A Tip For You:

Keep a check on your interactions with your tamaiti/child. Question yourself whether they are negative or positive interactions. If you find there are many negative interactions, it may be that your child is doing things to get a response from you negatively. If this is so, see if you can work on giving them more positive interactions than negative, and see if their behaviour changes.

Community Support Services

Karen Glover is available for free 'family support and counselling services'.

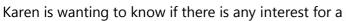
She is available to support you on your journey and is available to do:

Counselling; (held in a private office at City Church Tauranga)

Personal Mentoring; Advocacy; Budget Mentoring;

and, facilitates courses such as Toolbox Parenting Courses, and Pre
Marriage and Marriage Courses.

If you would like some assistance feel free to contact her on: 576 7940 (phone) 021 206 6010 (mobile) karen@citychurchtauranga.org.nz



CAP MONEY MANAGEMENT Course

to be held for Shalom parents/whanau.

It would be run during a kindy session, and Karen would be available later on for more assistance if needed.

CAP Money is a comprehensive, yet astonishingly simple money management course designed to help you get, and then stay, in control of your finances. The principles taught by our Money Coach have proven to be effective for thousands of people over the last ten years. (The course is developed by Christians Against Poverty and is entirely free of charge. A Money Management Pack is included, along with a personal budgeting tool).

Please register your interest with the teacher on reception.

Kia ora and welcome to you all. We look forward to having a great year with you all, learning alongside and growing with your tamariki/children and you.

Blessings from the Shalom team: Sharon V, Sharon H, Jess, Sheryl, Jann, Vanessa, Loretta, Kristy, and Raewyn



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Kia Ora Koutou

Term one is well under way, and we'd like to say a big welcome to the new tamariki/children and their whanau/families. We pray that you will all feel welcome, and we look forward to working alongside you all in the role of helping your tamaiti/child to flourish.

Also, a big thanks to you all for the goodies that we were given at the end of last year - the teachers are enjoying munching their way through them.

Did you miss the parent evening last year on

LOVE LANGUAGES/PERSONALITY TYPES?

Kim is coming back to do a morning session on

Monday 7th March 2016

Held here at **Shalom**

TIME: approximately 10:00-11:30AM

Let us know if you intend to come.

Term Dates for 2016...

Term One:

Tuesday 26th January - 15th April

Term Two:

26th April - 8th July

Term Three:

25th July - 23th September

Term Four:

3rd October - 16th December

"It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings".

Ann Landers

Shalom's Cell Phone Number

If you haven't already got it, please add it to your contacts on your cell phone so that you can text us when you need to.

021 191 9933



UPCOMING EVENTS:

· SHALOM FAMILY PICNIC

Friday 26th February Kulim Park - notice to come



· KIDS GO WILD - Sunday 6th March

Held here at City Church Tauranga

4.00-7.00pm

A free carnival for children

· SHALOM FATHERS' NIGHT

Monday 14th March - notice to come Held at Shalom Kindergarten

FLEXICARE

As you know we have a flexicare system whereas we are able to offer slightly longer hours to some tamariki / children. These spaces are limited, so we may not be able to give you exactly what you need/want. Additionally, we may need to put your child's name on the flexicare waiting list, until we have space to fit them in.

Please do let us know if you may require extra hours and we will try to accommodate you the best that we can.

CHILDREN'S TOYS

We've had a large number of tamariki/children bringing in their toys from home, and inevitably some of them get lost.

We ask that you encourage your children to leave their toys at home, but for you to also be aware that some may be asked to bring theirs in for a specific purpose.

Thanks for being helpful and considerate.



PLEASE NOTIFY US:

- of any **changes of address, email, phone number** (both cell phone and landline) so that we can keep our records up to date.
- If your child is **going to be away or is sick** leave a message on the phone, or with one of the teachers, or text us.

REMINDERS:

Sunscreen - please put this on your tamaiti (Child) before they arrive at Shalom

Potae/Sunhat - please include one for your tamaiti/Child in their bag

Nga hu/Shoes - as our matting does get very hot in the raumati (summer) weather. And they need to wear them if they are doing Carpentry.

Kakahu/Clothes - please have spare ones in your Child's bag they do get wet with water play activities at this time of year.

Please name all your child's belongings. Writing their name with a marker pen, and covering it with clear nail polish helps it to last longer on lunch boxes and drink bottles. Also, writing the name on duct tape and sticking this on is another idea.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Reading the local paper recently, a title caught my attention - it said "Powerless Parenting". Dr. Leonard Sax, (an American psychologist), has written a book called: 'The Collapse of Parenting - How we hurt our kids when we treat them like grown ups'.



It made for very interesting reading, and made me wonder how we in New Zealand are doing, and whether we might be heading along the same path as the United States. Do we want this to be what happens to us as parents, and our tamariki/children?

Read the display on the noticeboard and see what you think, or have a look online for further information. It will probably bring up some good discussions, and we'd love to hear what you have to say too, so come and have a chat with us.

Raewyn