

From the Principal...

Welcome Back! I hope you all enjoyed some time to relax and unwind.

Our learners have arrived back happy and ready to get on with the term which has made for a great start.

At our Powhiri Assembly last week we welcomed a number of new students and their families, as well as new staff members who have started this term, we hope you enjoy being part of our Conifer Grove Whanau!

This year we have introduced new teams as part of the restructuring with the growth of the school. The teams are as follows, in order of the phases of growth:

Junior School Teams:

[Tipu Year 0 - 1](#)

[Rea Year 1-2](#)

[Haemata Year 2-3](#)

Senior School Teams:

[Whanake Year 4-5](#)

[Matomato Year 5-6](#)

[Paapua Year 7 & 8](#)

Please click on the
Team names to read the
Term 1 Team Newsletters

We welcome you to our **Whaanau Talanoa Fun night**, come and meet the teachers and join in the fun on Wednesday 6 March 5:30-7:00pm.

Beginning of Year Reports will be coming home on Monday 4 March.

We are a NO HITTING school

We like to solve problems without being physical.

Should your child be involved in a physical altercation, the Teacher or Team Leader will make initial contact with you to come and meet.

We would like to work in partnership with parents/whaanau to ensure that school is a safe place for all.

Parents are encouraged to discuss with their children problem solving strategies such as removing themselves from the situation and talking to an adult.

We are looking forward to the year ahead and to continuing to build positive relationships with learners and their whaanau focussed on students learning.

Have a great weekend!

Ngā mihi nui, Raj Dullabh, Principal



2024 DATES TO NOTE:

23 Feb	Year 7-8 NC Swimming
26 Feb	Scholastic orders due in
27 Feb	Year 4-6 Community Walk 9:15
28 Feb	Identity Parade 11:45
4 Mar	Beginning of Year Reports home New Entrant Intake
6 Mar	Whaanau Talanoa Fun Night
11 Mar	Paapua Camp Meeting
13 Mar	NC Tag
22 Mar	Individual/Class Photos
25 Mar	Sibling Photos
26 Mar	Counties Football BOT Meeting
29 Mar	Easter - School Closed
1 Apr	Easter - School Closed
2 Apr	Easter - School Closed
8 Apr	School Assembly
9-12 Apr	Year 7-8 Camp
12 Apr	End of Term 1

2024 TERM DATES:

Term 1	7 February - 12 April
Term 2	29 April - 5 July
Term 3	22 July - 27 September
Term 4	14 October - 20 December

2024 BREAK TIMES:

School starts	9:00am
Morning break	11:00am- 11:45am
Lunch break	1.15pm - 2:00pm
School finishes	3:00pm

GATES:

8:15am	School pedestrian gates open
9:00am	School gates close
2:45pm	School pedestrian gates open

Need to drop lunches off or collect children during the day?

Please use Evanda Cres entrance and report to the school office first.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

School Uniforms

(including hats and correct footwear)

We expect all students to be in correct uniform, including hats:

(Year 1-6 red bucket hat, Year 7-8 green cap)

Footwear: Black shoes and socks or black sandals only please. Crocs, slides, jandals are not part of the school uniform. Uniform items can be purchased from the Warehouse, Takanini.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS Mainly small sizes, polar fleeces and jackets \$5 each, check availability with the office staff.

Parking and Road Safety

Already this term we have had a number of near misses due to unsafe road behaviour on Evanda Cres, near the dairy, roundabout and intersection over the bridge.

We have requested that the Auckland Transport wardens make extra visits to our area.

***Evanda Cres** has a **NO STOPPING ZONE** opposite the school office during pick up/drop times.

***PLEASE** do not make dangerous turns at our school gates.

***PLEASE** do not pull into driveways to drop off children.

***Having trouble finding a carpark?** Try parking in one of the cul de sac streets and walk through the walkways into school, or parking further away and walking is a great option.

***PLEASE** take care on our roads and have consideration for ALL of our students when dropping off and collecting children - this is a 40kmph zone and ensure you are modelling good road safety by using the allocated pedestrian crossings.

School Events & Notices

To stay up to date notifications will be sent to you via **HERO** and **Skool Loop** if you are not receiving our notifications please let us know and we will check that we have your correct contact details.

Skool Loop App

- please remember to go onto the app
> Settings > Subscribe to Groups
and update the year levels for your children to their 2024 year level.

If you are new to CG School, or haven't yet installed the app on your phone, we request that you do so as soon as possible as it's a great tool to ensure you don't miss out on all the important information and reminders.

Search **Skool Loop** to download the app from the app store.

