



Concord School Newsletter

30 July 2026



Kia ora Concord School Whānau, Toys at School

We have noticed an increase in the number of toys being brought to school. While we understand that some toys are special to our tamariki, toys from home are generally not needed at school and can become a distraction from learning. When toys are brought into the classroom, they can also be lost or damaged, which creates additional work for teachers and can be upsetting for students. Please help us by reminding your child to keep their toys at home, where they are safe and can be enjoyed outside of school.

One exception is Rūma Makomako on Fridays, when students are invited to bring a toy or special item from home as part of sharing news. This is specifically used to support students' oral language development. These items are kept safely in the classroom by the teacher during the day.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep our classrooms focused on learning while also supporting meaningful opportunities for our students to develop their communication skills.

School Cross Country – Friday 7 August

Our School Cross Country will be held on Friday 7th of August, and we are looking forward to seeing our tamariki get out there and give it their best!

Race times are approximate:

- Year 6: 1:40pm
- Year 5: 1:50pm
- Year 4: 2:00pm
- Year 3: 2:10pm
- Year 2: 2:20pm
- Year 1: 2:30pm

Students are welcome to bring a change of clothes to school and get changed at lunchtime before the event.

We would love to see lots of whānau and supporters at school cheering on our athletes and encouraging them as they run. Your support makes a big difference!

After School Care Is Up and Running!

Our After School Care programme is now up and running for Term 3!

After School Care is currently available Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday - whether you need regular, ongoing care or would simply like to use the service casually when needed, we can accommodate both options.

If you are interested in using our After School Care programme, please contact the school office for more information or to register your child.

We are excited to be able to offer this new service to our Concord School community and hope it provides a helpful option for our families.

Week 1 CARE Certificates:

Congratulations to our recipients of the Concord School CARE Certificates for Week 1. These students have gone above and beyond in demonstrating our school values.

Jude: Striving for excellence in his maths.

Bexley: Showing confidence and settling in well into Kōwhai.

Gracie: Striving for excellence in her reading.

Odin: Making responsible choices in the classroom.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

Friday 31st July -

Clever Cats

Friday 7th August -

School Cross

Country

Monday 10th August

- School photos



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). text



Together We Learn and Grow

Ako Tahi, Tipu Tahi

Cooking with Andrea



School Photos - 10th August

Our annual school photos are coming up on Monday 10th August. Sibling photos will be done first at 8:30am, pre-schoolers and older children are welcome to come along for these. If you would like siblings photos to be taken, please complete the Sibling Photo Request form and return to the office **by Friday 7th August**. These forms have been sent home this week, if you haven't received one, please contact Kirsty in the office, and we can arrange this for you.

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 5 brochures came home last week - please have your orders back by **tomorrow**, Friday 31 July.

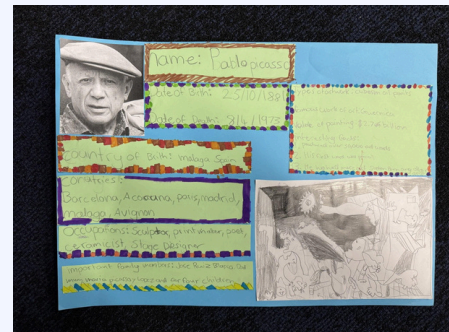
Kiwihoops

Last week the Celtics played the MHS Rockets and Player of the Day was Rocco. The Flyers played Green Island Thunder and Player of the Day was Charlie.

Rātā update - Wonderful World of Art

This term, we have been exploring the wonderful world of art by learning about a range of famous artists and their unique styles. We have discovered how artists use colour, shape, line, texture, and pattern to express ideas and tell stories.

As part of our learning, we have investigated the lives and techniques of different artists, discussing what makes each artist's work special and how their art reflects their experiences and culture. We have then used these ideas as inspiration to create our own artworks, experimenting with different materials and techniques along the way.



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10am – 3pm, Saturday 1 August
Tuhura Otago Museum

Free Entry – Some activities are ticketed
Join us for a fun-filled community celebration featuring performances, face painting, balloon artists, games, popcorn, food, and plenty of family entertainment. Science Centre and Planetarium entry will be just \$10 each per person for the day.

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