

Good Beginnings Early Learning Centre

August 2021 Panui/NewsLetter

NAU MAI, HAERE MAI

Our role has been filling up fast with lots of new faces around the centre. Welcome to **Penny, Hunter, Ava Rose, Luis, Xian, Nirvana, Knox, Kaea-Armani, Charlie, Ko'Dee-Jay** and **Lilly**. We look forward to getting to know you and your whānau more as we share your learning journey together.

STAFF NEWS

We would like to welcome **Catherine** to our teaching team. Catherine is a qualified and fully registered reliever who you will see from time to time. Nau mai, haere mai, and welcome to Good Beginnings Catherine.

HAERE RA

We have said farewell to **Louie** and **Aubree** as they have completed their early childhood days and moved onto their next learning adventure at primary school. **Penny** will also be heading off to school towards the end of August. We wish them all the best and many Happy School Days!

CLOTHING REMINDERS

We would like to kindly remind you all to please **name** all your child's/children's clothing, bags, and shoes. This will save confusion for all at the end of the day. Please check the lost property container as it is fulling up quickly.



ROLL

We have spaces available in September – let us know if you would like any extra hours and share this news with family and friends. Thanks for your support!

PROGRAMME

The teaching team are all well on their way to getting to know ngā tamariki (the children), whānau (families), and kaiako (teachers) in a deeper and more meaningful way. A lot of our planning has been based around relationship building. **Responsive and reciprocal relationships** lead to success for our tamariki.

As part of our **Matariki celebrations**, a group of tamariki and kaiako went for a trip to Oderings Garden Centre where we learnt all about what vegetables to plant for the coming year. We brought back some baby vegetable plants and prepared our vegetable garden for them. Ngā tamariki are loving the experience of watching them grow, watering them, and being amazing **kaitiaki** (guardians). Ngā tamariki also had a lot of fun making pikelets and cutting them into the shape of whetu (stars) for morning kai one day. Baking together requires lots of patience, turn-taking, and collaboration, which they all demonstrated so well.

Ade will be continuing with her **art therapy sessions** during this term. She visits the centre every second Wednesday and uses art to support children in recognising and finding positive ways to express their emotions.



We have been enjoying our own mini **Olympics**, with ngā tamariki experiencing javelin, high jump, long jump, running races, weight lifting, and hurdles. **Kaiako Lynne** has been responsible for this, and has done an amazing job to make it as exciting and authentic as possible. Look out for a display of all their hard work, as well as the much anticipated Award Ceremony. **Tinō pai tō mahi katoa**, great work everyone!