

## TAMARIKI/CHILDREN'S PLAY:

Do you wonder when your tamariki/children will make friends?

Children go through different stages of in their play, and a brief flyer in the back of your child's portfolio regarding children's play gives a little more information about these stages. The ones we have listed include: solitary, parallel, group, and co-operative play. When you read this information, you also need to keep in mind the other factors that would add to your child's play - such as personality type; whether they are a visual, auditory or kinesthetic learner; their sense of well being, (e.g. are they tired?); environment at home - are there any changes?; and changes in the environment at kindy, (children changing groups, relievers, etc).

If you want to discover a little more information about this, the following website has a little more information.

<http://www.littlegemschicago.com/six-stages-of-play-how-young-children-develop-their-social-skills/>



### Philippians 4 verse 7:

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in



Great to be nearing the end of another term, and looking forward to the warmer months ahead. Keep letting us know how we can help you, and thanks for all your prayers and encouragement for us.

Blessings from the Shalom team:

Sharon V, Sharon H, Jess, Sheryl, Jann, Vanessa, Loretta, Kristy, and Raewyn

# Shalom Kindergarten

## NEWSLETTER

### SEPTEMBER 2016



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*Kia Ora Koutou*

*It's very good to be back and see your smiling faces! I have had a great trip away visiting Israel, Spain-Italy, Greece, Croatia and the USA.*

*Shalom was never far from my thoughts as I missed the teachers and our Shalom families.*

*In the middle of Jerusalem, in the old city, I heard children singing and the tour guide explained we were standing outside a Kindergarten - it looked like a block building to me! In other cities I spotted Kindergartens too of various styles and structures. I came home very grateful for what we have here at Shalom! See you, Sharon*

Term Dates for 2016:

**Term 3:**

25 July - 23 September

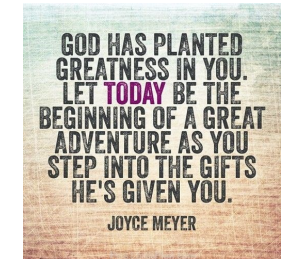
**Term 4:**

3 October - 16 December

**START DATE 2017:**

Tuesday 24th January

**Please Note:** Term ONE 2017 starts one week earlier than the primary schools and we will obtain your written verification of which date your tamaiti (child) will be starting.



# SPRING

### Upcoming Events for Parents/Whanau:

#### \* Father's Night - Monday 17th October

Due to requests we are holding another night for the dad's and their kindy tamariki/children. More information will be given to you next term.

#### \* Cultural Evening - Monday 14th November

More information will be given to you closer to the date.

### Upcoming Events for Tamariki/Children:

#### \* Wearable Art- Wednesday 2nd November- GREEN Group

Parents/Whanau - we've given you early notice so that you can start getting creative over the holidays. Please talk to one of the kaiako/staff if you have any questions

#### \* Water Play morning- Thursday 17th November- BLUE Group

More information will be given to you closer to the date.

### Just a reminder:

#### LOST PROPERTY, BRING AND BLESS, ART WORK

Just to let you know that at the end of this term we will be giving away any items from the lost property and the bring and bless table to a local charity.

Also, any of your tamaiti's (child's) art work remaining at the end

### CHILDREN'S PHOTO'S:

You should have all received your note regarding our 2016 Shalom photos.



**Blue Group** - Tuesday 20th September

**Green Group** - Friday 16th September

**Yellow Group** - Friday 16th September

Please notify the staff member on reception if you would like individual photos of your tamaiti/child.

Please remember to drop your tamaiti/child off quickly on these days so that the tamariki/children can be settled ready for the photographer.

Please note: the price list and order information will be available for you early in Term 4.

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**You! Yes, you**  
The one reading this.  
You are beautiful, talented,  
amazing and simply the  
best at being you.  
NEVER FORGET THAT.”



Spring dances  
in the  
Sunbeam Spotlights  
CB

### Car Park

Please remember safety and drive around the car park slowly, following the arrows.

Also, please remember to keep clear the **NO PARKING** space beside the entrance door to Shalom. This is to be kept clear for the safety of all people using this entrance.

### OLYMPICS 2016

At Shalom we have done a big focus on the Rio Olympics. The whole centre has participated in various ways and have been a part of the process.

#### Blue Group

The blue group have learnt about eating healthy to keep their own bodies and athletes strong. They also learnt about medals being number 1 -gold, number 2 - silver and number 3 bronze. They enjoyed participating in their own sack races and playing t-ball was a challenge that came with much fun and laughter.

#### Green Group

The green group mats focussed on the Olympic rings symbolising different colours of the flags of the world. There were discussions around the different sports played and how the athletes keep healthy. They learnt about medals and their rankings and how many New Zealand won and in what sports. They had the opportunity to screen print their own Olympic rings and collage a group one.

#### Yellow Group

The yellow groups focus was participating in their own Olympic events. They were split into five continents, Africa, Asia, The Americas, Oceania, and Europe. They paraded around for an opening ceremony in their continents and had an ending ceremony where medals were presented for both sporting and exemplary behaviour. The events that took place over the weeks were gymnastics - floor work, relay races, obstacle course challenges, ring toss, hula hoop and bean bag throw.

This was a fantastic time for the whole centre and a time to celebrate our patriotism to New Zealand.

By Vanessa Hennessey