

What's New!



Welcome to 2024!

We have loved hearing about everyone's summer holidays - and all the different experiences that tamariki got to enjoy with their whanau.

We were also lucky to be sent some photos of these adventures.

Isabelle was able to experience Waiheke Island - taking the ferry over and exploring the island, which was a first for her. She was fascinated with how the engine created waves at the back of the ferry, something she had not seen before!

We love being sent photos so please share with us - and you never know, you could become KiwiEd. famous and feature in our next newsletter!

We are excited to see what 2024 will bring us and can't wait to see where your learning journey will lead.

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Update on Level 4 Qualifications

January 2024 saw our next increase in percentage of qualified Kaiako enrolled on KiwiEd. - now having to have 60% of our Kaiako qualified.

We have been working hard (and so have you!) to ensure that we reach this new target.

Next year it increase to 80% - so our goal for this year is to be working towards that!



We had so much fun at our Child Xmas Party - which was held at Crystal Mountain.

Thank you to all those who were able to make it, and for those who were not hopefully you can make it to this year's one!

Important Dates

Waitangi Day: 6th February
 Chinese New Year: 10 February
 Children's Day: 3rd March
 KiwiEd. Child Outing: 13th March

Activity Ideas

Kai (food) Time!

Triple Fruit Popsicles

With all the yummy summer fruits now in season – make your own home made fruit popsicles and use them to cool down on the hot summer days!

Ingredients:

Fruits of your choice – some suggestions are kiwis, strawberry, watermelon, blueberries etc.

Method

Using a popsicle mold puree your fruit and then freeze.

See if you can make a traffic light!

This is also a great way to explore early math's and science skills – such as measuring and seeing what happens to liquid when put in the freezer.

Tamariki will also be working on those important fine motor skills while cutting up the fruit for it to be pureed.



Hanga (create) Time!

Bubbly Art

Why not put a twist on a classic summer craft by turning foamy bubbles into colorful art?

All you have to do is add some food coloring to a regular bubble solution.

Tamariki can use straws to blow colorful bubbles directly onto their paper—leaving behind abstract watercolor bubble prints. Simply dip the straws into the solution and then blow onto white paper.

This is a great activity for tamariki to practice blowing while also exploring their creative side!

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