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WEEK 6 KAWERONGO - NEWSLETTER

15 November 2023

Kia ora koutou,

Farewell to Karen Porter - Physiotherapist.

After 17 and a half years Karen has decided to take on a new challenge and will leave us at the end of the year. Along with her Physiotherapist role Karen also took on our Health and Safety Officer role in 2017. With both roles Karen has provided outstanding service. Karen's new job will be Health and Safety Officer at Grace Hospital here in Tauranga. Thank you Karen for your service to our school and we wish you all the best in your new role.



*Karen, Emma (Student) and Valerie,
circa 2010*



Karen Porter, 2023

Ngā mihi Kind regards
Barrie Wickens
Principal

Important dates and info

End of year showcase Thursday 14 December
Last day of term Friday 15 December 12 noon

Room 1

Working hard and having fun learning with Specialists, Kate (OT) and Kit (SLT). We have been working on our fine motor skills, answering 'yes' and 'no' questions, making a mess and having fun.



Room 2

In, on, under, through.

Room 2 students this term have been having fun implementing positional language through dressing up, acting out stories and exploring .



Te Kura o Manunui

This term has seen 4 new members join our Te Kura o Manunui class!
Nau mai, Haere mai *Welcome* Meisha, Lisa, Jenny and Shiris!
We are so excited to have you as part of our team 😊

Swimming Superstars!

All the tamariki at our Te Kura o Manunui Satellite class look forward to our weekly swimming sessions and have continually grown in their water confidence and skills as the year has continued.

This term we have been working hard on floating, collecting items from the bottom, blowing bubbles, kicking with our legs and extending our arms.

Ka mau te wehi tamariki mā!



Occupational Therapists

Summer activities in the Community:

The following are a list of activities available over the summer break which your whānau may enjoy.

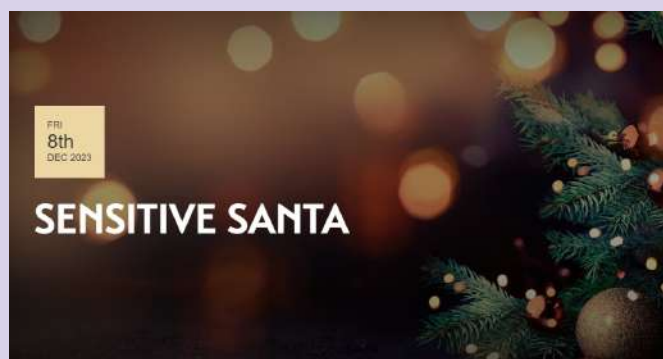
Parafed Bay of Plenty have teamed up with Hibiscus Surf School to run adaptive surfing events from October – March at Mount Maunganui Main Beach.

They also offer “Friday Float” sessions which are focused on assisting people with disabilities in the ocean during different ocean-based activities.

These programs are a great way to get participants comfortable in the ocean if they haven't participated in an activity like it before.

They are also available for private adaptive lessons year-round, just give them a call to let them know what your requirements are.

To register for the Adaptive Surfing events, please contact John Sligo at Parafed BOP: john@parafedbop.co.nz



Book a Sensitive Santa session to visit Santa in a more relaxed setting, outside of our normal shopping hours, when the centre is quieter, and the lights are lower.

Sensitive Santa sessions are available from 7am – 8.30am on Friday 8th, Tuesday 12th and Monday 18th of December. Our professional photographers will be available to snap a beautiful picture, without using flash

photography.

Where: Santa's Toy Workshop: Ground floor between H&M and North Beach, Tauranga Crossing

<https://www.taurangacrossing.co.nz/events/sensitive-santa/>

Nature Kids is a popular small group School Holiday Programme operating in Mount Maunganui, Tauranga and Waihi Beach For kids who love to explore, create and adventure! It is a School Holiday Programme that gets your kids outdoors - exploring and connecting with nature, all day. It combines creative and adventurous experiences and free nature play for kids aged 6-12 years (from 5 years at Waihi Beach).



<https://www.naturelibrary.co.nz/school-holiday-programme-bookings>

Bayfair Shopping Centre Quiet Room

Their quiet room gives those with sensory processing disorders a safe place to escape. Register with our Customer Service Team and a personalised access card will provide you with a quick entry at any time.

<https://www.bayfair.co.nz/visit/accessibility/>

Bay Bus:

Children 5-18 years old and infants under 5 - free travel at all times with a registered Bee Card. To register for a Bee card (cards cost \$5) you will be asked for your date of birth and then the concession applied. The easiest way to do this is on the Bee Card website (<https://beecard.co.nz/Account/Login?returnUrl=~%2FRegisterACard>), or you can call 0800 BAYBUS or visit your local Regional Council office.

Accessibility concession

Available if you are permanently unable to drive due to an impairment and gives you free travel at all times.

The impairment can be physical, intellectual, psychological, sensory or neurological, applicants are assessed by approved agencies.

