

# CONCORD JUNIOR SCHOOL

## AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 1

### OUR VISION – TO BE THE BEST THAT WE CAN BE

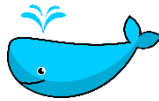
Our Core Values are; Trust, Respect, Friendship, Responsibility, Forgiveness and Safety.

**This term we are focusing on Safety and Responsibility .**

### Year Group Topics this Term

#### **Y3 – Scrumdiddlyumptious**

We will learn about healthy eating, how to keep ourselves healthy, how our bones and muscles work and compare this to animals.



#### **Y4 – Blue Abyss**

We will be learning about food chains, classifying animals and our effects on the oceans. Our key text is 20,000 Leagues Under The Sea by Jules Verne.

#### **Y5 – Beast Creator**

This half term Year 5 pupils will be focusing on the life cycle of animals. We shall focus on mini beasts, such as butterflies and those found in our local habitat.

#### **Y6 – Darwin's Delights**

During this topic we will be learning about Charles Darwin and his theory of evolution. We will also learn about how animals have adapted and evolved to live in a variety of extreme climates.

### Our Maths & Literacy Focus this Term

**Y3 – Maths–Place Value**

**Literacy–Adverts & Poetry**

**Y4 – Maths–Place Value**

**Literacy–20,000 Leagues Under the Sea**

**Y5 – Maths – Place Value**

**Literacy – Narrative Writing**

**Y6 – Maths—Place Value**

**Literacy – Adventure Writing**

### Pets in School

We have two resident guinea pigs in school – Luna and Venus.

We are always looking for volunteers to take care of them during weekends and through school holidays. If this is something you are able to help us with, please speak to your child's class teacher.



At Concord, we are fully committed to ensuring that all of our children are safe. We would like to thank all families for supporting our no jewellery policy. For Health & Safety reasons, earrings should not be worn. If your child's ears have recently been pierced and can't be removed, please cover the earrings with tape.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

At Concord, we believe that wearing a school uniform is important. It shows that pupils are part of an organisation. It says "We're all in this together". Uniforms give pupils a sense of belonging and create an identity for the school in the wider community.

It is an expectation at Concord, that all children wear school uniform each day. Uniform can be ordered from the school office. Alternatively, children may wear any white polo-shirt, blue jumper or cardigan (with or without logo) and grey trousers or skirt. Children not wearing school uniform will be asked to change for the day into new uniform we have available.

Thank you to all families for your continued support.

### Harvest Assembly

This year we will be collecting tinned food and non-perishable food items to support our local community and food banks. We would be delighted if you would like to donate an item however small or large! Please send in your item with your child by Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Harvest Assembly will take place on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 9.00am.**

### Dinner Money

Dinner money should be sent into school on a Monday in an envelope with your child's name on and given to the class teacher. Dinner money should not be taken directly to the school office in the morning.

Healthy snacks are permitted at break time.

### Our Core Values

At Concord, our vision is to be the best that we can be. Our school values underpin the expectations and aspirations for the school, children and community. Children regularly receive school value slips as an acknowledgement of keeping and honouring the school values and striving to be the very best in everything they do. At the end of every half term, the children who have received school value slips will be drawn out of a hat and the winners will receive a free cinema voucher for two.

**Our Core Values are;**  
**Trust**  
**Respect**  
**Friendship**  
**Responsibility**  
**Forgiveness**  
**Safety**



### ATTENDANCE

Well done to all classes who won attendance awards last half term.

It is vital that your child attends school every day.

Being late for school also reduces learning time. If your child is 5 minutes late every day they will miss one full day of learning each term. If your child is 15 minutes late every day they will miss 2 full weeks of learning each year.



### Message from Mrs Kouni

I would like to welcome back all the children, families and friends of the school.

The Year 3 pupils have made an excellent start to the term and have been very busy making new friends and getting to know their new teachers. All of the children have said they feel safe and happy in school which is tremendous.

Reminder: all families are invited to our Celebration Assembly every Friday morning at 9.00am where Student of the Week certificates are given out, along with the attendance award. If your child has been chosen as our Student of the Week, a text message informing you of this will be sent to you on the Wednesday of the same week.

### Early Bird Parent Meetings

Early Bird meetings have been arranged for;

Year 3 – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 3.15pm – 5.30pm

Year 4 – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 3.15pm-5.30pm

Year 5 – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 3.15pm-5.30pm

Year 6 – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 3.15pm-5.30pm

	<u>AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</u>	
<b>Every Day</b>	Breakfast Club Homework Club	8.00am – 8.40am 3.15pm – 5.00pm
<b>Monday</b>	Martial Arts	Mr Lawson
<b>Tuesday</b>	Girls Football (Year 3 & 4)	Miss Hassall
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dance (Year 3) Drama Art (Year 5 & 6) SWFC	Miss Harker Mr Matterson Mrs Donohue SWFC
<b>Thursday</b>	Let's Get Cooking Rugby & Multi-Skills Football	Miss Welsh & Miss Mysiw Mr Huckstepp Mr Pettinger & Mr Roe

### CONCORD SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Mrs M Kouni (Head)  
Miss N Sherwood (Deputy)  
Mr J Huckstepp (Assistant)

### SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our new school website is now live!  
Come and visit us at  
[www.concordschool.net](http://www.concordschool.net)

### Contacting the School

Should you wish to make an appointment to speak to your child's class teacher or the Headteacher please contact the office staff.  
If you need to give a non-urgent message to your child please contact the school before 2.45pm to allow Mrs Mullen time to speak to your child.  
**School Telephone: 0114 2495050**  
**Email: [enquiries@concordschool.net](mailto:enquiries@concordschool.net)**

### Start of The Day

Children can come into school and start their morning work at 8.40am and should enter the building through the rear playground door. A teaching assistant will open the door at 8.40am. Children should arrive at school no later than 8.50am for registration.

For Safeguarding, parents and carers are asked to say goodbye to their child/children on the playground. Please do not enter the building without signing in with Mrs Mullen in the office.

<b>Summer Term 2016</b>	
<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Y3LM Trip to Pizza Express
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 3.15pm – 5.30pm	Y3 Early Bird Meeting
Weds 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 3.15pm – 5.30pm	Y4 Early Bird Meeting
Thur 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 3.15pm – 5.30pm	Y5 Early Bird Meeting
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Y3KW Trip to Pizza Express
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct – 3.15pm – 5.30pm	Y6 Early Bird Meeting
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 9.00am	Y6SD Class Assembly
Weds 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y6 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 2.00pm – 3.00pm	Y6 Children & Parent Workshop – making props
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 2.45pm – 3.15pm	Y6 Running Wild Performance
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 9.00am	Y5CP Class Assembly
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 2.00pm – 3.00pm	Y4 Children & Parent Workshop – under the sea crafts
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 2.00 – 3.00pm	Y3 Children & Parent Workshop – fun with fruit
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 9.00am	Harvest Assembly
Week Beginning 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	5 Star Learner Reports Out
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 9.00am	Y4JM Class Assembly
Weds 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 2.00pm – 3.00pm	Y5 Children & Parent Workshop – making mini beasts
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	School Finishes for Half Term Holiday
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Inset Day – School closed to children
<b>Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>School re-opens for children</b>
<b>Parent Meetings</b>	<b>Y3 &amp; Y4–Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 3.15pm onwards</b> <b>Y5 &amp; Y6–Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 3.15pm onwards</b>

**Please note: Times and dates are provisional – further details will be sent out closer to the event.**