

Wellington Kindergarten Association - 100 years.

Plant donated
by
Wadestown
Side School.



Our 25th birthday.

Celebration Lunch for 25th Anniversary on 25th July 2004. Attended by establishment Committee Members, original Head Teacher and local school DP.

100 Year Celebration - making the cakes.



Party time - both sessions lunch.



Photos of the
Celebration
Lunch.
All ready to go.



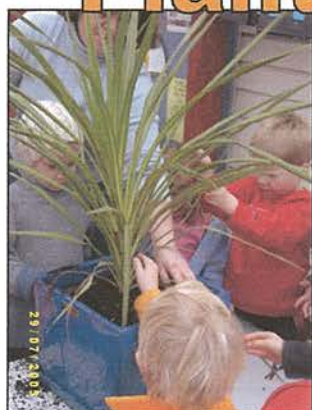
Display of old photo
albums from
past years.



Each Kindergarten has been given a cabbage tree to plant at their celebrations.



Team Planting



We have decided to plant our tree in a pot—donated by Bobbie Meyer (our local Real Estate Agent) and put it inside our building right by the front door.



Time to cut the cake.



We decided to make 3 cakes and spell out the number 100, using 2 circle tins and a loaf tin.



Hungry children wanting a piece.

That night Mandy and Yvette
attended the Celebration dinner.



@
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Hotel



Here is all of the
children's work on
display at the
dinner. Cool!!!!

Look here's our work!!!

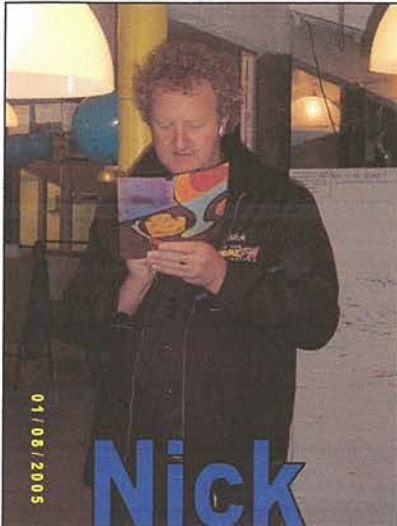


Celebration Dinner.

Thanks to all who helped make these celebrations possible. Our families for attending the lunch, Parents who helped with set/pack up, all who bought food, Bobbie Meyer for donating a pot/potting mixture, Kindergarten Association for plant, and organizing the wonderful celebration day/evening. For all the memories we shared, all the friends we caught up with, the food and entertainment. A GREAT NIGHT!

Nick's Day at Kindergarten.

Written by Mandy—1st August 2005—As part of the Association's 100th Birthday Celebrations.



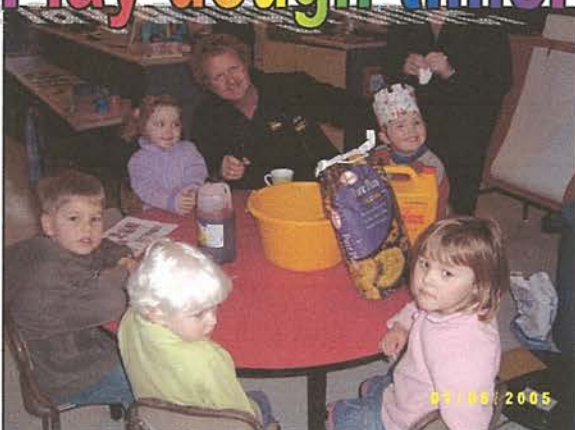
On Thursday 28th July Wellington's Dompst Newspaper ran an article about the Wellington Kindergarten Association's 100th Birthday Celebrations.

More Fm—our local Radio station read this and rang to see if they could visit, and if Nick Tansley (their roving reporter) could be a 'Kindergarten' boy for the morning. Here is a snap shot of what he got up to.

Firstly he talked to Mandy on air, and then he went around the Kindergarten checking it out.



Music Time & Play dough time.



Then we all went into the mat area and played a song on the radio

After he interviewed us we then made bright

Purple play dough with him. Nick was funny he tried to eat the dough!!

Then more talking with another lady (Mandy C—General Manager of Association), then Nick went home as he needed a BIG rest.

What a big day for him.



Here is Amy and Tom being interviewed on air by Nick.



