



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

Welcome back to school for Term 2! We hope you all had a restful break and tamariki are ready for another term of exciting learning opportunities. It has been great hearing about their different holiday adventures this week. As we begin this term, it's important to acknowledge the significance of ANZAC Day, which was commemorated at the end of the school holidays. ANZAC Day serves as a powerful reminder of the values of courage, mateship, and sacrifice. It provides us with an opportunity to reflect on our history and the importance of peace. Classes have started the term spending time completing activities to help develop and expand their understanding around the significance of ANZAC day. We encourage you to continue these conversations at home with your child(ren) too. On Friday afternoon the school is going to come together as we hold our own ANZAC service in the hall from 2.30-3pm. You are welcome to join us for this.



**They shall grow not old, as we that are left, grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will
remember them.**

PTA Bakehouse on Bond Fundraiser

The PTA have once again secured a fundraising opportunity with Bakehouse on Bond. Orders need to be returned to school by Wednesday 21st May. Delivery will be on Thursday 29th May. Click on the link below to make your order.
<https://forms.gle/mWcsZXbnXkjk4Ld8>
There is also a QR code for you to scan which will take you to the order form.



Payments can be made by cash to the school office or bank deposit to Port Chalmers School account 06-0901-0216749-00 (reference: Bakehouse and child's name)

Items available are:

Steak, Mince, Apple, Apricot/Apple, Blueberry/Apple, Cinnamon/Apple Pies \$10.00 each.
Meat Lovers, Combination, Hawaiian Pizzas \$13.00.
Savouries (12 pack) \$12.00 each.
Chocolate, Raspberry Lamington (6 pack) \$10.00 each.

Calendar of Events

2 nd May 2:30 pm	ANZAC Assembly
7 th May 9:30 am & 7:00 pm (Rūma Pāua & Wheke)	Kids Sing (Dunedin Town Hall)
8 th May 9:30 am	Strike Performance
14 th May 7:00 pm	Board Meeting
18 th May 2:00 pm	Hui Whānau
6 th June	Teachers Curriculum Day
26 th June	Matariki Breakfast
27 th June	Last day of term 2
Public Holidays in term time for 2025	
King's Birthday	June 2 nd
Matariki	June 20 th



Teacher Curriculum Only Day 6th June 2025

The Ministry of Education teacher only day is on Friday, 6th June.

Condolences

It's with a sad heart that I need to let you know that Marnie's mum, Kay Wipani, passed away on ANZAC Day this is a tough time for Marnie and their whānau, so let's send them all our love and support. Let's all keep Manie and their whānau in our thoughts right now.

School Cell phone

Please, do not ring the school cell phone as we use it only for texting. If you need a message passed then please ring the office on 472-8685. Thank you.



Karanga - the protocol of women calling guests onto the marae

Manuhiri - guests at or visitors to the marae

Tangata whenua - hosts, local people, 'people of the land'

Kaikōrero - speaker, one who makes a speech

Hui Whānau

He panui nui tēnei ki ngā whānau katoa o tō tātou kura, ā, he pōhiri motuhake tēnei ki ō tātou whānau Māori. We are excited to announce that we will be holding a **hui whānau** here at school on **Sunday, 18th of May, at 2:00 pm.**

This hui is a wonderful opportunity for our Māori whānau to come together, connect with one another, and offer support and encouragement. We believe it is vital to create a space where our families feel a strong sense of belonging, can share experiences, and collectively contribute to the success and well-being of their tamariki within our kura.

This will be a relaxed and informal gathering, a chance to build stronger relationships and foster a sense of community amongst our whānau. We envision this as a kaupapa where you can:

- **Connect:** Meet and kōrero with other Māori whānau from our school community.
- **Share:** Exchange experiences, insights, and aspirations for our tamariki.
- **Support:** Offer encouragement and build a network of support for one another.
- **Contribute:** Share your ideas and perspectives on how we can further strengthen the partnership between our kura and our Māori whānau.

We warmly invite all our Māori parents, caregivers, and whānau members to join us for this important hui. Your presence and your voice are invaluable.

We look forward to seeing you there. If you have any pātai, please don't hesitate to contact Vicki at the office.

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 scabies, 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 Public Health nurse or office with any questions.

Welcome to Kiara and Matheo in Ruma Tepetepe and Hazel and Oliver in Rūma Mangō and Jaylah in Rūma Paua, and their whanau. We are sure you will all enjoy being part of our learning community.

The Highlanders Visit

On the last day of term, the school welcomed three of the Highlanders players. The courts were a buzz with excited children practising their rugby skills. Highlander gear and balls were signed and these great pictures were taken.








