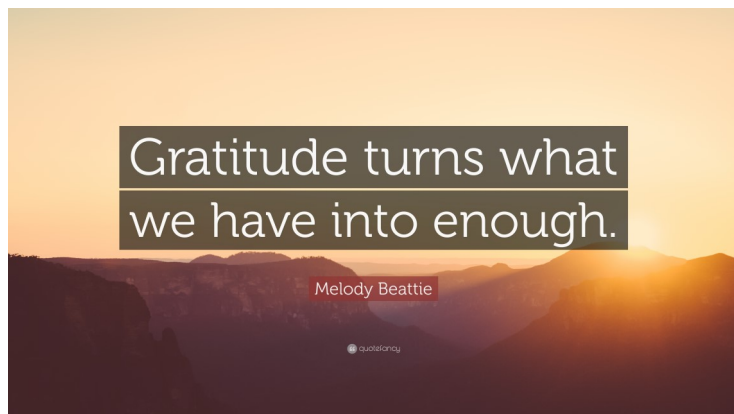


## THANKS FOR COMING TO FATHERS NIGHT

We had a relaxing night, with dad's having an opportunity to meet other's and have some great chats. It is always a time when we (the kaiako/teachers) get to meet the dad's and appreciate the part that you all play in your tamaiti/child's life. May all you dads always know how important your role is, and how much your tamaiti/child learns from you.

## THANKS to JOEL

As you will have noticed - we have a new fence around our outside area, and we appreciate all the work and effort that Joel put into this. Joel is Sharon V's (our manager) husband. Thanks also to Harley, Libby's dad, who was able to give Joel a helping hand with the fence.



## A NOTE FROM SHARON:

Wow what a year it has been. So glad that God is faithful and is with us through the rough and smooth times.

I hope you have as much enjoyment as I have reading this newsletter and remembering to put those dates in my diary. Raewyn does a great job communicating this way. We love to partner with you our Shalom whanau so if you have any comments or questions about what you read here or anything to do with Shalom remember you can always talk to us.

Blessings over the holiday break as you celebrate with your whanau.



Blessings from the Shalom team: Sharon V, Sharyn W, Angela, Sharron C, Cherie, Anisa, Vanessa P, Heather, Mig, and Raewyn.



Shalom Kindergarten Newsletter

*Whiringa-ā-rangi/November 2019*

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*Dear Parents/whānau/caregivers,*

*The year is nearly at an end, and it has been one that has had it's challenges, However, it is great to know that we are blessed to live in New Zealand, and enjoy the freedom that we have. As we head towards the Christmas season, remember to be thankful for all the blessings that you have in your life - no matter how small they might be - as sometimes having a heart of gratitude helps remind us of all that we have around and within us.*

*Maybe this festive season, you could take some time with your whanau/family and talk with them about all the blessings that you have - including all those things that seem so small and which we often take for granted.*

## NEWS ABOUT NEXT YEAR

**The news is that from 2021 Shalom will be open throughout the year and will only be shut for the 4 weeks at Christmas/summer break, as well as for annual Statutory holidays.**

You are welcome to still have your tamariki/children stay home during the school holidays, as this will be your choice, however we will continue to get you to inform us about your choices so that we can plan to have the right ratio of kaiako/teachers to tamariki/children.

## CARPARK DIRECTION

Please remember to follow the direction of the arrows in the carpark and refrain from crossing the yellow line on your way into the carpark - you should only be crossing this yellow line on your way out of the carpark.

Thanks for your help to minimise any accidents between vehicles, or involving our tamariki/children



## 2020 Term Dates:

**Term 4:**

12th October / Whiringa-ā-nuku  
to 24th December / Hakihea

## START DATE 2021

Monday 25th January / Kohitātea 2021

Please let us know what days your tamaiti/child will attend in the last week of this year, and what day they will start again in 2021.

## UPCOMING EVENTS 2020

### SHALOM CHRISTMAS

This is a night to bring a meal for your whanau/family, relax and enjoy each others company, as well as see the tamariki/children perform a few items for you all.

Date: **THURSDAY 14th Hakihea / December**

Time: **5:00pm start** - eating our meal first

Location: **Shalom Kindergarten**

You are invited to:

### C3 CITY CHURCH - CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

Date: **SUNDAY 20th Hakihea / December**

Time: **9:00-10:15 approx**

Location: **C3 City Church** (use the Atrium café entrance)

## UPCOMING EVENTS 2021

**SHALOM FAMILY PICNIC - Friday 26th Hui-tanguru / February 2021**

**FATHER'S NIGHT - Monday 22nd Poutū-te-rangi / March 2021**

More details will be given to you closer to these events.

## SOME OF INTERESTS AT SHALOM THIS TERM

**Huts** have been a big interest throughout this term, with numerous tamariki/children working together, (by themselves or with a kaiako/teacher), to create a variety of different huts, of all sorts of shapes and sizes. Maybe you could do some hut making at home too, and show us some photos.

**Doctors, bandages, ambulances** have also been a key interest. We have been talking about our bodies and our bones, and there have been many pretend surgeries and accidents to attend to at Shalom.

## Things to Remember:

**Sunblock** - please put sunblock on your tamaiti/child before they arrive at Shalom. We will put more on them ready for the afternoon session.

**Hats** - a sunhat is important to further protect your tamaiti from the summer sun.

**Shoes** - shoes are needed throughout the warmer months, as the matting gets very hot. And they also need them if they participate in carpentry.

**Drink bottle** - we encourage the tamariki/children to be drinking well throughout the day.

**PLEASE NAME ALL ITEMS THAT BELONG TO YOUR TAMAITI/CHILD - THANK YOU**



## WATERPROOF REUSABLE WET BAGS

Are you wanting a plastic-free way of managing the wet/messy kakahu/clothes of your tamariki/children? You could purchase your own, or you could consider buying one of these types of bags through Shalom. If you want to order one through Shalom, please email Sharon V and let her know, as she will be able to give you the details and let you know what price they will be.

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## RAISING OUR TAMARIKI

Do you ever feel like your tamaiti/child is ruling you? If you are it, may be time to take back your authority - as your tamaiti/child may have forgotten that they are the prince or princess, and that you, as the parents, are in the rightful position of authority as the king or the queen.

As a metaphor, this can be a good reminder to us as parents/whanau that we are in charge of looking after our tamariki/children, that we are equipped to make the best and/or right decisions, and that it is okay if our tamariki/children do not always agree with our decisions. We as parents/whanau are role modelling to our tamariki/children now, what they will role model to their tamariki/children later when they are parents themselves. Let's help them be the best parents they can be when they grow up, by being the best that we can be now as their parents.

## KIA ORA / THANKS

Thanks for recommending Shalom to others, as we are enjoying getting to know more families that have started their tamaiti/child with us. If you do know of anyone else who would like to attend, please let them know that we have vacancies available for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Or, maybe you would like your tamaiti/child to attend some of these days too. It so, now is the time to talk to Sharon V, so that we can hopefully provide the hours that you are wanting. You could either email, text, or phone her, or even talk to her when she is at Shalom.

## HELPING US ALL LEARN A LITTLE TE REO MAORI

*The following are some phrases that we can learn and use*

*Ata mārie - good morning*

*Morena - good morning*

*Ahiahi pai - good afternoon*

*Po mārie - good evening*

*Ka pai to rā - have a good day*

*Ka pai to mutunga wiki - have a good weekend*



You can utilise the Maori dictionary to assist you with pronunciation. <http://maoridictionary.co.nz>

