

Pink Shirt Day

Pink Shirt Day is on Friday 17th May 2024! By taking part in Pink Shirt Day 2024, you will be doing your part to eliminate bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusion. Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

Pukeko Explorer's

Our Pukeko Explorer's programme has begun this term. A small group of our older tamariki are going on weekly adventures to Woodhaugh Gardens to explore nature. A big thank you to Black Thistle Construction (Oscar's whānau) for sponsoring our new vests.



Tui Class

In the Nursery we have had a strong interest in imaginary play with many of our older friends enjoying exploring the dress ups, the baby dolls and the smaller dolls house we have borrowed from the



Preschool. There has been an ongoing interest in music and movement as well as our ever developing gross motor skills, our youngest friends are now on the move confidently rolling and starting to move about! Ka rawe! We continue to love our sensory exploration and have been doing so with many different provocations such as psyllium husk, chia seed slime, paint, shredded paper, sand, water, clay and mud.



Pukeko Class

We were very excited to start our new Pukeko Hui Time this week. This is a special group time for our older tamariki, to provide a more cohesive connection between Preschool and School. This is a fun and exciting programme that draws on the current interests of the tamariki, while preparing them socially, emotionally and educationally for School. We can't wait to share what we have been getting up to!





Upcoming dates

Kings birthday 3rd June, Matariki 28th June.

We will have a celebration during Matariki and our annual winter disco on Wednesday 26th June 4.30-6pm.

Happy Mothers Day

To all our wonderful mothers out there, have a fantastic weekend. As parents you are your child's first teacher and have such an important role in their lives. I hope you get to spend some quality time together over the weekend. Keep up the great work.

Educa change

In the coming weeks we will be converting over from Educa to Storypark. These programmes are quite similar, therefore you will continue to receive your child's learning journey online.

Many of our teaching team have used Storypark in the past and have found this to be more user friendly for families and kaiako. Also your child's online portfolio remains accessible even after your child graduates from York Place.

We will let you know when to look out for your email invitation as we progress through the transition. At this time we will also recommend you download stories from Educa to save.

Tamariki and kaiako

Happy school days to: Riley, and Billy
Welcome to: Thenul, Japreen, Toby, and Hector
Farewell: Curtis, Willa & Renley,

Reminders

Now our colder weather approaches, please pack a waterproof jacket, winter hat and practical shoes or gumboots for outdoor play each day, along with a full change of warm clothing. There are so many wonderful learning opportunities in the outdoors and along with fresh air to reduce the spread of bugs. We make our outdoor programme accessible every day regardless of weather. We are lucky to have undercover areas such as the whanau room and hut/sandpit space to utilise.

If we need a late start due to snow/ice and dangerous road conditions, this will be notified on Seesaw as well as The Hit's 89.4 FM radio station. You can listen to the radio or check their facebook page. As a general rule we will be similar to primary schools.

