



(Term 2 ends on Friday 7th July and Term 3 begins of Monday 24th July)

Welcome to our 2nd newsletter of Term 2. Every week there are so many terrific things going on at our Kindy! To name a few: Mother's Day celebration, The Bone Lady's visit, YMCA Water Safety, Kindy photos, Old MacDonalds Farm, Science Van and so many more exciting and interesting things! The teachers have also been busy attending Professional Development with Engela, Pippa and Janine completing their Incredible Years journey. The new Te Whāriki is out and the teachers attended seminars to get on board with all the changes.

I want to once again highlight the ongoing commitment and support of our awesome Trust members as well as our wonderful teachers. It takes just a little from the teachers to make a significant impact on our children's lives. Our teachers do a wonderful job and we'd like to acknowledge them ☺

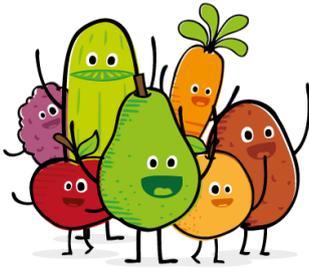
Term 3 dates to note:

- **22nd Aug - Rising Stars Chats** - More info to follow next term
- **31st Aug** - Pappa's Pizza Night - all dads welcome. Invitation to follow next term
- **8th Sept** - Snow Day for the Shining and Rising Stars. **This is a surprise** - no telling kiddies please! More info to follow next term
- **29th Sept** - Red Nose Day
- **29th Sept** - Last day of Kindy for Term 3



JULY we celebrate "Plastic Free July". This is in support of our sustainability topic that we have been concentrating on in Term 2. "Plastic Free July" is a national campaign to help create awareness of the problems with single-use disposable plastic and challenges people to do something about it. We will extend this into Term 3 and will have Reusable Shopping Bags available for parents to purchase. We would like to encourage parents to use these bags in their child's Kindy bag instead of plastic packets. We will endeavour to use these bags too instead of plastic packets. These reusable bags can be used for spare clothes and we can put any wet clothing in these bags too when they go home. Your support of this initiative is very much appreciated. **We will be selling a pack of 15 reusable bags in different colours and patterns for only \$5.**





Nude Food

As an extension of this we will also be promoting "nude food" or rubbish free lunch boxes.

The benefits of packing a rubbish free lunch are wide-ranging:

- Reducing your environmental footprint
- Teaching children about the need to reduce, reuse and recycle
- Having fun creating delicious lunches and snacks
- Looking after your health
- Providing mums with an easy lunch packing solution

Check out the following link for ideas on Nude Food:

<http://www.nudefoodmovers.com.au/product/rubbish-free-lunch-box/>

Staff News:

At the end of Term 2 we will be saying goodbye to Janine. Janine is taking some time off to concentrate on her health. We thank Janine for all her invaluable efforts over Term 1 and Term 2 and wish her all the very best - we will miss her immensely.

Reading our notice boards

- Our large notice board is strategically placed in the area where many whanau members wait just before collecting their children. We are asking you to take just a few minutes to read some of the notices on the board because these displays will give you insight into our current programme and our emergent curriculum. It is so rewarding to see parents share these photographs and stories with their children so please consider pausing for a moment and reading just one or two of the displays when you have the time. Feedback through Kid Reports is also valued, so thank you for taking the time to do that too.

Some general reminders:

- Once again we 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 loose funding for the children who do not arrive on time - please ensure that you arrive before 9:00 am.
- When collecting your child, please collect their bag and then enter through the door closest to the office and exit the other one. This is for safety reasons please.
- Please collect your child's art from the Artwork box by the end of the Term.
- Invoices for Term 3 will be emailed the last week of this term.
- With the change in weather, please ensure your child is warmly dressed and spare warm clothes provided in their bag.
- Please keep your sick child at home. Sick children = sick teachers ☺ Thank you for your consideration. If you have a sick sibling, we are more than happy to collect your child at the gate to eliminate bringing the sick sibling into the kindy.

- 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. **All unclaimed/unnamed lost property items will be bagged and sent to the clothing bin at the end of each term.** 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 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.
- **We are also seeking someone who loves garden work and can spare a few hours to help us in our garden 😊**
- We are always in need of empty cereal boxes etc. for our craft activities.

Thank you to everyone who takes the time to help us

- We extend a HUGE hug of appreciation once again to all our wonderful mummies who volunteer to help us with making play dough, washing our Kindy laundry, filing artwork, washing toys and general cleaning and all other forms of support. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Lisa for being our awesome relief teacher; you are an amazing asset to our teaching team. Finally, we also thank our Trinity Trust for all their support and dedication. We could not present such a welcoming, exciting environment without all of your unfailing help and support and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for everything you do to make Trinity Kindy a blessed place to teach and to learn.
- 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

Ka kite ano ... until the next time!

From your committed, enthusiastic Trinity Teaching Team

Engela, Bernice, Debs, Debbie, Pippa and Janine

"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."