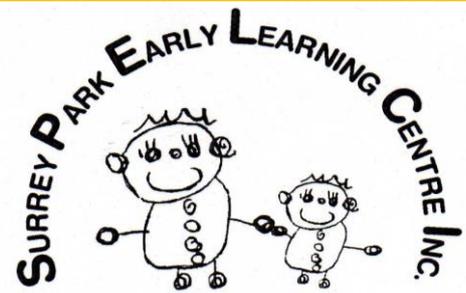


JUNE 2019

MATARIKI CELEBRATION

29th June

We are excited about our upcoming Matariki Celebration, make sure you get your tickets from your learning whare.



REMINDERS

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF PARENTS WERE ABLE TO BRING IN A BOX OF TISSUES AND A PACKET OF WIPES FOR THE TERM.

ESPECIALLY AT THE MOMENT WITH LOTS OF RUNNY NOSES.

(AS PER ENROLMENT AGREEMENT)

Please remember to dress your children according to the weather and have a spare set of clothes and jacket in their bag.

Kia Ora Whānau

It's hard to believe we are almost at the half way point for 2019. The school holidays are coming up, beginning on the 8th July. Please remember to fill out a pink form ASAP if you intend on having your children out for the holidays.

Car Park and Entrance/Exit doors - Please ensure that you are taking care while in the car parks and leaving the centre. We ask that you do not let any child out of any exit door or gate if they are not with you. Also a reminder for older siblings to keep the gates and doors shut until you are ready to leave with them.

We are still selling **Entertainment Books**, if you would like one these can be purchased from the office or online for \$60. www.entbook.co.nz/931j760 thanks for all your support.

We look forward to seeing your families at our Matariki Celebration.

Regards from

Avril Dalzell - Director - Surrey Park Early Learning Centre Inc

STUDENTS

We are fortunate enough to have some students visiting our centre at the moment.

Megan is in Koru working alongside Dameza.

Jamie is in Totara working alongside Mike

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR CHILD'S PARENT FILES IN THEIR ROOM.

Koru Update

We are focusing this term on tuakana/teina - a relationship between an older (tukana) tamariki and a younger (teina) tamariki. This involves the sharing and passing on of skills so that all that are involved can benefit and it can foster empowerment and mana in all children and the Kaiako. Being able to share these is paramount to the tamariki continued learning.

We are looking forward to Matariki, with the tamariki all helping us explore with different ways to be creative and expressive.

Please remember winter clothing – such as a jacket, for your child, as we love to venture outdoors.

Waihopai Update

In Waihopai we are all about the love of Dance. Riverdance is a favourite, and we have been introducing many different genres. With Susie's "Forever in Blue Jeans" rapidly becoming a top 10 favourite. Shelley is soon to introduce some Latin Salsa Fun, and Tracey is going to introduce some Samoan dance to prepare us for Polyfest. "The wiggles concert this month was also a hit for some of our children who have been excited to tell us all about it at mat times.

We have been welcoming in many new families which has created a focus for the children and teachers on building relationships, and everyone finding their place in the Waihopai family. We welcome these families to our whanau and look forward to learning alongside you.

Te Rito Update

In Te Rito we have had a strong emphasis on nature this term, with the establishing of a loose parts nature table which our children are really enjoying exploring. With it being Autumn, we are exploring and enjoying the gifts from papatuanuku with the leaves outside and puddles when we have had lots of rain, using plenty of language to describe what we are seeing and hearing.

With Matariki approaching we are learning new songs and having lots of celestial themed art experiences.

Manaakitanga (kindness) continues to be an important part of our room culture.

KawaKawa Update

What a busy few weeks we have had in te Whare Kawakawa. We have been learning about Matariki using sign language and waiata in preparation for our Matariki night that we have at the end of the month. Children have been busy making stars for a display, paintings that will be made into baskets and decorating New Zealand birds for a show.

We had so much fun on our Gym trip. Children enjoyed getting out and about in our wider community exploring physical movement. Thank you to the whanau/families that came with us. We love being able to share your children's learning with you.

Totara Update

We have all been really involved with "hot wheels" including the planning and designing of various tracks - it is amazing how high and fast we can get the cars to move! Thank you to the families that have donated unwanted tracks, and cars to go with our amazing set! We have extended on this with a bike/wheels day, and discussions around the various police vehicles.

We are well into our Matariki investigation including finding out more about the stars and what is linked to these. Children have been busy creating butterflies and pictures to match with the stars (Waitā surveys our oceans e.g. fish, octopus, seaweed etc, Tupu a rāngi looks after our forests including insects, birds, bats, lizards etc)

