



Concord School NEWSLETTER



26 Oct 2023

Kia ora whānau

Loud Shirt Day – We are having a mufti day **TOMORROW Friday 27th October**. Please wear a 'loud' shirt and bring along a gold coin donation for The Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme.



Year 7 Enrolments – There are still a significant number of Year 6 students that have not yet been enrolled or accepted at a school for next year.

We have experienced in the past that these children can become very unsettled when they don't know where they are going, and their friends and classmates do. These schools also need to know numbers asap to plan their classrooms and staffing for 2024.

Please contact Wendy or myself if you need any information or assistance with this process.

Halloween Disco – The Parents' Group is running a Halloween Disco **next Tuesday 31st October** in the school hall, from **6.00-7.30pm**. Dress up in costume, entry is **\$2.00 per child at the door**, and drinks and lollies will be available for purchase. **Please note that this is for Concord School students only.**



Athletics – What a perfect day we had for the Greater Green Island Athletics yesterday! We were very proud of the group of senior students who represented our school.

Congratulations to Arnold who won the Under-10 boys High Jump and came 2nd in the Under-10 boys Long Jump, and Kaleb who was 3rd in the Under-11 Boys Hurdles and Sprints.

Kaleb and Arnold will be representing Concord School at the Otago Athletics Championships in three weeks' time.



Teacher Only Day – We will be having our final Teacher Only Day for the year on **Monday 20th November**. The staff will be working on Te Mātaiaho, the refreshed NZ curriculum.

Sports tops – We are still missing quite a number of school sports tops. **Please have a look around home and return any you may have asap.**

Bedtimes – We have noticed, especially this term, that many children are noticeably tired and irritable throughout the day at school. It is always more difficult in Term 4 getting your children to bed on time with the lighter and warmer nights.

Children (and to be fair adults) need a consistent routine of the same bedtime during the school week, without technology at least an hour before going to bed. Reading to, or with, your child half an hour before sleep time is great one on one time, and an excellent way to slow down and relax your child for sleep.



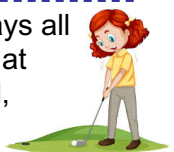
Concord Kindy Visit – Next **Wednesday 1 Nov** Kōtukutuku class will be walking to Concord Kindy from 9.00-10.30am. We need whānau to walk with us, so please let us know if you are able to join us.

Firewood Raffle – Congratulations to the winner of the firewood raffle, Benedict H (Axel's card). This was an excellent camp fundraiser, so thank you to everyone who supported this.



Senior Swimming – A reminder that Kōwhai and Rātā classes are swimming **every Tuesday** afternoon this term at Moana Pool, leaving 1.00pm, back by 3.00pm. Don't forget your swimming gear!

Golf Lessons – On the next two Mondays all classes will be having golf lessons here at school with the St Clair golf professional, weather permitting.



Futsal – The team won 3-1 against GSNS Mercury on Tuesday and 'Player of the Day' was Charlie.

Touch – The team lost to Musselburgh Blue last week, and 'Player of the Day' was Eli.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **Every Tuesday Term 4 – Senior swimming**
- * **Fri 27 Oct – Loud Shirt Day**
- * **Tues 31 Oct – Halloween Disco 6.00pm**
- * **Wed 1 Nov – Kōtukutuku Kindy Visit**
- * **Monday 20 Nov – Teacher Only Day**
- * **Thurs 14 Dec – Prizegiving 7.00pm**
- * **Fri 15 Dec – School ends 12.30pm**



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 Oct 27th at 1.30pm



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Age 6yrs to 14yrs

Give it a Go Days
Community Welcome
9:00-10:30 for 6-9yrs
10:30-12noon for 11-14yrs

21 October
28 October

Otago Childrens Track & Field
Caledonian Track
50 Logan Park Drive
Dunedin
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Green Island School Zombie Fun Run

Green Island School is holding their first ever **Zombie Fun Run Saturday 4 November.**

As it is their first time running this event, it will be an amazing experience with even a foam party Zombie dance area. Funds made will be going to the redevelopment of the Green Island School library.

You cannot buy tickets on the day so scan the code or go to the link below to buy tickets and for further information.
<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/719088130957?aff=oddtcreator>

Have a Go At Springboard & Platform Diving

Diving is a fun and dynamic sport that helps develop agility, strength, coordination & deep-water confidence.

- Energy to burn? Always wanted to jump off the Moana Pool platforms, on the look-out for a new sport or just love a challenge?
- Book your child in for a FREE Have-a-Go-Day.
- Anyone can try as long as you can swim! All ages and abilities are welcome.
- Professional and supportive coaching environment.

The club caters for:

- Beginner divers - options multiple days of the week.
- Recreational & Graded classes working on ribbon awards.
- Development & Competitive programmes for nurturing our nations future divers.
- Teens, Adults, Masters in a recreational class for 15yrs and over.

www.divingotakou.org.nz
divingotakou@gmail.com

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Head Lice

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