

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 2016

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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)

BEST FOOT FORWARD - ARRANGEMENTS FOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION NEXT WEEK

Our School production is next Tuesday and Wednesday, to ensure that all goes well there are a few arrangements in place for families to be aware of, especially for the evening performances.

Tuesday 20th September, 2016

1.00pm Ra & Milky Way Performance (Doors open at 12.30pm for audience) **7.00pm Earth & Marama Performance** (Doors open at 6.30pm for audience)

7.00PM EARTH & MARAMA PERFORMANCE ARRANGEMENTS

6.15pm Main cast characters and dancers meet at staff lounge. At the end of the show they can be

picked up from staff lounge.

6.40pm Earth students are to go to Orion Pod and Marama must go to their pod.

8.30pm approx. After the performance students can be picked up from their pods, performance time is

around 1 ½ hours.

Wednesday 21st September, 2016

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around 1 ½ hours.

All Year 3-6 students are required to attend each of their own team performances.

Tickets on sale NOW!..... available to purchase at the School Office by cash, cheque or EFT-POS only. Sorry, no payments via internet banking accepted nor any refunds given.

7.00PM PERFORMANCES ARE SOLD OUT! Tickets are still available for both matinee performances at 1.00pm.

Ticket prices are:

\$10.00 Per adult (13 years and older) \$5.00 Per child (12 years and under) \$5.00 Pre-schooler requiring own seat

Free Pre-schoolers (when sitting on the knee of an adult paying ticket)

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BEST FOOT FORWARD DVD's

Both the Ra/Milky Way & Earth/Marama Performances will be filmed on separate DVD's. If you wish to purchase a copy, please order and pay for your DVD's via the School Office by **Friday 23rd September**, **2016**. DVD's cost **\$15.00 each**. Next term, you will be advised through the newsletter when the DVD's will be available to collect.

GREATS AND GRANDS DAY - TOMORROW

- MATAWHERO, ORION, NEPTUNE & KŌPŪ TEAMS

Date: Friday 16th September, 2016

Time: 9:00am - 12:30pm

Where: Meet in Matariki for a special programme before moving to classrooms
Why: For Greats and Grands to share their stories and memories which are special

to them. The children will reciprocate and will also be eager to share their

learnina.



On Tuesday 86 students took part in the annual Winter Sports Tournament at Southwell School.

A big thanks to families, coaches and students who made it a great day for all. Results from our teams...

Football

Year 5 - 1st overall. In their final, they were drawn 2-2 at full time but the rules say the team who scored last is determined the winner. That was Te Totara.

Year 6 - 3rd overall (following the playoff for 3rd and 4th)

Hockey

All stars - 1st overall. In their final, they were drawn 1-1 at full time but as with football, the team that scored last is determined the winner - Te Totara. Stormers - placed 3rd in their pool so didn't progress to the semis or finals.

Rippa Rugby

Our team placed 3rd in their pool so didn't progress to the semis or finals.

<u>Netball</u>

Year 6 Ferns - 4th overall. This team placed 2nd in their pool so played the top qualifying team from the other Year 6 pool, but lost. They then played the loser of the other semi final to determine 3rd and 4th place, and lost that game by 1 goal in the final seconds.

Year 6 Shooters - placed 5th in their pool so didn't progress to semis or finals.

Year 5 Magic - 2nd overall. This team placed 1st in their pool so played in the straight final. The final was a draw at full time and so extra time was played with the first team to score a goal determined the winner. That was Fairfield.

Year 5 Stars - placed 7th in their pool so didn't progress to semis or finals.

Another sterling effort by Te Totara with great attitudes and sportsmanship from all involved.

TE TOTARA HOCKEY SEASON RESULTS

Well done to our 9 Hockey teams for a wonderful season. A huge thank you to all of our Coaches and Managers for stepping into these roles. This is greatly appreciated, the children simply would not be able to participate if it weren't for your commitment. Because of you, 90 Te Totara students could have a happy and active Saturday morning at the turf each week.

Massive congratulations to the **Te Totara All Stars** who represented the school in the top Year 5 & 6 competition, The Milne Cup.

The final was held on Saturday and the All Stars won the game and therefore the Milne Cup. Congratulations to Poppy and Rose and your team of All Stars, this is a massive achievement, you have all worked so hard and it is so deserved!!

