

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

## TUMUAKI NEWS

### Silver Fern Visit

Silver Fern, Shannon Saunders (née Francois) visited all classes on Friday 26 July. Our thanks to Angela Harwood for organising this. The children were very excited to talk with Shannon and hear her story of resilience and determination. Seeing the gold medal was also a highlight! She is photographed with Room 4 below.



### Singing with your children

I attended a workshop in the weekend on outreach singing. Outreach singing focuses primarily on shared, social music-making as a means of promoting wellbeing, encouraging participation and developing musical skills and knowledge. The concept of singing for enjoyment and to sing with others is something I am particularly keen on. All the songs we sing to our children and then with them gives language patterns, intonation and a sense of doing something for others. When did you last sing together as a family? The saying "Sing as if no-one is listening" should be a mantra for us all. Sing loudly this weekend!

### Learning Conferences

Thank you to everyone who came and shared learning conversations with their children and teachers this week. We do appreciate your time. We know that by working together we can all have a huge impact on our young learners. I would also like to thank our teachers who spend a lot of time getting ready to share the learning of their students with you all. Remember you don't have to wait until conferences to come and share the learning of your children. We welcome you at any time.

### Winter Weather Conditions

Conditions sometimes mean that school may open late or it may be closed for the whole day. One of the main reasons that schools have to open late is because Staff cannot get to school at the usual time. Please listen to local radio stations for updates (The Hits 89.4, The Breeze 98.2FM, More FM 87.4, and Radio Dunedin 107.7FM/1305am). We will also put a post on Facebook and notify you through School Stream. Ka kite ano.

### Dental Therapists Onsite

Our Dental Therapists are now working onsite. All appointments are made directly with families. The Dental Therapists no longer liaise with the school, so please let your child's class teacher know if an appointment is made during school time and you are not collecting them, so we know where children are. For any enquiries please call them on 027 284 9957

### Sports

#### Netball Results

On Tuesday we played Waikari Green. It was a great game. They could only play 6 a side as they were down one player so we only had six on court as well. The final score was 18-4 to us. Thank you Steph for coaching us!

#### Miniball Results

##### Port Bouncers

On Monday we played DNI. In the first half we had lots of baskets and we played well. The final score was 44-4 to us. We need to work on our passing the ball more and shooting. Everyone played well. By Liam.

##### PC Year 8 Boys

On Monday we played against DNI. It was a very close game with the final score being 32-22 to them. Jayden kept throwing the ball up the court and I got some good bounce passes. I think we need to work on passing and some shooting. Everyone enjoyed the game. By Toby.

#### Draw Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July

PC Yr. 8 Boys vs Balmac Bobcats @ 4:05 Court 5  
Port Bouncers vs STM @ 4:05 Court 4

### Fun Run

Our Annual Fun Run is happening on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August. All parents and caregivers are encouraged to come along and support our children. If the weather is unfavourable, we will postpone the event to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August.

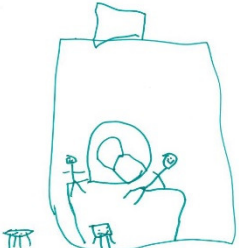
We need adults to help as marshals so please let Jared or Vicki know if you can assist. Sponsorship forms come home with today's newsletter. Can they please be returned by the 30<sup>th</sup> August even if no sponsorship money is collected. Thank you. This fund raising event provides playground and sports equipment for everyone.

The approximate timetable will run as follows:


1:45	Year 5 & 6 Championship
1:55	Year 7 & 8 Championship/Non-Championship
2:00	Year 5 & 6 Non-Championship
2:10	Year 3 & 4
2:20	Year 2
2:25	Year 1

The PTA will be having a Sausage Sizzle on the afternoon of the Fun Run. Sausages will be available to purchase at \$2.00 each. All students will get an ice block when they have completed their race.


The walking burger  
By Riley  
I saw a burger walking around  
the fish and chip shop.




The Mermaid  
By Millie  
I saw a mermaid. I saw my  
Emma she played with the  
mermaid.



The Hot- Air balloon  
By Nathan  
I went in a hot air balloon. It  
was cold, it went very fast. It  
went higher than the moon! It  
was fun a silly kid popped it!



The Wolf  
By Romy  
I saw a wolf. The wolf did a  
handstand. It had a wig. It had  
wings and shoes. It grew a  
horn, a glittery horn and a  
crown with a gem. It did loop  
the loops and a buck. It got  
tired. Then it lifted up and did  
a jump roll!



**Principals Awards**

**Reflections**  
Finn Rm 7  
Ness Rm 7

**Writing**  
Max Rm 5

**Maths**  
Rex Rm 7

Calendar of Events	
5 <sup>th</sup> August	BOT Meeting 7pm
12 <sup>th</sup> August	Yrs. 5 & 6 North Zone Cross Country
14 <sup>th</sup> August	Yrs. 5 & 6 North Zone Cross Country Postponement Day
16 <sup>th</sup> August	Ukulele Jam (Rm 4)
16 <sup>th</sup> August 20 <sup>th</sup> August (postponement)	Fun Run
19 <sup>th</sup> August	Art Gallery Rm 5 10.15am-12.15pm
19 <sup>th</sup> August	Art Gallery Rm 7 12.15-2.15pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Art Gallery Rm 8 10.15-12.15pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Art Gallery Rm 4 12.15-2.15pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Art Gallery Rm 2 10.00-12.00pm
29 August	O'Mathalon
30 <sup>th</sup> August	Otago Cross Country
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Sth Island Chess Championship
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Extra Current Events Quiz Yrs. 5-6 @4.30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Extra Current Events Quiz Yrs. 7 & 8 @ 6.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup> September	Otago Cross Country Postponement Day
9 <sup>th</sup> September	Polyfest
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Kiwi Golf
19 <sup>th</sup> September (Thursday night)	Disco @ 6.00pm
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Last Day of Term 3
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Start of Term 4