



Concord School NEWSLETTER

8 May 2025



CONFIDENTIAL To Māia
AND RESPECTFUL Whai Kōhira
RESPONSIBLE Tōtika
AND STRIVE FOR
EXCELLENCE! Whāia te Hīrangā

Kia ora whānau

Wheako Programme - It was great to pop in and see what Noah and the group of boys have been working on over the past six weeks in the Wheako Programme.

The boys have been lucky to be able to work out of the Caldwell & Highsted workshop in Green Island to design and build a guitar stand for Hiliako and our school guitars. The students have thought about what a guitar stand needed to have and have enjoyed using some tools in the building phase of this project. Keep your eyes peeled for the finished product! Thank you Taylor for your generosity with your time and work space to work with the boys.



Firewood Raffle – Year 5 and 6 students are currently selling raffles for a trailer load of firewood, as a fundraiser for their Term 4 camp. Please support them if you are able to. More cards are also available from the school office.



Kiwi Hoops – The season begins today, with the Concord Celtics playing the Columba Rockets on Court 6B at 4.05pm, and the Concord Flyers are playing the Wakari Warriors on Court 3 at 5.15pm. Have a great game!



Artist Visit - Concord School has been lucky to have local artist Janet de Wagt visit the school. Janet took the school for an art session focusing on shading and using shading to turn a circle into a ball. Students learnt about how the light hits an object, creating a shadow and how to show this with shading. Janet will be returning to Concord School for one more session in the next couple of weeks. Here is Rūma Rata hard at work:



Parents' Group Meeting – The next Parents' Group meeting will be held **next Wednesday 14th May at 3.15pm** in the staffroom. All welcome!

Dates to mark on your calendar:

- * Mon 2 June – King's Birthday holiday
- * Fri 20 June – Matariki holiday



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)



Clever Cats – Friday 16th May at 1.30pm

Lunch Menu – Next week's school lunches are:

Mon – Chicken Wraps	Tues – Beef Spaghetti
Wed – Butter Chicken	Thurs – Meatball Sub
Friday – Chicken Burger	

Welcome - We're excited to welcome Edwin Joseph to our school community. Edwin joined Rūma Makomako from Concord Kindergarten at the start of Term 2. He is enjoying his reading and maths rotations and has loved getting to know all his new teachers, and thinks they are kind.



At playtime, Edwin's favourite activity is scootering around the school. He has already made three new friends and is also enjoying spending time with his older brother Evan. When he grows up, Edwin hopes to become a gamer — and we can't wait to see where his passion takes him! – by Nono & Emily

ODT 2 May 2025 Rugby offers leadership experience

MARK JOHN

A DUNEDIN school's new principal is planning on bringing some of the lessons he has learnt on the rugby field into the classroom.

Former Taiari Rugby Club premier player Glen Beadle started his second term as the principal at Concord School earlier this week.

He said he had been lucky to be captained by some strong leaders at the club and led by some strong principals and was looking forward to bringing those lessons together.

He wanted to hone in on what they had done well and see what worked for him.

While the role had been a "huge jump" in his career, the support of the school's community was making it a lot easier, he said.

"The more I get to know the community and the students and their families, it's the more comfortable I start to feel in the role."

"Walking in the gate term 2 was a lot easier than term 1."

Mr Beadle grew up in Mosgiel and attended Taiari College before graduating with a teaching degree from the University of Otago in 2011.

He began teaching at Balcutha Primary School before moving to Fairfield School, where he taught for seven years.

He took on a teaching deputy principal role at Outram School for three years before moving to Concord this year.

He considered himself lucky to have taught at great community-based schools around Dunedin.



Offering opportunities ... Concord School's new principal Glen Beadle.

PHOTO: PETER MCINTOSH

He felt the school had been well looked after by former principal Steve Turnbull and the board and was hoping to build on their progress by providing more opportunities for pupils.

In addition to meeting the government's reading, writing and maths requirements, he was looking forward to introducing other ideas such as an orchard in the field from which fruit could be used for

the school's cooking and baking programme.

He wanted to give pupils at Concord as many opportunities as they would get at bigger schools.

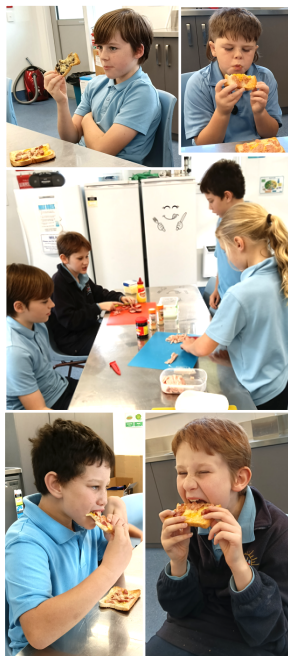
mark.john@odt.co.nz



Go five-for-five

Do the mahi, get the treats.

School helps you get to where you want to be.



Lucky Book Club



The next Lucky Book Club order forms were distributed last week and close

TOMORROW Friday 9th May. Please return money and orders to the school office.

TŪHURA

Otago Museum



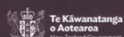
Spoil Mum This Mother's Day at Tūhura

Join us this Saturday and Sunday for a weekend celebrating mums! Get creative making a Mother's Day gift in our makerspace, where you can craft a heart-shaped pop-out notebook for the special mother figure in your life.

Then on Sunday, don't miss our two special screenings of *Mrs. Doubtfire*—there'll be free popcorn!

[Mother's Day Makerspace](#) | 10am – 3pm, Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 May

[Mrs. Doubtfire Screenings](#) | 10.30am and 3.30pm, Sunday 11 May



Concord School

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:



The Concord Inn



Caring, friendly and professional – that's us!

Pharmacy

Moyle's

freshchoice supermarket green island

Open 7 days

7am to 9pm

airify



Luke MacDonald

LJ Hooker



If you would like to advertise on the Concord School Skool Loop App please email Content@skoolloop.com

To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' and 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



- Events
- Cancellations
- Notices
- Newsletters
- Permission Slips
- Instant notifications
- Absentees



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



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

NO ISSUE IS TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL

HELPLINE | COUNSELLING | WORKSHOPS

0800 568 856

www.parenthelp.org.nz

Together We Learn and Grow

Ako Tahi, Tipu Tahi