



KidzWay

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"Children need values to negotiate the inevitable ethical dilemmas of life"

Anon

Kia Ora Families and Whanau

Term 4 is here – where has the year gone? And just to make it go a little bit faster, events such as... Parenting Tool Box Course, National Shake-Out Day, KidzWay AGM, Pet Day and of course the KidzWay Christmas Concert...are all happening this term – then we'll all need a holiday! ☺ Please see the dates at the end of this newsletter and note them on your calendar. Thank you.

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

Toolbox Parenting Course (The Early Years 0-6)



A friendly reminder ☺

The course starts this week at 7:30pm Wednesday 14 October, here at KidzWay. Robbie and Denise are looking forward to sharing the great information presented in this parenting course with you. We know you will be encouraged.



International Shake-Out Drill

KidzWay has enrolled for this event on **Thursday 15 October 2015 at 9.15am.** We will be holding an earthquake drill at this time and practicing our Drop, Cover and Hold moves. This will be backed up with teaching and learning activities.

KidzWay Trust AGM

The KidzWay Trust invite all families to attend our Annual General Meeting at **7:30pm on Tuesday 20 October**, here at KidzWay. As well as general business, the staff will present information on our upcoming Nature Walks Programme, a viewing of a booklet which we hope will help with children's transition into KidzWay, as well as a short overview of our newly purchased ICT devices. Come along; supper will be provided.

Pet Day – Thursday 12 November



Another fun event that the children really enjoy! Please be here with your children's pets by 9:30am. If you are bringing a dog, please ensure it has a lead and can be tied up, and that it **ALSO HAS BEEN WORMED and DOSED FOR HYDATIDS** at least 2 days before the day. A Prattley pen will be available to contain lambs, and the fence-line provides space for any other animals that may need to be tied up. We are all looking forward to seeing the pets and soft toys (if you don't have a pet). There will also be a Grand Parade, Big Dig and shared morning tea. Please bring a plate to share. Thank you. ☺



Sun Protection Procedure

It's that time of year again where we all need to protect our skin from those harmful rays. Please read the attached updated Sun Protection Procedure and help us to protect your child's skin while here at KidzWay.

Please also note that it is expected that all children bring along their own sun hat each day during Term 4 and Term 1. This helps prevent the spread of nits should they be about. Thank you.



PGG Wrightson/Ballance Fertiliser Fundraiser



Just a friendly reminder to farmers who are buying fertilizer - for every ton of fertiliser you purchase, you can nominate a charity to receive \$1 per ton for their cause. KidzWay is now on that list of "worthy recipients" - we would appreciate your nomination! Thank you ☺

Paper4Trees

We would like to say thank you to the Paper4trees Recycling Programme. As a result of our recycling efforts, this programme provides us with free plants to enhance our outdoor environment. This year we chose native grasses, flax and hebe, which have not only beautified our Centre, but also provided a fabulous learning experience for the children as they planted and cared for them.



Thank you...

- To our KidzWay families for their support of Loud Shirt Day – we raised \$32.10 for hearing-impaired children.



- To West Otago Transport for providing us with wooden pallets, some of which Fi has constructed into a great outdoor kitchen.
- To Stuart Timber for donating the wooden standards which support our flapping kingfisher, pukeko, bee and seagull.



Important KidzWay Dates for your Calendar:

- Wednesday 14 October:** 0-6 Parenting Tool Box Course starts at 7:30pm, KidzWay (runs for 6 weeks).
- Thursday 15 October:** National Shake Out Event – Earthquake Drill.
- Tuesday 20 October:** KidzWay AGM at 7:30pm, KidzWay. All welcome.
- Thursday 12 November:** Pet Day at 9.30am, KidzWay. Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea.
- Wednesday 9 December:** Christmas Concert at 1.30pm, Church on the Way. This will be followed by afternoon tea; please bring a plate to share. More details to come.
- Tuesday 22 December:** KidzWay closes for the year at 1pm.
- Wednesday 13 January 2016:** KidzWay re-opens for 2016 ☺