

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

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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)

2022 BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION RESULTS

Thank you to the parents/caregivers 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 of Trustees which consists of:

Melissa Guyan
Paul Fletcher
Alex Williams
Mingze Sun
Maninder Singh
Anne Fraser (Principal)
Joanne Stewart (Staff Elected Member)



Our new Board of Trustees took up their Governance role yesterday, Wednesday 14th September, with their first BOT Meeting to be held at the end of September.

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

I would like to extend a sincere thankyou to our 2019-2022 Board Members: Melissa Guyan, Terry Singh, Iain Ings, Mark McMorran, Rebecca Senar & Alex Williams 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. Your input was invaluable and very much appreciated. There are many more exciting times ahead.

anne Fraser

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION INFORMATION ON NEW COVID-19 LONG-TERM STRATEGY

You'll be aware that New Zealand will move to a new, long-term approach to COVID-19. These changes have been made based on public health advice and reflect high levels of immunity and declining case numbers across New Zealand.

This new approach will only result in minor changes to the way we operate.





The very positive news is that household contacts of a person with COVID-19 do not need to isolate, but instead are asked to complete a RAT test each day, for five days. Therefore, ākonga who are household contacts but test negative and do not have COVID-19 symptoms, should continue to attend. It is the best place for them to be so they can be engaged in their learning, and connected with their teachers, classmates and friends.

Information on how to get RAT kits can be found here: Request a RAT- Ministry of Health

Mask wearing is no longer required unless our students are working with an immunocompromised person for a short period of time. Mask wearing is also a good practice when people have a cold or are slightly unwell. When a student or adult chooses to wear a mask we expect that others will be respectful of that choice.

All the other recommended public health measures will stay in place as we know they reduce the spread of infectious illnesses including COVID-19. These include ensuring our indoor spaces are well-ventilated, maintaining good hand hygiene, encouraging everyone to cough or sneeze into elbows and, most importantly, staying home and getting tested if they have COVID-19 symptoms. We have done so well in this regard which has minimised the effect on the interruption to our student's learning. Thank you for your ongoing support in protecting our Te Totara community.

SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION

"STAR WARTS The Umpire Strikes Back"

TICKETS ARE ON SALE THROUGH KINDO ONLY

Cut-off date is Monday 19th September @ 3.00pm



Wednesday & Thursday evening performance tickets are now SOLD OUT.

However, there are still tickets available for both 1.30pm performances

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

WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Milky Way & Rā Teams

Rooms: 18, 19, 20, 21 & 23 and 29, 30, 32 & 33

THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Marama & Earth Teams

Rooms: 12, 14, 15 & 16 and 34, 35, 36, 37 & 38

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 must purchase a separate ticket for them.

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

Tickets are non-refundable or transferable to another day/time.

Tickets will be given to your oldest child at school a

few days after purchasing through KINDO.



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



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on **Friday 16th September**, **2022 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm**. Students from **Orion Pod** will attend assembly and **Rooms 9 & 10** will be sharing. Families from these classrooms will be invited to attend via their classroom teachers.

2022 FEES & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO

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



- 2022 Yearbook Early-bird special of \$20.00 (until 31st Oct)
- 2022 School Camp \$180.00 (Years 5&6 Students only)
- Touch Rugby Term 4, 2022 (Yrs 1&2, Yrs 3&4, and Yrs 5&6)
 Cut-off Date 3.00pm Monday 19th September, 2022
- Senior Production Star Warts: The Umpire Strikes Back
 Cut-off Date 3.00pm Monday 19th September, 2022 NO DOOR SALES

Kindo Questions? 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.



Shoot Keys for these photos have been emailed to our families overnight. If you did not receive your unique key code, please check your trash/spam folder. If you have any queries, please call Photolife direct on **0800 501040**.

PLEASE NOTE:

The cut-off date for "Free Delivery" orders to the school is midnight on <u>Sunday 2nd</u> October, 2022. Photos will be delivered to the school before the end of the school year







OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2023

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, full details of which are available on our school website by clicking the following link: **www.tetotara.school.nz**

The Board has determined the following places are likely to be available to out-of-zone students from 2023 onwards. Enrolment period of <u>16th December</u>, <u>2022 - 30th June</u>, <u>2023</u>:

25 places for New Entrants (whose 5th Birthday falls within the above enrolment period)

5 places for Year 1 students

1 place for a Year 2 student

15 places for Year 3 students

10 places for Year 4 students

For students seeking enrolment within the above enrolment period, the deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is **3.00pm Friday 23rd September**, **2022** and should be emailed to: receptionist@tetotara.school.nz

If a ballot for out-of-zone is required, it will be held on <u>Friday 14th October</u>, <u>2022</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Wednesday 19th October**, <u>2022</u>.

WEETBIX TRYATHALON - SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER, 2022

Weetbix TRYathlon time again!

It is being held at the University of Waikato grounds and will be held in Hamilton on Sunday 4th December, 2022. Registrations open Tuesday 15th September.

Register online early to get the Early Bird price (ends midnight 13th November) and don't forget to scroll down on the registration form and click on our "Te Totara Primary School" name so that we can hopefully win the biggest school group again!



There is information there about doing the TRYathlon on your own or as part of a team.

NOTE: Entries close midday 2nd December, 2022



\$20.00 Early Bird price \$25.00 if ordered on or

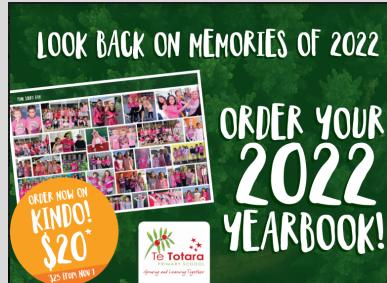
after Monday 1st November

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 **Tuesday** 15th November, 2022 @ 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.







TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL 2022 YEARBOOK ADVERTISING

Would you like to support a school in your community?

Would you like to advertise directly to the people that live in Rototuna?

Te Totara Primary School is now 15 years old and has a roll of 720 children and 549 families. It is located on Hector Drive, off Borman Road Rototuna.

Every year we create a full-colour Yearbook, to capture forever the fun and learning at our school. We would love to include your local business in this year's publication.

Our parents tell us that the Yearbook is often left on their coffee table for a good part of the year with other family members and friends pouring over it.

We want to make our Yearbook available to our community at an accessible price. Due to production cost increases, we depend on our local business support to make this happen. We also like to encourage our parent community to support your partnership with us so the advertising costs listed below include four weeks of promotion in our weekly school newsletter.







Back cover	\$1500
Inside front cover (whole page)	\$1200
Inside front cover (half page)	\$700
Whole page	\$1,000
Half page	\$600
Guarter page	\$300
Business Card size	\$150

HALF PAGE
190mm w
x 133.5mm h

FULL PAGE
210mm w
x 297mm h

GUARTER
PAGE
90mm w
x 138mm h

2023 SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 1 Wednesday 1st February – Thursday 6th April (10 weeks)

Public Holiday: Monday 6th February (Waitangi Day)

Term 2 Monday 24th April – Friday 30th June (10 weeks)

Public Holiday: Tuesday 25th April (ANZAC Day)

Teacher Only Day: Friday 2nd June (TBC)

Public Holiday: Monday 5th June (Queens Birthday)

Term 3 Monday 17th July – Friday 22nd September (10 weeks)

Te Totara mid-term break: Monday 21st August

Term 4 Monday 9th October – Friday 15th December (10 weeks)

Teacher Only Day: Friday 20th October (TBC)
Public Holiday: Monday 23rd October (Labour Day)

DATES COMING UP

Tues 20 Sept Fairfield Cluster Winter Sports (Yrs 5&6 selected students only)
Wed 21 Sept Senior School Production - Star Warts: The Umpire Strikes Back

1.30pm matinee & 6.30pm Milky Way and Rā Teams

Thurs 22 Sept Senior School Production - Star Warts: The Umpire Strikes Back

1.30pm matinee & 6.30pm Marama & Earth Teams

Monday 26th - Wednesday 28th September

Year 5-6 Marama Team School Camp - Ngaruawahia Christian Camp

Wednesday 28th - Friday 30th September

Year 5-6 Milky Way Team School Camp - Ngaruawahia Christian Camp

Thurs 29 Sept BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm Fri 30 Sept TERM 3, ENDS @ 3.00pm

Mon 17 Oct TERM 4, BEGINS

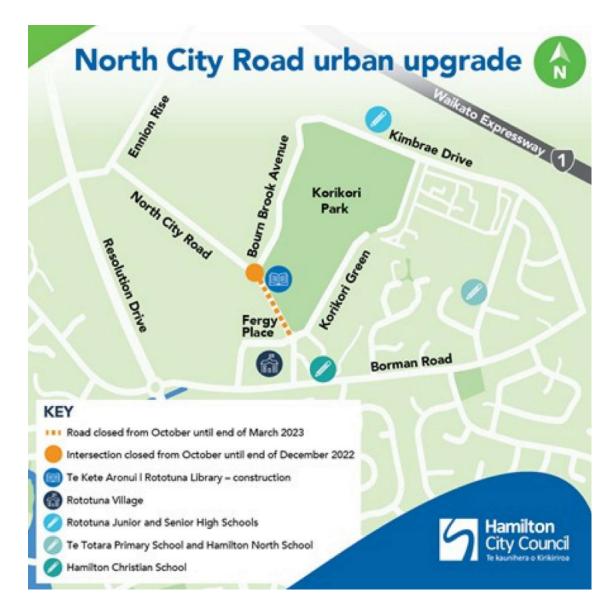
Wed 19 Oct
Photolife Cluster Sports & Cultural Photos
Thurs 27 Oct
BOT Meeting at 6.30pm (TBC)
Thurs 24 Nov
BOT Meeting at 6.30pm (TBC)

Thurs 8 Dec Fairfield Cluster Athletics

Thurs 15 Dec 3.00PM - END OF SCHOOL YEAR







Message from Rototuna High Schools:

You will have seen that Hamilton City Council's work to build the new community facilities at Rototuna Village is progressing well and the new Te Kete Aronui: Rototuna Library and outdoor spaces are starting to take shape. Please see the above map.

The next stage of the work is to build a new roundabout and upgrade North City Road to make it more pedestrian and cycling-friendly near the new community facilities.

To do this, Council needs to close part of North City Road between Fergy Place and Bourn Brook Avenue from early October 2022. This includes the intersection of Bourn Brook Avenue and North City Road. We expect this work to take up to six months.

We expect to reopen the Bourn Brook Avenue intersection in late-2022 (at the end of Term 4) and the rest of the road in April 2023 (at the end of Term 1).

Access to Rototuna High Schools will be via Kimbrae Drive from Borman Road. We know this will impact how some of our school community get to and from school. But we're also excited to see this work completed and ready for us all to enjoy.

If you have any questions about the work, you can contact Jonathon Brooke at Hamilton City Council on Jonathon.Brooke@hcc.govt.nz. You can also keep up to date with the wider project at hamilton.govt.nz/rototunavillage.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation through this time.

Ngā mihi **Fraser Hill**

Principal - Rototuna Junior High School