



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

TUMUAKI NEWS

Support Staff Appreciation Week 2021

The teaching staff at Port Chalmers School are well supported by a dedicated team of teacher aides, administration and caretaking staff who take pride in knowing they are making a difference to the learning needs of our students.

Andrea, Charlotte, Katy, Michelle, Robert and Roger we appreciate your professionalism and respect your commitment to us all. Our school wouldn't function without you all. Thank you.

Whanau Hui Tuesday 15th June 6:00 pm

We would like to invite you and your tamariki to our whanau hui on Tuesday 15th June at 6:00 pm. Kai will be served and then a chance to kōrero. The tamariki will be supervised after our kai while the adults connect.

Keeping Ourselves Safe

In the last two weeks of this term all classes will be taking part in a Keeping Ourselves Safe programme, run in conjunction with the NZ Police.

The children will learn

- to work out when their safety is at risk
- how to keep safe when they meet and mix with other people
- who and how to ask for help if they, or someone they know, is being abused
- to go on asking for help until someone does something to stop the abuse
- that it is important to make and follow personal, family and school safety rules.

Digital Technology

An ongoing focus in our school is to build teacher and student capability to authentically use and integrate digital tools. We are very fortunate to have Ministry of Education funded professional learning this year with Anthony Breese from Cyclone Computers. For the last three days Anthony has been upskilling our teachers to more meaningfully utilise digital technology as tools to both construct and communicate ideas and knowledge. This learning will enable teachers to seamlessly weave in authentic and meaningful local curriculum opportunities with the best digital tools to connect, inspire and empower students.

SUPERMOON LUNAR ECLIPSE

Last week we had a lovely clear sky enabling us to get a spectacular view of the blood supermoon lunar eclipse. My family and I enjoyed the view and were able to focus my son's telescope on the wonderful sky. If this has piqued your child's interest there are some fantastic resources online including this Stuff article

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/science/125254345/full-coverage-after-40-years-rare-blood-supermoon-lights-up-night-sky>

which has photos from around New Zealand.

Heoi anō tāku mō ināianeī - That's all for now
Nāku noa nā. - Yours sincerely
Vicki Nicolson

Welcome to Bella in Room 5, We are sure you will enjoy being a part of our learning community

Paid Union Meeting

Port Chalmers school teachers who are members of NZEI Te Riu Roa will be attending a paid union meeting on 23rd and 29th of June, with some attending in the morning and others in the afternoon.

The purpose of these meetings is for teachers to discuss the priorities for the renegotiation of their collective agreement in 2022. Issues being discussed, such as school staffing levels, directly impact on the education of your children. These meetings are a critical component of the negotiation process and it is the legal right of all members to attend a meeting and have their say.

While there will be some impact on the usual school programme that day, we have adjusted the programme to minimise disruption, and the school will remain open. We are not asking whanau to take children home.



Intermediate Miniball

There wasn't a game due to Queens Birthday.

Year 5 & 6 Port Ballers

Last Thursday we played against St Joseph's Cathedral School. We lost the game with the final score being 32-10. It was a fun game but we need to work on our passing and getting closer to the hoop before we shoot. Congratulations to Lucas our player of the day.



REMEMBER
ONCE A WEEK,
TAKE A PEEK

Te Reo Māori

Hello Friend – Kia ora rā e hoā!

G'day Mate

Formal greeting to 1 person Tēnā koe



MANA Before and After School Care is now operating at Port Chalmers School in the Koputai Whare, offering affordable prices and subsidies. We are Oscar approved and a device free environment.

Contact: Johanna Newman
0275218373

<https://manaafterschoolcare.com>
mana.afterschool.care@gmail.com

Health Snippet

Winter is often the time when cold viruses and other illness are common in schools and early childhood centres.

WHEN DO I NEED TO GO TO THE DOCTOR?

See a doctor if your child:

Has been unwell and is not improving

Is more irritable, grizzly or sleepy than usual

Breathing very fast

Refusing food or drinks

Has a fever

Has sore ears

Coughs a lot

Has a sore throat

If you are worried about how sick you or your child are at any time don't hesitate to see a doctor.

If you have other medical problems you should see a doctor earlier.

Contact the doctor immediately if you or your child develops any of the following danger symptoms

- Severe headache or neck pain
- Eyes intolerant to light
- Drowsy, floppy, is less alert or difficult to wake
- Skin rash or spots
- High fever
- Vomiting
- Unusual or high-pitched cry

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Let's Talk Teeth

THE LINK BETWEEN DENTAL HYGIENE AND ORAL LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT - ADD SOME KNOWLEDGE TO YOUR PARENTING SUPERPOWERS AS WELL AS INCREASING YOUR CHILD'S HEALTH AND POTENTIAL FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS!

DENTIST, LISA HANSON AND SPEECH & LANGUAGE THERAPIST, AMBERLEIGH STENHOUSE

PARENT/WHĀNAU INFORMATION EVENING

PINEHILL SCHOOL 5.30-6.30PM
THURSDAY 17TH JUNE
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE
TEA/COFFEE PROVIDED

OCTACAN.ORG.NZ

Kai for Octacan

Our annual foodbank appeal
The spirit of winter giving

Thursday 1 July
7.00am - 2.30pm
Lower Octagon

Bring along your coins and cans and help us fill the foodbank with kai this winter or donate online at www.octacan.org.nz

Registration Support Family Works

ASSEMBLIES 2.15pm

Friday 11 th June	Rooms 5 & 7
Friday 18 th June	Room 8
Friday 25 th June	Room 2
Friday 2 nd July	Room 4

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

15 th June (6:00pm)	Whanau Hui
2 nd July (7:30am)	Matariki Breakfast
3 rd July	Midwinter Art Auction
5 th July	BoT Meeting
7 th & 8 th July	Learning Conferences
9 th July	Last day of term
26 th July	Term 3 Begins

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