

Kia Ora (Maori/NZ), **Hello** (English), **Bula** (Fijian), **Welkom** (South African), **Huān yíng** (Chinese-Mandarin), **Ayubowan, Vanakkam** (Sri Lankan), **Namaste** (India), **Bem-vindos** (Brazil), **Marhaba** (Arabic), **Hallo** (Dutch), **Choum Reap Sour** (Cambodia), **Geía sou** (Greek), **Mbote, Jambo** (Congolese), **Konnichiwa** (Japanese), **Hola** (Spanish), **Annyeonghaseyo** (South Korea) **Israel Shalom** (Hebrew)

PAID UNION MEETING FOR TEACHERS ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER, 2016

School will be open on this day, although Teachers who are part of the Primary Teachers Union will be attending a legal paid Union Meeting, from 9.00am -10.00am at the Claudelands Event Centre, before returning to school.

We have arranged for a skeleton crew to be here in the morning and the Principal will remain at school to oversee. Office staff and Teacher Aides will also be on site for medical monitoring.

I have tried to minimise the impact on families and have arranged the following programme for students.

If you have any queries then please don't hesitate to contact me: brians@tetotara.school.nz

Time	Action	Supervision
8.15am onwards	Students go to their rooms as normal and put their bags away as normal and play	Teachers on duty around the school and at Moonlight crossing from 8.30am. The pickup and drop off zone will not have a welcoming teacher. Principal will be in charge of the school as usual and on duty.
8.55am	Bell goes for start of school day; students go to the pod area for roll call and activities.	Supervised by at least one teacher in Year 3 & 4, with two teachers in the Year 1-2 area. Our school leaders have also offered to help support younger children. Teacher Aides will also support students of need.
10.25am - 10.35am	Eating for Learning in the pod	Supervised by at least one teacher in Year 3 & 4, with two teachers in the Year 1-2 area.
10.35am - 11.05am	Normal play for children	All four duty areas are supervised by teachers as normal
11.05am	All teachers return to start class programmes	Normal school resumes

PRINCIPAL'S EMAIL HACKED

Earlier this week my email account was hacked resulting in many, many people getting an email from me asking to open and sign a document. We have tried to contact as many people as we can to ask them not to open the document and to delete any emails from me asking to sign a document. Our technicians have been working hard behind the scenes to make things right.

My apologies for the inconvenience and thanks for the understanding while we get our systems all sorted out.

** URGENT ** SIBLING OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

The Board of Trustees are looking to accommodate, if possible, younger siblings of current students and children of staff in the 2017 school year. To help determine this, we urgently require Enrolment Forms in to the School Office by **Friday 9th September, 2016** to help with this process. Click on the online link [Enrolment Form](#) or visit the School Office for an Enrolment Form.

Further information around the timeline and process will follow shortly.

GREATS AND GRANDS DAY

- MATAWHERO, ORION, NEPTUNE & KÖPŪ TEAMS

Date: Friday 16th September, 2016

Time: 9:00am – 12:30pm

Where: Meet in Matariki for a special programme before moving to classrooms

Why: For Greats and Grands to share their stories and memories which are special to them. The children will reciprocate and will also be eager to share their learning.

Further information in a separate newsletter to the Matawhero, Orion, Neptune and Kōpū students will be sent home.

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PHOTOLIFE SCHOOL PHOTOS

We have had many queries from families regarding the "Shoot Keys" from Photolife; these will be arriving to school shortly and will be sent home with the oldest child in each family. You will then be able to order your photos online with this code.

"BEST FOOT FORWARD" PRODUCTION TICKETS

TUESDAY 20TH & WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2016

@ 1.00PM & 7.00PM

Tickets on sale NOW!..... available to purchase at the School Office by cash, cheque or EFT-POS only. Sorry, no payments via internet banking accepted nor any refunds given.

At the time of printing this newsletter, there are only 68 tickets available for Tuesday evening and 120 tickets available for Wednesday evening performances; so get in quick!