Also, congratulations to Mike, Joanna and the **Te Totara Stormers** who took out 2nd place in the also highly competitive Watson Cup Competition. An incredible effort and a fantastic season from the Stormers!









THANKS

Earlier this week many of our teachers attended a paid Union Meeting, which they were entitled to do, at 9.00am on Monday. This meant to keep the school "ticking over" we had 10 teachers with us, they did a wonderful job with our children. It is a wonderful endorsement of our children that they were able to demonstrate fantastic self-managing skills and coped really well with the altered arrangements.

SHOOT KEYS - PHOTOLIFE SCHOOL PHOTOS

The Shoot Keys have arrived and were sent home with each child last Friday with details on how to order **INDIVIDUAL**, **CLASS & SIBLING** photos online.

If you do not have a computer, please collect an order envelope from the School Office.

Families who have a shared care arrangement can still use the same Shoot Key to order online. If you have any queries, please phone Photolife direct on 0800 501040.

"Free Delivery" to the school will apply to orders prior to 8.00am on Tuesday 25th October, 2016.

LOST PROPERTY ON DISPLAY

Any property left at the school at the end of term e.g. clothing, shoes, socks etc. will be on display outside (weather permitting) the Earth block on **Friday 23th September 2016**. If the weather is bad, it will be on display inside the Earth Pod.

Please check to see if any items belong to your family as all unclaimed items (other than school uniform) will be donated to charity.

We will endeavour to return named school uniform items of clothing to their rightful owner however; any unnamed school uniform will be given to the School Office and sold, with the proceeds returned to the school. As you can imagine, with 824 students at our school now, it doesn't take long before the Lost Property Box is full.

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY DENTAL CLINIC

Fairfield Community Dental Clinic invites you and your family / whanau for your regular dental check-up. Appointments will be offered throughout the year when your child/children are due. An appointment will be sent to you at home or via the school office. Please don't hesitate to call us on 0800 talkteeth or 07 859 9160 and reschedule if the appointment time does not suit you.

At the check-up, preventive treatment such as cleaning, fluoride varnish and fissure sealants may be completed if required. It is a good time to talk to your therapist about your family's oral health and get advice on tooth brushing.

Our clinic is located at the end of Kensington Place which is off Hukanui Rd and is near Davies Corner.

Please call 0800 Talk teeth if you have any queries, wish to update your contact details or have any concerns prior to receiving an appointment from us.

We look forward to seeing you at our clinic this year.

Kind Regards, Fairfield Community Dental Team, 33 Kensington Place, Hamilton

OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS PERIODS FOR 2017

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 <u>2 places for New Entrant (Year 1) students</u> are likely to be available to out-of-zone students for the first enrolment period of 16th December 2016 – 28th February 2017.

The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

There will be three 2017 out-of-zone enrolment periods:

The First enrolment period runs from 16th December 2016 – 28th February 2017

The Second enrolment period runs from 1st March 2017 - 30th June 2017

The Third enrolment period runs from 1st July 2017 - 15th December 2017

For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period of 16th December 2016 - 28th

February 2017, the deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is 3.00pm on Wednesday 12th

October, 2016 and should be addressed to:

Te Totara Primary School

PO Box 28134

Hamilton 3256



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.

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

- a) **First priority** must be given to students who have been accepted for enrolment in a special programme(s) run by the school and approved by the Secretary of Education*.
 - * This priority is not applicable at this school because the school does not run a special programme approved by the Ministry of Education
- b) **Second priority** must be given to any applicant who is the sibling of a current student of the school.
- c) Third priority must be given to any applicant who is the sibling of a former student of the school.
- d) Fourth priority must be given to any applicant who is a child of a former student of the school.
- e) **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.
- f) Sixth priority must be given to all other applicants.

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, a Practicing Lawyer or a Police Officer in accordance under Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989.

If a ballot for out-of-zone is required, it will be held on <u>Monday 17th October 2016</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Thursday 20th October, 2016**.

