

ESW Newsletter

TERM 3 2016



Tena Koutou Katoa, we hope that your two-week break has been enjoyable and relaxing. Winter is with us for a bit longer, however spring is on its way and with that comes the beauty of colour and new life. The cooler weather brings colds and flu, so remember to be vigilant with your hygiene and use hand sanitisers which are usually available in the early childhood centres.

Quote: *“If a child can’t learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn” Ignacio ‘Nacho’ Estrada*

Dates to Remember:

- ✚ Term 3 commences on Monday 25th July 2016 and the last day of the term is 23rd September 2016.
- ✚ Term 4 commences on 10th October 2016 and the last day for contracts is 16th December.

House Keeping:

- ✚ Thank-you for being efficient in signing your new contracts and returning them to McKenzie Centre.
- ✚ Please check your start and finish times as some contracts change from the beginning of Term 3. Being punctual and working the allocated times is important for the child and the early childhood centre.
- ✚ **Communication Journals:** as part of your employment with McKenzie Centre you are expected to write in the child’s Communication Journal each day. Don’t forget to sign your entries. **Please notify the child’s Key Worker if the child’s communication journal is not being returned in the child’s bag each day.**
- ✚ When the family notifies you that the child is going to be away, please phone Sandra and make an arrangement about alternative duties or taking leave without pay.
- ✚ Attending IP meetings is part of your professional development and it is important to attend so that you can share your knowledge and contribute to goal setting for the child you support. You are entitled to be paid for up to 1 ½ hours and, should the meeting extend beyond this you can advise the Key Worker running the meeting that you need to leave.
- ✚ To update your contact details e.g. cell phone number or address, please inform Sandra.
- ✚ When claiming mileage between centres, please check using google maps, for the shortest route and this is to be the number of kilometres that you claim. Should you choose to use an alternative route, you must claim for the shortest route. This will be checked by the admin team and amended if necessary.
- ✚ Time sheets are your responsibility, getting them in on time is important for the admin team to complete the payroll. Your entries should be done on a **daily basis** to ensure accuracy and there should only be one week per time sheet.
- ✚ IP goals: are you aware of these for each of the children you work with? How often do you look at the strategies for the goals?

ESW update:

Verusha West-Pillay has resigned to take up a permanent position as a Social Worker and Maria Man has also resigned to commence work as a Speech Language Therapist. We would like to wish them both all the best for the future.

ESW Workshop:

There is no ESW workshop this term, but if some of you would like to get together as a group for a catch-up and sharing of ideas, you are welcome to use the Whanau room at McKenzie Centre. Please advise Sandra or Teresa so that the room is available to use.

A big 'Thankyou' goes to Estelle for her informative workshop in Term 2 on "Becoming a Play Coach". It was pleasing to see so many of you attend. Please revisit the handouts from the last workshop and consider fun ways of remembering the strategies we discussed.

Two fundraising events you may like to be part of. Get a group together and come and have some fun!

Race Night:

Hamilton East Rotary Club's

Race Night



Friday 29th July 2016

St Andrew's Link Community Centre

Te Aroha Street, Hamilton



Bar opens at: 6.30pm

First Race: 7.15pm

\$25 Entry

(includes gourmet finger food buffet)

An exciting and fun-filled virtual horse-racing experience!!

In aid of:

McKenzie Centre and other Rotary Charities

To purchase tickets, please contact McKenzie Centre:

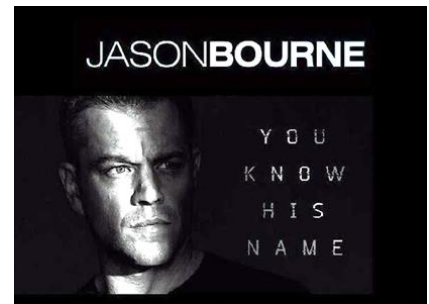
Phone 839 5357 or email: admin@mckenziecentre.org.nz

Movie Night:

McKenzie Centre is thrilled to bring you another fantastic movie fundraiser experience, featuring the next, highly-anticipated segment in the *Bourne* franchise:

**Wednesday 3rd August 2016, at the Lido Cinema,
Centre Place, Hamilton.**

- Enjoy one of the following complimentary treats upon arrival: a Rush Munro's ice cream, small popcorn, or non-alcoholic drink.
- See the movie in a luxurious setting.
- Validated free parking available at the Centre Place car park.
- Arrive from 7.30pm - the movie will start at 8pm



Tickets are \$30 each. To purchase, please contact Sandra at McKenzie Centre:

Phone: 839 5357 or email: admin@mckenziecentre.org.nz

Please feel free to forward this email to your contacts and networks, to help spread the word about these important fundraisers for McKenzie Centre.

Thank you for your support and see you there!

Photo's:

Teresa will be taking your photo's over the next few weeks so that they can be displayed on the Parent Noticeboard at McKenzie Centre.

McKenzie Centre Website:

You will find our Parent and ESW newsletters online so you can keep up to date with us regularly: www.mckenziecentre.org.nz

Lillian does a great job of updating the website and Facebook. Have a look at the family newsletter each term to keep you up to date with Centre news.

Remember to contact us if you have any concerns or questions at any time. We are always happy to hear from you. Have a great term!

Phone Extensions

Helen Gempton	ext 702, Business Manager
Trisha Benge	675 710, Centre Director
Sue Scott	ext 703, Physiotherapist
Claire Hintz	ext 708, Occupational Therapist
Anita Wilson	ext 703, Speech Language Therapist
Estelle Pretorius	ext 707, Speech Language Therapist
Suzanne Kok	ext 704, Early Intervention Teacher
Stephanie Wacker	ext 706, Early Intervention Teacher
Teresa Blake	ext 712, Early Intervention Teacher
Ruth Michels	ext 713, Specialist Teacher, Assistive Technology

Sandra: admin@mckenziecentre.org.nz

Useful Websites:

www.suelarkey.com

www.pushplay.org.nz

www.downsyndrome.co.nz

www.autismhouse.org.nz

www.nzgg.org.nz/asd

www.asdguidelines.com

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