



PORT CHALMERS SCHOOL  
Te Kura o Kōpūtai  
EST 1884

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

### Outdoor Education Week Year 1 - 6

We are getting planned and ready for our Outdoor Education Week from 8<sup>th</sup> April – 12<sup>th</sup> April, while our Year 7 and 8's are on camp. This week is always lots of fun. Next week we will have a note out to families as there will be some days where we would appreciate extra help.

### Junior School Visit to Orokonui Ecosanctuary



On Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March, the Junior School will be spending the day at Orokonui Ecosanctuary as part of our science learning and investigating what's in our backyard. We will be leaving school at 9.40am on the bus and returning by 2.30pm.

If you haven't already please complete the permission form sent via skool loop.

Children will need to wear suitable walking shoes and have warm clothes for the day. They will need a packed lunch and drink also.

### PTA Easter Raffle

**Donations of Easter treats can still be left at the office.**

**Raffle cards and money need to be back to school by the 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Thank you.**



### PTA - Bulb Fundraiser

Here is a great opportunity to purchase spring flowering bulbs and seeds. Bulbs are easy to plant, fun to grow and will reward you with gorgeous flowers year after year. We have some great choices - why not try them all! Bulbs are supplied by Garden Post which source bulbs from New Zealand's & Holland's best growers.

Our school will make at least 30% profit on all sales. A planting guide will be enclosed with each order. Order forms can be picked up from the office or we can email one to you.

Bulbs available are daffodils, anemone, tulips, freesias, ranunculus, iris, sweet pea, sparaxis. Prices range from \$5.20 to \$11.70. Exact pricing is on the order form. Payment will be needed before delivery.

Please contact Peta Hill ([peta@portchalmers.school.nz](mailto:peta@portchalmers.school.nz)) for orders or questions.

**ORDERS ARE DUE BY 27<sup>th</sup> MARCH.**

### Creatives in our Community.

In collaboration with 'The Village' creative partnerships project and Ōtepoti ki te Raki, Port Chalmers School has a unique opportunity to promote creative industries and pathways.

We are asking people in our community to complete a survey ([link to the survey](#)) to discover the creative artists and practitioners within our Kāhui community. We'd like to learn more about the creative skills and expertise within our parent / whānau community and we invite you to participate.

By submitting your information, we hope that you are also showing your interest in being involved in strengthening the creative arts opportunities for our ākongā, our Kāhui, and our school.

We will collate the responses and invite you to participate in the next steps of this collaborative project.

Disclaimer: Your personal details on this form will not be shared outside of the purposes of this project.

### CALENDAR

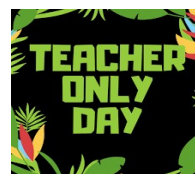
<b>25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Otago Anniversary Day (school closed)
<b>29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Good Friday (School Closed)
<b>1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Easter (School Closed)
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	Easter (School Closed)
<b>5<sup>th</sup> April</b>	HPV Yr 8s
<b>8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Yr 7 & 8 Bannockburn Yr 1 – 6 Based at school
<b>12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Last Day of Term
<b>7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Teacher Only Day</b>

### BOATING TIMETABLE

<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	1pm – 3pm
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	1pm – 3pm

### ASSEMBLY TIMETABLE FRIDAYS AT 2.15PM

<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	Rūma Mangō
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**Advanced Notice Teacher Only Day  
7<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

The Ministry of Education teacher only day is on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

# Te Reo Māori

- [Taone-nui](#) – city
- [Huarahi](#) – road, highway
- [Waitangi](#) – national celebration of the Treaty of Waitangi; 'weeping waters'
- [Rohe](#) – boundary, the territory (geographical and/or spiritual) of an iwi or hapū
- [Tūrangawaewae](#) – a place to stand, a place to belong to, a seat or location of identity

## Rūma Tepetepes Butterfly Day

On our butterfly day we planted the junior classes swan plants in the edible garden area. Maybe our butterflies will come back and lay their eggs there?



We got a swan plant.  
On the swan plant there was an egg.  
The egg cracked into a caterpillar.  
The caterpillar had to eat and eat to get bigger.  
Then it went into a chrysalis.  
It became a butterfly and it flew away.  
By Xanthe



There was an egg.  
It hatched into a caterpillar.  
The caterpillar ate and ate all the leaves.  
The caterpillar turned into a chrysalis.  
A butterfly hatched.  
By Macie

### Our Butterfly Writings

Our butterfly started as an egg and then it changed into a caterpillar.

It ate and ate and ate leaves off our swan plant.  
Then it formed a chrysalis. The chrysalis was green.  
Then it hatched out into a butterfly. The butterfly was black and orange.

It was a monarch butterfly.  
It dried its wings and then it flew away.

