

February 2012

Kia Ora whanau,

Welcome back to ECLC we trust you had a nice, relaxing break with family and friends over the Christmas holidays. For those of you that stayed in Christchurch, I hope that the start of the holidays (December 23rd) didn't spoil things too much. We are hearing many stories from the children about the highlights of their Christmas holiday adventures. Many adventures around NZ and beyond. If you would like to share any holiday photos or holiday stories please email them to your child's key teacher. You can find their email address on the centre website www.canterbury.ac.nz/earlyyears under "Our People".

We have several new children starting over the next few weeks and already started are Mya, Gabrielle and William. We welcome you all and your families to our centre.

There has been an influx of people needing to change bookings recently. If you are thinking of changing a day or know that you will be leaving the centre, please let me know as soon as possible. It would be greatly appreciated by some parents who have had to make changes due to the new time table.

For additional daily bookings and daily absences please phone the centre in the first instance that you require an additional day. If there is a vacancy, it is given on a first in basis. In the case of your child being ill, if you could call the centre in the morning it would be greatly appreciated. The centre number is 364 2821 ext 4 ext 1 or you can email me at bernadette.dawson@canterbury.ac.nz. Thank you for your help with this matter.

Donations - We are always very appreciative of plastic bags, collage materials (small boxes, egg cartons, cereal boxes, cotton reels, fabric, buttons, card board tubes (please no toilet rolls)) Paper any size A4, A3 any coloured, plain or misprints from your department. Thanks, we appreciate your help ☺

Leaving gifts - At the end of last year and at other times throughout the year we have had parents ask us what we would like as a parting gift as their child leaves ECLC. If you are considering purchasing a gift (optional) for the centre when your child is leaving here are some ideas:

- Whitcoulls voucher or a book
- Warehouse voucher
- Gardening voucher or a plant for the garden
- Every Educaid voucher

What have been happening so far this year.....





Settling in to ECLC and reaffirming friendships from last year. Meeting and making new friends and becoming familiar with the centres routines and regular events.



The teaching team at ECLC look forward to another year working with you and your child.

Regards,

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