



Concord School NEWSLETTER



2 Nov 2023

Kia ora whānau

Halloween Disco – A fun night was had by all at the Halloween Disco on Tuesday night! There were amazing costumes, and amazing work that went into makeup, making some children quite unrecognisable! We held the disco on Halloween night itself this year as an alternative to ‘trick or treating’, which can be stressful for families.



Thanks to all the Parents’ Group for organising this fun event for our tamariki.

Welcome to Livi – We recently welcomed student teacher Livi Wells to Rātā room, and hope that she enjoys her four weeks here.

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.

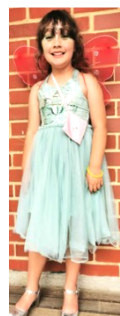
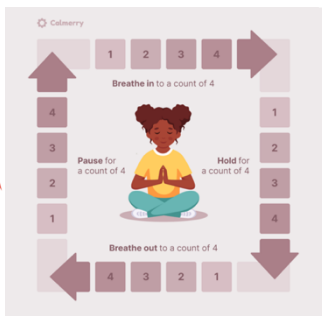
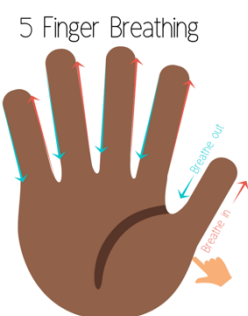
CARE Assembly – Yesterday at our weekly CARE Assembly we talked about a range of emotions. We focused on feeling frustrated and angry, and that it is OK to feel this way. It is important to know our trigger points that bring these emotions on, and how to deal with them.

I explained that one of my trigger points is getting home and finding that my boys have left the living room in a mess eg plates, cups, bowls, socks, shoes etc lying around. I have previously become angry and raised my voice at them to tidy up, which is usually ineffective.



I have found a better strategy is to initially calm down using various breathing strategies eg ‘square breathing’ or 5-finger breathing, which I demonstrated at the assembly. By taking the time to calm down first, I can then have a more effective conversation with my boys, which will lead to a more successful outcome.

My boys are on study leave from today, so I am now well prepared for these upcoming situations!



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Golf Lessons – All classes enjoyed a sunny day of golf lessons here at school on Monday with the St Clair golf professional, Patrick. These will be held again next Monday, weather permitting.



Concord Kindergarten Visit – Yesterday Kōtukutuku class walked to the kindy and had a great time playing and reading with the children. Many thanks to the whānau who went with them.

MASH Summer Holiday Programme – This is now going to be held at **Concord School** instead of Fairfield. There is an ad on the next page for the December dates, and more information will follow about the January programme. A great chance to experience what MASH has to offer, as we hope to restart their afterschool programme here next year.

Loud Shirt Day – Thank you for your support of this last Friday. We raised \$86.00 for The Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme.



Futsal – The team won 4-0 against the Bradford Juniors on Tuesday. ‘Player of the Day’ was Epa.

Touch – The team won 10-0 against Green Island Ahi last Thursday. ‘Player of the Day’ was Kaleb.

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!

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **Every Tuesday**– Senior swimming
- * **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 – Next Friday Nov 10th at 1.30pm



Halloween Disco

DUFFY \$5 BOOK OFFER

Order forms went home this week. Please return all money and orders to the school office by **next Friday**

10th November. Great Christmas presents!!



Thinkit Art kids workshop

Sunday Workshops
Ages 7 - 12

November 26th
December 17th

10.30 - 12.30pm

\$38.00 per workshop

136 Princes Street

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Book Now: Kiri Scott mob: 021118988



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WHAT'S ON THESE HOLIDAYS...

- 18 DEC** **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**
Normal After School Programme will run.
- 19 DEC** **XMAS SLUMBER PARTY!**
Tis the season for a slumber party with pancakes, hot cocoa and festive crafts to get excited for the season to come.
- 20 DEC** **CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK**
Our magical Christmas slumber party is unlike any other! A cozy setting with the perfect mood as Christmas carols fill the air.
- 21 DEC** **THE MASH WORKSHOP**
Today children will make special gifts to share with their loved ones.
- 22 DEC** **CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL**
Christmas Disco Day combines the joy of the holiday season with the energy of disco! Catchy beats of disco music, face paint and candy floss while reveling in the festive atmosphere at Wakari School.

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SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER
MORNING
GEORGE STREET NORMAL SCHOOL
BATHGATE PARK SCHOOL

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

DUNEDIN

- George Street Normal School
- Bathgate Park School
- Mornington School
- Tainui School

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CENTRAL OTAGO

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