

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** (Hebre)

We are now moving towards the end of our school year, this is a time of many school events and a good way to keep up-to-date is to follow our methods of communication:

Online school calendar [On line School Calendar](#)

School App [Download the School App](#)

School Web site [Te Totara Web Site](#)

Weekly notices [Weekly Notices](#)

Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/TeTotaraPrimarySchool230374533681330/>

We have a great team at school who keep these all updated in real time.



END OF YEAR CELEBRATION MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER AT 5.45PM

This is our annual event to celebrate another great year at Te Totara. Here is some information to help make it a great event:

- It is a school event, so children need to be in uniform and will be together as a school and are under the control of school staff. Please leave your child with us; we will take care of them.
- Students will need to stay through the whole event.
- There will be very limited parking available at the school car park and none in the turning bay. It will be best to find a car park on a nearby street and walk.
- It is like a concert in a park, so bring a picnic, a rug to sit on, something to eat and drink and enjoy a variety concert.
- We use the hill behind Ra and Earth as outdoor stages where children perform. Toilets are open in the Ra and Earth blocks.
- Pre-schoolers are welcome to use the playground away from the performers so they don't distract from the performance.
- Other children not involved in the school are asked to be respectful and if they want to play, then the court area is a good place.
- There are likely to be over 2500 people at the event so we strongly advise walking to the event.
- Please **no** umbrellas as it blocks the view of people behind.
- We will have a "Paparazzi" section at the front for parents of those performing to use to get a good photo.
- If the weather is not good, we will postpone to Tuesday 13th December, same time.
- Notifications will be put on the school Facebook page, school app and the website.
- The event is weather dependent, so may be cancelled at the last moment, but we will do our best to let everyone know as early as possible.
- At the end of the event we will need to stagger people leaving due to Health & Safety, so please be prepared to wait a little time. Announcements will be made to help.

HEALTH CURRICULUM COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Schools are obliged to consult with their community over the Health Programme. Last week we sent home a paper copy Community Health Consultation Survey with the oldest student at school. We do value your feedback, so if forms could be back to the Mooloo Box in the School Office by **Friday 18th November** it would be greatly appreciated.

WHĀNAU EVENING – MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER, 2016

Kia ora tātou. All Te Totara families are warmly invited to an evening of kapa haka, kai and kōrero.

When: Monday 21st November at 5.30pm

Where: Matariki Hall, Te Totara Primary School

What: Te Totara Kapa Haka performance, shared kai (please bring a plate of food to share) and discussion around Te Totara Primary initiatives for tamariki and whānau.

Please contact Ryan Jordan (Room 12) for any queries about the evening.

YEARS 3-6 ATHLETICS DAY – TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER, 2016

** PARENT HELP NEEDED **

Our Year 3-6 Athletics Day is on Tuesday **15th November, 2016**. We will need Parent Help on the day to help the events run smoothly. Please email naomic@tetotara.school.nz by the 11th of November advising which of the times listed below you are available to help with.

Session 1: 9.00am - 10:30am

Session 2: 11.00am - 12:30pm

Session 3: 1:25pm - 2:30pm

The postponement day is Thursday 17th November, 2016.

If you are able to offer parent help, can you please also indicate whether or not you are able to make it on the postponement day.

Note to parents: Children are encouraged to wear their school house colours on Athletics Day.

ATHLETICS TIMETABLE 2016

Time	Long Jump Boys By Marama	Long Jump Girls Field	50m Sprint Far Side of Field	Tennis Ball Throw Boys Field	Tennis Ball Throw Girls Field	100m Sprint 80m sprint (Yr 3) By Hill
9:00	All children gather on Turf for welcome in their house colours.					
9:10 – 10:00	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5
10-10:25 and 11:10 – 11:35	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4
11:40 – 12:30	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3
12:30	800m race for those who are keen. No heats. Straight finals. Year 4-6.					
LUNCH						
1:35 – 2:25	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6
2:30 – 2:55	House Relays if time permits					

YEARBOOK 2016 - \$20.00 EACH

Our wonderful school Yearbook is currently being put together, Order Forms were sent home last week. **At only \$20.00 per book**, it is a great record of the years' learning and events and includes over 100 full colour pages. Children love pouring over the pages and do so for many years. **Orders Close on Friday 18th November, 2016. Sorry, no late orders will be accepted.**



OUR THANKS

Every year we put together a Yearbook to showcase our children and the wonderful learning that takes place during the year. As you may understand this takes a lot of time and effort to put together and also costs a bit to produce. We ask within our community for people that would advertise in the book so that the cost of the book to you is not too high. We do this so that every family can get one as the children love it so much.

