

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 16TH MAY, 2019

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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)

PINK SHIRT DAY MUFTI DAY TOMORROW, FRIDAY 17TH MAY, 2019

Celebrated annually around the globe, Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against bullying, after a peer was bullied for wearing a pink shirt. In Aotearoa, Pink Shirt Day aims to create



schools, workplaces and communities where all people feel safe, valued and respected.

Our school will be supporting Pink Shirt Day tomorrow. Students are welcome to come to school wearing mufti clothing (*not school uniform*) wearing something pink e.g. t-shirt, ribbon or something similar to support Pink Shirt Day.

ol uniform) CELEBATE DIVERSITY, SUPPORT AND SUPPORT

Please note: There will be <u>NO</u> collection of money for this day.

More information about "Pink Shirt Day" can be found at <u>www.pinkshirtday.org.nz</u> Pink Shirt Day is lead by the Mental Health Foundation.

** URGENT NOTICE - SCHOOL CLOSED** Teachers Strike - Wednesday 29th May, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians

The Te Totara Board of Trustees have recognised potential health and safety concerns due to the proposed full day Teachers strike by the N.Z.E.I. teachers union on **Wednesday 29th May, 2019**. During this strike, almost all Te Totara teaching staff will be on strike and therefore, the Board of Trustees have decided that the **school will close**. The Board understands that this is going to create difficulties for families, but, given almost all teaching staff will be striking, significant health and safety concerns will arise in caring for students at school in these circumstances.

Regards,

Rod Carpinter

Te Totara Primary School Board of Trustees Chair



2019 BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

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.

The NZSTA links below provides a brief guide as to what it entails:

http://www.trustee-election.co.nz/ Community Member Guide to the Role of the Board of Trustees

<u>Kōrari Programme</u>

Kōrari - A programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.

Key Dates for the Te Totara Primary School 2019 Board of Trustees Elections are: <u>Main Roll Closed – noon Wednesday 8th May</u> <u>Call for Nominations – by Friday 10th May (by post)</u> Close Supplementary Roll – noon Wednesday 22nd May

BOT Nominations Close – noon Friday 24th May

Voting Papers Posted by – Wednesday 29th May **Election Day (voting closes) – noon Friday 7th June** Vote Count – Thursday 13th June Board takes Office – Friday 14th June **If you would like some further information about what being a Board Member entails,** please call Marise Crow (Board Secretary) on (07) 853-0039 ext 858 who will put you in

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JUNIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION "Bada Bing it's Spring"

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW THROUGH KINDO ONLY

Ticket purchase cut-off date is Wed 29th May @ 3.00pm

Please note: There is no ticket limit for any of the performances

Wednesday 5th June 2019 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm Both performances by: Neptune 25 & 27 and Orion 7 & 9 and Matawhero 2 & 3

Thursday 6th June, 2019 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm Both performances by: Neptune 24, 26 & 28 and Orion 8 & 10

ALL TICKETS ARE \$5.00 EACH

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

Limited to 300 tickets each performance. Sorry, <u>NO</u> door sales on the night.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS





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- 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 5th June, 2019 (2.00pm/Yellow ticket and 6.00pm/Orange ticket) Thursday 6th June, 2019 (2.00pm/Green ticket and 6.00pm/Blue ticket)
- Please remember to bring your ticket to the performance; this will confirm you have purchased a seat. <u>Sorry. no ticket - no entry</u> – there will be <u>NO DOOR SALES</u>. There will be <u>no</u> general reserved seating available for parents/families.
- Doors open for Matinee Performances at 1.30pm / Evening Performances doors open at 5.30pm
- 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 1 & 2 students</u> are required to attend each of their own team performances. Students performing on the day/evening do not require a ticket.
- For evening performances the Lead Characters (Narrators & Queen) are required to meet in the Staffroom at 5.30pm.
- All other evening performance students are to arrive at **5.30pm** and go directly to their allocated classrooms to meet their teacher where they will be supervised.
- All our students will have an opportunity to watch a dress rehearsal of the Junior School Production during school time so please <u>do not</u> buy your child who attends Te Totara a lunchtime performance ticket.

