

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)

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

School closes Friday 15th April
@ 3.00pm & opens for Term 2
on Monday 2nd May, 2016.
The School Office will be open on Friday
29th April from 9.00am – 1.00pm for
enrolment enquiries.

As we are coming to the end of our first term in 2016 it is great to reflect on the wonderful learning that has happened at our school throughout this purposeful, busy term. Our classes have been active and happy learning environments with excellent achievement outcomes being showcased on a daily basis. We have particularly enjoyed our major unit on 'Our Culture, our Heritage and our Story'. The richness and diversity of our cultural community has been shared in our learning areas, we have celebrated this and deepened our understanding of who we all are and what we bring to share as a Te Totara community.

Thank you so much for all the help, sharing and input from our families to strengthen our learning this term.

Another wonderful highlight this term is the fantastic camp that our Y5-6 students are on this week. Mrs Brook-Watt and myself have visited our camp groups. We have been

delighted by the excitement shared by the students, the challenge of the activities and the sense of positive cooperation from everyone. Wonderful students, fabulous parents, great staff, excellent venue. A perfect mix! I hope you all enjoy a lovely holiday break with your children and we look forward to gathering together again at the start of Term 2 on Monday 2nd May, 2016 at 8.55am.

Anne Fraser
Acting Principal

OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR THE PERIOD OF 1ST JULY, 2016 TO 16TH DECEMBER, 2016

The Board invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their New Entrant sons and/or daughters at Te Totara Primary School, **who turn 5 years of age between the dates of 1st July 2016 – 16th December 2016.**

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on our school website www.tetotara.school.nz

The Board has determined that twenty (20) places are likely to be available to out-of-zone students for the first enrolment period of **1st July 2016 – 16th December 2016.** The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

Applications from out-of-zone students will be processed in the following order of priority:

- First priority must be given to any applicant who is accepted for enrolment in a special programme run by the school and approved by the Secretary of Education.
** Hamilton North Special School Satellite Programme*
- Second priority must be given to any applicant who is the sibling of a current student of the school
- Third priority must be given to any student who is the sibling of a former student of the school
- Fourth priority must be given to any applicant who is a child of a former student of the school
- Fifth priority must be given to any applicant who is either a child of an employee of the Board of the school, or a child of a member of the Board of the school
- Sixth priority must be given to all other applicants

Parents of students who live within the home zone should also apply by this date to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year. Students who live in the home zone are entitled to enrol at the school.

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot, supervised by a Justice of the Peace or a Police Officer in accordance under Section 11G(1) of the Education Act 1989.

The deadline for receipt of applications for out-of-zone places is **3.00pm on Friday 27th May 2016** and should be addressed to: *Te Totara Primary School, PO Box 28134, Hamilton 3256*

If a ballot is required, it will be held on Wednesday 1st June 2016. Parents will be informed of the outcome by Tuesday 7th June, 2016 (3 working days later - Monday 6th June is Queens Birthday Holiday).

SCHOOL SWIMMING TIMETABLE

Our swimming in class time will continue in Term 2 in weeks 1 and 2 and then from week 3 our pool will be closed for the Winter months and re open again in September 2016. Our children swimming in Term 2 will be Neptune 27, Neptune 28 and Kōpū 23. When our pool re opens in September 2016 our Year 5 and Year 6 children will be swimming followed by our final Year 2 class and Year 0-1 students to complete the year.

A copy of our swimming timetable is on our school website. The September – December timetables will be on the website during Term 3.

It's great to see the progress our children are making in their swimming lessons.

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

2016 BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

This year there is a Board of Trustees election coming up and we wanted to give everyone plenty of opportunity to think about standing for the Board. This link provides a brief guide as to what it entails. <http://www.trustee-election.co.nz/>

We also have a pamphlet available at the School Office called “A Parents’ Guide to the Role of the Board of Trustees”; you are most welcome to take a copy.



Key Dates for the Te Totara Primary School 2016 Board of Trustees Elections are:

Close Main Roll – Wednesday 4th May

Call for Nominations – Friday 6th May

Close Supplementary Roll – noon Wednesday 18th May

Nominations Close – Friday 20th May

Voting Papers Sent by – Wednesday 25th May

Election Day – Friday 3rd June

Vote Count – Thursday 9th June

Board takes Office – Friday 10th June



[Becoming a school trustee](#) - this three-minute video outlines what trusteeship is all about.

