The Quadicat Cafe A Child-Led Project







Tilly-Rose, from HB Tuatara, set a goal during her IEM to run a cafe.

We had a couple of Learning at Home days organising menus and making posters. Mum did the shopping the night before and we finished prepping all the supplies we needed. In the morning we bought everything in to school and started setting up the tables and decorations as well as putting everything where it was easily accessible once the cafe opened. We had some lovely parent helpers (Krystal and Claire) to chop up fruit, assemble pizzas and help set everything up. Tilly-Rose got some homebase Tuatara friends to help her set up the counter and beautify the paper table-cloths with cat drawings.

Once the cafe opened it was full-on! The stream of customers came all of lunch time!

It was hard keeping track of the orders but all the helpers did a fabulous job of remembering who had ordered what.

Carrot cake and strawberry milkshakes were the favourites.

After the lunch rush, we spent the afternoon tidying up and then counted the money. Tilly-Rose ordered the money into piles of \$10 and then counted each one... \$165!

She knew from her planning that the food cost about \$100 to buy and she would get to keep \$20wages which left \$45 to donate to kitten food for the SPCA. They have offered Tilly-Rose a tour of all the animals as a thank you so, watch this space...

"It was fun doing the cafe, doing things with my friends. I had a great time running the cafe. It was hard when people just kept on coming and coming and coming. I kept on doing my cafe and in the end, it was fine. I would do it two more times. The best part was selling all the food!"