2024 STAFF:

Principal - Raj Dullabh

Deputy Principal's - Lee-Anne Maxwell / Caroline McLeod

Assistant Principal's - Louise Turner / Daniel Wickman

Year 0 Pihinga	- Annie O'Donogue
Year 1 Room 4	- Yiyan Wang
Year 1 Room 5	- Andrea Ng Waishing & Sally Davidson
Year 2 Room 6	- Navneeta Lal
Year 2 Room 7	- Gurpreet Kaur
Year 2 Room 8	- Neena Dhingra
Year 2/3 Room 9	- Albie Schultz / Joanne McLeod
Year 3 Room 10	- Priyanka Narayan
Year 3 Room 11	- Taylor Sparks
Year 3 Room 12	- Manpreet Kaur
Year 7/8 Room 14	- Shaman Singh (Team Leader)
Year 7/8 Room 15	- Dwain Samuels
Year 5/6 Room 16	- Aimee Jeffrey
Year 5/6 Room 17	- Ashna Nathman (Team Leader)
Year 5/6 Room 18	- Emma Wolstenholme
Year 4 Room 19	- Evelyn Hopkinson
Year 4/5 Room 20	- Georgina Hamilton
Year 4/5 Room 21	- Annalise Maggs
Year 4/5 Room 22	- Sophia Maher
Year 5/6 Room 23	- Subashni Prakash
Year 7/8 Room 24	- Kamlesh Ram / Grant Lloyd
Year 7/8 Room 25	- Nicole Forbes
Release	- Ivor Frake / Dianne Hayman
CRT	- Christine Hormann
LSC	- Emma Wells

Learning Assistants:

Saroj Parsot / Irene Tuit / Monika Naidu / Kaela Daniels /
Carly Nevey / Dianne Walker / Harnoor Mand /
Kylie Doran / Alanagh Stone / Brent Courtney /
Rhiannah Eden / Shayde Lowe

Support Staff:

Sandra Read / Sonja Brown / Chris Taylor
Janine Laing / Kerry McCallum / Abbey Zeinoun



COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Tai Chi

Monday nights 7:00pm
Conifer Grove School Hall



Australasian Toyakwai Karate Association



Tuesday nights 6:30pm
Conifer Grove School Hall
Contact: KJ
taaka@karate.co.nz



Junior Tennis Coaching

for all ages and skills at Jellicoe Park Tennis Club, Marr Road, Manurewa. Term 1 on Friday afternoons. All queries please phone Peggy on 021 201 8824 or email us on jellicoeParktennis@hotmail.com



2024 CONIFER GROVE SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Unisex uniform items for all students

SUMMER

Black lightweight sport short
Schooltex Green Polo Shirt



WINTER

Green Polar Fleece
Red Fleece lined Jacket
Black track pant



Sports Uniform

Red Sports Tee
Black Sport Shorts
(Year 3-8 only)



Sunhats

Yr 0-6 Red Bucket Hat
Yr 7+8 Green School Cap
(compulsory Term 1 and 4)



Footwear

Black Sandals OR
Black Shoes + black socks

Uniform Guidelines:

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform.

New uniform is available to purchase at The Warehouse, Takanini store.

Please note that if coloured vests/t-shirts are worn underneath your child's polo shirt, it is not to be visible.

• Please name each item of clothing clearly with your child's name in TWO places.

• Hats are to be worn in Terms 1 and 4 (after Labour Weekend).

Red Bucket hats for Year 0-6 students, green caps for Year 7 & 8 students only

• Black sandals or black shoes (with black socks) NO Crocs, jandals, slides please

• Nail polish is not to be worn and long hair should be tied up with brown, black, red or green hair ties.

• No jewellery to be worn other than a small pair of stud earrings.

Pukeko Pippins - Girls aged 5 and 6

Meet Saturday mornings, 9:00am - 10:30am, Manurewa Scout Hall, Gallaher Park, Alfriston Road, Manurewa. A fun and varied programme for Pippins to explore the world around them, build confidence and personal skills, have adventures and develop friendships. Fees \$90 per term. Contact Angela, itsacaveweta@yahoo.co.nz. Visits welcome.

<http://www.girlguidingnz.org.nz>

Family Lending Library

Every Wednesday

afternoon 3-4pm

View books and choose up to six books to borrow from the Knowledge Centre.

Interested? - visit Mrs Brown in the Knowledge Centre



Advertising Opportunity in our Newsletters

We are pleased to have a newly-designed advertising page attached to our newsletters. We still have one advertising space available, so if you, or someone you know of would like to take this space and sponsor our school, please contact:

Newsletters Unlimited: Jeanette 021 535 308 or Craig 0211568476 . Or email newsletters@xtra.co.nz It would be great to have you included and your sponsorship provides funding for our school.

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