

Term Dates:

Term 2: Thu 27 Apr - Fri 30 June

Term 3: Wed 26 July - Fri 22 Sep

Term 4: Tues 10 Oct - Fri 15 Dec

What's going on at Kinma next Term

Term 3		
Date	Time	What's On
26/07/17	9am	First day Term 3
04/08/17	9am	Basketball starts
08/08/17	Violin in Primary starts	Violin in library
19/08/17	10am-1pm, Preschool and Primary	Kinma Care Day
23/08/17	9.30-11.30am, Hall	Open Morning for interested families
30/08/17	9.30 – 1pm bush regen site	Bushlink team coming to help in the bush site. Love a couple of family helpers (see office)
14/09/17	Violin in Primary last day	Violin in Library
22/09/17	3pm	Last Day Term 3

Term 4		
Date	Time	What's On
04/10/17	9am	First day T4
15/12/17		Last day T4

Dates for 2018		
Date	Time	What's On
31/01/18	9am	First day Term 1
13/04/18		Term 1 finishes
02/05/18	9am	First day Term 2
06/07/18		Term 2 finishes
01/08/18	9am	First day Term 3
28/09/18		Term 3 finishes
16/10/18	9am	First day Term 4
14/12/18		Term 4 finishes

Keep reading to find out what has been happening

Board

Fund raising

A brief fundraising update and request...

On the back of two projects being completed this half of the year, our **Bazaar** which opened our term with such warmth. We also were given a **generous donation**, to purchase the installation of air-conditioning for Group 1. This will occur in the first week of the term 2 vacation.

We now only need \$3000 to provide AC for Group 3.

If you are able to participate in this please contact the office or send me an email (stevengarydixon@me.com).

Yes, this is tax deductible, and such a great time to donate – before you have to finish your financial year obligations.

Steve Dixon

Admin

Last day of term 2 has come around very quickly. We are half way through our school year! Thank you to all the families who help to bring our School alive. Thank you to:

- Members of the Board who are holding the space and seeing the vision
- To the snack attack helpers, maker, cleaners and organisers
- To the families at working bee/Kinma Care Day
- To individuals who hear the cry for help to fix the one off problems
- To the families who give up their time for tinkering
- To the families who support the playgroup
- To families who slow down sufficiently to say hello and greet new members of the school and visitors
- To the families who help with the University student practicum visits
- To the families who donated to the winter appeal
- To the families who offer expertise and skills to the children in lessons
- To the families who do such a great job marketing at the School on Sunday
- To the families who sort thru the library
- To the families who bake afternoon tea
- To the families who support the fundraising initiatives throughout the year
- To the families who join with staff on bush walks
- To the families who help drive our students on excursions

And the list can go on and on. There is so much extra behind the scenes stuff that “just happens” to make this unique environment flourish.

Enjoy the 3 week break with your loved ones.

Julie, Carin and Claire

Violin Concert

Big thanks to Holly for helping all our violinists prepare and play such a beautiful concert, and for her ongoing passion and hard work in teaching violin to our budding musicians.

Our thanks too to Tanika's grandpa Vince who took these lovely photos.





Preschool News



We welcome Byron and his family to Kinma. Byron spent time painting the tyre.



Alley finished her Practicum with us. The children drew some pictures of the colourful cactus we gave to her as a gift.



As you can imagine, there is a story behind this picture. Teo (on the left) said that he was Christine. Isaac was a wicked witch and he had caught Christine!

DIGGING



In the mud, in the mulch, digging is such a satisfying and motivating activity with lots of opportunity to flex and build muscle. Children become very focused on the play and the task. They share a common space, equipment and tools, learning to work and play cooperatively towards a common goal. They adapt their movements to the properties of different materials and the space around them. Experiencing and experimenting with mathematical concepts such as cubic capacity, heavy and light, empty and full, quantity and using language in a real and meaningful situation is the most effective way to learn.

“We need more” “That’s too much” “The wet stuff is heavier” “Can you help me with this?”

