



Kia ora e te whānau,

As we approach the end of another vibrant and fulfilling year, I want to take a moment to thank you for your continued support and partnership with our Trust. Together, we've made a meaningful impact in the lives of over 600 tamariki and 400 whānau, and we couldn't do it without you.

We're proud to share that our recent ERO (Education Review Office) report was very favourable, affirming the strength of our kaupapa and the dedication of our kaimahi. This recognition reflects the collective effort of our staff, board, and community in creating a nurturing and empowering environment for our children and families. Looking ahead, we're excited to celebrate the festive season with you. Our Christmas events are a chance to come together, reflect, and enjoy the spirit of whanaungatanga. We hope to see many of you there as we wrap up the year with joy and connection.

Wishing you and your whānau a safe, restful, and joyful Christmas and holiday season.

Ngā mihi nui,

Grace Ikiua  
CEO



### Moka Haitoua - Aunty Moxy

Our dear Moxy lost her battle to cancer on August the 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. Moxy was a huge part of Good Seed Trust, she worked alongside our families and tamariki for almost 10 years. We will miss you Aunty Moxy.



### A Year of Connection, Growth & Good Times!

What an incredible year across all our Good Seeds programmes! from OSCAR adventures and Playgroup fun to Fathers & Kids hangouts, Tama ki Luga and Teine ki Luga journeys, Leaders In Training (LIT) sessions, Holiday Programmes, and our Family Engagement initiatives that continue to strengthen whānau.

We've shared laughs, faced challenges, fired up BBQs, played games, had real kōrero, and built lifelong memories. Through community workshops, our aigas gained practical skills like cooking, budgeting, and preparing healthy meals, building confidence and resilience for everyday life.

The bonds formed and lives impacted have been amazing, thanks to the incredible support of our funders. As Project Manager, it's been a privilege to walk alongside our staff, tamariki, rangatahi, and aiga watching communities thrive. We're excited for what's ahead and praying for continued funding to empower even more lives!

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

Aioi Iona-Fruean



Kia ora everyone

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your continued commitment to Good Seed Trust. Thank you for entrusting us with the care and growth and development of your children. at both our ECE centres. It is a privilege we don't take for granted. Your support, and partnership throughout the year have allowed us to create a nurturing and joyful environment where children can learn , explore and thrive. Your involvement strengthens our connections.

We celebrate our families, our tamariki, and our wonderful team. Thank you for a wonderful year together.

Thank you for walking this journey with us, and for being an essential part of our Good Seeds Community

Enjoy this festive season and looking forward to the New year ahead.

Blessings  
Nga mihi nui  
Helen Senior  
Centre Manager





# MANGERE CENTRE



## Education Review Office (ERO) Visit

In July, ERO visited both our Centres for their scheduled two-year review. This included checking our documentation, systems, and observing staff interactions with tamariki. We're proud to share that we met all requirements and were compliant with everything.



## OPEN DAYS

We held two Open Days during the September/October school holidays, welcoming families to visit our Centre. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to explore our space, meet our team, and learn more about what we offer. We were also delighted to have some children join our Good Seeds Whānau during this time..



## Fundraised amounts:

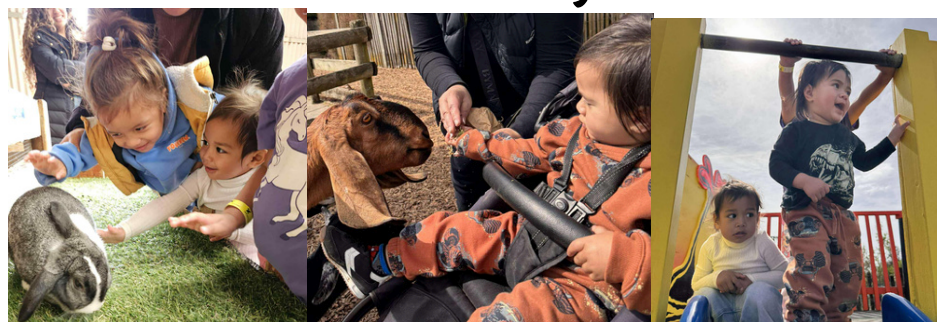
Pyjama Day: \$190.00

Daffodil Day: \$133.70

Thank you everyone for your donations these past 2x fundraisers. Every dollar counted and we appreciate the gesture.



