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Announcement: Introducing Our Fees-Free Programme!

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We're excited to announce that our centre will soon be introducing a **Fees-Free Programme** for eligible children, helping to make early childhood education more accessible for our families!

These changes will come into effect from Monday, 28 April 2025, at the beginning of Term 2.

Here are some key things to know:

Who is eligible?

Children aged **6 months to 5 years**

How many hours are covered?

Up to **30 hours per week**, with a maximum of **6 hours per day**.
For children over 3, this includes the **20 Hours ECE** subsidy, plus **up to 10 additional hours** provided by us—completely free!

What if we need more than 30 hours?

Any hours over the 30-hour limit will be charged at our standard rate of **\$6 per hour**.

Attendance expectations and penalties:

To help us provide quality education and manage our resources, we ask families to:

- Stick to agreed drop-off and pick-up times (a 10-minute grace period applies). After three warnings, a **\$6 penalty fee** per occurrence will apply.
- Notify us of any absences **at least 24 hours in advance**—unexplained absences may incur a **\$6 per booked hour** fee.

Regular attendance is important!

Fees-free enrolments may be affected if there are long or repeated unexplained absences. We ask families to maintain at least **50% attendance per calendar month** to continue receiving this benefit.

What else to know?

- Optional extras like excursions and special activities may still have additional costs.

- Full enrolment documentation and agreement to our centre's policies are required.

We know this is a big change, and we're here to support you through it. Over the next couple of weeks, you're warmly invited to speak with our Centre Manager if you have any questions or would like to discuss how this may impact your child's enrolment.

Thank you for being part of our learning community — we're excited to roll out this new initiative and continue providing the best possible start for your little ones!

Meitaki ma'ata,



Ta'i Tamaiti and CIDANZ Teams

