



## SPRING NEWS



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Our thanks to (from left) David, Renee, Daphne, John, Tina, Justin & Sharina for being the faces of Chrome this month.



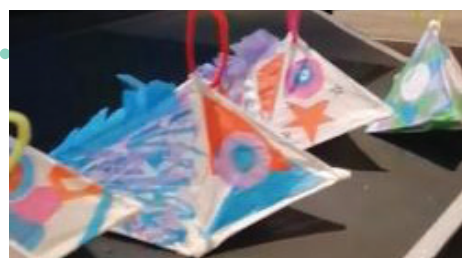
## LIGHTING UP THE PARADE

How do you outshine the lights at the Katikati Lanterns & Lights Parade?

You wear hi-vis and be a warden! That's what Beau, Stephen, Tina, & Daphne did (along with helpers Julie, Kathy & Fi) during the first ever Lanterns & lights event held on July 22nd.

Everyone had the opportunity to make a fish lantern before the parade but it wasn't until it got dark that we began to see them glow.

Katch Katikati thought our wardens were awesome and will be inviting us to more events in the future.



**Thank you TECT**  
For being at the heart  
of our community

## TECT HELPS THE CAUSE

We are thrilled to be one of the many community groups that TECT supports. They have offered us a \$20,000 grant which will go towards our annual operating costs. We, naturally, gratefully accepted!

Visit us **IN PERSON** at 3 Wharawhara Rd, Katikati [open Tuesday - Saturday, 9am-3pm]  
or **ONLINE** at [ChromeCollective.co.nz](http://ChromeCollective.co.nz) and on our [FaceBook](#) page



# PARENT P.R.E.P WORKSHOP



## Come along to our Parent P.R.E.P workshop! For all families with disabled children.

We would love to have you join us at our Parent P.R.E.P workshop. P.R.E.P stands for Preparing to Transition, Recruiting Support Workers, Enabling Good Lives and Possibilities for the Future. This workshop is an opportunity for families to connect with others to learn about navigating the system, gaining an understanding of the EGL principles and learn how to use these principles to achieve the best life for all.

The topics covered on the day will be:

- Navigating the system
- Securing NASC funding
- Vision, aspirations and goals
- Recruiting staff and how to maximise them to achieve
- EGL framework, principles and possibilities

Many thanks to The Chrome Collective and COGS for generously supporting this event.

### Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2022

**When:** 9am—4pm  
**Where:** The Arts Junction Theatre, 36 Main Road, Katikati  
**Who:** All families with disabled children  
**Cost:** Free | Lunch Provided

### Contact us to register:

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# LEARNING TO LIVE POSITIVE LIVES

Three mornings a week, more than a dozen keen students and their support workers turn up to Charli Crocker's course with the aim of going from Good to GREAT!


The edvance course is designed to teach skills for success. Charli says adaptability and creating positive forward movement are key. She says support workers are having a massive impact on positivity and adaptability and they're getting a lot out of the course too.

Some of the key messages include:

- To be proud of who we are and what we do.
- Rather than look at how we are different, we try to get out to community activities at least once a week and look for things we have in common with others.
- It's OK to not be OK. How to deal with emotions, including those of others.
- Time management & goal setting - what we're looking for in our lives & how we can build our skills and overcome challenges.
- Making everyday routines, finding things to be grateful for, & being our own advocates.
- Building Practical life skills.





Charli describes it as a holistic educational journey. One of her students puts it a little more simply: "I really like it. It's a good atmosphere. We go for walks, we make stuff, and we talk about stuff. When the boys aren't being too noisy!"





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EMPOWERING WORKPLACE PRODUCTIVITY



Chrome Collective Community

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John from @Rotary Kati delivered a new laptop for Renee this morning (and thanks to Jude Robinson for organising it). She absolutely LOVES it. She's been listening to Westlife CDs and treating the shop to a concert 🎵. A huge thanks for the desktop for the Collective too. We so appreciate your support.

#disabilityinclusion #katikati #chromecollective #fundingnews



## ROTARY SHOWS GENEROSITY

If you follow us on Facebook, you might already have seen this photo of a beaming Renee with a Laptop donated to us by Katikati Rotary. Our thanks to Jude Robinson for organising this.

They also gave us a desktop computer donated for the main workspace so our entrepreneurs can access the internet when they're volunteering here (and maybe get a few tips from Fi). Thanks Rotary, this really makes a big difference to us.



## FACEBOOK HIGHLIGHT

We do all sorts of fun things in our workspace. Including guitar lessons! Here's Justin living out his rock'n'roll dreams.

## BUDDIES NEEDED

Want to work with people just as cool as the ones you meet in this newsletter? We're always on the lookout for support people. At the moment we have two great guys that could use a new buddy:



1. A 51-yr old WAIHI BEACH man who lives with Aspergers is looking for a 'MAN FRIDAY'. He loves swimming and biking and goes to the gym three times a week. He also enjoys building tasks and gardening. Ideally you will provide support for the 24hr period from 7am Friday to 7am Saturday each week with availability to fill in for others when needed. There's no personal care required, he goes to bed about 8.30pm, and sleeps through the night. Pay rate is based on experience, \$22-\$28 per hour for each hour you're on site (so \$528 - \$672 for the shift) and you'll be working directly for the family. If this sounds like you ... and you're OK with being police-checked ... please contact Cheryl on 021 705 963.
2. Respite care is also needed for a 65-yr old man in his own home in KATIKATI. He is unable to see but is mobile and no personal care is required. He is being assessed for funding and we anticipate this will be for about 10 hours per week through a private arrangement. He is currently pretty house-bound and the family are looking for someone who will engage with him to discover his interests and help him live his best life. Pay rate is \$22-28ph depending on experience. Must be vaccinated and will be police-vetted. Shelley from the Chrome Collective is the one to contact about this: 021 494 884 or shelly@chromecollective.co.nz



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