



# Concord School NEWSLETTER



14 May 2026

Kia ora koutou

**Bakehouse on Bond – Orders will be available for collection from the school hall from 3.00pm TODAY.**

**Week 2 CARE Certificates:** Congratulations to our recipients of the Concord School CARE Certificates for Week 3. These students have gone above and beyond in demonstrating our school values.

Mata: Always focusing on her work  
Shane: Showing confidence when sharing his ideas  
Gian: Trying his best in class



**Whānau Hui –** It was wonderful to see a great turnout from our community at our recent Whānau Hui. We had some valuable discussions and shared ideas as we began planning for our Polyfest performance in Term 3.

Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed. If you were unable to make it, or if you have ideas you would still like to share, please don't hesitate to reach out — we would love to hear your thoughts as we move forward together.

**Life Education Bus –** On the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of May, we are looking forward to welcoming the Life Education Bus and everyone's favourite giraffe, Harold the Giraffe, to Concord School.

Students will have the opportunity to take part in engaging and interactive learning sessions in the mobile classroom, exploring important topics around health, wellbeing, relationships, and making positive choices. We know this will be a valuable and enjoyable experience for our tamariki, and we are excited for their visit.

The focus for each classroom will be ...  
**Makomako:** How do we make good decisions? What are the impacts of the decisions we make?  
**Kōwhai:** How do we keep ourselves safe? Where can I go for help?  
**Rātā:** Why are some drugs helpful and some harmful?

*If you would like further information on these topics, please contact your child's class teacher.*

**Kiwihoops –** The Kiwihoops teams played their first games last Thursday.

The Celtics played the Kaikorai Lakers and the 'Player of the Day' was Ava M. The Flyers played Toroa and the 'Player of the Day' was Ollie D.



**Buddy Time -** Over the past two weeks, we have launched our Senior (Year 6's) and Junior (Makomako) Buddy Time, and it has been fantastic to see students building positive connections across the school.

Each Wednesday afternoon, our Big Buddies have been working alongside younger students to support reading, writing, and P.E. activities. This special time helps foster leadership, confidence, and a sense of belonging for all involved. Buddy Time will continue as a regular Wednesday activity, with the focus changing throughout the term to provide a range of learning and connection opportunities for our students.



**Dates to mark on your calendar:**

- \* Fri 15 May – Clever Cats
- \* Thurs/Fri 28/29 May – Life Education Bus
- \* Mon 1 June – King's Birthday



Ngā mihi nui  
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 etc).

**Welcome** to our new student and his family:  
Lachy Begg

### 'Dangerous Decibels'

"Last Wednesday, we had 'Dangerous Decibels' come to our school. 'Dangerous Decibels' is a programme that goes around schools teaching kids to keep their ears healthy and safe. It is important so we can have good hearing when we are older.

We did some cool and fun activities. We started by talking about decibels, and the guy who was teaching us told us the normal volume of talking is 65 decibels. Then he told us to gather in the middle and yell as loud as we could, and he measured the decibels, and it reached 123 decibels.

We discussed how important it is to have our headphones down low when listening to music." - by Mata





## WHAT'S ON @ TŪHURA



### Teddy Bear Hospital

Weekday Clinic: Monday – Friday  
Community Day: Saturday

Going to the doctor can be a scary time for kids – but it doesn't have to be!

To help kids get more comfortable around healthcare settings, we're hosting a week-long Teddy Bear Hospital in partnership with the Otago University Medical Students' Association.

[Weekday Clinic](#) | [Community Day](#)  
May 11-15                      May 16  
<https://otagomuseum.nz/whats-on/>



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Host: Youth Action Group

**TALENT SHOW**  
MAY 23RD

Under 12: 10am - 12pm  
12+: 1pm - 3pm

Fairfield Community Hall  
10 Playfair Street, Fairfield

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**Head Lice**

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