

ESW Newsletter

TERM 4 2019



Quote: Piopoa te kakano
Kia Puawai
Nurture the seed and it will blossom
(He whakatauki)

Dates to Remember

- ✚ Term 4 dates: This term commences on Monday 14 October 2019. The end date for your contracts will be either 13th or 20th December 2019, depending on your availability.
- ✚ ESW Workshop will be on Friday 13 December 2019 commencing at 1.00pm, put this date in your diary so that you do not miss this opportunity for professional development review and a fun Christmas gathering. If you would typically be working at this time you are able to prioritise the workshop and attend.

House Keeping

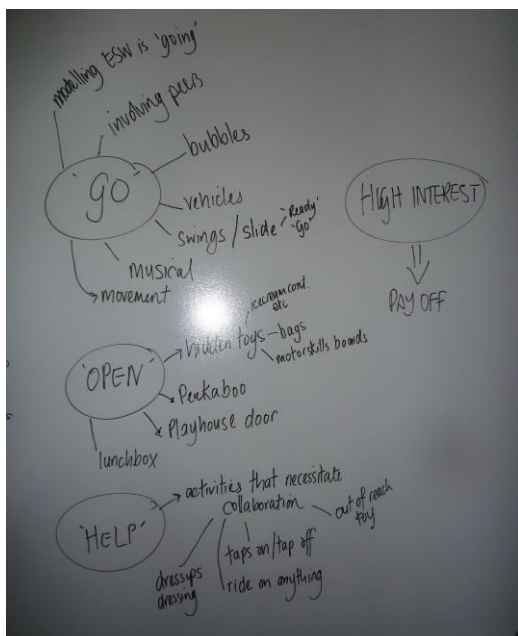
- ✚ Refresh yourself on the goals for each of the children, so that they are in your minds when supporting them.
- ✚ Please advise Teresa if you require a new badge or the name to be re-printed for the badge you have.
- ✚ Don't forget that you can re-fill your Zoono at McKenzie Centre when needed.
- ✚ It was great to see so many of you at the workshop on 13 September 2019 and thank-you for your involvement and contributions during the meeting.
- ✚ Remember to be familiar with any Health and Safety requirements at your early childhood centres; like what to do in a fire drill.

Workshop on 13 September 2019

Thank you to Sharon Hodder for the fun introduction at the beginning of the workshop. You will each be given the opportunity to contribute and lead the group in this way at future workshops.

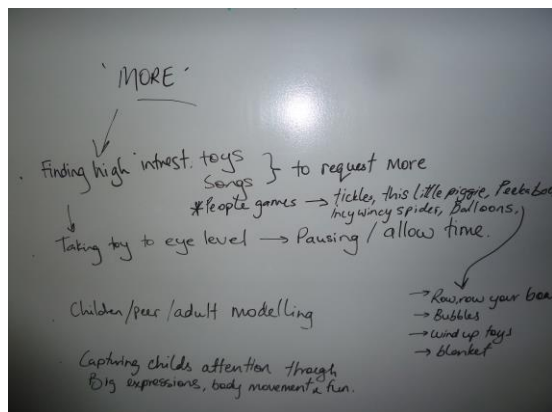
There has been a change to the way the ESW workshops are presented to provide you with the opportunity to share your knowledge and skills while empowering each other to contribute and develop in your role as an ESW.

Ideas you suggested for implementing the goals:



....will point to “open”, “help” or “go” symbols on the Coreboard when requesting from an adult in a 1:1 activity.

....will request “more” of a people game with an adult using either eye contact, gesture or vocalisation s.



Staffing changes:

Welcome to:

Silky Sharma, who has been working in the Hamilton area.

Sarah Harrison, who will be working in the Gordonton and Hamilton areas

Farewell to:

Donna Conroy, who worked in Gordonton, we wish you all the best with the new arrival due in your family.

Vanessa Hooker, who worked in the Hamilton area.

Kiera Deeham-Scott, who worked briefly in Leamington, we wish you all the best for your future study.

Angela Quinn, who is taking a break.

ERO feedback: ERO visited us on 11 and 12 September and their feedback was very positive about our curriculum, our processes to support our teachers with their registration and our progress with bicultural practices. We are waiting for their report and once this is published we will share this with you.

EcoBags: These are still available, and would be great Christmas gifts for family and friends or even as stocking for the children on Christmas Day! They are **McKenzie Centre originals** and they are made with our children's finger prints. This is a great way to be environmentally friendly while supporting McKenzie Centre. \$20 for a set of two bags, (one of each design). Come into the office or email Henny on: admin@mckenziecentre.org.nz. We don't have EFTPOS but you can do **Internet banking: 02 0316 0466333 00**. Please add your **NAME** and **BAGS** as a reference.



McKenzie Centre Website

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

Lillian does a great job of updating the website and Facebook. Take a look! 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

Please take note of the change to the extension numbers for all staff.

Lillian Martin	ext 202, Office Coordinator
Helen Gempton	ext 203, Business Manager
Trisha Bengé	ext 204, Centre Director
Teresa Blake	ext 214, Early Intervention Teacher
Estelle Pretorius	ext 215, Speech Language Therapist
Suzanne Kok	ext 216, Early Intervention Teacher
Stephanie Wacker	ext 216, Early Intervention Teacher
Claire Hintz	ext 217, Occupational Therapist
Jaime Campbell	ext 217, Speech Language Therapist
Anita Wilson	ext 218, Speech Language Therapist
Sue Scott	ext 218, Physiotherapist
Ruth Michels	ext 219, Early Intervention Teacher, Assistive Technology

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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