OTAGO FUTSAL ACADEMY

Friday May 9 to June 13
Fridays

- 6-7PM: 8-10 Yrs
- 7-8PM: 11-13 Yrs

Venue

- Edgar Centre

Price

- \$23 per session/ \$138 for the six week block

Contact details

- Email: otagofutsalacademy@gmail.com
- Phone: 021923190
- Website: www.facebook.com/otagofutsalacademy/







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5:30pm – 6pm



For more information or to express interest

Please call or text

Tracy 027 624 8600 or Chris 021 735 855

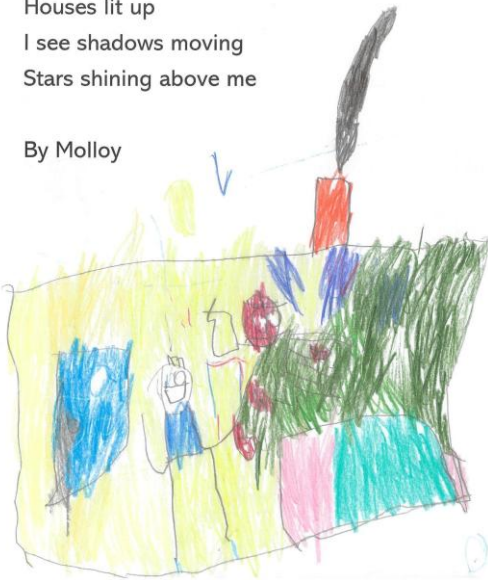
Our Night Poems

After reading the poem "Night" by Alan Bagnall we wrote and illustrated our own Night poems. Here are some to share...

Night walk

Wooo ooo, an owl in a tree
Rrrr mmmm, cars on the road
Houses lit up
I see shadows moving
Stars shining above me

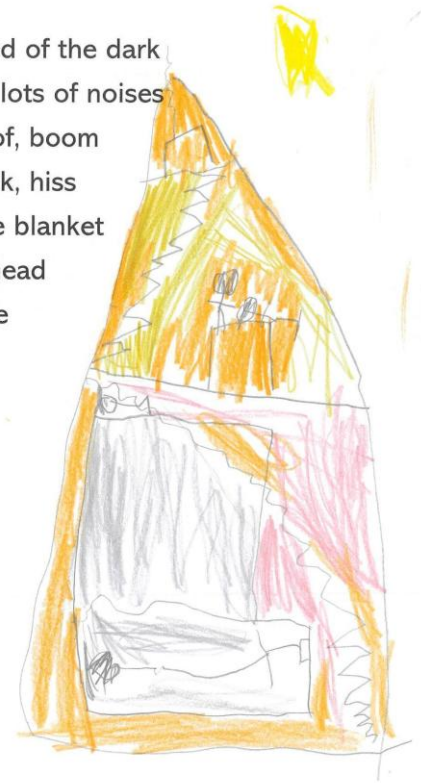
By Molloy



Night

I am scared of the dark
There are lots of noises
I hear woof, boom
Beep, honk, hiss
I cover the blanket
Over my head
Safe inside

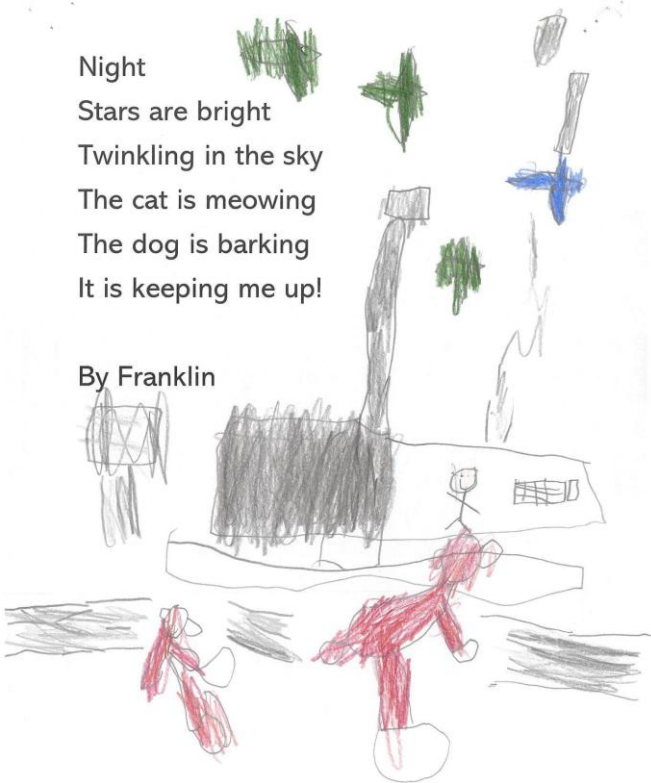
By Fred



Night

Stars are bright
Twinkling in the sky
The cat is meowing
The dog is barking
It is keeping me up!

