

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 30TH MAY, 2019

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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)

SCHOOL CLOSED - MONDAY 3RD JUNE, 2019

Queens Birthday National Public Holiday

2019 BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

Thank you to the parents who stood for the Board of Trustees, it is wonderful to have a community that has many talented people willing to contribute to the school.

Congratulations to our new Board which consists of:

Melissa Guyan lain Ings Mark McMorran Deron Sharma Terence Singh Anne Fraser (Principal) TBA (Staff elected member)



Our new Board of Trustees take up their Governance role with their first BOT Meeting at the end of June, this is an exciting time!

Between now and then there will be updated school information provided for the new Board of Trustees team.

I would like to thank the previous Board Members: Rod Carpinter (BOT Chair) - 6 years service, Kevin King - 13 years service, Mark McMorran, Rebecca Senar - 2 years service & Terry Singh (Deputy BOT Chair) for their governance work during their time on the Board. They have overseen considerable growth and change in the school and initiated many new opportunities for Te Totara.

A special mention needs to be made of Kevin King whose period of service began before the school opened as an Establishment board member. His outstanding contribution to Te Totara Primary School was from December 2006 to June 2019 and he has been instrumental is ensuring our school has developed from early beginnings to the large successful school we currently have. Thank you so much Kevin for all your efforts and also to his wife Megan, and family Cameron and Sarah for all their support.

Anne Fraser Principal

TE TOTARA SCHOOL APP UPGRADE

Our School App is upgrading to SchoolAppsNZ this Friday 31st May, 2019.



Between 10.00am and 4.00pm on Friday, an alert notification will be sent to all our app users.

The notification on your mobile will say:

"Your School App requires some important updates. Please click here to read more."

On opening this alert you will see a message that explains the update along with a link to begin the update. On clicking the link it will take you to the App Store / Google Play Store to download the SchoolAppsNZ app.

On downloading, the app will open up and display your School's App home screen as per normal. You will now be upgraded to SchoolAppsNZ.

JUNIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION

"Bada Bing it's Spring"

TICKET SALES HAVE NOW CLOSED

Wednesday 5th June 2019 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm

Performances by: Neptune 25 & 27 and Orion 7 & 9 and Matawhero 2 & 3

Thursday 6th June, 2019 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm

Performances by: Neptune 24, 26 & 28 and Orion 8 & 10

TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH KINDO FROM 9 MAY Wednesday 5th June Neptune 25, 27 Orion 7, 9 Matawhero 2, 3 2pm and 6pm Thursday 6th June Neptune 24, 28 Orion 8, 0 2pm and 6pm

Sorry, NO door sales on the night or day performances.

- Tickets are non-refundable nor transferable so please ensure you are ordering the correct day/time.
- 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. There will be no 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.

We look forward to welcoming you all to this very exciting event!

WHOLE SCHOOL KIRIKIRIROA MARAE VISIT

During Week 7 our school will be visiting Kirikiriroa Marae. As we have almost 750 children going, we will go in three groups over three days. Each trip will be about 2 hours. The trips will take place on Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th and Friday 14th June, 2019. Children will experience a powhiri (welcome), learn poi, weaving and listen to a korero in the wharenui. This will be the third time our school has visited this Marae and we are incredibly grateful for the hospitality shown to us by the Tangata Whenua of Kirikiriroa Marae. There is no cost involved for the students, who will be travelling to/from the Marae by bus. The school very much values this curriculum experience and we cover all costs involved.

Information for Parents joining their class to visit Kirikiriroa Marae

Parents and whānau are welcome to join their child's class when visiting the Marae however, it's important that we are respectful and follow the correct protocol. It is customary that when visiting a Marae for the first time, that you are to be welcomed in with a pōwhiri. A pōwhiri is a formal ceremony that brings together the manuwhiri (visitors) and tangata whenua (hosts). Visitors all walk onto the Marae together, so it's important that you are there ready to join your child's class at the time given by the classroom teacher. Once the pōwhiri has taken place you'll be free to move around with your child to the different activities, and leave whenever you wish. Your child will return with the school. Please be aware the third group of each day returns to Te Totara Primary School at 3.30pm.

