

Stoke Kindergarten



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

October 2014

A named hat is compulsory in term 4. No hat, no outside play!

Welcome

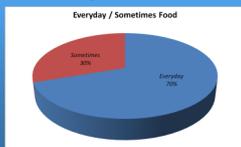
We would like to welcome Cody Furlong, Charlie & Tom Allan-Kereopa and Haylee Mew to our morning sessions and Billy Furlong, Harper McRae, Tia Thepkhamdee and Mitchell Taylor to our afternoon sessions. We are sure that they will enjoy their time here with us.

Farewell

Sadly we will soon be saying farewell to Lucy Colvin, Charlotte McCashin and Jordan Baerselman 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 children's time at Kindergarten.

Congratulations

Congratulations to morning parents for the effort they are making to provide their children with a greater percentage of healthy, everyday food compared with sometime (not so healthy & treat) food. This will help us gain another National Healthy Heart Award.



From an audit of children's lunchboxes over 2 weeks, 70% was everyday food and 30% was sometimes food

Parent Involvement

We really appreciate your help at Kindergarten.

Ways you can help.....

- Staying for a session (children are always so excited and proud to have you hang out with them at Kindergarten.)
- Having a turn of taking the washing home.
- Having a turn at coming in at the weekend to help keep our grounds neat and tidy. (we have a mower here etc)
- Be a librarian.

Special Events for Term 4

- Afternoon tea for parents to welcome our new parents and whānau, 29th Oct 2.00pm
- Bruce & Toshi's Birthdays, 21st & 25th Nov
- Gerry Paul, author and singer for Hank the Wrestling Shark book, a favourite for all our children, is coming to perform a show, 10th Dec 9.00am
- Xmas concert at Kensington Court retirement village, to be confirmed
- Xmas Party, 17th Dec 9.30—11.30— AM & PM

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If you have a few minutes spare, check out Nelson Tasman Kindergarten's website. We have our own page there with lots of photos of what we have been up to recently.

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Every Wednesday 1.30—3.00 at Stoke Kindergarten.

Do you have, or know anyone with young children that would like to join our playgroup? Everyone is welcome to come along and make new friends while their children play.

Trike-a-thon Fundraiser

Thanks to the FLG and the generous contributions from your family and friends, we have been able to purchase more equipment for the children to enjoy. We have purchased soccer balls, pump and a soccer goal and some new resources.



PTO for our programme news for term four

Parents, as you drop off / collect your child, can you please watch the door to ensure only your child leaves with you.

What we're planning for term 4.

Another busy term ahead for us all. We've had our planning meeting and discussed ways of supporting your child's learning, based on you and your child's goals, and the goals of our curriculum. These are just some of the areas we have planned learning experiences around -

All About Me personal safety programme.

skills and strategies for dealing with words or actions that worry us/ strategies for developing friendships

Feelings-language and ways to express them appropriately.

Secrets- what's a good and bad secret?

Getting Help-who do you go to?

Sustainability

Gardening and cooking skills (Links in with developing numeracy and literacy skills.)

Conservation week community project will be cleaning up rubbish in and around Isel Park

Planting our new mosaic pots

Foundation skills-focus on Striking (no not each other!)

This will be supported through sessions with Jenny Dravitski (Sport Tasman), Lee Corlett (Sporting Initiatives) and lots of fun resources and experiences during our sessions. These skills link in with the development of eye hand coordination, eye tracking, strengthening fine and large muscles. These are all essential for the development of reading and writing skills.

Te Ao Māori

Visit to and from Stoke Kohanga Reo, to foster children's appreciation of te reo and confidence to say their mihimihi.

New words, legends and waiata introduced.

Art/Creativity

Inspired by a recent course on Pasifika culture teachers have introduced tapa making. The concept and exploration of patterning will continue throughout the term.

Lots of other special events have been planned for as well, which we will let you know about in our newsletters and on the daily white board.

We'd love to hear from you with any ideas or support to add to our programme.

Thanks from the teaching team-Sue, Toshi, Kay, and Karen.