

A Special Picture for a Special Friend

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What a funny time it has been. Today was our first day back at Kindergarten after a nationwide Rāhui (lockdown) to eliminate a silly virus called Covid-19. Jiya, you were so pleased to be back at Kindergarten, and even more pleased to see your friend Erica! You came to me and showed me a picture that you had drawn at home, especially for your friend Erica. What a kind and thoughtful idea Jiya. Erica's Mummy told me that you and Erica had had some playdates during the Rāhui via video call. What a great way to keep connected with each other. Isn't technology amazing! Erica was very happy to receive such a special picture from you Jiya, and you explained to her that it was a picture of you and her playing unicorns together.

What learning do I see happening for Jiya?

Jiya, you are such a kind and thoughtful friend. Last term I wrote a story called 'The Magic of Friendship', and how great that even after a long time apart, you and Erica have picked up your friendship where you left off. Friendships are very important, and a special thing to treasure and hold on to. Jiya, I thought your picture was fabulous! You had drawn yourself taller with dark hair, and Erica smaller with blonde hair. Just like you both are in real life! And I LOVED your unicorn horns! I have noticed your strong interest in drawing the people who are special to you Jiya, I look forward to seeing more of your amazing pictures.