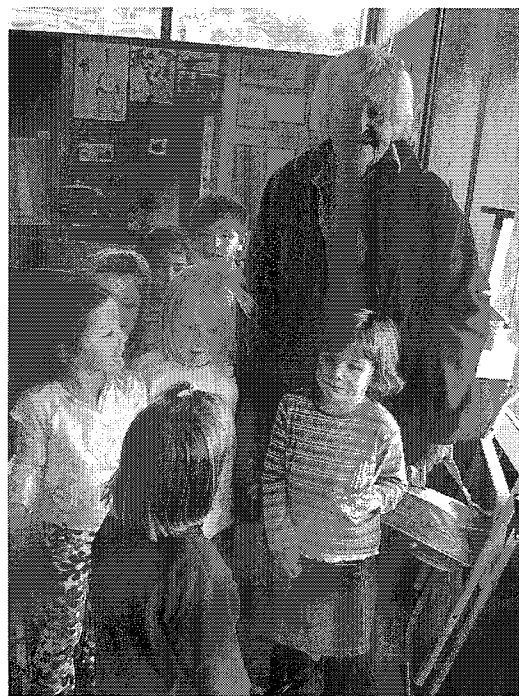
Thanks for coming Nick!

Centennial Celebrations at Seatoun Kindergarten 29 July 2005

On Friday we celebrated 100 years of kindergartens in Wellington.

Helen, Izy, Daisy and Ella planted our special cabbage tree, Te Kouka, in a sunny corner of our garden. We poured worm juice into the hole first to nourish our tree.

Amelia was having her 5th birthday party and her gran Bev became our centennial poster girl because she has been involved with our kindergarten for 40 years, first as mum and then as a grandmother! Bye Bev and thanks for your long commitment to our kindergarten.

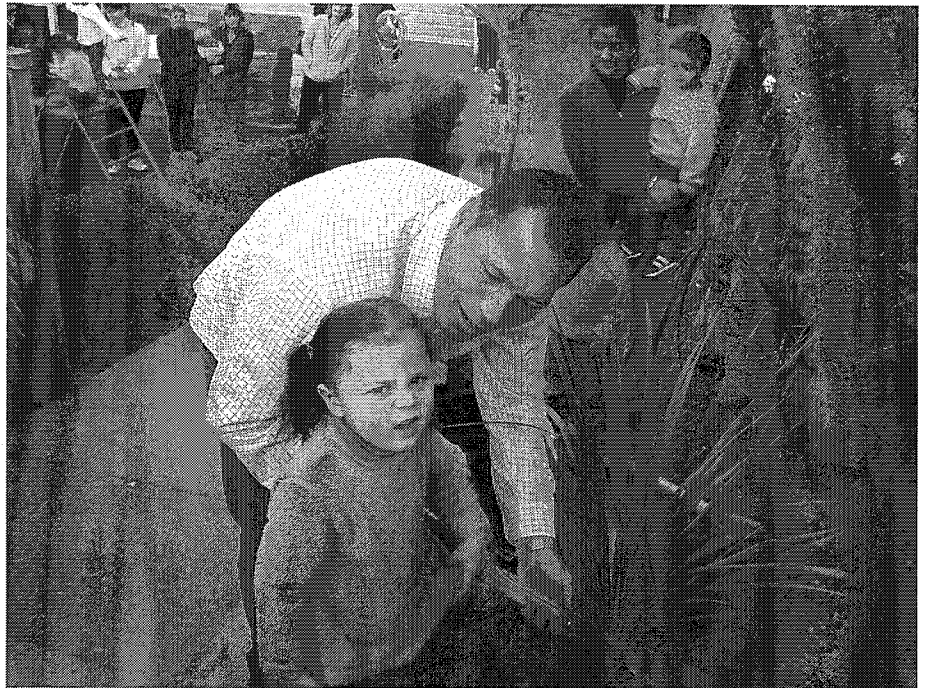


It was a special day for everyone. It's great to be part of this kindergarten community!

Kindergarten Celebrates 100 Years

Paparangi Kindergarten
3 August 2005-08-05

The Wellington Region Free Kindergarten is celebrating 100 years of kindergarten in the region, and is launching its centennial celebrations this week by having each of its 56 kindergartens plant a tree to symbolise the future growth of Kindergarten in the region. Cabbage or Kouka trees, were chosen because they have a distinctive shape, as do each of the kindergartens within their communities.



Mo and Milly Mackey planted our cabbage tree

The children of Paparangi Kindergarten dug the hole for the tree to be placed in.

Puti Mackey said a karakia and blessed our tree. Mo came to this kindergarten that his daughter now attends. Three generations of the one whanau, it was great.

"We are really excited to be celebrating 100 years of kindergarten in this area." Kindergarten Association Chairperson Cathy Cummings said, "Kindergarten has provided literally tens of thousands of children with a confident start in their education. It is something we should all be proud of and look forward to continuing to provide high quality early childhood education over the next hundred years."



Sarah Bolitho, our chairperson, made a chocolate cake that had 100 iced on it. Her and her son Hamish cut the cake and we all sang happy birthday to us.

