

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 26TH MAY, 2016

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Kia Ora (Maori/NZ), Hello (English), Bula (Fijian), <u>Welkom</u> (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)

#### 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 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 – 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

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

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 – 16<sup>th</sup> 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 **<u>3.00pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2016</u>** and should be addressed to: Te Totara Primary School, PO Box 28134, Hamilton 3256

If a ballot is required, it will be held on <u>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016</u>. 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 TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION

Nominations have closed, a list of candidate's names are on display in the School Office along with an eligible voters roll. These can be viewed during normal school hours.

Voting papers and return envelopes were posted to each eligible voter on Monday 23rd May, 2016. Voting closes at on Friday 3rd June 2016 at 12 noon.

### **IMPORTANT \*\* IMPORTANT \*\* IMPORTANT**

Individual voting papers must be returned <u>separately</u> to the school in the envelope provided to be <u>valid</u> (e.g. 1 voting paper per provided envelope).

Envelopes can be either posted to the school or dropped into the Voting Papers Box located in the School Office.

#### Key Dates are:

Voting Papers Issued Voting Closes Votes counted & Results declared Board take Office by 25th May, 2016 (Voting Papers were posted on 23/05/16) noon 3rd June, 2016 9th June, 2016 10th June, 2016

#### **MEASLES UPDATE** WHAT IS MEASLES?

- Measles is a highly infectious viral disease that can be serious.
- It is spread from person to person through the air by breathing, sneezing or coughing. Just being in the same room as someone with measles can lead to infection if you are not immune.
- The first symptoms of measles are a fever, and one or more of a runny nose, cough and sore red eyes. After a few days a red blotchy rash comes on and lasts up to one week. The rash usually starts on the face and spreads to the rest of the body. Measles can be very serious.

Students and teachers with measles are infectious from 5 days before to 5 days after the onset of rash and must stay away from school and follow the advice of the local Medical Officer of Health.

#### What should you do today?

• Ensure your child is up to date with their immunisations.

• Locate you/your child's immunisation records, either in a Well Child book, or from the GP.

This documentation would be required if there was a case of measles in your school in the future.

#### If you or your child develops symptoms of measles:

- Phone your GP or call Healthline on 0800 611 116 for advice or seek medical attention depending on severity of illness. It is important to call first because measles is highly infectious, and people with measles can infect others in the waiting room.
- Stay at home and away from public places (such as sports events, gatherings, parties, school, work, child care, shopping centres, public transport and so on).

Further information If you require further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Population Health (07 838 2569 or 0800 800 977) or visit Waikato DHB website: <u>http://www.waikatodhb.health.nz/measles</u>

# It is recommended that to help schools/pre-schools in the case of Measles case(s), <u>all parents</u>, if not already actioned; provide documented information regarding 2 doses of MMR to the school/preschool URGENTLY.

- When seeking documentation from your General Practitioner regarding your child's 2 documented doses of MMR, could you please ask them to state clearly that 2 documented doses of MMR have been given, and not just immunised for age.
- For overseas students or where vaccination documentation is from overseas then if possible please get your General Practice to sight these to clarify that you have received 2 documented doses of MMR or measles vaccine. Also, please ask for them to also state clearly where appropriate that **2 doses of MMR or measles vaccine have been given**.



PLEASE NOTE: Many of our families have provided an Immunisation Certificate signed by the GP stating that your child has been fully immunised for age e.g. 5 years (left page).

However, the Waikato DHB requires you to provide the actual Immunisation Record (right page) which clearly states the dates both doses of MMR have been given.

If you are unable to locate the Immunisation Record, found at the back of the Plunket Book, please ask your GP to provide you with a print-out an Immunisation Status report (see below) that clearly states both doses of MMR have been given.

Immunisation Status						RECEIVED		
Patient : Active only.						2 3 JUL 2012		
Due Date	Group	Vaccine	Outcome	Date Given	Age Given	Batch No Site	Note	Prov
1 Sep 2007	6W06	DTaP-IPV-1 6w	Given Elsewhere NZ	1 Sep 2007	6 Weeks			= SK
1 Sep 2007	6W06	Hib-HepB-1 6w	Given Elsewhere NZ	1 Sep 2007	6 Weeks			SK
20 Oct 2007	3M06	DTaP-IPV-2 3m	Given Elsewhere NZ		2 Months	\ /		SK
20 Oct 2007	3M06	Hib-HepB-2 3m	Given Elsewhere NZ	20 Oct 2007	2 Months			SK
21 Dec 2007	5M06	DTaP-IPV-3 5m	Given Elsewhere NZ	21 Dec 2007	5 Months			SK
21 Dec 2007	5M06	HepB, paed-3 5m	Given Elsewhere NZ	21 Dec 2007	5 Months			SK
19 Oct 2008	15M06	Hib 15m	Given Elsewhere NZ	19 Oct 2008	14 Months	V		SK
19 Oct 2008	15M06	MMR-1 15m	Given Elsewhere NZ	19 Oct 2008	14 Months			SK
8 Mar 2010	MENZB1	MeNZB-1	Given Elsewhere NZ	29 Aug 2007	5 Weeks			NUF
19 Apr 2010	MENZB2	MeNZB-2	Given Elsewhere NZ	23 Oct 2007	3 Months			NUF
31 May 2010	MENZB3	MeNZB-3	Given Elsewhere NZ	17 Dec 2007	4 Months			NUF
21 Jul 2011	4-5Y06	DTaP-IPV-4 4y	Given	1 Nov 2011	4 Years	AC20B16OE Left Deltoid	25g x 25m	
21 Jul 2011	4-5Y06	MMR-2 4y	Given	1 Nov 2011	4 Years	S2189 Right Deltoid	25g x 16m	
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## **UPDATED IMMUNISATION RECORDS**

An e-mail has been sent recently to families who have not provided the school with an Immunisation Record for their child/ren clearly indicating that 2x MMR vaccines have been given and dated. Some families may have given us Immunisation Records for one child, but not for another.

