

Purakanui School Newsletter #1 Term 1 1 February 2012

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Hello everybody and welcome back to school after the loveliest summer in living memory! Lots of long hot lazy days – lots of swimming, camping, fishing, biking, and more swimming! I hope you've tucked away some sunny memories to bring out in the depth of winter.

A special welcome to Paige Smith from Osborne, who has joined us in Year 8. I hope you enjoy your year with us Paige.



On Time

Tim and I have made a New Year's Resolution to begin each school day promptly at 9am. We will appoint a student monitor to help us get the bell rung on time. Parents, can you please help us by having children at school by quarter to nine, which gives them time to put their bags away, greet their

friends and teachers and prepare for the day. Also if parents need to have a word with one of the teachers, please either do this early, so that we are free to begin each day at nine, or make a time to talk to us after school.

If you are unable to get your children to school by nine, or if they are to be absent that day, please let us know by phoning the office.

Swimming - Tuesday's 1:30pm, Port Chalmers Pool

We are getting swiftly into our swimming programme beginning on Tuesday 7 Feb. Like last year, we will take all the children every Tuesday this term to Port Chalmers Pool for lessons with Licia and her crew of trained swimming coaches. We believe this is a very important part of our PE programme and aim to have every child able to competently swim at least 200 metres before they leave this school.

Please remember togs, goggles and towels **next** Tuesday. Also we will need regular help with transport to and from the pool. Please let Tim know if you can help.

Senior 7-8 Camp

The lucky year 7-8's are off to Quarantine Island for four days 21 – 24 February. As Lynne's knee operation is scheduled for the same week, Tim will be going as teacher-in-charge and a reliever will be at school for the remaining children. The five seniors involved have already received detailed information regarding the camp. If you have any queries or worries please contact Lynne.

Stationery

Tim and I have once again been shopping on your behalf and bought all the stationery items your children need, at extremely good rates. The pack's are waiting on the children's desks for immediate use. You may like to take books home over the next few days for covering.

The cost of packs are as follows:

Seniors - \$25.00

New Seniors - \$30.50 (ring-binder and poetry scrapbook extra)

Juniors –

Please pay for these packs as quickly as possible as they are not covered by your activities donation, and the school is carrying the cost in the meantime.

Lynne Allen
Principal

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ✓ Waitangi Day: Monday 6 Feb
- ✓ First Swimming: Tuesday 7 Feb, 1:30pm at Port Chalmers Pool
- ✓ Senior Year 7-8 Camp: Tuesday – Friday 21-24 Feb
- ✓ Otago Anniversary Day: Monday 26 March
- ✓ Last day of Term 1: Thursday 5 March

Junior Stationery

2 LWB	=	2.50
1 IH5	=	0.78
2 notebooks	=	0.10
2 IU4	=	1.90
1 IF4	=	1.45
2 IB5	=	0.48
2 rubbers	=	2.00
1 ruler	=	0.40
3 Hb pencils	=	1.98
1 gluestick	=	1.99
1 scrapbook	=	2.50

Juniors Total **16.08**

Senior Stationery

1B8 exercise book	43c x 5 =	2.15
Quad maths book	1.95 x 2 =	3.90
Small notebooks	5c x 2 =	0.10
14B8 refill	48c x 1 =	0.48
Ruler	40c x 1 =	0.40
Divider sheets	3.00 x 1 =	3.00
Rubbers 2-pack	2.00 x 1 =	2.00
Pencils 3 pack	1.98 x 1 =	1.98
Coloured pencils	5.00 x 1 =	5.00
Glue stick	1.99 x 1 =	1.99
Pen pack	4.00 x 1 =	4.00

Seniors Total **25.00**

+ Ringbinder	3.00 x 1 =	3.00
Poetry scrapbook	2.50 x 1 =	2.50
<i>Total</i>		<i>5.50</i>

New Seniors Total **35.50**