

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 29TH JUNE, 2017

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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)

ILLNESS

We have been hit hard with illness over the last week or so at school, with 8% of our students away on Monday. This has also had an impact on our staff, earlier this week we were unable to get enough Guest Teachers to cover. In instances where this happens we share the class affected with other team members through a planned split. We do our very best to support the children and as usual they have been fantastic. If you have any queries around this, then please don't hesitate to contact me.

COLLECTING UNWELL CHILDREN FROM SCHOOL

Just a little reminder..... If your child is unwell and you have received a phone call from the School Office, please sign your child out using the VisTab tablet and then a <u>staff member will take you to the wellness room</u> to collect your child. For the privacy of other students who may be in the wellness room, please do not just walk in without being accompanied by a member of our staff.

If your child is sick please keep them at home until they are well. If your child has diarrhoea or vomiting we ask that they do not return to school unless they are well and have had **no further diarrhoea or vomiting for 48 hours prior to returning – these bugs can be highly contagious.** Thank you for your assistance in this.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

We are always looking to support our students to achieve and we have been looking closely at the success of our students. One of our key target areas is around lifting achievement in our Year 2 students in reading. Of the 31 students who have had their 24 months at school National Standard judgement, we have seen 23 of them move from Below to At, which is due to all of us working together to support our children.

SUMMERSET RETIREMENT VILLAGE

Our new neighbours have certainly been busy preparing for building. You can find out more about their plans at...https://www.summerset.co.nz/rototuna-hamilton/

FLOODING

It is pleasing to see that the fix on Hector Drive is working and we no longer have a lake to drive through when wet. Our thanks to the Hamilton City Council for getting this fixed, it was a crushed pipe near the traffic lights on Hector Drive which caused the problem.

SCOOTERS/BIKES MISSING

Recently, we had a bike and scooter taken from our school. I am pleased we have been able to solve one of these thefts, with our high resolution cameras helping out. We are still following up with one missing scooter.

School Fees & Donations (except BSC/ASC charges) now paid through "Kindo"

We have recently launched a new KINDO online School Fees & Donations Payment system for our school - designed to make it easy for you to manage school payments and complete Permission Forms.



Please Register NOW:

FIRST TIME? <u>CLICK HERE</u> to set up an account easily. All you need is your email address which matches the one held by the school.

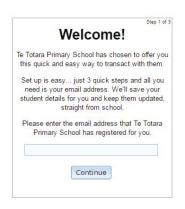
ALREADY REGISTERED? <u>CLICK HERE</u> to Pay school expenses anytime, anywhere. Choose to pay-as-you-go or add funds to your KINDO account in advance, using internet banking, account2account or Visa/Mastercard (fees apply).

You can now pay your school donation, and other school costs all online. We'll be adding more items as the year progresses. This is our preferred method of payment.

Please Note: Unfortunately, Before School Care/ASC Charges are still paid by Internet Banking.

Registering for Kindo using our App

Either download our Te Totara School App from the App Store OR "update" the existing App on your mobile. Register entering the email address the school has on file for you. It's that easy!



Registering for Kindo using our School Website

Visit our School Website on www.tetotara.school.nz and select the "Fees & Donations" tab from the red "Quick Links". Please click on either "NEW USER" or "REGISTERED USERS".



Questions? If you need help, just pop in and see us at the School Office OR give us a call on (07) 853-0039 OR call the **Kindo Helpdesk on 0508 4 KINDO (toll free)**.

If access is denied, it is most likely that our school does not have your current email address recorded on your child's file. Please contact the School Office on (07) 853-0039 to amend.

OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS

As at 28th June, 2017 the following amounts are still outstanding:

	As at 1 June	Owing today
Touch Fees	\$204.00	\$119.00
Cricket Fees	\$375.00	\$228.00
Netball Fees	\$869.00	\$353.00
Hockey Fees	\$874.00	\$754.00
Basketball Fees	\$320.00	\$305.00
Lost Library Books	\$100.00	\$88.50
Taitua Arboretum Class Trip	\$170.00	\$120.00
Pukorokoro Class Trip	\$80.00	\$60.00
Aquatics (Swimming)	\$31,645.00	\$25,222.50
Mathletics	\$9,677.00	\$7,196.84

We would really appreciate it if all outstanding invoices are paid by the end of this term.

School Donation \$52,400.00 \$44,528.68

School Donation payments can be made at the beginning of the year or throughout the year; the funds will be used for resources for the children.

Any queries regarding your invoice, please e-mail Wendy Bulloch, our Executive Officer at **executiveofficer@tetotara.school.nz**

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 30th June, 2017 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

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

This week our children from Earth 35 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

NETBALL

Comets Paige Freeman
Defenders Hayley Taylor
Keepers Sophie Skipwith

Stars Emily Hancock, Kayla Avery, Keira Tamatea

HOCKEY

Leopards Alexis Torr-Williams
Lightning Graysen Baxter
Shooters Lanayah Marshall
Stormers Anika Cuppanda

Strikers Jack Shirley, Abi Lanigan

BASKETBALL

Bouncers Benjamin Robins

Shooters Rhys Trask

RED PUPPY BIKKIE DAY, SUPPORT OUR STUDENT

I am Samantha Strong and I am in Room 15. I am doing the "Red Puppy Bikkie Day" for the Blind Foundation Guide Dog Appeal on **Monday the 3rd July.**

I will have a table outside of Matariki and sell individually wrapped biscuits I for \$2 each before and after school. The flavours will be chocolate chip, plain and chocolate.

