



ABACUS PRESCHOOL

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE

Thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas Picnic. We all had a fantastic day and the feed back was great.

Its hard to believe another year is almost over and what a year we have all had. We would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Clare, Pam and our wonderful Abacus Team to wish you all a safe and Merry Christmas.



PHOTO left is of Neith with Santa's Elf at our Christmas Picnic.

ABACUS CHRISTMAS HOURS

23 Friday December - 3 pm CLOSE

26 Monday December - CLOSED

27 Tuesday December - CLOSED

30 Friday December - 3 pm CLOSE

2 January - CLOSED

3 January - CLOSED

4 January - NORMAL HOURS

PRESCHOOL & NURSERY NEWS

The Preschool would like to welcome Cissy Wang to their team. Cissy is a new graduate and we are all looking forward to working with Cissy. Cissy completed a 7-week placement and relieved in both the Nursery and Preschool before taking up a permanent position.

Preschool

The preschool children have been having a wonderful time with the Christmas activities, both during Montessori time and free play. The children have created some beautiful artwork and have had a blast practicing for our Christmas party.

We have been lucky enough to have a visit from Shaun the Resource and Education co-ordinator for Willowbank who brought in a live tuatara and a toy kiwi.

We look forward to a fun filled holiday programme and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Nursery

What a fun and festive month we have had. As the weather has become warmer, we have been able to fill our blue shell up with water for all the children to have a paddle in. This created a lot of splashing and laughter! We have had so many children interested in decorating our beautiful Christmas tree. The most favourite task by the children was pulling all the decorations off again.

The start of the holiday programme has been a great success. The children especially loved interacting with the preschool children on "Teddy Bears Picnic" day. We read books together about bears with our favourite toy nestled on our laps and we had a special treat of hot chips and sauce.

We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas baking and were able to hang your child's decoration on your Christmas tree.



Reminders:

Please don't forget to sign in and out when you drop off and pick up your child/ren.

Please phone in daily if your child/ren will be late or not attending.

Please adhere to your Christmas bookings to ensure correct staffing.

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY SALT CERAMIC DOUGH

1 ½ cups salt

¾ cup cornflour

1 cup water

Mix all ingredients together in a pot. Cook on a low heat. Stir continuously until mixture forms a ball. Allow to cool slightly and kneed. Place dough in tin foil and kneed well prior to using.

Roll out to half a centimeter in thickness.

Use a pencil to make a hole in the dough to thread decorative string through. Allow 2 days for dough to dry completely then your ornaments are ready to decorate.