I don't know where it went.  
By Jack



My classes butterfly egg hatched.  
 It turned into a caterpillar.  
 It ate and it ate leaves.  
 After it ate, it turned into a chrysalis.  
 It stayed in there for a while.  
 It turned black.  
 Then the other day it transformed into a butterfly.  
 We let the butterfly go.  
 By Jaih



### Sports Results

#### Summer Smash Cricket

Unfortunately, due to weather this week's games were cancelled.

#### Futsal

**Port Chalmers Wheke** won 4-0 against East Taieri Phoenix. Player of the day went to Oliver.

**Port Chalmers Pāua** lost 4-1 against Fairfield Hawks. Player of the day went to William.

**Port Chalmers Mangō** lost 2-1 against Tahuna Fireballs. Player of the day went to Rex.



REMEMBER  
 ONCE A WEEK,  
 TAKE A PEEK

**Pooh Bear LIVE**

**NZ TOUR!**

**OAMARU**  
 Sat 16th March  
 Opera House

**DUNEDIN**  
 Sun 17th March  
 Regent Theatre

**GORE**  
 Sat 23rd March  
 St James Theatre

**INVERCARGILL**  
 Sun 24th March  
 Civic Theatre

SCAN ME  
 on your camera  
 for tickets & info

RAVENSBOURNE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
 the little school with a big heart

**Parents and whānau**  
 Do you want some tips on helping your child with their

**BIG EMOTIONS?**

St Leonards School

27th March Wednesday, March the 27th 6:00- 7:00pm 27th March  
 SAWYERS BAY SCHOOL  
 99 STEVENSON AVENUE

with **Melissa Mitchell-Bain**  
 Wellbeing Advisor- Ministry of Education

West Harbour Schools: Port Chalmers, Sawyers Bay, St Leonards, Rudolf Steiner, and Ravensbourne.

Are you coming? RSVP [rachel@portchalmers.school.nz](mailto:rachel@portchalmers.school.nz)  
 Do you have a question for Melissa about how to help your child with their big emotions? You can email it prior to the workshop at [rachel@portchalmers.school.nz](mailto:rachel@portchalmers.school.nz)

We can provide supervision for your children during this workshop

Please note the change of date for the Drawing Table

**PORT CHALMERS LIBRARY DRAWING TABLE**

JOIN US ROUND THE BIG TABLE FOR INDEPENDENT DRAWING WITH OTHER YOUNG CREATIVES

FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN  
 MATERIALS SUPPLIED  
 TUESDAY 26.3.24  
 FROM 3PM  
 PORT CHALMERS LIBRARY

## Fern Fever

On Tuesday 19th of March Mica, Ness, Manaia, Romy, Elyse, and Honor went to an event called Fern Fever, it was a day celebrating female sports! There were modified and inclusive games of cricket, rugby, football, and hockey.

After the Fern Fever activities, the girls got to head over to the University of Otago Oval to watch the White Ferns (NZ Woman's Cricket Team) vs England in a Twenty20 game.

It was a wonderful day; the girls represented our school so well. A big thank you to Errol, Hannah, Em, and Carrie who volunteered to support the girls at the event.





## Health Snippet

### COUGHS AND COLDS

Coughs and colds are common for children and adults throughout the year, but particularly during the winter months. Children starting at preschool or school for the first time will be exposed to new bugs or germs and may develop frequent illness or colds for the first year. These are often also passed onto other family members.

As these minor illnesses can make preschool or school activities difficult for children, they should:

- Be kept at home
- Given rest and quiet activities
- Have plenty of drinks and fluids
- Given Paracetamol, as per instructions, to relieve aches and pains
- Seen by a doctor if their symptoms do not improve or they get worse

The public health nurse for our school is Laurie Mahoney Contact details: **476 9833**

**Join in & add your visual voice to the story of the New South Dunedin Library and Community Centre!**

**Nau mai tauti mai!**

**Renowned artists Simon Kaan & Michel Tuffery will be running free art workshops at Moana Nui Festival**




**Find us at the Moana Nui Festival**  
**23 March**  
**10.30 - 4pm**





### Night 'n Day Otago Nuggets Junior Baller's Clinic

**Dates:**

Monday 22 April, Tuesday 23 April and Wednesday 24 April

**Time:**

12noon -1.30pm: Years 4-6 only

1.30pm-3.00pm: Years 7-8 only

**Venue:**

Edgar Centre, Portsmouth Drive, Dunedin

**Cost:** \$25.00 per child per day

**Register online:**

<https://forms.gle/Lbfzg7MEbBsoZNPM9>

**Contact email:**

[kath@otagonuggets.com](mailto:kath@otagonuggets.com)