

Tuesday 31st October 2010

Greetings, Kia Ora, FakaalofaIahi atu, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Taloha, Kia Orana, Ni hao, Namaste and Salam.



Our Value for the Month

Trustworthy- “To be able to be trusted or depended on.”



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A big welcome to all our new families and children who have joined us recently. We hope you are already feeling part of the Brightsparks community.



Our children’s wonders of learning in project discussions and Te Whaariki in for this month in each room are:

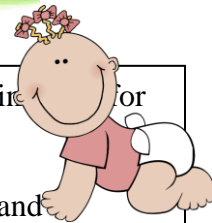
Butterflies: All about Me- this is about crawling, sitting, squatting, rolling and standing. Also increasing fine motor skills such as eye/ hand co-ordination, finger grip and clapping (to name a few).

Bumblebees: Aspects of shaking different mediums of material, instrument making of different shaking objects. Also the different concepts of in and

Tui Tots: Will be exploring sounds using musical instruments, this is a follow on from the Aero plane project.

Junior Owls: Investigating all different food types linked to cultures and the wonders of what dinosaurs and different animals eat. This is a follow on from their dinosaur project. We will like to welcome Polly as our guest speaker to talk about the importance of healthy eating.

Senior Owls: Experiencing a Fashion and Art experience and the different mediums our children are exposed to.



Our Senior Owls will be hosting a wearable Arts and Fashion show that the children have been actively involved in. Our children will be putting up displays of their own original and authentic Art Galleria. Sui and her team have been very busy organizing this great event. This is a fundraiser for the Senior Owls therefore a small price will have to be paid.

The event will take place on:

Date: Friday 1st October 2010

Time: 5.30 to 7.30pm

Venue: The Senior Owls room and if weather permits then under the stars in the car park ☺

Prices: Under 5- Free

6- 15 – a gold coin

17 and over- \$5.00 per person

Please support this marvelous event and this great opportunity to see the wonder of our children's learning.

Fees

There is a slight increase in the children's fees from the 4th of October 2010.

This increase is determined by the Government and as well as absorbing the increase of G.S.T. the increase on fees will be as follows:

Under 2 = \$235.00 per week or \$5 increase on top of what you are paying

Over 2 = \$230.00 per week or \$5 increase on top of what you are paying

ECE will increase \$5.00 per week as well.

Please make sure that all fees are up to date.

Thank You for your support ☺

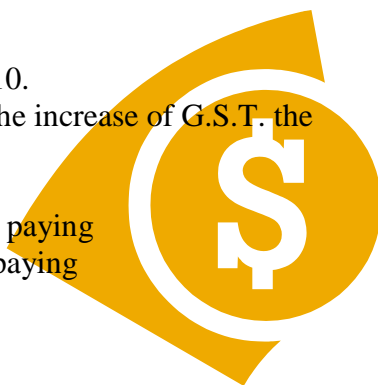
Daily Diary

As you will see starting from the 1st of October, all the teams will be doing a daily diary informing you of the learning that takes place in our rooms.

Our teachers have developed Transition Booklets for parents to view and to be informed about their child, when they are transitioning to new rooms and environment. The booklet contains vital information to keep you updated with what happens in their rooms; such as the environment and routines.

Students in our centre

We have lots of students and work experience teachers coming into our rooms; and they have been interviewed by me and have had their police



checks done. Therefore, they will be working alongside our teachers to learn what quality teachers are in Early Childhood Education. So, if you see them around please feel free to have a talk with them

Children's Calendars

Gorgeous calendars and cards have been created from your child's artwork. You will receive an order form for art calendars and cards which are created authentically from your child's amazing artwork.

Prices are as follows:

A4 colour art Calendar	\$11.00	
A4 Black and white calendar	\$9.00	
A4 photo calendar	\$12.00	
Greeting cards	\$12.00	(includes 8 per pack)

Upcoming Events

24 th September	Junior Owls Picnic Day at the Mangere Bridge Park		
			9.30- 11.30am
1 st October	Wearable Arts and Art Exhibition		5.30- 7.30pm
15 th October	Grandparents Day (Morning Tea)		9.00- 11.00am
16 th November	Parent interviews	(Starts at 4pm) 15 minutes interviews	
27 th November	Car Boot Sale	(In the car park)	7.30- 11.30am
10 th December	Christmas carnival		
17 th December	Santa arrives at the centre at 2.30pm		

All holiday forms will be given out on the 15th of November and they need to be back to the centre by 6th of December for the Christmas Holidays.

I would like to share this with our families, "May our knowledge of our teachers in Aotearoa hold passion for our children. Three treasures in our land are faith, hope and charity but what builds upon these treasures are our Aroha (Love).

Warmest of regards
Shellee and the team ☺