This was followed by shared kai. A very successful lunchtime and a great time had by all.

Sarah and Hamish Bolitho cutting the cake

The celebrations will extend through to next year, to include the first Association meeting in July 1905 which lead to the first kindergarten being opened in Abel Smith Street in June 1906.

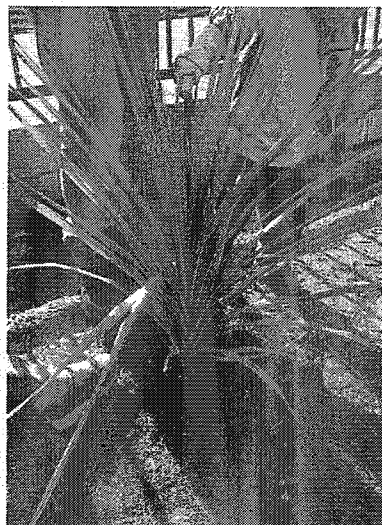
Randi Sam

Kindergarten's Associations 100 Birthday

The Kindergarten Association celebrated 100 years in New Zealand on Friday 29th July 2005.

We helped celebrate this here at Kindergarten by throwing a party where we planted a cabbage tree and made a birthday cake. Oh and of course ate the cake too!!

Planting our cabbage tree in honor of Kindergartens 100th birthday—Here Stuart and some children are preparing the ground for our tree. Thanks Stuart for helping



Happy Birthday



Once our tree was in the ground we gathered around the cabbage tree and Susan brought out the birthday cake. With some help from Pettina and Jo we lit the candles and sung 'Happy Birthday' Although we were celebrating 100 years we only gave 6 claps. But they were big ones. Once all the candles had been blown out we went and sat down to eat our cake. And wasn't it great. Yum Yum Yum



Happy Birthday



One hundred years of Wellington Kindergartens

To celebrate one hundred years of Wellington Kindergartens we were given a cabbage tree to plant in our garden. Our cabbage tree was given to us by our Kindergarten Association.

Polly's mum (Rachel) helped the children to plant the tree in our new garden that we were in the process of developing. We explained to the children that Kindergartens had been in Wellington for a very long time and it was time to celebrate. The cabbage tree was there to remember this special occasion.

29th July 2005



The children at Strathmore Park Kindergarten.

100 Years of Kindergarten. Our Tree.

September 2005.

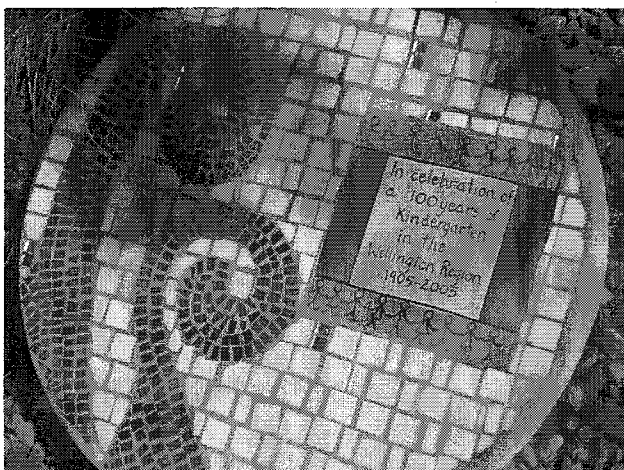
We have enjoyed learning a song about types of New Zealand trees in our garden. At Kindergarten we have lots of Trees. When we celebrated the Wellington Region Free Kindergarten's 100th year by planting a native tree we all had a meeting and decided to sing our song about trees to the families that came. Jade, Tricia and Caylem's Mum Corinne have been working hard with Pauline from the "Red Shed" on a mosaic plaque to record the planting ceremony and how excited we are. About it. We had a lovely sunny day to sing our song and help plant our tree and lay the mosaic. It looks really great!



Caylem and Matt helped carry the heavy mosaic and to set in into the stones. Tricia talked about her design and how it has mirror tiles to symbolise children adding sparkle to our lives. It has a lovely Koru design taken from the Ponga fern that symbolises how children are young buds about to unfurl and grow with encouragement from their world.

