

NEWS & NOTES

WEBSITE VERSION . KIDS FOREVER CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL . TERM 1 NEWSLETTER . 2017

Welcome to Term One 2017 at Kids Forever... This term has started so well, the new hours have made the flow of each session work beautifully – we have received so many lovely supportive comments about it, we really appreciate your support in the transition (If you would like to give us any feedback about it do feel free to write us a note and put it in the glass jar by the sign in sheet)
A big smiley welcome to our gorgeous new children and their families that have joined us this year, so lovely seeing your bright faces each week – don't forget to email us a family photo so you can join our family photo wall by the lockers ☺

Grandparents day... This term we are planning to have a grandparents/relatives day, where we would like to invite them to pop in to visit us and see their grandchildren's fantastic kindy, this will be from 12.00 onwards on Tuesday 21st March. (Feel free to have your grandparents bring in a picnic lunch to eat with our children outside – our lunch break is at 12pm) RSVP by the sign in sheet soon ☺



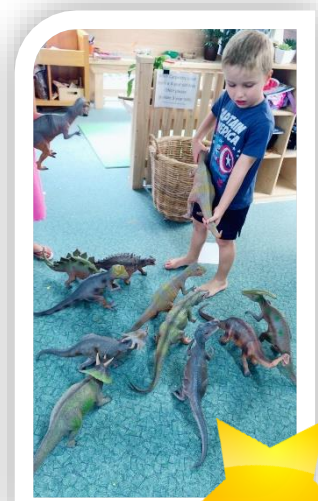
Summer fun... In the Afternoons, if it's gorgeously warm and sunny we have the sprinkler going to **COOL** us down, if it's a fabulous day please do send a pair of named togs to kindy, also, please ensure you have sun-blocked your child before kindy and don't forget to send them with a hat too!

Messy Play...

At Kids Forever we love providing a fun, exciting (sometimes quite a messy) learning environment. Please keep sending your children in clothes that can get dirty. We do have aprons available, but we let the children's choose to use these if they want ☺

Nametags...

Please may you encourage your child to find their name tag at the beginning of each session and put it in the 'Zoo' frame on the wall outside the office, if their name tag is missing let us know and we'll make a new one for you ☺



Named Pockets... Remember to check the named pockets for art, invoices and

notices etc PS: If possible we need all accounts settled before 31st March for our financial end of year close off – THANKS!!
Any invoice queries please mail Maiara kidsforever@xtra.co.nz

Feedback on how your child is doing ...

We love giving feedback on how fabulous your children are and we value it immensely, so we do try to talk to as many of you as possible each day, PLEASE forgive us if sometimes we don't get a chance to stop and chat with you, we do rely heavily on parents coming to speak with us, you are very very welcome to come ask us any questions (AT THE END) of any session or and feel free to write us a note and put it in the glass jar by the sign in sheet and we can get back to you asap!

Lost Property...

At present there is a mountain of lost property at the front of preschool. If you could have a look through the box when you drop your children off that would be most helpful – THANKS x

You are also more than welcome to organize a 'parent/teacher chat' after 1:30 each day if you need a focused chat, specific help about something or for more information etc

Medicine Administration at Kids Forever...

As per our Administration of Medicines Policy (see parent library) here at Kids Forever we **ONLY** administer **Category (iii) Medicines**.



There are 3 categories of 'Medicines' outlined by the ministry of education and they are as follows:

Category (i) Medicines - A category (i) medicine is a non-prescription preparation (such as arnica cream, antiseptic liquid, insect bite treatment) that is not ingested, used for the 'first aid' treatment of minor injuries and provided by the service and kept in the first aid cabinet.

Category (ii) Medicines - Category (ii) medicines are prescription (such as antibiotics, eye/ear drops etc) or non-prescription (such as paracetamol liquid, cough syrup etc) medicine that is used for a specific period of time to treat a specific condition or symptom, provided by a parent only or, in relation to Rongoa Māori (Māori plant medicines), that is prepared by other adults at the service.

CATEGORY (III) MEDICINES – MEDICINES REQUIRED BY YOUR CHILD AS PART OF AN INDIVIDUAL HEALTH PLAN, FOR EXAMPLE FOR AN ON-GOING CONDITION SUCH AS ASTHMA OR ECZEMA, ALLERGY MEDICINE (EG: FOR ANAPHYLAXIS) ETC

Portfolio Weekend...

Portfolios can be taken home for the weekend of the 7th – 10th April (if your child has been attending more than 6 months)

Please Note:

1. Please fill out the family page on the last page of the portfolios
2. Please sign the portfolios in and out, by the sign in desk
3. Please return the before the school holidays (13th April)
4. Please collect portfolios only on Thursday 6th or Friday the 7th (chat to Sarah if your child doesn't attend those days and she will organize an earlier pick up)

PS: as our minimum sessions to be attended per week is 3 we don't usually make portfolios for children that attend less than that BUT we love all your children so much that we don't want them to feel like they are missing out so we have started making mini-portfolios until they attend 3 or more sessions per week .) xxx



Please Remember...



