

Enviroschools

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Wycliffe Ngā Tamariki Kindergarten Napier

The latest kindergarten to join the Enviroschools programme

Kathy Malone, relieving Headteacher at Wycliffe Ngā Tamariki Kindergarten (part of Napier Kindergartens) is excited to be leading her team at the beginning of their official Enviroschool's journey. Kathy has really appreciated how helpful the recently published *Enviroschools in the Early Years* book has been to guide their planning. Kathy commented; *'The new Early Years book along, with the Enviroschools website has meant we can make sense of the Kaupapa and self-manage our own learning more easily.'*

The team are fortunate to have Kathy as she is also a trained Enviroschools facilitator with NKA. Already there are plans to purchase Nude Food lunchboxes for Tamariki; undertake a waste audit and strengthen their 'reduce, reuse and recycle' systems.



A feature of the tikanga at Wycliffe Ngā Tamariki kindergarten is their passion for teaching children empathy through the care of animals and the living world. We look forward to hearing more about their progress - Kia Kaha Kathy and the team.

Napier Kindergartens' get in on zoom

It has become a regular weekly one hour zoom session open to all Napier Kindergartens' (NKA) teachers. It is providing a regular, informal platform for teams to share their ideas and enthusiasm.

Thank you to Eileen Kennedy, Education Manager at Napier Kindergartens' for providing this update.

Sherwood Schools Yummy Honey

What an absolute pleasure it was to spend the morning at Sherwood school bottling up fresh warm honey from their beehives. The school decided to get bees to help pollinate the fruit trees in their orchard... what a cool idea!!! The

tamariki enjoyed guessing the weight of the honey extracted and once it was sieved, they got to fill their beautifully decorated jars to take home to their whanau. I enjoyed reading all of their descriptive writing which followed with honey on toast for morning tea, delicious. Great mahi Sherwood and many thanks for my special jar of honey.

Thanks Amy, CHB Facilitator.



Mrs Morrison and her students pouring honey into the vat.



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Lockdown Mahi

Living Landscapes



Nuhaka School share some of their level 4 mahi

We were happy to share online Enviroschools resource opportunities with our schools during level 4. Thanks for sharing with us Nuhaka School.

Maddie in the photo above, is creating her leaf litter garden, which is one activity students were encouraged to undertake as part of their Living Landscapes action. They discussed their findings and provided photographic evidence, and then presented their work via powerpoint. Nice work Nuhaka students!

Desi collected seeds, planted them up, and prepared labels.



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Twyford School share some of their level 4 mahi

Let's go outside...

Walking barefoot on the land, we are massaging the back of Papatūānuku.

How many native plants can you count in your backyard?	11
How many different food plants can you count in your backyard?	We have 44!!!! Wow, that's heaps!
How many birds can you count in your backyard? Use this website to help you identify the birds you see.	We have 18!!!!
How many bees can you count?	We have 35!!!!



Thanks for sharing Louise Parker, Twyford School, Hastings.

If you have something to share with our network via this newsletter or on the national Enviroschools website then please get in touch we would love to hear from you.

Mayfair Kindergarten, Hastings

Practicing Manaakitanga and whanaungatanga

Mayfair Kindergarten are one of sixteen kindergartens with the Heretaunga Kindergarten Association and we are a Green-Gold Enviroschool.

One of our kindergarten practices this month, after returning from the Covid 19 closure, is Manaakitanga. For us this means to support, to take care of, and to be generous.

A new initiative is to provide healthy lunches four days a week for our tamariki. This links to our Enviroschools vision, especially the guiding principle of "Learning for Sustainability" where whānau, teachers and tamariki work in partnership to look for alternative solutions for improving sustainability. We believe that by providing a healthy lunch time meal we are supporting the health and wellbeing of our tamariki which in turn leads to positive learning outcomes for all.

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Mayfair Kindergarten

Another focus this term has been with our kaupapa of whanaungatanga. We welcome whānau to come and spend time in our kindergarten environment and to know that we are a community of learners, where everyone's knowledge, contributions and perspectives are valued and respected.

Janine Curran, Enviroschools facilitator & teacher Mayfair Kindergarten, Hastings.

The tables are set for tamariki to enjoy their lunch.



Can fashion be sustainable?

While we constantly think about ways of minimising our use of plastics, have you ever considered the impact of clothing on our environment? You may be surprised with what you find. We are pleased to share this article with you. [Sustainability vs Fashion.](#)

You may also like to check out the [Aotearoa Ethical Fashion Guide.](#)

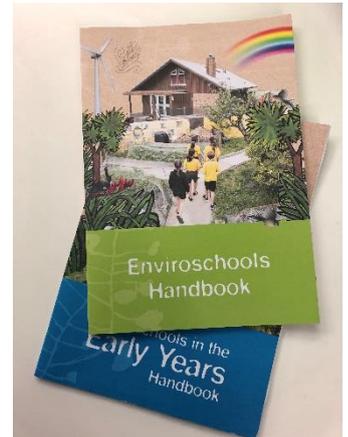


New Resources

We have two new Enviroschools handbooks

Katie Higgins, our early childhood lead from the National team, among others, has produced the long awaited Enviroschools in the Early Years handbook and the feedback has been amazing.

Following this has been the very recent release of an updated Enviroschools Handbook. These are being delivered to each of our schools by your facilitator.



What's coming up

Climate Action Camp can still go ahead at the start of term 4.

We would still love to host you and some of your students at Guthrie Smith for a two-day one-night camp.

We had great interest earlier in the year and I hope those 10 schools are still able to come.

Thursday 15 and Friday 16 October starting at 10.30 am and finishing at approximately 1.00 pm the next day.

You can register your interest by emailing sally.chandler@hbc.govt.nz

Plastic Free July

Websites we like – wasteminz.nz and plasticfreejuly.org

July is Biosecurity month



Do you know what predators are in your school grounds? Are you trapping them!

[The New Zealand Biosecurity Awards](#) recognise and celebrate outstanding contributions to protecting our country. Did you know there is a new school category? Check out the link.