

Airport Lollipops Educare



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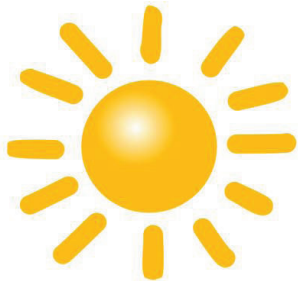
Centre Review

Thank you all for the feedback we have received earlier in the year in regards to our centre questionnaire.

We thought we would touch base about the progress of our centre review so far. Below are the changes that we have made in regards to your ideas and areas identified by the centre.

New changes

- Brochure on how to utilise the parent portal
We have developed a brochure with step by step instructions on how to access and utilise the portal.
- New Treaty of Waitangi Policy *The Treaty of Waitangi policy is now finished and reflects the aspirations of parents in our centre.*
- Educational programme for each classroom. *It was requested that it would be valuable for parents to have information about the educational programme of each class when they transition to a new room or when they start at the centre.*
- Developed a new parent contribution form. *The new parent contribution form lets us gain more knowledge about new children when they start at our centre.*
- Portfolio Audits. *We have put in place audits for portfolios so we can ensure that planning is implemented in partnership with our families.*



Sun Safe Policy

It is the time of year when we are implementing our sun safe policy. Could you please make sure your child has a named hat and sunscreen that can be left at the centre.



Construction

We are in need of more cereal boxes, paper towel rolls and recycled materials that our children can utilise for art activities. Children love to use these materials to paint and glue together to make all sorts of great projects.



World Cup BBQ

Thank you to all the parents that attended our World Cup BBQ we hope you had fun visiting our centre and filling your tummies with yummy sausages and ice cream.



Christmas Party

Date: 9th December

Time: 2.30 sharp children's performance

More details will be sent out in the next couple of weeks

Christmas holidays



We will be sending out Christmas holiday letters in the next two weeks. Please return ASAP so that we can give our hard working staff some leave over this time. Please note that your account must be up to date before holiday discounts will be given. If you want to check if you have any holiday weeks available email Jo at airport@extra.co.nz.

Little Einstein's Trip

Trip to the Auckland zoo



Kaitiakitanga

Children were given the opportunity to see how important it is for us human beings to look after our animals and work together as kaitiaki for the environment Papatuanuku.

Whanaungatanga

Parents/Caregivers and teachers all worked together in partnership in supporting our children's development and learning.

Ako

Children and teachers/adults were teaching and learning from each other while looking at the animals.

Our children all came in prepared for the day with their water bottles and sun hats. Noreen came in early to help Sarah make sandwiches for lunch. Deborah was filling up our water bottles with water and she also packed away our nappies and change of clothes for the day. We had oranges, apples and bananas for morning tea at the centre. Daljit and Deborah were helping our children put on our excursion bibs along with our names and phone numbers on them in case we got lost. Noreen was calling the roll before she assigned the children to all the teachers and

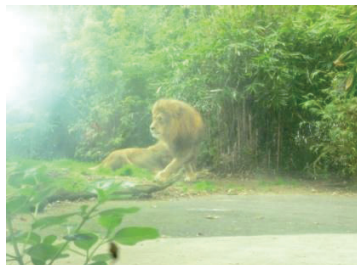


parent helpers. Jo and June gave us our money to pay for entrance at the zoo and we all said goodbye and set off into the bus.



On the way to the zoo, the parents and the teachers were talking and getting to know each other more but the most interesting part was how they were talking about their occupation. Especially the police officer and the aircraft pilot☺. The children enjoyed their bus ride so much that they talked more about the bus than the zoo.

When we arrived at the zoo, we decided to take a class photo at the entrance to the zoo underneath the elephant statue. After that, Noreen went to the reception to pay our entrance fee and then we all headed off to see the animals. Noreen was walking in the front and we all followed her with Daljit in the middle, and Deborah at the end to make sure that none of our children wonder off. We saw some animals but the most interesting animals off all was the monkeys (of course) and they were also playing rugby (how cute ☺).



Parent helpers:-Kim (Ashton's mum), Matthew (Christopher's dad), Mohammed (Aariz's dad), Wade (Ruby's dad), Deborah (Anya's dad), Ihaia (Olivia's dad), Kareen (Joseph's mum), Phanelle (Tristan's mum), Andrea (Lucas's mum), and Fay (Vaka's aunty).

Special Thank you

to all our parent helpers. Without your volunteer and support, our trip would not be as successful and fun as it was.

We went to see the zebras, elephants, lions, monkeys, flamingos, rhinos, fishes in the pond, hippopotamus and many more animals then we came back to the giraffes fence to watch them getting fed. Before watching the giraffes getting fed, we decided to have a drink of water and some biscuits while we wait.



We watched the giraffes getting fed with carrots and celery and then we headed back to the playground for a little play. We were sliding down the long blue slides and climbing on the crocodile statues. After our little play we all sat down together and have our sandwiches for lunch and then we had a drink of water. We all went back on the playground for another little play and then it was time to come back to school so we all headed to the bus. On our way back, we weren't as loud and as excited as we were on our way to the zoo for we were all so tired.

