

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 30TH AUGUST, 2018

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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)

MID TERM BREAK - SCHOOL CLOSED MONDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2018

Just a reminder that School is closed this **Monday 3rd September**. This date was set last year and is to help with everyone's wellbeing at this time of the year. It is usual that we have increased student illness at this time of the year and in previous years we have noticed a reduction in absences due to illness after this break.

DAFFODIL DAY ON TOMORROW - FRIDAY 31ST AUGUST, 2018 SUPPORT DAFFODIL DAY - HAIR CUTTING NEWS!

Most New Zealanders will have some experience of cancer, either

personally or through a relative or friend. One in three New Zealanders will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime.

On Daffodil Day at morning tea two of our Learning Support Teacher Aides, Kate and Monique, and a past Te Totara pupil, Lucy McMorran, will be cutting their hair to raise money for The Cancer Society. The funds raised will support the work the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Cancer Society do to provide free supportive care services



and health promotion programmes, fund research and undertake advocacy. The organisation receives no direct government funding so let's support them!

Their hair will be donated for wigs for people who have lost their own hair due to cancer treatment. It takes five ponytails to make one wig and each hair is individually threaded & knotted into it.

Keen to support this very worthy cause? Please follow this link:

https://doyourthing-wbp.everydayhero.com/nz/Hair-to-Make-You-Smile

SUPPORT DAFFODIL DAY TOMORROW

- WEAR SOMETHING YELLOW (MUFTI CLOTHING)
- + FUNKY HAIR





To support Daffodil Day, our children can come to school with crazy hair (if they wish) and wearing something yellow (mufti clothing).

We ask for a **Gold Coin Donation**, the proceeds will go to the Cancer Society along with the proceeds from our Learning Support Teacher Aide's Hair Cutting, which is happening at morning tea.

Our School Leaders will have collection buckets and will stand outside the entrance points to the school. Children may be given either a fabric yellow daffodil or a sticker for their donation (while stocks last).

OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2019

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 <u>15 places for New Entrant (Year 1) students</u> are likely to be available to out-of-zone students for the enrolment period of **15th December 2018 – 30th June 2019**. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

There will be two 2019 out-of-zone enrolment periods:

The First enrolment period runs from 15th December 2018 – 30th June 2019

The Second enrolment period runs from 1st July 2019 – 19th December 2019

For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period of 15th December 2018 - 30th June 2019, the deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is 3.00pm on Friday 28th September, 2018 and should be addressed to:

Te Totara Primary School PO Box 28134 Hamilton 3256

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.

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

- a) **First Priority** must be given to students who have been accepted for enrolment in a special programme(s) run by the school and approved by the Secretary of Education*.
 - * This priority is not applicable at this school because the school does not run a special programme approved by the Ministry of Education
- 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 applicant 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.

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, a Practicing Lawyer or a Police Officer in accordance under Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989.

If a ballot for out-of-zone is required, it will be held on <u>Friday 12th October, 2018</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Wednesday 17th October, 2018**.

SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

CIRCUS SPLENDIDA

Wednesday 26th September 2018 at 1.30pm & 7.00pm both performances are by the Milky Way & Earth Teams

Thursday 27th September 2018 at 1.30pm & 7.00pm both performances are by the Marama & Ra Teams



Tickets are on sale NOW through KINDO <u>onl</u>y

TICKETS: We ask families to please be mindful that there are many Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 families wanting to attend an evening performance therefore, we have to limit ticket sales to a **maximum of 2 tickets per family for the 7.00pm performance**. There may be extra tickets available to purchase closer to the event, we will let you know. Thank you in advance.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no ticket limit for the 1.30pm Matinee performances.

ALL TICKETS ARE \$10.00 EACH

Children 3 years old and under are FREE, provided they are sitting on the knee of a paying adult ticket. Otherwise, you <u>must</u> purchase a separate ticket for them.



Limited to 300 tickets each performance. Sorry, NO door sales on the night.

- Payment of tickets is through KINDO. Sorry, we will not be accepting any payments through internet banking or through the School Office.
- If you do not have access to a computer, you are welcome to use the school iPad which is available in the School Office. If you do not have an email address, please contact Marise Crow 07 853-0039 ext. 858.
- Tickets are non-refundable nor transferable so please ensure you are ordering the correct day/time.
- 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.
- Only 300 tickets are available for each performance so don't miss out!. NO extra seating or standing room will be allowed due to Health & Safety Regulations.
- The School Office will regularly check sales through KINDO and will send colour coded ticket/s home with the oldest child in each family within a few days of purchase:
 Wednesday 26th September Milky Way & Earth Teams (1.30pm/Pink ticket and 7.00pm/Blue ticket)

Thursday 27th September Marama & Ra Teams (1.30pm/Yellow ticket and 7.00pm/Orange ticket)

- Please remember to bring your ticket to the performance; this will confirm you have purchased a seat. Sorry, no ticket/no entry there will be NO DOOR SALES.
- Doors open for Matinee Performances at 1.00pm / Evening Performances doors open at 6.30pm
- The number on your ticket is NOT your seat number, **seating is on a first-come-first-served basis**.
- There will be an area allocated for wheelchair access and seating. If you require this service, please make sure you indicate this when purchasing your tickets through KINDO.
- <u>All Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 students</u> are required to attend each of their own team performances. Students performing on the day/evening do not require a ticket.
- All our students will have an opportunity to see a dress rehearsal of the Senior School Production during school time.

