

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 25th AUGUST, 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)

> SCHOOL CLOSED MONDAY 29TH AUGUST, 2016 A reminder school will be <u>CLOSED</u> for this mid-term break. School opens again on Tuesday 30th August, 2016

DAFFODIL DAY FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST, 2016

Te Totara School will be raising money for this worthy cause by having a **Mufti Day** where students can dress up in yellow/gold clothing, instead of school uniform, for a gold coin donation. Children will have an opportunity to place their coin on the large hand-drawn daffodil after the class roll has been taken, starting from Room 1. Please ask your child to take their Daffodil Day coin donation to their classroom.



In addition to this event, fabric daffodil flowers will be available from the Matariki Hall Foyer for a gold coin donation. *Thank you for your support*.

** 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 need to have Enrolment Forms in to the School Office to help with this process. Click on the online link <u>Enrolment Form</u> or visit the School Office for an Enrolment Form.

Further information around the timeline and process will follow in next week's newsletter.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONDAY 12 SEPTEMBER-PAID UNION MEETING FOR TEACHERS

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 9.00-10.00 at the Claudelands event centre, before returning to school.

We will be operating with a skeleton staff and will be firming up details over the next week of the arrangements and have these in next week's newsletter.

SCHOOL SWIMMING, CLASS LESSONS START TOMORROW - FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST, 2016

Now that we are almost into Spring we are ready to begin our school swimming programme again. The pool is heated to a warm 30 degrees and our Waterworld instructors have prepared another challenging learning programme. Our Year 5-6 students are the first classes to begin our second semester of swimming.

Due to the mid-term holiday on Monday 29th August, the first classes will begin swimming on Friday 26th August. Those classes are Room 12, 13 and 14 who will be swimming in Weeks 6 & 7 as well as Friday in Week 5. Following those classes, in Weeks 8 & 9 of this term Rooms 15, 18 & 19 will do their swimming programme.

In Weeks 1 & 2 in Term 4, Rooms 20 & 21 and the remaining Year 2 class from last term, Room 25, will be swimming. We then will start working with our Year 1 classes throughout the remainder of the year. The timetables will be updated closer to the swimming times.

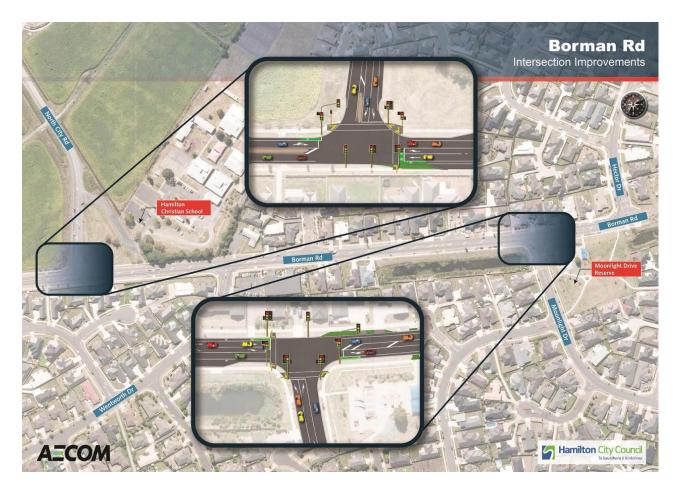
LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSIONS

Over the last two days we have been involved in learning plan discussions with students and families on learning and looking at where to next through goal setting. We have appreciated almost all families being involved in this important partnership.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON MOONLIGHT DRIVE AND BORMAN ROAD

We are delighted that work on the installation of traffic lights and signalised pedestrian crossing has begun. This will enable all students to cross Moonlight Drive and Borman Road through pedestrian crossing at controlled traffic lights. Completion date is by the end of October.

Please be aware that the lights across Borman Rd to the playground will be removed and students will need to cross at the Borman Rd and Moonlight intersection. Below is a map of the improvements around the area, including traffic lights installation on North City and Borman Rd.



SPEEDING - A MESSAGE FOR SAFETY

Police are currently keeping a close eye on speeding, especially along Borman road. Recently the police issued 15 speed infringements in 2 hours (7.30am-9.30am) on the other side of the Resolution Dr/Borman Rd roundabout. It is interesting to note that the majority of these tickets were residents, dropping school children off at school.

Since these tickets were issued the speed trailer has been placed out in this area, hopefully this will be getting the message across and getting people to stick to the speed limits.

The police will continue to monitor this area.

GRANDPARENTS/GRANDFRIENDS MORNING

The Matawhero, Orion, Neptune and Kōpū Teams would like to let you know in advance that they are holding a Grandparents Morning on <u>Friday 16th September, 2016</u>. Children will be asked to invite a Grandparent or 'Grandfriend' to come along. An invitation will be coming home with these students soon.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held Friday 26th August 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week Orion, Kōpū, Earth and Marama children will attend assembly.

This week our Orion 7 and Orion 9 children will be sharing along with our children who performed at the Fairfield Cluster Music Festival.

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SCHOOL PRODUCTION, CAN YOU HELP PLEASE?

