



Cambridge Early Learning Centre

July 2019

Kia Ora & Welcome!

Winter fun—gumboots, puddles, frosts and hats!
We hope the 'bugs' stay away and we still have some nice sunny days—the afternoons have been especially lovely ☺

- Tuesday 2nd July—Pagoda trip to Lion King Production
- Monday 8th July—First day of school holidays
- Wednesday 10th July—Norman's birthday & **PYJAMA DAY**
- Thursday 11th July—Oxford Pie orders are due back
- Tuesday 16th July—Trust AGM
- Thursday 18th July—Oxford Pies delivery day ☺
- Friday 19th July—Last day of school holidays

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Happy Birthday
Norman!



STAFF NEWS:

- Shortly Mel will be back with us after her extended holiday overseas. Mel has said they are "having a ball".
- Jess will be back from her 5 week teaching practicum next week. Welcome back Jess!
- Sadly Tanya has left to take up a position in Hamilton, all the best Tanya.

THANKS:

- A HUGE thank you to Scott and Kerry and their extended family for providing us with so many beautiful apples last month. We loved eating them.
- WOW! Thank you to Haylee and AgrowQuip for the awesome donation of a John Deere Dump Truck and Whack 'em Tractors for the Nursery children during last month's Fieldays. We really appreciate your generosity and thoughtfulness.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS:

We have been lucky enough to secure an additional 5 books as our previous stocks sold out! If you would like one of these amazing cost saving books please see Julie at the office. A sample book is on the front counter at The Castle if you wish to have a look through.

The books can also be purchased via our online page www.entbook.co.nz/1w54069 for \$65.00 with \$13.00 from each book towards our fundraising goal.

This year we are raising money to go towards outdoor equipment to help the children with their gross motor skills. Our goal is \$325.00 (selling 25 books) but we would love to pass this goal! Your support is greatly appreciated 😊

POLICY REVIEW:

This month we are asking for your feedback on the Centre's **Communication and Consultation Policy**. One of the areas we are currently looking at is the sharing of information with our Centre families. Please see the sign in counter for a copy of the policy, we appreciate your time reading, commenting and initialling this.

UPCOMING TRIP:



Sometime during July / August we are off on an adventure. We are hoping to take a bus to the Kaipaki Petting Zoo where we will spend some time with miniature horses ... keep an eye out in the units for more information later in the month.

NORMAN'S BIRTHDAY:

Norman is a bear who lives at the Pagoda. A much loved bear that is included in the children's play as well as family holidays and other adventures.

Norman's birthday is in July (he alternates between being 3 or 4 years old) and to celebrate we have a Teddy bears picnic for him. This year Norman is 4 and our Pyjama party and Teddy bears picnic is on Wednesday 10th July.

The children may wish to bring their own teddy bear with them for this special day.



ABSENCES FOR ILLNESS:



With the winter months providing an increase in illnesses we feel it is timely to remind you of our retainers regarding absences.

Any absence notified **before** 8.30am on the day will be charged at 50% of fees. Absences notified **after** 8.30am will be charged at our full rate.

There are several ways that an absence can be notified:

- Centre phone (07) 827 4727—there is an answerphone to leave a message.
- Centre cellphone 0273 649 482—for text notifications
- Email to celc.kids@xtra.co.nz

Please remember if your child has been prescribed antibiotics, there is a 24 hour stand down before they can return to the Centre.

The Nursery

0-18 months



Welcome to our new friends Kauri, Riverlee and Willa—we look forward to sharing time with you! Eric and Zoe have now transitioned over to the Toddlers and their friends, Axel, Cooper, Ryder and Freya will join them at the end of July.



We have been celebrating Matariki and as part of this the children will have a special 'weave' fish to take home and make with their whanau.

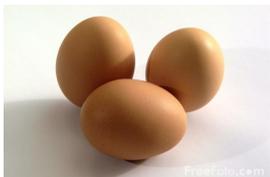


Thank you to Haylee O'Hanlon & AgrowQuip for the wonderful John Deere dump truck and whack 'em tractors. The children have had lots of fun 😊



More suggestions for infant & toddler nutrition:

Around 6 months of age first tastes could include cooked fruits, vegetables and meat; pureed or mashed.



Dairy foods and cooked eggs may be included from 7-8 months of age.

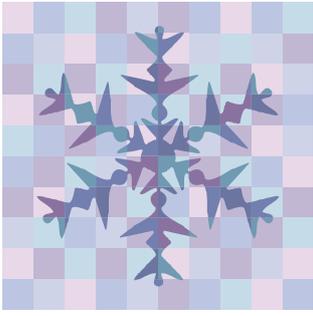
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Please let us know if your child's dietary requirements have changed.

Please remember if children need breakfast, we only provide toast for settling. You are most welcome to bring something in for them.

Thank you for keeping your children at home when they are feeling under the weather. It is much appreciated as it should help prevent the spread of illness and it allows the children to recover in the comfort of their own home.





The Toddlers

18 months-3 Years



Now that there are less plastic bags around and we are all working towards being more environmentally friendly, we would love for each child to provide some kind of bag that can be used for wet or dirty clothes please. These would come in with their bags each day they attend. If you would like to purchase a wet bag we do have them for sale, just ask at the office. Thank you.

Welcome

During July we welcome to the Toddlers - Axel, Cooper H, Ryder and Freya, We are super excited to get to know you and your families :)

We will be saying farewell to Bindi, Hope and Ed this month as they transition over to the Pagoda. We wish them many happy days ahead :)

As part of our Matariki celebrations, we had a shared morning tea with the Pagoda. Lauren made fried bread as our Toddler Room contribution!
It was delicious



Lauren is off to Belgium this month to support her daughter in the BMX World Champs.
We wish them the best of luck :)

We are looking for any unwanted washing powder or formula scoops you may have at home. These can be given to any teacher, Many thanks.



What's happening in July?

- Farewell to Harper, Olivia and Annabelle who are off to start their adventures at Leamington School and farewell to Jackson who will be leaving us later this month for Auckland—we will miss you all.
- Welcome to Ed, Hope and Bindi who will be transitioning from The Castle Toddlers—we look forward to having you with us.
- Katie and Lisa will be taking some friends to see the Lion King production at Middle School.
- Wednesday 10th July we will be having a PYJAMA DAY and Teddy Bear's picnic to celebrate our beloved Norman's 4th birthday.
- Tuesday 16th July we are having a 'Schoolies Morning Tea'. It will be great to see old friends again.
- With the wet weather gumboots, coats and umbrellas are a good idea

Kindness

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted"

- Aesop

Last month we celebrated our kindness with a movie and popcorn. This month we have worked very hard to fill our kindness bucket by being kind to others, helping and listening so on Monday 1st July we celebrated with a dress-up day and disco.

We will alternate these celebrations on different days so that everyone has a change to enjoy 😊

Extra Bits

- A big THANK YOU to Cooper and his Mum and Mitre 10 for the wood donation to our carpentry area.
- We celebrated Matariki by having roast veggies, thank you for bringing a vegetable in to share. We also enjoyed toasting marshmallows over a fire and a shared morning tea at the Castle.
- Michele is off on holiday—enjoy your break!

MONTHLY TIDBIT!

Dispositions and learner identity

Brain research tells us ...

The most important thing for children as they go to school is not whether they know their 1, 2, 3's or A, B, C's but how they feel about themselves as learners.

- Nathan Mikaere-Wallis





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.