This online system allows you to pay for our school's fees (Mathletics, Aquatics, School Donation, Lost Library Book Fees etc) and is also the <u>ONLY</u> way to register your child for sports. Register now for:



Matawhero Team Animates Trip

(Registrations Close Monday 3rd September @ 9.00am)

Fairfield Cluster Winter Sports Registration (Selected Students only)

(Registrations Close Monday 10th September @ 9.00am)

"Circus Spendida" Senior School Production Tickets

Dates are: Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th September, 2018

Questions?

Register for Kindo using our App or through our School Website (click on the link)

www.tetotara.school.nz then select the "Fees & Donations" tab.

If you need help, please pop in and see us at the School Office OR give us a call on (07) 853-0039 OR call

the Kindo Helpdesk on 0508 454636 (toll free)

If access is denied, it is most likely that our school does not have your current email address recorded on your child's file. Please do not hesitate to contact the School Office on (07) 853-0039 to amend.

FAIRFIELD CLUSTER INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday 28th August, 24 of our Year 4-6 students participated in the Fairfield Cluster Interschool Cross Country.

It was a cold start to the day, but we were lucky to experience some beautiful sunshine for most of the morning.

With the pace of each race being extremely fast, it was stamina and strategy that enabled all our runners to be very successful in their races.

A big congratulations to **Abbey Leatherland, Daniel Kiely, Daniel Hodgson, Phoenix McGrath and David Mihigo** for placing in the top 6 of their races.

Well done to all our Te Totara Stars for completing their races strongly, supporting others and representing our school in a very positive manner.



FIRST CREDIT UNION SCHOOL BANKING

First Credit Union provides a school banking service to all pupils at Te Totara Primary School. Getting started is easy - just pick up an application pack from the School Office, fill in the application form and return it to the green "First Credit Green Drop-box" in the School Office. If your children are already doing school banking, remember that the school banking is collected on Wednesday at 9.00am each week!



YEARBOOK 2018 - ADVERTISING

The creation of our full-colour Te Totara Primary School Yearbook is currently underway!

We would like to keep the production costs down by looking for advertising in our local community. This is a great way to promote your local business, and reach over 560 families, all while supporting our school. Please see our newsletters and notices tab on our school website for further details, TE TOTARA YEARBOOK ADVERTISING 2018 or email Kāren Langley - karenl@tetotara.school.nz



OUR LOST PROPERTY BIN IS FULL AGAIN!

Please check out our lost property bin for any items your child may be missing. Our BIG YELLOW bin is located outside the Earth building.

We ask ALL families to please check your child's uniform on a <u>weekly basis</u> to ensure they are wearing their own uniform, rather than someone else's.



JOB VACANCY - TE TOTARA AFTER SCHOOL CARE

After School Care is looking for an ASC worker who will be available Monday through to Thursday. We need someone who enjoys working with children, and will actively supervise them in a variety of settings during our busy afternoons. If you think this is you, please email your CV and 2 references to afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz

SWIM SCHOOL, SCHOOL HOLIDAY LESSONS - LIMITED SPACES! Mon 8th - Fri 12th OCTOBER 2018 - 1 WEEK BLOCK COURSE

New Zealand has one of the highest drowning rates in the developed world. Unfortunately, 2018 has seen many drownings in New Zealand already.

We are looking at offering a 1 week block course of lessons for your child/ren. Pre-school children's lessons will also be available if there is enough interest.

Monday 8th October - Friday 12th October 2018.

Your child/ren's lesson would be held at the same time each day for the week for 25 minutes. These lessons are usually held at school between 9am-1pm.

Parents are reminded to please stay on site for your child's Swim School lesson as per our Swim School Terms and Conditions a copy of which is available on our school website or from our School Office.

Please e-mail Celeste: <u>celestem@tetotara.school.nz</u> if you would be interested in making a booking with your child's name and swimming level.



Well done to Blake Taylor (Room 12) who has made the NZ National Gymsport Championships Waikato Artistic Team again for 2018.

Nationals competition is held in October and we wish Blake all the best.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on **Friday 31st August**, **2018 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm**. This week our Neptune and Ra children will attend assembly and our Ra 32 children will be sharing.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

NETBALL

Ferns Emma Kiely Invaders Holly Wine

Meteors Brooke Peters, Sophie Skipwith

Shooters Madison Creighton Stars Lynize Snyman

HOCKEY

Shooters Reegan Whanga Strikers Lucas Templeton Tigers Lisa Bosman

Congratulations to our Tigers Hockey Team for making 3rd and 4th playoffs for the Milne Cup. If you would like to support them, they are playing at 1.15pm at Gallaghers, Saturday 1st September 2018.



