

## Welcome Back to Kindy

We are looking forward to a year full of learning through curiosity, exploration, discovery, play and imagination! We are continuing to explore the children's interests, discovering and investigating with them about the world around us.

"Ko te ahurei o te, tamaiti arahia ō, tātou māhi"

"Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work"

## Summer Fun Information!

We love to have fun at Kindy and summer is the best time ever to enjoy lots of water-play.

Encouraging children to develop good sun safe practices is important to us, so please remember to pop a **NAMED SUNHAT** into your child's Kindy bag every day. Children must wear a hat when playing outside throughout summer. We have kindy hats available for the children's use.



Please ensure that your child arrives at Kindy already sunscreened. We will reapply **SUNSCREEN** after lunch for those children who stay all day.

### Sprinkler Fun

Please pop togs and a towel in your child's bag so we can make the most of the afternoon sunshine by cooling off under the water sprinkler. Please talk to a teacher if you do not want your child to get wet.



### Spare Clothes

Please remember to name your children's clothes and put a **spare change** of clothes in their bags as we will be having more water play. A **re-useable plastic bag/wet bag** would be helpful for wet clothes.

# Term One 2022

## Dates to remember

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January** - Auckland Anniversary Day

**Monday 7th February** - Waitangi Day Holiday

**Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> April** - end of Term One

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April** - Good Friday

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April** - Easter Monday.

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April** - Holiday programme begins

**Monday 2nd May** - Term Two begins

## Reminders

**Fruit for morning tea.** Thank you so much for bringing a piece of fruit each day your child comes to Kindy, to contribute to the children's daily shared morning tea. There is a bowl on the water bottle trolley for this fruit.

## Coast Kindy Policies

Each month we review a number of our policies. These are available for you to read on the noticeboard by the door.

## Would you like some feedback?

We are always available for you to speak with staff about your child, maybe your aspirations and goals or any concerns etc.

Please feel free to approach Therese any time for a face to face appointment or a phone call.



## Covid Info

Sadly Covid is still with us so keep a look out for any changes via email. Be assured, we have policies and procedures in place if we have a case. We will let you know ASAP. We will be following the guidelines of the Ministry of Health and MOE.

## Celebrating Birthdays at Kindy

We love to celebrate your children's birthday at Kindy! To keep up with our healthy heart focus and having the dietary needs of children in mind, we would like to supply a playdough cake for the children and relieve you of the work of making cakes etc. Preferred ideas for gifting to the other children, instead of lollies or cakes, could be stickers or pencils.

## Healthy Heart Award

This year is our 10<sup>th</sup> year of achieving our Gold Healthy Heart award so look out for any special days or activities that we will be doing to supplement our normal focus on healthy eating and active play.

## Beach and Bush Walks

We will continue to go for walks to Arkles Bay beach/bush on Wednesday afternoons with our 4 year olds.

The children are excited about being part of these adventures where we explore 'our beach' and see 'our mountain' Rangitoto. We share discoveries about beach life, nature and conservation and develop our own working theories and understanding while connecting with our community.



**God Bless!** Therese, Raewyn, Linda, Sophie, Debbie B, Debbie M and Tash