



Concord School NEWSLETTER



4 April 2024

Kia ora whānau

Pet Day – ** TOMORROW FRIDAY 5th APRIL **

The weather is looking promising for our Pet Day Extravaganza tomorrow. A few key points:

- Dogs are to be tied up on the front fence by the dental clinic, and be supervised by an adult at all times. Dogs to leave by 11.00am please
- Birds are to go to the studio, and other animals to Rātā room
- Art entries to Kōwhai room
- Baking entries to the library



The students have been busy in the last week making their artwork for the art competition. They are welcome to submit extra entries that they have made at home.

Parents and pre-schoolers are very welcome to come along and view the artworks, baking and animals, and join in with the activity stations.



Wheako Programme – You may have recently read in the news that the Greater Green Island Community Network has been successful in their funding application with the Otago Community Trust. They have received \$644,000 that will go towards continuing to run the Wheako Programme at Concord School and other schools in our cluster, as well as other youth initiatives in the area.

The Wheako Programme “enhances peer relationships and fosters a great sense of belonging, especially for students facing challenges”. Two projects the Wheako Programme was involved in here in the last two years were designing and planting the garden behind the hall, and organising and running the Wheako Fair. This year Noah and Bri have been coming in one day a week at lunchtime to join in activities with the children and/or running futsal coaching sessions. “Wheako is an example of what can be achieved when our community, schools and partners join forces with a shared vision”.

Congratulations to Ben McKenzie and his team on the successful application. The Wheako Programme is making a difference to those students involved and it is very positive to see it being extended to other schools in the cluster. Thanks also to the Otago Community Trust for their funding that enables the project to flourish in our community.



Duffy Role Model Assembly – This morning we welcomed writer Nathan Hoturoa Gray to our school for our Duffy Role Model Assembly. Nathan began working as a lawyer, but then became an adventure journalist, travelling through over 85 countries, with articles published all over the world, as well as best-selling books. He currently lectures for Michigan State University running study abroad programs in NZ and Hawaii and his vision is “to inspire others to courageously follow their dreams spreading valued and authentic ideas out to a global audience”.



End of Term Assembly – This will be held on **Friday 12th April** at 2.15pm. All welcome.

Makomako Duathlon – This will be held at 2.00pm on **Wednesday 10th April** here at school. The reserve day will be Thursday 11th April at the same time. Parents are welcome to attend to cheer on the competitors. Most children will be in teams, either running or biking/scootering. If your child is biking or scootering they will also need a helmet.

Kiwihoops (basketball) – A note will go home in the next couple of days for those students interested in playing Kiwihoops in Terms 2 & 3. Games will be played at the Edgar Centre on Thursdays after school.

Futsal – There was no futsal this week due to the Easter break. The final games for the term will be held next week.



School Lunches – Here is another petition to stop the Government cutting the free school lunches programme, if you would like to sign it: <https://our.actionstation.org.nz/petitions/save-healthy-free-school-lunches>

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * **Fri 5 April – Pet Day Extravaganza**
- * **Wed 10 April – Makomako Duathlon**
- * **Fri 12 April – End of Term Assembly**
- * **Fri 12 April – End of Term 1 at 3.00pm**



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 – No more Clever Cats this term
Assembly – Friday 12th April at 2.15pm

Start your holidays with a PARTY!

GREEN ISLAND MEMORIAL PARK STAGE & BBQ

GRAND OPENING

3.30 pm Friday 12th April

GREEN ISLAND MEMORIAL PARK

221A MAIN SOUTH RD

★ Free Sausage Sizzle ★ Kids activities ★
★ Local Performances ★

School Holiday Program

MONDAY
TUESDAY
FRIDAY
4:00-5:00PM

FORGE THEIR POTENTIAL:
BUILD CONFIDENCE,
BODY AWARENESS &
DISCIPLINE,
IN A FUN, SUPPORTIVE
ENVIRONMENT

WEEK 1:
15th, 16th,
19th APRIL
WEEK 2:
22nd, 23rd,
26th APRIL



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Grappling and jiu jitsu is a lot of fun and great for kids to develop their confidence and physical abilities. We have seen many shy children get emboldened by their participation in the sport and many excitable children reined in by the discipline required and the ability to channel their energy into something physical and fun.

FREE HOT SHOTS TENNIS COACHING!

THURSDAY 11th April @ THE EDGAR
CENTRE 4pm & 5pm

NO COST & FREE ENTRY!

Google Form Link



mat@mattenniscoaching.co.nz
027 3261816



DUDE PERFECT

HOLIDAY CLUB
For kids aged 5 to year 6
15th- 17th April
Cost: \$5 per child per day

GAMES
KAI
CRAFTS
KÖRERO
BIBLE STORIES

9am - 3pm @ Dunedin City Baptist Church

19 Main South Road, Concord, Dunedin

To register go to tinyurl.com/dcbcholidayclub

For more information contact connect@dcbc.co.nz

Wild Dunedin Festival 19 - 28 April

This year's Festival has 140 events and activities about nature for all ages all over the city. With discounted deals on albatross, penguin and boat trip, kids go free at Orokonui Ecosanctuary and Larnach Castle, films, crafts, scientific talks, garden tours, a walk around Sutton Salt Lake and guest Suzy Cato, there's a lot happening. Full programme and bookings here <http://www.wilddunedin.nz>

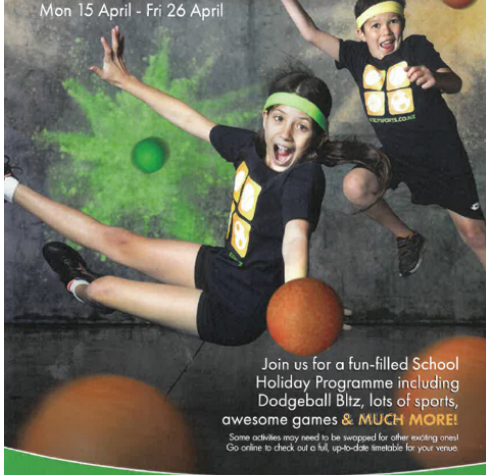
Don't forget to check our Facebook page for information, messages, photos & videos:

www.facebook.com/concordschoolDunedin



HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Mon 15 April - Fri 26 April



Join us for a fun-filled School Holiday Programme including Dodgeball Blitz, lots of sports, awesome games & MUCH MORE!

Some activities may need to be rescheduled for other exciting events! Go online to check out a full, up-to-date timetable for your venue.

OSCAR PROGRAMME SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE!

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT

KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

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



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- Instant notifications
- Absentees



Simple free download: In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

NET FIT CLINIC

17th April 9am to 3pm Ages 6-12

Edgar Centre Match Play, Skills, Nutrition, Fitness & More

\$75 includes t-shirt + NEW GOODIE BAGS

Together We Learn and Grow

Ako Tahi, Tipu Tahi