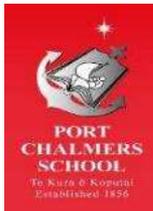


**Tena koutou katoa nga mihi ki te whanau o te Kura o Koputai – greetings to all families of Koputai (Port Chalmers) School.**



## TUMUAKI NEWS



We're back! This was the welcome back to school our "bubble" class did on Friday to make sure everyone knew we're back. Standing at the gate on Monday morning was a real delight. So many faces to welcome. School feels right! I know that the kiss and drop zone at the gate is not something we usually do, so I thank you for supporting us in this. The requirement to log all visitors onto the school site is huge, as is the management of the number of adults in our classrooms (who also must keep 2m away from anyone else), is just too big a mission. I have enjoyed seeing many of you at the gate even on these frosty mornings. We have such a fabulous community. Whakamihi (congratulations).

We are creating a time capsule to put with the school archives to record the unprecedented lockdown. Some of the comments from our learners include:

What I like most about working from home:

- I could stay in bed while in my 'class'
- I was able to sit in my room
- I loved the class calls.
- I liked being able to do my work at different times of the day
- Being able to choose what I was able to do.
- Not so rushed
- I liked the maths
- Watching TV
- Working with my whānau
- Building with my lego

Something new that I learnt during lockdown

- Not to take things for granted
- How to cook
- Hand washing, hand washing, hand washing
- What it's like to be in a world-wide pandemic
- We need to respect other people's needs during lockdown
- Learning my ABC's
- That I need to stay 2m away from other people

So much learning. There are so many things that we can now look forward to. Why don't you talk as a family about the things you are looking forward too? For me, seeing my Dad after more than 8 weeks is the highlight this weekend. What's yours?

Ka kite ano

## Lunches

Subway lunches will be available starting Friday 29 May  
You can order a Subway lunch using the Luncheonline website. [www.luncheonline.co.nz](http://www.luncheonline.co.nz)

**Welcome to Frankie in Room 4 and Samson in Room 5, and their families. We are sure you will enjoy your time here at Port Chalmers School**

## Skool Loop App

To stay in touch with us have you downloaded the Skool Loop app?

Once you have this downloaded, make sure you allow for notifications in your settings. This will mean you won't miss any important information.

**Stay "in the loop" in 2020 with our school app!**

Events | Cancellations | Notices  
Newsletters | Permission slips  
Instant notifications | Absentees  
Parent Teacher Interviews

**Simple free download:**  
In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

## TERM DATES 2020

These were circulated earlier in the year and remain the same for the rest of 2020.

Term 2 Wednesday 15 April – Friday 3 July

Term 3 Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September

Term 4 Monday 12 October–Wednesday 16 December



A large number of books were leant out over the lock down period. Can these please be returned. Once returned, you will then be able to borrow books once more. Thank you.

**Principal Awards**

**Spelling**  
Aden Rm 7  
Rosa Rm 7  
Mica Rm 7

**Reading**  
Blake Rm 7

## Assemblies

We won't be able to do class assemblies for some time. However as soon as the number restrictions lift, we'll be ready to share our learning with all of you.

Please remember, if your child has sniffles or is generally feeling unwell, please do not send them to school.



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