

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 10TH NOVEMBER, 2022

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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)

JUNIOR ATHLETICS HAVE A GO DAY

Our Junior Athletics Have A Go Day was held on Wednesday and was a great success. We were lucky with the weather and managed to mostly dodge any rain. Our Year 0-2 students participated with great enthusiasm and enjoyment in the fun events. The Year 4 helpers did a magnificent job in explaining each event and encouraging the younger students. Thank you to our wonderful Year 0-2 teaching staff, caretakers and parents who helped out on the day. This was much appreciated.

We are looking forward to the Senior Athletic Day (Years 3-6) scheduled for **Tuesday 22nd November**, more details will be published in next week's newsletter.









BANISH THE BITES: FREE SEMINAR Monday 14th November, 2022 in the Matariki Hall @ 6.30pm

Did you know last year in New Zealand over 20,000 dog bite-related incidents were reported to ACC, 1500 were from the Waikato alone? More worryingly around one-third of those were attacks on children under 12 years old. Most people would assume that this would be due to children approaching strange dogs, but what's really disturbing is that over 70 percent of those attacks were from dogs that lived in the family



household. If you have dogs in your family then you need to join us for our free event on **Monday 14th November from 6.30pm-7.30pm at the Te Totara School Matariki Hall.** There will be time for questions afterwards. Find out how you can learn simple tools to help keep your children safe when interacting with your dog. **Join Darran and the Mindfulness4dogs Team**, and guest **Patricia from Dog Mindz**, and help 'Banish the Bites'.

Our lovely Te Totara support dog Milo and his owner, our librarian Michelle Sims, work with Darren to help our students learn how to interact with Milo.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE - 2023 BOOKINGS OPEN

Bookings for 2023 are now open! All bookings must be made online by going to the School website then clicking on 'Enrol Now' on the Before and After School Care page. Once registered and logged in you will be able to make all your 2023 bookings. Please feel free to contact Katrina on 027 8530032 or **afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz** if you have any questions or issues making your booking. Alternatively you are welcome to pop in to see Karina at ASC in the Matariki Hall on a Wednesday or Friday afternoon.

SHOOT KEYS EMAILED - PHOTOLIFE PHOTOS Class, Individual & Groups Photos

Shoot Keys for your child's school photos have been emailed to families again by Photolife. The email has been sent to ALL students/families even if your child is not in any group photo, just in case there are families who have not yet ordered their school photos.

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 20th</u> <u>November, 2022.</u> Photos will be delivered to the school before the end of the school year

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 <u>ONLY</u> way to register/pay for your child for sports teams.

Please Note: Aquatics will be charged after your child's class has had their lessons.

- Fairfield Gully BioBlitz Day (selected students only) registrations close Tuesday 8th November @ 3.00pm
- 2022 Yearbook \$25.00
- 2022 School Camp \$180.00 (Years 5&6 Students only)

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.

OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS - TO BE PAID THROUGH KINDO

As at today's date, the following amounts are still outstanding:

Lost Library Books	\$752.50
Mathletics/Mathseeds	\$4,330.00
Voluntary School Donation	\$32,773.00
2022 School Camp	\$5,930.00

We would really appreciate all outstanding fees being paid by the end of the school year. Voluntary School Donation payments can be made at the beginning of the year or throughout the year; the funds will be used for resources and activities for all the children.

Any queries regarding your invoice, please email Wendy Bulloch, our Business Manager at **wendyb@tetotara.school.nz**



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STUDENTS LEAVING TE TOTARA AT THE END OF YEAR

If you have not already notified us and are planning to leave our school at the end of 2022 (other than Year 6 students), it would be appreciated if you could please urgently advise us by emailing Marise Crow at: <u>receptionist@tetotara.school.nz</u> If you have a child coming to Te Totara in the near future, we would love to have an Enrolment Form - it would be very much appreciated and certainly help with our future planning.

SCHOOL LUNCH SERVICE

Have you tried our school lunch service for your child?

Our school lunch supplier is "Lunch Orders" who are based in Hamilton. School lunches will be delivered to our school every day for children's lunches at 12.15pm **if ordered by 8.30am daily**. How it works:

- · Order online anywhere, anytime on any device.
- · Healthy food made with love from a team of experienced chefs.
- Affordable solution providing nourishment for your child with ease.

Sign-up for a free account now!<u>www.lunchorders.co.nz</u>



- Visit us online at www.lunchorders.co.nz
- Sign up for a free account and select your school
- Top up your account using a credit card or direct credit
- Place your order and select delivery date
- Sit back and relax while your order is freshly made and delivered to your school

LunchOrders delivers to Te Totara Primary on MONDAY - FRIDAY at 12.15PM.



2022 YEARBOOK ORDERS ORDERS THROUGH KINDO ONLY \$25.00

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

<u>Tuesday 15th November, 2022 @</u> <u>3.00pm.</u> 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.

LOOK BACK ON MEMORIES OF 2022

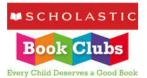


SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on **11 November 2022 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.** Students from **Neptune Pod** will attend assembly and **Neptune 24 & 27** will be sharing. Families from these classrooms will be invited to attend via their classroom teachers.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDER - ISSUE NO. 8

This week your child was given a Scholastic Book Club catalogue. These orders close at **9.15am on Wednesday 23 November, 2022.**



Please Note: From this term onwards, we are <u>NOT ACCEPTING CASH at all</u>. This means you will have three options to order your scholastic books:

- 1. Through the Scholastic Book Club website <u>scholastic.co.nz/LOOP</u>.
- 2. Through the Scholastic LOOP app
- 3. In person using EFTPOS at the school office.

If we receive any orders and cash from students, we will return them home with the student.

