



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 13th 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 12th 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**.



Futsal – This week the team played the Fairfield Boom and 'Player of the Day' was Sierra.

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 8th 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: _____

Sausages @ \$2.00

Burgers @ \$3.00

Total enclosed: \$ _____



Tree Planting – thanks Bunnings!

JAN 24 SUMMER

What's on.....

<p>08 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Kiwiana Kids Celebrate their showcases, culture, and traditions. Immerse yourself in the rich heritage of New Zealand and experience Maori Art, Music and traditional food.</p>	<p>15 JAN TRIP DAY Inflatable World Come along to our most popular trip during our Holiday Program. Bounce, Climb, Slings, and jump into inflatable World.</p>	<p>22 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Spread some Kindness. Let's share our Kind Sprites by making and baking treats to share with our fellow MASH programme.</p>
<p>09 JAN TRIP DAY Memorial Park Come and enjoy the day with us at Memorial park. Sports, Scavenger Hunts and a delicious Kiwi Hot Chippy Lunch.</p>	<p>16 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Backyard Camping We are creating our own MASH Camp site. Tents up, fake fire, and campsite games and songs.</p>	<p>23 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Fantastic Character Feats Engaging activities that celebrate different characters and their inventions. Come dressed as your favourite character.</p>
<p>10 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Wacky Wednesday Let's get Wacky on Wednesday with crazy hair and silly costumes and funny activities.</p>	<p>17 JAN TRIP DAY Beach Day Soak up the Sun! A Beach getaway Just for Kids!</p>	<p>24 JAN TRIP DAY Mini Golf (Wals) Grab your partner and come join us at Wals Plant and Fun land for some Mini Golf fun!</p>
<p>11 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Survivor This engaging and immersive day aims to provide an adrenaline-fueled adventure by encouraging teamwork, problem-solving, and resilience.</p>	<p>18 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Inventors Let your creativity run wild and design an invention that will take the world by storm!</p>	<p>25 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Water Wars Soak the heat with a wide range of water-themed challenges and competitions.</p>
<p>12 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Mad Science Join us for an exciting and engaging Science Theme Day where curiosity meets discovery!</p>	<p>19 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Craft and Create A fun-filled day that will spark creativity and bring people together including baking, Arts and Crafts and Drama.</p>	<p>26 JAN PROGRAMME DAY Centre Olympics A day of fun filled sports games and challenging tasks to test your skills with the other programmes open around the region!</p>

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

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

SCHOOL YEARS 3 & 4
Tuesday 19th December
8:30am to 12:00pm
Mosgiel Memorial Gym

Wednesday 20th December
1:00pm to 4:30pm
Edgar Centre, Dunedin

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CROSS OVER BASKETBALL

TIM GILLAN 022 379 4055
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crossoverbasketball

SCAN TO REGISTER YOUR SPOT

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
Venue: Edgar Centre **Age Range:** 6 to 11 years of age
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/>

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