

TOTARA NORTH EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE

Newsletter - May 2025
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Nau mai, Haere mai
Welcome back to TNECC all Tamariki and Whānau

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

What a wet and windy start to autumn it has been with flooding, a cyclone, power and phone outages. Reminder - If the weather forecast is for bad weather or if a weather warning has been issued, make sure to check your notifications (Educa email, Skool Loop app or our Facebook page). We try our best to notify you in a timely manner, but please keep in mind this can sometimes be difficult especially with power and phone outages. The safety of your tamariki is paramount. Best practice is to stay safe and stay home.

The tamariki have been busy with a lot of arts and crafts, making volcanoes and potions, sensory play, learning about the world map and where we are on it (prompted by Kaiako Colleen and Denise's recent trips overseas), music and movement - and boy do we have some AMAZING dancers! We also continue to be visited monthly by the FNDC library van and soon to come will be Joy's Gymnastic Club and the tamariki and kaiako are currently brainstorming an exercise circuit/mini triathlon - we will keep you posted.

Matariki - we will be having an "Open Week" from the 16th - 19th June. Come in anytime, help yourself to a cup of tea/coffee/kai and have a chat to your child's key teacher about the progress with their goals/aspirations, no need to book.

Fee Increase - please note we will be increasing our hourly childcare rate of \$6.38 to \$6.52. This will come into effect Monday 16th June 2025.

School Driveway - During the school holidays we saw some parents speed up and down the school hill at dangerous speeds. At no time are you to drive and park up top, unless you have run it past the Totara North School Principal. Please whānau let's keep our tamariki safe.

Winter Bugs - with winter fastly approaching and winter bugs about, if your child is sick, please keep them home. See our TNECC Wellness Guide overleaf.

Spare clothes - with all this wet weather, please ensure your tamariki have a few spare sets of clothes in their bag - if you have a raincoat this would be awesome too as playing in the rain is always fun! And lastly, if your tamariki have come home wearing our TNECC spare clothes, kindly return these to the centre.

Public Holidays - Just a reminder that our centre will be closed Monday 2nd June 2025 for Kings Birthday and Friday 20th June 2025 for Matariki.

Toilet Learning Policy - kindly take the time to read our new toilet learning policy (copy attached to our Parent Notice Board wall). If you have any questions, please come and talk to the team.

Arohanui from all the team at TNECC





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WELLNESS GUIDE

IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL - PLEASE KEEP THEM HOME



Please keep your child home if: -

- They have had any pain relief medication, Pamol/Nurofen in the morning before attending the centre (these medications mask symptoms but do not get rid of infection that will spread)
- A fever of 38 or above
- A consistent cough
- A continuous runny nose
- A sore throat or swollen glands
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Unusually tired or lethargic
- Undiagnosed rash
- Unusual skin colour
- Uncovered sores
- Discharge from eyes

Your child is ok to come in and play if they are: -

- Active, playful and rested!





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15th May 2025

Kia Ora Whānau,

I am writing to inform you that as of Monday 16th June 2025 we will be increasing our hourly childcare rate from \$6.38 to \$6.52 due to the ever rising increase of day-to-day running costs incurred at our non-profit community based centre.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Colleen Sherwin', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Colleen Sherwin
Manager/Head Teacher
Totara North Early Childhood Centre