



Concord School NEWSLETTER



6 April 2023

Kia ora whānau

End of Term Assembly – Congratulations to the winners of our end of term awards:

Mark Reid Super Citizen Awards –
Tezla O'Brien and Stella Murphy
Principal's Award – Jude Waldrom
and Olivia Bottomley



It was fantastic to have tamariki, whānau and staff all back in one room together. It has been a long time, between the restrictions of Covid and all our construction work.

Teacher Only Day – School will be closed on **Monday 1st May** for a Teacher Only Day. Our day will be spent introducing the refreshed NZ Curriculum to our staff.

ERO – Over the last six months I have been working with our Education Review Office partner Jim Turrell. The review model with ERO has now changed to an ongoing partnership over a longer period of time, with a focus on school goals. Previously it was an intensive 3-5 day visit to schools every 3-5 years.

Our latest school profile and the Board Assurance Report will be online soon. Further details on the process are in the box below.

Mountain Biking Group – On Monday Heath and I had a great day taking a group of Rātā students for mountain bike riding to the bike tracks at Forrester Park in North East Valley. There are several photos on our Facebook page. I will be taking the rest of the class early next term.



Production – Great news! We have confirmed the Otago University College of Education auditorium on Union Street for our rescheduled production, postponed due to Covid at the end of last year. The students will be busy practising next term!

Touch – Last week Concord Blue played their final game of the season winning against the Pine Hill Highlanders and our 'Players of the Day' were Aiah and Kaleb.



Netball & Miniball – Sadly we don't have enough players for a netball team this year.

We also don't have enough players for a full junior or senior Kiwihoops team, although we are looking at the possibility of joining with another school. More information will be available next term.

EASTER RAFFLE RESULTS

Congratulations to the winner of the Easter Raffle Hampers:

Card 8 – Ford	Card 9 - Harradine
Card 16 – Tahana	Card 27 - Murphy
Card 52 – Kane	Card 57 - Hugh
Card 67 – Mclanachan	Card 72 – Kane
Card 74 – Robinson	Card 82 - Robinson



We hope you all enjoy your prizes! Many thanks to everyone for your support of this fundraiser.



Lucky Book Club – There has been a hold up with the delivery of orders, so they may not be here until next term, with apologies from Scholastic.

School Security – It is really positive to see so many children and families outside of school hours playing on the bike tracks and in the playgrounds.

If you do see anything unsuitable happening in our school grounds over the holidays, or at any time, please do not hesitate to contact the police. If urgent dial 111, or phone 471 4800.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **Thurs 6 Apr** – Last day of Term 1
- * **Mon 24 Apr** – Term 2 begins
- * **Tues 25 Apr** – ANZAC Day
- * **Mon 1 May** – Teacher Only Day



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)

Te Ara Huarau is the evaluation approach that the Education Review Office (ERO) is using in our school. This is a developmental approach to evaluation where ERO and our school work together over time rather than one off reviews that happened previously. Te Ara Huarau is used in most English-medium state and state-integrated schools.

ERO maintains a regular review programme to evaluate and report on the education and care of young people in the schools. Our school worked alongside ERO to write our Profile Report. This type of report will only happen once as part of our initial engagement with Te Ara Huarau. The profile report reflects our strategic goals and a shared evaluation focus on one or more areas that are important to us as we work together to improve outcomes for all our learners. ERO, like us, have a strong focus on equity and excellence. Future reporting will show our progress and achievement towards meeting the goals we have set. Public reports like the Profile Report are published on [ERO's website](#).

Kia ora, our names are Jacinta and Shengnan. We are researchers at the University of Auckland, Faculty of Education and Social Work. We would like to collect some information about your experiences with the **Duffy Books in Homes** programme.

These surveys will help the University of Auckland research team to better understand your experiences with Duffy books in homes. They are voluntary and confidential and are your chance to have your say, give feedback and suggest ways to improve the overall experience.

We are inviting parents to complete an **online anonymous parents survey** which takes about **5-10 minutes** to complete. All completed parent surveys go into the draw for 1 of 20 \$50 Prezzy vouchers.

Parents also have the option to complete, with their child, the **online anonymous student survey**. All completed student surveys go into the draw for 1 of 20 \$20 Prezzy vouchers.

Completing this survey is voluntary. Submission of the online survey is taken as consent to participate. Enter the survey using the links below:

Parent survey https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_elcbzrB0GMxhcsS

Year 1-3 student survey https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6WptBGrUAX4AaCg

Year 4-6 student survey https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eJK7II5FbuEnYVM



GREATER GREEN ISLAND

EASTER EGG HUNT

Find one of 120 wooden Easter egg cut outs

FRIDAY, 7TH APRIL 2023
9:30AM ONWARDS
12 GREATER GREEN ISLAND PARKS

Find an egg, take it home and decorate how ever you want!

We are hiding a whopping 120 wooden Easter egg cutouts. That is 10 Easter eggs in 12 parks around Greater Green Island!

A family friendly day out! Eggs in place at a park near you from 9am until they run out.

If you find more than one egg have fun re-hiding for others. Share photos of your detective work and decorated eggs.

Concord - Emerson Street Playground, Mulford Park

Green Island - Memorial park, Elwyn Crescent Park

Abbotsford - Matthew Street Playground, Lambert Street Playground, Severn Street Playground

Fairfield - Skatepark, Walton Park

Waldronville - Delta Drive Park

Ocean View - Ocean View / Braids Hill reserve playground

Brighton - Domain

TOTS TO TEENS

CHILDHOOD IN AOTEAROA

FOR YOUR PARENTS

Out now!

<https://issue2304.totstoteens.co.nz/>

What's in this issue for parents?

- » Is my child ready for Primary School?
- » Do you have an under-the-radar child?
- » Parents guide to: Surviving the cost of living
- » Fun stuff for the holidays
- » Delizioso Italian recipes. Yum!
- » Parents are people too... Selfcare (is more than a hot bath)
- » How to plan a holiday, and involve the kids
- » Debate: How much sport is too much?
- » Craft: An easy and edible Easter nest
- + \$3,000 of EPIC GIVEAWAYS



GREEN ISLAND YOUTH DIVISION

The St John Youth programme focuses on teaching young people first aid, health care, leadership and life skills - with fantastic opportunities to experience new things and of course - have fun!

Green Island Youth Division meets every Thursday during term time, 6:30-8pm (Cadets, 8-18yo) at St Margarets Church, 208 Main South Road, Green Island



For more information contact Bronson:
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 or visit www.youth.stjohn.org.nz



Teddy Bear's BBQ

BRING YOUR TEDDY BEAR AND PICNIC BLANKET TO A BBQ IN MEMORIAL PARK

- Free Sausage Sizzle
- Scavenger Hunt
- Face-painting
- Lawn games
- Teddy bear story time

SATURDAY
22ND APRIL
11AM - 2PM

WIN!

A signed Highlanders Shirt
 Raffle tickets: \$2 each / \$5 for 3



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 often and treating when necessary



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