

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 25TH MAY, 2017

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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)

MUFTI DAY - TOMORROW, FRIDAY 26TH MAY

Tomorrow is Mufti Day. The theme is "Black and White" so please wear clothing of those colours. Please bring a gold coin as a donation.

Edgecumbe Primary School suffered from the severe storm and flooding that hit New Zealand last month. Our Mufti Day will go some way in helping them get some new equipment for their school.

Please dress up and bring your gold coin donation and show we care. There will be collectors with buckets out before school to put the donations into.



** NEW FEATURE *** - NEWSLETTER TRANSLATION

Some of you may or may not know that our school website has the option of using Google Translate. We have now added a "Translatable Newsletter" option so it can also be viewed in your chosen language. Please keep in mind that Google Translate is not perfect but it can be helpful.

If you have any friends or family who may find this feature useful, please let them know. http://www.tetotara.school.nz/.../pages/113-translatable-news...



From the Newsletters & Notices page itself, select the left green tab that says "Translatable Newsletter" then use the drop down box of "Select Language" to choose one of the many translatable languages available (see below).

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OUR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Is published each Thursday and is available online from 3.00pm. We will send an e-mail link each week for you to access it or visit our school website direct at www.tetotara.school.nz

VISITORS TO OUR SCHOOL (INCLUDING PARENTS)

If you are visiting our school for business reasons, or as a parent dropping off things to your child during school hours, please report to the School Office before entering the school grounds. In the event of an Emergency situation, we need to know who is onsite at any given time.

OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS

Invoices were emailed to families recently. We would appreciate it if outstanding invoices are paid by the end of this term. You are welcome to pay through the School Office either by EFT-POS (sorry, no credit card), cash, cheque or internet banking. ASB internet banking details are:

Te Totara Primary School

12-3171-0270973-00

Please indicate what the payment is for i.e. hockey fees, swimming etc., plus the name of your child. Any queries regarding your invoice, please e-mail Wendy Bulloch, our Executive Officer at executiveofficer@tetotara.school.nz Could you please also check your "spam" box if you have not received an email and invoice from us.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY

We have advertised for volunteers to help in the school Library. They would be issuing and returning books so that our teachers can concentrate on assisting our students in finding good books to read. For more information, and to apply, go to http://volunteeringwaikato.org.nz/admin/want-search.php and choose 'Library Services' from the drop down menu.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE BOOKINGS

If you are thinking of making a booking for your child in After School Care, unfortunately we are fully booked on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at present. If you have any queries or require information, please email Anna Herbert: afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz

AFTER SCHOOL CARE - STAFF VACANCY

After School Care is looking for someone available every day of the week, to work 6 permanent hours with definite additional hours. This person must be highly passionate about children, able to take instruction well and also lead when needed. They must be confident, articulate and a good communicator. Our ideal candidate would have OSCAR experience and be able to lead groups of children and give direction to other staff. We are looking for someone who is fit and active, organised, responsible and able to use their initiative. We want someone who has a great team spirit and work ethic. We are after someone long term only, where this job ideally would be their primary job and focus. Extra hours for planning could be available too.

Please email your CV and relevant references to Anna Herbert: afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz

JUNIOR TOUGH GUY AND GIRL CHALLENGE

Please make sure you have paid the fee by tomorrow, Friday 26th May. I am desperately in need of parent helpers, so if you are planning on coming along to the event, I would really appreciate you contacting me. Email me on rebeccag@tetotara.school.nz or visit me in Marama 14 - Rebecca Griffin.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 27th May 2017 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

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

This week our Neptune 27 children will be sharing.

WHY DO YOU PAY SO MUCH FOR YOUR KIDS TO DO ALL THEIR SPORTS?

Below is a Facebook post from an "unknown" source that we felt was worthy of sharing with our school community.

One of my friends asked "Why do you pay so much money for your kids to do all their sports"? Well I have a confession to make; I don't pay for my kids to to do sports. Personally, I couldn't care less about what sport they do.

So, if I am not paying for sports what am I paying for?

- I pay for those moments when my kids become so tired they want to quit but don't.
- I pay for those days when my kids come home from school and are "too tired" to go to their training but they go anyway.
- I pay for my kids to learn to be disciplined, focused and dedicated.
- I pay for my kids to learn to take care of their body and equipment.
- I pay for my kids to learn to work with others and to be good team mates, gracious in defeat and humble in success.
- I pay for my kids to learn to deal with disappointment, when they don't get that placing or title they'd hoped for, but still they go back week after week giving it their best shot.
- I pay for my kids to learn to make and accomplish goals.
- I pay for my kids to respect, not only themselves, but other athletes, officials and coaches.
- I pay for my kids to learn that it takes hours and hours, years and years of hard work and practice to create a champion and that success does not happen overnight.
- I pay for my kids to be proud of small achievements, and to work towards long term goals.
- I pay for the opportunity my kids have and will have to make life-long friendships, create lifelong memories, to be as proud of their achievements as I am.
- I pay so that my kids can be out on the field or in the gym instead of in front of a screen...
- ... I could go on but, to be short, I don't pay for sports; I pay for the opportunities that sports provides my kids with to develop attributes that will serve them well throughout their lives and give them the opportunity to bless the lives of others. From what I have seen so far I think it is a great investment!

