

# **SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

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Thursday 7th April, 2016

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), Geiá sou (Greek), Mbote, Jambo (Congolese), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea) Israel Shalom (Hebrew)

#### PRINCIPAL ON STUDY TOUR

I leave tomorrow for a visit to Singapore along with 29 other Waikato principals. This is to visit and see the impact of Asia on education. You may be aware our school has an ever increasing growth of families coming from this part of the world, with 20% of our students now coming from Asia. This is an increasing trend and as a school we are working hard to cater for the wonderfully diverse school community that we have. I am very hopeful that this trip will help my understanding of families and students who come to NZ from this part of the

While I am away, Anne Fraser, our Deputy Principal, will be leading the school.

### WAIKATO SHOW - FRIDAY 8TH - SUNDAY 10TH APRIL, 2016

Our school has been selected as one of two in the Waikato to showcase what we do for learning with technology, using Ultra Fast Broadband. We will be demonstrating how we integrate the use of iPads into everyday learning. There will groups of children displaying our technology in action and how we use it to support our teaching and learning. You might like to come along and see the children at our school stand. The link to the show is... <a href="http://waikatoshow.co.nz/">http://waikatoshow.co.nz/</a>

## OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR THE PERIOD OF 1ST JULY, 2016 TO 16TH DECEMBER, 2016

The Board invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their New Entrant sons and/or daughters at Te Totara Primary School, who turn 5 years of age between the dates of 1st July 2016 – 16th December 2016.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on our school website www.tetotara.school.nz

The Board has determined that twenty (20) places are likely to be available to out-of-zone students for the first enrolment period of 1st July 2016 - 16th December 2016. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

Applications from out-of-zone students will be processed in the following order of priority:

- a) First priority must be given to any applicant who is accepted for enrolment in a special programme run by the school and approved by the Secretary of Education.
  - \* Hamilton North Special School Satellite Programme
- b) Second priority must be given to any applicant who is the sibling of a current student of the school
- c) Third priority must be given to any student who is the sibling of a former student of the school
- d) Fourth priority must be given to any applicant who is a child of a former student of the school
- e) Fifth priority must be given to any applicant who is either a child of an employee of the Board of the school, or a child of a member of the Board of the school
- f) Sixth priority must be given to all other applicants

Parents of students who live within the home zone should also apply by this date to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year. Students who live in the home zone are entitled to enrol at the school.

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot, supervised by a Justice of the Peace or a Police Officer in accordance under Section 11G(1) of the Education Act 1989.

The deadline for receipt of applications for out-of-zone places is 3.00pm on Friday 27th May 2016 and should be

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If a ballot is required, it will be held on Wednesday 1st June 2016. Parents will be informed of the outcome by Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 *(3 working days later - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June is Queens Birthday Holiday).* 

### 2016 BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION

This year there is a Board of Trustees election coming up and we wanted to give everyone plenty of opportunity to think about standing for the Board. This link provides a brief guide as to what it entails. http://www.trustee-election.co.nz/

We also have a pamphlet available at the School Office called "A Parents' Guide to the Role of the Board of Trustees", you are most welcome to take a copy.





Becoming a school trustee - this three-minute video outlines what trusteeship is all about.

For more information regarding the 2016 BOT Elections for Te Totara Primary School, check out our school website <a href="www.tetotara.school.nz">www.tetotara.school.nz</a> or visit the New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA) website at <a href="www.nzsta.org.nz">www.nzsta.org.nz</a>

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

We are delighted with the large number of students who look really great by wearing their uniform in the correct manner. However, we have noticed a few students who are not complying with our Uniform Expectations and we ask your assistance with this.

**ALL** students are expected to be wearing their full correct uniform.

Students are to arrive at school and leave from school in their Te Totara Primary School uniform, **including footwear**.

- Uniforms are to be worn clean, neat and tidy.
- Students are encouraged to take pride in their school uniform and to wear it well.
- Hair is to be off the face, tied back if longer than the bottom of the collar, and be the natural hair colour.
- Nail polish and cosmetics are not permitted.
- Second hand uniforms may be available. Please see the notice board in the School Office for details.
- Any hair accessory is to be of a single school uniform colour red, white, black, green.
- Variations in relation to the Human Rights Act may be negotiated with the Principal.
- All pupils are encouraged to use sunscreen at home before school and expected to wear the regulation school hat while outdoors. No hat play in the shade.
- All uniform items should be clearly named.

From the beginning of Term 2, 2016 we will are expecting all students to be wearing their winter school uniform.

#### **JEWELLERY**

Items of jewellery can be easily lost or damaged at school. They may also cause injury to the wearer or other students. For safety reasons items of jewellery are NOT to be worn. The school accepts no responsibility in the case of loss, damage or injury.

However, students may wear:

- a) One small earring stud per ear.
- b) A watch.
- c) A necklace of religious or cultural significance to be worn underneath clothing.
- d) A Medical Identification Tag as required.

For a full description of our Uniform Expectations for our school uniform, please check the notice board in the School Office or the school website. <a href="http://www.tetotara.school.nz/3/pages/21-school-uniform">http://www.tetotara.school.nz/3/pages/21-school-uniform</a>

If you have any queries, please contact me at <a href="mailto:principal@tetotara.school.nz">principal@tetotara.school.nz</a>

# SCHOOL UNIFORMS, ORDER WITH DIRECT GROUP

Direct Group will be offering ordering online, in store or by telephone. They are located at 115 Ellis Street Frankton Hamilton, Ph 847-6664 or visit their website www.shop.directgroup.co.nz.

Orders can be placed now and in most cases Direct Group have the garments already in their store to purchase. Direct Group is also offering a wonderful embroidery service for individually naming your Children's School Uniform. Items will cost \$5 each to embroid, please include this request on your online order form or ask while you are ordering the Uniform in their store.

