

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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

Welcome back to the second term of the year. Our staff and students have very quickly got back into the routine of school life, this has set us up for a great term ahead.

STAFF UPDATE

- We welcome Jessica Grimson to our school to teach in Kōpū 22, taking over from Suzie Goile, who
 is now on maternity leave. Jessica has had a busy and productive time preparing for the new role
 over the last month
- Welcome to a returning Julia May, who has started a new entrant class in Matawhero 1. Julia began with seven new five-year-olds on Monday and they are settling in well into their school life.
- Welcome back to Kelly Fletcher, teacher, who is working with us two days a week as a Tutor teacher to Jessica Grimson as well as classroom release time
- Welcome to our Guest Teachers from the School of Education Jessica Carter Room 15, Caitlin Clements Room 31, Nicola Ellwood Room 37 and Hannah Goodbehere Room 1. They will be with us for 8 weeks
- Congratulations to Sarah and Andrew Corkill, one of our wonderful teachers, who recently gave birth to their son Taylor, a brother to Blake.

** URGENT ** URGENT ** 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 <u>3.00pm</u> on <u>Friday 5th</u> <u>May</u>, <u>2017</u> and should be addressed to:

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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>.

NEW ZEALAND'S TOP SCHOLAR FOR 2016 CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTOPHER MAYO

Yesterday in Wellington a former student of Te Totara Primary School, Christopher Mayo, was awarded the **Prime Minister's Award for Academic Excellence** by Education Minister, Nikki Kaye. The Prime Minister's Award is given to the Premier Scholar with the most outstanding examination results and the highest overall academic excellence, it is the highest accolade that a student can aim for at Secondary School. Christopher is New Zealand's top achiever in the Scholarship examination results achieving Outstanding Scholarships in Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Classical Studies, Physics and Statistics, and Scholarships in English and Media Studies. Last year, Christopher was awarded the HBHS Dux of 2016 and is the first HBHS student in the school's history to achieve the top award. This is a stunning achievement and our congratulations go to Christopher and his family.



COLLECTING YUMMY STICKERS

Let's work together to help support our Te Totara students as they begin to start collecting Yummy stickers.

The 'cut out' labels from the 2kg bags of 'Yummy' apples or individual 'Yummy' apple stickers can be cashed in to go towards winning free DG Sport sports gear for our school.

You can download a sticker chart from http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Sticker Collection_Sheet.pdf

and once it is all filled up, students can hand them to their classroom teachers. It's time to get crunching!





NOEL LEEMING FRIENDS AND FAMILY EVENT

With support from Noel Leeming, we are running a Friends & Family Fundraising event from Monday 8th to Sunday 14th May.

Whether you've been dreaming of a flash new TV or a funky new phone case, this is your chance to save big and support our school. During this event our local Hamilton & Te Rapa Stores will be discounting, to cost +10% with 2.5% of those sales going back to our School!

All you need to do to support the school is save the flyer from our school website to your smart phone/device or print it out and bring it with you when you shop at Noel Leeming during 8-14 May. To make this the most successful fundraiser ever, we encourage you to share this flyer with your extended friends, family, business contacts and colleagues.

Noel Leeming Friends and Family Flyer, 8-14 May 2017

SCHOOL BANKING - FIRST CREDIT UNION

Banking can be deposited in the Credit Union Drop Box in Reception and will be collected every Wednesday morning by First Credit Union. Passbooks will be returned and will go home with students the following day (Thursday).

An application Pack for starting a bank account with the Credit Union can be collected from the School Office.

The Autumn newsletter is now available on the First Credit Union's website for reading, along with an ANZAC word find puzzle which you could win \$50.00 for your savings!

First Credit Union Autumn 2017 Newsletter

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by **9.15am on Friday 12th May, 2017** 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. Visit: mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 5th May 2017 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week children from Orion, Kōpū, Earth & Marama will attend assembly.

This week we have a Pasifika performance who will be sharing at our assembly.

DATES COMING UP

Wed 10 May PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm in the Staff Lounge

Fri 12 May Routine New Entrant Vision & Hearing Checks at school

Tues 23 May ICAS, Digital Technologies

Thur 25 May BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Tues 30 May ICAS, Science Mon 12 June ICAS, Writing Wed 14 June ICAS, Spelling

Kind regards, Brian Sheedy Principal



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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

We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday break.



