

**Safety Issues**

Some children are natural magnets to want to touch dogs, this is not always safe, here are a few ideas that we can teach children to be aware of.

Stay Calm, DON'T RUN from a dog running may trigger a chase.

DON'T scream or squeal, these high pitched sounds may cause a dog to react negatively.

If a dog is in an aggressive state, possibly with ears pointed forward and muzzle open, try to ignore the dog.

A wagging tail isn't always a good sign.

Try and stay away from dogs with puppies.

DON'T approach a dog that is eating.

When dogs are sleeping leave them alone.

Always be careful around dogs that are guarding their owners property.

Dogs can be great pets and companions



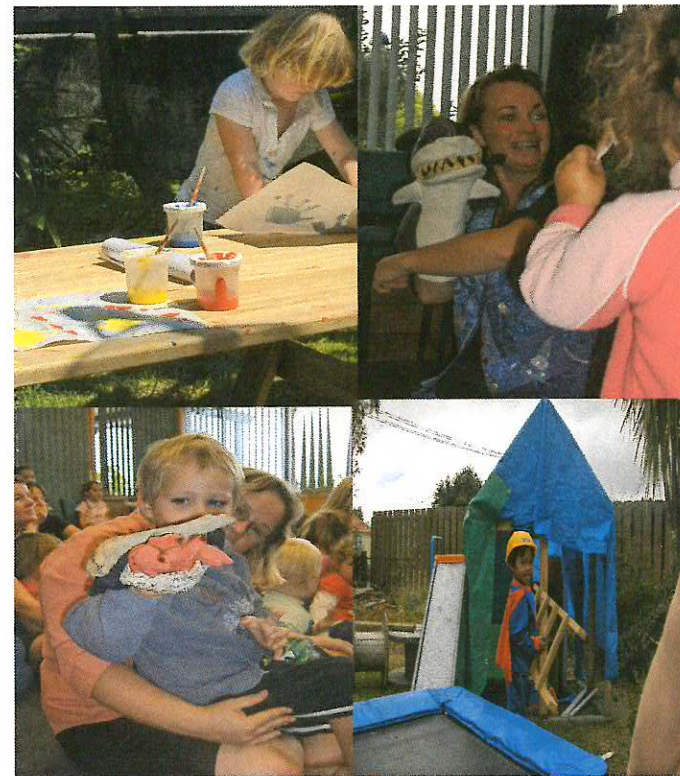
**WEBSITE  
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**LIVE THIS TERM**

Zumba classes held 100 Valley Road Every 2nd Friday 10am, for mums and preschoolers. Gold coin donation. Start 30th April.

**Newsletter**

2010




**Home Based Childcare**

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## General Info

How great it has been this term for children to experience what is happening in their community as it happens. Home based Childcare certainly helps for this to happen. With Moko being so close and accessible many Educators have made the most of this opportunity and taken children to get a good look and sense of what a dolphin is really like.



### Toy Library (school term only)

Wednesday 3pm-4pm  
Saturday 10am-11am

Rangitaiki Independent School  
Entrance at 9 Fishermans Drive, Coastlands

### Story Time

Whakatane Library  
Every Thursday (School Term)  
10:30-11am



This is a fun session for children where they can come along & listen to stories and sing songs

## Play Groups

2010

TERM TWO

Tues 20th April  
9am-11:30am

Anzac Biscuits  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 27th April  
9am-11:30am

Asthma Clinic  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 4th May  
9am-11:30am

Mothers Day Activities  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 11th May  
9am-11:30am

Dress-Ups, Pretend Play  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 18th May  
9am-11:30am

Making stamps  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Weds 19th May

Whk Fire Station Visit 10am

Tues 25th May  
9am-11:30am

Active Movement Sport BOP  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 1st June  
9am-11:30am

Police Officer Trish Visiting  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 8th June  
9am-11:30am

Animals-Farm Party  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 15th June  
9am-11:30am

Musical Instruments  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 22nd June  
9am-11.30am

Healthy Eating  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope

Tues 29th June  
9am-11.30am

Home Made Toys  
Pohutukawa Playgroup, Ohope



If your child does not attend care on playgroup days, please feel free to come and join us anyway. Everyone is welcome  
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Thanks to all the guest speakers that come along and support our playgroup.

## Office News

Welcome to term two  
A big hi goes out to all of those Educators and families who have joined us over the past term. We hope that you are settled into your new routines. Please don't hesitate to call into the office, we are generally there until 2pm each day and then contactable by phone. While the weather was still fine and warm we got together for a fish n chip evening, it was relaxed, and a great opportunity to meet parents and siblings of children in care. Much appreciated to those who came and enjoyed. The end of the financial year has come upon us again and all receipts of care are ready for parents. You are able to claim part of this cost now. Rachel & Jodeen

Great range of Resource Boxes are now available

- Signed Timesheets due 12 noon Monday on pay weeks
- NO red pens or twink
- Drop off to office or in the letterbox at front door on pillar
- Change of any regular circumstances need to have a yellow form into the office asap.

Elliott Gibson	21 April
Zoe Quarmby	22 April
Tylah Morley	15 May
Rongoa Ariki	26 June



Birthday Wishes coming your way from HBC Management