

# Swannanoa Preschool Swannanoa Preschool **Newsletter July 2023**

#### **EVENTS:**

July 19: Animal Dress Up Day

August 16: Wheels Day

August 25: Daffodil Day

August 29: Book Character Dress Up

#### **REMINDERS:**

Our operating hours are 9am until 3pm, strict adherence to these times is required. Our Fees Policy states - A penalty fee will be charged for tamariki/children picked up after 3:00pm. This is \$25 per tamaiti/child. If you are more than thirty (30) minutes late, there will be a further \$25 charged per tamaiti. Please ensure you are at preschool before 3:00pm to pick up your child.

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#### Please also remember to bring along your child's wet bag each day.

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**Illness** If tamariki or adults are suffering from general illnesses ie persistent cough, generally unwell and unable to participate in the programme they will be asked not to attend preschool.

In cases of infectious illness ie hand, foot and mouth, ringworm, slapped cheek, headlice, conjunctivitis, etc they will be asked not to attend preschool until the condition has been treated as per MOE guidelines.

Anyone suffering from vomiting or diarrhoea must not attend preschool until 48 hours after last symptoms.

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## Nau mai, haere mai,

Jo Dobson — July 10th, 2023

Welcome to our July Newsletter :) Its lovely to see the snow back on the hills, I wonder if we will finally have a snow day this year?!?

#### Reminder for this week:

Friday - 14th July we are closed for Matariki.

Matariki the Māori New Year, a time to gather with whānau and friends to reflect on the past, celebrate the present, and plan for the future.

We are currently learning about Matariki and celebrating in centre with our tamariki - this will culminate in a wonderful whānau celebration on Tuesday the 25th July starting at 5:30 where we will have waiata with our tamariki, share kai and have some fun activities throughout the centre.

Matariki is traditionally one of our best attended whānau evenings and we are really looking forward to celebrating with you this year - full details to follow.

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#### Quiz Night Last Month:

Huge shout out to the committee for organising this, a great night was had by all and we thank you all for the money raised for our Preschool - \$2,525 Including a generous donation of \$500 from Harcourts Four Seasons in Rangiora. We will let you know shortly what this money will be used for :)

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#### ERO:

In term 3 at some stage The Education Review Office (ERO) will be undertaking a Quality Evaluation of our early childhood service.

This generally happens every 3 to 4 years.

A Quality Evaluation focuses on the extent to which our early childhood service has the learning and organisational conditions to support each child's learning and development.

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#### Term 2 Trips:

We had 2 great trips out in our local area - we visited Des Lines and his airstrip and airplane hanger - what amazing trips - such an amazing spot in our own back yard.

And 2 of our staff got to go up in a Tiger Moth!!

Thank you to all of our parent support - essential for these trips to happen.



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Excited about what our Term 3 trip might be!

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#### Facebook:

Do you follow us on Facebook? A great place to keep an eye on updates and visitors. You will also be seeing regular posts of the amazing learning that happens here at Preschool.

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## We currently have a few spaces available in Whakanui and Puawai, so if you are thinking about enrolling or would like extra days please let me know.

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I am in the office Monday to Thursday, you are welcome to drop in and see me at anytime.

#### Nga mihi nui

Jo Dobson

#### **Centre Manager**

Whangia ka tupu, ka puawai,

That which is nurtured, blossoms and grows

#### Gallery





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## **Policy Review**

Swannanoa Preschool — July 10th, 2023

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We have a number of Policies and Procedures that guide our practice here at Swannanoa Preschool which we regularly review on a three year cycle.

Policies identify agreed processes that ensure key legislative requirements are met and that we all have a shared understanding of these agreed processes and procedures.

Please find following the link to our latest policy review for your comment.

Current policy review:

**HEALTH & SAFETY - Monitoring Sleeping & Resting Children** 

**HEALTH & SAFETY - Housekeeping** 

**HEALTH & SAFETY - Tamariki/Children** 

#### Attachments

Monitoring Sleeping & Resting Children 2023 HEALTH & SAFETY (HOUSEKEEPING) 2023 HEALTH & SAFETY (TAMARIKI) 2023



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## **Enviroschools News**

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Pātaka Kai - Kai Swap Stand

Today we reflect on our Green Gold Enviroschool journey.

We have Toni, Siobhān and Zoe coming from Enviroschools to undertake this with us - our Enviroschools kaupapa underpins much of what we do here at Swannanoa, we will let you know how it goes!

Be sure to check out the new displays in the hall as you come into preschool - the timeline is worth having a good look at - we have come a long way since we first opened in 2004! And the display looks amazing with our Maunga (Mountain) and Awa (river) behind it.

Well done Tracy and Paige - great job!



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