

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY CARING
Whakamiha – Mana Motuhake – Manaaki

From the Principal...

Teacher Only Day 30 May - School Closed

Kia ora koutou whānau,

2025 Teacher Only Days - please note these MOE approved dates on our calendar during Terms 2,3,4.

I'd like to share an update on Conifer Grove School Term one attendance data as part of our "Everyday Matters" initiative. We appreciate the commitment to learning demonstrated by many of our tamariki, our regular attendance currently sits at 67%. I acknowledge that this is below the Government's target of 90%, and we are actively focusing our efforts on understanding and addressing the factors influencing attendance. We firmly believe that consistent attendance is crucial to student progress and well-being, and we are committed to working in partnership with our whānau to ensure every child has the opportunity to be present and engaged in their learning each day. Your support in making every school day matter is important as we strive towards improved attendance for all our students.

Our attendance registers are electronic and are completed in the morning and afternoon. Students are required to be **in class at 9.00am** to ensure they are marked present for the day.

In the event students will be late - please sign in on the vistab at the admin office.

If your child is absent, we ask our families to report the absence to the school office via email/app/phone message stating a reason so that this can be noted on the attendance register.

Students who remain absent without an explanation will be identified as truant. If absenteeism continues then a referral will be lodged with the Truancy Service to locate and support the students return to school.

Ngā mihi nui, Raj Dullabh, Principal



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 2 Team Newsletters

2025 DATES TO NOTE:

15 May New Entrant Visit Cohort 4
16 May Pink Shirt Day (see pg 2)
21 May Havora Day
22 May New Entrant Visit Cohort 4
23 May Paapua Cyber Safety talk
26 May Photolife class & individual photos
27 May Photolife sibling photos
30 May **Teacher Only Day - no school**
2 June King's Birthday - **no school**
3 June Junior/Senior Assembly
4 June Online booking opens for Learning Conferences
4 June NC Netball
12 June NC Hockey TBC
16 June Whole School Assembly
19 June Mid Year Reports sent home
20 June Matariki - **no school**
24 June 3 Way Conferences 2-7pm
26 June 3 Way Conferences 2-7pm
27 June Term 2 Ends 3pm

2025 TEACHER ONLY DAYS:

30 May Teacher Only Day - no school
28 July Teacher Only Day - no school
5 Sept Teacher Only Day - no school
28 Oct Teacher Only Day - no school

2025 TERM DATES:

TERM 1 3 Feb - 11 April
TERM 2 28 April - 27 June
TERM 3 14 July - 19 Sept
TERM 4 6 Oct - 16 Dec

2025 BREAK TIMES:

School starts **9:00am**
Morning break **11.00am- 11:45am**
Lunch break **1.15pm - 2:00pm**
School finishes **3:00pm**

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 details.

HERO & Skool Loop App

- Can be downloaded from the App Store or Google play.

HERO > to join as a new user enter your email address [using this link](#)

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STUDENT OF THE TERM TERM 1, 2025

Awarded for displaying Whakamiha (respect) in all curriculum areas.
Keep up the great work!

Pihinga	Karanjot S.	Room 14	Akshaiya P.
Room 2	Kiaan G.	Room 15	Krystal-Breeze T.
Room 3	Sika L.	Room 16	Angus H.
Room 5	Reign P.	Room 17	Nevaeh M.
Room 6	Haniya N.	Room 18	Bodi H.
Room 7	Inayat K.	Room 19	Arwen T.
Room 8	Ella W.	Room 20	Japnoor G.
Room 9	Lizzy A.	Room 21	Gabriel P.
Room 10	Lucas T.	Room 22	Jio Y.
Room 11	Kayde H.S.	Room 24	Ayaan L.
Room 12	Alisha D.	Room 25	Adeline K.
Room 13	Briar V.U.		

Pink Shirt Day

Friday 16th May

Support raising awareness of bullying



Pink shirt mufti day - show your support by wearing a pink shirt (or clothing item) to school and bring a gold coin donation, which will go towards the cause.

Drawing competition! Bring your anti-bullying drawings to Room 25 on Friday morning before school. The winner will be announced on Monday and receive a prize.

WHANAKE & MATOMATO CAMP

The Matomato and Whanake Camp was the highlight of Term 1.

Students took part in activities related to our Conceptual learning: 'Change occurs in different ways that may initiate reactions, opportunities and / or challenges' including learning how to propagate their own plants, contributing to new the garden space, taking part in team building exercises, singing Waiata around the bonfire and learning new orienteering skills - many of which were new experiences for our tamariki.

Learners showed our school values of Whakamiha (Respect), Mana Motuhake (Responsibility) and Manaaki (Caring) throughout camp.

Tamariki also demonstrated resilience by remaining positive despite some of the challenges that the weather presented!



Meet our Kaiarahi leaders who are role models for our students. Our Kaiarahi stand proud in their role at our school.



2025 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
(NO Crocs, jandals, slides please)

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.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Student Phones & Devices - to be handed in to teachers before school. Smart Watches - please keep at home or seek permission from a Senior Leader.

Parking and Road Safety

Bikes & Scooters - Please ensure children are wearing a helmet and footwear when riding at all times, head injuries can be life changing.

Please remind children to dismount from their bike/scooter before they get to the school gate and walk to the bike racks. It is advisable to lock up your bike/scooter.

Evanda Cres has a NO STOPPING ZONE opposite the school office during pick up/drop times. Traffic wardens randomly visit our school and may issue infringement notices for non compliance or unsafe driving.

*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 Uniforms (including hats and correct footwear)

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

Hats are worn in Term 1 & 4 (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.

If you would like your children to have a sibling photo please return your sibling form

PhotoLife



Your child's school photos will be taken at
Conifer Grove School
on Mon 26th & Tue 27th May 2025

Room 9

View and purchase your child's photos online

- Look out for your Child's Photo Keycode that they will bring home a couple of weeks after PhotoDay or it will be EMAILED to you.
- Use your unique Photo Keycode to view your child's photos at www.photolife.co.nz
- Orders placed before the Free Delivery Expiry Date will be bulk printed and delivered to the school for your child to bring home.
- Check the Bulk Expiry Date when you go online to view your child's photos.



Sibling Photographs P.T.O

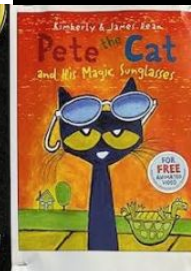
If your school has approved for us to take Sibling Photographs you need to do the following:

1. RETURN the signed Booking Form listing your children's names and room numbers to the School Office BEFORE Photo Day.
2. If there is NO SIGNED FORM OUR PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE NOT AUTHORISED TO TAKE A SIBLING PHOTOGRAPH.

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.

Room 2 "Pete the Cat"



R2 read Pete the Cat and learnt about the different zones of regulation he shared with his friends.

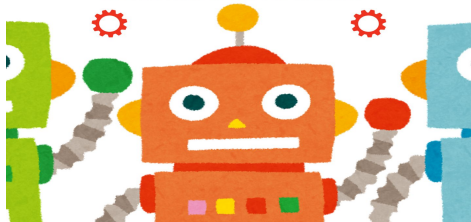
WE recalled the changes that happened in the story "he put on his magic sunglasses and ...changes happened - they were no longer grumpy, mad or sad!"



ROBOT DAY @ CONIFER GROVE SCHOOL

FRIDAY 30TH MAY

CREATE YOUR OWN ROBOT OUT OF RECYCLING, ROBOT DANCES, ROBOT BUILDING & LOTS MORE!



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