

Stoke Kindergarten

Absences can be sent by text to 0275214224

Please add your name so we know who it is

Welcome

We are delighted to welcome Keyan Andrew, Fergus Wood, Kotahi Rapata-Rapana, Coby Parsons, Anahera Tangohau, C.J. Rapata-Rapana and Braxton Lam to our morning sessions and Clodagh McLoughlin and Jack Turu-Kemp to our afternoon sessions. We are sure that they will enjoy their time here with us.

Farewell

Sadly we will soon be saying farewell to Van Sui Sang and Holly Gibbins who will be starting their journey through school. We wish them all the best.

We are finding a lot of children are bringing toys to kindergarten.

These are getting lost and we are finding them really distracting, so we are creating a rule, **no toys to kindergarten.**

If it is something that is really important in terms of settling, a child may bring it and put it in their bag. They can then go to their bags and get it for a cuddle when needed. The toy has to be able to fit in the child's bag. If there are large amounts of children wanting to bring toys we may plan a toy day.



Up coming Events

Aug 23—Kindergarten Disco held at Stoke School

Aug 30—AGM at Kindergarten 7.30pm

Sept 5—Team Games with Jenny AM

Sept 11—Maori Language Week

Sept 14—Whakatu Marae Visit AM

Sept 16—Working Bee at Kindergarten to make a mud pit

Sept 18—Association AGM. All welcome

Sept 19—Foundation Skills with Jenny AM

Sept 29—End of Term Three

Oct 16—Start of Term Four

Our Programme

Our foundation skills for this term is focused on Locomotor Skills, which involves moving the body in any direction from one point to another. Movements related to this include skills like running, skipping, galloping, hopping, dodging and crawling. Jenny Dravitski from Sport Tasman has already been once and will visit two more times to help support us with our programme.

Children continue to really enjoy carpentry, making varied and interesting creations with the resources we have on hand. We would still love more interesting resources to add to our supply, such as small wheels, fans or propellers (not sharp)- if you have anything at home please let us know. We would also love any family members with woodwork expertise to come in and spend time supporting children at the woodwork table.

Art experiences which explore the properties of different materials have been popular, such as salt dough bead making, marble rolling paintings and dripping dye with pipettes.

We are preparing for our marae visit through practicing a waiata to sing and talking with children about what a marae is and what to expect on our visit.



We will be having a whānau hui (family meeting) one morning to explain the protocols around this visit. We would love you to come and learn more both at the marae and at this meeting.

New Arrivals



Congratulations to Baukje & Daniel McCorkindale who have safely welcomed the arrival of Noah, a brother for Anouk and Liam.