

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST, 2020

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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)

DAFFODIL DAY - FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST, 2020 SUPPORT DAFFODIL DAY - GOLD COIN DONATION

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.

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!

Thank you for your support.



SUPPORT DAFFODIL DAY - WEAR SOMETHING YELLOW (MUFTI CLOTHING) + CRAZY HAIR



Volunteers from Neptune 26 will visit classrooms at the beginning of the school day to collect donations.

They will receive a sticker as a recognition for their donation.





*** MID TERM BREAK *** SCHOOL CLOSED Monday 31st August, 2020

Just a reminder that School is closed on **Monday 31 August**, **2020**. 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.

SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION

"TUT TUT"



TICKETS ARE ON SALE THROUGH KINDO ONLY

Ticket purchase cut-off date is Wednesday 2nd September @ 3.00pm



PLEASE NOTE:

The ticket limit has been lifted..... there is now <u>NO ticket limit</u> on any of the performances, families are now welcome to purchase additional tickets through KINDO.

If you haven't already purchased your tickets, <u>please do so urgently.</u>
YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS OUT!

TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Marama 12&13, Milky Way 18, Ra 30&32 and Earth 38

WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Marama 15, Milky Way 19&20, Ra 33 and Earth 35&36

THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Marama 14&22, Milky Way 21&23, Ra 29 and Earth 34&37

ALL TICKETS ARE \$10.00 EACH

Children 3 years old and under are FREE, <u>provided they are</u> <u>sitting on 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, NO door sales on the night.

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

FINDING OUT WHAT IS HAPPENING AT SCHOOL

We have many ways of keeping up-to-date regarding events that are happening at school:

Online school calendar: Online School Calendar

School App: Download the School Apps NZ

School Website: <u>Te Totara Website</u>

(this has the option to translate the newsletter into other languages)

Weekly notices: Weekly Notices

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/TeTotaraPrimarySchool230374533681330/
We have a great team at school who keep these all updated in real time.





OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS PERIOD FOR 2021

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 9 places for New Entrant (Year 1) students, whose 5th Birthday falls within the enrolment period of 17th December 2020 – 30th June 2021, are likely to be available to out-of-zone students. 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 2021 out-of-zone enrolment periods:

The First enrolment period runs from 17th December 2020 – 30th June 2021

The Second enrolment period runs from 1st July 2021 – 16th December 2021

For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period of 17th December 2020 - 30th June 2021, the deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is 3.00pm on Friday 25th September, 2020 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 with Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989.

If a ballot for out-of-zone is required, it will be held on <u>Friday 9th October</u>, <u>2020</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Wednesday 14th October**, <u>2020</u>.

LATE ARRIVALS (AFTER 8.55AM)

Unfortunately, over the past few weeks we have seen a big increase of students arriving late to school after the bell has rung at 8.55am, along with this increase we have also noticed that we are not being advised of your child's absence if they are away from school for any reason. Your help with this matter would be much appreciated.



Have you ever arrived at a meeting late, everyone is settled in their chair, the presenter has welcomed them and is now outlining what the day has in store..... and as you walk in they all turn and look at you?

That is what it can be like for your child when they arrive late at school and their class is all settled. So please, we ask parents to ensure their children arrive at school with at least five minutes to spare, for them to organise themselves by hanging up their school bag and sorting their book bag independently.

We understand there may be rare occasions where your child arrives late at school (after 8.55am) and requires families to report to the School Office for the child to be issued a "Late Card" prior to heading to their learning areas. We appreciate your effort in ensuring your child/ren arrives at school in good time before the first bell at 8.55am.

ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

If your child will be away from school then please let us know the reason by either:



- School App send an "Absentee" notification
 Go to the App store on your Apple or Android device and search "School Apps NZ" to download the App to your phone or tablet and then add "Te Totara".
- Phoning the school on (07) 853-0039
- Texting the School Office on 027 207-4466 with name, details and reason for absence. Please note that we do not send a reply to text messages.

We would appreciate any absence messages **before 9.00am**.



