

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), Geia sou (Greek), Mbote, Jambo (Congolese), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea) Israel Shalom (Hebrew)

JUNIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION - YEARS 1&2

"How Does Your Garden Groove?"

TICKETS ON SALE NOW VIA KINDO ONLY

Cut-off date is Thursday 15th June at 3.00pm

Tuesday 20th June 2023 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm

Both performances by:

Orion 7 & 9, Matawhero 4 & 5 and Neptune 25 & 27

Wednesday 21st June, 2023 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm

Both performances by:

Orion 8 & 10 and Neptune 24, 26 & 28

ALL TICKETS ARE \$6.00 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.



kindo.
The online one stop school shop

NOTE: Once you have received confirmation from KINDO that your tickets have been purchased, your production tickets will be given to your **oldest child to bring home on Fridays** - please check your child's school bag for the tickets. If you have not received confirmation of your ticket order from KINDO, you have not completed the process. Please check your "shopping cart" for your order and go to checkout.

LATE COLLECTION OF CHILDREN AFTER SCHOOL - SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM

We have noticed an increased trend in children being picked up late after school. We understand that some children may be waiting for an older sibling from RJHS to collect them, or perhaps their sibling may be involved in after school sports at Te Totara. However, school finishes at 3.00pm and we would expect that our children have either been collected or have **left the school premises by 3.15pm**. Please remember to allow extra time for heavy traffic at this time. Our staff are involved in meetings and **are unable to supervise any remaining children.**

It is the parents/caregivers responsibility for the safety and supervision of your child/ren after 3.00pm. Please DO NOT tell your child/ren to wait and play in the playground until you collect them. **NO STUDENTS should be playing unsupervised by caregivers in the school playgrounds after 3.00pm.** Our After School Care team requires the playground facilities for their registered students.

Any students who have not been picked-up from school at 3.00pm must wait at the front of the school, near the drop-off zone to be collected.



Remember, Before School Care & After School Care facilities are available at the school. If you have any queries, visit our school website www.tetotara.school.nz OR call Katrina Strong on (027) 853 0032 OR email: afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz

Reminder: ** SCHOOL CLOSED **

FRIDAY 2ND JUNE - Teacher Only Day

MONDAY 5TH JUNE - King's Birthday Holiday

A reminder school will be **CLOSED** for these days.

School opens again on Tuesday 6th June, 2023

2023 FEES, SPORTS REGISTRATIONS & DONATIONS PAID VIA 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.

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



Available to pay/register via KINDO now:

- **Gymnastics Festival - Selected Students Only**
(\$15.00 per student. Cut-off date 3.00pm Thursday 25th May, 2023)
- **Aquatics** (added to your KINDO account when your child's class is swimming)
- **Voluntary School Donation** (\$120.00 first/only child / \$60.00 each sibling)
- **Mathletics/Mathseeds**



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.

ILLNESS AT SCHOOL

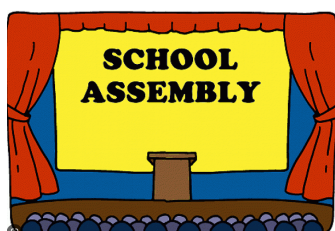
The School Office has seen a few cases of diarrhoea and vomiting amongst students at Te Totara Primary School. As this can be very easily transmitted, please ensure all unwell students are kept at home until **48 hours after the diarrhoea and/or vomiting has stopped**. It is important to encourage good hand washing and drying. Please see a Doctor if vomiting and/or diarrhoea is severe or the illness does not improve.



UNWELL CHILDREN WHO NEED TO GO HOME

Our Administration team and teaching staff act in the very best interests of your child and their well-being is paramount. When children arrive at the School Office, and depending on the situation, most of the children are offered a rest in our Wellness Room and re-assessed before a phone call home; often they return to their classroom.

We understand many of our families have work commitments however, if you are phoned by the school to collect your child from school due to illness, it would be appreciated if you could arrange for their collection **as soon as possible**. **For the privacy of other students, the School Office staff will collect your child from the Wellness Room when you arrive.** If your child is sick, please keep them at home until they are well.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held **in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm on Friday, 26th May 2023**. This week students from **Neptune and Milky Way Pods** will attend assembly and **Milky Way 19** will be sharing. Families from this classroom will be invited to attend via their classroom teacher.

PINK SHIRT DAY CELEBRATION AT TE TOTARA

Celebrated annually around the globe, Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against bullying, after another student 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.



Speak up, Stand together, Stop Bullying. Te Totara took part in Pink Shirt Day on Friday last week, as part of a powerful movement to spread aroha and kindness and end bullying.



TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

Hockey

Blue Sticks
Lions
Red Sticks
Strikers
Tigers

Mason Wright
Harper Gardiner
Kelsey Petzer
Kara Pretorius.
Last week: Jyansh Prakash. This week: Avar Sudan



Netball

Ferns
Rockets
Invaders
Meteors
Comets

Bella Sharpe
16th May 2023: Arya Bange
Amelia Cullen
TBA
Ziva Woolerton

Miniball

Ballers
Tigers

TBA
TBA

DATES COMING UP

Thurs 25 May	Board Meeting at 6.30pm
Fri 2 June	Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 5 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 14 June	PTA AGM & Mtg @ 7.00pm
Tues 20 June	Junior School Production - Shows at 2.00pm & 6.00pm <i>Orion 7 & 9, Matawhero 4 & 5 and Neptune 25 & 27</i>
Wed 21 June	Junior School Production - Shows at 2.00pm & 6.00pm <i>Orion 8 & 10 and Neptune 24, 26 & 28</i>
Thurs 29 June	Board Meeting at 6.30pm
Fri 30 June	END OF TERM 2, 2023
Mon 17 July	TERM 3 BEGINS



ROTOTUNA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Open Evening

(For 2024 Enrolments)

Tuesday 9 May
Wednesday 31 May

6:15pm - welcome and overview
6:30pm - tour the school / experience RJHS

Meet in Te Rangimāreikura (large theatre)

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: pta@tetotara.school.nz www.facebook.com/TTPTA

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



THE PTA AGM MEETING

The PTA Meeting date has been set so book out your calendar now as it would be great to meet you!