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Asher chose shapes to hammer on to the cork board to make her picture



HOSPITAL PLAY



Together with the children, Alley set up a hospital. Children drew on their own experiences and knowledge. First, lots of props were gathered – “doctors tools” – stethoscope, thermometers, then uniforms, masks and shoe coverings, beds, bandages, x-rays, a light box and chairs to create a waiting room with magazines and books. Many groups of children participated in the role play together. Anica performed 7 operations in one day!



KINMA PRESCHOOL RESTAURANT

It was cold and raining so we decided to eat Snack Attack inside. Children helped to position tables, counted and carried chairs, made sure there was cutlery and plates before enjoying their meal together.



And then rinsing plates, cutlery, bowls and cups afterwards

IN THE COMPOST

As the children started to mix and churn the compost, some movement was noticed. The mixing stopped and Khalil, Coco, Camille and Harley watched until they observed a small creature with long whiskers appear out of the leaves and debris. Was it a bush mouse, a rat or an antechinus?



VOTING

We had \$200 from the Christmas Markets. To include the children in the decision of what to buy with this money, we held a vote. The process went as follows. Preschool adults chose seven items which were each depicted on their own sheet of paper. Binoculars, doll, bug viewer, pushchair, chicken water feeder, baby buggy and wheelbarrow. All children had two stickers and they were to place their stickers near the items they liked. Now, this wasn't exactly a secret ballot – children wrote their names or drew on their stickers and there was open discussion about which items to vote for. The children were very excited about this process and looked at the results for days – which item had most /least votes.



When a new to us doll with a blue dress and black boots arrived at Preschool, Bambi asked “Is this a voting doll?”





All this learning – and such a lot of fun



THANKS

Many thanks to all the families who have helped Preschool this term in so many different ways – Kinma care, Snack Attack, gardening, cooking, tinkering, looking after the chickens, watering the garden, sweeping the deck, donations, mending, sewing and more. We do appreciate your support.

Enjoy the winter break.

Until Term 3.

Kay, Christine, Lizzie, Felicity, Pat, Nina and Victoria

HELLO FROM GROUP 1!

Sorry for the belated newsletter. We are now looking at another term gone bye bye so we thought we would give you a snapshot of some of the last few week's activities.

Cooking



With the aim of giving things a go, we set about trying new things. Having established a few recipes that challenge the notion that children don't like (some) vegetables, we set about breaking down some barriers. Cauliflower was first on the list and as we started cutting up garlic, parsley and even some basil and rosemary from our garden, the children's tummies were rumbling. Once all said and done, more than 70% of the class loved it! In fact I do believe Sylvie went home and cooked it for Mum! Here is the link to the recipe, we left out the olives and anchovies though I recommend putting them in. <http://www.jamieoliver.com/recipes/vegetables-recipes/whole-baked-cauliflower-with-tomato-and-olive-sauce/>



Science

We have been building volcanoes, designing a capsule to protect an egg from being dropped, making rockets with balloons and string, and learning yet more about penguins!



From designing to building and testing. There were a few casualties on the day though a few survived the journey.



Blowing up balloons for our rockets took all of our puff!



Group one put on their researching hats and hit the books for more information. They found out the answers to some of their questions such as: Yes. Penguins do drink salt water and a gland near their nose removes the salt from their blood.

We had a little party for our transitioners who are moving to group 2 and also for George who is off on new adventures. With a little sadness and a lot of good wishes we gave them some cards and kind words





You never know what you might be sharing during book boxes. It might be a book, a laugh, a quiet moment or even a moustache! William's GrandMother started coming to help out Mum for 6 weeks, over a year ago. She loves it so that every week since, without fail, Robyn is waiting for in time.



While most are ready and rearing for a holiday there are some that are ready to come back. Etienne has been away with asthma for a few weeks and is yearning to join his friends again. We wish him and all his family the best.



We wish all of you a wondrous holiday with happiness and safety at the forefront. See you all in term 3!

Andy, Kimberley and Group 1

**Wyatt Park
Tennis Centre**
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JULY Holiday Tennis Camps



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Welcome to tennis played on kids' terms

FREE Before (7.30 to 9am) **AND**
After (3 to 5pm) **Camp Care.**

**CHECK OUT OUR EXTRA
WEEK OF CAMP BELOW!**

TENNIS (Hotshots
Format) & **Multisport
Activities...**
FUN-FUN-FUN!

