

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Kia Ora (Maori/NZ), Hello (English), Bula (Fijian), Welkom (South African), Hu\u00e4n ying (Chinese-Mandarin) Ayubowan, Vanakkam (Sri Lankan), Namaste (India), Bem-vindos (Brazil), Marhaba (Arabic), Hallo (Dutch), Choum Reap Sour (Cambodia), Gei\u00e1 sou (Greek), Mbote, Jambo (Congolese), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea) Israel Shalom (Hebrew)

CHANGE OF FAMILY DETAILS

Just a little reminder that if you have changed any of your families details (*living arrangements, mobile, home phone, address, e-mail etc*) please advise the School Office so we can update your child's record 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. If you have recently joined our school, you will be issued with User ID and Passwords with Learning Plans which are due home on Friday 9th June 2017.

If you do not have access to a computer, you are welcome to check your details with the School Office on (07) 853-0039.

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



A Vision & Hearing Technician will be visiting our school tomorrow, Friday 12th May, 2017 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.

The objective of the test is to identify previously undetected Vision and Hearing defects.

Which children are routinely checked?

- Catch up screening for children who have not completed vision and hearing checks as part of their B4 School Check
- Children absent from previous visit, require retests or follow up
- In special circumstances, parents, teachers or others may request a vision or hearing check
- New immigrants

What tests are carried out?

<u>Ears</u>

- Audiometry (hearing test)
- Tympanometry middle ear function test (only carried out when hearing test is not within a normal range) <u>Eyes</u>

Long distance vision tests – not a complete visual examination, but a simple screening test NB All of these checks are non-invasive, safe and should cause no discomfort.

The Vision Hearing Technician will:

- Notify parents of all test results
- Enter results on Ministry of Education database (ENROL))

The Vision Hearing Technician will obtain personal details from the school ie; names, date of birth.

If the Technician needs to contact parents or caregivers following the visit, addresses and phone numbers will also be required.

Our service may share this information with other health professionals involved in the children's care.

If any parents/caregivers <u>do</u> <u>not</u> want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a Vision or Hearing defect, they should let the school know.

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.

If you were thinking of purchasing your child an iPad for BYOD at school, this is a great opportunity to purchase at a discounted rate.

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

SCHOOL START AND FINISH TIMES

Just a reminder to everyone that **school starts promptly at 8.55am** when the roll is taken.

We finish school each day at 3.00pm with the only exception being Fridays after assembly. All other days' teachers have been asked not to release their students until the 3.00pm bell goes. This allows for the satisfactory conclusion of the afternoon teaching programme, student tidy up routines and for staff to manage the school exit areas.

If a student needs to be picked-up before 3.00pm for any unusual events such as an urgent appointment then parents are asked to sign out their child/ren prior to going to the classroom. This is done through the VisTab tablet in the School Office and includes the reason for an early pick-up.

The conclusion of assembly on Fridays will be the only time when students will be released early to parents who have attended assembly.

Thank you for your assistance in ensuring we maximise learning programmes for your child.

LATE ARRIVALS TO SCHOOL

Have you ever arrived at a meeting late, everyone is settled in their chair, the presenter has welcomed them and is now outlining what the day has in store..... and as you walk in they all turn and look at you?

That is what it can be like for your child when they arrive late at school and their class is all settled. So please, we ask parents to ensure their children arrive at school with at least five minutes to spare, for them to organise themselves by hanging up their school bag and sorting their book bag independently.

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.

LIBRARY OPEN FOR PARENTS

Our library is open on **Friday mornings from 8.00am-9.00am and on Friday afternoons from after the whole School Assembly until 3.30pm.** We lend books to parents/caregivers - you are welcome to borrow books for your preschoolers or top up the supply for your children at Te Totara.

Encouraging your children to read for pleasure is one of the best things you can do to help them do well at school. If you would like any advice on selecting books for your children please ask our Librarians, Michelle Simms and Esther Rorimpandey.

