

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)

## TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: [pta@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:pta@tetotara.school.nz) [www.facebook.com/TTPTA](http://www.facebook.com/TTPTA)

Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop:

[www.facebook.com/TTPTA](http://www.facebook.com/TTPTA)



# AMAZING RACE TWILIGHT FUNDRAISER

## SPECTATORS WELCOME!

**YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE RACING TO COME ALONG – COME SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL, CHEER ON YOUR FRIENDS.**

A fun night for all the family. Enter as a team of 4 (min 1 adult per team). Completing challenges, both physical and cryptic through a course set through the school grounds - **Te Totara PTA's mini Amazing Race!**

**REMEMBER we have food, drink and RAFFLES! – Bring CASH**

- Sausage Sizzle \$2
- Domino's Pizza \$3 (quarter slice)
- RAFFLES Galore \$1-\$2
- Drinks \$2
- Chips \$2
- Ice Blocks \$1
- Coffee Cart

**Come from 4.30pm for food and music.**

### RACE ENTRANTS

A race pack with a few notes will be emailed tonight – any questions please email

[pta@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:pta@tetotara.school.nz)

## NOT TOO LATE TO ENTER!

**VISIT:** [tetotarapta.eventbrite.co.nz](http://tetotarapta.eventbrite.co.nz)

\$25 per team (Note: If you are struggling to form a Team of 4, teams of 2 or 3 will be eligible to enter. There is a minimum of 1 adult per team. The same entry fee applies regardless of team size.)

Team activities are suitable for ALL AGES. From egg and spoon to climbing over the playground. Teams are not timed, do it as fast or slow as your team chooses.



**VOLUNTEERS** - Thank you to all our volunteers in advance! Without your help this event wouldn't be possible. Please report to registration desk OR to the food court area (depending on where you've been asked to go/assigned)

### **STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?**

Check out the PTA Facebook event for more FAQ's.

### **SPOT PRIZES**

These are random and only entrants into the race are eligible to win at the end of your race. We have some fantastic spot prizes from our sponsors. However, you must also be present to claim your prize.

### **SPONSORS**

Thank you to our sponsors of our Family Twilight Event, so far we have onboard:

*New World Rototuna, Numberworks Rototuna, Smith and Mackenzie, Good Neighbour Domino's Davies Corner, NZ Homeloans Rototuna, Lonestar Rototuna, Jitterbugs Dance/JitterFit, First Place Fitness Te Rapa, Paper Plus Rototuna, iChill Refrigeration Limited, Ergoworks*

## **UPCOMING DATES**

Family Fun Twilight Fundraiser: 13<sup>th</sup> March from 4.30pm

Monthly meeting: 18th March @ School Staff Room

Disco: 3<sup>rd</sup> April > postponed to May

Monthly meeting: 6 May @ School Staff Room

Disco (*Change of Date*): NOW on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2020. Theme: Save the Planet

Your PTA committee: **Q i u @i k -**

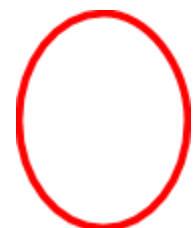
### **\*\* PARENT PORTAL \*\***

#### **URGENT - CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS OR FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES**

Just a reminder that if you have changed any of your details i.e. mobile, address, email etc; to please advise the School Office urgently so we can update your records.

**Please check your contact details are correct through the Parent Portal either via our School App OR at [www.atschool.co.nz](http://www.atschool.co.nz) using the User ID and Passwords that were provided with your child/ren previous Learning Plan.**

If you have recently joined our school, you will be issued with User ID and Passwords with Learning Plans which are due home on Friday 5th June, 2020. In the meantime, you are welcome to check your contact details with the School Office on (07) 853-0039.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are pleased to advise that Direct Group is now fully stocked with all sizes of our new school uniform red polo shirt.

**The red Sports Polo Shirt with the words "Te Totara Primary School" printed on the back is NOT the everyday school uniform.**

This Sports Shirt is for children who are part of a school sports team.

## SPORTS TEAM SHIRT



## EVERYDAY UNIFORM



## SPORTS TEAM JACKET



We have also introduced a red waterproof jacket which is an optional school uniform item.

**These are only to be worn to and from school please, they are NOT to take place of our red school polar fleece which are to be worn in class.**

If your child plays in one of our after school or weekend sports teams, the jacket may also be worn to their sports games.