We would like to thank our community for choosing to support us.

Many thanks to: Ollington Electrical, Direct Group, Noel Leeming, Bremner and Associates, TKMA Martial Arts. Please support them if you can.

CULTURAL GROUPS FOR 2017

It would be great to have more Cultural Performance Groups at Te Totara School representing the wonderfully diverse nature of our school.

If you are interested in starting a group in 2017 I would really like to hear from you. This would involve meeting once a week at a time that suits (after school or lunchtime) and instructing students who are interested.

Please come and see me or send me an email. Chris Chase, Matawhero 4 or email: chrisc@tetotara.school.nz

VOLUNTEERS "THANK YOU" MORNING TEA WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER @ 9.00AM

A warm invitation is extended to helpers of our school for a special morning tea in the Staff Lounge @ 9.00am to say "Thanks". If you were involved in helping out in any way at school (i.e., coaching, book binding, sports help, classroom help, transport etc) or in any other way, we would love to see you.

DIRECT GROUP, NOW OPEN SATURDAY MORNINGS

Our uniform supplier Direct Group have advised they are now open on Saturday mornings from 9.00am-12.00 noon. The last Saturday the store will be open will be Saturday 10th December 2016 and they will re-open Monday 9th January 2017.

JUMP JAM TEAMS

A huge congratulations to our three Jump Jam teams who competed last Saturday in the Regional Finals in Tauranga. While we didn't bring home any trophies, our teams were awarded several excellence and merit certificates as follows:

***All Boys team – Excellence in Sportsmanship**

***Year 1-4 team – Excellence in Sportsmanship; Merit in Costume**

***Year 5-6 team – Excellence in Costume; Merit in Creativity; Merit in Presentation; Merit in Technical Execution**

All team members represented our school exceptionally well and performed their routines to the highest standard they have ever done. We are VERY proud of them. A very big thank you to all the parents who helped out on the day as well – we couldn't have done it without you!



CONGRATULATIONS TO A PAST TE TOTARA STUDENT

Christopher Mayo is 17 years old and attends Hamilton Boys High School as a Year 13 student. Last week Christopher was awarded the top prize of HBHS Dux of 2016 which is a massive achievement – well done!

Christopher has achieved many awards during his time at HBHS among those were Prefect and Academic Honours in Year 13, he received top student in four subject in Year 13 - English, Media Studies, Classical Studies and Physics. He was also awarded the AP Nelson Memorial Prize which is awarded to a Year 13 student for all round Excellence and an Auckland University Scholarship.

Christopher intends to attend Auckland University to study Biomed and hoping to get into Medical School in the future.



FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held Friday 11th November 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week Matawhero, Neptune, Ra and Milky Way children will attend assembly.

This week our Milky Way 20 children will be sharing.

NETBALL SKIRTS

Netball skirts were due to be returned at the end of Term 3 but many remain outstanding. The \$30.00 cost of buying these skirts will be charged to players for any unreturned skirts so please get them back to Miss Leitch's reading room in Earth pod ASAP.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

SUMMER HOCKEY

Kiwis Kaidin Strong & Samantha Strong

Pukeko Brooke Manderson & James O'Carroll

CRICKET

Strikers Blake Finlayson, Daniel Fitzgerald

DATES COMING UP

Tues 15 Nov	Yrs 3-6 Senior Athletics
Thurs 17 Nov	Senior Athletics Postponement Date
Fri 18 Nov	PTA Lemonade Ice-block Friday
Mon 21 Nov	Whānau Evening @ 5.30pm
Tues 22 Nov	Fairfield Cluster Athletics Yrs 4-6
Thurs 24 Nov	Y6 Orientation at RJHS from 9.30am – 12.30pm
Thurs 24 Nov	BOT Meeting @ 6.00pm
Thurs 24 Nov	PTA Gala & Colour Run Planning Meeting
Fri 25 Nov	Muffi Day - 'Sports' Theme
Tues 29 Nov	Fairfield Cluster Athletics Postponement Date
Tues 6 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Supper @ 6.30pm
Wed 7 Dec	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea @ 9.00am
Mon 12 Dec	End of Year Celebration
Mon 12 Dec	PTA Raffle drawn at the end of year celebration
Fri 16 Dec	PTA Lemonade Ice-block Friday
Fri 16 Dec	SCHOOL FINISHES FOR 2016 @ 3.00PM

Kind regards,
Brian Sheedy
Principal



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

Hi everyone, hope you've all had a great week.