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500 to help support the

All the money that is raised for Red Puppy Bikkie Day helps pay for the services that the puppies need like special breeding and special training. I am aiming is to raise \$500 to help support the Blind Foundation with this fundraising.

DATES COMING UP

Fri 7 July END OF TERM 2, 2017 @ 3.00PM

Mon 24 July TERM 3 STARTS @ 8.55AM

Tues 1 Aug ICAS, English

Tues 8 Aug Photolife Class, Individual & Sibling Photos Wed 9 Aua Photolife Class, Individual & Siblina Photos

Fri 11 Aug SCHOOL DISCO (PTA)
Tues 15 Aug School Cross Country

Thurs 17 Aug School Cross Country - Postponement Date

Mon 14 Aug ICAS, Mathematics

Wed 23 Aug
Learning Plan Discussions - School Finishes at 2.00pm
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Kind regards, **Brian Sheedy**

Principal

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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Well, there has been a lot of activity in PTA World this past week. Here are the highlights:

The PTA's Annual general meeting was held last week, and we are delighted to announce the PTA executive committee, for June 2017- June 2018.

CHAIR: Scott Mehrtens
DEPUTY CHAIR: Liz Gordon
TREASURER: Nalina Dheda
SECRETARY: Rae Gunn
COMMUNICATIONS: Vicki Jordan

EVENTS: Jemma Campbell

We would like to sincerely thank our outgoing members Jasmine Cobby and Anna Smart for all their hard work and contributions over the past 12 months.

We had an amazing financial result for these past 12 months (Chairman's and Treasurer's Reports to be released soon), and look forward to another year of achieving great results for our Te Totara students and families.

DISCO THEME

We are delighted to announce the disco theme for Friday 11 August – **PYJAMA PARTY!!** Come along in your favourite PJs and get ready for some fun. There will be 2 sessions:

1st session for years 0, 1 & 2

2nd session for years 3, 4, 5 & 6.

More details released soon.

DISCO HELPERS NEEDED!

We will require helpers for our Disco, including setting up the hall and foyer, and helping sell treats on the night. Please volunteer a couple of hours of your time to give us a hand – **please see Jemma Campbell in Ra 31** OR message us on the Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/TTPTA/

Does anyone have an old single bed that we may borrow for the disco night as a photo prop please? We'd love to have a basic headboard made up out of recycled materials, that can be decorated for the disco – anyone who can help out, please message us asap. Thank you.

Have a great week everyone! Your PTA team: Scott, Liz, Rae, Nalina, Vicki & Jemma





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.









Squiggle July Holiday Programme

Squiggle Holiday Programme is OSCAR approved and is great for kids aged 5 to 12. Young Engineers (motorised Lego) is one of our most popular activities kids love! Our theme for this holiday is around Matariki and we'll be learning about haka, waiata, making poi, mau rakau and ti rakau, and tasting a yummy hangi. We'll also be busy with master chef bake-offs, cool arts and crafts, wheelies and sports! Squiggle runs from Waikato Diocesan School (Fairfield) from 8am-5.30-pm Mon-Fri. To enrol, please go online – www.squiggle.org.nz, or contact Katrina katrina@squiggle.org.nz or 027-909 3903.

Hilton Brown Swimming Lessons

Could your child dog paddle to safety if they fell into a pool? If the answer is no book your ONE MONTH FREE swimming lessons in July with Hilton Brown Swimming today!

Book online at www.hiltonbrownswimming.co.nz or call 855 8666.

Horsham Downs School

Dear Parents, Carers and Whanau,

Many of you will be considering options for your Year 6 children going into Year 7 classes in 2018. We are fortunate to be surrounded by a variety of schools which offer very positive alternatives for our children. Horsham Downs School is a full primary school and may be part of your deliberations. The school has asked you to contact them if you are in-zone and considering them for your child/ren next year. This is to allow them to better plan classroom composition and staffing requirements. If you have any questions please contact the Horsham Downs office on (07) 829-4700.

JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS TERM 3 2017

Now taking names for the wait list for Term 3!

Lessons held on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Lessons held at Rototuna Junior High and Horsham Downs Hall

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

For girls and boys ages 3 and up

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

JITTERFIT HOLIDAY SESSIONS

Monday 10th July – JitterFit session (cardio/conditioning)

Wednesday 12th July – Stretch/Breathing/Relaxation Session

Monday 17th July - JitterFit session (cardio/conditioning)

Wednesday 19th July - Stretch/Breathing/Relaxation Session

Sunday 23rd July – JitterFit session (cardio/conditioning)

Super amazing sessions with super amazing benefits.

Sessions start at 7.00pm and are held at Rototuna Junior High

Cost: \$9 per session if paid by 5th July or \$43 for all 5 sessions. Payment after the 5th July \$10 per session. For all levels of fitness. Email jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz for more info or visit the JitterFit Facebook page

