



CONCORD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together We Learn and Grow"



Kia ora whānau

Duathlon – The school duathlon will take place at 1.00pm **next Wednesday 21st February** (postponement day Thursday 22nd February). If the weather is unsuitable on either of these days I will post our postponement decision on Facebook.

The Duathlon is a run and bike/scooter event. Children are able to race as an individual (complete both run/bike) or as a team of two. If your child is riding, their bike/scooter and helmet must be at school by 12.30pm.

The viewing area for parents and children not competing will be on the grass bank at the edge of the top court. This area will be cordoned off. For health and safety reasons please do not leave this area during a race, and ensure preschoolers are kept close by.

Junior Swimming – Thank you to the whānau who have been helping with junior swimming this week. The final day is tomorrow.



Walking Vests – We are missing a large quantity of our fluoro-yellow walking vests from last year. If you have one at home please return it as soon as possible.



Year 5/6 Camp – The dates of the Year 5/6 camp at Tirohanga have had to be changed due to circumstances beyond our control. **It will now be in Week 3 of Term 2 from Monday 14th May to Friday 18th May.** Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. More info about camp will follow.

Parents' Group Meeting – Our first Parents' Group meeting will be **tonight** at 7.00pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Activity Fees/Donations – We thank those parents who have paid already or organised direct debit payments. We understand this is an expensive time of year with stationery and uniform costs, and we endeavour to keep the fees and donations at an affordable level.

The activity fee this year is \$50 per child and the donation is \$30 per family. These fees go towards extra trips and activities that your child will be involved in over the year.

If you wish to pay by internet banking our account details are: BNZ - Concord School Board of Trustees - 020912 0019185 00

Health & Consent Forms – There are still a number of these forms to be returned please.

Goal Setting Interviews – We will be having goal setting interviews for all children on Tuesday 27th February from 2.15-6.00pm, and Thursday 1st March from 3.15pm-6.00pm. Room 3 will also have some interviews on Wed 28th February.

Futsal – The first game is on Wednesday 21st February. A note will go home confirming the teams tomorrow.



Touch – The first game is on Thursday 22nd February. A note will go home confirming the teams tomorrow.

School Attendance – It is pleasing to see that attendance has been very good so far this year. Please advise us as soon as possible if your child will be late or will not be attending school.

If you have a planned holiday during term time please advise us **in writing** as soon as possible. Please endeavour to keep these breaks/absences to a minimum during term time as this does have an impact on children's learning and the programmes that the teachers have put in place.

Bikes – A reminder that **only Year 6 children are permitted to bike to and from school**, and they must have written permission from a parent/caregiver.



Breakfast – Thanks to all the parents who have offered to help with this. Breakfast will be **every morning** in Room 2 from 8.30am.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **Thurs 15th Feb – Parents Group Meeting**
- * **Wed 21st Feb – Duathlon** (reserve Thurs 22nd)
- * **Wed 21st Feb – BOT Meeting 6.30pm**
- * **Wed 28th Feb – GGI Triathlon**
- * **27 Feb- 1 Mar - Goal Setting Interviews**
- * **Mon 26th Mar – Otago Anniversary Day**
- * **Fri 30 Mar-Tues 3 Apr – Easter**
- * **Fri 13 Apr – End of Term 1**



Steve Turnbull
Principal

ABSENCES – please PHONE 488 2204 or TEXT 027 391 9985 by **9.00am** with the reason your child is absent (sick etc)

Clever Cats – This Friday Feb 16th at 1.30pm
Assembly – Next Friday Feb 23rd at 2.15pm



Welcome to our new student and his family:

* Samar Prasad

Green Island Junior Football Club

Raising the Game

2018 REGISTRATIONS
NOW OPEN



We are now accepting registrations – catering from player from 4 to 18 years old – **registrations close 4 March**. Check out our website <http://www.gijfc.co.nz/>

Green Island Junior Rugby Club

Registration and Open Days are Sunday 4th March 11am to 1pm and Monday 5th March 5pm - 7pm at the Green Island Rugby Clubrooms, Neil Street, Abbotsford.

