

What's New!



We have had some great visits these last couple of months, even getting to meet some new little friends - Yusuf has been busy helping to raise little ducklings and couldn't wait to introduce these to his VT during his monthly visit. How adorable are they!

Caring for animals is always such an important learning opportunity - such as teaching tamariki about responsibility and caring for others, using gentle hands and learning about different animal habitats and their diets!

It has also been a few busy months - navigating our monthly visits through cancelled visits due illness and COVID, but we have all managed to make it work each month and continue to provide a quality programme. Thank you to everyone for being so flexible and making it work - we know its not easy but we appreciate all that you do!

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Level 4 Training

It is not too late to enroll into your Level 4 ECE course for the midyear intake - to meet the next percentage deadline in January 2024 of 60% qualified Kaiako.

The government is working towards 80% qualified Kaiako in Home Based Care by 2025.

Please talk with your VT about which course will be best suited to your needs and the training incentive KiwiEd. is offering.



We loved seeing what our tamariki got up to during the school holidays - visiting the zoo and taking part in their building a habitat activity - what great team work and a fun day out with their Kaiako!

Important Dates

- New Zealand Music Month
- New Zealand Sign Language week 8-14th May
- Mothers Day 14th May
- Pink Shirt Day Friday 19th May
- Samoa Language Week 28th May - 3 June
- Kings Birthday 5th June
- Matariki 14th July

Activity Ideas

Kai (Food) Time!

Tortilla Pizza

Here is a simple and fast way to make pizza with your tamariki - creating it to everyone's different tastes!

Ingredients:

flour tortillas , shredded mozzarella cheese, pizza sauce (homemade or store-bought), toppings

Directions:

1. Brush the tortilla with olive oil, season, and bake in the oven until the base looks slightly brown.
2. Top with tomato sauce and toppings. Sprinkle it with cheese.
3. Bake again until the cheese is melted, then season it with oregano.
4. Let it cool and then enjoy!



Hanga (create) Time!

Number Recognition

Wanting to introduce numbers and recognition, but not sure where to start? This simple yet effective game is a great place to begin your numbers journey with your tamariki and introducing the concept of matching numbers.

All you need: 9 popsicle sticks & 9 wooden pegs

On your sticks number them 1 - 9 on each stick. Number each peg individually, starting from 1 and finishing with 9 on the last peg.

Then let the matching fun begin! a great extension of this activity is to discuss the difference between the numbers and their formation - and what makes them match and if any numbers look similar to any other number.



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