	Rāapa	Rāpare	Rāmere
	Wednesday 12th June	Thursday 13th June	Friday 14th June
Rōpu	R8 Caron Ace	R7 Julianne Wink	R3 Bridie Carr-Neil
Tuatahi	R36 Suzie Goile	R38 Natalie Gillies	R4 Maria Batters
(First)	R18 Morgan Hunter	R29 Komal Kumar	R13 Craig McAuley
9.00am -12.15pm	R2 Anna Littler & Rachel		R24 Teresa Lincoln
	96 students	73 students	R25 Jessica Grimson
			95 students
Rōpu	R30 Krissy Tantrum	R35 Cath Glyde	R27 Cyra Wells
Tuarua	R19 Karen Langley	R12 Angela Sweeney	R21 Rochelle Lingard
(Second)	R9 Jemma Shannon	R28 Niki Collins	R10 Julia May
10.45am - 2.15pm	R6 Lorene Cottan	R26 Jennifer Dalton	·
·	R5 Monique Berger		
	73 students	95 students	70 students
Rōpu	R20 Jo Stewart	R14 Sue Robertson	R32 Dori Villasol-Alonso
Tuatoru	R33 Ashleigh Morgan	R15 Kristy Hanks	R31 Sarah Brister
(Third)	R34 Levi O'Halloran	R37 Brendan Gauld	R22 Nerida Turnbull
12.45pm -			
3.30pm	78 students	79 students	80 students
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LEARNING PLANS HOME - FRIDAY 7TH JUNE, 2019

If your family are in a shared care arrangement, please advise Marise Crow either by email or Ph: (07) 853-0039 ext. 858 a.s.a.p. as to who will be collecting the child/ren from school on **Friday 7th June, 2019**. If you are happy for both copies of the Learning Plan to come home in the same envelope, please also let me know. Email: receptionist@tetotara.school.nz

LEARNING PLANS HOME - FRIDAY 7TH JUNE, 2019

A Learning Plan for each student will be sent home with the oldest or only child from each family on <u>Friday 7th June</u>, <u>2019</u>. However, if your child started at school in Term 2 (or late in Term 1) you will not receive a Learning Plan yet.

The Learning Plans will also be available online from **3.00pm on Friday 7th June**, **2019**. Included in the information pack being sent home will be instructions on how to log-on to the Parent Portal site.

The work involved in developing these Learning Plans is immense and reflect our goal of developing a personalised plan for each student.

Much thought and consideration has gone into these Learning Plans. We have managed to include a lot more of each child's comments and goals, to ensure they have an increased sense of ownership of their Learning Plan.

We strongly advise that you:

- Go through the Learning Plan with your child
- Look especially at the "Where To Next" and "Goals set by Student, Parent and Teacher" sections and incorporate these into supporting learning at home.

A REMINDER.... Please keep your Login and Password details for the Parent Portal handy, these will be inside the Learning Plan folder. We encourage families to log-in to the Parent Portal and check that we hold the correct details on file for your child/ren e.g. mobile numbers, home address and email address

For those families who will not receive a Learning Plan for their child/ren, a letter will be forwarded to you with your Parent Portal Login and Password details.

Log onto your @school Parent Portal http://www.atschool.co.nz/ Enter your user ID and Password

- Go to My Child
- Click on Contact Details

TE TOTARA PAPER RECYCLING - 2018

As part of our involvement with the "Paper4trees" Programme, we are able to swap our paper recycling for trees for the school!

Because of how much paper and card was recycled from our Te Totara classes during 2018, we've been able to get this wonderful selection of native plants from Bruntwood Nurseries for our school - FOR FREE!!!

