

We will provide a variety of different areas of play. Based on the philosophy that children are learning when they play and play facilitates learning.

Family and dramatic play:

Dress-ups, family corner, kitchen, dolls, pushchairs, cots etc. Build your own family in the dolls house.

Creative play: (set up in Activity Room)

Painting, collage, play-dough, cutting, gluing, natural resources, gifts and crafts. Different activities planned weekly. Have you any interesting ideas?

Books, Language and Music:

Enjoy the musical instruments. Read books from the library. Join in at mat-times with singing, dancing, rhymes and counting etc.

Physically active play:

Large outdoor area. Have a play on our playground, swing on the swings or climb over our climbing boxes. Ride, push or pull on our large range of bikes, trolleys and scooters etc.

Constructive play:

Build with our blocks, cars and train set. Have fun in the sandpit.

Exploratory play:

Water play mainly in summer. Come on our trips to parks, farms and other interesting places. Watch our plants grow, caterpillars change to butterflies, tadpoles change to frogs.

Manipulative play:

Puzzles for all ages and stages. Nesting and stacking toys. Various sorting and matching equipment.



Part of the Manukau Baptist Community Trust

Connect

Wednesday's

(Term time only)
9:00 - 12:00pm

Playgroup

Where: Connect Baptist Church
75 Everglade Drive
Manukau

Cost: \$3 per child
\$5 per family
Under 1 yr Free



Who are we?

Connect Playgroup's aim is to provide a place for parents, caregivers and their children to meet on a weekly basis in a friendly and fun Christian environment. We have been running since 1985 and are part of Manukau Baptist Community Trust.

Our programme seeks to provide a mixture of learning and play opportunities aimed at fostering our children's social and developmental skills in a positive environment of love and acceptance.

Coupled with this, Connect Playgroup is a supportive environment for parents and caregivers as they take time out to relax and connect with other parents and caregivers.

Connect Playgroup Guidelines

- Connect Playgroup is run co-operatively and each parent or caregiver is responsible for the children they bring
- Your input with the children is valuable. Children learn best when adults take an interest and play. We are happy to listen and share ideas
- Dress the children in practical play clothes
- Remember sunhats and sunscreen
- Positive behavior techniques should be used:
 - Praise good behavior
 - No smacking is allowed
 - Help children resolve conflict positively
 - Redirect to a more acceptable activity if necessary
 - Help children to express their feelings verbally
 - No Smoking/Drugs/Alcohol or inappropriate Material is permitted
 - Supervise children and be ready to step in before problems arise



Parent Help / Morning Tea Roster

Morning Tea for children is supplied. Tea and coffee is supplied for adults. We do ask if once a term you can put your name on the morning tea roster. This involves bringing a plate to share for the adults, one piece of fruit for the children and being a parent help in the kitchen on that morning.

Clean Up

Tidying up at playgroup is a team effort. Job cards are handed out just after morning tea. Tidying up shouldn't start till 11.10 at the earliest. Many hands make light work.

Committee

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Parent Notice Board

Don't forget to check this out. It has important information about trips coming up. A copy of the latest newsletter is kept here if you have misplaced yours. It often has other helpful information that is sent to us to share with you.

More Information

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