

Extraordinarily competent, immensely confident...

(Te Whāriki Aspiration Statement, 2017, p.7)

Brielle, when you choose to create something, you do it with a big heart!

Brielle, it is hard not to notice how you set your mind to creating, and then do this with a big focus that keeps your attention for a very long time. We have seen, over and over, how you have loved to wrap up presents you have made, and then keep them close to your heart through the rest of the day. What I notice now is that this creative expression, driven so often by empathy and kindness, has turned itself into 'art plus technology' and the results are dramatic!

My thoughts on your Learning... Brielle, these photos are only a very small window into your burning interest in the glue gun, and all kinds of materials that can be used to form a collage of creative beauty. The point that no one here has missed is that these take extraordinary amounts of time to complete and that your attention is very focussed throughout. What is of big interest to us is the way you are constructing these with an intention to build them in a 3D format and thinking about the technological problems you have to solve in order to achieve your plans.



How might we all support this learning to flourish?

I think the many possibilities are just surfacing, as this burning interest will see you returning to express your ideas again and again. We had you in mind as we put more glue gun sticks on the shopping list and plenty of them, for you are so very intent on further exploration of this media, as you combine determined precision, technological innovation and creativity together! That is one explosive combination for learning success lifelong!
Arohanui Lorraine

"A creative process may begin with a flash of a new idea or with a hunch. It may just start as noodling around with a problem, getting some fresh ideas along the way. It's a *process*, not a single event, and genuine creative processes involve critical thinking as well as imaginative insights and fresh ideas."

Ken Robinson -author of *Out of Our Minds: Learning to Be Creative*.