DENTAL CLINIC FOR TE TOTARA CHILDREN, FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY DENTAL CLINIC

Our school Dental Clinic is located at the Fairfield Community Dental Clinic Ph: (07) 853-8145 C/- Fairfield Intermediate School

Kensington Place, Davies Corner (end of road not far from Davies Corner Medical Centre)

2020 FEES PAYABLE VIA KINDO

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



- FAIRFIELD CLUSTER CROSS COUNTRY (Event Cancelled)
- WINTER SPORTS TOURNAMENT (Selected Y4-6 Students only)
 Cut-off now 3.00pm on Friday 11th September
- TUT TUT PRODUCTION TICKETS Cut-off 3.00pm on Wed 2nd September
- 2020 YEARBOOK Cut-off date 3.00pm on Friday 20th November
- 2020 SCHOOL CAMP (Years 5&6) Fees and Donations

URGENT - all outstanding amounts to be paid via KINDO under the "Fees & Donations icon" We currently have \$2920.00 outstanding in camp payments.

2020 YEARBOOK ORDERS THROUGH KINDO ONLY

\$20.00 Early Bird order

October.

\$25.00 if ordered after 3.00pm Friday 2nd





Our wonderful school Yearbook is currently being put together, it's a great record of the years' learning and events and includes over 100 full colour pages. Children love reading the pages and do so for many years. Yearbook orders are placed through KINDO and close on **Friday 20th**

November, 2020 @ 3.00pm. Sorry, no late orders will be accepted.

Please note: If you have Grandparents or friends who wish to order their own copy of the Yearbook, this must be ordered through KINDO and combined with your family order.

SCOOTER FOUND AT SCHOOL

Our Caretakers have found this scooter which has been left at school, if this is your scooter please go to the caretakers shed to collect. Thanks

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 21st August, 2020 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week our children from our Marama team will only attend assembly. This week our children from Marama 12 & 14 will be sharing.

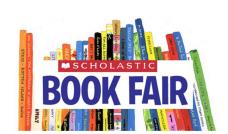
Sharing will begin promptly, please ensure you arrive through the main door and are seated by 2.00pm. Covid tracing will be compulsory for any parents attending this assembly please.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - CANCELLED

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel our Book Fair due to the latest Covid-19 restrictions.

If you want to order a book from the Book Fair pamphlet that went home with your child then you can fill in the back and return it to the office by 9.00am on Friday 28th August, 2020.. We will also be running the Lucky Book Club, with those brochures home coming home later this week (also due back by 9.00am on Friday 28th August).



DATES COMING UP

Thurs 27 Aug BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Fri 28 Aug Daffodil Day Mufti Day - Gold Coin Donation

(wear something yellow/crazy hair to school)

Mon 31 Aug Mid-Term Break - SCHOOL CLOSED

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Tues 15 Sept Fairfield Cluster Winter Sports (no postponement date)

Wed 16 Sept Photolife Cultural & Sports Photos

Thurs 24 Sept BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm Fri 25 Sept PTA Ice Block Day

Fri 25 Sept PIA Ice Block Day
Fri 25 Sept End of Term 3, 2020

Sat 10 Oct 2020 General Election Early Voting @ Te Totara Primary School

Mon 12 Oct Term 4 Begins @ 8.55am

Sat 17 Oct 2020 General Election Voting @ Te Totara Primary School

Ngā mihi,

Anne Fraser

Principal



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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www.facebook.com/TTPTA



ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

For a limited time, our school community is invited to trial the Entertainment

Membership FREE for 6weeks. Be in quick, as this offer is only available until 23rd August 2020.

Visit

www.entbook.co.nz/15502m5

to take up this amazing offer, then download the App and you are ready to start saving.



Entertainment Memberships are packed with thousands of incredible savings across local dining, activities, travel and shopping experiences. Start your trial and start saving today.

After discovering the value of an Entertainment Digital Membership, you can support our school by purchasing a 12 month membership. 20% of the purchase price is returned back to our school. As an additional bonus any Entertainment Membership purchased between 14 August and 13 September 2020 will see our school receive an additional \$10 for Single City Membership or \$20 for every Multi City and Multi Plus Membership.

Flyers containing more information on this offer and the Entertainment Membership were sent home with the eldest child last week. If you haven't seen it yet please check their school bag. Should you require more information please email the PTA on pta@tetotara.school.nz

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 25th September – Ice Block Day

Your PTA committee: Shelley, Julyan, Rilesh, Kerry, Kerri

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.



Phone: (07) 854 0541 ext 290

www.rhs.school.nz

A reminder, parents to submit their children's **Enrolment Applications online by Friday 28th August**, **2020** if you are intending to enrol at Rototuna High Schools for 2021.

If parents have already submitted an application and have received an acceptance email, if they wish to request the student to be placed in the same class as a friend then please complete the 'friends request form (the link for this is provided in their acceptance email) Please call or email Rototuna High School if you have any questions or need further information.