

Pūrākaunui School Pūrākaunui School Newsletter



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Hi Everyone

Here we are at the end of Term One and it has been busy, warm and thoroughly enjoyable. The children have all worked hard and we look forward to sharing some of our learning with everyone on Thursday evening at assembly. I hope that people are able to relax and spend some nice family time together during the holiday and the Easter break which is in the middle of the holidays this year. Thanks to Ngaire for her kind Easter egg donation which we plan to use as a treasure hunt on the last day of the term.

Assembly-Thursday April 11th 6pm

We are looking forward to our first assembly night for the year and hope everyone can join us. If the evening light and weather permits, I am hoping to organize some games of volleyball to put our P.E. topic into practice, or to at least observe some adults giving it a go!

Dental Unit

Just to let you know I have been in touch with the mobile dental unit to see when it is next due in the West Harbour Area, when it sets up at Port Chalmers school and sees our kids. This is to take place in July or August this year. Unfortunately, this service is only every second year now.

Stationary and Donations

Thanks to those who have paid or contacted me regarding payments. If you have not paid yet can you please settle your account or set up an automatic payment by the end of the first term. School donations are \$90 and the stationary fee is \$30.

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Fluffy Ducks

Our latest two fluffy ducks are Lawrence and Joshua. Lawrence received his award for some lovely efforts lately with some of our younger children, setting a terrific example of the tuakana-teina philosophy we have here at school. Joshua received the award for some excellent work at writing time. Josh has been composing some excellent pieces of descriptive writing.



Source to Sea

We have thoroughly enjoyed all of our learning so far this term with our Source to Sea topic. We have been on three excellent local field trips and have learnt a great deal about our stream and also a lot about local history. I would like to say a very big thanks at this halfway point of the project to John Fisher for all of his excellent research, planning, energy and enthusiasm which is driving the Source to Sea project along.

Dates for your Diary

ASK ANTO - Every Wednesday

End of Term Assembly – Thurs 11th April
6pm

End of Term – Friday 12th April

Term 2 begins – Mon 29th April

Next Source to Sea field trip-Tues 7th May

Last Source to Sea field trip- Tues 21st May

Queens Birthday- Mon 3rd June

Edgar Sports Day- Tues 25th June

Last day of Term 2- Friday 5th July

Check out some examples of our Important Thing writing below!

This is a Hat

The important thing about a hat is you can wear it on your head. And you can wear it in any weather. It has a brim and you can hide things in it if you want to. Hats can be all shapes and sizes and they can be made of all kinds of materials. But the important thing about a hat is that you wear it on your head.

By Nicholas

Scissors

The important thing about scissors is that you cut with them. They can be dangerous if you play with them.

They are made of plastic and metal. They can cut food and paper. People also use scissors for cutting their hair and strings. But the important thing about scissors is that you cut with them.

By Jennifer.

NOTICES

Mulch

We have had quite a lot of mulch dropped off at school by some arborists who were cleaning up an old man pine that had fallen down on a Purakaunui road farm. There is more than we can use so if anyone would like some for their garden please help yourself. If you want to grab some in the holidays that is fine.

Tim Cook
Principal