

OSCAR HOUSE KELSON

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Kia Ora & Greetings to Parents/Caregivers & Whanau,

We warmly welcome Gracie and her family and a big welcome back to Hannah, Elodie, Leyan and Elvy.

Homework: Children with homework all sit at the tables with staff to do homework, while others do silent reading on the mat and have a choice of story time with staff



AFTERNOON TEA:

A cup of hot chocolate on a cold afternoon is always a treat. We often offer it to our senior students after been out in the cold doing Road Patrol.

OUTSIDE GROUP GAMES:

Ripper Tag was a hit with the children
Line Paper, scissors, Rock. (2 Teams).

SPORTS

The kids at OSCAR House love sports. Whether it's free time with football or playing with skateboards, or group games with ultimate tag, ripper tag and shapes, the kids are always having a blast. – Kasun

ARTS & CRAFTS

Snowflakes – Everyone enjoyed making a snowflake. With their own unique design some children coloured their snowflake. Our wall display looks amazing.

Sock Puppets:

Always a popular craft, some wonderful creations; ranging from bunnies to three eyed monsters. We used a variety of items to create our puppets. Mishika used popsicle sticks for arms and wound white wool around one, as her puppet had a broken arm.

PINWHEELS:

To make a pinwheel the children needed to cut a square and fold it into 4 triangles, had to cut halfway down 4 times, then folded 4 corners into the middle and clipped it together onto a straw. Some were big and others were small. - Liz



REWARD CHALLENGE:

Each week we have a new focus for the children to work on. Each focus is based on manners, respect and fair play. The staff discuss our weekly focus and acknowledge the children's efforts during mat time each day.

Feel free to check out the display chart on the white board.

The children's names are moved up and down on their chart based on their behaviour each day.

The children are trying extra hard with great walking inside, quiet voices inside, using manners, fair play during group games, positive words, following instructions and listening to staff.

When the children first reach level 3 they earn a sweet treat and everyone is working hard to move up the levels.

The goal is to reach the top level and remain there by Week 9 and we'll celebrate the children that achieve this goal with a special afternoon tea.

We are finding this reward is having a really positive effect on the programme as a whole.

STAFF: We welcome Karlee and Vavao as our new additions to staff. It's been really good to have visiting staff - we've had the pleasure of having Kelly visiting (Supervisor of Korokoro OSCAR House) and Phoebe, Shirley and Zeenat come up as our relievers.

Tofa Soifua

Arohanui

OSCAR House Staff: Areene, Cole, Kasun, Karlee, Liz, Sue & Tai.



Shoebox Christmas Charity Drive!

OSCAR House have begun a charity drive for Shoebox Christmas this term. Your child should have taken a notice home but if this is the first time you've heard about it, you can ask a staff member for details.



Shoebox Christmas accept donations of gifts wrapped in shoeboxes and give them to children in schools and in Women's Refuge safe houses across the community at Christmas time. For many of the recipient children, it may be their only gift. OSCAR House would love your help to make a big difference in our community this Christmas.

Your family can choose to participate by either donating individual items or by donating a completed box. Your programme will have a donations box for individual items and a sign-up sheet for families who choose to donate a complete box.

We hope to spread a lot a joy with your help this Christmas!

Kelly (Korokoro Supervisor & Shoebox project organiser)



