



Cambridge Early Learning Centre

November 2018

Kia Ora & Welcome!

What's happening this month:

- November 1st (Thursday) - Plunket visit
- November 2nd (Friday) - Grandparents day and Scholastic orders due back
- November 18th (Sunday) - Round the Bridges
- November 30th (Friday) - Holiday notice due back
- December 14th (Friday) - Centre Christmas party

Christmas hours 2018/2019 - The centre will be closing on Friday 21st December 2018 at 5.30pm and re-opening on Monday 7th January 2019 at 7.30am.

More information inside newsletter.



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STAFF NEWS:

- Bridget is leaving the Centre late November to join her husband in their business. After spending the last 15 years with us, we will miss Bridget very much. We hope to see Bridget on occasion in a relieving capacity ☺

THANKS:

- Thank you to all the families who helped us to celebrate Teachers Day early October.
- We held our final Oxford Pie fundraiser during October—thank you so much to all of the families who supported this. We hope you are enjoying your pies, sausage rolls and/or lamingtons.

PUB CHARITY GRANT:



We would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to Pub Charity Limited for their very generous grant that will enable us to improve and replace the shade sails in The Nursery.

Your support is much appreciated and vital to achieving these 'large ticket items'. Pub Charity Limited distributes donations to worthy community organisations all over New Zealand through the funds raised in gaming machines hosted in their member hotels and taverns.

JUMBLE AROUND DONATION:

A big **THANK YOU** to Jumble Around Inc. for their kind donation. We are very fortunate to have the benefit of their support to assist providing the larger resources for our Centre children. Jumble Around is located in Leamington, proceeds made from the sale of second hand items in their shop are distributed back to non-profit organisations within the wider community.

POLICY REVIEW:

This Month we are asking for your feedback on the Centre's **Transition to school policy** .

We would appreciate your feedback.

GRANDPARENTS DAY:

Annually we celebrate Grandparents Day, this year Grandparents Day will be held on Friday 2nd November. Grandparents are welcome to pop in during the day and spend time with the children. Please be mindful if your child sleeps that a suitable time is indicated to your Grandparents.

ABACUS ART ORDER:

Last month your children produced some wonderful artwork for our annual calendar fundraiser. The products will be back by the end of November, early December to allow plenty of time to meet overseas mail deadlines for Christmas. Thank you for your support

WET BAGS:

Thank you to all of the families that have purchased a wet bag in support of our centre trying to decrease the use of plastic bags. We have about 50% of our Centre families using these awesome wet bags and the teachers say they make life much easier (especially now as the weather improves and we have more water activities).

Please see the office should you wish to purchase a wet bag ☺

CHRISTMAS NOTICE **2018/2019:**



We would love to know your holiday plans so the Centre can work the teachers plans accordingly. Please complete the enclosed Holiday Notice and return to the office by Friday 23rd November. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS PARTY:



The Castle and The Pagoda combined Christmas Party will be held at the Centre on Friday 14th December, 6pm to 7.30 pm. The timetable for the evening will be on display in December along with the RSVP.



The Nursery

0-18 months



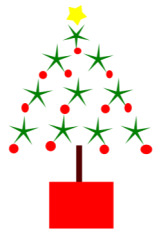
Summer is coming!

Please remember to pack extra named light layers for us to add or remove. We will be enjoying some water play on fine days so a swimming nappy will be ideal.



We welcome our new friends Charlotte, Harper and Ryder who have joined our Nursery whānau.

Please see our fundraising calendars and put your order in! A great gift idea!



Last month we celebrated world teachers day with the teachers wearing new t-shirts and decorating the nursery with balloons. It was a fun day for everyone here.



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Grandparent's Day

We invite the children's Grandparents to pop in for a play with their grandchild some time between 10 am and 3 pm on Friday 2nd November

Please ask if you are unsure of sleep times to ensure that the visit isn't missed.



The Toddlers

18 months-3 Years



Recently we have welcomed George and Kobi who have transitioned from The Nursery. They are settling in well.

This month we say goodbye to Blake and William who are off to The Pagoda.

Song of the month:

Fruit haka (Māori)

Aporo, aporo
slapping your thighs

Arangi arangi
Hands out front and straight

Pīiti, pīiti
hands to your chest

Merēni, merēni
hands on back of thighs/buttocks

Panana, panana
slapping your elbows

hi!

With Christmas around the corner we have lots planned for the month of December.

Keep an eye out this month for permission forms as we have a few trips planned for early December and throughout the month.

This month we will also be starting our Christmas wall to update you with all the happenings in the unit during the festive season. This will be next to the apple tree on the wall with the circle window.



Grandparents Day:

Grandparents are invited to pop in for a play

Friday 2nd November.

The children have lunch from 12 then sleep/ rest till about 2.30.

So before or after that time would be great. We will be up and ready to play!!

Summer's Coming:

As part of our learning programme we have lots of messy play— water, mud, art etc. Please pack extra clothes to facilitate this.

The Pagoda

3-5 years



Welcome

Welcome to Rico, William and Blake—we look forward to you joining us and getting to know you.

What's happening in November?

- We are celebrating Grandparents Day on Friday 2nd November—all are welcome to come and join us between 10.30 am—11.30 am ☺
- **Summer's coming** — we will be making the most of the warmer weather so please ensure that:
 - Your child has sunblock applied before coming
 - No singlets or shoe-string strap tops or dresses
 - Please pack extra changes of clothes or swimwear for water play and messy play.

Things to note

- If there are any changes to your child's routine or dietary requirements please speak with a teacher.
- We have Storypark up and running, and we love seeing all the comments ... Thank you ☺ A reminder: you can add photos or videos from home, and did you also know that you can add family members to your Storypark account. Please see a teacher should you have any queries.
- Jenny has started a paper recycling initiative—does anybody have a spare blender / food processor at home??

CAMBRIDGE EARLY LEARNING

CENTRE FLOAT

Date: Sunday 2nd December

Meeting time: 1.30—1.45pm

Meeting place: Village Green— look out for our bright rainbow coloured float.

What to wear: Bright coloured outfit. Please ensure that your child has sunblock applied prior to the parade.

What to bring: A pushchair or walking shoes as there are limited places on the float. Please note only children aged 2 years and over will be on the float.

Please RSVP to a teacher or write your name on the list by sign in desk.

Please be aware children are your responsibility during this time, so we ask that you remain with them for the duration of the parade.

There are limited spaces on the float so we've decided that a first come, first served basis is the best way to go 😊 Centre children have first priority, and if there is room available siblings will be invited to join us. If your child is on the float, we ask that you walk beside the float just in case they become overwhelmed at any stage.

We want the parade to be an enjoyable time for all, so it is best that children who are happy to be on the float take the places available.





Finally...

We hope you are all enjoying your time with us.

**We are certainly enjoying having your children at the
Centre and getting to know you all.**

