



# Concord School NEWSLETTER



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AND RESPECTFUL Whāia Kōhā  
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AND STRIVE FOR  
EXCELLENCE! Whāia te Hiranga

30 January 2025

Kia ora whānau

Welcome back to all children, parents and staff. I hope you had a relaxing summer break and you were able to spend quality time with your whānau.

Thank you all for the preparation you have put into getting your child ready for their return to school.



It was a pleasure to see so many excited and eager students arriving at the school gates this morning, as well as a few parents. I have enjoyed hearing the buzz of excitement around Concord School today and getting to know your tamariki.

Please do not hesitate to visit the office to introduce yourself or to arrange a convenient time if you wish to discuss any matters concerning your child's learning or well-being.

**Health and consent forms** – Please complete one of these **for each child** and return to school as soon as possible. It is important for contact and medical details to be kept regularly updated, and this is also a consent form for school trips, and for the use of photos on the website etc. **The form also includes an important section on our free healthy school lunches.**

These forms are to be taken on school trips so that we have emergency contact details for each child should the need arise. **We will need all forms back before our Big Day Out.**

**Big Day Out** – This year we are holding our Big Day Out on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

We will be leaving school at 9.15am, returning to school by 3.00pm, and we will need a few parents to come with so please pencil in this date. Further details to follow.

**Newsletters** – Our weekly newsletter is available every Thursday on the Skool Loop app, Facebook, our website, noticeboards and via email. If you would still like a hard copy please contact Linda in the school office.

**Free Healthy School Lunches** – We are again having our lunches provided by 'Time 4 Lunch'. **Please supply your child with a healthy snack (eg not packaged food) for morning tea, and a drink bottle, each day.**

**Stationery** – Stationery lists are going home this week. Please purchase this as soon as possible as it is important that children have all their stationery to get their year's school work properly under way. All items are available for purchase from the school office if you wish – please send the completed list to the office and orders will be made up and given to your child.

**Futsal/Touch** – Notices will go home next week regarding this term's Futsal and Touch Rugby. Teams have to be entered soon so please return the forms asap. Teams will not be entered if we do not have coaches and/or managers for each team. No expertise required.

**School Uniform** – All new school uniform items can be ordered online, and are available to purchase at **Promo-X in Hillside Rd.** Go to: <https://www.promo-x.co.nz/product-category/concord-school/> Password: **CCUF22.**

We also have a lot of second-hand uniform items in Room 2.

**Dates to mark on your calendar:**

- \* **Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> Feb – Waitangi Day**
- \* **Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb – Big Day Out**



Glen Beadle  
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)

## Congratulations to all our 2024 end-of-year prize-winners:

BOT Academic Achievement Award – Orla Kane  
Duffy Diligence & Attitude Award – Amreen Kaur  
Ashley McKeachie School Spirit Award – Lenix Gawn  
Mark Reid Good Citizenship Awards – Mia Robbins, Nono Metuakore  
Principal's Virtues Award – Jayden Jomine  
PALS Enthusiasm Award – Brooke Duncan  
Curious Minds Award – Lenix Gawn  
Pelasio Whānau Māori/ Pasifika Student of the Year – Lenix Gawn  
Pelasio Whānau Sports Person of the Year – Arnold Reddy



**Whiti Marama (Shining Light) Awards:**  
Makomako – Alivia Rowson-Tait  
Kōwhai – Sanjot Rehill  
Rātā – Emily McKenzie  
Year 6 (chromebook) – Orla Kane

# Welcome

to our new students  
and their families:

AJ Naholo  
Rydin Geddes  
Nikau Walker



Dunedin Trampoline Sports

## Trampoline Classes for All Levels!

FUN & SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT  
OPPORTUNITY TO PROGRESS TO COMPETITIVE LEVEL  
FREE TRIAL SESSION

- When:** • Wednesdays & Fridays & Sundays recreational classes (inquire about availability)
- Where:** • Caledonian Gym
- Cost:** • Free Trial then \$12/hour (\$18 per 1.5h session)
- Contact:** • Email: [dunedin.trampoline@gmail.com](mailto:dunedin.trampoline@gmail.com)  
• Phone: 02702212095  
• Facebook: [facebook.com/dunedintrampoline](https://www.facebook.com/dunedintrampoline)



**girls SMASH** **SUMMER SMASH**

6 WEEK TRAIN AND PLAY PROGRAM

LOGAN PARK

MONDAYS 4.00 - 5.00PM

17th February  
31st March

[www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/50f021](http://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/50f021)

**SMASH PLAY**

www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/999b40

**HUBS**

**NORTH EAST VALLEY**  
Gardens | Wednesday | 4pm

**Kaikorai**  
Bishopscourt | Thursday | 3:45pm

**South Dunedin**  
Edgar Centre | Friday | 3:45pm

**Lucky Book Club**  
The first Lucky Book Club order for 2025 was distributed today and closes on **Friday 14th February**. Please return money and orders to the office.

