

Kids 1st Childcare & Learning

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NEWSLETTER November/December 2020

Meri Kirihimete whanau. Merry Christmas!! Wow, this year has flown! The tamariki are very busy creating Christmas creations and crafts, the excitement is building. Our Christmas party was fabulous, thanks to all of you who could make it. It was a wonderful, relaxing and fun evening at beautiful Waipu Cove.



Haere mai, (welcome) to our new tamariki and their whanau Rosie Tate and Holly Robertson. Haere ra and best wishes to Boston Hansen who is moving. Indi Knight, Thea Pearce, Alyssah Johnston, Elle Jones, River Hillier, Matilda Griffiths, Harper Underwood and Sylvi Dye are all off on the next step of their learning journey.

Sadly we say haere ra to our amazing teacher Terry who is retiring at the end of the year. We will all miss Terry and her wonderful ways with our tamariki. On the bright side she will be relieving for us from time to time so you will still see her around. We will have a farewell afternoon tea for Terry on Tuesday 22nd December at 2.30p.m. Hope you can make it along.

Dates to remember:

Terry's farewell: Tuesday 22nd December 2.30p.m.

Closing date: Thursday 24th December 3p.m.

Reopening date: Monday 11th January 2021.

Maori Language: To promote the use of Te Reo Maori in our community we include some phrases in our monthly newsletters. How's it going? Try this: Meri Kirihimete! (Merry Christmas!)

Healthy Eating and Active Movement = healthy children

Jenna has started work on renewing our Gold Healthy Heart Award. Have you checked out our vegetable garden lately? We have been enjoying snow peas and today our tamariki are making sandwiches with lettuce which we have grown ourselves! Making their own sandwiches is a great

learning experience, and sure makes the taste even better!!



Coral and Aiden hammer in some stakes to hold up our snow peas and tomatoes. Cohen waters the flower beds. Below Indi, Georgia and

Carter check out our worm farm. So much learning comes from gardening...Science, sustainability, growing our own plants and food, caring for our environment, eating healthy, building a love of gardening and the outdoors are things we value here at Kids 1st.



Grandparents Week

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beautiful week with grandparents dropping in to visit. Thank you so much for making this so successful. We loved having you and welcome you to come back anytime it suits!!



Our Christmas Party... Kids 1st whanau picnic, treasure hunt, beach races, monster sized bubbles, Santa and fun at the beach...



Sparkle is back... Learning to respect her, keep safe, caring for and riding her...

Water and Sun Safety Over the next two weeks we are talking to the tamariki about water safety, the key message being... *"Always with an adult"* (when around water.) We will also be talking to them about sun safety... the key message being *"Slip, Slap, Slop and Wrap."* *"Slip on a shirt, slap on a hat, slop on some sunblock and wrap on your sunglasses."* We wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas and new year. Thank you for all your support throughout the year. Take care and be safe.

Meri Kirihimete!

Arohanui, Noela, Sarah, Dawn, Kate, Delaine, Amber, Jenna, Robyn and Terry.