

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

# Art in school

This week we have been lucky to have Rachel Gaston working with all classes. Rachel is one of the Arts Educators at the Dunedin Public Art Gallery.

Through their outreach programme, classes have been involved in Fabulous Whenua - Exploring our local environment with an artist's eye - 'framing a scene' with sight and feeling, being kaitiaki of our special taoka.

In Rūma Tepetepe we looked at New Zealand birds and followed a simple technique Rachel showed us to make one of them. The technique used felt pens and water to mix the colours together that then went on our paper. This gave a marble look. We then stuffed a bag with newspaper to make our bird's body and added the beak, wings and legs lastly. These are on the wall in our class.









Around the classes other art projects being completed include self-portraits using different mediums (pencil, 3D and transparency film), Pacifica art and imaginary flowers based on the work by Sandrine Pelissier.



#### PTA Easter Raffle

We are asking for donations of Easter treats please for our next fundraiser please. These may be left at the office.

Raffle cards were sent home to families last week. Please return the card and money to the office by Monday 7th April. **Thank you**. The raffle will be drawn onThursday 10th April.

Calendar of Events	
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Otago Anniversary Day (school closed)
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Senior School
10:45 am - 12:00	Swimming Sports
11th April	Last Day of Term
Class Assemblies (Friday 2.30-3pm)	
21st March	Rūma Paua
28th March	Rūma Wheke
4th April	Rūma Mangō
Boating Timetable Rūma Pāua & Rūma Mangō	
(Thursday's)	
27th March	1pm - 3pm
10 <sup>th</sup> April	1pm - 3pm
Public Holidays in term time for 2025	
Otago Anniversary Day	March 24 <sup>th</sup>
King's Birthday	June 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Matariki	June 20 <sup>th</sup>
Labour Day	October 27 <sup>th</sup>

Swimming Sports Rūma Mangō & Pāua
Join us at the Port Chalmers Swimming Pool on
Friday, 28th March, from 10:45 am to 12:00 pm to
cheer on our tamariki as they showcase their
swimming skills in our swimming sports.
We have some space available for whānau to come

Tamariki need to have their togs and towel and goggles here on Friday too please.

and watch. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Technology Fees



Just a reminder that Technology fees for Years 7 & 8 are due by the end of this term. We encourage parents to consider paying this off, as \$5.00 a week

soon gets this paid. Technology costs are for the materials that will be used in module groups that have a take home component. It is not a donation to the school.

#### **Futsal Results**

Port Chalmers White won 6-3 against St Bernies Hot Dog, and Arlo P was named player of the day.

Port Chalmers Black lost 3-1 against Bathgate Park Superstars, and Hades (Ravensbourne) was named player of the day.

Port Chalmers Red won 3-2 against Trinity CC 8 Boys, and Kodee was named player of the day.



<u>Aroha</u> - compassion, tenderness, sustaining love

<u>Ihi</u> - power, authority, essential force

<u>Mana</u> - authority, power; influence, reputation

Mauri - hidden essential life force.

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### Scabies Alert

Scabies has been reported in our community. Scabies is a skin condition causing intense itching and a rash.

- See a doctor: If you suspect scables, see a doctor immediately.
- Treat everyone: All household members must be treated at the same time.
- Wash everything: Hot wash bedding, clothing, and towels.
- Avoid sharing: Do not share personal items.
- Contact us: Please inform the school if your child has scabies.

Early treatment stops the spread. Please contact the school nurse or office with any questions.

## NEW Minecraft Club with Com2Tech FREE

Suitable for 10 - 15-year olds
At Port Chalmers Library
Last Thursday of the month: 4.00 - 5.30p
Next session: Thursday 27 March

Pyjamarama - Lego Edition
Friday, April 11, 2025 6:00 PM 8:00 PM
Tühura Otago Museum

# Family Works - help to have a warmer, dryer home and reduce power usage

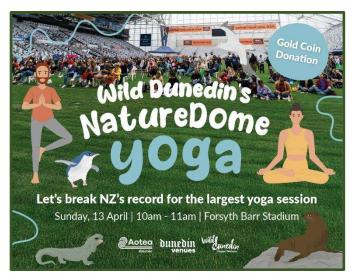
Here at Family Works, Presbyterian Support Otago we have a free service called EnergyMate. An EnergyMate coach can come to your home, give you some tips on how to have a warmer, dryer home, use your appliances efficiently, help you to read and understand your power bill and ensure you are on the best power plan for you and your whānau. To find out more or book in a session with one of our EnergyMate Coaches please phone 0508 396 678 or email us on energy.mate@psotago.org.nz.





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There is a number of overdue, lost or not returned Library Books outstanding. Can everyone please have a good hunt for these. If not returned, families will be charged for their loss. This is an expense no one wants.