HEALTH WAIKATO HEARING & VISION TESTING FOR STUDENTS THAT HAVE NOT COMPLETED ROUTINE TESTS

A Vision & Hearing Technician will be visiting our school on Friday 14th October, 2016 to complete routine tests for those students who have missed their pre-school/prior school checks. For further information, please contact Health Waikato direct on (07) 838-3565

TERM DATES FOR 2017

Term 1 Tuesday 31 January - Thursday 13 April

Term 2 Monday 1 May - Friday 7 July

Term 3 Monday 24 July - Friday 29 September Term 4 Mon 16 October - Friday 15 December

Holidays During the 2017 School Term

Term 1	Monday 6 February	Waitangi Day
Term 2	Monday 5 June	Queen's Birthday
Term 3	Monday 4 September	Mid-Term Break
Term 4	Monday 23 October	Labour Day

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

School closes Friday 23rd September at 3.00pm and opens for Term 4 on Monday 10th October, 2016.

The School Office will be open on Friday 7th October from 9.00am – 12.00 noon for enrolment enquiries.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held Friday 16th September 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week Matawhero, Neptune, Ra and Milky Way children will attend assembly.

This week our Milky Way 18 children will be sharing.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD to celestem@tetotara.school.nz

BASKETBALL

Turtles Charlie Jordan, Reece Zimmerman

HOCKEY Leopards

Mia Symes

Strikers Charlotte Kirton, Teebah Mekkey

Most Valuable Player Charlotte Kirton Most Improved Player Teebah Mekkey Team Player Ella Leeson

Thunders Chanel Myburgh, Cathy Young

Most Valuable Player Paige Hopping

Most Improved Players Reegan Whanga , Anika Cuppanda

Team Player Brooke Laws

DATES COMING UP

Fri 16 Sept PTA Iceblock Friday

Tues 20 Sept
Ra & Milky Way 1.00pm School Production
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Earth & Marama 7.00pm School Production
Wed 21 Sept
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Thurs 22 Sep BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Fri 23 Sept End of Term 3, 2016 – <u>School Finishes at 3.00pm</u>

Mon 10 Oct Term 4 Begins @ 8.55am

Fri 14 Oct Hearing and Vision Checks at school

Mon 17 Oct Photolife Photos (Cluster Sports Teams, Cultural, Y6 Leavers etc.)

Mon 24 Oct Labour Day Public Holiday – School Closed

Tues 25 Oct Junior Athletics "Have A Go" Day

Wed 26 Oct KIDS for KIDS Choir Performance @ Activate Church
Thurs 27 Oct Junior Athletics "Have A Go" Day Postponement Date

Thurs 27 Oct BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Fri 28 Oct School Disco
Tues 15 Nov Senior Athletics

Thurs 17 Nov Senior Athletics Postponement Date Tues 22 Nov Fairfield Cluster Athletics Yrs 4-6

Thurs 24 Nov BOT Meeting @ 6.00pm

Tues 29 Nov Fairfield Cluster Athletics Postponement Date

Kind regards, Brian Sheedy

Principal



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

Well it has been a super busy couple of weeks for the PTA, there are so many exciting events happening before the end of the year, make sure you 'like' our Te Totara PTA Facebook page to be first in the know.

Firstly, we are holding another ICE BLOCK FRIDAY THIS WEEK. Lemonade Ice Block's will be for sale for \$1.50 each at lunchtime, after Eating for Learning, please try and ensure your child has the correct change. Also, If any parents are available to come and help for an hour or so around 12.00 lunchtime, please call 021 884 820 as soon as possible – thanks!



NEW! POP-UP PTA

A new concept the PTA team is introducing this term is the **POP-UP PTA** meeting, whereby we invite local business people and to come share their knowledge for free, with informative talks about issues that affect our children. We held our first meeting last week. The PTA would love to say a huge thanks to Julian Wilson – Programme Manager of the ASB Get Wise education programme for his super informative, interesting and financially inspiring presentation – Thanks Julian!

Big thanks also to ANNA SMART FROM LUGTON'S REAL ESTATE for her very generous sponsorship of prizes and giveaways on the night - much appreciated Anna!

DISCO THEME NEEDED!

Come on kids; get cracking with ideas on a theme for our next SCHOOL DISCO to be held on Friday 28th October!

What will you suggest? Pyjama Party? School of Rock? In The Far Future? Animal Antics? Lights and Frights? We need your help!

Please place your idea, name and class number in the green PTA box in the School Office by tomorrow, FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2016. Woop woop!

