



NEW BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL INC.

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August NEWSLETTER

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Kia ora, Kumusta (Tagalog), Namaste (Fiji Hindi), Talofa lava (Samoan), Mālō e lelei (Samoan), MarHaba- Arabic), नमस्ते (namaste – Nepalese), আসসালামু আলাইকুম (Asōlamu alaikum-Bengali), നമസ്കര (namaste- Indian – Malayalam) parents/caregivers and whānau,

Into - We welcome **Kyron Joyce-Duthie** and his family to New Beginnings Preschool. We hope you have a wonderful time with us.

Within - Happy second birthday recently to **Luca and Tyler** who have now transitioned to the over two's room.

Beyond - We said goodbye to **Te Atarangi** last Friday as they moved out of the area.

Policies - Thank you to those who contributed to our Bi-cultural and Communication policies. These updated policies will be adopted at the next Board meeting and can be read in our policy folder located in the foyer. You are welcome to read our policies anytime.

Curriculum: Over the last two weeks we have been talking with the children about looking after our teeth. We have been using the Menemene Mai Toolkit created from the Canterbury District Health Board singing catchy songs and learning about teeth friendly kai and drinks from Helen Potter Nutrition Advisor. All the children will also receive a free toothbrush and free toothpaste thanks to Coalgate. **We would love you to come and learn what the children are learning to our:**

Tips for a healthy smile

Parent information evening

Come and share your ideas and interact with our key speakers about how families and teachers can help children care for their teeth and prevent tooth decay.

Tuesday 3 September 2019

7pm

Please RSVP your attendance to Jo at the office for catering purposes by 29 August

Or go to our New Beginnings Preschool Inc Facebook page under events.

Free toothbrushing
charts



Spot prizes
Kai

Manaaki Whenua - Manaaki Tangata
Care for land. Care for the people.

Snippets this month

- Thank you to the teachers and children for baking and icing such beautiful cupcakes to sell. We made \$163.80 cents for the SPCA. Thank you for your support. The SPCA have been invited to come and will visit us on Wednesday 18th September and we will present them with this donation.



- **New lockers** Thank you to Rochelle's' Andy who has made more lockers for us. This has increased our space for children's bags from 20 to 28.

- Our **back corner outside area** has been enhanced by removing the uneven tiles and replacing them with tuff turf (artificial grass). It has certainly created a sunny place for children to play in the afternoon.



- We had a wonderful **wee tree planting ceremony** on Friday 16th August planting two free heritage apple trees. Thank you to Canterbury Food Resilience Network for their donation. The garden beds are looking great. We also planted a copy of all our whānau/families' aspirations of their children under the trees. This represents how we will nurture your children and see them grow and flourish while they are here with us at New Beginnings Preschool. Thank you to Sally for taking the lead in planting out the garden beds with the children with herbs, strawberries and coloured bedding plants.

- **Fresh Fruit** - Thank you all for the families who are bringing **one** piece of fruit each week to contribute to the fruit bowl. The bowl is beside the lunch boxes. The children are really enjoying this.

- **Preschool two week closure.** We have a two-week compulsory shutdown in the summer. We are closed from Monday 23rd December and reopen Monday 6th January 2020. Last day for the year is **Friday 20th December.**

Staff

Olivia Brook is your current Centre Manager and she took maternity leave from March to mid-September this year. I was employed as Acting Centre Manager for this time. Olivia has extended her maternity leave until next February next year. Unfortunately, due to other commitments I will not be staying on. The New Beginnings Preschool Board will advise you of your new Acting Centre Manager shortly. I would like to take this time to thank you for making me feel welcome and I wish you all the best.

Kind regards,

Jo Knudsen Acting Centre Manager