



# Country Kidz



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Kia ora whānau

What a busy few wiki we have had in our learning community! We have celebrated Pink Shirt Day, had a fabulous time celebrating Samoan Language week, our four year olds participated in Greening Taupō's Arbor Day and we welcomed the Education Review Office last week. We have enjoyed every moment of it with our tamariki, with so much more to celebrate before the end of this term (see the events calendar over the page—it's a busy one!)

Thank you to all our whānau who came out on the worst weather day of the year to help with the mahi and put some tender loving care into our environment—gosh it looks good, what a massive effort! Steeghs, Renders, Styles, Amy Wine, Hilhorsts, Hayley, Wendy, Briar, and Tyson, ERO noticed the work and the love we are providing to our environment and were blown away—so much aroha from our team to you all for this wonderful effort. We now have our Resene paint (thanks Julia!) to complete the job with some fence painting if there are any takers?!

The Relocation Fundraising Committee have a big event coming up with their MATARIKI BALL on 2 July—all details are in this newsletter. The committee are also after some auction items and prizes for the raffle. If anyone can help with this, please let the office know. Tickets are now on sale for this not to be missed event.

Our RESPECT focus for this term is continuing and we are seeing some wonderful learning and development from all our tamariki, especially for our environment and the nurturing of its future. We have individual learning plans for Term Rua completed for all our tamariki and are now adding whānau aspirations and ideas to these.

We are collecting empty tin cans for our Matariki celebrations so our tamariki can make their own star constellations into a lantern for the Matariki Disco on the 6th July. If you have you have any cans you could donate for this project, we would be very grateful. The 400gm tins work super well but we will take anything!

Such an exciting five wiki coming up, and we cannot wait to share these times with you and embrace all that Winter has to offer our Country Kidz learning community.

Hei konā mai, The Teaching Team of Country Kidz

Any updates?

We need to keep our enrolment forms updated with relevant contact phone numbers, emergency and pick-up information. If your circumstances have changed, please come in so we can update your details

We say 'farewell' to one of our tamariki this month who are about to start their primary school learning journey,



**Anabella Hilhorst**

Haere mai, welcome to our new Country Kidz friends,

*Welcome*

**Reagan and Riley Tracey**

**Baiden Bicknell**

**Carter Keepa**

We are looking forward to getting to know you and your whānau!

# Event Calendar

- 8 June Nature Kidz
- 14 June Committee Meeting—All Welcome
- 14 June Nature Kidz
- 15 June Kidz Greening Taupō
- 22 June Nature Kidz
- 24 June MATARIKI—PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- 28 June Nature Kidz
- 30 June Matariki 4 Year Old Sleepover
- 1 July PJ Day
- 2 July Matariki Ball—Relocation Fundraiser
- 6 July Matariki Festival and Disco



**Talofa!**



Samoan Language Week has been a huge success at Country Kidz, where we have tasted, smelt, listened, tried, and participated in some wonderful learning opportunities with our tamariki. We were very lucky to have Woody's grandma Fou come and help with our celebrations—she came in with a delicious Coconut Rice and spent time teaching our kaiako and tamariki a Samoan action song that provided wonderful excitement for all!

Our tamariki also made their own tapa cloths, baked Paifala, danced to Samoan music, and created some wonderful art pieces to name but a few.



# THANKS

KINLOCH LANDSCAPING & FIREWOOD LTD

**Our sincere thanks to Kinloch Landscaping and Firewood for the donation of bark ... we are so GRATEFUL and boy has it made a huge difference to our whare and balance steps!**



*Help Needed!*

# AUCTION ITEMS

As part of our Matariki Ball, we will be holding an Auction and Raffle—if anyone has any items they could donate for this event, the fundraising committee would be very grateful! Please contact the office with donations and we will advertise your generosity appropriately across all our communication channels!

## THANK YOU!

Our Learning Community gives great thanks to all our helpers at our working bee, what a huge difference it has made to our environment—the Renders, the Styles, Amy Wine, the Hilhorsts, the Steeghs, Hayley, Wendy, Briar, Tyson, and Kirsty.

The weather was horrendous but what an incredibly difference you all have made!  
**AMAZING!**



**MATARIKI BALL**  
COUNTRY KIDZ RELOCATION FUNDRAISER

2ND JULY 2022  
TIROHANGA HALL  
STARTING AT 7PM TILL LATE  
Matariki Theme (night sky/stars) Formal Dress

\$65 TICKETS OR  
RESERVED BAR LEANER FOR 6 PEOPLE - \$600  
(Premium location to band with wine on table)

★ LIVE MUSIC ★ WELCOME DRINK ★ CANAPÉS ★ AUCTION ★

To order tickets please contact Country Kidz ECE:  
(07) 333 9111 or email: [countrykidz@xtra.co.nz](mailto:countrykidz@xtra.co.nz)  
CK Relocation Bank Account: 02-0428-0076276-066



Birthday honours for June include:

Wishing all our whanau and community that also celebrated a birthday this month the warmest of wishes

- Anabella Hilhorst**
- Emma Sargent**
- Kaliq Sutherland**
- Ella Render**