

HOPE PRESCHOOL



Coming Up:

We will be closed for Queens Birthday holiday Monday 3rd June

Policy Review

The policy for review this month is:

Curriculum, Planning and Assessment Policy.

You will find a copy of this on the parent information notice board for comment.



Transition to School

The teachers have been evaluating our transition to school processes. As part of this evaluation we have gathered perspectives from our community, from parents, children and our local schools.

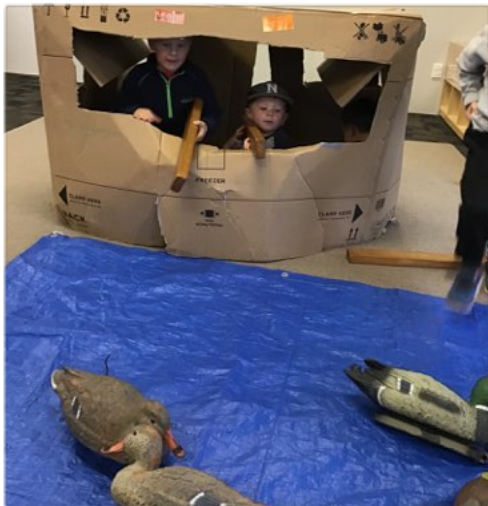
The information that we have gathered provides us with guidance on how to plan the curriculum - the things we teach the children at Hope Preschool.

From our research, these are some attitudes, skills and dispositions we have identified that are important for children to learn which will help them when they transition to primary school. These are:

1. Being able to care for themselves and their belongings. This includes things such as independent toileting, dressing themselves, blowing their nose, and packing their bags.
2. Being able to get along with others, to be kind, able to play with other children, and respecting others.
3. Being able to be part of a group. This involves being able to listen and follow instructions, take part in group mat times, and working co-operatively with others.
4. Having lots of opportunities to develop oral language skills. This is crucial as it is the foundation for reading and writing. This is developed through conversations, reading stories, and lots of talk, talk, talk!

We see this as a partnership that we share with you as families and whānau so please share with us your thoughts as we work together for the benefit of your children.





Support for Families:

At Hope Preschool we recognise that being part of a family is rewarding but also challenging. Because of this, these are some other ways you can find support:

1. Parenting Toolbox course that run each term. Term Three will be a Primary Age Toolbox.
2. Early Reading Together course. One will be run later in the year.
3. Counselling and Chaplaincy. One on one support. Contact Derik 02041744081, or at preschool on Tuesdays.

Things to note:

-We would like to do more woodwork with the children, if this is an interest of yours or you know someone who would be willing to come and spend some time with the children to do this, please let one of the teachers know.

-Please send a named wet bag or plastic bag for wet or dirty clothes.

-For absences please text 0272037057, phone 03 203 7057 or email admin@hopepreschool.co.nz.

-The children all have cubbies for their art work, we also put any belongings that are named in them, so it is a good idea to check these frequently.

-With the colder weather here, please make sure children have suitable outside clothing, gumboots, jacket and hat, and please name them.

