



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

### Rūma Pāua Teacher

As you know, we're getting ready to farewell Brooke Flannery as she prepares for the arrival of her pēpi. We are so excited for her and her whānau and wish her all the very best for this special time.

We also understand that you may be wondering who will be joining our team to ensure a smooth transition for Rūma Pāua and tamariki. We are absolutely thrilled to announce that we have appointed Tim Cook to join us from 28<sup>th</sup> July. Tim is an experienced and passionate kaiako who comes to us from St Joseph's Cathedral School and before that he was the Principal of Pūrākaunui School. He has taught at our school before and lives in our community. He is an avid football player and fan and many of you will know him in this capacity. Tim is really looking forward to getting to know our tamariki and whānau and is committed to providing a nurturing and engaging learning environment. We know that Brooke has built strong relationships with our students and their families, and we are confident that Tim will continue to foster that same sense of connection and care in the classroom. Tim shares our school's values and is dedicated to ensuring the ongoing success and well-being of every child.

We will be providing an opportunity for you to meet Tim before Brooke begins her leave. We will share details of this meet-and-greet soon, so please keep an eye on our school communications.

In the meantime, please join us in warmly welcoming Tim to our kura. We know they will be a wonderful addition to our team.

You will have noticed that Tim isn't starting until week 3 of term 3 because of other commitments. Lee Davis will be teaching in Rūma Pāua for the first two weeks of the term. He is known to the class, making the transition from Brooke to Tim as seamless as possible.

Please talk to me if you have any questions.  
How exciting for everyone!

### Get Ready to Pink Up!

Our school will be celebrating Pink Shirt Day tomorrow, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May. This is a special day where we come together to show our support for creating a kind and inclusive environment where everyone feels safe and valued.

We encourage all students and staff to wear a pink shirt on this day to stand up against bullying. Let's make our kura a place where kindness always shines!

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at our Hui Whānau on Sunday afternoon. Everyone is welcome.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Vicki Nicolson  
Principal

### Calendar of Events

|                                              |                                         |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2:00 pm                 | Hui Whānau                              |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> June                         | Teachers Curriculum Day (School closed) |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> June 7:30 am                | Matariki Breakfast                      |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> June 7:00 pm                | Musical                                 |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> June                        | Last day of term 2                      |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> July 7:00 pm                | Quiz Night                              |
| <b>Public Holidays in term time for 2025</b> |                                         |
| June 2 <sup>nd</sup>                         | King's Birthday                         |
| June 20 <sup>th</sup>                        | Matariki                                |
| <b>Class Assemblies (Friday 2.30-3pm)</b>    |                                         |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> May                         | Rūma Tepetepe                           |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> May                         | Rūma Pāua                               |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> May                         | Rūma Wheke                              |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> June                        | Rūma Mangō                              |

### Hui Whanau



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, 18<sup>th</sup> 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.



**Teacher Curriculum Day**  
**6<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

**Te Reo Māori**

Wai – water

Whanga – harbour, bay

Motu – island

Repo – swamp

Manga – stream, creek

One – sand, earth at the beach

Wai-hīrere – waterfall

Ngaru – wave (in water)

### 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>

Payments can be made by cash to the school office or bank deposit to Port Chalmers School Board of Trustees 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.

Welcome to Taanewai in Rūma Pāua and his whānau. We are sure you will enjoy your time here as part of our learning community.

### Policy Consultation -Finance & Property

At Port Chalmers School we are deeply committed to providing the best possible learning environment for our tamariki. To ensure transparency and foster a strong partnership with our community, we are inviting your input on our policies and procedures related to the management of our school's finances and property.

[Here is the link to the finance policies](#)

[Here is the link to the property policies.](#)

Any feedback is welcome via

[office@portchalmers.school.nz](mailto:office@portchalmers.school.nz) or talking to Vicki.

### Strike Performance

We were truly amazed by the incredible performance from STRIKE! It was loud, it was energetic, and it was AMAZING watching these talented musicians play all those instruments. The kids were completely captivated, and some even got to join in on the fun of playing the Pasifika drums! A special shoutout to Ms. Waaka and Mr. Landreth for their hilarious drum battle! What a fantastic experience for everyone.





## Reward Ideas for Happy Teeth

Try these great non-food reward ideas for a healthy happy smile!



- School-Based Rewards**
  - Extra art, reading or library time
  - Sitting with friends or in a special seat
  - A special certificate from the teacher or principal
  - Being the 'Student of the Day' or 'Classroom Helper'
  - Acknowledgment during assembly or in a newsletter
- Extra Time & Privileges**
  - Extra playtime or special 'free choice' time
  - A special outing or extra time for a favourite activity
  - A movie night, family game night or a sleepover with friends
  - Choosing a bedtime story or helping to plan an activity or outing
- One-on-One Time**
  - Reading a book or playing a game together
  - Working on an activity, baking or crafting together
- Small Items & Tokens**
  - Stickers, temporary tattoos, fun stationery or art supplies
  - Books, magazines, comics and bookmarks
  - Trinkets, wristbands, magnets, frisbees, trading cards
  - Activity sheets or pocket card or games sets
  - Coupons, vouchers, gift certificates or play money
- Active Rewards**
  - A new ball, jump rope, or hula hoop
  - Trip to a park, beach or playground
  - Time to play a favourite sport or outdoor activity
  - A bike ride, walk or swim with family or friends

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June 28th 4-5:30pm

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Under 3 years free | \$5 for child | \$10 adult | \$25 family (2 adult + 2 child)