For more information regarding the 2016 BOT Elections for Te Totara Primary School, check out our school website www.tetotara.school.nz or visit the New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA) website at www.nzsta.org.nz

STUDENTS LEAVING AND STARTING AT TE TOTARA

If you have not already notified the school and are planning to leave our school at the end of this term, it would be appreciated if you could please urgently advise us by **emailing** Marise Crow at receptionist@tetotara.school.nz. If you have a child coming to Te Totara in the future, we would love to have an Enrolment Form - it would be much appreciated and certainly help, with our future planning.

BOOKS FOR THE HOLIDAYS, COME TO OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY

A reminder that the school library is open **every Friday from 8am - 9am** so that parents can borrow books for their children, including preschoolers. We'd love to have you pop in tomorrow so we can top you up with books for the holidays, perfect for any wet days!

DO YOU CROCHET?

We have some Year 5 & 6 students who would love to learn how to crochet. We are looking for parents or grandparents who would be able to come in to the school and teach us how it is done. This would be in Term 2 on Mondays from 12.35pm-1.25pm. If you are interested please see Michelle Simms in the library or email michelles@tetotara.school.nz.

CHANGE OF DETAILS/ADDRESS

Just a little reminder that if you have changed any of your details i.e. phone, address, e-mail etc; to please advise the School Office so we can update your records accordingly.

We encourage our families to check your contact details are correct through the parent portal at www.atschool.co.nz using the User ID and Passwords that were provided with your child/ren previous Learning Plan last year.

CHILDREN COLLECTED AFTER SCHOOL, REMINDER SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM

Lately, we have noticed an increased trend in children being picked up late from school. To help with everyone's safety, any children who are at school after 3.15pm will need to wait outside the School Office to be collected. Remember, After School Care facilities are available at the school and Enrolment Forms can be obtained from the School Office.

It would be appreciated if all children could be collected from school no later than 3.10pm please.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held Friday 15th April 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week Orion, Kōpū and our Earth children will attend assembly.

This week our Earth 36 children will be sharing. Everyone is welcome.

SPORTS

TE TOTARA PLAYERS OF THE DAY

VOLLEYBALL

Thomas Hudson, Melanie McEwen, Charlotte Kirton, Jessica Laws

Well done to all volleyball players this term, you have improved so much. To all other year 5 and 6 students interested in playing Volleyball, we will be playing again in Term Four.

DATES COMING UP

Wed 13 - Fri 15 April
Fri 15 April

Camp for Marama Team
TERM 1, 2016 FINISHES @ 3.00pm

Mon 2 May
Wed 4 May
Wed 25 May
Fri 10 June
Wed 15 June
Sun 3 July

TERM 2, 2016 BEGINS @ 8.55am
PTA meeting in Staff Lounge 7.30pm
Hearing & Vision Testing
School Disco
PTA AGM @ 7.30pm
Te Totara Invitation Netball Tournament

Kind regards,

Anne Fraser

Acting Principal

TE TOTARA PTA

NEXT PTA MEETING:

Wednesday 4th May 2016, everyone is welcome.



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.

JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS TERM 2 2016

- Only 8 spaces left for Term 2 (starting week 2)!
- Lessons held on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at Te Totara Primary School
- \$90 (including GST) for the 8 weeks of dancing plus a little show where the kids get to go on stage
- For girls aged 3 – 11 and boys from 5 – 11
- Email jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz for more info

Presents: Flu Vaccinations & First Aid Kits
Thursday 14th April 2:30pm until 5:45pm
Te Totara Staffroom



Flu Vaccines

- Your Health NZ is offering Flu vaccinations to all kids and adults
- Feel free to drop in and talk to the Registered Nurse/Authorised Vaccinator about protecting you and your family against this season's flu.

Vaccines are \$30 each (EFTPOS available)

Forget the hassle of going to the GP and waiting with sick people



First Aid Kits & Supplies

- Need a First Aid Kit at home, for your vehicle or even for the kids sporting activities?
- Selling a range of first aid kits and first aid supplies, be prepared for any unexpected accidents by purchasing a first aid kit.
- Please check out our website: www.fastonline.co.nz

For every Flu vaccine and/or first Aid kit that is sold – we will make a donation to the Te Totara PTA to put towards their fundraising goal of covering the school tennis courts.

