



Nursery

Animals are still a strong interest in the under two's room. The teachers therefore provided a variety of experiences to help extend this interest, such as:

- Providing a variety of animals for the children to explore and play with
- Singing songs and reading stories about animals
 - Messy play with animals
 - Visual displays of animals
 - Listening to animal sounds
 - Using puppets
 - Creating a small world

Recipe of the month

Each month I will post a recipe from our cook. A recipe that the children loved, giving you the option to cook it at home if you choose too.

Toddlers

The toddlers have set up many areas to extend children's learning on their current focus of colours and numbers.

The teachers are working hard to incorporate this focus into children's every day play. Specific games for group times have been hand made by the teachers and mat times have been a great way to keep children interested in this topic.

Pre-school

The preschool children are still interested in construction, the trip to the construction site up the road refueled this interest and some amazing creations have been made with our resources. The blocks, mobile and construction set are still very popular, especially among the boys, however the girls have also shown an interest and engaged in some construction themselves.

Thai Coconut Chicken Curry w/ Jasmine rice

- Chicken thigh/breast cut into small pieces
 - ½ stalk of lemon grass
- Thumb sized piece of ginger grated
 - 1 ½ cloves of garlic
- Pumpkin and kumara finely diced
- Leafy greens spinach/silverbeet
 - Broccoli
 - 1 Red capsicum
 - 1 Red onion
- Carrot and Courgette grated
- 1tbsp of red curry paste
 - 1 can coconut cream
 - Pinch of salt
- Jasmine rice and coriander to serve

Method:

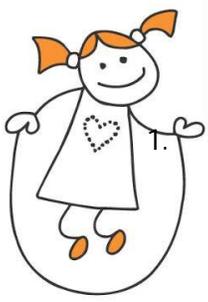
- 1: Finely dice chicken, sauté in olive oil with lemongrass, garlic, onion and ginger
 - 2: Add vegetables, cook for 5 minutes
 - 3: Add coconut cream, cook till it starts to boil then simmer till vegetables and meat are al dente.
 - 4: Serve with rice and coriander
- Enjoy!

Important notices:

Winter is fast approaching so we ask that you please provide lots of spare clothing for your child, a warm hat, socks and shoes and a jacket.

Please sign your child in and out – it is very important that you please remember to sign your children in and out in case of an emergency and Ministry of Education Requirements. Thank you.

Entertainment books are available! \$13 dollars from each purchase goes towards a new resource for our Tamariki at the Learning Corner! Please see display at reception or talk to Sophie.



The Learning corner

EARLY LEARNING CENTRE



*“Teachers have three loves:
love of learning, love of
learners, and the love of
bringing the first two loves
together.”*

Newsletter May 2015

New Children

We would like to welcome our new Tamariki who have started at the Learning Corner:

Nursery:

Xavier Doo
Angus James
Jack Crowley

Preschool:

Joshua Wu
Michael Derry
Andjelka Petrovic

We look forward to getting to know you, and watching you grow and develop!

Events

Mother's day was a great success; please see the photos on the tv from our morning tea.

Book week was so much fun! The children loved the librarian, bringing in their favourite book and dressing up as their favourite book character on Friday



Welcome and Goodbye

We would like to say 'see you soon' to Tanita, as I am sure she will still visit us from time to time, that is unless she spreads her wings and heads to Australia to be with her partner! Thank you for all you have done Tanita!

We would like to welcome Emily Lo to our teaching team, we are very excited to have her permanently onboard.

Coming up – Parents day!

17 June from 1.30-4.30

This is an opportunity to engage with your children in their learning environment, find out a little bit more about what we do here, and have fun!

Playball – Starts Tue 26.