

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

lan's Retirement Assembly (by the children) and an adults only Afternoon Tea

Friday 12th December, 2:15pm in the school hall



Following the assembly, you are warmly invited to join us for afternoon tea in the Hall.

Please note: The afternoon tea will be an adult-only gathering to allow colleagues, parents, whanau, and friends of Ian to share memories and farewell him in a relaxed setting.

#### **Artist in Residence**

Last Sunday our annual Artist in Residence finished with an exhibition in our school hall of the found taonga each child created with our artist, Beau Cotton. The sharing of a week of creativity with our community has been a feature of the Artist in Residence programme for 27 years. There have been so many different creative endeavours, each with their own magic. The children enjoyed working with Beau. Seeing their taonga on display in the Hall was very exciting. The squeals of delight were so infectious on Sunday. Thank you for coming to support your children and The Arts. The

passion of our Kapa Haka group and marimba band is also a taonga to celebrate. Our thanks to the West Harbour Arts Charitable Trust for giving us access to working with an artist.

# Ngā mihi nui

Vicki Nicolson Principal

Calendar of Events	
27th November	School Board Meeting
6:00 pm	(Staffroom)
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 8 Big Day Out
15 <sup>th</sup> December 6:00 pm	Year 8 Dinner
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of the year
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Term 1 Begins 2026
Boating Rūma Māngo & Rūma Pāua	
4 <sup>th</sup> December	1pm - 3pm
Assembly Dates	
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Items from classes
12 <sup>th</sup> December (2:15pm)	Special Retirement Assembly for Ian Landreth
17 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm)	Final Assembly

#### PTA Fundraiser



For our next fundraiser we are after donations for our annual Christmas raffle hamper. Raffle tickets were sent home today.

Please check bags for these.

If you can donate any goods (such as Christmas treats, cards, decorations, food items or gifts) please send these along to the school office.

Our Christmas Raffle cards went home today. We thank you for your support.



- Rakiura Stewart Island
- Te Ara a Kiwa Foveaux Strait
- <u>Te Tai Poutini</u> West Coast of the South Island
- Te Waipounamu South Island

# Chewing or Bubble Gum at school

We have noticed chewing or bubble gum is coming to school and it is being chewed during the day. We have a 'no sweets' policy at our school. We also find that chewing/bubble gum gets thrown or put in places other than a rubbish bin. This is very hard to clean off footpaths, tables and chairs, apart from being unhealthy. Please reinforce this at home.

### Lunch Online

Next year Lunch online will be run by Kindo. Their app is called Ezylunch.

If you have an active Lunchonline account on **23rd December**, we will automatically create your Kindo account.

Any account balance will automatically transfer to your new or existing Ezlunch account in Kindo.

If you'd prefer, you can close your Lunchonline account via the website, before 5pm on 19 December 2025

Thank you for being part of the Lunchonline journey. We're proud of what we've built together and confident that Ezlunch will continue our work, making it easy for families to feed their hungry kiwi kids fresh, delicious meals.

If you have any urgent questions for Ezlunch please call 0800 EZLUNCH or email <a href="mailto:helpdesk@ezlunch.co.nz">helpdesk@ezlunch.co.nz</a>









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