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"Every child, no matter what their personality or bent, has a role to play in our world" Anon

Kia Ora Families and Whanau

Spring is springing and warmer weather is just around the corner (we hope!). We trust you are all getting through winter OK.

Wow, didn't Tapanui and its locals look great as they featured in Pete's Dragon. Quite a buzz to see it all on the big screen. ☺

All is ticking along well here at KidzWay. Fiona will be absent for 3 months from the end of August recovering from back surgery; Vanessa Thomas will relieve for her. Hopefully Maree will be with us until near the end of the year when her little bundle of joy is due to arrive. Prayers and blessings to both of these wonderful KidzWay Teachers.

Keep reading for more news and future events!!

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

Programme and Planning

With the Olympics being the topic of conversation at the moment, the children have shown an interest in this. The children have been practicing various events, so to that end we have decided to hold a KidzWay "Mini Olympic Games." Children will get to compete in high jump, shot-put, balance beam and rolly polly, weight lifting and running. This will be held on Thursday 1 September at 10am – ALL WELCOME! Please bring a plate to share for morning tea. Olympics will be postponed if wet.

Toolbox Parenting Course (The Early Years)

Who's in charge at your house? How do you handle some of those behavioural "Hot Spots?" What's your parenting





style? Helpful discipline techniques? How do you encourage cooperation?...AND MUCH MORE! It's that time of year again when KidzWay (Denise Sanne and Robbie Finlayson) provides parents and caregivers with the opportunity to come and be encouraged and empowered in your all-important parenting role. Look for the "Expression of Interest Form" by the sign-in sheet, pop your name down and come along to this course which will run on Wednesday evenings for 6 weeks at the beginning of Term 4. The dates are: October 12, 19, 26, and November 2, 9, 16.

Quotes from KidzWay parents:

"So many really helpful solutions to common parenting issues."

"Gave me back the control of my parenting and made me confident in the way I dealt with situations. Our household now runs in a more harmonious way."

KidzWay AGM

Tuesday 20 September 2016 at 7:30pm, here at KidzWay.

Come and celebrate the year that has been and meet the Trust and Staff. Bring any questions you may have and join in on a Question and Answer slot. Also, glean some Healthy Lunch Box Tips from Holly Roulston, presenter of "Meals and More." Supper will be provided.

Friendly Reminders

Family Photos: Please bring your family photo along or email one through to Kath, so we can put it up on our whanau tree. The children are very proud of these.

Gumboots: These are a great option for children to slip in and out of at KidzWay this time of year. **Parent Library:** A great range of books are available for you to borrow, located temporarily in

whanau room.

Healthy Lunchboxes: As you know, KidzWay promotes Healthy Eating...well done to parents who have been packing healthy lunches for their children. Please see tips and ideas for healthy lunch boxes, located on the wall just on the left of the half door as you enter the Centre.





Policies Currently Under Review

Please take a moment to comment on the following procedures up for review, located on your right as you enter the hallway:

- Hazard Management Procedure - Code of Conduct - Discipline, Dismissal and Serious Misconduct

Thank You...

- Everyone who donated money on Wacky Wig/Hair Day; we raised \$57.20 for the Child Cancer Foundation.
- John Mawhinney our local Policeman, who came and spoke to the children.
- Jason Stuart for making a sign to indicate that our Ngahere Explorers are in the bush near the cemetery carpark.
- BMC Kapahaka members; Tessa, Emily, Liam and George for performing for and with us!
- Karen Longman for sharing her nursing knowledge and tools, helping the children to understand their doctor/nurse visits better.
- Michelle Kennedy and Katherine Tomsett for visiting with the ambulance.
- Taylah Dawson-Tait from BMC for choosing to spend work experience week at KidzWay. A great help ©
- Tapanui Service Centre and Cemetery Caretaker for allowing us to store our Ngahere Explorers trolley in the cemetery shed.

Dates for your Calendar:

Thursday 1 September: KidzWay Olympic Games at 10am. Please bring a plate for shared morning tea.

Tuesday 20 September: KidzWay AGM at 7.30pm.

Wednesday 12 October: Early Years Parenting Tool Box Course (runs on Wednesdays for six weeks).

Wednesday 14 December: KidzWay Christmas Concert. Thursday 22 December: KidzWay closes for 2016. Monday 16 January: KidzWay reopens for 2017.

"Keep a close watch on all you do and think. Stay true to what is right. Then God will bless you and use you to help others" 1 Timothy 4:16 (Simplified Living Bible)









