

# Te Mahuri Hub Newsletter Term 4, #3 2019

## Time is moving quickly

We are entering a busy time of the year when there are many different things to get done and finished before the year is over. In LIGHTS this has been finishing off of the 'G' go for it phases from last term: Finishing building the green house, getting the new vegetable seedlings planted, settling the chooks into the food forest, presenting donations raised to the respective organisations.



## Greenhouse Project

The vision of both the Food Economics group and the Food Nutrition group was to grow healthy food here at school. While it feels like we are only really getting started into growing food as this is a long term process it has been very satisfying to get the greenhouse built plant our first batches of seedlings out. The Food Economics group was wanting to build a greenhouse to grow food here at school for a longer season so that it doesn't need to be transported. The Food Nutrition group's aim is to grow food free from nasty chemicals - these overlap neatly and the ongoing project of looking after the gardening is now open for all students to participate in if they wish.

It also builds on the vision of the food forest, creating a place where children can connect with nature and have a genuine experience of where food comes from.



The children wanted the greenhouse to be built from reused materials, so we advertised on Facebook for old trampolines and used these to build the frame of the greenhouse. The door is an old camp-bed frame and windows the legs of this bed. This has been a large construction project with support from Mrs Manson's Dad and friend, Mr Red and many kids from across TP pitching in to help. We wish to particularly express our gratitude also to MITRE 10 HORNBY for very generously contributing to the purchase of the clear plastic and plant seeds. A big thank you also to Hope Church who own the field next to the school buildings and have allowed us to have the greenhouse located there. Here, away from the hedges it will be able to get full sun and be in full view for all to watch but out of reach of curious little fingers and sticks. On Tuesday we carried it out of the school to the current location with a group of the TP kids, it must have been a sight - a tunnel house with lots of feet walking down the verge and across the paddock!

# Up-and-Coming Events

<b>Wk 5</b>	Thursday 14 November	<b>School Trip to A &amp; P Show</b>
	Friday 15 November	<b>Show Day - Public Holiday. No School.</b>
<b>Wk 6</b>	Monday 18 November	<b>Teacher Only Day - No School.</b>
<b>Wk 7</b>	Whole week	<b>Book Fair Week</b>



Children spending some time praying for each other in 'buddy prayers' on Wednesday morning.

