

HOPE PRESCHOOL



Lockdown Learnings

Well we have made it to the middle of 2020. It has been quite a journey so far. It is good to look back on events and reflect on the experiences so we can use what we have learnt in the future. Looking back on the events of the last few months, these are some of the things that have been important.

Information - It is critical have the correct information from the correct sources. In today's age we are bombarded with information, and it is important to be able to discern that which is important and correct, and discard that which is not. Sometimes we need to limit what we are receiving to a few trusted sources and base our decisions on that.

Relationships - Over the weeks of lockdown we had a lot of the things we know and do on a daily basis taken away. Our routines and our habits had to change, but we still had our relationships. This became our focus as a preschool team, and we worked really hard to come up with new ways to maintain these. It was a real source of encouragement keeping in touch with everyone through Zoom, Facebook, and the old fashioned letter. It was wonderful to welcome everyone back to preschool and watch the children just settle straight back in.

Faith - When everything is uncertain, there is one thing that is not. God is still in control of the universe, even though we don't understand what is happening. Sometimes it is not until we are forced to stop do we take time to refocus. What a marvellous gift to reassess our priorities, to reestablish our purpose, and to move forward with confidence.



Policy Review

The policy due for review this month is:

Curriculum Planning and Assessment Policy

This will be posted in Storypark for you to comment or ask questions about.





Whakatauki:

He iti hau marangai e tū te pāhokahoka.

Just like a rainbow after the storm, success follows failure.

From the Bible:

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

Romans 15:4



Things to note:

-It is important to stay within your enrolled times at preschool unless you have let us know. We have to ensure that we have the correct number of teachers for the children we have a preschool. If you need to change your hours for any reason, please let us know.

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

-There are a lot of toys from home coming to preschool. It would be appreciated if this could be kept to necessary comfort items only.

- Please be very mindful of speed in our carpark. Children can move very fast!

- If your child is going to be absent please phone 203 7057, text 0272037057 or email admin@hopepreschool.co.nz. It is important that you do this, so we know who to expect for the day, and also sometimes others are waiting for a space to attend if there are absences.

