



Balclutha Kindergarten Panui

November 2020



Kia Ora Iwi Katea
Kōhungahunga Whanau/Hello
Balclutha Kindergarten Families

IMPORTANT DATES

Balclutha Kindergarten is now a 50 week kindergarten which ONLY closes for 2 weeks over the Christmas break.

This means we are open over the school holidays as normal.

- 1st December- Decorating Christmas Tree
- 3rd December - New World BBQ fundraiser
- 8th December - Hearing and Vision 4yr olds
- 22nd December - CHRISTMAS PARTY!!
- 24th December - 11th January - Kindy Closed
- 12th January - Kindy Open



We welcome Luca, Eden, Grayson, Colton & Aurora, along with their families, to our Kindergarten Whanau.



Its that time of year again where the weather is warming up and Ra (sun) is getting hotter. Please make sure your child has sunblock on before coming to Kindy and a hat. We will reapply sunblock at



lunch time (Kindy does have sunhats children can use however this can help spread head lice so it is highly recommended each child has their own to help prevent this).

With warmer weather also brings more water play. Please ensure that your child has at least 2 spare changes of clothing and a waterproof bag for wet clothes to go home in. Rash Tops are a good option for hot days when children like to play with water as they dry super quick so these can be brought along if you have one.

If anyone has Kindy clothes at home can these please also be returned as we are running very low on spare clothing!

Thank you!

Mornings

Just a reminder that parents/caregivers need to stay with their children until 9am as this is the time session starts and it is a legal requirement.

Our morning mat time start at 9.10am which is when we welcome all the Tamariki for the day etc. If you arrive during mat time, please ensure that your child comes to the mat quietly so not to interrupt our group's learning. You are more than welcome to join in quietly with us!

Fundraisers

Our High Noon Afternoon tea for Breast Cancer raised \$86.70! A huge thankyou for all of the donations as well as to the families that came along and joined in with us for the afternoon tea. This money is going to go back to those in the community who are going through this at the moment.

We raised \$424 from our bike-a-thon! Thankyou so much to those who sponsored our children, the parents/caregivers that came along and supported our Tamariki while they biked and parents that helped with the BBQ. Without your support we would not be able to have these fundraisers! Funds raised will go towards purchasing equipment and resources for the children.

We received \$2237.00 from Kingston Sedgfield Charitable Trust and with this we are going to purchase some foam shapes! A huge thankyou to the Trust for their generous donation which is greatly appreciated!

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NEW WORLD BBQ FUNDRAISER

On Thursday 3rd December we are running the BBQ outside New World. This will be a busy day as it is their triple fly buys day and we need lots of volunteers to make this a success! If you haven't already put your name down for this, can you please have a chat with one of the teachers as any help is greatly appreciated!

Clothing

We have lots of lost property!! Please have a look for any of your children's clothing on the shelf across the children's lockers. Any unclaimed clothing will be donated to the Salvation Army at the end of the year.

ILLNESSES IN OUR KINDERGARTEN

We as a teaching team want to do our utmost to try and keep EVERYONE as healthy as we can, BUT to do this we need parents to follow guidelines set out from the District Health Board.

Keep your child at home if they:

- Have green or yellow mucus coming from their nose.
- Have signs of being unwell ie. Grizzly, Unsettled, listless or tired.
- Have a high temperature or appears very hot.
- Are complaining of, or appears to have a sore tummy, throat or ears.
- Have a continuous cough.
- Have had diarrhea and vomiting within the last 48 hours.
- Have weeping, red eyes and/ or a yellow discharge around the eyes.
- Have broken skin sores.
- Have become ill with a communicable disease eg. Measles, mumps or chickenpox.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT IF YOUR CHILD EXPERIENCES VOMITING OR DIARRHOEA OUR POLICY IS THEY MUST REMAIN AT HOME FOR 48 HOURS AFTER THEIR LAST BOUT. THIS IS TO STOP THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS AS WELL AS TO ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS 100% BEFORE RETURNING TO KINDERGARTEN - unwell children don't learn !!

If you have any concerns please don't hesitate to contact the Kindy or speak to one of our teachers.

Kindy Contact details:

**Phone: 4180330 Cell phone:
0212420411**

Address: 1 Lanark Street, Balclutha

Email: balclutha@sokindergartens.org.nz

Bank Account Number for Expected

**Payments: Westpac: 03 0905 0322661-00
(Please use your child's name as a reference)**

Under 2 Session

This is every Tuesday morning at 10.30am (please note change of time). All under 2's welcome and this is also open to the community. We would love to see you here!

Remember to check Kete Bags for notices etc

Please remember that Covid is still out there so it is important to use the Tracing App and sanitize where you can. If your child does become unwell please keep them at home and we advise seeing a doctor if they are displaying symptoms related to Covid.

**Your Teaching Team
Jolene, Carmen Katie, Faylyn, Hollie and Natalie.**