If you wish to check the school holds correct up-to-date Immunisation Record for your child/ren, please phone the School Office on 07 853-0039, we are happy to check for you.

# However, we still have a large number of families who have not returned Immunisation Records for their child/ren. Your URGENT attention to this matter would be appreciated.

It is important that we hold the correct immunisation information for each student as we may be required to produce a report for the Health Department if there is an outbreak of an infectious disease at any stage. Many thanks to those families who have already returned their full Immunisations Records for their child/ren.

# **KEEPING UP-TO-DATE WITH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS**

Many different things happen at school and we have many ways to keep up to date, includina:

Online school calendar Online School Calendar School App Download the School App School Web site Te Totara Web Site

Weekly notices Weekly Notices

Facebook Page

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

## **ILLNESS AT SCHOOL**

This is the usual time at school for illness to hit us. This affects children as well as staff. Please, if your child is sick then keep them home until they are well.

- If your child will be away from school then please let us know by either:
  - Phoning the school on (07) 853-0039
  - School App
  - Texting the School Office on 027 207-4466 with name, details and reason for absence.

We would appreciate any absence messages before 9.00am.

# PROCEDURE WHEN STUDENTS ARE AWAY DUE TO FAMILY HOLIDAY ETC

From time to time families wish to take their children out of school for various events not related to illness. Simply notifying the teacher/school verbally is not sufficient. To gain an exemption you will need to write or e-mail the principal (copy Carole Carter) in order to follow the Education Act.

### E-mail address for Brian Sheedy principal@tetotara.school.nz

c.c. officeassistant@tetotara.school.nz

## **MARAMA 15 ART PROJECT**

Could we please have plastic bottle lids/caps (not metal) any colour, any size and washed. Please take them to the Marama pod and put them in the box by the small office in the pod which will have a sign on it.

## **VANDALISM AT SCHOOL**

Unfortunately, we have had some vandalism damage at our school during the past week. At the end of last week our swimming pool was broken into and cut in a number of areas by some intruders who are not part of our school community. We have been liaising with the Police in order to catch the offenders and we are following some promising leads.

We are thankful that our swimming programme for the first half of the year had been completed at the beginning of last week prior to this vandalism. Whilst the pool is in a 'shut down ' mode we will be able to make the necessary repairs so the pool will be fully operational again for the second half year programme beginning at the end of August.

# **MUSIC FESTIVAL CHOIR**

On Wednesday 1st June 2016, the Music Festival Choir will be attending their first practise at Fairfield Intermediate. The children will be collected by bus at 8.30am and will be returning to school 11.00am.



### FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm. This week Matawhero, Neptune, Ra and Milky Way children will attend assembly. This week our Ra 31 children will be sharing. Everyone is welcome.

# **TE TOTARA SPORTS**

PLAYER OF THE DAY (If you are a coach or manager please email the POD to <u>celestem@tetotara.school.nz</u>

NETBALL Magic Shooters Stars Defenders HOCKEY Leopards Cheetahs All Stars Shooters Lightning Strikers

Tigers

Elly Mills Ella-Jade Jeffries Miche Cloete Dylan Cassells Prince Nahal Sophie Hancock Aeryn McKay Kyla Torr-Williams Ella Leeson Keira Lucas

Mya Chee

# DATES COMING UP

Tues 31 May Thurs 2 June Mon 6 June Thurs 9 June Fri 10 June

Mon 13 June Wed 15 June Wed 15 June Thurs 16 June Thurs 23 June Tues 28 June Thurs 30 June Thurs 30 June Sun 3 July Thurs 7 July Fri 8 July

Mon 25 July Thurs 28 July Tues 2 Aug Thurs 4 Aug Thurs 11 Aug Tues 16 Aug

Kind regards, Anne Fraser

Acting Principal

ICAS, Science Earth Wheels Day QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY Ra Wheels Dav School Disco Yrs 0-2 5.00pm - 6.10pm Yrs 3-6 6.30pm – 8.00pm ICAS, Writing **ICAS**, Spelling PTA AGM @ 7.30pm Kōpū/Neptune Wheels Day Matawhero Wheels Day School Cross Country School Cross Country postponement day **Orion Wheels Day Te Totara Invitation Netball Tournament** Marama Wheels Day **TERM 2 FINISHES, 3PM** 

TERM 3 BEGINS, 8.55AM Milky Way Wheels Day ICAS, English Earth Wheels Day Ra Wheels Day ICAS, Mathematics



# TE TOTARA PTA NEXT PTA MEETING



# PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### Wednesday 15th June, 2016 @7.30pm in the Staff Lounge

We'd love a great turnout of parents/caregivers as all the Executive Committee positions are available, and will be elected into on the night. For more info on the positions please go to the following

link: <u>http://www.tetotara.school.nz/4/pages/15-</u> pta

It's a great way to meet new people. If you'd like too, bring a plate of nibbles or drink to share. See you there!



You're invited to come along for a relaxed evening out and meet some fellow Te Totara parents. Drinks will be discounted, and the PTA will provide some nibbles.

### Wednesday 22nd June, 7pm



Upstairs on the mezzanine floor, Good Neighbour, Rototuna

# **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.