For access to Direct Group's website for online ordering please use the following log-in details: Log in = ttp and Password = uniform (all lowercase)

### **HEALTH WAIKATO HEARING & VISION TESTING**

A Vision & Hearing Technician will be visiting our school on Wednesday 25 May 2016, to complete routine tests for those students who have missed their pre-school/prior school checks. For further information, please contact Health Waikato direct on (07) 838-3565

#### SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Several boxes of orders have now arrived to school and have been delivered to your children to bring home. We are waiting on a few orders still to arrive and apologise for any inconvience.

# SCHOOL LUNCH SERVICE

Our school lunch supplier is "Lunch Orders" who are based in Hamilton. School lunches will be delivered to our school every day for children's lunches at 12.15pm if ordered by 8.30am daily. How it works:

- Order online anywhere, anytime on any device.
- Healthy food made with love from a team of experienced chefs.
- Affordable solution providing nourishment for your child with ease.
- Sign-up for a free account now!
- PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHANGE YOUR CHILD'S ROOM NUMBER FOR 2016.



- Visit us online at www.lunchorders.co.nz
- Sign up for a free account and select your school
- Top up your account using a credit card or direct credit
- Place your order and select delivery date
- Sit back and relax while your order is freshly made and delivered to your school

LunchOrders delivers to Te Totara Primary on MONDAY - FRIDAY at 12.15PM.



### **OUR ART ATTACK TEAM**

The Art Attack team are after gumboots for an art project in term 2. If you have any old gumboots (any shape or size) please bring them to either Miss Alferink in Milky Way 21 or Mrs Goile in Kopu 24. Thanks in advance!

### DO YOU CROCHET?

We have some Year 5 & 6 students who would love to learn how to crochet. We are looking for parents or grandparents who would be able to come in to the school and teach us how it is done. This would be in Term 2 on Mondays from 12.35 pm-1.25 pm. If you are interested please see Michelle Simms in the library or email michelles@tetotara.school.nz.

### **FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

This week's assembly will be held Friday 8th April 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm. This week Matawhero, Neptune, Ra and Milky Way children will attend assembly. This week our Neptune 27 children will be sharing. Everyone is welcome.

# DATES COMING UP

Mon 11 – Wed 13 April Camp for Milky Way Team

Wed 13 - Fri 15 April

Fri 15 April

Mon 2 May Wed 4 May Wed 25 May Fri 10 June Wed 15 June

Sun 3 July

**Camp for Marama Team** TERM 1, 2016 FINISHES @ 3.00pm

TERM 2, 2016 BEGINS @ 8.55am PTA meeting in Staff Lounge 7.30pm **Hearing & Vision Testing** 

**School Disco** 

PTA AGM @ 7.30pm

Te Totara Invitation Netball Tournament



Kind regards, Brian Sheedy

**Principal** 

# TE TOTARA PTA

# **NEXT PTA MEETING:**

Wednesday 4th May 2016, everyone is welcome.



# **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.

#### **EASTLINK MULTISPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**

Tues 26-Fri 29 April 2016

Contact Jacinta on ph 021 0269 2200 or email eastlinksportshub@gmail.com

### FAIRFIELD ROTRAY CLUB ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

14-17 April 2016, Te Rapa Racecourse

All kind of books for adults and children plus dvds, cds, jigsaws, games.



#### AGM, NORTH EAST COMMUNITY HUB (NECH)

7.15pm, Thursday 28th April 2016 at Rototuna Junior High School.

#### Guest speaker, RJHS Principal, Fraser Hill

NECH is an apolitical and secular group helping to develop community in the north-eastern suburbs of Hamilton. We invite applications by and nominations for new trustees – creative, committed and community-spirited people who live in or have a special interest in the north-east of Hamilton.

We would prefer nominations to be placed prior to the AGM. Please contact trust secretary Mary Loveless for details, maryliz924@gmail.com

www.hnechub.wix.com/NECH Facebook.com/nechhamilton/



#### **Presents**

# Flu Vaccinations & First Aid Kits

# Thursday 14th April 2:30pm until 5:45pm Te Totara Staffroom

# Flu Vaccines

- Your Health NZ is offering Flu vaccinations to all kids and adults
- > Feel free to drop in and talk to the Registered Nurse/Authorised Vaccinator about protecting you and your family against this season's flu.

Vaccines are \$30 each (EFTPOS available)

Forget the hassle of going to the GP and waiting with sick people

#### First Aid Kits & Supplies

- Need a First Aid Kit at home, for your vehicle or even for the kids sporting activities?
- > Selling a range of first aid kits and first aid supplies, be prepared for any unexpected accidents by purchasing a first aid kit.
- Please check out our website: www.fastonline.co.nz

For every Flu vaccine and/or first Aid kit that is sold – we will make a donation to the Te Totara PTA to put towards their fundraising goal of covering the school tennis courts.

# SO COME ALONG!!

Support these local businesses, support your PTA, and keep your family well this winter

#### WATERWORLD HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Waterworld has 2 weeks of action packed "Aquatic Holiday Program" planned to amuse your children. 18-29 April, 8.15am-5.15pm.

5-12 yrs, Includes inflatables, hydroslide, bombing contests, flipper ball. Enquire at 958 5863 for bookings and information.





### KELLY SPORTS - HOLIDAY PROGRAMME APRIL 2016

Our sports based programme is full of exciting activities and trips that will guarantee children, aged 5-13 years, have a great time!

OSCAR/WINZ Approved

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

Bankwood School. – 26 to 29 April only **8am – 6pm**Also Leamington School, Cambridge

For more information or to **BOOK ONLINE**go to <a href="mailto:www.kellysports.co.nz">www.kellysports.co.nz</a>
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