

## Go Bananas Rotokauri, November 2016 Newsletter



**Nau mai, welcome to all our parents/caregivers** new and old! What a wonderful start we have had opening our new centre with nearly 40 on our roll and still growing. Please keep telling your friends and whanau about our centre and its beautiful outside space.

Last week we **celebrated Diwali** together, the Indian New Year and Light Celebration. Our tamariki enjoyed the opportunity to make ladoos (sweets) and diyas (clay candle holders), sharing in prayer, tika and eating a variety of afternoon tea treats with their whanau.

Yum!



Our current learning focus is **'Explorers'** as we are all learning and getting to know **our environment and the people** within it. As you can see by the photos our tamariki are excitedly taking part in all activities on offer to them! The sandpits, bike track and gardens are amongst their favourite places to explore.

This month we will be welcoming two **new staff to the Go Bananas Team, Leonie and Lisa**. These ladies are qualified teachers and come to join us with loads of experience and knowledge to share. In our team of kaiako we have Tracy (Centre Manager), Dani, Meghan, Leonie, Lisa, Sue and Bernie (Driver & Cook).

### *What is coming up?*

*Children's Christmas Party*, 16<sup>th</sup> December with a BBQ, bouncy castle and face painting to enjoy.

*Christmas Holidays*, our centre will have reduced hours from 28<sup>th</sup> December to 6<sup>th</sup> January open from 8-4pm. Please get your forms back to us ASAP so we can work out staffing.