~Unknown~

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

NÉTBALL

Comets Havana Beecroft
Defenders Tayla Palmer
Ferns Poppy Williams
Invaders Shae Mael
Magic Rika Hayward
Meteors Sophie Mehrtens

HOCKEY

Leopards Zara Cocurullo Lightning Max Singh Shooters Jade Herbert

Strikers Jannat Cheema, Annabelle Mackie

Tiaers Havley Forshaw

BASKETBALL

Bouncers Jacob Hubbard

Shooters Anten Maeuea, Isaac Steel

DATES COMING UP

Thur 25 May **BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm**

Fri 26 May Mufti Day - Black & White Theme

Tues 30 May ICAS, Science

QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED Mon 5 June

Mon 12 June ICAS, Writing Fri 16 June ICAS, Spelling Tues 1 Aug ICAS, English Fri 11 Aug **School Disco**

ICAS. Mathematics Mon 14 Aug

Kind regards, **Brian Sheedy Principal**

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: tetotara.pta@gmail.com

Kia ora koutou katoa Hope everyone is having a safe and happy week.

OUR PTA AGM IS COMING....

Please come along to our AGM on Wednesday 21st June @ 7.30pm in the school Staff Lounge. This is the most important PTA Meeting of the year. If you would like to get involved we would love to see you, and if you're keen to stand for a committee position, even better! No pressure. Refreshments will be provided.

www.facebook.com/TTPTA



Add a variety of vegetables to any dish. Green leafy

watercress and silverbeet are great. Cut visible fat from meat and skin from chicken when preparing dishes such as boil up and hangi.

vegetables like spinach, puha,



DISCO

The school is having a DISCO on Friday 11th August, and we are looking for ideas for a costume theme. Please let us know your ideas by writing them on a piece of paper with your name and class number, and popping it in the green PTA box in the School Office. Please try and think of a theme that both boys and girls would enjoy.

That's all for now, please 'like' our Facebook page to stay up to date with news.

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.

As a parent, PTA executive committee member and a part of the business community I am passionate about supporting the school and the efforts we have all made towards the covering of the tennis courts!

Winter special!

List your house with me during June/July and get a FREE professional video to showcase your home and when it sells I will donate \$300 to the school to go towards the fundraising for the court covering which benefits each and every child! To qualify, just mention the keyword: Tennis

Call me for a free appraisal and sales consultation - 0800 243 682 or email anna.smart@lugtons.co.nz



DELIVERY PEOPLE NEEDED

Deliverers wanted to deliver circulars/local free papers in the Pukete, St Andrews, Beerescourt, Vardon area. Interested?? we require reliable people aged 11 and over. Please phone Joy for further details on (07) 846-4331.

Rotary Club of Fairfield ANNUAL CHARITY BOOK FAIR

1 - 4 June 2017 from 9.00 am – 5.00 pm at the Centennial Lounge, Te Rapa Racecourse Hamilton www.fairfieldrotary.org.nz

WAIKATO SOCIETY OF ARTS FOR CHILDREN

Craft clubs for your children. For more information contact **artschool@wsa.org.nz**Waikato Society of Arts Inc. 120 Victoria Street, Hamilton, PO Box 1018 Waikato Mail Centre 3240 (07) 839-4481 www.wsa.org.nz

WBOP SCHOOLS CYCLING TEAMS

Duathlon, 31 May 2017, Lake Karapiro. For more details contact <u>ashleyl@sportwaikato.org.nz</u> Phone (07) 858-5388 <u>www.redevents.co.nz</u>

TRON SONG!

Two-Day Children's Choir Holiday Programme 20 July & 21 July, 9.00am-4.00pm Enrol now for a unique experience for girls and boys aged between 8-13 years old. Led by experienced children's singing teacher and Choral Director, Hannah Bryant. A chance to learn musical theatre, popular songs, harmonisation, new languages and perform an informal concert! St Aidans Church, Claudelands. Cost: \$70 for two-day course (Morning tea provided) Limited to 30 children. Early bird discount until June 20: \$60 "I look forward to welcoming young singers to Hamilton's first children's choral program!" Email hannahgrace.bryant@gmail.com for a registration form or call (021) 2069604.

MATARIKI, MARACAS, MOVEMENT AND MORE!

A music workshop for early childhood educators and junior teachers in the Primary sector. Saturday 27 May 2017, Excite music and arts academy. Bookings at www.exciteacademy.co.nz/book-now