**We expect our children to be wearing the correct everyday school uniform by next week - Monday 16th March, 2020.**

## LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSION BOOKINGS & GOAL-SETTING LETTER BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN



Learning Plan Discussions will take place on **Wednesday 25th & Thursday 26th March, 2020** for all students.

Today, each student will bring home a **"Goal-Setting"** letter this week which will help teachers prepare for the Learning Plan Discussions. **Each student is required to return the Goal-Setting letter to their classroom teacher by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.** If your original sheet doesn't make it home this week or is lost, please visit our school website [www.tetotara.school.nz](http://www.tetotara.school.nz) under the newsletters tab OR click on the following link: [Student Goal-Setting Letter](#)

We have arranged **15 minute time slots** for the discussion, there will be a change over bell so that everyone is aware of timings. If you have more than one child, you might like to have a break between each interview. To ensure the smooth running of our Learning Plan Discussions, we would be grateful if all our parents/caregivers kept to the timetable. There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress on:

**K YXbYgXUm&) h `A UfW ž&\$&\$`**

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm, 5.00pm, 5.15pm & 5.30pm

## How do I book a time?

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm (teachers break between 5.00pm-5.30pm), 5.30pm, 5.45pm, 6.00pm & 6.15pm

### How do I book a time?

To make an appointment time for your child/ren, please use our online booking system [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) – our school code is **5q98a**. You can also access this site via our school website [www.tetotara.school.nz](http://www.tetotara.school.nz)

An electronic confirmation can be sent to you via email upon completion of your booking, **please don't forget to include your email address and select "email" under Parent Bookings** when you have booked an interview time.

If you are unable to access the internet, please phone the school (07) 853-0039 ext. 858 and leave a message with the time slot that you would prefer and Marise will collate these.

We will endeavour to give you the time as close as we can to your preference. If we are unable to assist we will go by first in first served. Please **do not** make arrangements directly with classroom teachers.

### Who should come?

We encourage the student, and family members who have an interest in learning, to come along and discuss this with the teacher.

### What will the format be?

The discussion is a general one about how the learner is progressing, areas of strength and also discussing next steps in learning and how this can happen.

**Bookings close on Friday 20th March, 2020 @ 3.00pm. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accept bookings after this date/time.**

**@5FB-B; D@B'8-G7I GG-CBG'**

**GW cc`k j`zbg\`Uh&\$\$da`VcH`K YXbYgXUm&)H`/`H i fgXUm&\*H`A UfW`Zcf`U`ghi XYbhg`Gh XYbhg`k j`bYYX`tc`VYW`YWYX`Uh&\$\$da`!`H Ub\_g`**

Further information regarding booking an interview will follow in next week's newsletter. Bookings will open on Friday 6th March @ 9.00am.

## **SIBLING OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2020** **Enrolment Period of 1st July, 2020 - 16th December, 2020**

The Board of Trustees are looking to accommodate, if possible, younger siblings and children of staff in the 2020 school year. To help determine this, we urgently need to have Out-of-zone Enrolment Forms into the School Office to help with this process. Please complete an OUTZ Enrolment Form for each child, which is available online from our school website by clicking the following link: [www.tetotara.school.nz](http://www.tetotara.school.nz) or by visiting the School Office.

The Board will look at the number of enrolments, the level of projected student growth and determine how many spaces for out-of-zone students are available for the upcoming enrolment period of **1st July, 2020 - 16th December, 2020**. This will be completed in late May, allowing for lots of time for families to know what is happening. Further information around the number of out-of-zone spaces to be released will be communicated via the school newsletter over the next few weeks.

**Please return the completed OUTZ Enrolment Form, including the relevant documentation, to the School Office by tomorrow Friday 13th March, 2020.**

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Due to the PTA Amazing Race Fundraiser, this week's assembly will be held on **Thursday 12th March, 2020 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.**

This week our children from Orion and Milky Way attended assembly and this week our children from Orion 9 have shared.

## LOCKING OF BIKES AND SCOOTERS

Recently, we have had a few families advise us that their child's scooter or bike has been taken or stolen.

We do have security cameras scattered throughout the school however, our best advice is to **PLEASE LOCK YOUR CHILD'S BIKE OR SCOOTER.**

If your child intends to play on the playground after school for a short time, please ask them to go and get their bike/scooter first and have it with them.

We would expect that all of our children who are not enrolled at After School Care would have left the school premises by 3.15pm.



## 2020 FEES AVAILABLE TO PAY VIA KINDO NOW

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



Please make school payments through your myKindo account. You can pay via American Express, Visa, Mastercard, UnionPay (fees apply), POLi or bank transfer (no fees). Add regular top-ups if you'd like, then allocate to payments when you're ready, or just pay as you go.