Ticket prices are:

\$10.00 Per adult (13 years and older)

\$5.00 Per child (12 years and under)

\$5.00 Pre-schooler requiring own seat

Free Pre-schoolers (when sitting on the knee of an adult paying ticket)

Because of the number of classes involved (18 classes), we have split into two groups and have certain days that we are performing:

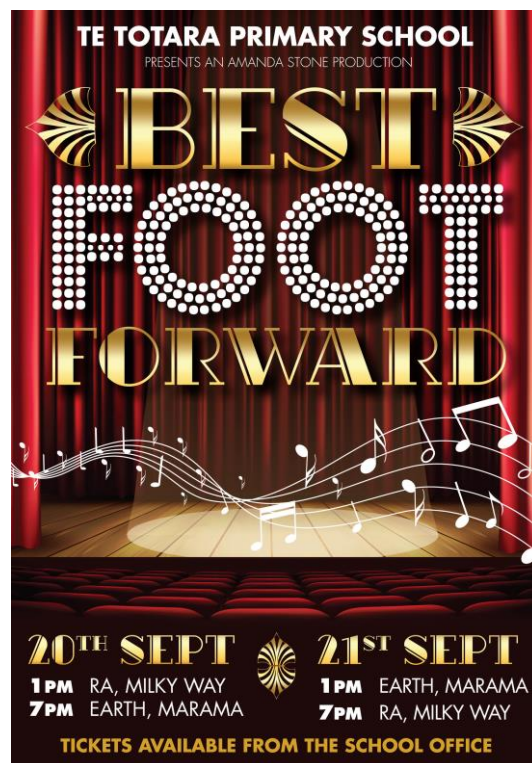
Tuesday 20th September, 2016

1.00pm (Ra & Milky Way) & 7.00pm (Earth & Marama)

Wednesday 21st September, 2016

1.00pm (Earth & Marama) & 7.00pm (Ra & Milky Way)

- Only **300 tickets** are available for each performance so don't miss out!
- Doors open at 12.30pm for matinee & 6.30pm for evening performances.
- The number on your ticket is **NOT** your seat number. **Seating is on a first-come-first-served basis.** However, there will be wheelchair access with allocated seating - if you require this service, please advise the School Office when purchasing your tickets.
- Main cast details for each show is available at the School Office.
- **Please remember to bring your ticket to the performance; this will confirm you have purchased a seat.**
- We acknowledge that some families may have children performing on both days and may have to purchase tickets for each of the days. Unfortunately, we cannot offer any solution to this as the money from ticket sales goes towards the costumes, lighting, sound, backdrops etc.
- For evening performances Year 3-6 children can arrive back at school by **6:30pm** and go directly to Orion Block, where they will be supervised.
- Everyone will need to arrive at school with make-up (foundation and powder) on. MAIN CAST members will meet in the staff room by **6.15pm**.
- **All Year 3-6 students** are required to attend each of their own team performances.



SCHOOL PRODUCTION, CAN YOU HELP PLEASE?

Anyone that has unwanted curtains that are 2 metres or longer in length, could you please contact Sally, Ph: 021 452599.

Costumes..... we are looking for donations of the following items for our school production of "Best Foot Forward". If you have any of these that you are willing to donate to the school, please see Jemma Campbell in Marama 14, Cath Glyde in Ra 29 or Kristy Hanks in Ra 33. All items to fit 10 year olds - slightly bigger is fine as we can adjust them!

- Black and gold buttons
- Straight skirt
- Floral top
- Overalls
- 1960s style cape or flared shift dress
- Faux fur wrap (for over shoulders)
- Fancy 1920s style dress
- Dress jacket (bright colour or striped)
- Wide belt
- Dungarees
- Straight shift dress
- Pale blue polo shirt (short sleeves)
- Brimmed hat

ART UPDATE

There are many wonderful art projects happening around our school. Take a moment to wonder around and have a look at all the work on display.

Art Attack

At lunchtimes this term we have some of our Year 0-1 students working on 'Colour Explosions' painting murals with Mrs Wills and Miss Shannon.

Some of our Year 2 students are working with Mrs Wollen and Whaea Emma. They are learning to weave using a variety of paper and making pom poms with different types of wool.

Gumboot Art

Last term Year 3&4 students worked with Miss Alferink and Mrs Goile to create 'Gumboot Art'. These lovely bright gumboots are now on display outside the staffroom and have plants growing in them. Make sure you have a look as you walk past.

Murals

Outside Matariki we have two new murals which will be on display soon. Mrs Wills worked with Milky Way 18 to design murals that look at native plants and birds of Aotearoa. They are bright and cheerful and something to be very proud of. Thank you to Ian and Barnie for helping with framing and displays.

Thank you to the Visual Arts Team and the Art Student Leaders for all your hard work so far this year.

Angela Sweeney

(Visual Art Coordinator)

CLUSTER CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the team of runners who represented Te Totara Primary School at the Cluster Cross Country on Tuesday this week. You all trained hard and gave 100% on your runs this week. You should be very proud of your efforts. Also, a big thank you to the parents and caregivers who offered transport and support on the day.

