



KidzWay

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"Children are a gift from God. They are his reward. Psalm 127:3

Kia Ora Families and Whanau

Firstly welcome to the new families who have just started at KidzWay – we are looking forward to getting to know you more, and trust that your children will enjoy KidzWay, grow and learn lots during their time with us. *Please remember to read your child's profile book regularly and write comments on their learning* 😊. It's hard to believe Term 1 is over and Term 2 is fast approaching!! Read on to update yourself on the events planned for the coming term.

Ka Kite, Denise (Head Teacher), Josanne, Michelle, Alison, Nicky, Maree and Fiona (Teachers) and Kath (Administrator)

Programme and Planning

Children are enjoying learning all about the emergency services available to us in our community. The visit from "Ambi the Ambulance" and his St John's Ambulance Officer inspired ongoing learning around this theme. To that end, we are planning the following activities:

- A walk up to South West Autos on Thursday 12 May (leaving KidzWay at 10.40am) to see our local firemen demonstrate how the "jaws of life" work (car already provided).
- A visit to the fire station on Monday 16 May (leaving KidzWay at 10.45am) to find out more about how this service helps us.
- We plan to invite the local St Johns Officers and the ambulance to KidzWay for the children to experience this service too. (This is still to be organised).

If your child is interested in attending any of these visits (but does not normally come to KidzWay on that day), they are welcome to come along with an adult.



"Ngahere Explorers" Nature Walks – Meeting for Parents of 4-Year-Olds

We are excited to finally be starting this. However, first we would like to **meet with all parents of 4-year-olds** attending KidzWay to update you on details and expectations about the programme. We plan to hold a short parent evening at **7pm**

on Wednesday 4 May here at KidzWay. Please come and find out about this exciting addition to our programme and the part you will be playing in it.

RSVP: Monday 2 May to Kath or Denise. Please put in your apologies if you are unable to attend.

Procedure for Closing the Centre in the Event of Snow

Please find our Snow Procedure attached and make yourself aware of the procedures and processes that happen should the Centre be closed due to snow.



KidzWay Housekeeping



- Cooler weather is approaching, so please ensure your child's hat and coat are placed on their hook each day. Gumboots are great outdoor wear; slippers can also be brought for wearing inside.
- Family Photos: Please bring in or email through to Kath a photo of your family for us to add to our family tree wall. We have approximately 55 families – the children love seeing you and themselves up on the wall.

Policies Currently Under Review

The following procedures are currently up for review. They are located on the hallway noticeboard - please take a moment to comment on them. Thank you.

- Volunteer Procedures
- Christian Values and Beliefs
- Procedure for Pets and Animals
- Administration of Medicines Procedure
- Snow Procedure

Thank you...

- Alex McHutchon - for creating a fabulous water feature board for the children.
- Susie Burrows – for coming in and sharing hand/eye co-ordination skills with the children.
- Smiles Gifts – thank you to all who donated to this World Vision appeal at Christmas time. We received a total of \$20 and the children chose to use this money to purchase chickens for a village supported by World Vision.
- Alex Findlay - for filling our Handy Man position.



Dates for your calendar:

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Monday 6 June: Queen's Birthday – CENTRE CLOSED

"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life...It turns a meal into a feast, a house into a home and a stranger into a friend." Melody Beattie