Lots happening this term, the best way to keep up to date with all our upcoming events is via our Facebook page: please 'like' it to ensure you are kept in the loop: www.facebook.com/TTPTA

RAFFLE TICKETS

In the next week or so we will be distributing a book of raffle tickets to every student at Te Totara, to sell to families, friends and the community. The raffle prizes will be drawn live at the end of year celebration early December. Check out these great prizes:

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS – mark these in your calendar

18th November - Ice Block Friday

24th November - PTA Gala & Colour Run Planning meeting – this is going to be very exciting!! Please come along to this social evening (please bring a plate) starting at 7pm at the school staff lounge. All welcome to attend - please bring along your ideas - we need your help!

25th November - Muffi Day - 'Sports' Theme - Dress up as your favourite sports player, or team etc

12th December - Raffle Drawn at the end of year celebration

16th December - Ice Block Friday



As parents of Te Totara children, you are all members of the PTA as well. Please help by volunteering whatever time you can spare. Our children are so lucky in being part of a school that is able to offer such a wonderful range of activities and events. All parents work hard, but we believe that if we can all do a little something to help, then it benefits everyone. **Please get involved - It's all about the kids!**

EMAIL: tetotara.pta@gmail.com Till next time, have a great week. Your friendly PTA committee:
Scott, Anna, Jasmine, Nalina, Vicki & Liz



\$5 per ticket

★ FUNDRAISING RAFFLE ★

in support of the covering of the Te Totara Primary School tennis courts

★ PRIZE A: ROTORUA WEEKEND ESCAPE ★ Family of 4 (2 Ad, 2 Ch under 12). Includes 2 nights accommodation incl. breakfast at the Distinction Hotel, Tairāwhiti Tours Evening Experience including Dinner, Te Pahi Day Pass including Lunch, Rainbow Springs and Agrodome Sheep Show – valued at over \$1200! <small>KINDLY DONATED BY NORTH HAWKESBURY SCHOOL CLUB AND FRIENDS OF THE PTA.</small>	★ PRIZE B: AUCKLAND SHOPPING TRIP ★ Private Coach Hire for up to 15 passengers for a chauffeured shopping day tour of Auckland, valued at over \$900! <small>KINDLY DONATED BY LEISURE TIME TOURS</small>
★ PRIZE C ★ 20 hours of free labour for a residential working bee <small>KINDLY DONATED BY NORTH HAWKESBURY SCHOOL CLUB AND FRIENDS OF THE PTA.</small>	★ PRIZE D ★ \$200 Gift Basket from New World Rotorua <small>KINDLY DONATED BY NEW WORLD ROTORUA</small>
★ PRIZE E ★ Two free terms of 'Jitterbugs' dancing lessons for one child <small>KINDLY DONATED BY JITTERBUGS</small>	★ BONUS DRAW ★ '3 MYSTERY PRIZES' valued at \$150 each. What will they be? Be in to WIN!

Drawn under police supervision in front of the audience at the Te Totara End of Year Celebration, 12 December 2016. Winners will also be notified by phone and/or email, and results published on the Te Totara PTA Facebook page: www.facebook.com/TTPTA. Some terms, conditions and exclusion dates apply see Facebook page for details. Organiser: Te Totara PTA Executive Committee, c/o Te Totara Primary School, Hector Dr, Rotorua, Hamilton.
Thank you for supporting our school, it is much appreciated.

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.

GUINNESS WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT

On Wednesday 30th November, Hamilton will be hosting a Guinness World Record Attempt...and we want our community to be a part of it. The Guinness World Record for the Most Consecutive Rugby Passes is currently 279 and has been held by a club in Wales since August 2010. As the holders of the Rugby World Cup and proud rugby nation, we believe we ought to hold that record in NZ - and what better region than the Mighty Waikato!

From 3pm, at the Hamilton Old Boys club, there will be FREE Family Friendly activities for everyone to enjoy, such as: the world record for the most burpees in 60 seconds is 46, can you beat that? How long does it take you to row 1km on a rowing machine? How fast can you complete a 50m sack race?

