

Te Mata Kindergarten Newsletter February 2012



Welcome to the New Year and 2012

We hope you all had a wonderful summer holiday with your children and families, we are looking forward to another exciting year at Te Mata. Over the holidays the interactive water feature was completed and is ready for the children to enjoy. As well as the stones we have a variety of additions to the hose which create different water flow.



Our new water feature

Stories from Home

We would love to hear about your holidays as stories from home. There are forms by the children's folders to use or even a collection of photographs or memorabilia is an option. The children love sharing these at mat time and we use this knowledge to further extend the learning opportunities and your child's interest.

Our email address is temata@hfka.co.nz
Families are welcome to use this e-mail to communicate with us too. Families may also e-mail stories from home to us and we can print them at Kindergarten.

TERM 1 Dates to Remember

Thursday 9th February Community Consultation meeting regarding diversification of hours.

Thursday 16th February Family Takeaway Evening.

Thursday 17th February Join the Committee AGM

Thursday 5th April - Term 1 ends

Monday 23rd April - Term 2 starts

**Family Evening Feb
16th 5.00pm-6.30pm**

Kindergarten Car park.

Parents are able to park on the grass area next to Kindergarten. We recommend large 4 wheel drive vehicles use this option to allow smaller cars use of the car parks. Please be careful in all car parks and remember to keep the wheel chair access park free for those who need it. When it is wet we also recommend to be careful on the grass.

Kindergarten Session Times

We are licensed by the Ministry of Education for specific session times. Please keep to our session hours and session times.

Morning session is from 8.30am to 11.30am Mon, Tues, Thurs
8.30am to 12.30pm Wed and Fri

Afternoon session is from 12.30pm to 3.00pm Mon, Tues, Thurs

Warm weather and sun smart

There is complimentary sun block available for parents to apply to their children. We also recommend all clothing and shoes are named as children often have similar clothing. We strongly encourage the children to be responsible for their own shoes and clothing as this is a valuable skill and supports the development of their independence.

Kindergarten Teachers and Staff

This year we welcome Maree Hannah who will be teaching with us for 2 terms. We are looking forward to sharing our wonderful Kindergarten and community with Marie.

If you have any questions please ask any of the Teachers, Fiona, Maree and Rachel.



Fiona Francois
Head Teacher



Rachel Furniss
Teacher



Maree Hannah
Teacher



Michelle Thompson
Kindergarten Support

**Committee Meeting &
AGM 7.30pm Thursday
23rd February. We are
looking forward to
meeting new committee
members.**