A big congratulations to the following children who were placed in the top 6 in their races:

Libby McMillan	2nd	Year 4 Girls
Rylee Mardon	1st	Year 5 Girls
William Pratt	5th	Year 5 Boys
Sophie Hancock	4th	Year 6 Girls
Sarah King	5th	Year 6 Girls



DAFFODIL DAY

Thank you for your wonderful support on Daffodil Day. With all the children dressed in yellow it was a colourful cheerful sight.

Your donations raised a record result sum of \$1346.80 All contributions to the Cancer Society are greatly appreciated and you were all generous with the money you gave.



FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held Friday 2nd September 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm. This week Matawhero, Neptune, Ra and Milky Way children will attend assembly. This week our Ra 33 children will be sharing.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD to celestem@tetotara.school.nz

BASKETBALL

Turtles Daniel Fitzgerald, Kaiarn Herbert-Johnson

HOCKEY

Tigers Sonali Pera
Lightning Shooters Katie MacKenzie
All Stars Aeryn McKay
Stormers Sophie Timmo, Shnarah Marshall
Cheetahs Yuma Fielder, Francesca Cullen
Leopards Maya Damian
NETBALL Hayley MacIntyre, Lisa Bosman
Shooters Madison Long, Sama Yaghi



SEMI FINAL HOCKEY GAMES

Two of our schools competitive Hockey Teams have made it into the semi finals in the Milne and Watson Cups. The semi finals will both be played this Saturday and any extra side line support would be much appreciated!! The All Stars are in the Milne Cup Semi Final at 12.40pm at the Gallaghers Hockey Centre, Queen Street. The Stormers are playing in the Watson Cup Semi Final at 12:10pm at the same venue. All the best to both of these Year 5 and 6 teams!! Congratulations on a fantastic season so far.

DATES COMING UP

Tues 13 Sept

Fri 16 Sept

Tues 20 Sep

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Wed 21 Sep

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Winter Sports Tournament (Yrs 5&6 Representatives)

Grandparents & Grands Day – Matawhero, Orion, Neptune & Kōpū Teams

Ra & Milky Way 1.00pm School Production

Earth & Marama 7.00pm School Production

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Kind regards,

Brian Sheedy

Principal



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

Well it has been a super busy couple of weeks for the PTA, planning lots of exciting events for the school children to enjoy.

Our first **Ice Block Friday** was a great success with lots of little faces enjoying a cool treat. We almost sold out of iceblocks, netting a total profit of \$643 – a great result. Thanks to the wonderful parents who volunteered their time to help – it really is appreciated. Watch out for news on the next Ice Block Friday coming soon.

FUNDRAISING FOR THE COVERED TENNIS COURTS



Well, the **Smith and McKenzie Cheesecake Festival** is over for another year with Te Totara being placed 2nd overall with 190 votes. This has meant a prize of \$190 being gifted to the school – thank to everyone who voted, and thanks also to Stevie and Nic from Smith and McKenzie. A special mention needs to be made of our fabulous PTA chairman Scott Mehrstens, for taking one for the team by entering the 'Cheesecake Eating' competition on Sunday at Smith and McKenzie – coming second place by managing a very impressive 14 slices in 3 minutes (don't try that at home, kids!). Understandably he was feeling a bit sugar-shaky on Sunday night but we're very proud of you, Scott!

NEW! POP-UP PTA • NEW! POP-UP PTA • NEW! POP-UP PTA

A new concept the PTA team is introducing this term is the **POP-UP PTA** meeting, whereby we invite local business people and to come share their knowledge for free, with informative talks about issues that affect our children. To coincide with Money Week, our first POP-UP is all about money – with Julian from the **ASB Getwise Financial Literacy Programme** kindly kicking it off. **WEDNESDAY 7th SEPTEMBER in the school hall, 7.30pm.** This will be a wonderful opportunity to get some new ideas and socialise with other like-minded parents.

DISCO • DISCO • DISCO

Finally, another fabulous **SCHOOL DISCO** is planned for 28th October, and we're looking for the children to choose the theme. All suggestions considered, please pop their ideas on a piece of paper with their name and class number, and place in the green PTA box in the school office by 15th October.

As always, we would love to see as many parents and caregivers attend our friendly PTA meetings, where we can discuss ways to improve our school community and benefit our children. Whether you can help for just a couple of hours – or more – we would love to see you for a drink and a chat. You don't have to commit to coming to all the meetings but you will be informed about what is going on & what we need help with. If it happens that you have the skills, time, contacts or resources you can simply let us know by email how you are able to help. No pressure!

Please make sure you 'like' our PTA Facebook page, to be kept up to date with all the upcoming events we'll be running: www.facebook.com/TIPTA

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Te Totara Primary School PTA Account: ASB 12 3171 0277833-00

Please ensure your name is used as a reference.

