

## NUT FREE ZONE

Just a friendly reminder that **SHALOM KINDERGARTEN IS A NUT FREE ZONE**. This is because the health authorities suggest that nuts are not safe for children under the age of seven years old to eat and, from time to time we have people attending Shalom that have allergies to nuts.

This includes:

- all kinds of nuts and or other foods containing nuts
  - Nutella
  - Peanut Butter
- Muesli Bars containing nuts



We are a NUT FREE ZONE for your child's safety, and our peace of mind.

*We understand that filling your child's lunch box can be a little challenging, and thank you for your consideration in this matter*



### A NOTE FROM SHARON:

I am so looking forward to celebrating Matariki with you next Tuesday, and it is great to have this special occasion with our Shalom whānau. Another thing to celebrate is our fantastic staff who continue to love and learn alongside your tamariki. We are very grateful for our relievers who continue to be flexible and hard working.

We love to have whānau involvement - so if you want to come and help for a couple of hours you are very welcome. This gives you a great opportunity to see what your child does at kindy

Remember that my door is always open if you need some support, or just a listening ear.  
Lots of love, Sharon



*Blessings from the Shalom team:* Sharon V, Sharyn W, Vanessa P, Rachel, Sharron C, Emily, Michelle, Angela, Mig, Vanessa H, and Raewyn.



## Shalom Kindergarten Newsletter

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*Dear Parents/whānau/caregivers,*

*Kia ora tatou/ Hello everyone, it is great to have you all for another term, and to say kia ora and haere mai/welcome to more tamariki/children and their whānau/family.*

*We, the kaimahi/staff, love working here at Shalom and sharing the learning journey of your tamaiti/child with you. It is truly a privilege to walk alongside them to help them learn, grow and develop. And it is also a privilege and a pleasure to support you all - their whanau/family - in any way that we can. So we want to take a moment to say thank you for choosing to bring your tamariki/children to Shalom so that we can partner with you in this important part of their life journey.*

### REMINDERS:

Now that the weather is colder, please remember to send your tamaiti/child with their:

**Warm hats and jackets, and shoes** - we do get the tamariki/tamariki to keep these on during outside time over the cooler months

**Change of Clothes** - please ensure a full change of clothes as the tamariki do get wet or messy at times, and also include a number of changes if your tamaiti/child is toilet training

**All belongings** - please ensure these are all named

### ARROWS IN THE CAR PARK

Please remember to follow the arrows in the carpark as we do not want any accidents to occur between vehicles or involving our tamariki/children.



### 2021 Term Dates

This is a reminder that Shalom will be open throughout this year and will only be shut over the Christmas period. Our last day this year will be **THURSDAY 23rd DECEMBER** and our first day in 2022 will be Monday 24th January.

Due to the primary school holiday period (12th July - 23th July), we need you to **sign the attendance form for this school holiday period**, to let us know if your tamaiti/child will attend during the school holidays so that we can organise the staffing over these times.

## MATARIKI

At the moment we are learning a little about Matariki, and how this is a celebration of the Māori New Year when the seven stars of Matariki appear.

Amongst our learning, we have been focusing on a few waiata/songs. These include

- Matariki Macarena
- Tirama Tirama Matariki
- Tutira mai nga iwi

*(These are the key waiata/songs that we will perform at our Hākari Happening at Shalom) - and we will put them on our Shalom facebook page and encourage you all to try and learn them.*



## HĀKARI Happening at Shalom

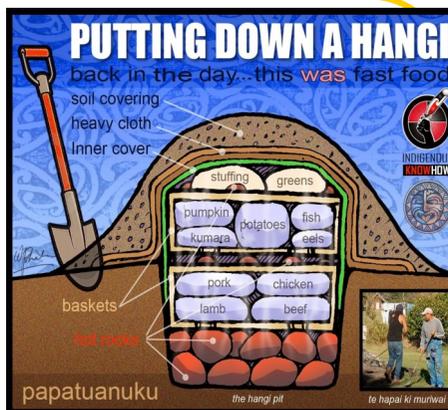
Nau mai haere mai ki te hākari ki Shalom.  
(welcome to the hākari at Shalom)

We are planning to celebrate Matariki again this year with a hākari/feast and a little performance by our tamariki/children of some Māori waiata/songs. This is an opportunity for us all - tamariki and whānau - to come together.

We are planning this to happen on  
**RATU 6TH HŌGONGOI / TUESDAY 6TH JULY, starting at 4:30/5pm.**

We are finalising this at the moment, so will give you more details as soon as we can. Regardless of this, to do this successfully we need you to **let us know if you and your tamariki can come by Friday 2nd July.**

There will be a cost of  
**\$5 for an individual, or  
\$10 for a family.**



## BAGS AND HOOKS

Just a little reminder about the system that we have for the bag belonging to your tamaiti/child:

- Please place your child's bag on an empty hook, but remember to leave the other name tags there
- If your tamaiti/child is four years old:
  - get them to take their name off the board in the foyer prior to coming in the door, and putting it back on the board at the end of the day
  - encourage them to choose a hook in the ruma mahi toi/art room
- We prefer to keep the hooks in the main room for our two year olds as they are still learning the process of bringing and placing their bags, and consistency is the best way for them to learn this

## UPCOMING EVENTS

We are planning another **Pyjama day on 21st July** - you will receive a note about this closer to the date

## LET'S CELEBRATE!!!

You may not have heard the great news yet - but with the work we have done and the support of the Ministry of Education, we are able to celebrate **Shalom having a FULL LICENSE** again. The new full license was granted on 18th May, and we are very thankful that we can still provide care and education for you and your tamariki/children.

## INDIVIDUAL PLANNING FOR TAMARIKI

Since our time with the support person, that the MOE (Ministry of Education) had working with us, one of the things that we have been doing is fine tuning our process of Individual Planning for each tamaiti/child. As we have continued to work on this process, (that we had started prior to their assistance with us), it has had changes along the way, yet it is exciting to see it evolve. 

Part of the process involves talking with a parent, to find out from you what your thoughts or aspirations are for your tamaiti/child. We value your input, and have really appreciated your willingness to have a korero/talk with us. So, kia ora and thank you for taking the time to stop and share your thoughts and ideas with us.

And just to let you know, we will keep having these conversations with you from time to time as one plans ends and we are ready to start another one. We are looking forward to the continued learning with you and your tamariki/children, and appreciate the time that we have with all of you.

## ATTENDANCE HOURS

Just a reminder that if you are requiring changes to the time/s that your tamaiti/child attend to please discuss this with a kaiako/teacher **prior** to when you need it, as this way we will be able to hopefully accommodate your needs better, and ensure we have the right ratios of kaiako for the tamariki.

