



Welcome to our first newsletter for term 4 of 2016. We extend a very warm welcome to all of our new families who have recently joined Trinity Kindy. We are all excited, enthusiastic and rearing to get going with all the fun festive activities planned for this busy term ☺. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to enjoy all of these wonderful experiences with your children ...we treasure all of the special memories you and your lovely children are creating at Trinity Kindy. It is hard to believe that we are already practising for our Rising Stars Nativity and sharing the wonderful gospel of Christmas with your children. We hope that you have started your Christmas shopping and are excitedly planning your wonderful, relaxing summer holiday. We will issue two newsletters this term ... so the final newsletter for this year will be sent to you in the last couple of weeks of this term.

Last term our teachers thoroughly enjoyed witnessing the absolute amazement and delight not only on your children's faces but also on your amazed expressions when you walked through the gates for our Shining and Rising Stars SNOW DAY. Thank you to the dads for all their help! We look forward to sharing this experience once again next year. Please have a look at our website for all the wonderful photos of your children.

Term 4 dates to note:

- 24th October - **Labour Day - Kindy will be closed**
- 18th November - **Red Nose Day - \$3 noses will be available to purchase for Cure Kids foundation**
- 25th November - **Annual Nativity Play for Rising Stars children only**
- 5th December - **Rising Stars singing songs for Women's Fellowship in church**
- 7th December - **Christmas party for Shining and Rising Stars**
- 8th December - **Christmas party for Mini Miracles**
- 16th December - **last day of Term 4**
- 7 February 2017 - **First day for Term 1 2017**

All of our Rising Star children have started rehearsals for the annual Nativity Concert. The Nativity is for Rising Star children only and will take place on Friday 25th November at 5.30. There will be NO Rising Stars session for our children on that Friday and all children are to be collected by 12.45pm to allow them time to rest and eat before returning to Kindy for the Nativity. Costumes will go home after session. Rising Stars must arrive at Kindy by 4:15pm on Friday 25th Nov already changed in their costumes to have photographs taken before the Nativity starts. Parents of Rising Stars are asked to please bring a plate of food for a shared supper in the hall after the Nativity. Please cater according to the number of family members you bring.

Our Trinity Kindy kiddies are invited to enjoy a Christmas party at Kindy. So for our Tuesday and Thursday session this party will be on Thursday 8th December during session time. Our Monday, Wednesday and Friday session children will be attending the party on Wednesday 7th December during session time. Parents are not required to stay for the party; however parent help would be greatly appreciated. Unfortunately we are unable to accommodate siblings at the parties.

In the interest of fostering closer community connections our talented Rising Stars will be performing a selection of their Nativity songs for the Women's Fellowship Group in the Church on Monday the 5th December.

Many of our Rising Stars will be leaving Kindy towards the end of this term to start school in the New Year so we will have farewell ceremonies throughout weeks 8, 9 and 10 this term. Dates have been advised. If you are unsure of your child's farewell date, please email the office - info@trinitykindy.co.nz

Some general reminders:

- Once again we urgently request that you please remember to sign your child in and out for each and every session with the correct time recorded as this is a Ministry requirement and it ensures that we are able to keep your child safe in the event of an emergency (e.g. a fire or earthquake). We are noticing that more and more children are arriving after 9:00am. We lose funding for the children who do not arrive on time - please ensure that you arrive before 9:00 am.
- Invoices will be emailed out to families before the end of Term 4 for financial planning for 2017. Please ensure that your child's Kindy fees are paid in advance.
- With the change in weather, please ensure your child has sunblock applied at home and a sun hat in their bag as well as a change of clothing as we go into water play etc. This is in accordance with our Sun Safe Policy.
- Please check the lost property regularly and please kindly ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled as this helps us to easily locate the owners. We also request that your child does not bring any toys, jewellery or "cuddlies" to Kindy as these can easily go missing and this may distress your child.
- Please supply Pull-ups if your child is not yet toilet trained as we do not supply these at Kindy. We urge you to please use the benefit of these warmer summer months to work alongside your child and the Trinity teachers to toilet train your child as we aim to have as few children as possible in Pull-ups in Term 1 next year.
- Please continue to check your child's Kindy pocket for any communication that needs to go home.



- "Helping Hands". We welcome any parent help throughout the year! Please see the office if you can give any time at Kindy or are able to take a small job home to do for us (cutting, pasting etc.). Any help will be greatly appreciated.
- Please check our website regularly as we try to update the photographs and newsletters as often as possible. You can find us at: www.trinitykindy.co.nz
- We wish you many calm, relaxing and enjoyable moments during the busy days and weeks' ahead leading up to Christmas.

Ka kite ano ... until the next time!

From your committed, enthusiastic Trinity Teaching Team

Engela, Bernice, Deb's, Debbie, Lisa, Pippa and Hazel

"Trinity Kindergarten aims to develop in each child, a healthy mind, body and spirit and to build a sense of belonging for the child and the family, based on the principles of the Christian faith."