MISSING SCOOTER

Lime green MPG scooter ridden to school Wednesday April 13th, parked in the fence beside Matawhero. A similar lime green scooter was left behind, but it's not ours, so someone had taken the wrong one home. Please check any lime green MGP scooters at your house, we would like ours back please. Please either park it back on the fence or call Jackie on 0204220169 to return it before the holidays.

BRICKS 4 KIDZ HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

A holiday programme will be held at the Tamahere Community Centre.

Spaces are limited, get in quick.

Visit our website bricks4kidz.co.nz or phone us on 021 819 111.

Email b4knz@bricks4kidz.com

PUKETE KINDERGARTEN – ENROLMENTS WELCOME

We are currently seeking enrolments at our wonderful Kindergarten. Our fully trained team is warm and caring and would welcome your enrolment. Please phone 849-3718 for any further queries or email us at pukete@kindergarten.org.nz.

GYMSPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Gymnastics, Trampoline, Cheerleading, Theme Days, Obstacle Courses, Tabloid Sports, Gymnastics Crafts, Gymnastics Theatre, FUN!!!

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd April

Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th April

\$30 a day 9am to 3pm

Please visit our website for further information and enrolment forms.

www.hamcitygymsports.co.nz (07) 849 4546 office@hamcitygymsports.co.nz

SPORT WAIKATO WORKSHOP

Do you want to know what is best for developing YOUR child/athlete/student's potential?

This is a workshop for parents, teachers, coaches and athletes, in which we discuss how children can realise their full potential – in sport and in life. Monday 20 June 2016. 5.30pm-7.00pm

Contact Mark for more info ph 027 278 5254 or markm@sportwaikato.org.nz

STRINGS ATTACHED SHOW AND WORKSHOP

Internationally renowned puppet masters, Strings Attached return to Hamilton with two amazing shows and an interactive puppet-making workshop in time for the school holidays.

As a special treat, you are invited to join us for workshop where you will get to create your own puppet and master the art with internationally renowned puppet master and star of the show, Norbert Hausberg.

For more information, visit themeteor.co.nz or call 027 529 4470

TRUST WAIKATO HAMILTON CITY NETBALL CENTRE

Holiday programme, Minogue Park Netball Courts

Monday 18 April & Tuesday 19 April 2016

Registration and Payments must be made online.

Register at www.netballhamilton.org.nz or email admin@netballhamilton.org.nz



KELLY SPORTS - HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
APRIL 2016

Our sports based programme is full of exciting activities and trips that will guarantee children, aged 5-13 years, have a great time!
OSCAR/WINZ Approved

Te Totara School, Southwell School
and Hamilton Girls High School
7.40am – 6.00pm

Bankwood School. – 26 to 29 April only
8am – 6pm

Also Leamington School, Cambridge

For more information or to **BOOK ONLINE**
go to www.kellysports.co.nz

Email: wai_kato@kellysports.co.nz Tel: **07 839 9017**

BODYWISE

Bodywise is a group weight management programme for children 5-12 yrs. It involves participation of both the child and parent in a 6 week group programme at Sport Waikato Hamilton with additional follow-up visits for a further 12 months. We still have a couple of places left for the age group 5-9 yrs starting mid May.

Helen and Soroya are happy to receive any enquiries as soon as please!.

For more information contact either: Helen, Bodywise Dietitian:

P: 07 838 3565 ext. 22142 E. helen.stockman@waikatodbh.health.nz

Soroya, Bodywise Active Families Co-ordinator

P: 858 5388 E. soroyam@sportwaikato.org.nz

Barnardos
KidStart
Childcare
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GALA

**Saturday
30th April
10am - 1pm**

- ★ Sandpit hunt
- ★ Sausage sizzle
- ★ Raffle
- ★ Mr Whippy
- ★ Coffee Van
- ★ Bake Sale
- ★ Face painting
- ★ Lollie dip
- ★ Ball target
- ★ Cupcake decorating
- ★ Hair salon
- ★ Plant your own winter seeds
- ★ Fishing game
- ★ And so much more!

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