



## Enjoying a good book.

Arlo and Jana were captured taking some time out this term, enjoying some books from the Preschool library.

Books are a great source of information, excitement, delight and amusement for children.

## Market Day success!

The Springbank School Market Day was held on Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup> and this year the Preschool also joined in, with a stall.

The preschool children were encouraged to bring in their own terracotta pot, which they painted and decorated, before planting them with a Pansy plant.

All of the pots went on sale at the Preschool Market Day stall, along with bags of spray-free lettuce, which the children had also helped grow.

The day was a huge success and the Preschool earned close to \$200 to go towards additional resources for the classroom.

Big thanks to Kericell Nursery for the Pansy plants and vegetables.

## The Playhouse gets a make over.

The playhouse in the Preschool garden has been slowly changing this term. Firstly a new deck was installed thanks to Luke's Dad and now it's received a fantastic splash of new colour and design.

Donna McCarthy (*an ex-preschool parent*) with the help of her friend Tracey Miller have worked extremely hard, to give the playhouse a well deserved make over.

The make over of the playhouse is still a work in progress, so keep watching out for more changes.



**A new look:** The playhouse gets a new lick of paint.

This let's look at the: **Strand – Communication (Mana Reo)**

**Goal 4**

Children experience an environment where they discover and develop different ways to be creative and expressive.

Children develop:

- Skill and confidence with the processes of art and craft i.e. cutting, drawing, collage, painting.
- An expectation that music, art, drama, and dance can amuse, delight, comfort and excite.
- An ability to be creative and expressive through a variety of activities, such as pretend play, carpentry, story-telling, drama and making music.

The Early Childhood Curriculum, *Te Whāriki*, page 80



### The Preschool General Store

Following the successful stall at Market Day, the Preschool have set up a table in the foyer with produce, painted pots and cards for sale.

With everything priced at \$2.00, a bag of delicious oranges, a painted pot or spray-free lettuce which has been grown in the Preschool's own garden is a real bargain.

Money raised will go back into the Preschool classroom, for books, puzzles and other resources.

*For Sale: Preschool grown produce and potted plants.*

### News from the teachers

- Big congratulations to Debbie who has been nominated for the NEiTA National Excellence in Teaching Award.
- Happy Birthday to Christine for September 30<sup>th</sup> and big thanks for all her help with Market Day and creating the mail pockets.
- Well done to Angela who graduated from Auckland University with her Graduate Diploma in ECE Teaching.

### New friends

We would like to welcome some new friends to Springbank Preschool.

- James
- Raife
- Brooke
- Bayard
- Samuel