

# October Newsletter

## PIKOPIKO NEWS OCTOBER

Nickie and Aimee have been attending 'Incredible Beginnings' and we have been using the knowledge learnt within our programme. There has been lots of valuable information and we are very excited to be coming back after course to put this into practice. If you are curious to know more please come and chat to Nickie or Aimee about it :). You can come to our AGM and listen to one of our Mums share her experiences gained from attending the course for parents.

Some of the aspects covered have been:

- Predictable goodbye routines
- Engage in toddler directed play
- Child directed play/interactions to enhance language. Using non verbal signals or gestures with your verbal communication. Praise their responses
- Social coaching through child directed play. Modeling and describing children's social behaviors such as sharing, turn taking and waiting for a turn.
- Emotional coaching, during child directed play by modeling and describing children's emotions. Describe more positive emotions rather than negative.
- Promoting positive behavior through having predictable and clear schedules and routines.

This course has inspired us to create a 'Rainbow Wall' to replace our learning story wall. It will include little bits of this and that, also practices, strategies, language that we are using with the children at this time, quotes and affirmations to make us all feel good!!!

*This project is a work in progress so what that space :)*

Ka kite ano, Nickie and Aimee