When: Wednesday 14th June 2023
Time: 7:00pm to be followed by a general PTA Meeting
Where: Staff Lounge (turn right as you enter into Matariki Hall)
Who's invited: Anyone who is a parent or caregiver of a child who attends Te Totara Primary School.

Nominations are now open for all positions, (Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Communications Officer) however it is only our Communications Officer who has advised she will be stepping down, meaning we need to fill this position at the AGM. If you would like to put your name forward for this or any position, or would like further information please email the PTA at pta@tetotara.school.nz.



ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Do you want to help your Mum save on the things she loves, if so the good folk at Entertainment Membership are currently running a Mother's Day promotion.

From 8.00pm Monday 1st May to 2.00pm Wednesday 24th May 2023 every 12 month single city of multi city Membership purchased will receive a \$20 Sephora or Farmers eGift card, and every 24 month single city of multi city membership purchased will receive a \$40 Sephora or Farmers eGift card. By clicking on the link below, 20% of the purchase price will be donated back to Te Totara Primary School PTA.

<https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/15502m5>



UPCOMING EVENTS

PTA AGM Wednesday 14th June at 7.00pm (Staff Lounge)
PTA Meeting Wednesday 14th June at 7.30pm (at the conclusion of the AGM)

Your PTA Committee: Kerri, Adelle, Navreet, Kerry & Angelique



JOIN Te Totara PTA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Come along to the AGM*,
Wednesday 14th June 2023
at 7:00pm
in the Staff Lounge,
(turn right as you enter into the Hall)

**Annual General Meeting*

What is the PTA?

PTA stands for Parent Teacher Association. It is a group of parents and families associated with Te Totara Primary School whose aim is to bring the school children and school community together, to fundraise and coordinate fun activities for the children and community.

I'd like to join the PTA but I don't have time!

We hear this a lot from people. The PTA isn't a huge commitment, approximately 8 x 1 hour meetings per year. A few extra hours will be required in the lead up to events.

Want to see more of your friends?

Join the PTA with another friendly school parent and you will be able to catch up with them on a more regular basis all while organising fun and exciting fundraising activities.

In the last few years the PTA has...

- Contributed funds to our school so the artificial grass courts in the Galaxy can be covered, to give your child a dry place to play on wet days.
- Provided funds for the playground by Matariki and once this was installed we funded the shade sails.
- Provided funds to turn the unused area of grass between the Staff Lounge and Orion block into a wonderful friendship garden.
- Held a Spellathon, and all the money raised was given to the school to purchase Lego Spike Education sets.

What can I do to help?

You can take on an executive role, (Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary or Communications Officer), or you can attend meetings as a committee member.

For further information please
visit the Te Totara Primary
School PTA Facebook page or
email pta@tetotara.school.nz

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.**

Dear whānau,

We are supporting Stats NZ to encourage everyone to complete the 2023 Census.

So, this is a reminder that you need to return your census forms if you have not done so already.

Census data is used to make important decisions that affect us all. The census is the official count of people living in Aotearoa New Zealand, and everyone who was

in the country on Census Day, 7 March 2023, is required by law to complete a census form.

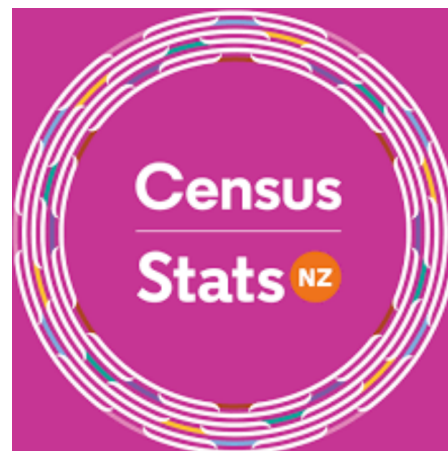
Your participation will help ensure that our community receives funding for services for the number of people that live in our community. That includes education, health, and social services.

To complete the census, you can do it online at www.census.govt.nz

using one of the access codes provided in the letters sent to your household. Or you can fill out paper census forms if you have them. To request a new access code or paper forms, freephone 0800 236 787 (0800 CENSUS) or order online at www.census.govt.nz.

The 2023 Census closes on 30 June, so you should do them online now or as soon as practicable. Ensure your paper forms are posted so they arrive with Stats NZ by 30 June.

Census collectors are no longer visiting households providing help to complete census forms (except in the cyclone-impacted areas of the Far North, Te Tairāwhiti, and Hawke's Bay).



If you need assistance or more information:

You can attend a census support event and get face-to-face help to complete forms (for more information go to : www.census.govt.nz/census-support

- We encourage you to help whānau, friends, and neighbours complete their forms.
- There is information in New Zealand Sign Language, Braille, Easy Read, Large Print, and Audio formats, as well as in 29 different languages at www.census.govt.nz.

The **0800 CENSUS (0800 236 787)** helpline will be open until 30 June.

Thank you for your support in making sure our community is accurately represented in the census.