



Concord School NEWSLETTER



24 August 2023

Kia ora whānau

Junior Swimming - We have had a last minute chance of five days of swimming lessons for our two junior classes at the **new Mosgiel pool NEXT WEEK**, and we finally managed to secure a bus!

Monday - leave school 9.45am, return 11.45am

Tuesday to Friday - leave school 10.45am, return about 12.45pm

We will need to parents to help with changing students. The Board's policy is that all adults who help in the changing rooms must have a current police vet. **If you are intending to come please check at the office to see if your vet is up to date.** Unfortunately there is not enough time to get vets done if you don't already have one.

Senior swimming will be every Tuesday afternoon **next term** at Moana Pool.



Greater Green Island Cross Country – Well done to everyone who took part in the GGI cross country race last Friday: Schuyler, Naomi, Kaleb, & Lenix.

'Bakehouse on Bond' – The Parents' Group is again running their very successful fundraiser from "Bakehouse on Bond". An order form went home last week for their pies and other delicious treats. Please return the form and money to the school office by **next Wednesday 30th August**. More forms are available at the school office.



Apologies that the price for the pizzas was inadvertently left off the order form. The three pizza varieties (30cm) are all **\$11.00 each**

Assembly – Our mid-term assembly is being held tomorrow at 2.00pm in the school hall. All whānau are most welcome.

Whānau Hui – We are having our annual Whānau Hui on **Wednesday 6th September** at 3.15pm in the studio for all our Māori and Pasifika families. Afternoon tea will be provided. Your children are also welcome to attend – there will be supervision. We look forward to seeing as many of our Māori/Pasifika families there as possible.

Kiwihoops – Last week was the final game of the season. The team won against Musselburgh Red and the 'Player of the Day' was Lenix.

Please return the (clean) sports tops to school as soon as possible.



Greater Green Island Get Together – This is taking place on **Saturday 9th September** from 10.00am-1.00pm at the DCBC on Main South Rd, Concord, a great event for our whole community.

Bikes – A reminder that while we welcome children bringing their bikes to school, they must either have adult supervision or walk their bikes to and from school. Year 6 students may ride their bikes alone, but only after a signed consent form from their parents/caregivers is sent to the school office.

MASH After School Care – MASH (My After School Headquarters) is trialling an after school care programme here at Concord School for this term. For more information, or to book in, please go to <https://www.mashkids.co.nz/>

So far this term there has been very low demand for this service, so it is likely that it won't continue.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **Mon 28 Aug–Fri 1 Sep – Junior Swimming**
- * **Wed 30 Aug – Pie orders in**
- * **Wed 6 Sept – Whānau Hui**
- * **Sat 9 Sept – Greater Green Island Get-together**
- * **Fri 22 Sept – End of Term 3**



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)

Assembly - this Friday 25th Aug at 2.00pm
Clever Cats – next Friday Sept 1st at 1.30pm



Kapa Haka Practice

For the last few weeks our school has been doing Kapa haka practice with a lady named Luana. She is a Resource Teacher for Māori. The longest part is getting in place and being in sync [being in time], then we start with our karakia. We also do a welcome song. For our welcome song, we are doing the song 'Tutira Mai Nga Iwi'. The leader for this song is my friend Joy-ciana. She has to start us off.



Then we start our school narrative. It is a little like a pepeha or a chant where we all kneel down and the speakers stand up and tell the audience a bit about our school. I also start us off on our school song and everyone follows along.

We have practiced poi as well. The seniors and juniors have different songs for poi. The seniors have 'Purerehua' which is about butterflies and the juniors have 'E Rere Taku Poi'.

Then we do the hardest part, the haka. The boys come to the front and the girls go to the back. The girls have softer actions at the back, whereas the boys are more powerful. Then we do our farewell song and karakia to end it all.

I'm feeling a bit nervous about the Polyfest at the moment but also excited. Not long to go now. - By Ava

Izabella's Cross Country Report

Rūma Rātā lined up at the white fence, very excited for the senior cross country. We did some warm ups around the top court before going down to the sports field where Mr Turnbull said 'Go!'. The girls went first.

Off over to the playground, over the beam, around the monkey bars and then over the big tunnel. Still running past the juniors, over the fence and down to the end of the street. We had to repeat that three times. Whew, I was puffed, but I kept going. Schuyler came first place in the girls race and I came last but at least I tried really hard.



And then it was the boys turn. They ran so hard that they got really puffed too. Kaleb came in first place for the boys race. He looked hot and puffed after the end. Some of the runners were lucky enough to be chosen to go to the Greater Green Island cross country where they competed against five other schools.



GREEN ISLAND JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

AGM

7pm Thursday 21st September 2023
The Village Green

All are welcome. We encourage you to come along, meet the committee and see what it's all about.

DCBC - 19 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, CONCORD
SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER
10.00AM TO 1.00PM

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Lucky Book Club

The current Lucky Book Club order for 2023 was distributed last week and closes **TOMORROW Friday 25th August**. Money and orders to the office please.

Concord School

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Head Lice

Please continue to be vigilant in checking your child's hair often and treating when necessary

Don't forget to check our Facebook page for information, messages, photos & videos:

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KIDS XC series

2023

No pre-entry - turn up on the day.

Sun 27 August
Rotary Park
10am Start

Free Event for 10 & under

Can donation for food bank

Collect the Blue Ribbon

Certificates for all Cool Obstacles

All enquiries to ariki.athletics.club@gmail.com

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