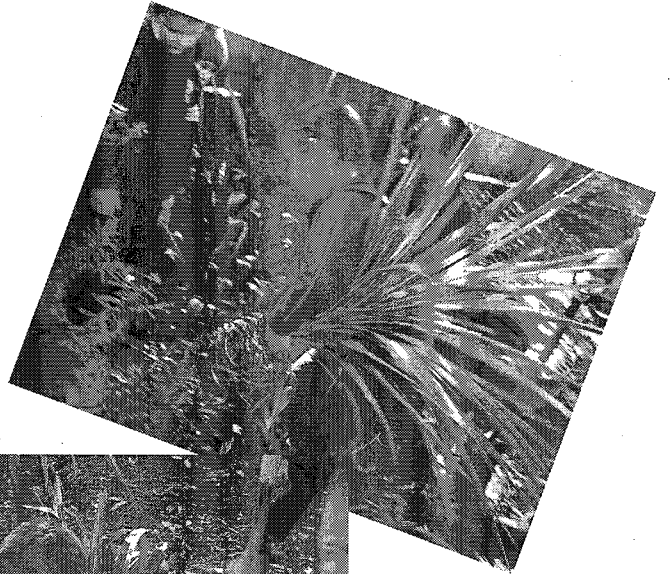


Sol, Cosmos, Reuben and Tricia planted our plant really carefully and watered it well. I wonder what it will look like 100 years from now? I wonder where Kindergartens will be. It's great to think that an organisation begun by teachers voluntarily and maintained by teachers, volunteers, donations and enthusiasm has survived and flourished despite difficulty. Huge thanks to the volunteers over the last 100 years and to those who participated in our ceremony today. Long live Kindergarten!



Happenings at Waikanae Kindergarten

Celebrating 100 years of Kindergarten
The planting of our special cabbage tree



Miriam North

Happy Birthday 100 Years of Kindergarten

Wellington kindergartens celebrate 100 years of providing quality education for your young children this week.



Children
painted a
banner!





We printed T-shirts with our hand prints with the name of our kindergarten.



Fairy bread was prepared by the children and the cake was decorated for our picnic inside due to wet weather!!!



Yummy
Yummy
Cake in my
tummy!

Dig this!



We planted our Centennial cabbage tree in
our garden!. May it grow strong with the
kindergarten in the next 100 years!!!
(Kia Kaha - Stand Strong)



Plimmerton Kindergarten



The children at
Plimmerton
Kindergarten celebrate
100 years of
Kindergartens in the
Wellington Region

**We celebrated
100 Years**

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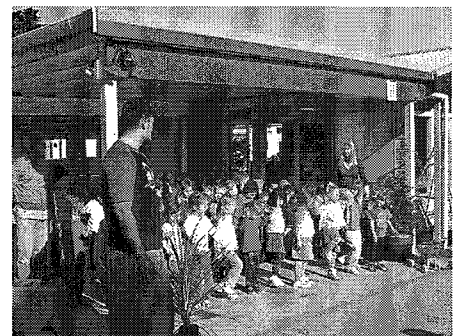
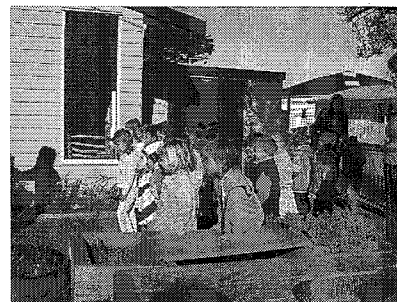


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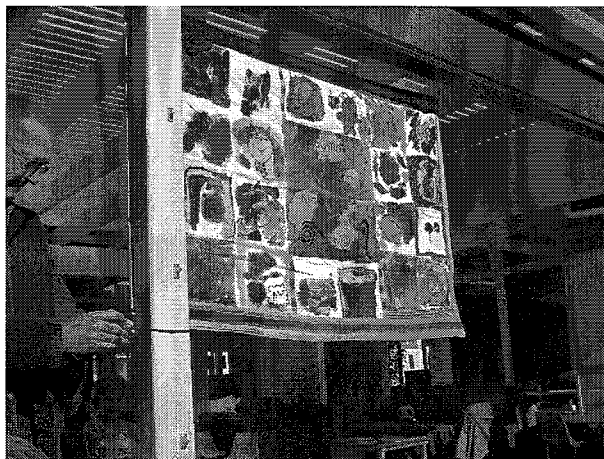
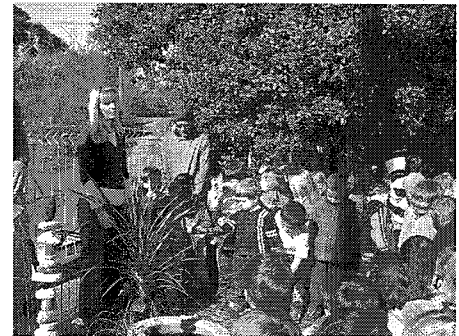
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Bellevue Kindergarten

100 Years

See what they can grow like if they are nurtured along.
Wonder if anybody else can get such great instant
results!!!! We have had a great day tree planting and
having a party.



100 years of Kindergarten

PARAPARAUMU KINDERGARTEN

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We helped dig a hole for the tree.

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