

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 6th APRIL, 2017

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Kia Ora (Maori/NZ), Hello (English), Bula (Fijian), Welkom (South African), Hu**B**n 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)

GALA DAY THANK YOU!

We had an absolutely fantastic day on Saturday for our Te Totara Primary School PTA Gala, Market & Colour Run, with so many happy smiling (and colourful!) faces. Thank you all so very much for sharing the day with us, we hope you had as much fun as we did. We are consolidating the figures at the moment, and will soon be announcing the profit made. Can't put a dollar value on seeing happy faces in our school and community though!

All the local support was very generous - thanks to all those who purchased tickets, bought food, baked, donated, gave money, money and more money.... you are all amazing.

Our lead sponsor, **PRAGMA DESIGNER HOMES** - thank you sincerely for your generous support, we are proud to be associated with such a reputable and community-minded business. We appreciate everything you did to help, thank you.

Sincere thanks to all the staff and students of Te Totara for their help and support – especially all the hard work put in by Brian Sheedy, Barnie Barnsdall, Ian Hunter, Cyra Wells, Jemma Campbell, Marise Crow and all the teachers and staff – as well as all the helpers, volunteers, 'dunk-ees' and support crew.

RIMARY SCHO Te Totara Primary School PTA wish to sincerely thank all those in the wider community of Hamilton North for your support in our very successful Gala, Market and Colour Run, held yesterday. We very much appreciate all the time, help, sponsorship, volunteers, craft marketeers, local businesses and all who assisted us along the way, You are true legends, thank you! Let's do it all again very soon... Please 'like' our FB page to stay in the loop: Special thanks to our lead sponsor, PRAGMA DESIGNER HOMES.

The Marketplace was a great success,

with lots of quality items sold. Thanks for supporting our sellers – we may be looking at holding another market in the months to come. More details on that later.

Personally, I wish to thank my amazing PTA colleagues: Scott Mehrtens (Chair), Anna Smart (Deputy Chair), Jasmine Cobby (Secretary), Nalina Dheda (Treasurer) and Event Co-ordinator extraordinaire, Liz Gordon. You've all made such a huge mammoth task achievable and, more importantly, FUN! We were all still laughing and smiling on Saturday night – together, we did it! So easy. What an amazing group of people!

Finally, big BIG ups to Dave Smart, Gavin & Andrea Larsen, Raewyn Oliver, Trudy Bulbeck, Jason James, Blair Miller, Matthew Cobby, Sharnyn Haseltine, Aimee Lockie, Jackie Smith and Rae Gunn - couldn't have done it without you, thanks so much.

We're already planning the next PTA initiative – stay tuned for news on our next exciting project!

Have a great week everyone Sincerely, Vicki Jordan (PTA Communications Officer)

OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS PERIOD 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>5 places for New Entrant (Year 1/0) students</u> are likely to be available to out-of-zone students for the enrolment period of 1st July 2017 - 15th December 2017. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

The deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is **3.00pm** on **Friday 5th May**, **2017** 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>Tuesday 9th May</u>, <u>2017</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Friday 12th May**, <u>2017</u>.

SCHOOL DONATION

We certainly appreciate the fantastic support we are receiving for the voluntary School Donation, it is appreciated and the funding will be used for resources for the children.

If you wish to pay your voluntary School Donation, we are happy to accept payment by cash, cheque, internet banking or EFT-POS at the School Office. The Board of Trustees has set payment at:

\$120.00 for the first family member \$60.00 for each subsequent child

Please check with the School Office as the voluntary School Donation is adjusted depending on which term your child/ren started school.

For your information, your donations qualify for a 33% tax credit. You can claim this rebate from the Inland Revenue Department by completing a form IR526 - "Tax Credit Claim Form". Please refer to: http://www.ird.govt.nz/non-profit/np-donations/school/

A GST receipt will be issued upon request. Please email Wendy Bulloch, our Executive Officer at executiveofficer@tetotara.school.nz

A % of your donation may be claimed as a tax rebate using a "Rebate Claim Form" – please refer to Inland Revenue for further details.