FRONT GATE – Please remember to check the gate is closed every time you enter or exit, and ensure no little ones are cleverly sneaking out with you (also if possible can we not have little ones riding/standing on the gate as it stretches the springs and I have to keep getting it fixed ☺ – THANKS SO MUCH)

ACCIDENT NOTIFICATIONS – Each morning we pray our lovely children will always be safe and kept from harm here, and we go to great lengths to ensure they are always safe, however as you know 'children will be children' and sometimes minor accidents can occur, all accidents that we observe or are made aware of during the session are noted down in our accident register book, we will notify you the parent and have you sign an accident report that we will give you a copy of. If we haven't noticed a scratch or something on your child please do come have a gentle chat to us and we will do our best to investigate, please however do encourage all children to always TELL A TEACHER if they get hurt or someone hurts them, we do try to have eyes everywhere but alas sometimes we miss things ☹ so we rely on children letting us know! Thank you for your understanding xx



SICKNESS - if your child is unwell or has contracted any sort of sickness or infection please let us know the nature of the illness and if need be please keep your child at home, if in doubt text Sarah

NAPPY CHANGING POLICY REMINDER - As you know we do nappy changing here at kids forever, just a quick reminder that we never force children to have their nappy changed, if we have major protesting we will always text you to ask you to come in. Please remember to supply enough nappies and wet wipes x

NOTICE PERIOD REMINDERS - As you hopefully know we require **4 weeks' notice** for all children leaving (or dropping a session) our lovely kindy (it does NOT include holidays at all), which gives us time to fill the free spaces, if your child does not attend the notice period then it will unfortunately NOT include any subsidies and the full cost of **4 weeks fees** will be added to your invoice. Also absences over 20 days will need to be paid at the full unsubsidized rate. Normal changes will apply for sick days – you can chat to Sarah about 'makeup' sessions, these are only available if we have spaces.



SUNSCREEN – Please Sunscreen your own child before preschool (we have sunscreen here at kindy if you need it)

IMPORTANT INFO – on the wall opposite the sign in sheet we have labelled kindy info – do peruse over them sometime ☺

Teddy bears picnic... As per tradition, we always have a fun family get together organized at the end of each term – so this term we are meeting at....
NOT ADVERTISED ONLINE



Bring in your favourite teddy bear, prizes for the biggest teddy, the oldest teddy, the smileyest teddy, the smallest teddy, the best dressed teddy, and the most loved teddy. See you all there.
RSVP by sign in sheet in APRIL.



Children are a Gift from the Lord. They are a Reward from Him

Psalm 127:3

Seven Happy Lil Reminders...



1. All children need to be signed out each day so we know who is here or not! Please if you collect them early come say goodbye so we know who is here or not ☺
2. If your child is really young please halt the sending of yoghurt pottles as the mess is astronomical – also the spoons get lost 😬
3. Encourage your lovelies to enjoy watching the birdies - we have a "no touching the cage" policy though x
4. Show n tell - try to stick to the weekly theme if you can x
5. If your child attends morning sessions we have a food break at 10 am and 12pm (only one lunch box needed)
If your child attends afternoons we have a food break at 2:30 pm (one lunch box)
If your child attends all day bring food for morning tea and afternoon tea in one lunch box and the lunch in another (you can put the lunch one in the fridge if need be) just so we can make sure your lovelies are eating enough food x
6. Facebook photos- if you haven't seen many pics uploaded of your child for a while check out the portfolio lists and ask your child's group teacher to post some more xx we are sooooo sorry if we have accidently missed a few out x we try our best xxx
7. Please clearly name everything 😊 particularly bags for if your child ever needs a nappy/clothes change x

2016 Term Dates

End of Term 1 – Thursday 13th April.

BEGINNING OF TERM 2 – 1st May

End of Term 2 - 7th July.

BEGINNING OF TERM 3 – 24th July

End of Term 3 – 29th Sept

BEGINNING OF TERM 4 - 16th October

End of Term 4 – Wednesday 19th December
(half day – finishing at 1: 30pm)

BEGINNING OF TERM 1 2018 to be confirmed...

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down
x*



*Lots of Love from our
amazing Team...*

Krystyna Adam, Siyi Wang, Katie
Brown, Heidi Jones, Maiara Zalttron
and Sarah Wiklund

§ our lovely Regular relievers: Eva Wang (Thursdays) and
Joyanne Lovatt (Fridays)

