



Concord School NEWSLETTER



15 February 2024

Kia ora whānau

Goal-Setting Interviews – Goal-setting interviews will take place **next Wednesday 21st February** from 2.15-6.00pm, and **Thursday 22nd February** from 3.15-6.00pm.

Please book your preferred day and time on the Skool Loop app as soon as possible.

It's very simple, click on the 'Bookings' link on the front page, click on the teacher's name, tick the day you prefer and the time you want – done! If you are unable to make any of the times available, please contact your child's teacher. Please contact the school office with any queries.

It is important that parents and students are all present at the interviews to set achievable goals with everyone's input.

Kindy Visit – Rātā class will be walking to Concord Kindergarten next **Wednesday 21st February** for a visit. They will leave at 9.15am and return around 11am. If you are able to come on the visit please contact the office or Mrs Ross.

Breakfast – Many thanks to the whānau who have volunteered to help out with this. Breakfast will continue running every morning in the kitchen. Thanks to the ongoing support of Sanitarium and Fonterra. Thanks also to the Parents' Group for sponsoring the fruit, cornflakes and rices.



Grandparents Reading – This morning we welcomed back our valued grandparent readers. 14 children have spent 15 minutes each with a grandparent reading and discussing books.

This programme has been running in our school for over 15 years now and we are very grateful to our grandparents for giving up their time each week for our tamariki. If you know of anyone in our community who would like to volunteer for this (they don't have to be a grandparent), please ask them to get in touch with us.

The grandparents have also become a very valuable social group for each other. They are off today for lunch together at the Concord Inn.



Futsal – Futsal games have begun for the term. The Concord Shooters had a bye this week.

On Wednesday the Concord Strikers played Andy Bay White and 'Player of the Day' was Lenix.

Parents' Group Meeting – Our first Parents' Group Meeting of the year will be held on **Thursday 29th February** at **3.15pm** in the staff room. We are always looking to welcome new members. There is not too much time involved, usually only one meeting a term, and it's a great way to meet other parents in our school community.

The Parents' Group does an amazing job supporting our school, running various events, and fundraising for extra items and activities for all our tamariki. 'Many hands make light work' – we would love you to join us.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **21-22 Feb - Parent Interviews**
- * **Wed 21 Feb – Rātā room Kindy visit**
- * **Thurs 29 Feb – Parents' Group Meeting**
- * **5 Mar – KVC Sports Expo (Year 5/6)**
- * **7 Mar – Structured Literacy parent session 7pm**
- * **Mon 25 Mar – Otago Anniversary Day**
- * **Fri 29 Mar – Tues 2 Apr – Easter**
- * **Fri 12 April – End of Term 1**



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 (eg sick)



Clever Cats – Friday February 16th at 1.30pm

Big Day Out

On Thursday 8th February Concord School went on their 'Big Day Out'. First we went on the bus and it dropped us off to watch the helicopters and the aeroplanes at the Taieri Aerodrome. We saw three planes and one helicopter take off. Only two planes touched down and only one red helicopter landed.

After that we walked across the Silverstream (Whakaehu) where the taniwha Matamata slithered along. Then we walked to the new Mosgiel pool (Te Puna o Whakaehu). Once we got there Group 1 (my group) stayed to eat morning tea and Group 2 went to the Mosgiel park to have their morning tea.

After morning tea my group went inside the pool for a swim. We had a competition to see how long we could stand on the float boards. Axel won.

After an hour or two we got out of the pool and got changed. Next we walked to the park and had lunch. After lunch we got to have a little play then we got an ice block. We played tag, on the spider web and on the slides at the park. I enjoyed the swings the most. I had to look after a new child, Evan, for the day. I did a good job of this.

The whole day was worth it. Why? Because it was fun. Haha, what am I saying? Every day is fun at Concord School!"

– by Cassius-Jay



Dinosaurs: A Story of Survival

12.30pm and 1.30pm daily, 3.30pm weekdays

Dinosaurs are returning to the planetarium in a new family-friendly show! Book at:

<https://otagomuseum.nz/whats-on/>

Join Celeste as she travels through time on an exciting adventure to see what Earth looked like in the distant past and how life has transformed over millions of years.

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Riselaw Road Playcentre
riselawroad@playcentre.org.nz

38 Riselaw Road
Calton Hill

Tuesday and Friday
From 9:15 am



"Whānau tupu ngātahi – families growing together"



Lucky Book Club

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- KAREN I

New Entrant to Year 11



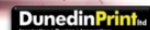
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Community Oral Health Service

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/concordschooldunedin



Top Tips for Toothbrushing!

How much Toothpaste?



0-6 years old, use a **half pea** sized amount



6+ years old, use a **small pea** sized amount

Brush twice a day, in the morning and especially at night before bed. Spit out toothpaste but **leave mouth unrinsed** as fluoride left on your child's teeth helps to keep them strong



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