You can register on the following link <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/60945> or via our website www.girugby.co.nz, registered players still need to attend one of our open days.

Fees for this year are \$50 for 1 child and \$90 for a family. Every child receives a free mouthguard

All enquires to: Jason Bezett 0275 882 547 (Junior Chairman) or Tracey Boereboom 021 149 3189 (Junior Secretary)

Whooping Cough (pertussis) - In November 2017, the Ministry of Health declared a national outbreak due to an increase in notification of cases. Whooping cough is highly infectious and is spread by coughing and sneezing. While anyone can be affected, in Southern DHB it is more common in people under 19 years. Vaccination is the best way to prevent spread of disease and protect individuals. Children who have been fully immunised, are likely to have protective immunity to the illness for a few years and may not develop symptoms, or their symptoms may be milder. Unfortunately, older children and adults can still get and spread the infection because immunity fades over time, and catching the infection also does not provide lifelong immunity.

Symptoms and signs of whooping cough begin with a runny nose and an irritating cough, with a slight fever that may be followed by spasms of coughing some days later. The cough can last for weeks and may have a "whooping" sound during coughing fits, gasping for breath or vomiting after coughing. Antibiotics can help reduce the infectious period if started within 18 days of onset. Children often appear well between coughing fits and may not have all of the above signs/symptoms. For those diagnosed with whooping cough - this means not going out in public places, to pre-school, to school or to work for at least the first three weeks of cough. This period is shorter if antibiotics are used.

Your Public Health Nurse is able to provide further information and advice if needed.



OCTOBER - MARCH, 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

DUNEDIN SUMMER MARKET

Come and see AMAZING, high quality stalls - shopping local has become easy!

Next Markets: 18th February 10am - 2pm @ Arthur St School



Craft, fun and games for primary/intermediate age kids. Held at 4pm on the 2nd Floor, City Library every second Thursday.

THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY

Poi making

THURSDAY 1 MARCH

Rock Stars

THURSDAY 15 MARCH

It's a wrap

THURSDAY 29 MARCH

Paper crunching the Batik way

THURSDAY 12 APRIL

Brilliant badges

FREE



Lucky Book Club

The first Lucky Book Club order for 2018 closes **tomorrow Friday 16th February**. Please return money and orders to the school office.



LEGO CLUB



Join our Lego Club, and get building!

Use your imagination and create whatever you want to - everything is awesome at Lego Club.

All Lego bricks provided.

SUITABLE: 5+

FREE

First Wednesday of every month
4pm - 5pm | 2nd Floor | City Library



Jr Registration Day 2018

Sunday 4th March 12.00-2.00pm

(Registrations also 5.30-7.00 Tuesday 6th March and 12.00-2.00pm Sunday 11th March)

Bathgate Park, Helena st.

Free BBQ Lunch/ Spot Prizes/ Rugby Skills Sessions

Come on down and find out why you should join our club in 2018!
Registrations for U5-U13 Grades

Subs \$45 family discounts apply



Contacts: Dan 027 558 6380 Robert 027 487 8605

Don't forget to check out our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/concordschooldunedin



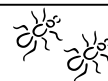
After-school Care Programme is now available for Concord students, at a very reasonable cost, with excellent subsidies available.

Please contact Magic Kids Club Office 453 3266 or Email bookings@magickidsclub.co.nz for more information

Community Oral Health Service



0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583)
or **0800 ORAL HEALTH (0800 672 543)** (free from cell phones).



HEAD LICE

Please continue to be vigilant in checking your child's hair regularly, and treating if needed



EVERY DAY * EASY LUNCH * - Reg \$5.00/

Lge \$6.00 - pizza bun/s, dessert, piece of fruit, homemade muffin and bag of popcorn

FRIDAY * PIZZA * - \$2.70 per slice, meatlovers or hawaiian
Orders and money to the office before 9.00am please



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