Thanks Te Totara for supporting recycling, and special thanks to the Lion Foundation for supporting this initiative.



TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

NETBALL

Invaders Phoenix McGrath

Magic Shiny Shin

Shooters Regan McMurray

HOCKEY

Hawkes Charlotte Osborne

Leopards Aarav Dutt

Stormers Sophia Greenslade
Tiaers Javana Dheda

MINIBALL

Lakers Lukas Cobby, Daniel Chun



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 31st May, 2019 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week our children from Orion and Milky Way will attend assembly.

This week our children from Milky Way 19 will be sharing.

DATES COMING UP

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"

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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)

Thurs 13 June BOT Elections - Count Votes

Fri 14 June Newly Elected Board Takes Office

Fri 5 July END OF TERM 2, School Finishes at 3.00pm

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Anne Fraser Principal

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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SUPERSTAR 'SPELL-A-THON' - FORMS GIVEN TO YOUR CHILDREN

Te Totara Primary School is holding a Spell-a-thon this term. This is a great way of improving our students' spelling, as well as fundraising towards a cover for our new Matariki playground. It is designed so that family, whanau and friends may sponsor your child. They may offer as little or as much sponsorship as they like – either by sponsoring per correct answer, or by offering a fixed amount sponsorship.

Class teachers will provide the list of age-appropriate spelling words to learn. Please help and encourage your child to learn their spell-a-thon words. The students will be tested later this term at a time to suit individual class timetables.

Your child's test will be sent home so you can see how they did. This sheet will clearly indicate your child's test result. Please use this to write your child's test result on this sponsorship form. Please hand the sponsorship form and money collected (in a sealed envelope) to the Green PTA Box in the School Office once completed.

All students who return their sponsorship money on time will be eligible for cool prizes within their pod. We hope you and your families will support this fun initiative, thank you!





WE NEED YOU ON THE PTA!

Our PTA AGM is to be held in June and we have several committee members who are stepping down as their children near the end of their time here at Te Totara.

WE NEED YOU! Please consider joining the team – it is fun and easy to get involved. More details next week.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Want to save big on fine dining, cafes, events, attractions and local businesses? You'll not find a better deal than this!

The Entertainment Book offer great value discounts to a huge variety of businesses and events all throughout the region – you can easily recoup your financial investment within 3-4 uses of the wide and varied discount vouchers, Valid until June 2020.

As a special incentive, we will be having a special draw to win one of two prizes – receive one entry for each book sold. Tell your friends and family today!

However, if you would like to have your book sooner or would like a digital edition then click on the link below:

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Why buy digital?

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- you can share your book between 4 phones let the kids have the app too :)
- you get new coupons throughout the year
- you can use the 'near me' feature to check out everything close to you

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

Your PTA committee: Scott, Fiona, Rae, Raewyn 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.

Hamilton Moving Together Transport Survey

Hamilton City Council wants to learn more about how people get around Hamilton, to help us better plan for and meet the changing transport needs of our growing city. We're asking our community to please complete a short survey that asks eight questions about how people move around the city, views on road safety, and different ways of getting around. Along with general questions about the person taking the survey, it is expected to take less than 10 minutes to complete.

Results from the survey will help in the building of a transport plan for the city which will help decide where and how to invest in transport and public places. Take the survey at https://haveyoursay.hamilton.govt.nz/city-transportation/hamilton-moving-together-transport-survey/ Thanks! Cameron Ward, School Travel Co-ordinator. City Transportation.

Email cameron.ward@hcc.govt.nz



Invites you to give Marching a Go!

We can offer you Fun, Friendship and Fitness. Come along give Marching a go.

No experience needed just an attitude to learn.

Learn to march lessons begin, 11 June 2019 at Peachgrove Intermediate every Tuesday, 5.30pm-7.30pm. Contact Michelle, phone 021 376 288 for further information.



