



Concord School NEWSLETTER



21 Sept 2023

Kia ora whānau

Polyfest – Ka pai to all the tamariki who performed last week at the Otago Polyfest. The students showed excitement and a few nerves beforehand although this was quickly overcome when the performance started.

A big thanks to Luana Thomas (Resource teacher of Māori) who worked with our staff on the performance. Luana used our vision and Concord CARE to write our school karakia which the students recited at the beginning of the presentation. I would also like to acknowledge Heath McEwan who learnt and led the school haka with the boys. It was an impressive display, full of intent and volume. Thanks to all our staff who have been involved in the practices and organising the uniform. It has been a real team effort. Tēnā koe to all our whānau who watched it at the Edgar Centre and by livestream.

“Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari kē he toa takitini”. This whakatauki acknowledges team effort, that one's success is due to the support and contribution of many. Just as it takes a village to raise a child, it takes a community/a team to enable an individual's success.

It has been heart-warming to receive so much positive feedback on our Polyfest performance. This included a lovely voicemail message on our phone from someone who is unrelated to the school, who said our performance was ‘magnificent and amazing’. She said that every child had the spirit of the event and it had left a lasting impression with her!



End of Term Assembly – We are holding our end of term assembly **today at 2.00pm**, where we look forward to presenting our end of term Mark Reid Super Citizen certificates and Principal CARE Awards. All whānau are most welcome to join us.

Strategic Plan Survey - Thank you to all those who responded to this survey. The winner of the Concord Tavern **\$100 meal voucher** was Farren.

Cross Country – Congratulations to everyone who took part in our Year 1-4 races on Tuesday.

Māori Language Week - Due to the Polyfest focus last week all students are spending time this week learning about various Māori cultural activities, including rākau, weaving and artworks.



New Zealand Principals Conference - Last week I had the opportunity to attend the NZPF conference and listen to a range of excellent keynote speakers. Just as importantly it gave me the opportunity to speak to principals from throughout New Zealand, in small, large, rural and urban schools. These were insightful conversations that provided plenty of time for reflection and learning, and an appreciation for what a great school and community Concord is.

Road Crossing After School - Can we please ask that all parents and children crossing the road after school use the raised crossing where the road wardens are on patrol. We are trying to teach the children good road safety habits, particularly with road crossing and traffic awareness. Also please remember that Thoreau Street is now a 30 km zone. We greatly appreciate your support with this.

Firewood Raffle – Year 4/5 students are selling a firewood raffle as a fundraiser for their 2024 camp. Please see a student, or Linda at the office, if you would like to purchase a ticket, or sell a card.

Senior Swimming – Kōwhai and Rātā classes will be swimming **every Tuesday** afternoon next term at Moana Pool, leaving 1.00pm, back by 3.00pm.

We will need parents to go with us for ratio - you are welcome to swim in the wave pool with them or supervise from the side. You must have a current police vet to access the changing rooms. Forms are available at the school office. Please do this asap as vets take time to be processed.

School Security – As usual, if you see anything unsuitable happening in our school grounds please do not hesitate to contact the police. If urgent dial 111, or phone Dn Community Police 471 4800.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **Thurs 21 Sept – End of Term Assembly**
- * **Fri 22 Sept – End of Term 3**
- * Mon 9 Oct – Term 4 begins
- * Every Tuesday Term 4 – Senior swimming



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)



Cross Country Placegetters 2023

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Cooper	Georgie	Jude	Malakai
	Ava	James	Chance
	Sophie	Manu	Ollie
			Aya
			Stella
			Hailee
			Emily
			Brooke
			Hannah

Exploring our coastal wonders with VR and Tours at NZ Marine Studies Centre

Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th September 2023
10am - 12.30pm

In this engaging and educational 1.5 hour VR programme you will experience different marine environments around Aotearoa, learn about ocean damage and what we can do to protect our moana.

Then we will go on a tour and meet local marine species at our touch tanks to find out what makes them special, vulnerable and resilient. We'll also get an insight into research currently underway at the Portobello Marine Lab and finish off with a deep sea dive in our virtual submarine!