## Under 2s visit Butterfly Creek



## Farewell Uncle Tone



We said farewell to Uncle Tone at the end of last month. He has been with Good Seeds going on 2 years. He will be going on to do full time mission work with youth with a mission organisation.

## Whanau Korero Evening



Thank you for joining us for our Whanau Korero Evening. It was great to have a one on one with you and share your tamariki's learning progression with you.

## Pop Up Excursions

Recent weeks we've held Pop Ups in our neighborhood, taking small groups of tamariki to explore different parks and environments. We'll continue this in the new year



# PANAMA CENTRE

Over the few months at Riverside, we've enjoyed some wonderful outings!

Our tamariki had an amazing time visiting Ambury Farm and the Botanic Gardens—full of fun, laughter, and learning.



## What's been going on lately:

Lately, our focus with the children has been on self-regulation, turn-taking, cognitive activities, and exploring emotions. It's been heartwarming to see their growth and engagement in these important areas.



## UNDER 2S OPENING!!!!

Some fantastic news to share — Our baby's side will be opening WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER! This is a great milestone, and we're excited to continue providing a safe, nurturing environment for all our little ones. Enrolments for under 2s are open now!



# Under 2s

## Student Teacher:

We're also pleased to welcome a student from NZMA Manukau, who is currently completing his Level 4 Early Childhood Education certificate. He'll be joining us over the next few weeks for his placement, gaining hands-on experience with our team and tamariki.

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## Word Search:

GOOD

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CENTRE

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

John 3:16

# MERVAN ST

Spring is here, with more sunshine and the opportunity to play and grow!

November is coming and we will be focussing on... **GETTING READY FOR CHRISTMAS**, sharing ideas and making snacks, treats decorations and gifts, so whanau can celebrate Christmas without breaking the bank! Parents and preschoolers are welcome to come and join us! All this and lots of other fun as the days warm up and water play is on!!



## Allidia is on Maternity Leave

Allidia is now on Maternity Leave and will return in time. We pray a safe delivery over her and baby when the time comes.

While she's on leave we have Raewyn stepping in as the Playgroup Coordinator for Mervan Street for the mean time.

# PLAYGROUPS

## New Federal St Playgroup Coordinator

We're delighted to welcome Laura Fe'ao as our new Playgroup Coordinator for the Federal Street Playgroup in the city! Laura brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in early childhood and community work.

A few will remember her from her time with Good Seed Trust over ten years ago, and we're so excited to have her back with us.

Laura has also worked in one of our local schools and is well known for her genuine care, creativity, and passion for supporting tamariki and their families. She and her husband, Michael Fe'ao, have four beautiful grown children one daughter and three sons all of whom have been part of the Good Seed journey at some stage.

With her deep love for Christ and heart for building strong, connected communities, Laura is a wonderful addition to our team. We look forward to seeing the joy, learning, and connection she will bring to our mums and bubs in the city

## FEDERAL STREET

Our theme for our Federal St Playgroup in Term 3 was 'Dare to Dream' - which was taken from the verse in Jeremiah 29:11

"For I alone know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future".

We encouraged our mums that there were no dreams too big. This encouraged our mums to look outside the 4 walls of a room or perhaps past mistakes and to focus on what is possible for the future.



## BELLBLOCK

### Purapura Pai

Kia ora! We are Good Seeds Playgroup based in Bell Block, Taranaki. We pride ourselves on creating a warm, welcoming, and fun environment where all tamariki and whānau feel valued and included. Our playgroup is a place for connection, laughter, and learning together through play!

