

# Pūrākaunui



**Hi everybody.**

We are nearly half way through the term and heading into weather that feels spring like. It has been a productive two weeks since the last newsletter with the kids showing some impressive multi-tasking skills. We were lucky with the weather for our cross-country day and it was great to see everyone give it their best effort. Also seeing the kids cheering on their classmates is always a treat. Congratulations to Lawrence for winning his Year 5 race.

We have also been pretty busy preparing for Stars on Stage which is next Monday. Our new kids have done very well learning the school haka, school song and our play, and we have also had fun making some new props for the show. We are looking forward to performing now!

We also made it along to the Short Films for Schools which is part of NZ International Film Festival, which has become a special part of our cultural calendar over the last few years. This year's collection was fantastic, 14 wonderful films from around the world. We have had lots of fun discussing and interpreting what we saw. We have also said a sad farewell to Piripi and Muritai in this last fortnight as they have found a new place to live, in North East Valley. We wish them all the best.

## Pūrākaunui School Newsletter

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### **Stars on Stage - Monday August 26th 7pm** **Regent Theatre**

It is great to have our performance date and time for the rehearsal. The rehearsal time is at 12pm at the Regent. We will need to leave school at morning tea time to arrive in good time. Parents are welcome to pop along and watch this if they are unable to make the show on the night. The show starts at 7pm and we will rendezvous at approx. 6:40pm to get the kids together and let parents get to their seats in time for the start of the show. There were still a few tickets left for Monday night as of yesterday, and I also have two spare adult tickets for sale here at school if anyone needs them.

Tickets go on sale **Monday 12th August, 9am** at via Ticketdirect online [www.ticketdirect.co.nz](http://www.ticketdirect.co.nz) or [www.ticketrocket.co.nz](http://www.ticketrocket.co.nz). Tickets are also available by phone – 03 4778597 or 08004TICKET. In-person counter sales are available from Regent Theatre box office or the Edgar Centre.

**Prices are adults \$18, children \$10. Students and seniors with ID are \$16.**

### **Mobile Dental Unit**

The dental bus is currently parked down at Port Chalmers School. We have passed on each family's contact details to the staff down there and I understand that they will send out appointments via the post which will then be followed up with a text reminder the day before the appointment. Keep a lookout for these and let me know if you haven't received one by the end of August. They did say that most of our kids will be seen in September. Please ask if you have any queries.

## Fluffy Ducks

Congratulations Lawrence & Lachie



### Lawrence

Lawrence received the award for a great attitude toward the annual cross-country event. His enthusiasm was a great motivator for everyone! He also did a fair bit of preparation in his own time which paid off on the day, which I mentioned in my introduction. Well done, it was great to see the **Pūrākaunui School** colours moving so swiftly. Good luck for the Otago Cross Country Champs.

### Lachie

Lachie received the award for his helpful nature. He is always very happy to help and will often offer to help when he sees something that he can assist with. He also had a very positive attitude at the cross-country event which is a big, busy event especially when it is your first one! Great stuff Lachie. Keep it up.

## Quiz Night - Friday September 20th

Our 13th annual quiz night is scheduled for later in the term. It is always lots of fun, so let people know and tell them if they would like to book a team to get in touch with Tim. Teams of 4 or 5, and the cost is \$5 per team member. It would be great if anyone had any ideas about businesses who might be willing to donate prizes for raffles and team prizes on the night. The local Port Chalmers businesses always give generously but any thoughts or contacts you might have in town would be appreciated.



Thanks to Danielle & Jay for their excellent skills in prop making at Little Papis for Stars on Stage!



Fun at the Art Gallery !

## Dates for Diary

Stars on Stage – Monday August 26th 7pm  
Quiz Night - Friday September 20th  
End of Term Three – Friday September 27th  
Seafood Festival – Saturday September 28th  
Start of Term Four -Monday October 14th  
End of Term Four - Thursday December 19th

Tim Cook

Principal

