

### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 29th MARCH, 2018

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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)

### EASTER HOLIDAYS \*\* SCHOOL CLOSED\*\* FRIDAY 30TH MARCH, MONDAY 2ND APRIL & TUESDAY 3RD APRIL, 2018

### We open again on Wednesday 4th April, 2018 as normal

#### EASTER HOLIDAYS

Today is the last day of school before the Easter Holidays which start tomorrow. We are required to **close on Friday 30th March, Monday 2nd April and Tuesday 3rd April** and **reopen on Wednesday 4th April**. We have had queries about why the School is closed on Tuesday, the link to how holidays are determined may be of help... <u>School Holidays</u>

#### LEADERSHIP - MARAMA TEAM

This week sees Rebecca Gardyne take over leadership of the Marama Team, from Becky Somerville. This is because Becky has now moved to a role as Across School Teacher for the Community of Learning (CoL) which we are involved in. This will see her work two days with other schools and three days teaching of English Language Learners at Te Totara.

#### **NEW ROOM STARTING - ROOM 1 FOR YEAR 1 STUDENTS**

Our next New Entrant class is starting on Wednesday 4th April in Room 1 as part of the Matawhero Team. We welcome back Suzie Goile as the classroom teacher, as well as Niki Collins, who will be working for one day a week. Both our teachers are highly experienced staff members and we are delighted to have them on board.

#### 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>Smoke Free and Vapor Free Zone, NO dogs</u> are allowed on our school grounds.



### **OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS PERIOD FOR 2018**

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on our school website <u>www.tetotara.school.nz</u>

The Board has determined that <u>5 places for Year 1 students</u> and <u>15 places for New Entrant</u> (Year 0) students, whose 5th Birthday falls within the enrolment period of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 - 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018, are likely to be available to out-of-zone students

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 on Friday 4th May, 2018</u>** 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 this 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.

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- 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 **Tuesday 8th May, 2018**. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Friday 11th May, 2018**.

#### 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.

- $\cdot\,$  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.
- · 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.

. Any <u>plain</u> hair accessory is to be of a single school uniform colour – red, white, black, green. No bows, cats ears or hair bands with diamantes etc, it MUST be a <u>plain</u> hair accessory only (see below illustrations)



# From the beginning of Term 2, 2018 we will are expecting all students to be wearing their winter school uniform.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOOL LEADERS FOR 2018**

On Monday the 26th of February we announced our School Leaders, who are providing valuable support to others and the school community. We have developed specific roles for the Leaders and they are role models for others and our School STARS.

Our School Leaders are:

<u><b>Te Totara TV</b></u> Presenting, editing and videoing various activities around the school.	Luke Leatherland - 15 Cathy Young - 13 Madison Beros - 19 Cameron Sharpe - 14 Anika Cuppanda - 14 Anrika Beumer - 18 Chanel Myburgh - 19 Yousef Mekkey - 12 Lucie McDonnell - 21 Daniel Read - 14 Nishi Prasad - 15 Riley Jefferies Hayley MacIntyre - 17
Digital Leaders Sharing new technology skills and knowledge with teachers and other students.	Tegan Dowling - 12 Ivirangi Moore - 12 Ella Malal - 13 Cathy Young -13 Ryan Larsen - 14 Tayla Pyke - 14 Luke Leatherland - 15 Olivia Cullen - 15 Betty Wu - 16 Ayushi Rajan - 16 Hamish Wai - 17 Jackson Carr-Neil - 17 Jaime Timmo - 18 Tejveer Randhawa - 18 Caleb Flintoff - 19 Jack Shirley - 19 Gurveer Randhawa - 20 Ellen Liu 20 Rebecca Baker- 21 Madison Adams - 21

<u><b>Transition to School Leaders</b></u> Working at least once a week before school with Barnardos to help out and form very positive links with the children coming to our School.	Ava Copsey-Renton - 20 Mia Symes - 15 Olivia Cullen - 15 Chahat Boparai - 13 Rashi Koli - 13 Ivirangi Moore - 12 Paige Hopping - 12
	Kyla Torr-Williams - 14 Amy Reddish - 17 Brooke Laws - 17 Emma Garforth - 17 Hunter Jones - 17 Alex Frater - 18 Ryan Ralph - 16 Lisumi Gamage - 16
<b>Student Council</b> To help lead the School Council, which is made up of students from Year 4 and above. Make sure that the students' voices are heard when the school makes decisions.	Daniel Fabunmi - 13 Brody Skelton - 16 Sukhleen Notra - 16 Jacob Hubbard - 19 Iris Joe - 20 Tia Whanga - 21 Neema Ngungambili
<b>Sports Leaders</b> Help at School Sports events. Help our younger children with activities at their sports. Run skills sessions for younger ones, help teachers with gear and equipment.	Kayleigh Neville - 15 Libby McMillan - 15 Dylan Cassells - 15 Mia De Jager - 15 Isabella Weistra Rivera - 15 Wyatt Wink - 12 Blake Taylor - 12 Tayla Palmer - 14 Bradley McEwen - 17 Hamish Meehan- 17 Oliver Sharpe - 21 Kaycee Cottam - 18 Rebecca Plank - 19 Tomairangi Te Kata - Ranapia - 18 Zuri Nordstrom - 12
Library Leaders Train and supervise the new shelf monitors. Support the running of the library.	Emma Kiely - 16 Irene Li - 16 Lucia Sasso - 20 Ellen Liu - 20 Jake Guyan - 17
Environment Leaders To support our environment around the school, especially our school vegetable garden.	Hayley Taylor - 12 Zoe Wang - 19 Ryan Ollington - 16 Harry Schaab - 16 Benjamin Robins - 15 Nikau Kottaiya - 18 Martina Zhang - 20 David Philip - 13 Zack Christensen - 14 Kingston Togia

