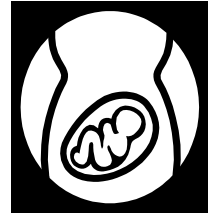




# Mamaternity

## Charitable Trust



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## February/March 2011

**Hello everyone**

I hope everyone had some much deserved time off over the holiday season and managed to recharge the batteries for 2011. I got a spot of camping in with my husband and 3 girls, nephews and niece out at the gorgeous Vinegar Hill and the weather was absolutely perfect for us, so great that I ended up getting a very burnt face and shoulders! This for me just highlights the fact that as mums we tend to spend our days attacking the kids with lashings of sunscreen to protect them from the elements but we seem to forget all about ourselves, so please remember that we all need to take the time to take care of ourselves too, you may even like to encourage the kids to help you put it on & this will be great practice for them. I have to say we all had a lot of fun without the TV, computer and other modern technology. There is just a beauty in sitting around the camp fire cooking marshmallows and damper on the end of a long stick and telling the kids stories, although I have to admit the first thing I did when I got home was boil the jug... hmmm.. modern technology is not so bad after all!

**50% OFF!! 50% OFF!! 50% OFF!! 50% OFF!! 50%OFF!!**

Are you having a winter baby? Are you finding it hard trying to find hand knitted jersey's & cardigans? Well here at the Palmerston centre we have a bunch of locally made hand knitted wool items and yes they are all 50% off! Down from \$20 to \$10 until the stock runs out!

We also have Naturo Pharm products on sale down from \$20.70 to \$13! That's a HUGE savings!!

**Volunteers.** . . Unfortunately for Mamaternity one of our volunteers 'Stephnie Luttrell' is leaving us and making the move to Taupo. Stephnie has been with the trust for a few years and in that time she has been a Trust Board member and a great volunteer for both Feilding & PN filling in when and wherever she is needed. We are really going to miss her and her daughter Ella and we wish them all the best!



### Thinking of Selling?

Please call Tim Cook at Harveys and mention this Advert. Tim will donate \$500 to Mamaternity Charitable Trust for every successful house sale through Harveys, Palmerston North

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**KiwiClings.** . . . Mamaternity has started selling KiwiClings products at each centre on an order basis. If you are one of the few that do not know what KiwiClings are, well KiwiClings are window, mirror, door decorations and kids just absolutely love them. They can be reused over & over again. So if you want to do the themes throughout the year you can easily take them off. Great for decorating the kids rooms or even the bathroom in a fishy theme as they also stick to tiles & shower doors! I have order forms here & in our Feilding Centre so come in & have a look at the many themes available. Prices range from \$2.50 single sheets—\$17.00 sets.

## **Nana's & Poppa's... Auntie's & Uncles**

I have to say, I am one of the many parents out there that are lucky enough to have my own set of awesome parents and siblings. There is absolutely nothing in this world they would not do for me, having the grandchildren over to stay for the weekend, doing the occasional after school pick ups and making us Sunday lunch spreads that only dreams are made of! I don't know what I would do without my family, but to be honest I do seem to take them for granted a lot of the time.

Unfortunately this is not the case with a lot of families and in a lot of cases the extended family tend to find themselves as the permanent caregiver to their grandchildren, nephews or nieces due to circumstances beyond their control.

They may find themselves with a child who lives in an age where things are changing at a fast pace and don't know how to deal with the changes? Or struggling between their role as grandparent and parent. If you are or you know someone who has taken on the responsibility of looking after their mokopuna, why not look up the following website for some great ideas or support groups. Realising that they are not alone is the first step, and sometimes it may be enough just to know that there are other dedicated grandparents out there with the same problems. Maybe, you/they might be at a really good stage in the relationship and might have some great advice for someone else? Whatever the case just take the first step and go to [www.raisinggrandchildren.org.nz](http://www.raisinggrandchildren.org.nz). For all those who have stepped up to the mark, this makes you very special and for that I commend you!

## **Christchurch . . .**

Mamaternity Charitable Trust would like to send out our deepest sympathy and prayers to Christchurch and anyone who was affected by the quake that brought Christchurch to it's knees and the rest of New Zealand to a complete standstill last month. We along with the rest of the country struggled to make sense of it all but to no avail? All we can do is hope and pray for a better tomorrow. Both of our centers started up a collection for our pregnant mums and babies of Christchurch. The response to this was great and we realized that there are so many people who want to give to this cause and we are so grateful for them! We did have a family from Christchurch who arrived in Palmerston North a few days after collection started. I was informed she was a mum of 2 boys ages 13 and 7years, a 9year old girl and a baby on the way. With the help of the people who donated to Mamaternity, this family has received an array of pre-loved baby items, nappies and wipes which were passed onto her midwife. Thank you to all of those who brought things into both centers. To any of the businesses who this letter reaches. If you would like to donate to this family in anyway please contact me on (06) 3555 230. Kia Kaha New Zealand, we are an amazing place!



**QUOTE - "Love knows no limit to its endurance, no end to its trust, no fading of its hope; it can outlast anything. Love still stands when all else has fallen."**

**Happy parenting everyone  
Corrinne Tripp**