EMAIL: tetotara.pta@gmail.com

Thanks for reading, have a wonderful week!

- Your friendly PTA team: Scott, Anna, Nalina, Jasmine & Vicki

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

We are often asked to put Community Notices in our newsletter. Due to the large number of requests, we now have a "Community Notices" section on the notice board in the School Office, where you will find more information on the notices below. Please note that this does not necessarily imply School endorsement of these notices.

SPRING ART SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AT THE WAIKATO SOCIETY OF ARTS

Wsa.org.nz artschool@wsa.org.nz

Have fun and extend your art skills in our children's Spring Art School from the 26 September to 7 October. Times: Monday the 26 to Friday 30 September and Monday 3 October to Friday 7 October, 9am-12pm. Fees: \$30 per day or \$130 per week. We cater for 5 to 13 year old with allocated tutors for different age and skill groups.

Kaimai Cycles

237 THAMES STREET MORRINSVILLE PH (07) 889 6210

We sell quality Bicycles, scooters, helmets, clothing, shoes, accessories & parts.

We offer bicycle repairs and services to maintain your bike in top condition and if you are passionate about cycling we recommend our Body Geometry Fit by our fully trained passionate bike fitter.

Other services we offer in store are key cutting and exercycle hire for you to have an exercycle in your home on a monthly basis.

"Coming soon will be a sneak preview of the 2017 range of Specialized cycles, which will include some of the latest and greatest "EBIKES". Electric Bikes operate by pedal assist can reach speeds of up to 45km..... FUN!

Check out our website and keep an eye out on our Facebook page for the 2017 range of cycles coming in store soon.

<https://www.facebook.com/Kaimai-Cycles-143919269025480/>

<http://kaimaicycles.co.nz/>

We will have Demo bikes available over the next coming months for you to try out!

Pop in store and meet our knowledgeable friendly staff who all have a passion for cycling.



KELLY SPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME **SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016**

Our fantastic programme is full of exciting games, sports and art & craft activities that will guarantee your children have fun in a safe environment.

OSCAR/WINZ Approved

Te Totara School, Southwell School
and Hamilton Girls High School
7.40am – 6.00pm

Bankwood School
and Leamington School, Cambridge
8am – 6pm

Half Days available

For more information or to **BOOK ONLINE**
go to www.kellysports.co.nz
Email: waikato@kellysports.co.nz Ph: **07 839 9017**

WATERWORLD AQUATIC HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Caters for ages 5 – 12

Fun action packed programme

From 26 Sept – 7 Oct, running daily from 8.15 – 5.15

For more info, call us on [07 958 5863](tel:079585863) or

See our website - www.hamiltonpools.co.nz



YMCA SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Spring into action with the YMCA these holidays! We run 9 different programmes at 7 locations across Hamilton. Different activities everyday ranging from cooking, to swimming, sports and dancing! We have something to keep your kids bouncing with excitement every day!

Check us out at www.ymcahamilton.org.nz or call us on 07 838 2529

EDVENTURE 3-DAY OUTDOORS HOLIDAY CAMP

Fishing, sailing, kayaking, gold mining, horse riding, tramping, camping, and more, this action filled 3-Day camp is designed to give kids 8-14 the best possible experience these holidays. \$345, OSCAR, multiple pick up/drop off points. visit www.edventure.co.nz to enrol or for more info.

SOME OF THE THINGS PEOPLE SAY ABOUT HEALTHY LITTLE EATERS

"Hands down, the best parenting book I've ever read!"

"Within two days of reading this book my daughter has tried new foods that I never would have offered her before"

A fundraising evening with author Wal Herring will be held at the Western Community Centre 7.30pm Tuesday 13 September. Tickets can be purchased through Ticket Direct or direct from The Western Community Centre.

Proceeds support Waikato Playcentre Association and the Western Community Centre.

A poster for the EastLink Multisports Holiday Programme. The title "eastLINK MULTISPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME!" is written in large, stylized letters. Below the title, it says "Mon 3rd — Fri 7th October 2016" and "9am—3pm • \$25 per day • 6 yrs and older". The poster features eight circular images representing different sports: Squash, Bowls, Karate, Tennis, Glow in the Dark Badminton, Inline Hockey, Cricket, and Athletics. At the bottom, it says "Please email for a registration form—eastlinkssportshub@gmail.com". There are several logos at the bottom, including Waikato Badminton, Hillcrest Bowling Club, EastLink Squash Club, EastLink Cricket, Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty, and EastLink Sports.