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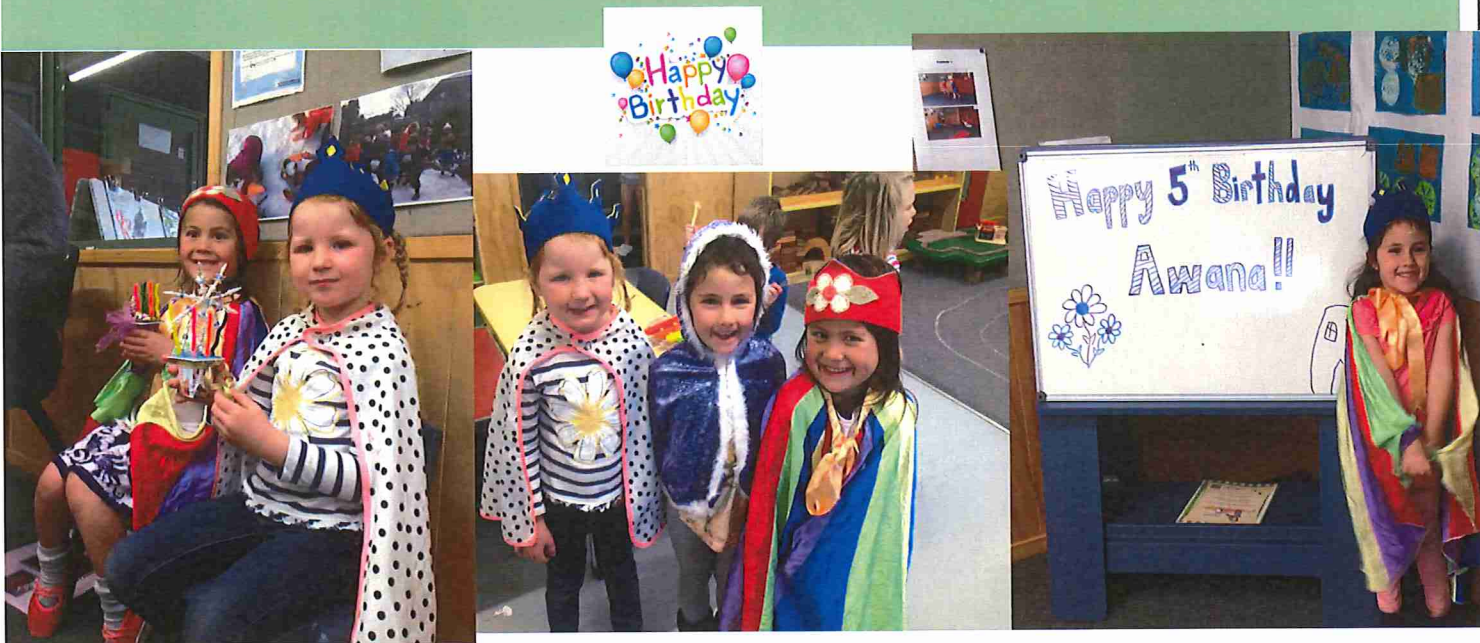
Kia Ora Whanau,

Whenuakite Country Kids—Where children connect

A big happy birthday to Evana, Sienna and Awana who have all turned 5 over the holidays and are heading off to Whenuakite School. We wish you well on your next learning journey. Happy Birthday to Seneli who turned 3, and Eden and Pippa who turned 4 in the last two weeks.

A big welcome to Madeleine Mc Clean, Levi Nicholson and Katie Wood on the Kereru side and Verity Bowen and Ada Roach joining their siblings and starting on our Tui Room side. We look forward to getting to know you all and your families.

We have 3 early childhood student teachers joining us this term as part of their teaching practice requirements—Helena Jones, Sophie Hayward and Melinda Rapson. We look forward to them being at our centre and the energy and new knowledge that they bring with them.



Thank You to Sophie and Jason Hayward for giving us the big reels and lots of pallets for us to use as junk play.

Has anybody got old beer crates that they are no longer using?



Term 4 is the term that all children must wear a sunhat outside and arrive with sun screen on. We will reapply sunscreen after lunch. If you r child needs special sunscreen please advise our teachers and place this named in their bags.



Loud Shirt Day was the last day of Term 3 on the 29th September. This is a special fundraiser that we partake in as one of our children has benefited from this amazing organisation.

We had such a crazy busy end to the term that we didn't get a chance to promote this as much as we usually do. We would like to continue collecting any donations that you might like to make. The box will be at the front desk until Friday 20th October.

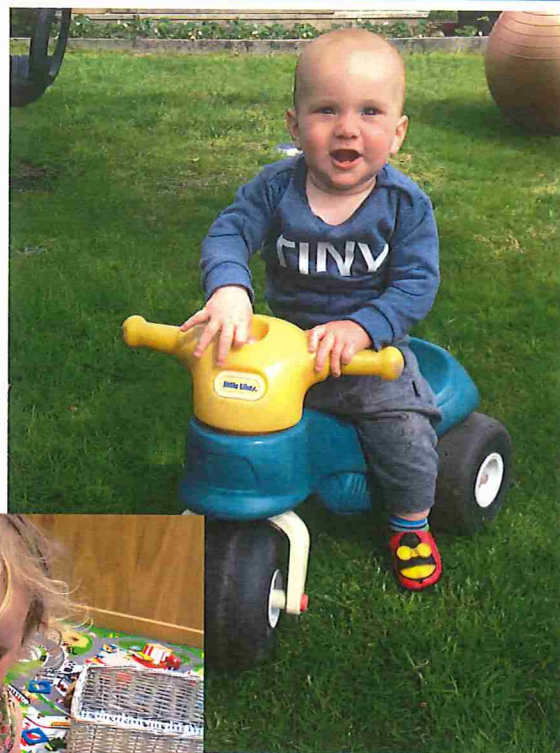


Toys and special items— We have had a few children start to bring in toys and special treasures from home. We would like to encourage only news items to be brought to the centre, such as photos of weekend events, a favourite book, holiday photos, postcards, treasure found at a beach or in the bush etc. Please ask a teacher if unsure.

Last chance to order your Abacus Calendars, Greeting Cards and Diaries. The children's art work is displayed in the rooms for you to view. This is a fundraiser for the centre as well as a great gift for whanau for Christmas.

Please leave orders with Antheena or Sophie and if you are paying online please add art calendar in your payment details for Dallas.

As a centre we are conducting an internal review on how we can strengthen the Whanaungatanga/ Relationships here at Whenuakite Country Kids. A survey will come home in the next week asking for your feedback on communication. All returned surveys will be in to win a voucher from Colenso! The teachers will also be handing out a new "All About Me" form for families to complete. We really value whanau/family input with our children's learning and would love for you to complete these and return them as soon as possible.



Wanted old wrapping paper and ribbons for our creative children to explore!

Giant Pumpkin and Sunflower seeds are available in our co-op area for a small Koha.



Please mark these dates in your Dairy:

Wednesday 8th November— Cultural Festival at Tairua School—This is a whole centre trip, a notice will come home soon regarding the details.

Term 4—Commences 9th October and closes on Wednesday December 20th.

Xmas Party - To be advised.....

Term 1 2018 Commences on Tuesday 9th January