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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 27th FEBRUARY, 2014 WEEK 4

Kia Ora (Maori/NZ), Hello (English), Bula (Fijian), Welkom (South African), Huān yíng (Chinese-Mandarin)

Ayubowan, Vanakkam (Sri Lankan), Namaste (India), Bemvindos (Brazil), Marhaba (Arabic), Hallo (Dutch), Choum Reap Sour (Cambodia), Geiá sou (Greek), Mbote, Jambo (Congolese), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea)

TE TOTARA PTA



GALA & FOOD FESTIVAL SATURDAY 29th MARCH, 2014

CAN YOU PLEASE HELP WITH GROCERY ITEMS FOR OUR GALA DAY RAFFLES!

We are looking for donations from families to help us put together some amazing raffles to be quickfire drawn on Gala Day. Over the next few weeks leading up to the big day we will be asking each family to help us out by donating a non-perishable item to put towards this. This week we are looking for non-perishable grocery items such as canned food, crackers, biscuits, coffee, tea etc. Please bring these to the school office over the next week. Keep an eye on next week's newsletter to see what we're looking for next! We appreciate your help and support. Any queries, please contact Kalena or Jackie via e-mail: tetotara.pta@gmail.

WE NEED YOUR HELP FOR LARGE ACTIVITIES FOR OUR SCHOOL GALA!!!

Do you have or know anyone with a bouncy castle hire business, an old car we can smash up, horses/ponies for rides, Ferris wheel, or any other fun events that would be suitable for a gala? Are you able to help in running one of these activities?? Please email or phone Lisa Clay shaun.lisa@vodafone.co.nz (021) 133 3997 or Jolie Hopping jolie.hopping@vodafone.co.nz (021) 117 9633 ASAP if you are able to help out in any way.



CONGRATULATIONS!

To our newly married staff member, Mrs Emma Cathcart (previously Dunbar). We wish her and Adam all the very best!

TRAFFIC

Thank you to everyone for their help while building work is underway.

We hope you are enjoying the newly marked pickup and drop-off zone; this is a permanent arrangement and provides a quick and easy service for children and families.

We are a couple of weeks away from having traffic work completed and will update everyone then of the arrangements, including access points and safe travel to school

MEASLES INFORMATION

The Director of Health has asked us to pass on important information about measles. These two links are well worth visiting to help...

Measles information for parents

<u>Measles Information to Schools from Director of</u> <u>Health</u>

SWIMMING POOL - IT'S COMING!!!

Earlier this week I met with the installer, things are looking good for around four weeks or so for installation. It will be sited near the new asphalt area just past Barnie's shed and will provide easy access for our children. Barnie, our wonderful Caretaker, is off on a Care of Swimming Pool course shortly. To find out more about the pool visit. http://www.poolsinschoolz.com/

TRIAL LOCK DOWN TODAY

This afternoon we held a trial Lock Down. This is done at least twice a year to ensure everyone's safety in case it is needed. Our staff talked with children around the need for this and also to reassure them they are safe at school. ©

PRE-PAID PHOTOS – WEETBIX TRYATHLON

If you have had difficulties accessing your child's photo (pre-paid) please e-mail Paula Wine at <u>ap@tetotara.school.nz</u> and you will be given direct contact details the photography company, Super Sports Images.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY TOMORROW

This week's assembly will be held **Friday 28th February 2014 at 2.00pm in the Matariki Hall and stars our Kopu 34 Team.** This week Marama, Kopu, Matawhero and Earth children will attend assembly. Everyone is welcome.

SPORTS

TE TOTARA PLAYERS OF THE DAY

CRICKET	
Terrors	Seo-Hyun Lee & Jake McMillan
Mystics	Cooper Wink

TOUCH

GunnsConnor Cloete & Benjamin JessepPacersKendyll Blissett & Teeshan Kottaiya

YUMMY STICKERS

Keep them coming! We are still collecting Yummy Stickers. If you have any at home, or would like a sheet to stick them on please come and see Miss Pulman in Kōpū 33.

Brian Sheedy

Principal



DATES COMING UP

Thurs 27 Feb	BOT Meeting at 6.30pm
Mon 17 Mar	Ra Team to Camp at Tui Ridge
Wed 19 Mar	Earth Team to Camp at Tui Ridge
Sat 29 Mar	PTA School Gala & Food Festival
Thurs 17 Apr	END OF TERM 1 @ 3.00PM

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.

HELEN O'GRADY DRAMA ACADEMY

Weekly classes, Phone Andrea 07 827 0526 or checkout our website <u>www.helenogrady.co.nz</u>

50TH REUNION MELVILLE HIGH SCHOOL REGISTER NOW ONLINE:

Phone: 07 843 4529 Ext. 803 http://reunion.melvillehigh.school.nz

SUBURBS COMMUNITY SPORTS CLUB

www.hamiltonsurburbs.co.nz Contact Dave den Hertog ph 027 7066 752 or Shane Townsend ph 021 843 593

IRISH DANCING AT TE TOTARA OPEN DAY Maryellen Walsh Academy invite both children and adults to join us for a free class of Irish Dancing! No experience required! Where: Te Totara School Hall (Matariki Hall) Saturday 22nd March When: 3pm 1 _ What: Bring comfortable clothes, water bottle Enquiries to: Rebecca Jones 855 0228 /027 2767431 or feel free to pop in during the FREE CLASS!

JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS

A couple of spaces have come available for dancing this term for lessons held at Te Totara School for kids aged 3 – 11. If you are interested for this term or next term please email me at <u>Jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz</u>.

HAMILTON NORTH FOOTBALL CLUB

Registrations available online again this year visit www.hamiltonnorthfootball.org.nzfor the link to register for the 2014 Football/Soccer season. Grading will take place Sunday 9thMarch for 7th, 10th, 11th and Open grades and Sunday 16th March for 8th, 9th and Open grades. Times are available on our website. All inquiries to Nicole Mills secretary@hamiltonnorthfootball.org.nz or 0800 4 SOCCER