



# Springbank Preschool Press



## Heads down and getting Creative ...

At preschool we encourage the children to put their ideas and creative thoughts down on paper. It was great to see Keisha (3yrs), Ante (2yrs) and Jana (4yrs) using, and taking an interest in the paper and pens provided outside.

Creative ideas from drawing rainbows, pictures of houses, writing up menus and writing their names took place.

## Making connections with home ...

We are always interested to hear about what the children do at home. They may have had friends to visit, got a new pet, or discovered a new book or song.

Making connections with home is important as it helps give the children a sense of empowerment about who they are.

As parents' and caregivers you can help share some of these details by using the Parents' Voice found above the portfolios. Just a few words, a picture or photo can be added into their portfolio or shared at mat time.

## Catching up with ... Flynn Fair-Machin

**What do you like to do at preschool?**

"I like being silly." (Said with a cheeky grin)

**Do you have a favourite song to sing?**

"Mummy does the singing."

**What do you like about your tap dance lessons?**

"I can't remember...I just like it"

**How is the new house building going for your family?**

"It's great."



## Curriculum Corner - Each fortnight we'll take look at Te Whāriki, the Early Childhood Curriculum.

This let's look at the: **Strand – Exploration (Mana Aotūroa)**

### Goal 4

Children experience an environment where they develop working theories for making sense of the natural, social, physical, and material worlds.

Children develop:

- The ability to enquire, research, explore, generate, and modify their own working theories.
- Theories about social relationships and social concepts, such as friendship and social rules.
- Respect and a developing sense of responsibility for the well-being of both the living and non-living environment.

The Early Childhood Curriculum, Te Whāriki, page 90



## Taking some time to read ...

Looking through and reading books are a great way for children to develop their visual and oral skills, social skills and use their imagination, as they look at all the wonderful pictures.

It was lovely to see both Clay and Patrick taking some time out on the sofa to enjoy some books.

If your children have a favourite book at home that would be suitable for the preschool please bring them in to share with us. We love to learn about what the children are interested in at home and introducing families to other wonderful texts to read.

## Quotes of the week

*Funny, interesting and clever quotes from the children ...*

The children were asked:

**Let's go and run off some energy outside.**

“No we can't ... because we need our energy ... it help our bodies move and stuff”

- Roman Seaton

“I've got energy I do ... see watch me go”

- Ricardo Ware

Lovely how children interpret our comments

## New friends

We would like to welcome some new and returning students to Springbank Preschool.

- Rachel
- Benjamin
- Ege