



# Concord School NEWSLETTER



23 May 2024

Kia ora whānau

**Makomako Duathlon** – The junior duathlon will be held **TOMORROW Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May** (weather permitting) here at school starting at 2.00pm. Whānau are most welcome to come and cheer the athletes on. The forecast is for sun, although it's only going to be 7° so please dress warmly.

**New Sandpits** – This week we opened our new sandpits (or sand boxes), and they proved to be very popular with the tamariki. They work really well as we don't have to lift off a very steel lid as we did before.

Thanks to board member/parent Greg Kane and staff members from Southern Double Glazing, for designing and constructing the two boxes, donating their labour. Thanks to our caretaker Gary for installing the boxes and landscaping the area, also donating his labour. Thanks also to the Parents' Group for paying for all the materials involved, and last but not least to Bendigo Valley Trust for funding the all-important sand. It's been a real team effort for the benefit of all our tamariki.



**Pink Shirt Day** – Thank you for your support of this last Friday. We raised \$72.00 for the Mental Health Foundation of NZ, which was matched by their sponsor TBI Health. This will help them reduce bullying through raising awareness, funding education and supplying free resources.

Classes completed a variety of activities from the Pink Shirt website and had valuable discussions about what bullying is and the strategies we can use when we see or are involved in a situation involving bullying.

Below is some information from the website:

What is bullying?

- Bullying is deliberate – harming another person intentionally
- Bullying involves a misuse of power in a relationship
- Bullying is usually not a one-off – it is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated over time
- Bullying involves behaviour that can cause harm. It is not a normal part of growing up

**Teacher Only Day – School will be closed on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June** (following Kings Birthday Weekend) for a Teacher Only Day. The day is a requirement from the Ministry of Education to work on the new curriculum, Te Mātaiaho.

**Vas Kovalski Show** – On Monday we enjoyed a comedy show and amazing magic tricks by kids magician Vas Kovalski.

**Senior Camp Raffle – Please return all raffle cards, sold or unsold TOMORROW.**

**Honey** – We still have jars of our school honey for sale at the school office - just **\$8.00** each.



**Construction Items** – Along with any small boxes or tubes (not toilet rolls), could the Rātā room also please get any 3 litre juice bottles you may have for the vege garden for Wheako? Thank you 😊

**Golf** – Thanks to Melanie Harper for taking Kōwhai and Rātā classes for two golf lessons each this term. The students really enjoyed it and a few show some real promise.

**Kiwihoops** – There were no games last week due to the Nuggets playing a home game. This week the Concord Flyers are playing the Abbotsford Pistons.



**Dates to mark on your calendar:**

- \* **Friday May 24 – Makomako duathlon**
- \* Monday 3 June – Kings Birthday
- \* Tuesday 4 June – Teacher Only Day
- \* Friday 28 June – Matariki
- \* Friday 5 July – End of Term 2



Steve Turnbull  
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 31<sup>st</sup> May at 1.30pm

## What does it look like?

Bullying can be:



**Physical**  
- hitting, tripping up



**Verbal**  
- insults, threats



**Social**  
- spreading gossip or excluding people



**Cyberbullying**  
- bullying online, via the internet, mobile phones and social media. It's a common form of bullying, especially amongst young people



# KVC'S GOT TALENT

**THURSDAY  
JUNE 20TH  
7PM**

School Hall

TICKETS  
\$3 PER STUDENT YEAR 7-13  
\$5 PER ADULT  
KIDS FREE

**Book Here**



[www.trybooking.com/nz/RWW](http://www.trybooking.com/nz/RWW)

Door sales available on the night

Preschool/Primary School children **FREE!**  
Linda has a few **free** adult tickets at the Concord School office too - first in, first served!



**Pink Shirt Day**



**Stories Under the Stars**  
1.30pm Saturdays and Sundays  
Calling our youngest stargazers... We all love stories, and what better place to hear them than our planetarium?

Look up at the astronomical world above us and listen to the stories of the stars as our excellent presenters lead you on a fun-filled adventure through the heavens.

**FREE**

For more info go to <https://otagomuseum.nz/whats-on/>



# Thinkit Art

## Sunday Workshops

**Creative Extension**

June 9th - 6/10yrs 10.30am - 12.30pm  
9/12yrs 1.15pm - 3.15pm

July 7th - 6/10yrs 10.30 - 12.30pm  
9/12yrs 1.15pm - 3.15pm

Cost: \$38 per session  
Studio: 136 princes street Central Dunedin

**Book Now**

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## Skool Loop + Zero Data

For some school parents and caregivers, the cost of mobile data can be a barrier to accessing school information and communications – not anymore!

We are excited to announce that Skool Loop has aligned with Zero Data removing this barrier by providing **free access to the school app**. Simply follow these steps.

DUNEDIN YOUTH ORCHESTRA PRESENTS:

# PANORAMA

Journey through the panoramic vistas of 19th-century Romanticism's landscapes

Saturday 25th May 7pm  
Castle St Lecture Theatres, University of Otago  
Music by Bizet, Grieg, MacCunn, Weber and Mayer

Door Sales - Cash: Adults \$20, Students \$10, Children free

Conductor: **Natasha Manowitz**

Soloist: **Ayla Biner-McGrath**

## 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 information, messages, photos & videos:  
[www.facebook.com/concordschoolodunedin](http://www.facebook.com/concordschoolodunedin)

# LEAF

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