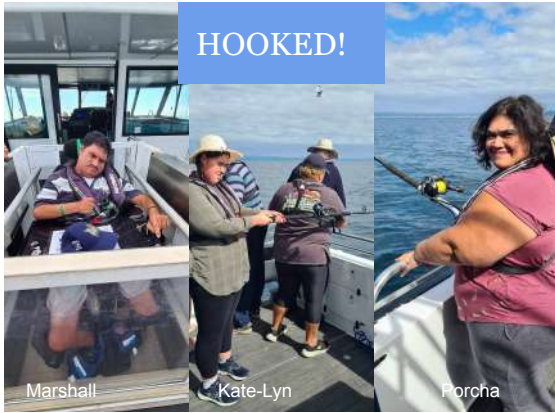


Arohanui Te Puke Newsletter

March, April & May 2024

HOOKED!



Marshall

Kate-Lyn

Porcha

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Kate-Lyn!



Cheers to another year of amazing adventures, laughter and lovely memories.

Kate-Lyn, Porcha and Marshall went on Wish4Fish. This was the first time Kate-Lyn and Porcha had been on a boat, so they were super excited about this new experience. We docked from Tauranga Bridge Marina around 10am, and were on the water for roughly 4 hours. All bait and equipment was provided, so away we went fishing. We had such a fun experience and are excited for the next fishing trip.



Tame & Keita

Hannah

Grill and Chill

We went to Memorial Park in Tauranga and had a picnic with some our friends from Greerton Centre. We sizzled some sausages on the BBQ. It was a sunny & warm day to enjoy sharing kai in the park.



One step at a time



Kyra

Kate-Lyn

Jessie



Keita, Jo, Kyra, Nicole & Kate-Lyn

We walked around the flat track of Mt Maunganui. It was a fun experience that took us under an hour to walk. We got to see the beautiful ocean view, and even saw Oscar the seal. It's a great form of therapy that gets blood circulating our bodies and boosting our moods.



Sail away with me

Sage and Jo went to Sailability in Tauranga. It was the perfect day and weather for a beautiful sail in the Tauranga Harbour.

Sailability Tauranga shares the joy and fun of sailing with people living with disability. They provide the opportunity to sail safely, experience adventure and freedom.



Sage & Jo

Sage

On Thursday mornings Porcha, Marshall and Kate-Lyn volunteer at Salvation Army. It's an excellent opportunity to gain work experience and increase social connections.

Work Experience



Kate-Lyn

Porcha



Porcha & Marshall

Some of our duties are pricing books, board games and soft toys, hanging out garments on racks, organising jewellery for glass display, greeting customers and tidying up around the shop. We enjoy our roles and take pride in the work we do.

On an egg-citing adventure



We participated in an Easter egg hunt.

We had to find eggs laying around the center. Once we found them, we handed them to the staff to receive our treat. Some eggs were found on vehicle windows, the rubbish bin lid, in the garden, even near the gutter. We had so much fun hunting, but mostly eating the chocolate eggs. YUMMY!!!



Sam



Maxine



Kyra



Kate-Lyn



Nicole



Porcha



Jo



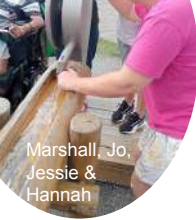
Water Play



Marshall



Kate-Lyn, Jo, Jessie, Hannah & Marshall



Marshall, Jo, Jessie & Hannah

Jessie, Jo, Kate-Lyn, Marshall and Hannah visited the Lakes waterpark.

There's a series of wooden water chutes that can be turned on at the press of a button or turn of a handle. We loved the sensory experience including the troughs and spinning water wheels.



Jessie



Nicole



Hannah



Jessie & Bryn



Brooke



Bryn

Sensory Galore!

This year we started visiting Te Puke High's sensory room. One of the things we enjoy doing there is gazing at all the blooming colorful lights around the room. There's a variety of musical instruments to play with such as drums, bongos, keyboard, shakers and guitars. We love exploring the fidget toys, spiral timers and all the soft plush toys. It's always an exciting time for us to embrace exploration, curiosity and creativity.



Sage



Jessie

MARSHALLS ANIMAL PARK TAURANGA



Many of us visited Marshalls Animal Park based in McLaren Falls. At the ticket booth we bought some animal feed. Upon entering the park we giggled at the pig that was causally napping on the footpath in the sun, it was super adorable!



Adriaan



Kyra



Jo & Sage

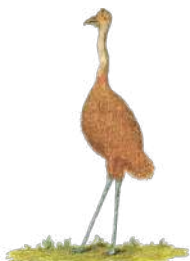


Kate-Lyn



Jessie

Jo fed a horse whilst Sage got up close to watch. Jessie and Kate-Lyn fed an excited goat. We also fed the ducks, a sheep and 4 cute piglets. We saw a gorgeous stag, 2 alpacas and some emus. We cuddled up with the guinea pigs and greeted a smart parrot.



After our walk, we were hungry so sat down to have lunch before returning to the centre. We had an amazing time at the farm and enjoyed getting to pet some of the animals. We look forward to returning to the farm.



Nicole



Bryn