To find out how to add the concession to your Bee Card call 0800 BAYBUS or visit your local Regional Council office.

Sensory swimming sessions & lessons:

When:

- Mondays 6.00pm - 8.00pm
- Wednesdays 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Where: Greerton Aquatic and Leisure Centre

Price: Standard Pool Admission

Hydrotherapy Pool-

Pools can be quite loud and overwhelming for those with Autism or sensory sensitivities.

Greerton Aquatics Sensory Swimming Sessions are held exclusively in the Hydrotherapy Pool.

There will be minimal lights, no music, a lifeguard sitting poolside and closed doors for privacy and noise reduction to help those with sensory sensitivities to enjoy a swim.

These 30-minute classes are run outside of mainstream hours, for children aged 3 to 15 years of age. They are run with teachers who are very familiar with the needs of sensory sensitive swimmers.

When lessons are running, lights will be low, there will be no music, the resources used to teach will be simple and signage will be up asking for a quiet atmosphere.

<https://www.taurangapools.co.nz/what-s-on/sensory-sessions>

Parks and Playgrounds

Mt. Drury, Mount Maunganui Mt. Drury has a Liberty swing - the key is available at Mount Backpackers

Kulim Park, Matua Located by a boardwalk with car park next to it



The Lakes Water Park Pakanga Drive


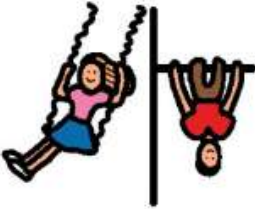






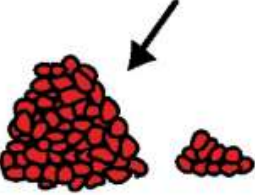
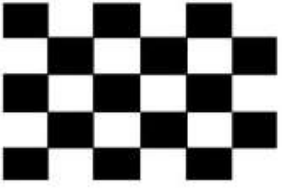


- Go to the top of Lakes Boulevard and turn right on to Te Ranga Memorial Drive.
- Continue down the hill and turn left on to Pakanga Grove.
- Follow the road along and you'll see it on your left - you can't miss it.

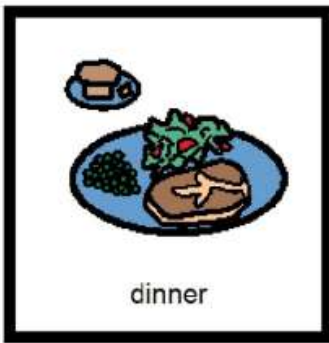
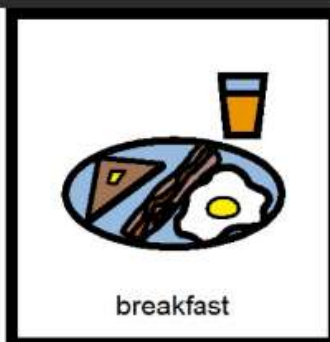
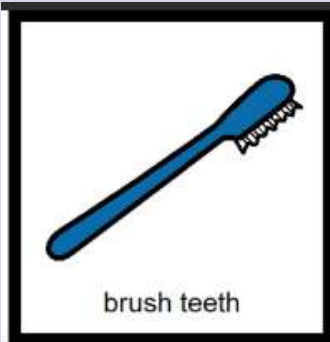
Lots of water play and exploration



James Cook Drive Park, Welcome Bay	Keam Reserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scooter/bike track around the outside • Large grassy area • Playground with lots of climbing equipment • Located down below the road
Merivale Playground	Fenced playground
Brookfield Playground	Lees Park Fenced Playground

Routines During The Holidays

 <p>swim</p>	 <p>play outside</p>	 <p>shop</p>	 <p>watch TV</p>
 <p>playground</p>	 <p>read</p>	 <p>yes</p>	 <p>no</p>
 <p>more</p>	 <p>finished</p>	 <p>stop</p>	 <p>help</p>



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Education

LEARN BY SEQUENCES DAILY ROUTINES AND HYGIENE HABITS MAGNETIC PLANNER

Includes 16 picture cards, magnets, and a daily tracker. It's a fun way to learn and practice daily routines and hygiene habits. Includes 16 picture cards, magnets, and a daily tracker.

4+ YEARS

LEARN AND IMPROVE HYGIENE HABITS BY PLACING MAGNETS IN DINNER

LET'S PLAN OUR ROUTINE

LET'S REMEMBER HOW TO

REINFORCE DAILY ROUTINES WITH 16 PICTURE MAGNETS

PERSONALISE MAGNETS TO YOUR CHILD'S DAILY TRACKER

Walk the dog

WASHING HANDS

BRUSHING TEETH

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Kmart -
<https://www.kmart.co.nz/product/learn-by-sequences-daily-routines-and-hygiene-habits-magnetic-planner-43018437/>

