



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

Kia Ora folks

Wow, term three already! The year is certainly moving along at a cracking pace. I hope that you all enjoyed the break and

that you had a chance to unwind and spend some time together.

Term two was a busy one and we finished by celebrating an afternoon of sports and games on the final Friday of the term. The pupils in Rūma Mangō were split into small groups to plan and organise an activity that could be adapted to play by the variety of age groups that moved through the rotations. It was important that they considered how to explain, demonstrate, and run their activity so all pupils could participate and have fun. The groups did quite well for their first foray into 'teaching' and it was interesting for staff to stand back and watch how the senior pupils are developing skills in this important area of leadership.

I talked to the pupils afterwards and they were mostly happy with how their stations went although there were a few 'gems' that I thought I would share with you.

"It was fun, but they didn't listen to what I was saying".

"I think we should have played it more simply with the little kids".

"Next time I think we should try an easier game 'cause it was hard to explain".

"We should have played in a smaller space".

"It was hard trying to play the game in the wind".

I had to chuckle at the first statement and provide a suitable retort!

One important thing that the pupils gained from running the first PALS session was that leading an activity requires a fair bit of thought and teaching is not as easy as it may seem. They will carry these thoughts and reflections into the organisation of our next games afternoon.

On another note, we will be celebrating our annual Matariki breakfast this coming Friday morning at 7:30am in the school hall. We welcome all pupils and whānau to join us and celebrate Matariki in Port Chalmers School style! An information notice is included in this issue about the event. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Mānawa maiea te putanga o Matariki
Mānawa maiea te ariki o te rangi
Mānawa maiea te mātahi o te tau**

*Hail the rise of Matariki
Hail the lord of the sky
Hail the New Year*

Ma Te Wa

Jared Roddick Deputy Principal
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Port Chalmers School Community Voice Survey

The Port Chalmers School Board of Trustees is asking our school whānau and learning community their thoughts as we plan for learning in the next 3 -5 years. We are keen to work alongside and engage with our community to focus on delivering excellent learning opportunities for all our tamariki.

We have created a survey to gather this important voice.

The link to the [survey is here](#). We have also created a QR code which you can use on your device to access the survey.



Hockey Results



On Wednesday 19th of July, the Port Chalmers Hockey Team played against the Grants Braes Sharks. They won 6-0, they are playing so well as a team with a lot of great communication. Player of the day this week was Paxton.

Secondary Schools Open Days and Nights

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| Logan Park High School | Sunday 23 rd July 11:00am |
| Otago Girls High School | Tuesday 25 th July 6:30pm |
| Queens High School | Wednesday 26 th July 6:30pm |
| Otago Boys High School | Wednesday 26 th July 6:00pm |
| Kings High School | Thursday 27 th July 6:30 pm |
| Trinity College | Sunday 30 th July 12 noon |

Sushi Johnny Price Increase

Vegetarian or Chicken RICE BALL=\$4.50

Vegetarian or Chicken SUSHI 5pc=\$6.00

Crispy Chicken on RICE=\$8.50.

PLEASE if you see a gate open, please shut it. Also check that the gate has closed behind you. This is to ensure the safety of our tamariki. Thank you.

Matariki Breakfast

Planning is underway for our Matariki breakfast on Friday 21st July 7:30 am (tomorrow morning)

We are looking for some people to help serve the breakfast. We will need you from 7:15am until about 8:30am. Turn up before 7:30 am if you can help.

We can't wait to be at school in the dark and celebrating Matariki.

We are asking each whānau to take a moment to think about something that they are grateful for in this past year to do with school and also something that they hope to achieve in the next year also with a focus on school. We will have stars for you to write and share these thoughts.

We hope you can join us.

Welcome to Arthur in Room Rūma Tepetepe and Toby in Rūma Wheke, and their whānau We are sure you will enjoy your time here as part of our learning community 😊.

People Feelin' Beats - FREE weekly kids' disco - 3.30-4.15 every Friday during school term @Pioneer Hall Port Chalmers. All ages, parents/caregivers & family members welcome. Come along to find out more!

PALS Afternoon



Port Chalmers School


YEAR 7 & 8 DROP-IN INFORMATION SESSION

Tuesday 1st August

Anytime between 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm



30a Albertson Ave, Port Chalmers



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| Attendance Matters | | | |
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| 1 or 2 days absent a week doesn't seem like much. But think of it this way | | | |
| If your child misses | That equals | Which is | And over 13 years of schooling that's |
| 1 day per fortnight | 20 days per year | 4 weeks per year | Nearly 1 ½ years |
| 1 day per week | 40 days per year | 8 weeks per year | Over 2 ½ years |
| 2 days per week | 80 days per year | 16 weeks per year | Over 5 years |
| 3 days per week | 120 days | 24 weeks per year | Nearly 8 years |
| If my child is 10 minutes late a day- surely that won't affect my child's learning | | | |
| If your child misses | That equals | Which is | Over 13 years of schooling that's |
| 10 minutes per day | 50 minutes per week | Nearly 1 1/2 weeks per year | Nearly half a year |
| 20 minutes per day | 1 hr 40 mins per week | Over 2 ½ weeks per year | Nearly 1 year |
| 30 minutes per day | Half a day per week | 4 week's per year | Nearly 1 ½ years |
| 1 hour per day | 1 Day per week | 8 weeks per year | Over 2 ½ years |

Te Reo Māori

- Rāhina; Mane – Monday
- Rātū; Tūrei – Tuesday
- Rāapa; Wenerei – Wednesday
- Rāpare; Taite – Thursday
- Rāmere; Paraire – Friday
- Rāhoro – Saturday
- Rātapu – Sunday

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get support, advice
and practical strategies

we can help
with any of your
parenting concerns

Call 0800 568 856

9am - 9pm Monday to Sunday

www.parenthelp.org.nz



TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL 2023

5th August 2023 - Hunter Centre

Run by Otago University Health Professional Students



Bring your teddies to visit our teddy doctors, dentists,
physios, pharmacists, nutritionists and nurses

Book your appt. today

There will also be a bouncy castle and food available

Scan the QR code to follow our facebook
page for further information

Event name; Teddy Bear Hospital Community Day 2023



**REMEMBER
ONCE A WEEK,
TAKE A PEEK**

Calendar of Events

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| 21st July 7:30 am | Matariki Breakfast |
| 1st August 4:00 - 6:00 pm (Rūma Mangō) | Yr 7 & 8 Drop-in Information Session |
| 2nd August 7:00pm | Board Meeting |
| 8th August 6:00pm | PTA AGM |
| 15 August | North Zone Yr 5 & 6 Cross Country |
| 25 August (1:30pm) | Fun Run |
| 22nd September | Last day of term |
| 9th October | Term 4 Begins |

Assembly Timetable

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| 1st September | Rūma Wheke |
| 8th September | Rūma Pāua |
| 15th September | Rūma Tepetepe and Rūma Pipi |
| 22nd September | Rūma Mangō |