

# Concord School NEWSLETTER



## 30 Nov 2023

Kia ora whānau

Mufti Day - We are having a mufti day to get items for the Christmas raffle hampers TOMORROW Friday 1 December. Instead of a gold coin, please provide a donation for the raffle hampers, such as food, toiletries or Christmas-themed items.



Christmas Raffle – Raffle cards went home last week for each family to sell. Please return these by Friday 8 December. More cards are available at the school office.

Prizegiving – Please note that the end of year prizegiving has been changed to Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.

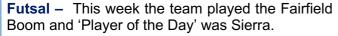


The Parents' Group will run a barbecue from 6.00-7.00pm. Please return the order slip on the next page to place an order for your family. We are hoping for a fine evening so we can hold this event outside, otherwise it will be in the school hall.

Fay's Retirement Assembly – Please note a change of date for this to Monday 11 December at 2.15pm, due to the extra swimming time below.

Senior Swimming – There is one more swimming lesson for the senior classes next Tuesday. We have just managed to book the waterslide and wave pool for **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, leaving at an earlier time of 12.30pm, for a final fun swim. Parents are welcome to come along and have some fun with your children. This event will also replace the Orange Parade for our road wardens, which was cancelled this year.

Pavlovas – Orders will be available for collection from the school hall after school TOMORROW Friday.



**Touch** – Last week the game was sadly rained off. Today is the final game of the season and the team is playing Musselburgh Blue on Field 7 at 4.45pm.

Resources - The school library is now closed for the year and students have been asked to return all their library books. Please also return any school resources you may find at home eg library books, journals, reading books, sports tops etc

RATs – We still have plenty of Rapid Antigen Tests in the school foyer if any families would like some. Check any you may have at home as they could be expired.

Whānau Time – Staff have observed that the children are noticeably more tired compared to previous years at this time. We have decided to change the programme up and have 'whānau time' between 11.00am and 12.30pm most days until the end of the year.

Tamariki have been organised into groups across year levels and will take part in a variety of exciting and fun learning activities, including Lego building challenges, Christmas crafts, board games, outdoor games and other group challenges.

This will also give an opportunity for our Year 6 leadership group to work with and support younger students, similar to our groupings for Māori Language Week and our buddy reading sessions. All these activities follow the Māori concept of the tuakana-teina relationship where the older child helps the younger child, although the roles may be reversed at any time.

**Bunnings Graduation Project -**

Many thanks to Imelda and Selvin from Bunnings who visited us on Tuesday to donate and help to plant two more trees, a lemon tree and a broadway mint tree, in our orchard, with our Year 6 leavers. The students each also received a pencil case and colouring pencils.

**Honey -** Jars of our delicious school honey are now on sale at the school office for \$8.00 each. One per family please, as there is a limited number of jars.



#### Dates to mark on your calendar:

- Every Tuesday Senior swimming
- \* Fri 1 Dec Mufti Day for Christmas raffle
- \* Fri 8 Dec Return Christmas raffle cards
- \* Mon 11 Dec Fay's Retirement Assembly
- \* Mon 11 Dec Year 6 Leavers Evening
- \* Wed 13 Dec End of year Barbecue 6.00pm and Prizegiving 7.00pm
- \* Thurs 14 Dec Fun Day
- \* Fri 15 Dec School ends 12.30pm
- Tues 30 Jan 2024 Term 1 starts

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 Dec 8<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm

### **END OF YEAR BARBECUE – Wednesday 13th December**

Please return this order slip, with money, to the school office by 9.00am Monday 11th December. Drinks will also be for sale.

Name:		
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Sausages @ \$2.00

Burgers @ \$3.00

Total enclosed: \$







TennisPlus+ Coaching (based at the Edgar Centre) is running FREE 1/2 Court tennis coaching sessions to see if your child would like to enrol for term 1 2024 coaching

#### TERM 4 (FREE 1/2 COURT COACHING DETAILS):

Free Coaching Dates: Tue Dec 5th, Thur Dec 7th, Fri Dec 8th, Tue Dec 12th, Thur Dec 14th Age Range: 6 to 11 years of age Venue: Edgar Centre

Time Options: 3.45pm - 4.20pm or 4.25pm - 5.00pm (Choose one) - do not just turn up, you MUST ENROL.

Coaching cost: \$0.00 Equipment: We provide everything (including racquets)

Edgar Centre door charge: \$1.00 (Normally \$2.50)

Player/Coach Ratio: 4 to 1 maximum - sometimes will have 2 coaches on court with 4 players

#### FREE COACHING ENROLMENT OPTIONS:

#### Please choose one day/time option ONLY for the Free Coaching!

Email: tennisplusdunedin@outlook.com. Please include in your email your child's name, date of birth, school, cell phone and parent/caregiver name. Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/tennisplusdunedin/

# Caregiving

Can you care for tamariki (children) and rangatahi (young people) who need it most?

Contact us to find out more about being a short-term, emergency, or respite caregiver.

Get in touch with the Caregiver Enquiries Team on 0508 CARERS (0508 227 377) or visit our website at www.orangatamariki.govt.nz



#### SCHOOL YEARS 3 & 4

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## SCHOOL YEARS 5 & 6



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#### **Head Lice**

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