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 12th May 2017 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.** This week children from Matawhero, Neptune, Ra and Milky Way attended assembly. This week we have a Pasifika performance who will be sharing at our assembly.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

NETBALL

Comets Lili Miller

HOCKEY

Tigers Alex Wilton, Shnarah Marshall

Stormers Kyla Torr-Williams
Shooters Ella Leeson
Cheetahs Keerit Sandhu

DATES COMING UP

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

Tues 23 May ICAS, Digital Technologies
Thur 25 May BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Fri 26 May Mufti Day - Black & White Theme

Tues 30 May ICAS, Science

Mon 5 June QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

Mon 12 June ICAS, Writing ICAS, Spelling

Kind regards,

Brian Sheedy

Principal



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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

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 Have a great week everyone: Your PTA team: Scott, Anna, Jasmine, Nalina, 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.

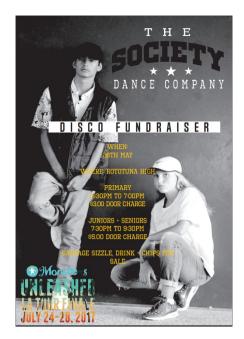
DISCO FUNDRAISER TO BE HELD AT ROTOTUNA HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Guardian.

On Friday, May 26th we are excited to be hosting a Disco Fundraiser as part of the Society Dance Company. Our 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.'

<u>Permission Form for Rototuna</u> <u>High School Disco</u>





ODIATRY CLINIC



HOT TIPS FOR MARRIAGES AND RELATIONSHIPS

One Night Only – Thursday 25th May, With John and Naomi Cowan 7pm to 8.30pm (doors open at 6.30pm), Finishes with supper Hosted by Graceway Church, 69 Grey St, Hamilton East Cost \$15.00 per couple Tickets available online or you can purchase from Desert Spring (cnr Insoll Ave and Peachgrove Rd) – cash or eftpos. Desert Spring is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday(closed Wednesday). For more information contact Ruth, phone 027 544 8341.

CHOICE RIDES AND INFLATABLES

Whatever the occasion, make it choice!

Bouncy castles, merry go rounds, popcorn, candy floss, dunk tank etc.

www.choiceridesnz.com

RED EVENTS

Enter online at www.redevents.co.nz



JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS TERM 2 2017

Last chance to enrol for Term 2! I have spaces available in the following sessions.

Monday (Rototuna Junior High School Dance Studio)

4.15 Jitterbugs Junior (ages $5 \frac{1}{2} - 7$) 1 Space

Tuesday (Rototuna Junior High School Dance Studio)

4.00 Jitterjam (unisex class ages 5½ - 12) 1 Space

4.30 Jitterbugs Junior (ages 5 ½ - 7) 2 Spaces

5.00 Jitterbugs Junior Plus (6½ - 8) 1 Space

Wednesday (Rototuna Junior High School Dance Studio)

4.25 Jitterbugs Intermediate (ages 7 - 12) 1 Space

Thursday (Horsham Downs Hall)

3.30 Jitterbugs Junior (ages $5 \frac{1}{2} - 7$) 1 Space

4.30 Jitterbugs Mini's (ages 3 – 5 ½) 1 Space

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



Broken teeth first aid

If a tooth is knocked out do you know what to do?

Broken or chipped teeth are most common dental injury. These teeth are sensitive due to the inner layer of dentine being exposed. Fractured teeth can be repaired and restored to look normal again. If teeth break as a result of an accident ACC usually covers all the treatment for children or Youths under 18 years, but a surcharge may be required for adults.

Contact your dentist as soon as possible if:

- There is a pink dot or bleeding from inside the fractured piece of tooth
- The tooth has been displaced or loose
- Unable to bite together normally due to position of the knocked tooth

If a tooth is knocked completely out, replace the tooth back into the socket if possible:

- Hold it gently by the crown and insert gently into socket. If the tooth is dirty it may be lightly rinsed in water, if it's available, but do not scrub.
- If unable to reinsert, the tooth may be stored in milk or patients saliva to prevent drying out.

Download the free app Knocked Out available on Apple and Play Store.

Getting those teeth replanted as soon as possible does make a significant difference.