**7 @ GH9F`GK =AA=B; `fGY`YWYX`Gh XYbtg`Cb`nt`  
Hi YgXUm%&H `A UfW ž&\$&\$`**

**7 i HcZZXUHy`Zcf`fY[ ]glfUhc`b`]g: f]XUm% H `A UfW `4 ` "\$\$da `**

**k**

Register for Kindo using our School App by clicking on the "Fees & Donations" icon or through our School Website (*click on the link*) [www.tetotara.school.nz](http://www.tetotara.school.nz) then select the "Fees & Donations" tab.

If you need help, please pop in and see us at the School Office OR give us a call on (07) 853-0039 OR call

the **?]bXc`<YdXYg`cb`\$) \$, `() (\*` \*`fbc``ZYYL`**

***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.***



## SWIM SCHOOL - APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY LESSONS

We are looking at offering Swim School lessons in the next school holiday period from 20th - 24th April, 2020.

Swim School lessons for this block course will be held in the mornings usually from 9am -12.30pm and this will be a 5 day block course of lessons. There will be limited spaces, please get in quick to avoid disappointment.

Fees will be \$85.00 for this block course of lessons.

Pre-schoolers may also enrol and there will be classes if we have enough interest for pre-schoolers.

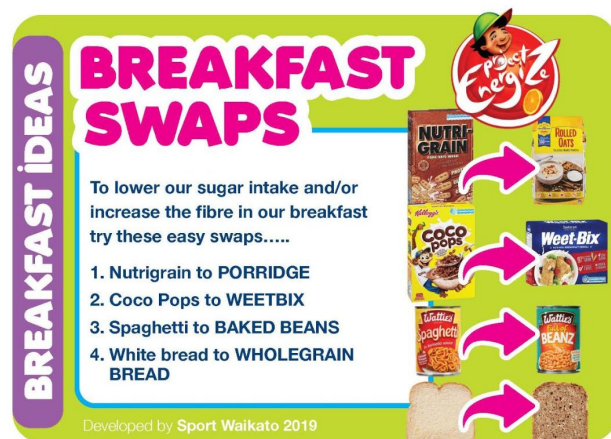
Please email Celeste if you are interested to make a booking for your child, [celestem@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:celestem@tetotara.school.nz). Please include your child's name and swimming level ability.



## JOB VACANCY - SPECIAL NEEDS TEACHER AIDE

We are looking for a Teacher Aide with special needs experience to work with one of our wonderful Year 3 students. We need someone who is a great team member, enjoys a challenge and who can actively supervise. Support will be given for this role.

Please send a brief C.V. to:  
jennieb@tetotara.school.nz



## AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRE MUFTI DAY

**FRIDAY 27TH MARCH, 2020 (week 8)**

In the Summer of 2019/2020 Australia had terrible bushfires. As a result many homes were destroyed. We are holding a Mufti Day to raise money to support the people who lost their homes. Students can come dressed in Australian colours and bring a gold coin donation.

The money raised will be gifted to the Australian Red Cross.



## TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD to [celestem@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:celestem@tetotara.school.nz)

### TOUCH

Rebels Jahan Moore, Austin Franklin

### CRICKET

Superstars Jah Sutherland, Brody Guyan, Quinn James

Thunder Devon Palmer, Blake Taylor, James Galvin

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by tomorrow, **Friday 20th March, 2020 @ 9.15am** to the School Office. Sorry **NO** late orders will be accepted.

**REMEMBER.... When completing the order form please fill in all the details i.e. name, room number, item number and title of the book.**

**A quick easy way to order and pay now, is to order and pay online with the book club loop.**

## DATES COMING UP

Fri 13 Mar

Wed 18 Mar

Wed 25 Mar

Thurs 26 Mar

Thurs 26 Mar

Fri 27 Mar

Mon 30 Mar

Thurs 9 Apr

Twilight Event (PTA)

PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm

Learning Plan Discussions 2.15pm - 5.30pm

**Note: School Finishes at 2.00pm**

Learning Plan Discussions 2.15pm - 6.30pm

**Note: School Finishes at 2.00pm**

BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Australian Bushfire Mufti Day - Gold Coin Donation

Routine New Entrant Vision & Hearing Checks at school

End of Term 1, 2020 @ 3.00pm

Ngā mihi,

**Anne Fraser**

Principal

