



Kia ora tamariki mā, what a fabulous day out we all had to celebrate Americarna.

Americarna is a local event that happens here in New Plymouth each year. It is lovely to return to these sort of gatherings that in the past the pandemic had prevented us all being involved in.

This year Mountain View Summerset Rest Home invited us down to join in their festivities. We walked down to the Rest Home stopping on the way for a quick play at the playground. When we arrived we had our morning tea. As we waited in anticipation for the cars our tamariki were kindly given an ice block to enjoy. The cars pulled up right in front of us and slowly drove past.

We waved the American flags that our children had busily made in the last few weeks at kindergarten, along with some new American flags that we were given. The children talked about their favourite cars pointing out makes, models and colours. What a marvellous way to explore our local community and be part of the festivities.

On our way back to kindergarten we stopped for a longer play at the playground before walking back up the hill to kindergarten. A big thank you to all our wonderful helpers making this excursion possible.

**Ngā Kaiako Angela, Liz and Jennifer
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