

OSCAR House Korokoro Programme Parent Caregiver Newsletter 2025 Term 3



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Tēnā koutou & Greetings,

We warmly welcome *Anthony, Emosi, Viyana & Kyna*.



Mafia – Jared. For my activity we played the game “Mafia”. It’s a bit trickier than some of the other group games we play and I’m always impressed with the effort from our tamariki. Holly and Rosie are often our most enthusiastic storytellers and always do a great job keeping the group engaged as they slowly reveal who was eliminated that round. I joined in as a player this time and was SHOCKED that the mafia eliminated me in the second round.



Paper Mosaics - Shayna

The kids and I had some fun making paper mosaics. It was awesome seeing their creativity and skills. I saw lots of flowers, and lots of different ways to do the mosaics, from carefully spacing, overlapping pieces, and isolated shards of colours



Face Painting - Madelyn

I'm excited to share some fun stuff that happened recently! I had a blast watching the older kids get all creative. They spent the afternoon painting the faces of the younger ones. It was seriously cute to see the little ones all giddy and excited. It was awesome how the older kids were patient and did a great job. Everyone had smiles on their faces, and it was a day to remember! At the end Jared and Madelyn jump in to help but we are not even close to the picture they were looking for.



Nuts and Bolts Messages from Kelsey & Dalena:



Sign In / Sign Out - Please remember to sign, and be acknowledged by, the staff member with the register. They sign your child in or out on the register, along with who has dropped off/collected them, and the time. We also regularly talk to tamariki to remind them to let the staff member with the register know they are departing and ask them to remind their parents as well.

Personal Changes - We appreciate it if you would please keep us updated with any changes to your child's life eg address changes, parent separation, custody changes, medical diagnoses and medications – so we can best help your child at OSCAR House. This requirement is also in your Parent Contract.

Absences - We have had an increase in the occurrence of non-notifications ie when parents/caregivers don't let OSCAR know before 2:30pm that their child will not be at OSCAR House. If your child is unwell, PLEASE, please advise OSCAR when you let school know that your child won't be attending school – then both the school and OSCAR get to know about it at the same time. The school don't advise us as they don't know who attends when.

We need to hear from parents directly by TEXT to the programme phone number that has previously been sent to parents when you commenced 027 253 4710. Asking the child's sibling to inform is not acceptable and we need to know prior to the programme commencing each afternoon. I was at a programme recently and we were chasing 3 tamariki, in one afternoon, whose absences we had not been advised of – it takes staff a long time to action, and that is time they are away from the programme and the tamariki they need and want to be caring for.

Thanks for your assistance in this procedure.

Nga mihi, Dalena & Kelsey.

