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Spring has sprung and it is so nice to see some warm, sunny days taking over from the rain and wind. I hope for those of you, who have had a terrible time with illnesses, that you are over the worst of it and your families are well again.

This month we had **Sasha, from Fostering Kids** come and talk with us. Fostering Kids NZ supports caregiver families, this includes grandparents raising their grandchildren. They provide training, advocacy, information, publications and support services to the caregiver families. They also have events in the year.

I have attached an information sheet regarding their courses and as well as opportunities for your children to be nominated for upcoming events such as “free bikes for children” and “Face Your Future” sponsored by L’Oreal for young people aged 16-18 years.

If you would like to become a member of Fostering Kids NZ, I have attached a membership form or I can post one out to you.

Sasha left us with some children’s back packs that had pj’s, blanket, underwear and singlets and a toiletry bag. They are available in boys and girls as well as various ages. If you did not get one and would like one for your children, please let me know.

Feeling Fab are hosting a **high tea fundraiser** to fund their pamper days. The event is on Saturday, 15 October, RSA Room, Coronation Hall, Library Lane, Albany at 1pm. Please let me know if you would like to attend, it should be a fun afternoon.

It is nearly that time again, Christmas will be here before we know it. I have booked the Whangaparaoa Play Centre for our **Christmas Party**. It will be on Sunday, 27 November, I’ll be sending out invitations in the next week or so.

Our next meeting together is Wednesday, 5 November at 11.00am. Hope to see you there.

If there is anything you need, or would just like to chat give me a call or drop me an email.

Take care,

Sonia

