for it in your child's school bag. This publication has great ideas for over the winter break. 😊

Update Addresses and Phone Numbers

We noticed that many of the addresses and phone contacts we have for families are not current. If you shift or change your phone number could you please let Katy in the Office know so that our contact details are up to date. If we need to get hold of you in an emergency, time spent ringing numbers that are no longer connected to you can take valuable time. Thank you.

School Website

We have a page on our website dedicated to the community. Items that are not in the newsletter may be posted there. We also have a page for each class to post some of their great learning that happens here. 😊

Eligibility Documents

As part of enrolling your child in school, the Ministry of Education requires a legal form of identification. This is usually a New Zealand or Australian birth certificate or a Passport. Our records show we have a number of families who haven't provided this information yet. Can families please check that you have given Katy these details please?

Join us @ Port Chalmers Library Kids' Club,
Monday 1st July 3.15 – 4.30pm
We'll be having hot chocolate & hosting some special guests including someone furry.
Look forward to seeing you there

Calendar of Events

28 th June 7:30am	Matariki Breakfast
1 st July 7:00pm	Board of Trustees meeting
5 th July 7:00pm	PTA Quiz Night
5 th July	Last Day of Term 2
22 nd July	First Day of Term 3
23 rd July 2:00pm	Otago Boys and Girls Principal visit to Port Chalmers School for Yr. 8's
26 th July	Open Morning Logan Park High School Yr. 8
29 th July	Open Morning Kings & Queens High Yr. 8
30 th 31 st July	Student and Parent Conferences
19 th August	Art Gallery Rm 5 10.15am-12.15pm
19 th August	Art Gallery Rm 7 12.15-2.15pm
22 nd August	Art Gallery Rm 8 10.15-12.15pm
22 nd August	Art Gallery Rm 4 12.15-2.15pm
23 rd August	Art Gallery Rm 2 10.00-12.00pm

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