

HOPSCOTCH

Early Learning Childcare Centre & Preschool
Otorohanga



Giving your child a jump start



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Diary Dates



1st Sept: Special Males Afternoon - Early Learning Centre
3rd Sept: Fathers Day
11th Sept: Maori Language Week
24th Sept: Daylight Savings Starts
29th Sept: Term Three Ends



Spring is in the air!!

We have been hearing from many children about the exciting arrival of baby animals at their houses and farms. It would be wonderful if you could share some photos of your child with their new arrivals either on Storypark or by emailing them to us at preschool@hopscotch.kiwi. Alternatively if you would like to bring your pet in to visit the children...please see a teacher.

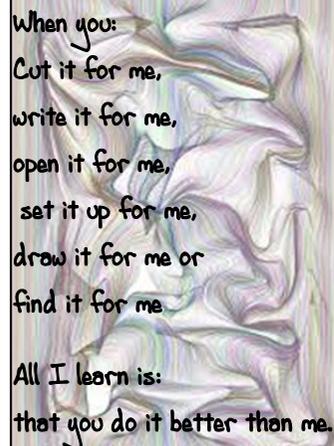
Special Morning Tea

Here are some photos from our visit with Ray the rubbish truck driver and Toby the train. On Friday we invited Ray the Environmental Waste rubbish truck driver in for morning tea to thank him for being a very special part of our Hopscotch family. In return Ray invited Toby the train in for the children to go on to thank them for being so kind every Wednesday when he picks up our recycling. We all enjoyed some yummy kai, good company and a fun ride around town.



Policies for review

The following policies are due to be reviewed: Complaints, Emergencies, Enrolment & Positive Behaviour. Please take the time to read them and provide feedback to any of the staff. Thank you.



When you:
Cut it for me,
write it for me,
open it for me,
set it up for me,
draw it for me or
find it for me.
All I learn is:
that you do it better than me.



Daylight Savings Starts

Sunday 24th September: Fantastic!!

Daylight savings starts. Please remember to turn your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on the Saturday night.



Family Updates

Early Learning Centre

We welcome Katie and Willow to the Early Learning Centre.

We farewell Amelia, Annabel & Jacob who are moving up to the Preschool.

Preschool

We welcome Amelia, Annabel & Jacob from the Early Learning Centre.

We say goodbye to our friend Rajni who is off to continue her learning journey at school.



Staff Updates

- * We're sorry to let you know that Kina will be leaving the ELC on 22nd September. Kina hasn't been with us long but we'll be sad to see her go. She's moving away from early childhood and has been offered a position at DOC which she's very excited about.



Maori Language Week

Ko tōku nui, tōku wehi, tōku whakatiketike, tōku reo.

My language is my greatness, my inspiration, that which I hold precious.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. Greetings to you all.

Every year since 1975 New Zealand has marked Māori Language Week. This is a time for all New Zealanders to celebrate te reo Māori (the Māori language) and to use more Māori phrases in everyday life. Te wiki o te reo Māori takes place this year between 11 and 17 September. Kia ora te reo Māori is the theme for this year's Māori Language Week. The theme was chosen to celebrate New Zealand's indigenous greeting, and also as the words 'Kia Ora' are an exact description of the intent of the new partnerships for te reo Māori revitalisation between the Crown and Māori under the new Māori Language Act 2016.

