



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

Port Chalmers School is quite unique in that we offer a Boating programme for our Senior pupils, from years 5-8. The last couple of seasons have been problematic however, as Covid restrictions have meant that we haven't been able to run sessions, so the pupils have missed out. I am pleased to announce that Boating will be up and running again this year, during terms one and four. We have scheduled 5 dates and you will see these on the calendar below.

Pupils have opportunities to learn how to operate Kayaks. Canoes, Dinghies, Paddleboards and Optimist Yachts and our Outdoor Education Committee members assist with tuition, undertake the maintenance of our equipment and also operate our safety boats out on the water.

We do appreciate parent helpers to assist with running our programme on the foreshore. You do not need to have any boating experience at all. A boating note will go home with all Senior pupils today and we would be very grateful for any assistance that you may be able to offer.

Our Outdoor Education Committee is currently going through a transition phase. Garry Bain, (former Deputy Principal and teacher at Port Chalmers School of 39 years), started the Boating programme in the early 80's and he has led the programme and chaired the committee passionately, since its inception. Garry is retiring from the role this year and he is handing the responsibility of leadership over to me. It will be an honour to pick this role up and I know I have 'big boots to fill'. I would appreciate hearing from anyone out there in our school community who has knowledge of boating and sailing, operating motorboats and maintaining watercraft, who may like to join our committee. Over the last few years, a number of our long serving members have had to retire and we are on the lookout for new members who may be interested in joining us. If you, (or someone you know), is interested in this opportunity, please come and have a chat with me here at school.

In the meantime, here's to a grand term of Boating for our pupils!

Mā te wā,

Jared Roddick (Deputy Principal)



# Te Reo Māori

- [Rāhina; Mane](#) – Monday
- [Rātū; Tūrei](#) – Tuesday
- [Rāapa; Wenerei](#) – Wednesday
- [Rāpare; Taite](#) – Thursday
- [Rāmere; Paraire](#) – Friday
- [Rāhoroi](#) – Saturday
- [Rātapu](#) – Sunday

<https://nzhistory.govt.nz/culture/maori-language-week/365-maori-words>

## Paid Union Meeting (advance notice)

NZEI Te Riu Roa members at our school have been invited to attend a paid union meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March at 1:30pm, so they can discuss the offer made by the Ministry of Education for their collective agreement. Our teachers will attend this meeting. Accordingly, the majority of the school's teaching staff will be unavailable after 12:30pm on that date.

We encourage you to either pick your child up from school by 12:30pm or make some other arrangements for the duration of the meeting. However, if you are keeping your child at school during this time an alternative programme will be provided for them for the duration of the meeting. We apologise for any potential disruption to you and your child's routine on the day of the meeting. We will be asking for your intentions for your child through Skool Loop closer to the time.

## Scholastics Lucky Book Club

All orders need to be in tomorrow.

Receive 1 Free Book when you spend \$30

Receive 2 Free Books when you spend over \$50

Receive 3 Free Books when you spend over \$70

LOOP orders only.

## Futsal

Futsal fees are now due. Please use our school bank account 06 0901 0216749 00 with futsal and your child's name as reference. \$50 per player. Thank you.

## Port Chalmers Swim Club Inc. Dash n' Splash

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023, Cancellation date 1<sup>st</sup> March

Registrations 5pm at Port Chalmers Swimming Pool

First race 6pm.

5-7-year olds:

Run  $\frac{3}{4}$  lap around rugby field (400m), swim 3 widths (30m)

8-10-year olds:

Run 2 laps around rugby field (1km) swim 2 lengths (60m)

11-14-year olds:

Run 3 laps around rugby field (1.5km) swim 5 lengths (150m)

Cost \$10.00 per person in a Team or \$10.00 Individual,

Entries forms available Port Chalmers Pool

and Moana Pool. Or email [liciamihaka@gmail.com](mailto:liciamihaka@gmail.com)

Entries close 25th Feb.

Contact Person: Licia Mihaka 0274178798



## Juniors classes visit to the Library and Pea Sea Art.

Yesterday the Junior school went for a walk down to the Public Library where we had stories read to us.

For our next adventure, we went to the Pea Sea Art Gallery. We saw art works on display.



## Year 7&8 Technology

Every Wednesday we head into DNI to go to our Technology classes. We have started our projects.



Foods we have been making chocolate cookies. In Digitech we have been programming our devices and learning how to make circuits using 'pickaxes'. In Fabrics, we are making holdalls, pillows and even punching bags. In Woodwork, we are making our own boxes.



### **Calendar of Events**

<b>24<sup>th</sup> February 1:30 pm</b>	Elgregoe Show
<b>6<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Goal Setting Conferences
<b>20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Otago Anniversary Day (school closed)
<b>21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Rūma Pāua Bike Skills course
<b>31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Yr 8 HPV
<b>6<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Last day of Term
<b>24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Teacher Only Day
<b>26<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Term 2 Begins

### **Assembly Timetable**

<b>March 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Rūma Pipi & Rūma Tepetepe
<b>March 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Rūma Wheke
<b>March 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Rūma Pāua
<b>March 24<sup>th</sup></b>	Rūma Mangō

### **Swimming Timetable**

<b>Rūma Pipi</b>	9:30 am
<b>Rūma Tepetepe</b>	10:00 am
<b>Rūma Wheke</b>	10:30 am
<b>Rūma Pāua</b>	11:00 am
<b>Rūma Mangō</b>	11:30 am

### **Boating Timetable**

<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	1pm - 3pm
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March</b>	10.30am - 12.30pm
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	1pm - 3pm
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	10.30am - 12.30pm
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	1pm - 3pm

# 2023 Home Tours

Join us for our Historic Homes & Buildings of Port Chalmers Tour  
Featuring historic Port Chalmers and environs homes & Buildings  
Over 16 historic homes and buildings from the earliest days of the settlement

**Tickets available from [trfoursnz.org](http://trfoursnz.org)**

Organised by the Taieri Rotary Cub  
Devonshire tea provided the Port Chalmers school PTA as a fundraiser.

**A total of over 16 sites for you to visit on a self-drive tour**

