

Concord School NEWSLETTER



23 March 2023

Kia ora whānau

Duathlon – TOMORROW Friday 24th March we will be holding our annual **senior** duathlon. This will be at Emerson Park from 1.00pm, starting with Year 4 students and ending with Year 6. Whānau are welcome to come and cheer the students on.

The **junior** duathlon will be held on **Tuesday 4**th **April** here at school starting at 1.30pm, starting with Year 1 and ending with Year 3. Again, whānau are most welcome.

If you could help by being a marshal at either of these events please see me.

Easter Raffle – Raffle cards went home last week for our annual Easter Raffle, always a popular event. Please return these, sold or unsold, by **next Wednesday 29 March**.

Mufti Day – Don't forget we are having a mufti day **TOMORROW Friday 24th March**. Instead of a gold coin, please bring along Easter goodies to go in the hamper prizes – Easter eggs, novelties, soft toys etc



Camp – Many thanks to everyone who helped to make it such a great week! Big thanks to Wendy Ross for organising and running such a successful camp, and to Tanya for keeping us all well fed. Thanks also to the parents who helped – Trev, Greg, and Hayden. I'm sure the students have all talked about it and the photos on Facebook show what great memories they will have.

The children also learned and practised washing and drying dishes, general cleaning and keeping their bunkrooms and possessions tidy (we have photographic proof!). These are great skills to continue promoting at home.

We would also like to thank the Bendigo Valley Trust for their donation of \$1200 towards the camp activities, and the Otago Community Trust for support for individual students.

Bad Weather – Unless there is an imminent threat of flooding, schools are usually open as usual during rain events, as we had on Tuesday. Now that we are heading towards winter, there is always a possibility of late starts or school

closures due to snow or ice. Information will be on local radio stations, and on their Facebook pages, usually from 7.00am. As soon as we know we will also post it on our school's Facebook page and Skool Loop.



Duffy Theatre – On Tuesday we welcomed the Duffy Theatre group back to our school. They entertained us with a great space-themed show.

Futsal – This week the Concord Shooters played MHS Newcastle and the 'Player of the Day' was Shelby. The Concord Strikers played St Bernies Burritos and the 'Player of the Day' was Tezla.

Touch – This afternoon the team is playing the GSNS Twisters on Field 10 at 4.15pm.



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Netball/Miniball – We are offering both of these winter sports for Terms 2 & 3. There are many benefits of children playing a team sport - please encourage your child to get involved. Both sports are at the Edgar Centre. Notices are going out - please return these before the end of the term.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * Fri 24 Mar Easter Raffle Mufti Day
- * Fri 24 Mar Senior Duathlon
- * Wed 29 Mar Greater Green Island Triathlon
 - Tues 4 Apr Junior Duathlon

Ngā mihi Steve Turnbull Principal ABSENCES – Please PHONE 488 2204, TEXT 027 391 9985, or use the Skool Loop app, by **9.00am,** with the reason your child is absent (sick etc)

Clever Cats – This Friday March 24th at 1.30pm **Assembly** – None while the hall is out of action

The Big Day Out

Bang! The bus threw me back into my seat. We were finally there! When we got to the Dunedin Botanical Gardens we walked to the glasshouse and straight away we had morning tea. After that we did a treasure hunt. I got to look after a little kid called Ariella. My group got about ten questions done then we had lunch and walked to the Woodhaugh Gardens. I went on the flying fox and swung so high at the end! We were allowed in the paddling pool. A bee was in the paddling pool.

I went on the flying fox again because it was so fun, someone came and shouted "There are iceblocks" and after my turn I went and got a nice juicy iceblock. Mine was fruity flavoured. After a whole lot of playing it was time to go. The Makomako and Rātā Rooms' bus was fine, but our bus wouldn't go. We had to wait and Peter our parent helper sent a message to my mum saying that we would be late back.

We waited a really long time, I played and talked with Jood, Nikos and Jude. We got out and had some fresh air and a tiny bit later the bus started working! We were so excited, we just piled on. I got to sit next to Freya. I was so excited to get back to school. I rushed to class to put my hat away and then rushed back out again. When I got home I had a huge headache. Wow! First the Botanic Gardens, then the Woodhaugh Gardens. Such a big day! - by Emily



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