

## Concord School **NEWSLETTER**



5 June 2025

## Kia ora whānau

## Friendship Week at Concord School **Tuesday 3rd June – Friday 6th June**

We've had a fantastic beginning to Friendship Week here at Concord School, filled with meaningful activities and thoughtful reflections.

On Tuesday, students explored the qualities they value in a friend and the traits they strive to show in their own friendships. These included: F un to play with

- \* Helpful \* Understanding \* Kind
- \* Trusting \* Respectful \* Funny
- \* Caring \* Responsible \* Sharing
- \* Teamwork

\* Supportive \* Patient \* Strives for Excellence

In the afternoon, we got creative by making friendship bracelets! Most students were able to finish their bracelets at school, while a few took them home to complete.



Written by Olivia McKenzie

R unning and Resilient

I like to play basketball with then

On Wednesday, Makomako worked with me, writing acrostic poems all about friends P lays with me and friendship. Here are two examples:

It's been awesome to see students connecting, reflecting, and celebrating what it means to be a good friend. We're looking forward to more friendship-filled activities as the week continues! A big thank you to the Girls' Wheako Group, who came up with this initiative and are showing great leadership by running these activities across the school.

Pink Shirt Day - As part of Friendship Week, we will end the week (TOMORROW) with our own Pink Shirt Day! A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated, with funds going to the Mental Health Foundation to support their important work. Let's come together to make a difference!

CARE Celebration - We had to postpone our Wheels Afternoon celebration yesterday due to the wet weather but we hope to hold it this afternoon. The end of term choices are Science Afternoon, Technology Afternoon or Movie Afternoon.

Matariki Breakfast — On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June we will be celebrating Matariki at school together with a shared breakfast, from 8.30am in the hall. Eating delicious food together is an excellent opportunity to connect, chat and enjoy each other's company. Join us for breakfast if you are able to - please let us know for catering purposes. There will be no cost.

Kiwi Hoops – Last week the Concord Celtics played Team Toroa and the 'Player of the Day' was Toby.

The Concord Flyers played the Balaclava Nuggets and the 'Player of the Day' was Jayden.

Wheako Group's Finished Guitar Stand – This term Arjan, Epa, Elijah, and Ollie, along with local youth worker Noah, were tasked by Hiliako to build a movable guitar stand that could hold six instruments, as it would be a real asset to the music room. The boys researched guitar stands, then designed, bought materials and built the stand, helped by Taylor at Caldwell & Highsted.

Reflecting on the project, Taylor said the boys brought lots of energy and excitement to his day.

The final product is a testament to their dedication and craftsmanship. The boys should be incredibly proud of what they've accomplished.



Teacher-Only Day – Concord School will be holding its second Teacher-Only Day on Monday 14 July (Day 1 of Term 3). On this day, the school will be closed to students as our teachers participate in professional development focused on Mathematics.

## Dates to mark on your calendar:

- Thurs 19 June Matariki Breakfast
- Fri 20 June Matariki holiday
- Fri 27 June End of Term 2
- Monday 14 July Teacher Only Day

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 13<sup>th</sup> June at 1.30pm

Lunch Menu – Next week's school lunches are:

Mon – Chicken Wraps Wed – Butter Chicken

Tues – Beef Spaghetti Thurs – Meatball Sub Friday - Chicken Burger

Rūmā Kōwhai News - This term Rūmā Kōwhai has been looking at eco-friendly vehicles as part of sustainable transport. Students have been getting into their creative space and designing their own eco-friendly vehicles.

Students had to come up with a name for their vehicle, what they are made out of, what it's fuelled by and who can use their vehicle. Here is a photo of some students who shared their designs at assembly last week!





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Ako Tahi, Tipu Tahi