SCHOOL LUNCH SERVICE

Our school lunch supplier is "Lunch Orders" who are based in Hamilton. School lunches will be delivered to our school every day for children's lunches at 12.15pm if ordered by 8.30am daily. How it works:

- · Order online anywhere, anytime on any device.
- · Healthy food made with love from a team of experienced chefs.
- · Affordable solution providing nourishment for your child with ease.
- · Sign-up for a free account now! www.lunchorders.co.nz

Sit back and relax while your order is freshly made and delivered to your school LunchOrders delivers to Te Totars Primary on MONDAY - FRIDAY at 12.15PM. WWW.lunchorders.co.nz www.lunchorders.co.nz

Sign up for a free account and select your school

· Place your order and select delivery date

. Top up your account using a credit card or direct credit

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are delighted with the large number of students who look really great by wearing their uniform in the correct manner. However, we have noticed a few students who are not complying with our Uniform Expectations and we ask your assistance with this. ALL students are expected to be wearing their full correct uniform.

Students are to arrive at school and leave from school in their Te Totara Primary School uniform, including footwear.

- · Uniforms are to be worn clean, neat and tidy.
- · Students are encouraged to take pride in their school uniform and to wear it well.
- · Hair is to be off the face, tied back if longer than the bottom of the collar, and be the natural hair colour.
- · Nail polish and cosmetics are not permitted.
- · Second hand uniforms may be available. Please see the notice board in the School Office for details.
- · Any hair accessory is to be of a single school uniform colour red, white, black, green.
- · Variations in relation to the Human Rights Act may be negotiated with the Principal.
- · All pupils are encouraged to use sunscreen at home before school and expected to wear the regulation school hat while outdoors. No hat play in the shade.
- All uniform items should be clearly named.

From the beginning of Term 2, 2017 we will are expecting all students to be wearing their winter school uniform.

JEWELLERY

Items of jewellery can be easily lost or damaged at school. They may also cause injury to the wearer or other students. For <u>safety reasons items of jewellery are NOT to be worn</u>. The school accepts no responsibility in the case of loss, damage or injury.

However, students may wear:

- a) One small earring stud per ear.
- b) A watch.
- c) A necklace of religious or cultural significance to be worn underneath clothing.
- d) A Medical Identification Tag as required.

For a full description of our Uniform Expectations for our school uniform, please check the notice board in the School Office or the school website.

http://www.tetotara.school.nz/3/pages/21-school-uniform

If you have any queries, please contact me at principal@tetotara.school.nz

SCHOOL UNIFORMS, ORDER WITH DIRECT GROUP

Direct Group will be offering ordering online, in store or by telephone. They are located at 115 Ellis Street Frankton Hamilton, Ph 847-6664 or visit their website www.shop.directgroup.co.nz.

Orders can be placed now and in most cases Direct Group have the garments already in their store to purchase. Direct Group is also offering a wonderful embroidery service for individually naming your Children's School Uniform. Items will cost \$5 each to embroide, please include this request on your online order form or ask while you are ordering the Uniform in their store.

For access to Direct Group's website for online ordering please use the following log-in details: Log in = ttp and Password = uniform (all lowercase)

NAMING OF SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please, please, please can you make sure all items of school uniform are clearly named. It is not good enough to assume that your child will know that something belongs to them "because it has a black dot on the tag". If an item of clothing is found out on the fields it cannot be returned unless it is named. We go out of our way to identify and return lost property, but it is extremely difficult when clothing is not named.

SCHOOL SORES (IMPETIGO)

Just a reminder to keep an eye out for blisters on exposed parts of the body, such as hands, legs and face. The blisters burst and turn into a sore with a yellow crust that gets bigger each day. The sores are itchy and spread easily to other parts of the skin. Impetigo is easily spread to other children and adults by direct contact with the discharge from infected skin. They are highly contagious and children are infectious until sores are healed. To avoid the risk of infection, please ensure all open sores are kept well covered. If you have any concerns, please visit your Doctor as antibiotics are required to treat Impetigo. For more information regarding visit:

MOH Infectious Health Chart





A CARETAKERS LAMENT RAINY DAYS PICK-UPS

IT'S ONLY RAIN And though it's a pain It will come again It gets quite bad And it drives people mad We know how you've felt But you really won't melt ITS ONLY RAIN Don't double park And don't drive on the path It's all about SAFETY for kids So if you're gonna get surly Try coming early We would like some respect Cause it's what we expect and remember IT'S ONLY RAIN

PICK-UP ARRANGEMENTS AFTER SCHOOL

If after school pick-up arrangements change, please phone the School Office by 2.30pm so that you can be transferred to the classroom teacher's voicemail whereby you are able to leave a voicemail message.