As always, we would love to see as many parents and caregivers attend our friendly PTA meetings, where we can discuss ways to improve our school community and benefit our children. Whether you can help for just a couple of hours – or more – we would love to see you for a drink and a chat. You don't have to commit to coming to all the meetings but you will be informed about what is going on & what we need help with. If it happens that you have the skills, time, contacts or resources you can simply let us know by email how you are able to help. No pressure!

Please make sure you 'like' our PTA Facebook page, to be kept up-to-date with all the upcoming events: www.facebook.com/TTPTA http://www.facebook.com/TTPTA>

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Te Totara Primary School PTA Account: ASB 12 3171 0277833-00

Please ensure your name is used as a reference.

EMAIL: tetotara.pta@amail.com

<x-msg://6/tetotara.pta@gmail.com> <http://tetotara.pta@gmail.com<http://tetotara.pta@gmail.com/> >

Thanks for reading, have a wonderful week!

- Your friendly PTA team: Scott, Anna, Nalina, Jasmine, Vicki & Liz

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.



KELLY SPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

Our fantastic programme is full of exciting games, sports and art & craft activities that will guarantee your children have fun in a safe environment. OSCAR/WINZ Approved

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

> Bankwood School and Leamington School, Cambridge 8am - 6pm

> > Half Days available

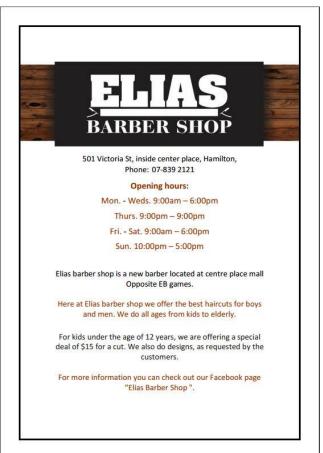
For more information or to BOOK ONLINE go to www.kellysports.co.nz

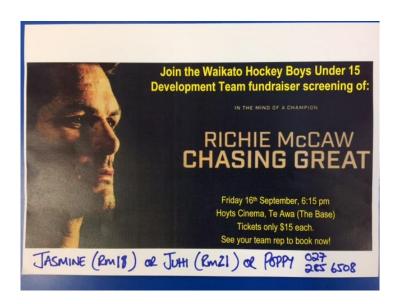
Email: waikato@kellysports.co.nz Ph: 07 839 9017



JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS TERM 4, 2016

- Now taking names for the waitlist for Term 4.
- Lessons held on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
- Lessons held at Te Totara Primary School and RJHS.
- \$90 for the term which includes a show at the end of the term.
- For girls and boys aged 3 12.
- Email jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz for more info, visit www.jitterbugsdancelessons.co.nz or checkout the Jitterbugs Facebook page.









WIN – A FAMILY ZOO PASS THURSDAY 22ND OF SEPTEMBER IS WORLD CAR FREE DAY!

Hamilton City Council is running a photo competition; simply take a photo of your children getting to school via active transport (walking, biking, scooter etc.) or by bus and you're in the draw to win one of 10 family Zoo pass (2 Adults, 4 Children).

Send your photos to <u>Cameron.Ward@hcc.govt.nz</u> Entries sent in by Monday 26th September.

WAIKATO FOOTBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

3-6 October, 2016 @ Inzone Indoor Sports Venue Hamilton To Book, contact Andrea Marden waikatofootballacademy@gmail.com

HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOPS

Get creative, learn new skills and have fun at "Escape & Create" art workshops taught by trained art professionals and educators. Ages 5-13 @ \$40 /child / day – all materials included. For more info & bookings contact Nikki: 021 143 9023 or Email: nthompson@slingshot.co.nz

CAN YOU HELP AVA?

An ex pupil of Te Totara is currently fundraising to receive life changing surgery in America for her cerebral palsy.

Please have a look at the link

at http://givealittle.co.nz/cause/chasingavasdream and donate if you are able. Every dollar counts. There will be a movie fundraiser event on Sunday 25th Sept at 3.30pm at Hoyt Te Awa. The movie is 'Storks', anew release family movie and tickets are \$18 which includes popcorn and a drink.

To purchase a ticket go to Facebook.com/chasingavasdream and click on 'Storks Movie Screening Fundraiser'. It will be a great event to start the school holidays!