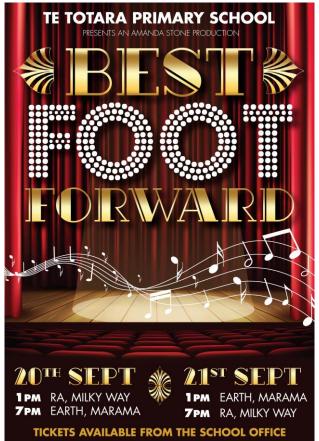
Anyone that has unwanted curtains that are 2 metres or longer in length, could you please contact Sally, Ph: 021 452599.

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

"BEST FOOT FORWARD" PRODUCTION TICKETS TUESDAY 20TH & WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2016 @ 1.00PM & 7.00PM



Tickets go on sale on <u>Tuesday 30th August, 2016</u> and will be 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.*

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 <u>300 tickets</u> 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 <u>NOT</u> your seat number. <u>Seating is on a first-come-first-served basis</u>. 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 <u>Year 3-6</u> children can arrive back at school by <u>6:30pm</u> 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 <u>6.15pm</u>.
- <u>All Year 3-6 students</u> are required to attend each of their own team performances.

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>

HOCKEY

Tigers	Aria Whanga
Lightning	Marcus Lee
Strikers	Hayley Forshaw
Leopards	Ashley Lobb, Hamish Wai
Shooters	Lovejot Nahal
Cheetahs	Sasha McKay
All Stars	Isaac Lee
NETBALL	
Invaders	Frankie Waldron, Emma Garforth
Defenders	Hayley Taylor, Ashlee Lobb



Amazing News for Te Totara Magic player Emilee Mehrtens – Emilee has been selected to carry the ball out at the International Netball Test on Saturday night New Zealand Silver Ferns versus England Roses!

Emilee will be carrying the ball out for the start of the third quarter (second half) which will be live on telly too!

Emilee is very excited and is looking forward to her name being read out on the PA as a proud player of the Te Totara Magic netball team!

Congratulations to the Te Totara Defenders netball team for all their hard work in winning their pool in Sundays Future Ferns Year 3 and 4 tournament. All the girls played 3 awesome games and ended with 2 wins and a draw to claim the overall pool win - with lots of smiles all round.

The team were Tayla Palmer, Hayley Taylor, Paige Hopping, Madison Creighton, Miche Cloete, Alex Frater and Ashlee Lobb.

DATES COMING UP

Fri 26 Aug Fri 26 Aug Mon 29 Aug Tues 30 Aug Thurs 1 Sept Tues 13 Sept Fri 16 Sept Tues 20 Sep Tues 20 Sep Wed 21 Sep Wed 21 Sep

Kind regards, Brían Sheedy

Principal

TE TOTARA PTA. ICEBLOCKS \$1.50

Don't let your child be the one with the sad face on Friday - make sure they have their money for a yummy end-ofweek

Just a quick reminder that lemonade ice blocks will be on sale THIS FRIDAY from the back of Matariki, for \$1.50 EACH. Please make sure your child has the correct change please.

Please Note: This is separate to the Daffodil Day gold coin donations. Thank you.



Cancer Society Daffodil Day PTA Iceblock Friday Mid-Term Break – SCHOOL CLOSED Fairfield Cluster Cross Country (Yrs 4-6 Representatives) Fairfield Cluster Cross Country Postponement date Winter Sports Tournament (Yrs 5&6 Representatives) Grandparents/Grandfriends morning Ra & Milky Way 1.00pm School Production Earth & Marama 7.00pm School Production Earth & Marama 1.00pm School Production Ra & Milky Way 7.00pm School Production



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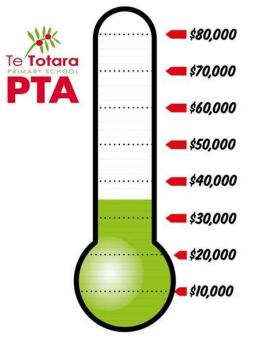


SMITH & MCKENZIE CHEESECAKE FESTIVAL

Who has sampled the annual Cheesecake Festival goodies at **Smith & McKenzie** this week? Our flavour of 'Dark Chocolate, Butterscotch and Pecan' is rating well but we need more votes! Please visit and vote for your favourite. All in a good cause of course :)

More details can be found on our Facebook page.

FUNDRAISING FOR THE COVERED TENNIS COURTS



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

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Te Totara Primary School PTA Account: ASB 12 3171 0277833-00 Please ensure your name is used as a reference. **EMAIL:** <u>tetotara.pta@gmail.com</u>

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.

WAIKATO TOUCH

SKILLS SESSION DATES: Sunday 11th September Sunday 18th September Under 10s-14s: 2pm-3.30pm Under 16s-18s: 4pm-5.30pm

REPRESENTATIVE TRIALS: Sunday 25th September: 10am onwards Under 10s-14s: 10am onwards Under 16-18s: 1pm – 4pm Venue: SWARBRICK PARK, FRANKTON. Please register online at: <u>www.waikatotouch.co.nz</u>

