

Visit Days—

If Tuesdays and Thursdays don't work for you and your whanau, please let us know.

## **TRANSITION TO**





"The sparkle in the fiveyear-old eyes when they start school must be sustained" Deputy Principal of a large urban primary school



# **DANNEVIRKE SOUTH SCHOOL Transition**

Transition at Dannevirke South School is a whānau affair. Our aim is to immerse vour tamariki in our learning environment so they become part of our school family. Every week for 10 weeks tamariki and whānau come to school and join in with our class programme. Dannevirke South School offers 'play based learning.' We know the importance of developmentally appropriate learning

opportunities balanced with smaller group work and explicit teaching in 'Reading, Writing and Maths.' Transitioning tamariki will be able to build relationships with new friends, kaiako and reconnect with old friends from Kindy and Pre-School.

#### Jenna and Caroline will...

- $\Rightarrow$  Build strong relationships with Early Childhood services.
- $\Rightarrow$  Use early childhood records of learning and interviews to get to know your child.
- $\Rightarrow$  Get to know your child's culture, background, interests, strengths, and what they've already learnt (and using this to tailor their learning).
- $\Rightarrow$  Set up a tuakana/teina (buddy system) for your child before they start school.

"Transition to school from an early childhood service is a critical time for children as it sets them on their learning pathway for life." - Education Review Office 2015



Jenna Hutchings New Entrants Teacher Assistant Principal



Caroline Heald New Entrants Teacher

















#### $\Rightarrow$ 10 weeks

- $\Rightarrow$  Alternating Tuesdays and Thursday (See back for dates).
- 9am—11am.  $\Rightarrow$
- $\Rightarrow$  Engage in 'Play-based Learning' as well as a formal lesson.



### Other Information...

- All tamariki will be provided with free ٠ school lunches
- Stationery is available from the school office and can be purchased before your child starts school. This will last for their first year.
- School Uniforms can be purchased at 'The Warehouse' Dannevirke, Stitch Me, and soon available online through NZ Uniforms.