LOST PROPERTY ON DISPLAY

Weather permitting; we will endeavour to display all lost property items THIS Friday and next Thursday 13th April, 2017.

Please check out our lost property bin. The BIG YELLOW bin is located outside the Earth building; there are <u>LOTS</u> of polar fleeces! 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 ask ALL families to please check your child's uniform on a weekly basis to ensure they are wearing their own uniform, rather than someone else's.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held tomorrow, **Friday 7th April, 2017** in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm. This week children from Orion, Kōpū, Earth & Marama will attend assembly. This week our Earth 38 children will be sharing.

SCHOOL SIGNAGE LOCATED AROUND OUR SCHOOL

You may have noticed increased school signage around our school. Our school has 24 hour camera surveillance with 16 security cameras installed which are monitored regularly.

We would also like to remind you our school is also a <u>Smokefree Zone and NO dogs are allowed on our school grounds.</u>







DATES COMING UP

Thur 13 April TERM 1, 2017 FINISHES @ 3.00pm

Mon 1 May TERM 2, 2017 BEGINS Thur 25 May BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Kind regards,

Brian Sheedy Principal



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EMAIL: tetotara.pta@gmail.com www.facebook.com/TTPTA

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The entertainment books are coming home with your child for you to browse through and also show your family and friends. This year we are raising money for tennis court covers and every membership (book or digital) sold will help us reach our fundraising goal. Each

book sent home has instructions inside on how to make payment or if you would like to return the book. Please return the book or payment inside the provided envelope (which is clearly marked with your child's name) to the school office. Thank you for helping our school fundraise for tennis court covers.

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.

INLINE HOCKEY

On behalf of Inline Hockey New Zealand please accept this invitation being sent to school students and families in and around the Waikato to come along and watch the Oceania Inline hockey Championships being played in Hamilton over the school holidays. New Zealand and Australian representative teams will compete against each other in the Trans-Tasman series in the 12 & Under, 14 & Under, 14 & Under Junior Women, 16 & Under and Masters age divisions. Inline Hockey is a fast, skilled and exciting "wheeled" sport played indoors on inline skates. Come along and watch the teams, support your NZ teams. Players from the local club Hamilton Inline Hockey are also involved and many attend local Waikato schools. Dates: April 19-21 Venue: Hamilton Inline Hockey Rink, 30 Old Farm Road, East Hamilton Entry: Free Schedule: Krystyna Beardman General Manager Inline Hockey New Zealand Phone: 021 www.inlinehockeynz.org.nz



FUTURE KIDS PRESCHOOL TE RAPA

ADDRESS: 75 Church Rd Te Rapa the entrance is at Trinity heights business park. Sunday 28th May 10 -11am Exclusive to families already enrolled. Sunday 28th May 11am - 12pm General public. Sunday 11th June 10-12pm General public. Saturday 17th June 1-3pm General public

CONTACT- Abbey Henry-Metcalfe 0800 02 FIVE www.futurekids.co.nz



UPCOMING EVENTS redevents 15 MARCH 2017 INDIVIDUAL TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP MIGHTY RIVER DOMAIN, LAKE KARAPIRO ENTRY FEE: \$35.00 22 MARCH 2017 TEAM TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP MIGHTY RIVER DOMAIN, LAKE KARAPIRO ENTRY FEE: \$66.00 12 APRIL 2017 MOUNTAIN BIKING CHAMPIONSHIP TE MIRO MOUNTAIN BIKE PARK ENTRY FEE: \$35.00 17 MAY 2017 ROAD CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIP DATEDANGI SCHOOL 31 MAY 2017 **TEAM DUATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP** MIGHTY RIVER DOMAIN, LAKE KARAPIRO ENTRY FEE: \$66.00 8-10 JULY 2017 NORTH ISLAND SCHOOLS CYCLING MIGHTY RIVER DOMAIN, LAKE KARAPIRO / AVANTIDROME ENTRY FEE: DEPENDANT ON NUMBER OF RACES ENTERED **2 AUGUST 2017** INDIVIDUAL DUATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP MIGHTY RIVER DOMAIN, LAKE KARAPIRO ENTRY FEE: \$35.00 ENTER ONLINE AT WWW.REDEVENTS.CO.NZ