

PELORUS COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL

NEWSLETTER—FEBRUARY 2017



*Tena koutou, tena koutou,
Tena koutou katoa*



Welcome to our February newsletter. We would like to welcome the following children and their families to our preschool; Elsie Cherry, Hunter Robinson and Brodie Campbell to the Pipi room and Leah Todd and Charlie Hiller to the Paua room.

h a p p y b i r t h d a y !



For February we would like to wish a very happy birthday to Imagen Knight (2), Annie Jones (4), Charlie Robbins (4) and Paige Steele (3).

We wish you all a very special day.



Photos

Des Ellery will be visiting us on **Friday 10 February** at 8.30am for individual and group photos. Make sure you bring your children along! Various portrait packs are available, and there is no obligation to buy.

Up-to-date enrolment information

With the start of the new year, it seems timely to prompt parents to notify us of any changes to your contact details—telephone numbers, email address, physical address, emergency contacts, and any medical information relating to your child. Please contact Leigh if you need to update any information.

Preschool Mobile Phone



Just a reminder we have a preschool mobile phone kept by Heather. We are happy for you to text to this if you are unable to call to notify of children's absences or other messages. The number is 027 774 2096.

We share a wee note received from the Salvation Army after the donation of pre-loved toys from families and preschool.

Many Thanks to Havelock Pre-school
for your very kind donation
of toys.

Take Care



God Bless
from The
Salvation Army



Thanks to Spencer Kingi, Maria Carlson, Sarah Kingi, Sabine Harper, Ginny Waide, Rachel Hackett, Michelle Grenfell, Jaimee Craddock, Tony Carter, Kelly Coleman, Kahlia Hutchison and Mel Cherry who helped out with the Havelock Theatre catering suppers, most of whom did serving and baking—it was a struggle to get enough volunteers but we managed to get there in the end!!

The show finishes up on Sunday 5th February, so we will report back in the next newsletter with the amount raised.



Lost property is kept on the shelf in the foyer. Please check this each time you come in to preschool, as items are left behind every day.



Talofa lava whanau!

We have had a very relaxed start back for the year with lots of children and whanau still in holiday mode and making the most of the holiday break before school starts back this week. It's been a lovely time for us to settle back in and get going for the year. This week we should see everyone back with loads of energy and enthusiasm – we're ready for a very busy week and month ahead.

We have been out and about exploring a lot during January and we have made the most of the school children being on holiday by using the hall for games almost daily – the children have loved all the fun relays, races, parachute games and circle games such as duck, duck goose and cat and mouse. It was a good chance to play some big group games where the children were able to practise their listening skills and turn taking as well as working together with their peers in a team environment.

The weather hasn't been that great with lots of crazy windy winter days but its finally starting to get warmer and the sun is coming out from behind the clouds more and more so we're gearing up for a lot of fun water play. Don't forget your child's togs and rash top.

As we head into the New Year we take on a few new projects such as stage 3 of the outdoor redevelopment project which is all very exciting! This means in the coming months we will have a lot of movement in and around the playground. The majority of the big work will be done when your children are not at preschool but on the odd occasion there could be machinery and other equipment around preschool. We still want the children seeing what is happening so they are part of the process and get to enjoy seeing the machinery they all love so much in action. While we work through this we will be in constant communication with all whanau to keep you in the loop ... as well as asking for a few helping hands every now and then in the form of working bees.

This month also sees the start of our new daily programme and routine with the implementation of 'focus' groups for the children in the Paua room. A notice was sent out to all whanau regarding these new routines last month and hopefully everyone has had a chance to read these, if you are still unsure of what exactly this means for your child please speak to their whanau teacher.

Time is ticking away fast and soon it will be time for me to head away on Maternity Leave. In my absence Miss Brown will be stepping up to take on the Head teacher role and lead the teaching team. Miss Browns teacher position will be covered in a job share role by Ange and Amber Parker - who is our regular reliever. We wanted to keep the preschool running consistently with the same teaching team so the children and whanau remain as settled as possible, this means while I am away we will still have the same familiar faces at PCP carrying out the same routines and systems as always. The changes to the roles within the teaching team will take effect as of mid-April until the beginning of September 2017. And of course I will pop my head in every now and then to visit with my baby!

Exciting times ahead ... See you all at preschool!

Malo au pito – Heather Robson

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WINE & CHEESE EVENING

Notice is given to Pelorus Community Preschool Members that the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of Pelorus Community Preschool will be held on **Wednesday 29 March 2017** commencing at **7:00pm**.

The meeting will take place at the premises of Pelorus Community Preschool at 49 Main Road, Havelock.

PROPOSED MOTIONS

Any proposed motions and other items of business from Members must be received in writing by the Returning Officer by **12pm** on **Monday 13 March 2017**.

BOARD VACANCIES

There are no vacancies on the Board of Pelorus Community Preschool. However, we are always keen to have new members, so if you are interested you can contact the current chair or collect a Board nomination paper from the preschool office.

Board Nomination Papers are attached with this notice and also available at the preschool office.

Applications from current or potential new Board Members must be received by the Returning Officer (Leigh Higgins) by **12pm** on **Monday 13 March 2017**.

AGENDA FOR THE EVENING

Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting, Matters arising, Governance Report, Financial Reports, Senior Teacher Report, Election of Board Members, Appointment of Auditor, Farewells.

Please come along and support our AGM, meet with other parents/members and enjoy a glass of wine and cheeseboard.

Please RSVP to Leigh in the office on 574 2096 or via email: peloruscommunitypreschool@xtra.co.nz

BOARD NOMINATION FORMS

These will be made available in the foyer .