

Kids 1st Childcare & Learning

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NEWSLETTER October 2016

Tena koutou katoa he mihi mahana ki a koutou. Hello everyone, warmest greetings to you all. Welcome to our new children Eleena King, Clara Chaves and Andy Goddard. We look forward to getting to know you and your whanau better and having a fun learning journey together. Haere ra to Asher, Marlie and... We thank you and your whanau for being such a big part of Kids 1st, we will miss you very much and wish you very happy school days.

Asher and Marlie...



Lots of beautiful babies have been born...congratulations to Christie, Sean and McKenzie on the arrival of Maaka. Congratulations to Ethan, Brooke and on the arrival of Munroe. Congratulations to Sasha, William and on the arrival of Blake. Congratulations to Mila, Amy and on the arrival of Tom.

A huge thanks to the Waipu Primary PTA for organising and inviting us to the Fun Ag Day; it was really fun!! Thanks to the parents who came along to our very interesting and informative parent evening. Copies of the healthy eating ideas with some recipes are attached.

Dates to remember:

Fridays 4th and 18th November, 2nd December

Nature Programme excursions (for the eldest 9 children participating every second Friday) please be at the centre by 8.00 a.m. Bring water and suitable footwear please.

Wednesday 23rd November **Waipu Primary Visit**

9a.m. to 11.10a.m. For the children transitioning to school next. We will require parent helpers, permission forms to go out shortly.



Friday 2nd December Kids 1st Xmas Party
5.30 p.m.

Xmas Party - Waipu Cove. Extended family welcome. Bring a picnic dinner.

Fancy dress (optional). If your child has a sibling who does not come to Kids 1st and you would like them to receive a present from Santa bring us a

wrapped and named \$5 or less present and we will make sure Santa issues it! Treasure hunt, beach races and lots of fun! Mark this date on your calendar. If wet party postponed to the following Friday.

Friday 18 November **Monthly Coffee Morning...**

Drop in for a coffee and baking.

XMAS CLOSING DATES:

We are closing on: Friday 23rd December at 3p.m. and...
Reopening on: Monday 9th January 2017.

Maori Language

To promote Maori language within the community each month we include a little Te Reo Maori. The last couple of months we have included counting to ten. So let's try counting to twenty. Tahi (one) Rua (two) Toru (three) Wha (four) Rima (five). Okay, let's try counting on to ten. Ono (six), Whitu (seven), Waru (eight), Iwa (nine), Tekau (ten). Now onto fifteen: tekau ma tahi (eleven), teaku ma rua (twelve), tekau ma toru (thirteen), tekau ma wha (fourteen), tekau ma rima (fifteen).

Kia manawanui! (Keep going!) The following English equivalents are a rough guide to pronouncing vowels in Te Reo Maori:

a (as in far)	e (as in desk) (short and sharp)
i (as in fee, me, see)	o (as in awe) (not oh!)
u (as in new)	

Professional Development The Ngatiwai Trust are providing professional development for six months to support our staff with our tikanga and Te Reo Maori. You may meet the team when they visit. Last week they taught the tamariki a new poi waiata (song) and kanikani (dance).

Lost Property...please check.

Please, remember leave toys at home; they are easily lost and can cause upsets. Only bring a comfort toy if your child sleeps here. **Thanks.**

Please check your child's hair daily for head lice and treat if infected. We have an electric comb which we are happy to lend you.

Maths....

Our self-review on maths continues. Our focus is on measurement. Talk to your child about ways of measuring things; using rulers, tape measures, our hands, feet, etc. Natural Resources...If you have anything suitable for creative use please bring along.

Thanks to those of you have completed our survey. If you are keen for your child to attend for longer hours or start earlier, have a child under 2 years or know of someone who is interested in attending the centre please talk to Noela or Sally as we are keen to accommodate our community's needs.

Sun and water safety: Summer is getting closer...I hope!!! We will be working with the tamariki on these topics; please encourage your child's learning with these safety topics.

Our photo gallery...

Science... Planting our vegetable garden... Thanks to Hazel and Ash's family who grew tomato and capsicum seeds which we planted. We have also planted sunflower seeds, strawberries, peas, lettuces and lots of flowers which the tamariki love!



maths and visual art...

Sophie and Sienna's amazing artwork inspired by the large floor puzzle of the life cycle of the monarch butterfly.



Much to the amusement of the tamariki (children) we used Sparkle's poop to fertilise our gardens!



Literacy and maths...

Sophie, Olive and Tegan using clipboards in their play writing and keeping records.



Thanks to the Waipu Primary PTA for a wonderful fun morning.

Ka kite ano. (See you again.)
Noela, Sally, Nikki, Robyn, Amber and Sarah.

Science,