



NEWSLETTER

July—August
2016

Haere mai and Haere ra:

We welcome our new children:- Maxim, Hope, Sophia, Luciano, Diego and their families to our Bright Beginnings family. Our new children have settled in well and are enjoying the experiences provided. This month we say goodbye to Matthias, Keyarn and Lexani. We will surely miss you all. A big congratulations to Leo and his family for the recent arrival of baby Madison.

Matariki:

Our centre has been very busy celebrating and learning all about Matariki. We revamped our centre garden planting vegetables to grow throughout the season; held a Matariki feast where our centre families contributed vegetables for our shared vegetable hotpot; read books; sung waita and mapped out the seven stars of Matariki. We also held a Raranga workshop with Rewa, one of our centre parents. A big thank you to Angelina and Fulton Hogan for harvesting harakeke for our Raranga session!

Full-time spaces available:

Due to some of our children heading off to school we will soon have full time spaces available. If you know of anyone that is looking to

enrol their child at our centre, please feel free to forward our details otherwise you can talk to any one of our staff members.

Daffodil Day:

Daffodil Day provides a wonderful opportunity for all New Zealanders to remember and support those affected by cancer. This year, Bright Beginnings Early Learning Centre would like to support the Cancer Society's 2016 Daffodil Day annual flagship appeal by holding a fundraising event at our centre. This will be held on 26th August 2.00-4.00PM at the centre where we will have a bake sale, jewellery sale, other activities and the announcement of our silent auction winner. We ask that everyone wear yellow to support this community event. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you to NZ Police:

A big thank you to NZ Police for their prompt response to a recent tagging incident where our centre fence was vandalised during the week-

end. We received an apology letter as well as a donation towards the centre. What amazing community service!

Our new tables & chairs:

You may have noticed the recent arrival of our new wooden tables and chairs. This has been very exciting for the children and is keeping towards our goal for a more natural indoor environment. Please feel free to come in and have a look!

Illness & sick days:

With the recent cold weather, there has been an increase in children developing coughs, colds and other winter related illnesses. We would like to thank all families for supporting us through this winter season by keeping your child home and minimising the spread of infection amongst the staff and other children.

Upcoming events:

26 Aug—Daffodil Day celebration. Don't forget to wear yellow!

16 Sept—Loud Shirt Day

21 Sept- Parent Teacher Evening.

Nga mihi nui

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