

Stoke Kindergarten



Kia ora, Konichiwa, Malo e lelei, Tolofa, Annyeong, Ni hao and Hello to everyone,

Aug 2015

Absences can be sent by text to 0275214224

Welcome

We are delighted to welcome Benjamin Squires and Kellan Rudman-Anderson to our morning sessions and Mackenzie Ferguson to our afternoon sessions. We are sure that they will enjoy their time here with us.

Farewell

Soon we will be saying farewell to Marjel Ackroyd who will be starting his journey through school. We wish him all the best.

Morning/Afternoon tea & Lunch Reminders

Your child needs

- A bottle of water each day for lunch
- A small container with a healthy morning tea snack such as a sandwich, fruit, cheese, crackers, carrot sticks, muffin.
- Healthy lunch options – sandwiches, pita bread, yogurt, wraps, toasties, eggs etc
- Easy to open wrappings like reusable plastic bags, paper wraps, small containers. Glad wrap is difficult for most children to open and is not recyclable.

It's really helpful if you provide your child with an ample sized, easy to open, back pack so they can manage the process of getting their lunch boxes, and other things they might need, in and out of their bags easily by themselves. Practicing to do this at home is a good idea. We encourage and help children to develop self help and independence skills at Kindergarten.

Upcoming Events

- Aug 3 - New start time of 8.30am
- Aug 5 - Julie from Stoke Library visiting AM
- Aug 21 - Disco at Stoke School Hall 6—7pm
- Aug 25 - Committee AGM 7.30 @ Kindergarten
- Sept 5 - Our Annual Garage Sale @ Stoke School
- Sept 25 - End of term three
- Oct 12 - Beginning of term four

Our Programme

- Developing children's appreciation and skills in speaking te reo Māori through introducing new words and phrases, waiata, saying of their mihi, legends and visits to the Stoke Kohanga reo.
- Helping our new children at both sessions become familiar with routines and supporting them to develop friendships and skills in cooperative play.
- Developing children's foundation skills through Lee Corlett and Jenny Dravitski (Sport Tasman) sessions, team games, and through the physical activities we set up every day. The focus skills this term are on balance and rotation.
- Supporting children's interests and providing experiences to help meet their goals, as well as the goals their parents have set

Bouquets

A huge thank you to ...

- Kent Davis for concreting part of our garden area.
- Mel Llewellyn, Tania Armstrong and Haley Furlong for sorting out our library books in the holidays.
- To Lizzie Van de Schootbrugge, Megan Gibbins, Laura Ferguson, Hannah Lourens, Nikki Kelling, Alysha Harmon & Beth Catley for volunteering to come on our Committee. We hope you will all find it a lot of fun.



New Faces

We are delighted to welcome Rose Criglington as our 5th Teacher who will be covering lunches and professional time and Barb Penman who will be working as our casual Teacher Aide.

We also have a new Story Gran, Gwen Sadler who is coming in on a Tues to read to the children.