

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

TUMUAKI NEWS

Senior School Remodel

It has taken a while however by the end of next week we will be in our remodelled classes. I know how hard it has been for the classes who have had to relocate, but the end is in sight. Please be understanding of a wee bit of chaos next week as we move back into our spaces. We will have a celebration of this remodel later and will welcome you all into this space. Details of our celebration and opening will follow.

Polyfest

We are really excited to be taking part in Polyfest for the first time representing our kura. A notice went home yesterday for our performers. Please return this by Tuesday 10th September however I know that everyone is keen for details.

Our performance will be on Friday 13th September in the 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm time slot. We are the third group to perform. If you are wanting to see our kapa haka group live at the Edgar Centre arriving just before 12:15 pm would be advisable. You will also be able to watch our performance via live streaming. Our performers will travel by bus to the Edgar Centre, leaving school at about 11:20 am. You are welcome to travel with us, however please let us know if you intend to do this so that I have enough room on the buses. You can do this via the permission slip or let Katy know at the office.

We will return to school by 3:00 pm.

The committee are looking for volunteers to help out during the week-long festival. The details are below.



There is also a Give a Little page to help cover the costs of this festival.

<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/love-otago-polyfest>

South Island Primary School Chess Tournament

Well done to our four chess players who travelled to the South Island Primary School Chess Tournament in Ashburton yesterday. There were placed fifth. A great effort by Fen, Max G, Jayden and Nico.

The end of year is fast approaching and for our Year 8 learners this is a very significant time. At this stage we just wanted families to know the dates for the milestones that we celebrate. Our Year 8 camp (one night) is Thursday/Friday 5th and 6th of December. Our Year 8 dinner is on Tuesday 17th of December. The final assembly is Thursday 19th December in the afternoon. Please mark these dates in your diary. If you have any questions please see Vicki or Jared.

Seafood Festival

The Port Chalmers Seafood festival is on 28th of September (the first Saturday of the school holidays). We are looking for volunteers on the day to assist with rubbish collection. We need at least 20 volunteers, so that people can give a couple of hours and the load isn't too great on anybody. Can you please consider helping as this raises funds to be used in the school for many things? A notice will go home next week, however if you know already that you could spare a couple of hours on the Saturday please give your name to Katy or Vicki. Thanks in advance. (This is a separate fundraiser to the Yr 7 & 8 Camp fundraiser which is erecting/dismantling the marques on the Friday or the Sunday).

Measles Update

Attached to this newsletter is an update from the Southern District Health Board regarding measles.

Subway Lunches

Subway lunches are available for our learners on a Friday. You will need to set up a luncheonline account. Orders must be in by 9:00 am on the Friday. There is now a gluten free wrap available.


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School Disco

Our school disco will happen on the 19th September from 6:00pm. The theme this year is 80's and/or Superheroes. Rooms 5, 7 & 8 will need to be picked up at 7:15 pm. Rooms 2 and 4 will need to be picked up at 8:30 pm. Entry is \$2.00, which will give everyone a glow stick. There will be face painting available, however we are not selling other glow products this year. Of course, there will be yummy food to purchase. More details next week.

Moa Bones Room 7

Mica's mum, Anne, came to school to talk to us about Moa. Anne is an archaeologist. She brought some Moa bones and pieces of a Moa egg to show us. We got to hold the Moa bones. They were the leg bones. They were heavy and long. And a bit stinky!! We learnt there were 9 different kinds of Moa in New Zealand. They are over 600 years old.



REMEMBER
ONCE A WEEK,
TAKE A PEEK

Principals Awards Week 7

Reflections
Bene Rm 7
Liam Rm 7
Macie Rm 7

Story Writing
Riyle Rm 7
Matthew Rm 7
Sinai Rm 7
Honor Rm 7
Romy Rm 5
Nathan Rm 5



Calendar of Events	
13 th September (12:15 pm performance)	Polyfest
19 th September (Thursday night)	Disco @ 6.00pm
27 th September	Last Day of Term 3
28 th September	Port Chalmers Seafood Festival
14 th October	Start of Term 4
22 nd October	West Harbour Sports Day
29 th October	BOT Meeting