

End of Year Messages

Tēnā Kotou

Here we are at the end of another interesting year that has been full of person centered happenings despite the challenges of Covid. As our greatest asset, staff have yet again worked tirelessly to ensure the people we support have had their days filled with interesting and varied activities. On behalf of all concerned I acknowledge and thank the staff for all their hard work as without them we would not have the programmes we do.



The Chris Ruth Centre

Highlights of the Year

Whaikaha - Ministry for Disabled People was formed and went live 1st July 2022.

Our Kaiapoi centre has received several donations from community groups which is evident by the permanent cover over the deck, the shade sail and the upcoming garden redevelopment courtesy of the Bunnings project team. Our thanks are extended to all who have donated either funds, resources or their time towards these projects.

Forming a building committee for the redevelopment of the Hoon Hay site is very exciting. The completion of the Master Plan for this project is close to being finished which will allow us to commence financial planning. As you will appreciate it is a huge undertaking and will take a lot of work and input



from many sources. We will be sharing progress as it occurs, please be in touch if you would like to know more about this project.

Congratulations to Lyn Cotton and the Jolt team for yet another fantastic concert this year.

It was great to see people attend the Agriculture Show after 2 years of cancellations.

Acknowledgement to the Hillmorton

High School Kapa Haka group who performed for the Hoon Hay centres. The court theatre Māui Me Te Rā performance was also enjoyed by the Hoon Hay people. Both in support of Māori language week.

A big thank you to Pete and Dez for their ongoing commitment to our Thursday morning live music session. This is the highlight of the week for many of our people.

Further thanks to Jason Marsden (Hornby Mall manager) for organising a Halloween festive occasion for interested people.

Some of you will have completed annual goal planning meetings with the new format which has the Enabling Good Lives principles embedded.

Congratulations to Mark Ho for completing Level 3 Career Force Health and Wellbeing training.

Dates for your Calendar

I am hoping you have received your invites for the end of the year break ups. If not please find the dates here and contact your respective manager if you will be attending. Each celebration starts at 1.00pm.

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| • Hoon Hay 1 | Friday, 9th December |
| • Lamar | Wednesday, 14th December |
| • Hoon Hay 3 | Thursday, 15th December |
| • Bishopdale | Thursday, 8th December |
| • Sockburn | Monday, 12th December |
| • Kaiapoi | Friday, 16th December |
| • Ashburton | Monday, 19th December |

LAST DAY FOR 2022:
Wednesday, 21st December 2022
12 midday finish

FIRST DAY FOR 2023:
Thursday, 26th January 2023

Finally, thanks to everyone for all of your support. Have a safe and festive holiday. We look forward to seeing you all in 2023.

Ngā mihi nui
Marilyn