This event is suitable for Ages 10 Years +
Spaces are limited. Bookings Essential.

Book your tickets at:
<https://events.humanitix.com/exploring-our-coastal-wonders-with-vr-and-a-tour-of-nzmsc>

DYNAMIC DEVELOPMENTS

Child & Family Counselling

OUR FRIENDLY AND EXPERIENCED COUNSELLOR CAN HELP YOUR CHILD THROUGH CHILD CENTERED THERAPY WITH:

- Behavioural Management
- Emotional Regulation
- Academic Support
- Anxiety and Fear
- Family Dynamics
- Grief and Loss
- Social Skills
- Self Esteem and Confidence
- Managing Trauma

Our multidisciplinary team is growing and we now have a **Child and Family Counsellor** available to support you and your children.

Our counsellors work collaboratively with parents, children and schools to explore questions about children's emotions, behaviour or development.

If you know of a family or child that might benefit from **the support of a Child and Family Counsellor** get in touch with the team at Dynamic Developments

Email: referrals@dynamicdevelopments.nz Website: www.dynamicdevelopments.nz

Thinkit Art
Enriching Creativity & Self Esteem

Term 4

Monday Taster - Introduction to Thinkit Art
5 - 6pm / aged 8 - 13
Oct 30th - Dec 11th / 7 x sessions \$157.50

Sunday Workshops - \$38.00per workshop

1- Oct 29th: 10.30 -12.30pm aged 7 - 12
2A- Nov 26th: 10.30 - 12.30pm aged 7 - 10
2B- Nov 26th: 1 - 3pm aged 9 - 15
3A- Dec 17th: 10.30 - 12.30pm aged 7 - 10
3B- Dec 17th: 1 - 3pm aged 9 - 15

BOOK NOW: Kiri Scott 0211189882
Thinkit.fie@yahoo.com
136 Pricess Street Central Dunedin

EXPLORING SLEEP, COGNITIVE ENGAGEMENT, AND CHILD FUNCTIONING

We are recruiting children aged 6 to 10 years who often **daydream, are inattentive, sleepy, and/or hyperactive**, as well as children who do not display these behaviours to take part in our study at the University of Otago.

You will be required to complete a brief log about your child's sleep for one week and attend a one-off 3-4 hour visit at the University with your child.

Parents/caregivers will receive \$40 and children will receive \$20 as a thank you for your participation.

There is free parking and weekend and school holiday sessions available!

Interested?
Email: selfregulationresearchcentre@gmail.com
Phone: 027 486 2529

ETHICS REFERENCE NUMBER: 22/116

Concord Clean Up

Saturday 23rd September

1pm - 3pm

Meeting point: **Concord Inn carpark**

Join us to clean Concord Streets

Bring a bucket and gardening gloves if you can, we will have a limited supply

#cleanupweeknz

Concord School

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:

Night 'n Day Green Island
Larson's Pharmacy
Caring, friendly and professional - that's us!

The Concord Inn

airify

Moyle's
freshchoice supermarket green island
Open 7 days 7am to 9pm

FLEX FITNESS
24 HOUR FITNESS
FREE TRIAL

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

Don't forget to check our Facebook page for information, messages, photos & videos:
www.facebook.com/concordschoolunedin

CAVERSHAM HARRIER & ATHLETICS CLUB

CAVERSHAM CHILDREN'S ATHLETICS

TUESDAY EVENINGS Term 4 and 1,
6 - 730pm, Corstorphine Grounds
RUN, JUMP & THROW

QUALITY COACHING
SMALL GROUP SIZES
PROGRAMME FOR 5-14 YEAR OLDS
COMPETITIVE SATURDAY MORNING OPTION
INCLUSIVE PROGRAMME WITH PARA ATHLETICS OPTIONS

OPENING NIGHT
10TH OCTOBER 2023, 6PM
ALL WELCOME, JUST TURN UP

contact: children@cavershamharriers.co.nz

Parent Help

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