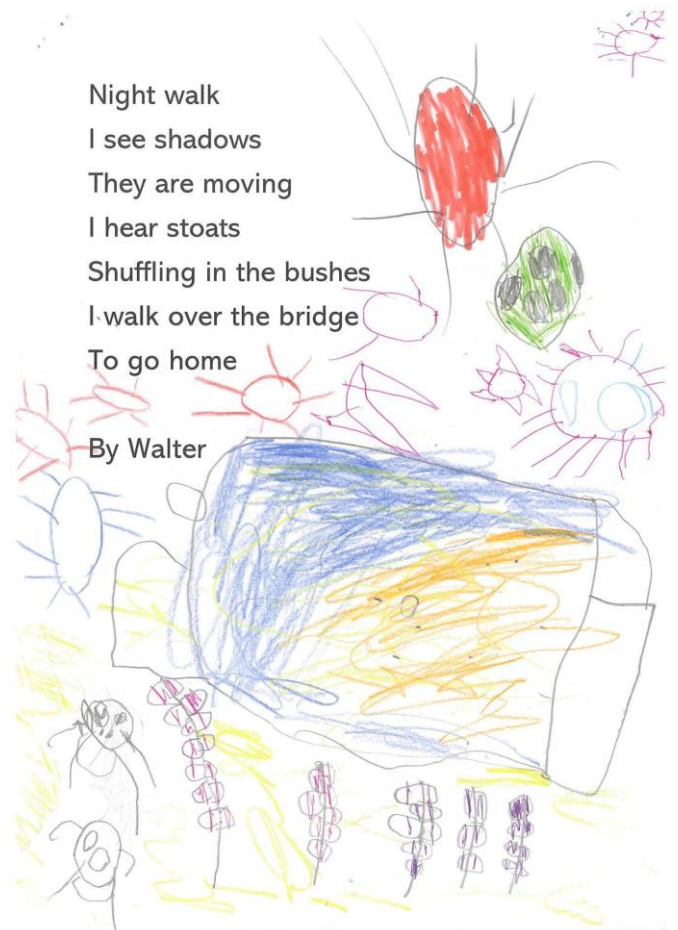
By Franklin



Night walk

I see shadows
They are moving
I hear stoats
Shuffling in the bushes
I walk over the bridge
To go home

By Walter



Night

Dark, dark nights

Scary

Maybe good dreams

Maybe nightmares

Scary, scary

Jumps in bed

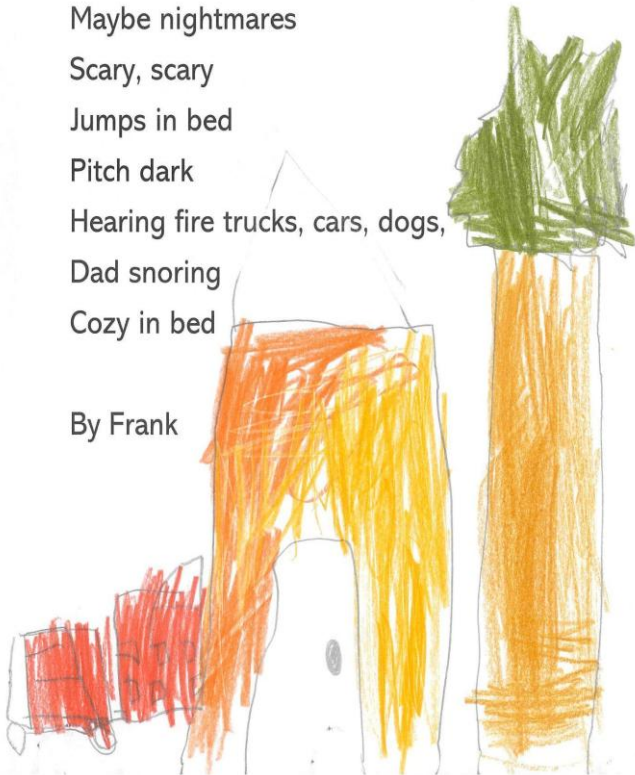
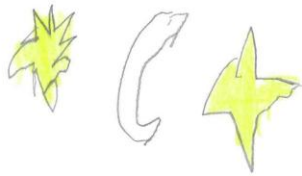
Pitch dark

Hearing fire trucks, cars, dogs,

Dad snoring

Cozy in bed

By Frank



Night

The stars are shining bright

It is midnight

I hear cars, cats, dogs, toads

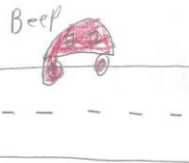
Beep, beep, meow, woof woof, ribbit

Keeping me up

I feel really scared

But...

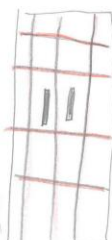
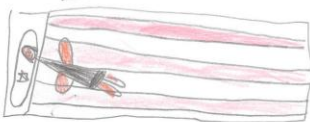
Safe and cozy in my bed.



By River-Rose



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The Port Chalmers Library Kids Book Club

The Port Chalmers Library Kids Book Club will be happening again next Monday (5th of May).

Come along and join us for snacks, bookish chat, and crafts.

3.15pm- 3.30pm for snacks followed by activities

3.30pm- 4.30pm

We hope to see you there

Lucinda, Kate, and the Port Library team.