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

TUMUAKI NEWS

Paid Union Meetings

In the week of March 18th, primary teachers and principals around the country who are NZEI Te Riu Roa members are heading to meetings to vote on whether to accept or reject the latest collective agreement offers from the government. They will also be voting on whether to take strike action should the offers be rejected.

Dunedin has several meetings so we are able to continue teaching with a little bit of internal reorganisation. We do not need you to come and collect learners early. School will continue as usual. These meetings are a crucial part of the 'Kua Tae Te Wā - It's Time' campaign. They're an opportunity for teachers and principals to come together to discuss the offer and decide next steps.

We want to ensure teaching is an attractive profession for people to join and stay in, and we have asked that the government provide for better staffing to reduce class sizes and give us more time to teach and time to lead.

The offers received are only minimally different from what was offered (and rejected) last year. This is because the government has refused to increase the amount of money available.

Already, many schools are having to make sacrifices because of the difficulty in recruiting teachers and relievers, and we must take bold steps to turn this around.

We really appreciate your continued support. If these offers are rejected, it is the voices of parents and the wider public that will be key to forcing the government to listen as we continue our campaign to ensure every child gets the best possible education.

For more information, please go to <http://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/> or talk with your child's teacher.

PTA Fundraiser

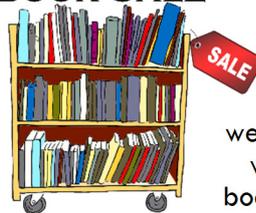
The PTA have organised a special fundraiser with the Cottage Bakehouse. We have sent home a price list and an order form to every family today. Please check your child's school bag for these. All orders need to be back at school by the 26th of March. Delivery of the goods will be on 4th April. The list of foods include:

Family and individual pies	Sausage Rolls
Lamingtons	Hot Cross Buns
Pizzas	Sausage Rolls
Biscuits	Cheese Rolls

Great food to fill the freezer in time for the school holidays (I'm sure you've got room now after the peas have all gone!). More copies of the order form are available from the Office.

Dunedin Public Library Book Sale

BOOK SALE



You will have a chance to dig for literary gold at the City Library annual book sale, starting 22nd March and running throughout the weekend, closing on 24th March. A whole basement full of quality books, priced at just a few dollars. Fiction, non-fiction, children's books, Young Adult, contemporary fiction, murder-mysteries, romance and science fiction – something from all the collections in the Library, gathered over the course of the last year as we weed out duplicates and items that are not in such high demand to make way for new publications.

Welcome to Mica and Honor in Room 5 and Ashlyn in Room 4 and their families. We are sure you will enjoy your time here at Port Chalmers School

Measles

Two cases of measles have now been confirmed in Dunedin since 22 Feb both of which are linked to the current outbreak in Christchurch. One case was in contact with a local early childhood service whilst infectious.

Measles is a highly infectious disease and is more serious than many people realise. Symptoms include fever, cough, red eyes and a runny nose, and then a rash which develops after about 4 days. About one in ten people with measles need to be hospitalised and 30% will develop complications.

The best measles prevention is two doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine which is free for all New Zealand children.

For further health information on measles please go to the Ministry of Health website <http://www.moh.govt.nz> or the Immunisation Advisory Centre website <http://www.immune.org.nz>

You can also call the Immunisation Advisory Centre toll-free line 0800 IMMUNE (0800 466 863) for advice. Marion Poore Medical Officer of Health

Cooking with Hagar JUICING AND RAW FOOD

This week I will be preparing some raw foods with the kids, to introduce them to the benefits and taste of fresh raw foods.

Juices are an especially good option if you have children who are picky eaters. They'll enjoy drinking the juice, and you'll love knowing that they're sipping on nutritious ingredients. The juice recipe we will make is a combo of **carrots, beets and apple**.

It is a great revitaliser - works better than coffee! It is also: High in antioxidants, relieves inflammation, promotes heart health, aids in detoxification, boosts brain function, supports digestive health, enhances athletic performance, and increases weight loss.... (Ref [Dr Axe.com](http://DrAxe.com))

In the future we will also prepare salads and also simple spreads of nut cheeses and raw veggie sticks. I hope you will try some juicing at home, Hagar.

Sushi Lunch Orders

It would be appreciated if all Sushi Orders could be dropped in to the Office before 9am. We have a Parent who organises these and then has a job to go to. Thank you. ☺



Sea Week Clean-up

As part of Sea-Week we went to Mussel Bay and collected rubbish. When we were finished we put all our rubbish together. There was a lot of it.



Dunedin Primary and Intermediate Schools Triathlon

It was very busy around Port Chalmers yesterday morning as about 470 children came to compete in the triathlon. 17 children from Port Chalmers School competed. They were very brave as this is a very big event. Thanks to all the families who helped supervise on the day. Thanks to Penny and Hannah who cooked about 400 sausages as a fund raiser.



Five lovely days in a row! Two narrow losses but we are the most organised School by far. Thank you Parents see you all in Term 4.



How to get the School Stream app on your mobile device

From your mobile device go to The App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Google Play (Android), search for School Stream and download the app to your phone.



Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type your school name into the search THEN select your school

If you are prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select OK

You will need to register with your email address. A code will be sent to that email which you then enter into the School Stream app and you are away!

Parents with children enrolled in different schools can switch between schools using the one app. Got children attending different schools? Don't worry, School Stream caters for multiple schools from within the app itself. Jump between your children's schools with the touch of a button.

Principal Awards Week 6

Mathematics
Sam Rm 2

Poem
Finn Rm 7 Eulalia Rm 7

Writing
Honor Rm 5 Ness Rm 5
Mica Rm 5

Boating

19 th March	12:00 – 2:45pm
2 nd April	12:00 – 2:45pm

Swimming

Swimming is part of the N.Z. Curriculum and all children are required to participate. A note is required if a child is unwell and unable to swim. If you are able to help out at swimming time please speak to your child's teacher.

Room 4	10:30 – 11:00
Room 8	11:00 – 11:30
Room 2	11:30 – 12:00
Room 5	1:45 – 2:15
Room 7	2:15 – 2:45

Assembly Timetable Fridays 2:15pm

Friday 15 th March	Rooms 5 & 7
Friday 22 nd March	Room 8
Friday 29 th March	Room 4
Friday 5 th April	Room 2

Calendar of Events

12 th April	Last Day of Term 1
29 th April	First Day of Term 2

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