2019 FEES AVAILABLE TO PAY VIA KINDO NOW

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

Deep Water Safety at Waterworld - Friday 24th May, 2019 Milky Way <u>Rooms 18, 20 & 21 ONLY</u> Cut off date for registration is 3.00pm Wed 22nd May, 2019

Arbor Day Plant - Friday 31st May at Waiwhakareke Natural Heritage Park Cut off date for registration is 3.00pm Friday 24th May, 2019

Junior Production - "Bada Bing it's Spring" (See above for dates/times) Ticket purchase cut-off is 3.00pm Wednesday 29th May, 2019

Questions?

Register for Kindo using our App or through our School Website (click on the link) <u>www.tetotara.school.nz</u> 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.

** WE NEED YOUR HELP **

Do you have a talent for art, sculpture, craft, photography, graphic design etc?

Te Totara Primary School are having an Art Exhibition in Term 3 on **Tuesday 24th September, 2019 (Week 10).**

We are also working with our PTA to hold an **Art Auction** as a fundraiser. Money raised will go towards the shade cover for the new playground.

We are keen to hear from anyone interested in donating some art for our auction. This would be a great way to promote and share your talent in our community.

Please email if you are able to donate any art or if you would like to meet with one of us to discuss anything.

If you have any art to donate, please email Angela Sweeney <u>angelas@tetotara.school.nz</u> or come and see me in Room 12, or contact Michele Gordon <u>micheleg@tetotara.school.nz</u> We would love to hear from you!

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

NETBALL Meteors

Blake McFarlane

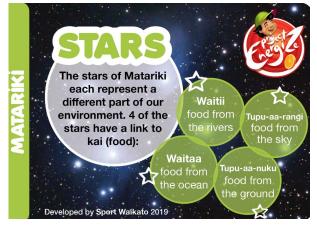
HOCKEY Eagles Hawks Chantenique Du Plessis Sarah Poborowska Mia Terblanche Quinn James

MINIBALL

Leopards

Tigers

Celtic Jayden Peng Lakers Nathan Woolerton Thunder Amota Tabera



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 17th May, 2019 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm. This week our children from Matawhero, Earth and Marama will attend assembly. This week our children from Earth 38 will be sharing.

PATRON OF READING!

We are pleased to announce that Te Totara has its first Patron of Reading author **Dawn McMillan**. A Patron of Reading is a school's special children's author, poet, storyteller or illustrator. The Patron visits the school several times during the year and stays in contact in between. This means they can develop a relationship with students over a period of time. The Patron's main role is to encourage and develop a reading for pleasure culture in the school. **Dawn McMillan** has published a large number of children's picture books, and over 200 educational readers. For her first visit in 2019, Dawn will be meeting with our Year 3-6 students on Friday 24th May, 2019.



DATES COMING UP

Fri 17 MayPink Shirt Day - Mufti Day (NO gold coin required)Fri 24 MayDawn McMillan (Patron of Reading) visiting our Years 3-6 studentsWed 29 MayTEACHERS STRIKE - SCHOOL CLOSED



Thurs 30 May	BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm in the Meeting Room
Fri 31 May	Arbor Day - Waiwhakareke Natural Heritage Park from 10.00am - 3.00pm
Mon 3 June	Queens Birthday, Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 5 June	Junior School Production - "Bada Bing It's Spring"
	2.00pm Matinee & 6.00pm Evening Performances
	Neptune 25 & 27 and Orion 7 & 9 and Matawhero 2 & 3
Thurs 6 June	Junior School Production - "Bada Bing It's Spring"
	2.00pm Matinee & 6.00pm Evening Performances
	Neptune 24, 26 & 28 and Orion 8 & 10
Fri 7 June	Touch Guy & Gal Challenge (Registered Year 5&6 Students only)
Fri 7 June	BOT Election Voting Closes at noon
Fri 7 June	Learning Plans Home
12, 13 & 14 June	Kirikiriroa Marae Visit - Whole School
	(each class will be assigned a day's visit, further information to follow)
13 June	BOT Elections - Count Votes
14 June	Newly Elected Board Takes Office
27 June	BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm in the Meeting Room

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Anne Fraser

Principal

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PTA EVENTS COMING UP

Term 2

SUPERSTAR SPELL-A-THON! Keep a look out for details

Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop: www.facebook.com/TTPTA



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.**

