

Oscar House Senior Programme

Parent/Caregiver Newsletter 2018 Term 3

It's Term 3 already and winter is slowly drawing to a close. With the hope of warmer and sunny weather to come, we are looking at getting outdoors more in the coming weeks. With that in mind the children have had a fantastic time discovering their creative sides, experimenting with water colour paints, making bookmarks and slime. The shared enthusiasm for art and creativity has been a really positive start to Term 3.

Sports wise, Waikaha and Jacob have developed their own game, dubbed 'fan ball', it is a combination of football and handball. The kids have all been joining in, playing the game avidly every day as soon as they get to OSCAR. It's great to see the kids all participating in a group game and playing fairly with one another. The overall attitude towards good sportsmanship has thoroughly improved as the year has progressed, the kids are regularly encouraged to be competitive but to also keep in mind that it is all about having fun with one another.

We are looking at getting even more creative with our arts and crafts this term. With Father's Day coming up, it's a perfect time for children to make cards for the loved ones in their lives. The children will be making cards for whoever they like, it doesn't have to be for their fathers but also for anyone special in their lives like their mother or siblings/aunties and uncles. We will be encouraging the kids to be free with their creativity and craft/create whatever comes to mind. Some ideas include pop-up cards, posters, post cards, the ideas are endless, and we will be excited to see what the kids create.



As most parents are aware, I have decided to resign from my position as Senior Supervisor and spend more time in my studies towards a Bachelor of Primary Teaching. This decision was a very hard one. As everyone knows I adore all the children in OSCAR house and it will be very hard to leave. I have really enjoyed my time with all the children in the senior programme and have loved getting to know every single one of them. I'm sure most of you will still see me around the Lower Hutt area, I would love if you still came to say hello.

- Rene



Hi there! My name is Phoebe and I've been helping out at the senior programme for the last two terms as an acting supervisor when needed. I have been a part of the OSCAR team for around nine years now! I love seeing the kids getting involved in all the different activities available at OSCAR. My personal favourites are origami, baking, assassins, silent ball and card games. One that I've just started playing with some of the kids is ultimate snap and it can get quite competitive! I was lucky enough to have the support of OSCAR House throughout my commerce degree and will be looking to find work in that area soon. It will be very hard to leave the wonderful group here at OHS when the time comes.

- Phoebe



Over the last 3 terms the children have settled well into the routine of school and OSCAR and it has been great to observe all their developing friendships and to see them continue to grow as individuals throughout the school year. I have high hopes for the rest of this term and term 4.

- Greg

ABSENCES:

Parents/caregivers: **please text your child's programmes directly with absences as the first option 027256 6835**; and only email if you are unable to text. This more direct communication will be appreciated.