PTA MEETING NEXT WEEK

Please come along to our next PTA meeting, Wednesday 10th May 2017 at 7.30pm Te Totara Primary School – Staff Lounge.

All staff and parents/caregivers of pupils at Te Totara Primary School are automatically "Members" of the PTA and therefore are all welcome to attend. New parents are especially welcome! Have a great week everyone

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

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment books went home with every family at the end of last term, I hope you've all had a good look through them to see how amazing they are and what great value for money.

It's now time to pay for your membership so that we can complete our fundraising efforts and get our big cheque! :)

Please use the link below to pay for your membership:

https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15502m5

Any questions, please get in touch, Jackie Smith 0204220169 or email: gregandjack@gmail.com

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.

KIDS FIND PUBLIC VOICE For confidence - public speaking skills

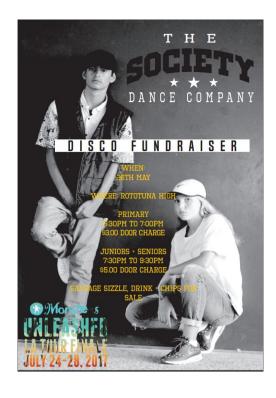
Kids got raw energy? Shy - won't speak out? Speeches - a nightmare? RING **Roz 027 248 2888** or email roz@speak4success.co.nz www.speak4success.co.nz

DISCO FUNDRAISER TO BE HELD AT ROTOTUNA HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On Friday, May 26th we are excited to be hosting a Disco Fundraiser as part of the Society Dance Company. names are Robert Lyttle and Sophie Wine and we are 13-year-old dance enthusiasts from Hamilton. We currently train every week to prepare for performances and competitions locally and overseas. We are holding this Disco Fundraiser to raise money so we can attend one of the World's most prestigious dance training camps, Monsters HipHop Dance Convention, to be held in Los Angeles in July. After we return from the convention we aim to inspire other young people to follow their dreams and to believe that 'anything is possible. We would like to contribute back to the community by offering dance classes in Hamilton, as well as promotional dance exhibits. Ultimately, we'd like to act as positive role models for other young people in our community.'

Permission Form for Rototuna High School Disco





JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS TERM 2 2017

Just a few spaces left for Term 2 if anyone was interested in enrolling their child in the following sessions.

Tuesday (Rototuna Junior High School Dance Studio)

4.00 Jitterjam (unisex class ages 5½ - 12) 2 Spaces

4.30 Jitterbugs Junior (ages 5 ½ - 7) 3 Spaces

5.00 Jitterbugs Junior Plus (6½ - 8) 1 Spaces

Thursday (Horsham Downs Hall)

4.00 Jitterbugs Intermediate (ages 7 - 12) 2 Spaces

4.30 Jitterbugs Mini's (ages 3 – 5 ½) 4 Spaces

Cost: \$95 for the term which includes a show and access to video's for your kids to practice to at home.

Email **jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz** for more info, visit **www.jitterbugsdancelessons.co.nz** or checkout the Jitterbugs Facebook page

SATURDAY MORNING MUSIC CLASSES

Enrolments are now open for Term Two 2017 at the Hamilton Community Centre of Music. The first session is on <u>Saturday 6th May</u>. The centre caters for all ages (3 to retired) and ability levels, offering group-format music tuition in a range of instruments. Fees range from \$35 to \$95 per term (8 lessons) depending on age and instrument. The enrolment

Children's Foot Screening Clinic

• Saturday 1st July

• 10 am till 2 pm

• 93A Thomas Road, Rototuna

FREE CHILDREN'S FOOT SCREENING PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Checking Foot Structure and function
- Walking and Running analysis
- Risk Factors relating to foot function identified
- School shoe/Sports Shoe checks and recommendations

LIMITED SPACES AVALIABLE CALL (07) 838 0003 TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT



fee for an instrument class includes participation in as many of our ensembles as you wish, at no additional charge.

Contact us via our website http://www.hccm.ac.nz/ or on 07 838 4611