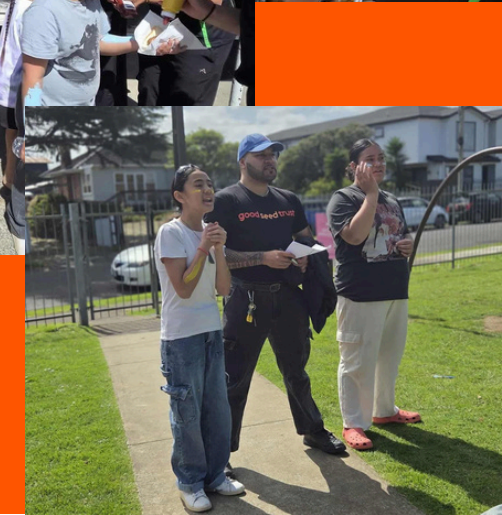


# OSCAR

## MERVAN ST

Here at OSCAR, we've recently wrapped up our two-week Holiday Programme, and it was a fantastic success! One of the standout moments for the children—aside from our exciting Trip Days—was a special session with Kiwi Can, where the team led engaging activities focused on respect and resilience. The children had a great time learning valuable life skills in a fun and interactive way.

Planning is also well underway for our December/January Holiday Programme, which promises to be full of exciting activities, new experiences, and plenty of fun for everyone.



## BELL BLOCK

We welcomed new faces and reunited with regulars for a week full of creativity, fun, and laughter—from arts and crafts to cooking, sports, scavenger hunts, and even a spring-break bake-off!

A standout moment was our Slumber Party & Fort-Making Day—pure joy and just the right amount of exhaustion! Our tamariki amazed us with their personalities, courage (yes, coloured noodles were eaten!), and enthusiasm for every challenge.



We enjoyed sunny outings, a movie trip, and countless memorable moments. Huge thanks to our awesome team, Joely, Adelle, Alix, Simon, and Lia, for keeping the energy high and the smiles flowing!

As the saying goes: "We didn't realise we were making memories, we just knew we were having fun."

We can't wait to do it all again next holidays, don't forget to register for our upcoming Holiday and After School Programmes at Bell Block, Northpoint Church!



The highlight was creating digital vision boards on Canva, where each student designed a visual story of who they are and who they're becoming. It was powerful seeing them celebrate their roots and realize that strong leaders know themselves first before they can lead others.



# LEADERS IN TRAINING

What an amazing holiday week with our youth!

We packed the days with energy and laughter—carnival games, creative arts, pool day, Minute to Win It challenges at Life Church, and a movie outing to finish it all off. Every activity gave our young people the chance to connect, try new things, and grow in confidence. It was a week of friendship, teamwork, and pure joy—a reminder of the power of coming together. This term, our Leaders in Training programme focused on identity. Through open discussions and creative reflection, students explored their values, passions, culture, and dreams to better understand what shapes them.



## TAMA KI LUGA & TEINE KI LUGA

What an incredible year it's been for our Tama ki Luga and Teine ki Luga programmes! From outdoor adventures and creative challenges to meaningful kōrero and connection sessions, our rangatahi have been stepping up, showing heart, and building confidence with every meet-up.

We've seen leadership in action, laughter that could fill a stadium, and bonds that feel more like whānau than friends. Every moment whether it's a team challenge, a mentoring session, or just hanging out and having a good yarn has helped our young people grow stronger in identity, character, and purpose.

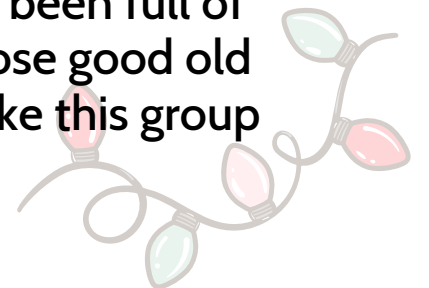
These programmes continue to be a space where our young men and women are encouraged to dream big, back themselves, and rise together! ki luga! 🌟 Thank you Skycity for making these programmes possible 🙏





# FATHERS AND KIDS PROGRAMME

What a year it's been! Our Fathers & Kids crew has been on an absolute roll from cheering loud at rugby league games to swinging (and sometimes losing balls!) on the golf course, firing up the BBQ, having a few wrestling matches that got a little too competitive, and laughing until our ribs hurt. Every catch-up has been full of energy, laughter, and those good old "dad moments" that make this group something special.