<b>Pastoral Care Leaders</b> An important role looking after some of our younger children who may need some help in the playground. Modelling our STARS behaviour and helping others to make smart decisions.	James O'Carroll - 20 Summer Wright - 18 Angad Aujla - 14 Sophie Woodhall - 15 Isaac Steel - 19 Caitlyn Silcock - 18 Sophie Booker - 21 Reegan Whanga - 19 Gaurav Darshan - 14
Art Attack Leaders To support the art attack programme to help decorate our school.	Parnika Kolagatla - 15 Hannah Anglesey - 21 Lynize Snyman - 16 Caitlin Rickerby - 20 Grace Shen - 20 Lisa Bosman - 17 Shae Mael - 13 Katie Buckley - 19 Vennela Puvvula - 16 Hannah Rogers - 16
Kapa Haka Leaders Passionate Kapa Haka members helping with the organisation of the group, giving support and guidance to the younger members.	Kaian Perry Caleb Flintoff Paris Li

#### HEADLICE

Our Public Health Nurse, dropped in to see us and has some excellent tips on treating Headlice.

She has recommended a product called "NitEnz" which is a natural shampoo proven to be very effective in eradicating Headlice. It can be purchased from the supermarket. She urges that directions MUST be followed and a test patch conducted before applying.

We suggest to all our families to check your child/ren's hair on a weekly basis and wash hats regularly. I have included a link below from the Ministry of Education that may be useful.

http://www.minedu.govt.nz/NZEducation/EducationPolicies/Schools/SchoolOperations/HealthAndSaf ety/HeadliceAndNitsGuideForSchoolCommunities.aspx

Please note: Children who are not treated may be asked to go home until treated.

#### **HELP NEEDED, SCHOOL JUNIOR PRODUCTION**

We are looking for some help with sewing costumes for our Junior Production. We need to sew together a class set of elastic-waisted pants. If you are able to help with this could you please contact Suzanne Newrick at <u>suzannen@tetotara.school.nz</u> Thank you

#### LOST PROPERTY ON DISPLAY

# Weather permitting; we will endeavour to display all lost property items NEXT Thursday and Friday, 5th & 6th April, 2018.

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.



#### SWIM SCHOOL - APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY LESSONS

We will be offering Swim School lessons in the next school holiday period from 16th - 20th April, 2018.
This will be a 1 week block course of lessons, 5 days of the week.
Lessons will be \$75.00 per child for this block course of lessons.
We have limited spaces available in the following classes:
Level 5 class, 9.25am
Level 2 class, 10.55am
Beginner, level 1 class, 12.25pm
Level 4 class, 12.55pm
Please email Celeste if you are interested to make a booking for your child, celestem@tetotara.school.nz. Please include your child's name and swimming level ability.

#### SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by **Friday 6th April, 2018** @ **9.15am**, 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.

#### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly was held today, due to the Easter holiday tomorrow. This week our Neptune and Ra children attended assembly and our Ra 31 Children shared at assembly.

#### TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD to <u>celestem@tetotara.school.nz</u> TOUCH

ChargersAmota Tabera, Mikayla Robins, The whole teamPacersLogan RunningRocketsAngus McDonnell, George Conrad

### **DATES COMING UP**

Fri 30 March	Easter Friday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 2 April	Easter Monday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 3 April	Easter Tuesday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 13 April	TERM 1, 2018 FINISHES @ 3.00pm

#### YEARS 4-6 ICAS EXAM DATES

(For those students who have registered):

Digital Technologies Science Spelling Writing English Mathematics Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2018 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2018







## **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 SPEAK UP! Confidence – school speeches - public speaking

AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES: All ages. Kids gain real life skills! RING Roz 027 248 2888 roz@speak4success.co.nz www.speak4success.co.nz

#### Children's April school holiday programme at WSA, Waikato Society of Arts School, 120 Victoria Street

16 to 20 April, 9am to 12pm, 5 to 12 years, \$35 per session or \$150 Monday to Friday

Enrolments are now open, see details here: <a href="http://www.wsa.org.nz/school.aspx">http://www.wsa.org.nz/school.aspx</a>

April School Holiday Football and Tri Sport Programmes

Ages 5 to 14 years, Various locations in Hamilton and Matamata over both weeks

Full details and to book are on our website

Decorate a Donut

Decorate a donut for only \$5 at The Base these school holidays. 10-1pm Thursday's and Fridays.



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