For further information www.facebook.com/PassItOnforWaikatoKids

Kaimai Cycles

237 THAMES STREET MORRINSVILLE PH (07) 889 6210

"GET IN NOW FOR GREAT CHRISTMAS DEALS IN STORE" OPEN SATURDAYS 9AM-12.30PM

Bicycles, E Bikes, MGP Scooters, Helmets, Clothing, Shoes, Bike parts & Accessories, we have it all for Summer Fun!

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.

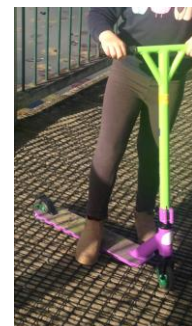
We now have the 2017 range of Demo bikes in store, so pop in store and try them out!

www.kaimaicycles.co.nz

LOST SCOOTER

The lost scooter has a purple deck with skulls on it which are a bit faded with black and green wheels and it also has a bright green bar and handle.

The scooter was lost on the 19th of October, it was hung up near the front gates by Orion 11 at around 8:30 in the morning. Please contact us on 021 1057096 or email cgrace@hbhs.school.nz if you can help us out as she is really missing using it.



ROUND THE BRIDGES

All the very best to our wonderful Stars who are taking on the challenge of competing in Round the Bridges in Hamilton on Sunday. We are sure you will do well and have a great time!!

ART WORKSHOPS

Get creative, learn new skills and have fun at Escape & Create Art Workshops.

4 WEEK PAINTING WORKSHOP Age 9-13:

Thursday's 17th Nov - Thurs 8th Dec '16

3:30pm - 5pm Cost \$80 / child

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS Age 5-13:

15th & 16th Dec; 19th - 23rd Dec '16

9th Jan '17 - 13th Jan '17

8:45am - 3:15pm Cost \$40 /child/day

ALL MATERIALS INCLUDED

CONTACT: Nikki Thompson - 021 143 9023

Email: nthompson@slingshot.co.nz

CHASING AVA'S DREAM!

IS HOSTING A KIDS TOUCH TOURNAMENT



WHEN

SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER
First game starts at 10am.

WHERE

FLAGSTAFF PARK, FLAGSTAFF, HAMILTON

YEAR 1/2, 3/4 5/6 AND MIXED GRADES

FOOD, DRINK, RAFFLES & FUN AVAILABLE

\$100 ENTRY FEE PER TEAM, SIX PLAYERS ON THE FIELD AT ONE TIME.
A limited number of teams so get your registration in quickly!

**GET INVOLVED, HAVE FUN AND
SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE!**

CONTACT LISA ON 021 120 9968
or chasingavasdream@gmail.com for a registration form.

Saturday 3rd Dec 2016

St Mary's
Gordonton

CHRISTMAS FAIR & DECORATED CHURCH

Downton Abbey Theme
10am-1pm

ph 07 8243850 or riddell@xtra.co.nz

LIVE ON STAGE

Adapted from the production & films of Q&A's production of

ROALD DAHL'S
GEORGE'S MARVELLOUS MEDICINE

Adapted from the story by Roald Dahl



17 - 22 DEC

Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna

Tickets* \$12 - \$26 sucklandvs.co.nz

* Booking from 10pm

the workshop Theatre Studio

St Mary's
Decorated Heritage Church

Open to View
Sat 10th Dec 2016
9am - 1pm





or by appointment 4th-24th Dec
for groups of 8 or more.

Downton Abbey Theme

Gold coin entry
Cnr Piako & Gordonton Rds
07 8243850 riddell@xtra.co.nz



Lung Foundation
New Zealand's
4 key messages

- 1 Lung disease can affect anyone. 
- 2 See a doctor if you have a cough, shortness of breath, chest pains or noisy breathing. 
- 3 Lung disease can be treated. The earlier you start treatment the better. 
- 4 Look after your lungs. Be active and don't smoke. 

lung health for life www.lungfoundation.org.nz

WELLINGTON PHOENIX FC
vs
CENTRAL COAST MARINERS

SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER
7.35PM @ FMG STADIUM WAIKATO

10 YEARS OF THE PHOENIX

KIDS \$5 from *(booking fees apply)*

Tickets available from www.ticketek.co.nz or 0800 TICKETEK