**FREE PIZZA
LUNCH EACH
LAST DAY OF
CAMP - YUM!**

DATES:

WEEK 1 – Monday 3rd to Friday 7th July

WEEK 2 – Monday 10th to Friday 14th July



PLUS++

A special week **FOR KINMA KIDS.....**

WEEK 3 – Monday 17th to Friday 21st July



OPTIONS /

Full Week, Full Days

\$170

Full Week, Half Days

\$140

PRICING:

Single Day, Full (9am to 3pm)

\$55

Single Day, Half (9am to 12pm)

\$40

GENERAL

- All children aged **4 to 16 years** welcome

- Daily Prizes & Heaps of **FUN!**

INFO:

- Experienced, Qualified coaches

- Camp runs rain, hail or shine!

What to Bring

- A racket, if they have one (if not we have spares)
- A hat & suncream + A water/drink bottle
- Morning Tea (1/2 day) Morning Tea + Lunch (full day)
- YES! We have a pro shop that sells treats!

HOW TO BOOK IN...

ONLINE AT OUR WEBSITE:

www.evolutetennisacademy.com

By email: evolutetennis@evolutetennisacademy.com

By phone: 0415 817 465

FIND US AT WYATT PARK TENNIS CENTRE, BELROSE
Corner of Wyatt Avenue & Cotentin Road, Belrose



Experience a week of family friendly mellow winter escape at Daku Retreat in SavuSavu Fiji. Set by the the ocean, with great snorkelling, safe swimming and big grassy areas for volleyball and games, Daku is ideal for families.

There are bushwalks behind the retreat and kayaks free to use along the beach in front of the retreat. It's a relaxed and quiet place, a hidden gem of Fiji!

This year Daku and Liz Bennett (Bodhi in Group 3's mum) are offering this retreat to families with a special deal: kids 11 and under go free and have their own 30 minute class each day. The meals are really appealing for kids, with lots of fish/chicken and sweet potato in traditional style accompanied by veggies and salads, morning pancakes and bananas, and buffet style lunches.

The adults yoga program involves twice daily practices of 1½ hours on a beautiful deck over the ocean. Classes are suited to all levels.

Excursions and extras: Beach picnic, hiking, kayaking, trip to a waterfall, tapa making lesson and snorkelling trips.

Itinerary: Arrive Savusavu Saturday July 15. Retreat starts Sunday July 16, ends Friday evening July 21. Depart Savusavu July 22.

Cost: AUD \$1750 twin room; AUD \$2050 single room

More details here <https://paradisecourses.com/hatha-yoga-with-liz-bennett/>

PARENTS TUNING INTO KIDS & KIDS TUNING INTO EMOTIONS

A unique 5-week program for parents and children aged 7-12, which focuses on managing challenging behaviours and emotions in positive ways!

By acknowledging how emotions and behaviours are connected, parents will learn to take on the role of emotion coach and teach their children to become emotionally intelligent. At the same time children will learn to understand and manage their own emotions (including anger, sadness and anxiety) in positive ways.

This evidence based Tuning into Kids program assists parents in:

- Developing a positive connection with your child, even in the more challenging moments
- Understanding your child's behaviours
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions
- Preventing behaviour problems in your child
- Teaching your child to deal with anger, anxiety, sadness and conflict

By tuning into their emotions children will learn to:

- Understand and manage their emotions
- Calm themselves when upset or angry
- Develop social skills and resilience
- Express themselves more effectively
- Manage their worries and anxieties
- Build self esteem, self worth and positive feelings about themselves
- Realise they are not alone

WHERE: Newport Public School
WHEN: Wednesday 4-6.15 pm on
 July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23
COSTS \$360 (1 parent and 1 child)
BOOKINGS: Godelieve on 0425 256 989
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FACILITATORS:



Godelieve Hofman-Verkuyl is an accredited and highly experienced Parent and Youth Coach with over 15 years experience, assisting families in creating respectful, understanding and supportive relationships between parents & their children. www.goodfamilylife.com.au



Natalie Mackenzie is a registered dramatherapist with over 10 years experience working creatively with children to support their emotional wellbeing. www.playfulminds.com.au