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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 19th FEBRUARY, 2015 Week 3

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)

NEW SCHOOL LAYOUT

We are delighted with the way in which everyone has managed so well with the new layout. To see the new numbering visit...

http://www.tetotara.school.nz/4/pages/49-sitemap We continue to add new signage courtesy of THE SIGN CREW. Recent additions include...







TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL WINTER SPORTS

There will be a winter sport muster for all students interested in playing hockey, netball and miniball on Thursday 4th March (Week 5) at 12.35pm in the Marama pod. Children will be handed an expression of interest letter to take home and return if confirming participation. More details to follow.

GALA ** GALA ** GALA **

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 9.00AM-1.00PM

WE HAVE SOME AMAZING PRIZES THAT YOU COULD WIN!!!

A massive thanks to our Major Sponsors: PETER BAKER TRANSPORT (PBT), ANNAH STRETTON, NOEL LEEMING AND CAROL TAYLOR @ ERGO WORKS.

Other businesses to support our School Gala in the past week are: Café Inc, Healthy Inspirations, Brickz 4 Kids, Countdown Rototuna, Kelly Sports, New World Rototuna, Unichem Rototuna, Queenwood Shoes, Leap, Inflatable World, Skyline Gondolas & Luge (Rotorua) & Kitchen 'n Things & the Te Totara Weetbix Tryathletes

A massive shout out and huge thanks to our sponsors: Tony @ Care Vets Rototuna, No. 1 Tennis - Andrew Sheedy, Smith & McKenzie Chophouse, Callum Brae Pitch 'n Putt, De Bretts Thermal Springs & Hot Spa (Taupo), Dominoes Pizza Rototuna, Our 'Good Neighbour' Bar & Restaurant, Mind Junction (Taupo), More than Flowers, Paper Plus Rototuna, Physiques Gym, Hairdressing, The Eatery & Room, Unichem Rototuna, Zealong Tea, Rose Bryant @ the First Aid Supply Team & Te Totara Primary Swim School, Espresso To Go, Mizonni Pizza, Subway, Mr Whippy, Juantanamera Latin Food, Petite & Sweet, New Zealand Home Loans, Hamilton Metro.

WE NEED:

- Helpers for Friday 20th March to help set up the White Elephant Stall
- Gazebos for shade cover over stalls (it's definitely going to be a sunny day!)
- Helpers for one hour time slots during the Gala (you won't need to be on any stand all day, just one hour from LOTS of people will be super helpful)

WHITE ELEPHANT STALL

Start collecting these items at home and then we will have drop-off times leading up to the Gala.

We need your <u>good condition pre-loved</u> <u>items</u> e.g. Toys, Books, Puzzles, Baby gear, Plants, Furniture, Electrical equipment in good working order, etc etc.

Please NO junk, NO clothes, NO Manchester, NO weekly magazines.

Items need to be working and complete.

Please email the PTA at tetotara.pta@gmail.com if you can help with any of these things.

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Raffle tickets – does anyone have the resources to print raffle tickets with sequential numbers and perforations??? We have had some quotes but if you are in a position to either sponsor or significantly discount the printing we would be interested in talking to you. Cut-off date midday on Monday 23rd Feb. Contact Nicky:

nick muzza@hotmail.com - thanks!

We need you!!! We would love more sponsors for our raffles and prizes. If every parent could ask their employer, or if you are the employer or boss, and you would love to see more play equipment and resources poured into Te Totara School for your kids' learning and enjoyment, then please contact Nicky via e-mail at:

nick_muzza@hotmail.com with any queries or offers. We welcome Cash, vouchers or products... No contribution is too big or small!

WEET-BIX TRYATHLON CONGRATULATIONS

To our 124 students (and support crews) who took part in the Weetbix Tryathlon. Our school won the prize for the highest number of participants in the Waikato, well done!

A huge congratulations to the Weetbix Tryathlon athletes who participated in the event last Sunday. It was a beautiful day and you all made our school very proud. Congratulations to Camryn Harker and Jaymee Frater (an ex Te Totara student) for winning spot prizes on the day. It's a fantastic event that encourages all children to "have a go" and "try their best" and we can't wait for the next one.



MILK IN SCHOOLS

Fonterra delivers milk to school for our children on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please complete our Permission Form if you would like your child to have milk at school.

SWIMMING

We are pleased how well our Swimming Programme is going at school. Times for the next thirteen school weeks are on the website and teachers will let children know to bring their togs and make use of the lovely new changing sheds. Details are at:

http://www.tetotara.school.nz/210/pages/65-swimming-pool

Later in the year we will update all on costings after we have had a full year of operating.

Weeks 4 & 5 Classes are: Room 31, Room 32 & Room 34.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by <u>9.15am on</u> <u>Friday 20th February 2015</u> to the School Office please.

Sorry NO late orders will be accepted.

Don't forget to use your \$2 voucher if you received any from the last order in 2014.

CONGRATULATIONS

To our wonderful teachers Emma and Ryan Jordan on the birth of their second child Eve, a sister for Jack!