**AFFORDABLE MUSIC CLASSES**  
HELD AT OUR SATURDAY MORNING OR AFTER-SCHOOL MUSIC CENTRES  
LARGELY FUNDED BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

**ENROL NOW**

Visit our website: <https://www.smmcotago.nz>

**SATURDAY MORNING MUSIC CLASSES**  
A locally operated non-profit organisation, established in 1968, providing very affordable music education in Dunedin and Central Otago for primary and intermediate school children. Our Open Division caters for secondary school students and adults, including beginners and advanced learners.

**CLASSICAL**  
A full spectrum of orchestral instruments across the string, woodwind, brass and percussion families is offered.

**CONTEMPORARY**  
Choose from a more contemporary style instrument, including guitar, drums, ukulele and saxophone.

**SINGING**  
Learn how to use the most portable of instruments - the human voice!

**LET'S MAKE MUSIC & RECORDER**  
First musical experience for 5 and 6 year-old children. Recorder lessons are for those who are at least 6 years old.

**ENSEMBLES**  
A range of ensembles - string, orchestral, ukulele bands and more. You can join even if you're not taking SABC lessons.

**ENROL NOW FOR 2025**  
Enrolments taken for all of our teaching centres

**SATURDAY 8 FEBRUARY**  
9:30 - 11:00  
BATHGATE PARK SCHOOL  
GEORGE STREET NORMAL SCHOOL

**WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY**  
3:30 - 4:30  
ELMGROVE SCHOOL, MOSGIEL

**TEACHING CENTRES**

**DUNEDIN**  
• George Street Normal School  
• Bathgate Park School  
• Mornington School  
• Tainui School

**MOSGIEL**  
• Elmgrove School

**CENTRAL OTAGO**  
• The Terrace School, Alexandra  
• Cromwell School, Cromwell

KEAS CUBS SCOUTS VENTURERS ROVERS LEADERS

**Open Day 15 February 11AM-2PM**

SCOUTS presents a world of experiences and fun along with chances to learn new skills for all ages.

Come along for a taste of the activities that are available.

Visit <https://scouts.nz/join/> for the details of a group near you

**ADVENTURE PLUS!**

scouts.org.nz

**SCOUTS**  
New Zealand

**Bug Day**

10am - 3pm, Saturday 15 February

Join us for a day of free family fun and celebrate bugs at Tūhura Otago Museum!

We're supporting the velvet worm in the 2025 **New Zealand Bug of the Year** contest—come along to learn about these fascinating creatures and meet local bug experts.

Free | **TŪHURA** Otago Museum

**Bristlebot Workshop**

12.30pm and 1.45pm, Saturday 15 February

Are you fascinated by robots? Intrigued by bugs? How about ROBOT BUGS?

Join us for Bug Day on Saturday, 15 February at Tūhura Otago Museum and learn how to build a bristlebot with experts from the University of Otago Neuroscience Programme!

\$5 Koha

**Concord School**

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:

**FLEX FITNESS** 24 HOUR FITNESS **FREE TRIAL**

**The Concord Inn**

Larson's Pharmacy **Caring, friendly and professional - that's us!**

**Monies** freshchoice supermarket green island **Open 7 days 7am to 9pm**

**airify**

**Luke MacDonald** **LJ Hooker**

**FISHER**

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To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose School once installed.

**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 up-to-date information, messages, photos and videos: [www.facebook.com/concordschooldunedin](https://www.facebook.com/concordschooldunedin)

**We are Summer Loving our school app!**

Never miss important school info again!

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Newsletters • Permission Slips  
Instant notifications • Absentees

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**Parent Help** **FREE PARENTING HELPLINE**

aggression • jealousy • sibling rivalry  
social difficulties • lying • parenting alone  
separation anxiety • early puberty

... and anything else you're struggling with

**PARENTING STRATEGIES SUPPORT & REASSURANCE EXPERT ADVICE**

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**0800 568 856**  
[www.parenthelp.org.nz](http://www.parenthelp.org.nz)

**Together We Learn and Grow** **Ako Tahī, Tipu Tahī**