



Concord School Newsletter

15 October 2026



Kia ora Concord School Whānau,

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful break with your tamariki. Thank you for all your effort in getting everyone organised and ready for the new school term—it is going to be a busy and exciting one!

Community Consultation Survey:

Thank you to everyone who completed our strategic plan survey last term. This feedback will directly help shape our school's future direction. Our Board of Trustees will be meeting in a few weeks to review and discuss this information as we work together to create our next strategic plan.

Sunsmart:

This week, students received their school sun hats. These are kept at school and need to be worn during playtimes on sunny days. Each classroom has sunscreen available for student use, but children are also welcome to bring their own labelled bottle to keep in their school bag.

Futsal:

Futsal started this week, and Concord has entered three teams. Concord United unfortunately didn't play, but are ready to go for next week. Concord Shooters played Tainui, and the 'Player of the Day' was Shakara. Concord Strikers played Kaikorai, and the 'Player of the Day' was Ollie.

Halloween Disco:

The Parents' Group will be running a Halloween Disco on FRIDAY 30th of October in the school hall, from 6.00-7.30 pm. Dress up in costume; entry is \$2.00 per child at the door, and drinks and lollies will be available for purchase. **Please note that this is for Concord School students only.**

Thank Your Cleaner Day:

Yesterday was 'Thank Your Cleaner Day', a great opportunity to show our appreciation for the amazing work Amber does here at Concord School. She is thorough and takes great pride in ensuring every classroom and indoor area is cleaned to a high standard each day, helping to keep our school a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for everyone. Thank you, Amber — we truly appreciate the exceptional job you do every single day!

CookieTime Fundraiser - forms due back tomorrow:

A big thank you to everyone who has sold cookies so far! Every purchase goes towards paying for our Term 4 Beach Education Day, giving our tamariki hands-on learning experiences and crucial water-safety skills right before the summer holidays.

Forms & Payment Due: Friday, October 16th (End of Week 1, Term 4)

Welcome to Concord School:

Welcome to Everleigh (Makomako), Zoey (Kōwhai) and Liam (Rātā) and their whānau who have joined us at Concord School this week.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

Fri 16th Oct - Cookie fundraising forms in

Tues 20th Oct - Ukulele jam for Ukulele band

Wed 21st Oct - Year 3 & 4 camp raffle cards due back

Fri 23rd Oct - School swimming starts

Fri 30th Oct - Halloween Disco

School Lunches:

Monday: Ham Pitās

Tuesday: Chicken Mayo Sub

Wednesday: Teriyaki Chicken Salad

Thursday: Spaghetti Meatballs

Friday: Beef Burgers

Substitutions may occur due to product availability.

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).



Don't forget to check our Facebook page for up-to-date information, messages, photos and videos:
www.facebook.com/concord.school.dunedin

Cooking with Andrea



Head Lice

Please continue to be vigilant in checking your child's hair often and treating when necessary

Year 3&4 Museum Overnight Camp - Fundraising Raffle:

Raffle tickets are due back at school **next Wednesday, 21st of October**, and prizes will then be drawn on the 23rd.

If you would like any last-minute raffle tickets to sell, please contact the school office.

Afterschool Care Term 4:

Our afterschool care programme is available Monday - Friday, 3:00-5:30 pm, here at Concord School. The cost is \$10 for 3 - 4 pm, \$15 for a full session. If you would like to sign up for after-school care in Term 4, please use the link to the form below, or alternatively contact the school office.

[Term 4 After-school care sign-up](#)

We also offer casual or ad hoc bookings, and can accommodate last-minute bookings for emergencies. Bookings for an afternoon session can be made until midday on the day care is required by contacting the school office on 03 488 2204 or texting 027 391 9985.

School Swimming:

Swimming lessons for the whole school begin next Friday and will take place every Friday this term, from Week 2 through to Week 9, at Te Puna o Whakaehu (Mosgiel Pool).

If your child has long hair, please ensure they have it tied back.

Wearing a swim cap or using hair ties can significantly improve comfort and focus in the water. Students will need to bring togs and a towel. We have sets of school goggles, but students are welcome to bring their own if they have them.

Year 5&6 Camp - Bannockburn

On the last day of Term 3, Rātā returned from an incredible school camp to Bannockburn! Hearing about all their fantastic adventures—from biking, fishing, and gold panning to the Gondola, Luge, TSS Earnslaw, Walter Peak, shooting, and even Fear Factor—was the perfect way to wrap up the term.

A massive thank you to our amazing staff and parent helpers who gave their time and energy to create lifelong memories for our tamariki.



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For 85 years, we've welcomed whānau to play, learn and grow - together.

Join your tamariki to explore, create and connect while building confidence as a parent within a supportive community.

Tuesday & Friday 9:15am - 1:15pm

Riselaw Road

Playcentre

Catholic Social Services

TERM 4 Parenting courses and support groups
We offer a range of programmes to support tamariki and whānau

TOOLBOX PARENTING - starts Tues 27th Oct, 9.30-11.30am
Parenting tips & strategies for tamariki aged 2-12 (6 weeks)

GAME ON FOR DADS - starts Wed 21st Oct, 7-9pm
Parenting group for Dads by Dads (6 weeks)

SEASONS FOR GROWTH - starts Thurs 5th Nov, 7-9pm
Group for adults experiencing grief & loss (4 weeks)

ABC PLAYGROUP - starts Thurs 15th Oct, 10am-12pm
Fortnightly play space for Mums & 0-5 year olds

WHĀNAU CARERS SUPPORT GROUP - MONTHLY
Mondays 10am-12pm - 19th Oct, 16th Nov, 14th Dec

visit our website to enrol or for more info:
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