



Balclutha Kindergarten Panui

October 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.

26th October - Labour Day (closed)

30th October - High Tea fundraiser

13th November - Bike-A-Thon fundraiser



We welcome Lowkee, Kingsley & Hinerahua 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. As from Labour Weekend please make sure your child has sunblock on before coming to kindy and a hat. We will reapply sunblock at lunch time.



With warmer weather also brings more water play. Please ensure that your child has at least 3 changes of clothing and waterproof bags for wet clothes to go into.

Also does anyone have any outgrown children's clothing that they would like to donate to kindy for our spare clothes cupboard? Especially pants and undies would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

FAREWELL



Happy school days to Elsie who is now at school. Hemi will also be going to school in November. We will miss you all but hope you have a fantastic time at school!

Fundraising Meeting

We need to have a meeting either the 3rd or the 4th of November at 3pm straight after session. Please let a teacher know which day suits you. The more the merrier!

High Tea Fundraiser

October is breast cancer awareness month and to show our support for this we are going to hold a high tea afternoon tea on Friday 30th October. We will provide refreshments and ask kindly for a koha/donation that will go to Breast Cancer.

Wear pink or whacky hair for the day. Parents more than welcome to join us for afternoon tea. See you then!

Group Goal

This term we are focusing on nature and care for the wairua of Papatuanuku. The children will learn about kaitiakitanga - Guardianship of the land. Our tamariki will be using the term wairua in relation to Papa and will be nurturing and caring for the wairua of Papa.

We will be recycling our paper and reusing it, setting up stands for cleaning our own yoghurt pottle's, reusing rubbish from lunchboxes to make Christmas decorations/art, gardening to learn about nurturing and caring for papa along with a plastic snake where we will collect glad wrap and join it together to show children how much waste is consumed by plastic and what happens to sea life when we use plastic. Along with other experiences that pop up along the way.

Our Group Learning Goal can be found on the wall near the bathroom for your information.

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!

Please check your child's kete bags for notices etc regularly. This is on the wall by the sign in sheet and will have a photo of your child on the front.

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