



Kiwi Connection

Growing Together As One

NEWSLETTER

Kia ora koutou e te whanau

Nga mihi tino nui ki a koutou katoa

Welcome to Week 9 Term 2

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to one of our valued teachers at the end of this term. Seba has been such an asset to our school especially with her enthusiasm for The Arts.

Thank you Seba for all your hard work in planning, finding resources, sharing with your colleagues, and caring about the well-being of our tamariki.

Thank you for bringing out the best in all of our learners and making them believe in themselves.

We wish you and your family many blessings - you deserve all the good things that life can bring.

Haere ra e hoa! Nga mihi tino mahana ki a koe. Never forget that you are part of our Richmond Road Whanau - our journey and our history.

Te aroha, te whakapono, me te rangimarie, tatou, tatou e!

Village Learning Updates

BE BRIGHT EAT RIGHT MAGIC SHOW

We loved the Magician's Show with its great healthy eating message. This reinforced that we should all have a balanced diet. We know our food groups too.



Vas Kovalski and his new assistant Zara from The Nest



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Do I
look
all
right?



We are enjoying meeting together daily in our Piazza for our karakia and roll and also for shared Inquiry sessions and other relevant learning opportunities.

On wet days we have been able to remain indoors and move into the Hub area to participate in Jump Jam together with L'Archipel and Mua i Malae.

Making use of our wonderful kitchen area



This is a piece of cake!



Salu's group making Nutella and fruit sandwiches.

We hope you have now visited our new spaces. We have steadily been introducing some new resources and furniture. This way we have ensured that we have the correct resources to suit our needs.



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Cooking in the Village



Tessa and Sacha's groups baking bread and making soup. Yum!



All the children brought in the ingredients and washed, peeled, and cut the vegetables for their amazing soup! The delicious aromas wafted throughout the Village and the Hub, tantalizing our taste buds and making our tummies rumble.

Yum delish!



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Hub Learning News

Our Wonder Walls - Pātū Pākiki in the Hub are showing our latest wondering about the Mātariki stars. Come in and have a look at our thinking about this inquiry.



Writing from The Hub

A Centipede Has An Encounter With A Human

I took one look at it. A filthy hairless being. The being reached for a can, I raised my 30 legs to signal "STOP!" But then again, humans are so dumb, calling us centipedes- which means 100 legs. It is an INSULT. His fingers crept down the can to press "THE BUTTON!" "NO!" screamed a voice. "Fang!" A funnel web spider landed in front of me! 'Don't worry Super Fang is here!' Fang started waving his rather large bottom in the air. I held my breath. Was the human going spray us? "AGH!". The human fled, dropping the can.

"Thanks Fang." "No problemo!" Fang replied. He scuttled up his silk to feed his 27 babies. I scuttled out of the room, into a dark,damp and unkept garden - the perfect paradise. "How ya doin' legs?" said a squeelchy voice from the darkness."Who's there?" I quivered. A slug slithered out of the cabbage that was more hole than cabbage. "So, my slippery friend, what brings you to this side of the garden?" I casually asked. "I'm bringin' some home for me mom", said Bob the slug "She wants to have a feast to celebrate the human's departure!" "What!" I choked, my small centipede mouth was closing up, I thought i would die! I had to see if this was true!

Indeed the man was lying across his bed, dead. I poked him. His eyes flashed open. The man snatched a box and ran out the door, but on the way he dropped a pair of underpants, which fell right on my head "I'm blinded I'm blinded!"

Luckily, us centipedes can cover any terrain and sometimes no terrain. Wow seriously this guy needs to wash, does he ever take a bath?

To be continued ...

By Mia von Randow

THE FEROCIOUS FLEA

"What's the matter with this dog?" I'm just just having a little drink of blood and spitting some saliva on to him, and when I do that he starts barking and biting himself and hacking at his skin with his back leg. "It's just so unhelpful, I wish he'd stay still!" "Ah!" When I try his nose he starts rubbing it with his paw, and he nearly squashed me!

"Oh no, it's the lady with the big silver clipper thing! I think they're called tweezers because I've heard the humans talking about it, ah! She's going to kill me!" I jump away on my long legs like I usually do, the tweezers were about three times the length of my body away, (which is a centimetre) but dodging it was easy. I jumped on to the microwave, "Aah!" That's too hot, I think there's potatoes cooking, the toaster burns too



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much as well, it seems like the lady's having potatoes on toast for lunch, wait, "YES". I'll jump out the window, because I can jump 54 times the length my body. Okay I'm outside, let's hide in the dandelions, the lady won't find me here, but... the Swallows will! "Aaaaaaaah! Swallows with their fancy glossy blue wings and small insect eating beaks! Aaaaaaaah!" I bounce away into the wilderness of the garden and leap over the herbs when a strange feeling moves up my body and then... SPLAT!

"Uh, what's that, hey mouse why are you smelling me! MOUSE, WHY ARE YOU SMELLING ME! STOP SMELLING ME!" Maybe if I shake my legs it will run away? Nope, that didn't work, maybe if I drink its blood and spread a plague and move slightly so I can jump away, "YES!" It worked, and even better, if I hide in the dead grass I'll be really camouflaged so the mouse won't be able to see me, and now just let me hop into this hollow area in the tree and have a break, " Whoo, I'm tired, that was a long day, hey wait, is that a spide?"

By Wolf Clements

Water Only School

We are a 'water only' school. School staff will be reminding children of this and will also remove drinks other than water from children. They will be asked to take it home and not to bring it back.

Community Matariki Celebration Tuesday 3rd July 7:00am to 8:30am

On Tuesday July 3rd we will be hosting our annual community Matariki Celebration. This year we will be gathering on the bottom courts from 7:00am in time for sunrise at 7:30. We will start with a Karakia and waiata. We will then look for the Matariki star cluster. Kai will be shared in the hall from 7:45. This will be provided and you are also welcome to share. As this is a community event all are welcome.

Mai katoa

All welcome

Student Collection After School - Reminder

A reminder that school finishes at 3:00pm. Recently there have been a number of our children left at school until at least 3:30 which has raised concerns around their safety from members of our community. Staff will from today be sending any students remaining in the playground after 3:15pm to the main office and this will be the point of collection. Please help support us in the interests of child safety and wellbeing.

Important Dates and Times:

Thursday 28th June:

*Inner City Rugby League Tournament at Cox's Bay Park

Friday 29th June:

*2.30pm: Dream Team Speaker: Jacob Anderson - CEO of Sir Peter Blake Trust

*Goal sheets sent home

Tuesday 3rd July:

*7.00-8.30am Matariki Celebrations

Friday 6th July:

*12.00-3.00pm: STOMP Dance Company workshops

*Last day of Term 2



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