



Where lifetime learning begins.... September/October 2018

Newsletter

Kia-ora parents/whanau:

We welcome the change of seasons with the arrival of the spring equinox wind! We would like to extend a special welcome to all new children and new family members to Bright Beginnings early Learning Centre.

Birthdays:

Make sure to send your best wishes to the following children who are celebrating their birthdays over August and September Kiyomi, Avantika, Hasib, Aanya, Breana, Isaac, Jesa and Viaan.

Best birthday wishes to Teachers Tori Kellie and Jaya who celebrated their birthdays in the month of August and September

Centre Programme:

In Manuka room, we have been actively and enthusiastically exploring the environment within our learning environment. We have been exploring sensory play using a variety of medium, namely art, messy play and baby jam sessions. Our Tamariki have been very curious and creative using natural materials such as clay and ferns to explore the different textures, in many different ways. Our little babies have enjoyed watching their reflections in the mirror. The children have been really productive in the kitchen area with role play, as well as exploring different coloured blocks on the light box.

Our Over 2's Tamariki were engaged in painting using different texture stamps like soft, rough and spongy. Children also enjoyed making multiple patterns by dipping ear buds in paints. In addition, children enhanced their fine motor skills by using cutters and rolling pins on the yellow dough which was made out of corn flour and conditioner, thus, children experienced soft textured dough. Outdoors, they were trying to develop their balancing skills on the wibbly-wobbly walking bridge and felt happy and confident once they crossed it.





Sun hats :

Please pack sun hats for the warm days.

Please bring a change of clothes in your child's bag and all items to be labeled too.

Nga mihi nui

Medical Certificates:

With the changing of seasons to spring, our immune systems are challenged. If your child has been sent home with a temperature, they will not be able to return to the centre for 12 hours following administration of medication ie Pamol or any form of pain relief.

Families, if are uncertain about our policy when your child is sick, please do not hesitate to ask your room Team Leader for clarification.



Upcoming events:

We will also be celebrating our centre 1st Anniversary on **23th of October** where old Mac Donald farm is going to come for a visit.

30th of October we are having a Parent Teacher evening and will update you closer to the date.

Our next centre Trip will be on the **2nd November** 2018.

We will be going to the Zoo and permission slips to be sent out soon.

Transitions:

Hasib, Aanya, Manu and Avantika to Pohutukawa Room. Breana and Isaac to Kowhai Room.

Farewells:

We said goodbye to Danika and Kye from Kauri Room, we wish you all the best for their next journey.

Celebrations

In August, We had the local Fire Brigade come in and give us a talk about fire safety. We also had the opportunity to explore the fire engine.

In September, we celebrated Father's Day where children have made some special gifts for the fathers.

We have also celebrating Maori language week, where each room did something special to celebrate through songs, reading books and listening to music in Te Reo Maori language.

We are all enjoying **Te wiki o reo Maori**. Kia pai to ra mo te wiki o te reo Maori.



We would like to request that you please bring your children to the centre for the hours that they are booked. Staffing is arranged according to numbers and ratios. If you should need a change of booked hours please speak to Anna, Michelle or Pallavi.