We're so grateful to Foundation North for making this programme possible. Because of their support, a bunch of everyday dads have been able to spend real, quality time with their kids learning, laughing, and building memories that will stay with us for life. Sure, it's chaos sometimes (especially when the sausages burn and the kids go rogue), but doing it together makes it all worth it.

Our dads are legends they show up, they have a laugh, and they remind us that being present is what matters most.



**"ANY MAN CAN BE A FATHER, BUT IT TAKES SOMEONE SPECIAL TO BE A DAD."**

**SEE YOU ALL NEXT YEAR  
GOOD SEEDS DADS**



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## CHILDCARE CENTRES



**goodseeds**  
children's centre

JOIN US FOR OUR

### kids christmas celebration

MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER  
10AM TO 12.30PM

JOIN US AS OUR TAMARIKI DELIGHT YOU WITH THEIR SINGING AND SHOWCASE THEIR PERFORMANCE HERE AT THE CENTRE.

25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Dec CLOSED

1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> January: CLOSED

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January: Mangere and Riverside Centre Excursion to the Zoo. (Families are welcome)

## WORKSHOPS

Workshops will resume again in February 2026

## PLAYGROUPS

Federal Street, PG

Last Day of the year Dec 17<sup>th</sup>.  
Starts back Jan 27<sup>th</sup> 2026

Mervan Street Playgroup

Last day for the year Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec

## FATHERS AND KIDS

Last event is in Dec 2025  
first event back 2026 Feb

## LIT

LIT closes up Dec 12<sup>th</sup> 2025  
starts up again February 2026

Tama & Teine Ki Luga  
Starting up January 19<sup>th</sup> 2026

## NEW PLMOUTH

Oscar Programme Last day for 2025 Dec 17<sup>th</sup>  
First day Back for Holiday Programme  
January 19<sup>th</sup> 2026  
Oscar care 2026  
starts February 2026

NP Playgroup  
closes up Dec 18<sup>th</sup> 2025  
starts back January 27<sup>th</sup> 2026



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out of school care

JAN 19 - JAN 30<sup>TH</sup> 2026  
BELL BLOCK OSCAR HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN 21	JAN 22	JAN 23
Foodie Funday	WATER GAMES	KIDS SIP N PAINT	Trip Day: Park Jam	TRIP DAY: SUPER HERO DAY
JAN 26	JAN 27	JAN 28	JAN 29	JAN 30
TACKY TOURIST DAY	Pirate Day	Bell Block Cup Day	Trip Day: MOVIE TIME	Outdoor Artists

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## OSCAR

Mervan Street Oscar  
Oscar Programme closes for the year  
Dec 17<sup>th</sup>

Xmas Holiday Programme starts  
Dec 15<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> 2025

Holiday Programme for 2026  
Starts January 5<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>



15<sup>th</sup> December - 24<sup>th</sup> December  
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME  
Contact Cherish on 027 537 3115

15 DEC	16 DEC	17 DEC	18 DEC	19 DEC
Amazing Race	Christmas PYJAMA DAY	Trip Day: POOLS	SPREAD christmas CHEER	Trip Day: MOVIE TIME
22 DEC	23 DEC	24 DEC		
Christmas CARNIVAL	Tasty Treats	SANTA'S WORKSHOP NORTH POLE HALF DAY		

WINZ SUBSIDY APPLIES email info@goodseedtrust.co.nz to enrol! 7.30 am - 6pm enquire now for bookings goodseeds out of school care