CAR PARKING, SECURITY OF YOUR VALUABLES AND SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN

Thanks so much to almost everyone who takes care around the school, on behalf of our children, many thanks. Some tips to make sure we have a safe and secure school:

- Parking in Disabled car parks is not permitted at any time unless you have a current "Disabled Parking" permit on display in your vehicle. We have a number of families who legitimately require these carparks.
- Please do not leave <u>any valuables in your car in view of other people</u>, if you have to leave your hand bag or devices in the car, pop these in the boot where they are not visible and <u>please</u> <u>make sure your vehicle is locked at all times.</u>
- If you are in the main car park, please **don't double park** as it causes a grid lock behind you from cars entering and exiting the school car park. If you are behind someone who does this please feel free to toot, we won't mind...
- Do not leave your vehicle if you are parked in the drop-off zone, this will allow for the continued flow of traffic.
- Please be extra careful when backing out of a parking space, there may be children behind you that you cannot see.
- The use of hand-held mobile phones is not permitted while driving.
- 5 kms is the speed limit in the school car park and our pick up/drop off zone. Please keep to this speed to keep everyone safe.
- We are noticing a few parents parking their cars on the cobblestones/footpath when picking up and dropping off children to and from school rather than on the driveway, particularly in front of the Administration Block.

Unfortunately, this is creating a problem with the cobblestones lifting, and the kerb cracking, so we would really appreciate your support in not parking there.

Ways you can help....

- When the weather is fine, please encourage your child/ren to scooter, bike or walk to school.
- Arrive at 3.10pm less traffic, parking is easier, less stress all round.
- Smile and accept that a few minutes wait is better than a lifetime of misery because one of our children has been injured or something worse has happened.

DROP-OFF & PICK-UP ZONE 8.15am-9.00am & 2.40pm-3.15pm

Please note that the drop-off zone is for you to drive in, drop-off (or pick-up) your children and depart. We ask that you <u>do not park and leave your car</u> as this causes a backlog of vehicles, this area is designed to keep traffic flowing. You are welcome to use the carpark beside the Matariki Hall if you wish to visit your child's classroom.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD by **Wednesday 1pm** to <u>stephy@tetotara.school.nz</u>

Touch

Tigers	Marcus Sun
Rockets	Auden Yao (last week)
	Ollie Marquand
Tigers	Marcus Sun
Pacers	Rhys Fletcher
Stormers	Sidney-Memphis George
Leopards	Sophie McLeod



DATES COMING UP

Mon 7 Nov	Bike Safety Week - Year 6 students only
Wed 9 Nov	Year 0-2 Have A Go Day
Mon 14 Nov	6.30pm Mindfulness 4 Dogs:
	Banish the Bites Free Seminar in the Matariki Hall
Wed 16 Nov	PTA Meeting at 7.30pm in- Staff Lounge
	Year 0-2 Have a Go Day postponement day
Fri 18 Nov	PTA Iceblock Day
Mon 21 Nov	9.00am Volunteers Morning Tea
Tues 22 Nov	School Athletics Day
Thurs 24 Nov	Postponement date for Athletics
Thurs 24 Nov	Board Meeting at 5.30pm0
Wed 30 Nov	Year 6 Leavers Dinner
Fri 2 Dec	RJHS Orientation Day
	(ONLY for Y6 students who's enrolment has been confirmed by RJHS)
Mon 5 Dec	School End of Year Celebration
Thurs 8 Dec	Fairfield Cluster Athletics
Fri 9 Dec	PTA Ice Block Day
Thurs 15 Dec	3.00PM - END OF SCHOOL YEAR

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: <u>pta@tetotara.school.nz</u> <u>www.facebook.com/TTPTA</u> Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop: <u>www.facebook.com/TTPTA</u>





After eating for learning outside Matariki

Friday 18 November



ICE BLOCK DAY

Let's celebrate the warmer weather with a yummy ice block. **When**: Friday 18 November at lunchtime (after eating for learning) **Cost:** \$2.00 per ice block (lemonade flavour only) **Where:** Outside Matariki If you are able to assist the PTA with selling the ice blocks for an hour on this date from 12.15 pm please email the PTA at pta@tetotara.school.nz

ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Seize the opportunity quickly and enjoy some amazing offers. Currently when you purchase a Single City Membership you receive a BONUS UPGRADE to a Multi City Membership, saving \$50. If you use the link below, 20% of every membership purchased goes to support Te Totara Primary School PTA. https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/15502m5



PTA MEETING

The next PTA meeting will be on Wednesday 16th November at

7:30pm. Feel free to join us, everyone is welcome. It is located in the Staff Lounge.

UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

PTA MeetingWednesday 16th November @ 7.30pm in the Staff LoungeIce Block DayFriday 18th NovemberIce Block DayFriday 9th December

Your PTA Committee: Kerri, adelle, Narreet, Kerry & Angelique

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.



Riders Ready?.......Watch the gate......Beep Beep.....Let's GO!!

Come and try the Hamilton BMX track at our 'Give it a Go' session



Where? Minogue Park on Moore Street, off Forest Lake Road

What to bring? Your bike, helmet, long sleeved shirt, long trousers, closed shoes, gloves (if you can), drink bottle & a whole heap of enthusiasm!

Who for? All ages that can move on two wheels – Strider / Balance bikes OR pedal bikes! Family, friends, ALL welcome!



Hamilton BMX Club night starts at 5:15pm on Wednesdays, you are welcome to stay and watch or join in. For more information regarding BMX or our 'Give it a Go' sessions contact: Sonja Rennie 021 172 9578 or hamiltonbmx@xtra.co.nz

HIGHLIGHTS FROM JUNIOR ATHLETICS HAVE A GO DAY

