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Tēnā koutou & Greetings,
Welcome to the following children and their families:
Jaeshri, Nathaniel, Caleb, Frankie, Dom, and Millia.

Crafts There are a range of crafts which children enjoy at morning care. One of the favourites so far has been the paper tissue flowers. The children excitedly fold paper tissue into flowers which can be seen displayed on the walls here at OSCAR. The children loved this craft so much that they did this everyday for a whole week!

Another favourite which the children enjoyed was making Stress balls. The children each filled up a balloon with flour and chose colours to make fun squishy balls. The children loved these as they were a quick fun craft which they could do themselves and take with them to enjoy at school.

The children also enjoy other crafts such as clay model making, paper planes, colouring and pipe cleaner animals.

Group games Group games are a highlight of morning care for most of the children. To end each morning we play a variety of games before the children go to school. These games can be quiet games from heads down thumbs up, sharks and traffic light to running around games like ants, line tag and ultimate tag. One group game which the children have enjoyed this term is ultimate tag. It's an OSCAR favourite where children all run around the hall and when they are tagged they have to sit down and wait for their tagger to get out. If children tag each other at the same time then they must do paper scissors rock to find a winner. This is a fun game for the children as it is very competitive but inclusive for all ages of children. They especially enjoy it as staff get involved and run around with the children.

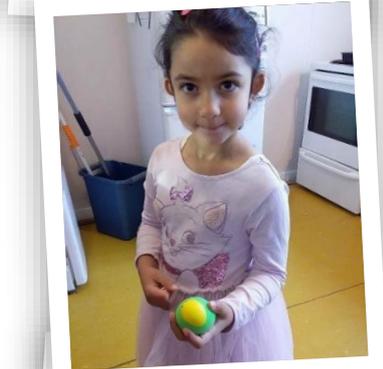
Rewards This term we continue to focus on individual rewards to acknowledge excellent behaviour in the programme. In the mornings we focus on being inclusive, kind and positive each day. This is very important as we want the children to start the day well so they go on to have a good day at school. When we see children demonstrate this behaviour extremely well they can be rewarded with random spot prizes and even a hot chocolate as we come into the colder mornings.

Pink Shirt day The children all enjoyed doing some colouring for pink shirt day. Pink shirt day is an important day as it is an opportunity for the children to understand and stand up against bullying. This was an important day at morning care as we focused on being kind to everyone and all of the children had their own stories about what it meant to be kind to others in support of this. Attached are some images of the children enjoying their colouring!



Clothing As we approach the colder season this is a friendly reminder to make sure children have warm clothing when they arrive at OSCAR.

This means if they could please arrive with a jacket and layers as we sometimes like to play outside even if it is cold or to keep the children warm as they walk to school each morning.



Kids art:

The children make beautiful art almost everyday. Here is a sample of the great work they do here in the mornings.



Messages From Dalena and Kelsey

Casual Care:

We're happy to provide casual care where we have staff numbers to cover ratios. If you need an additional morning or afternoon session, please email admin@oscarhouse.co.nz.

If you discover you require care on the day, please text 0221759534– the phone is checked throughout the day with the last check at 2:30pm. Please CALL if care is required urgently after 2:30pm.

If you don't know you require morning care until the night before or the day of, we usually have space at morning care so please email or text, then deliver your tamariki in the morning and let the Supervisor know it is an unexpected additional session. Afternoon sessions may be full so please wait for a response from Admin.

Morning Care and the Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club at Kelson School Hall is proving very popular with our OSCAR House tamariki – there are 7 tamariki currently attending breakfast on Wednesdays and about 3 so far on the newly available Mondays and Fridays. It's probably a good idea to let Caelin or Hunter know if you're happy for your child to have (?a second) breakfast or not and then we know whether to keep them in the hall or release them over to their classrooms.

Fees

Reminder from Kelsey to please stop your fee payments for the two weeks of the July School Holidays.

If you are unsure, please contact on kelsey@oscarhouse.co.nz

Annual contact details query:

Have you moved to a new house? Started a new job, got a new cell phone number? Please do let either the Supervisor or admin@oscarhouse.co.nz know if you have had any changes in your contact details. If you have already informed us – Thank You!



Full Staff Meetings

One of the ways we continue to develop our staff at OSCAR is in our Full Staff Meetings where staff from all of our programmes come together for training. This term we were fortunate to have the NZ Fire Service come and talk to the team about fire safety. This followed on from a visit at the school holiday programme and an assessment of our trial evacuation - all of which ensures we have the best practices in place to keep our tamariki safe.

Holiday Programme enrolments are now open – Bridget and Erin have created a lovely programme for your tamariki to enjoy over the July holiday period. We look forward to your enrolments.

Ngā mihi nui,
OSCAR House Kelson Morning Team Caelin & Hunter

