# Green Group: Wearable Art

We are looking forward to seeing the creations/masterpieces that you and your tamaiti/child have been creating. We encourage you to keep it simple, and let your tamariki/children be involved in the creating process.

It is also an opportunity for us all to be talking with the tamariki/children about being more responsible in our homes, our kindy, and our community, and for them to learn about sustainability - the ability to reduce, reuse, and recycle.

This leads us to ask you:

Do you have any ideas of how we - at Shalom: tamariki/children and kaiako/teachers - can be more sustainable. We'd love to hear your ideas.

Family is like Music, some high notes, some low notes, but always a beautiful song

T've learned...

that family and friends are what make us who we are today and without them we would never be complete.

#### A NOTE FROM SHARON:

So nice to see the sunshine today!

A BIG THANK YOU to our wonderful teachers who work so hard to bring such experiences forour Shalom children.

BIG THANK YOU to our wonderful parents /whanau for choosing Shalom—we love you being with us.



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



# Shalom Kindergarten Newsletter OCTOBER 2016

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## Dear Parents/whānau/caregivers,

Wow, this year is going fast! We are nearly half-way through this term - and it is getting so close to Christmas. This is a season when people can tend to get too busy, but we all need to remember to slow down and remind ourselves that people around us are more important than the things we may be trying to do. So take time to enjoy the time that you have with your whanau/family and friends. Celebrate the moments that you have with them all, and remember He aha te mea nui o te ao What is the most important thing in the world? He tangata, he tangata, he tangata It is the people, it is the people.



#### **REMINDERS:**

Now that it is getting warmer, please remember to send your child with their:

**Sunhats** 

**Shoes** (as the matting does get hot)

**Sunblock** - please put this on your tamaiti (child) before arriving at Shalom

**Drink bottle** 

#### Term Dates:

Final days Term 4:

BLUE Group

Thursday 15th December

GREEN group
Friday 16th December
At 11:45am

YELLOW Group Friday 16th December

Start Date 2015 Tuesday 23rd January 2017

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.







## **FATHERS NIGHT OCTOBER 2016**

With requests from our whānau/parents earlier this year, we held another Father's Night at Shalom on 17 October. It was a great event, with a good turnout.

It was an occasion for pāpā/dad to spend time with their tamaiti/child participating in kindy activities, and an opportunity for kaiako/teachers to interact with pāpā/dad and tamaiti/child - and to get to know some of our new whānau/families.

So because of this interest and turnout it might have to become a bi-annual event.

#### **CULTURAL EVENING - postponed**

Due to low interest we have decided to postpone this evening but have changed it to a CHRISTMAS EVENING

Monday 14th November 2016

7:00 - 8:30pm

We'll look at some food, crafts, etc that you can make for your Christmas celebrations. If you have ideas of what you might like us to give you the opportunity to make, please let us know.

Please register your interest with the teacher on reception by Wednesday 9th November 2016

Thanks for arriving on time to pick up your tamaiti/ child.

As many of you know we legally can only have twenty tamariki/children over the lunch period. This is also the time that the kaiako/teachers get their half hour lunch

break, and if we have too many tamariki/children this impacts on the teachers lunch break.

Please be mindful of this and aim to pick up your tamaiti/child on time at the end of the morning session. We want to look after our kaiako/ teachers and ensure that they have their break and are then prepared for\_

#### **ENROLLING AT SCHOOLS:**

The local schools are needing to know what numbers of children they will be expecting for the start of next year, so please get in contact with them to enrol your tamaiti/child.

Additionally, schools will be looking ahead and doing out of zone ballots, so now is a good time to contact them about enrolling your tamaiti/child if they are out of zone.



### **SEEDLINGS**

With the recent seedling promotion at New World supermarkets, we were blessed as a centre to be given a number of the seedlings to grow with the tamariki/children

This has also led to learning about seeds coming from our fruit, vegetables, and plants. And also developing an understanding about how seeds travel – by wind, water, animals, humans, and exploding (bursting).

We look forward to watching our plants grow, and then being able to sample them, do cooking with them, and hopefully be able to share some of them with others.