

Whānau Evening

On Thursday 18th March we are having the first whānau event of 2021. We welcome you to join us from 5-7pm at Woodhaugh Gardens for a casual get together. Please BYO picnic dinner and meet by the BBQ area. If wet or poor weather, please see Educa for postponement notice. We can't wait to see you all there.

Red Heart Day

Thank you to those who donated to Red Heart Day. We had a fun day of dress ups, activities and face painting. We went on an adventure to the hospital playground climbing trees, playing games and having running races. We also spent time talking to the children about the importance of exercise for their health and their heart.



Renovations

We are thrilled with the new mud kitchen in the Nursery sandpit. The children have been so engaged in this space, exploring in many dialogues of imaginative play.

Thank for those that have completed the survey and provided ideas and input on our upcoming Preschool renovations. We will be posting these on our wall and creating a design and plan to work through this in stages.



Lunch boxes

Ministry of Health update reminder:
Please provide food you feel is safe for your child to eat as you have prepared it. All food needs to be prepared ready for your child to eat eg oranges peeled, items cut into appropriate size, or in packaging that your child can open so that our teaching team can focus their efforts on supervision during lunch.

Learning focus

The nursery tamariki have been welcoming new friends into our whānau. We have been observing a lot of nurturing and loving interactions, further developing our strong sense of whanaungatanga. We have been watching our wild area flourish and enjoying the harvest of runner beans and peas. These have initiated many interesting conversations both individually and in groups as we investigate the pods and discover peas hidden inside... what a tasty treat!



The Pukeko (preschool) class have been focusing on Ako as our group planning. The older children have been supporting the younger learners that have been settling in. This includes supporting them with routines like washing hands before kai and singing karakia. We have welcomed Sian, and the children have done a great job at supporting her to feel welcome within the classroom. Sian has been spending time with the children to build strong reciprocal relationships. Water play has been a popular learning experience during these warmer days. We have some beautiful new natural resources, and the children are loving exploring their creativity with these.



Please label your child's sunhat clearly with their name. We do have some spare so please ask us if you forget so we can allocate the same spare hat for the day for hygiene reasons.

Please ensure you are dropping off and collecting within your booked times. We have noticed some parents arriving early or collecting late which affects our staffing roster and teacher to child ratio's, or at times breaching our ministry licence conditions if this is outside our opening hours. If you need to extend your bookings, please email with this request and provide two weeks notice. Please also sign in and out each day so we have a correct record of children on site at all times.

Illness

Please phone to let us know if your child will be absent. Our illness policy is for children to stay home if they are unwell to prevent the spread of illnesses. If your child suffers from vomiting or diarrhea they need to remain away for 48 hours (2 days) after their last episode.

Our tamariki and staff

Happy school days to: Ocean and Muhamad

Welcome to our new children: Angus, Ardy, Leo, Asher, Marshall, and Hermoine.

Welcome to Sian who has joined our teaching team. She will be working predominately in the preschool class.

Notes

Please ensure your child has had sunscreen applied before drop off to protect them from the UV rays. This must be everyday regardless of the weather forecast. This allows the teaching team to spend their time welcoming and settling children as they arrive and focusing on learning experiences. Thank you for your support keeping your child protected.

