

Hot off the Press!

June NEWS 2011

Greetings & Kia Ora..

Can you believe that we are now in the month of June and winter officially started on the 1st June! So please don't forget to put warm clothes, jackets and hats (all named) in your children's bags. Thank you.



Welcome New Families

We welcome all new families/whanau into our centre and we look forward to building good relationships with both your children and you. If you have any queries, questions etc... Please don't hesitate to ask me (Jackie) or one of your children's educators.



Matariki Celebration



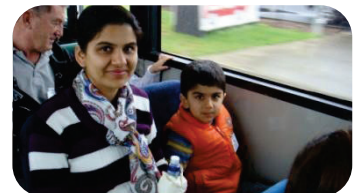
"WOW"!!! What an "AMAZING" cultural evening we had here at the Centre on Friday night and what a fantastic turn out of families/whanau and friends. As we were celebrating **Matariki the Maori New Year** we also embraced the other cultures that are represented in our centre. Trish Ripi, who we are very grateful to, came into the centre and worked with the children in each room supporting the teachers and extending the children with their Waiatia and Kapahaka for them to perform on the night. We encouraged all families/whanau to come dressed in their cultural costume and to bring along a plate of their favourite cultural food to share. Thank you to everyone for making the evening such a big success.



Museum Trip



The educators in the Tuatara room took the children to the museum to follow on from our Matariki celebrations. What a wealth of information the children have gained from these experiences. As they have been exposed to the stories and symbols of their own and other cultures.



Happy Birthday to..



Jesleen3,



Sophie Mc 2



Mereana 5,

Jackson 5,

MOTAT

What a great trip the children, families /whanau went on from the Kiwi room. They took a bus to MOTAT which is such a big part of their trip. There were plenty of parent helpers and Janine made a picnic lunch full of delicious healthy choices for the children to share. What a wonderful morning of learning, looking at and sitting on or in the machines. So a big Thank you to all the parents' families/whanau who were able to come along and be a part of our exciting day out.



St John Visit

Olivia from St John's came to visit the children in the Tuatara room. They were told all about a day in the life of an ambulance driver. We had lots of practice putting on and wearing bandages, so don't forget to look on the wall outside the Tuatara room at all the photo's that were taken. We'd like to say a big "THANK YOU" to Olivia for your time, and telling us about lots of things we didn't know and especially for bringing the mini Ambulance into the centre.



Police Visit

What fantastic cars the police drive! We had a visit from our community Constable. How important it looked, and was for the children to see police constable Nicky in her uniform. She talked about what her job is: caring for the community, helping people, and keeping us safe. But the best part of her visit was looking in her car, seeing the flashing lights and hearing the loud siren it was "great." So a big "THANK YOU" for the time taken to come and visit us here at Lollipops.



Staff News

Nazife from the Tuatara room has just left for a seven week holiday in Turkey with her family. They will be catching up with family and friends. I know the warm sun, sand and sea sounds very tempting... Enjoy your holiday Nazife ☺



Communication

Children experience an environment where the languages and symbols of their own and other cultures are promoted and protected.