HAPPY NEW YEAR

For many of our families today is New Year, so have a great day ©

FIRST CREDIT UNION NEWSLETTER

Check out our school website under newsletters for the latest Summer 2015 newsletter from First Credit Union.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held **Friday 20th February 2015 at 2.00pm in the Matariki Hall. We will be welcoming new students at Assembly.**This week Orion, Kopu, Earth and Marama children will attend assembly. Everyone is welcome.

DATES COMING UP

Tues 24 Feb & Wed 25 Feb

Wed 25 Feb Wed 25 Feb

Sat 21 March

Thu 2 April

Dental Therapists Visit PTA Gala Mtg @ 7.30pm

School Gala

Term 1 Finishes @ 3.00pm

Kind regards

Brian Sheedy

Principal



each, please tell me what NZ Home Loans clients are saving in interest currently in \$\$\$\$\$\$ (hint, check the website!!) & email me your answers.

Victoria Clinic, 750 Victoria Street, Hamilton Tel: (07) 834 0333

Victoria Urgent Care Clinic is an ACC accredited clinic that now also has a General Practice on site. We are pleased to be able to offer all students and staff who have an accident while at school, or playing a sporting code of their choice for their school, free ACC and radiology services (courtesy of River Radiology)Our opening hours are 8am – 8pm seven days a week. No appointment is necessary. All you need to do is inform our reception staff which school you or your student is from, on arrival at the clinic. If you would like and further information please contact the clinic on 834 0333

TE TOTARA PTA NEXT PTA MEETING - GALA



Held in the Staff Lounge. All welcome, we would love to see some new faces.

PTA EMAIL ADDRESS

tetotara.pta@gmail.com



ttp://www.facebook.com/pages/Te-Totara-Primary-School-PTA/30090011661692

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.

LOST SCOOTER

Disappeared last Thursday from outside Earth pod. Chrome bars, Aqua blue grips, Blue deck with cutouts, Black brake/black wheels.

Reward offered for return, any information please to Sally ph 021 452 599

XRACE 2015

Kids – have you ever wondered if your Dad can hulahop? Are you keen to put Mum's three-legged skills to the test? Then New Zealand Home Loans XRACE series could be your chance to find The family adventure race series sees kids team up with Mum, Dad, or a trusted adult to complete 10 mystery aaainst the New Zealand Home Loans is the title sponsor for the 2015 XRACE series, run from Feb - April 2015 all around New Zealand. We are delighted to be associated with such a fantastic family event.

I have 2 free tickets to give away for XRACE Hamilton on 1st March, so parents, please email blair.miller@nzhomeloans.co.nz by Monday 23rd Feb, 2015. For your chance to win a free entry valued at \$75



HUKANUI-ROTOTUNA FOOTBALL CLUB

Registrations for the 2015 are open on our club website www.hrfc.co.nz. Registrations close 1 March, we look to seeing you for a fun football season. If you require any further information that isn't on our website please email Hamish McMillian, hamish.wendy@gmail.com

COMPLETE LANDSCAPES

Free delivery of landscape/garden products

During the month of March 2015, minimum load 1m3, free loan trailer available. www.completelandscapes.co.nz, phone 847 8464

School is back and so are the Water Alert Level restrictions. Summer for us in the Waikato means long, hot, dry days. This nice weather has meant lots of water is being used, but there's less about than usual.

Hamilton City Council is on Water Alert Level Two. This means sprinklers can only be used between 6-8 am or pm, on alternate days. Follow the letterbox rule - houses whose street address number is an even number can use their sprinkler systems on days with even dates. Hand-held hosing is ok. Smart Water Starts With You!







YOUNG ENGINEERS

Young Engineers is about to start an after school club at the Waikato Migrant Centre, Boundary Rd, Claudelands on Thursdays (starting 19th February) for Years 2-8 students.

Young Engineers is a great programme that helps children learn about engineering, physics and science principles and builds their confidence and knowledge while they have fun building motorised Lego models!!

To enrol your child/children, please go to www.youngengineers.nz/enrol.

BARNARDOS KIDSTART CHILDCARE

We are looking for additional relievers. This role would include working with children from 3mnths old – 5yrs old. The hours would range between 8:00am – 4:30pm Monday to Friday. If you are interested please either come in and see us, we are next door to Te Totara Primary School, or email your CV to Linda.Neville@barnardos.org.nz

SUBURBS COMMUNITY SPORTS CLUB 2015 JUNIOR RUGBY WEIGH-IN

Sunday 8th March 10am-1pm At Suburbs Community Sports Club, Flagstaff Park, Commodore Ave, Hamilton

Ages 3-12 years, boys and girls all welcome All new players are required to bring a birth certificate or passport

For further details contact Brendon Stone 0274846013 or Mike Gregan 0278543347

Choose safety over convenience

GOOD PARKING PROTECTS KIDS

- before and after school

Even if you're only stopping for a minute it's best to park safely.

Please avoid parking

- on the footpath or grass verge
- X at a bus stop
- within a designated bus lane or cycle lane
- across a vehicle or entrance way
- on a clearway
- on or near a pedestrian crossing
- on a broken yellow line.