DATES COMING UP

Thurs 30 Aug BOT Meeting at 6.30pm

Fri 31 Aug Cancer Society Daffodil Day - Gold Coin Donation

Mon 3 Sept Mid-Term Break - SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 5 Sept PTA Meeting, 7.30pm, School Staffroom

Fri 14 Sept PTA, SCHOOL DISCO - "T" PARTY

Years 0-2 from 5.30pm - 6.45pm - \$2.00 entry fee on the night Years 3-6 from 7.00pm - 8.30pm - \$2.00 entry fee on the night

Tues 18 Sept Fairfield Cluster Winter Sports (NO Postponement date)

Thurs 20 Sept BOT Meeting at 6.30pm

Wed 26 Sept
Senior School Production (1.30pm & 7.00pm performances)
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Fri 28 Sept END OF TERM 3, SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM

Kind regards, **Brian Sheedy**

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: <u>tetotara.pta@gmail.com</u> <u>www.facebook.com/TTPTA</u>



SMITH AND MCKENZIE CHEESECAKE FESTIVAL

The annual Cheesecake Festival at Smith & McKenzie was a great success. Thanks to everyone who purchased and voted for our flavour – we sold 199 slices and received 170 votes – netting us a total of \$369 towards our school! Big thanks to Toby, Nic, Stevie and the areat team at Smith & McKenzie.

DISCO - "TE TOTARA 'T' PARTY"

We are holding a disco on 14TH SEPTEMBER. The Theme is 'T' Party, so start thinking of costume ideas – anything that starts with the letter 'T'. Will you be a tree, the Terminator, a T-Rex or a teapot? Maybe a turtle, a train or a Transformer? Tennis player, teacher or tiger? Get your thinking caps on, there will be spot prizes for the best costumes...

DISCO – HELPERS NEEDED PLEASE

We desperately need volunteers to help set up and run Disco night please. It's not hard, just a couple of hours of your time would be hugely appreciated. We do need your help to do it – if there are not enough helpers we can't hold the disco. Please help by messaging us through Facebook: www.facebook.com/TTPTA. Thanks.



PTA MEETING • WEDNESDAY 5TH SEPT

- Does your child enjoy the events that the PTA puts on Discos, Galas, Colour Run, Ice-block days and more?
- Have you always wanted to do 'something' to help the school and children?
- Can you commit to just a couple of hours every few months?

We get it – people ARE busy – us included! However, without PTA volunteers there wouldn't be ANY of these fun activities (which we know your child loves).

Please come along to our next PTA meeting, where we will be discussing the disco, the exciting fundraising projects and much more. We would love to see you, and you're guaranteed a warm welcome. Refreshments provided. Wednesday 5th September, 7.30pm in the school staffroom.

Your PTA committee: Scott, Fiona, Rae, Jackie and Vicki

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.

OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME - WSA ART SCHOOL

Our classes are suitable for children 5-12 years old and run from Monday to Friday, 9am to 12pm 1 October to 12 October Fees are \$35 per session or \$150 Monday to Friday. 120 Victoria Street, Hamilton. Please see http://www.wsa.org.nz/school.aspx for details or email artschool@wsa.org.nz

WSA ART SCHOOL - TERM 2018

Waikato Society of Arts School, 120 Victoria Street

Our next term at the art school runs from the 15 October to 10 December

Enrolments are now open, see details here: http://www.wsa.org.nz/school.aspx or email artschool@wsa.org.nz for more info or to enrol.

MOVIE FUNDRAISER

Hamilton BMX Club is having a movie fundraiser & would love you to be part of our fundraiser & movie session, with spot prizes & goodie bags. So why not purchase your tickets now!

All money raised will go to our two riders Cailen Calkin & Jessie Smith who have been chosen to compete at the Youth Olympics in Argentina in October 2018. Support a great cause & get these two amazing BMX riders to The Youth Olympics. START THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH A MOVIE!

Details: Sunday 30th September 2018, Movie: Small Foot Time: 4.30pm, Where: Hoyts - Metro Hamilton Cinema 4 ORDER YOUR TICKETS via our website. http://www.hamiltonbmx.co.nz/members/shop/

WAIKATO A&P SHOW

The Waikato A&P Show is on Friday 26th October to Sunday 28th October and a key part of the weekend is the Friday Calf Club/ Ag day.

This year we have also invested in more entertainment for kids and families over the weekend, such as inflatables, the Farmyard, Pony rides, award winning Face Painting, Carnival rides, Magic Shows, Wonky Donkey performances and many more. Please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions. Warmest Regards, Vanessa Natusch Operations Manager – Showing Waikato

P: 022 408 8573 E. opsmanager@showingwaikato.co.nz A: Gate 1b, Ivl 3, 800 Heaphy Terrace, Claudelands, Hamilton, 3214 Proudly putting on the Waikato A&P Show Oct 26-28 2018 and Waikato Show April 5-7 2019





ADAM THOMAS FOOTBALL:

Te Totara Primary school parents please register here:

https://enrolmy.com/adam-thomas-football/activity/62-Te Totara Primary School