

# Stoke Kindergarten

Kia ora, Konichiwa, Malo e lelei, Tolofa, Kumusta and Hello to everyone,

February 2014

## Welcome

We would like to welcome Lizzie Hassloch, Levi Smith, Phoebe Inwood and Ciara Davis to our morning sessions, and Maggie Hassloch, Ava Harley, Joe Gavin, Isla Brown and Andrew Thomson to our afternoon sessions. We are sure that you will enjoy your time here with us.

## Farewell

Sadly we will soon be saying farewell to Scarlett O'Connor, Michael James and Paige Llewelin, as they will soon be turning 5 and will begin their journey through school. Thank you to their families for all the help and support they have given during their child's time at Kindergarten.

## Programme

- Helping new children to develop familiarity with routines and regular events.
- Supporting children with developing and renewing friendship.
- This term our physical foundation programme, supported by Sport Tasman and Lee Corlett is focusing on walking, running and marching skills.
- We are joining the Enviroschools programme this year which will include a focus on sustainability and looking at initiatives to strengthen and extend what we already do.

**Please ring or txt with absences**  
The space will then be available for casual enrolments

## Getting Ready for School

After considering our Monday afternoon's 'Getting ready for School' programme we have decided on some changes.

- We will only take 6 children to school at a time, as this allows us to give more individual support to each child.
- Older children will be rostered on a rotation basis to make it fair for every child.
- We will endeavour to visit Enner Glynn School every 3<sup>rd</sup> week dependent on parent help with transport to and from school. The other weeks we will visit Stoke School.
- Each child will have a 'Transition to School' book which will contain photos of their time in the playground, and any other school visits we may do with them.

## Photos and Social Media

Please be aware that if you take any photos of your child at Kindergarten or on excursions etc, and there are other children in the photo, please see a Teacher as some children aren't to be photographed. There are also concerns around posting photos of other people's children on social media sites.

**Scholastic book orders due 27th Feb**

**FLG meeting 13th Feb 7.30pm at Kqtn**

## Red Heart Day—Wed 12th Feb

To launch the revalidation of our Healthy Heart Award programme, ( of which we have already earned a gold award) we are entering in a national competition 'Wear Red for Healthy Heart'.

We have to Sport Tasman activity trailer in the park all morning so we will be out there having FUN as we keep fit and healthy! You're welcome to come and join us -if you wear red.

For this we would like all children to

- dress in red (you can be as crazy as you like)
- Bring some healthy red food to share for a special morning tea-(no cakes, biscuits or food colouring please.) See us if you need some ideas.

## Washing and Grounds

Quite often it's the same families that take our washing home on weekends and pop in to give our lawns a mow etc. We greatly appreciate their willingness to help, but we would love to see the load shared. If you are able to help out with either of these tasks once a term it would be really appreciated.