

# HOPSCOTCH

Early Learning Childcare Centre & Preschool  
Otorohanga



Giving your child a jump start



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*Newsletter*

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## Diary Dates

20th Nov: Walk & Picnic at Park - Preschool  
6th Dec: Otorohanga Christmas Parade  
9th Dec: Santa visits Hopscotch  
11th Dec: Children's Party for all Hopscotch families  
18th Dec: End of School Term 4  
20th Dec: Hopscotch closes at 12pm  
6th Jan: Hopscotch reopens at 8am



### January Holidays

Please let us know as soon as possible if your child will be absent during January. Remember that "20 hours ECE" will stop automatically after a continuous absence of more than three weeks—on any day that your child is booked in. Full fees will be charged when the "20 hours ECE" funding stops.



### Otorohanga Christmas Parade

The Early Learning Centre are planning and organising our float for the Otorohanga Christmas Parade this year. This has been set for **Friday 6th December** and starts at the new time of **6.30pm**. Please let us know if your child would like to be part of the parade, by giving their name to a staff member at either centre.



### Santa's Visit

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December:** Santa will be visiting both Hopscotch centres. His sleigh is due at the Early Learning Centre at **10.00am** and then at Preschool at **10.30 am**. Please feel free to come along with your child to meet Santa. As in the past Santa will give a present to the children for the Centre.



### Children's Christmas Party

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December:** We will be having our annual Hopscotch disco, which will include both centres at the **Preschool**. The party will start at **6pm**, there will be juice provided and a sausage sizzle available for \$1.00.



### A Date to Remember

Hopscotch will close at **12pm** on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**. Your children will need to be collected by 12pm at the latest so that staff can carry out the annual clean-up jobs. Hopscotch re-opens on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020** at **8am**.

## Policies for review

The following policies are due to be reviewed: Child Protection, Cleaning, Ill Treatment of Children, and Pets. Our policies are on our website, please take the time to read them and provide feedback to any of the staff. Thank you.

## Sunhats

Although it probably doesn't feel like it this week, summer is meant to be on the way. We've been given a glimpse of it for a few days and hopefully the sun will return soon. Please can you bring a named sunhat for your children each day they attend.



## Slip, Slop, Slap and Wrap

September to April is when the ultraviolet radiation from the sun's rays is most intense in New Zealand. This is a reminder to you about sun protection for your children. We ask that you bring a named sunhat for your child. Please ensure your children's shoulders are covered and they do not wear string singlets. Children not wearing a hat or appropriate clothing are required to play in allocated shaded areas or indoors. Hopscotch will provide and apply SPF30+ sunscreen as required. If your child requires alternative sunblock to the one we provide please bring your own named bottle. As we will also be increasing our water play please also ensure a change of lighter weight **NAMED** clothing and a towel in their bag.



## Accounts

Just a reminder that accounts are to be paid weekly unless otherwise arranged.

Your account must be settled in full before Christmas. Failure to do so could result in losing your child's booking next year.

## Family Updates



### Early Learning Centre

We welcome Harper, Koltyn, Maisy, Mikayla and Yuvi to the Early Learning Centre.

We farewell Liam who is leaving the area.

### Preschool

We welcome Luuca and Bethany to Preschool.

We farewell Elvie-Ella and Lucy who are off to continue their learning journey at school.



KIO KIO SCHOOL SUPPORTERS' COMMITTEE

# Fireworks & Gala Evening

\$5 per person

\$20 per family

FRIDAY

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NOVEMBER

GATES OPEN AT 6.00PM

KIO KIO SCHOOL  
1701 OTOROHANGA ROAD

hot food, drinks, gala games, bouncy castles,  
bumper balls, wobbly train

## Otorohanga Light Party

Thursday October 31st

4.30pm - 6.30pm

Windsor Park Domain

A free event for the whole family

