

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 6TH AUGUST, 2020

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Kia Ora (Maori/NZ), Hello (English), Bula (Fijian), <u>Welkom</u> (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)

Kia ora Te Totara families

It was wonderful to see so many of our families on Tuesday enjoying our exciting **School Cross Country** by supporting your children's efforts. It was such a beautiful 'blue sky day' warm with no wind, perfect conditions to showcase our students trying their best in their year level and team events. Congratulations to you all for setting personal goals and attaining those. A special 'well done' to our fantastic placegetters who we were able to celebrate in the certificate assemblies at the end of the day. For those Year 4-6 students selected for the Fairfield Cluster Cross Country, the hard work goes on as they prepare for this event at Porritt Stadium on Tuesday 25th August (Week 5).

Thank you to all our teachers for their focus through our Physical Education programme to prepare our students. Also we appreciate our school Sports team, our Caretakers and our student Sports Leaders for their planning and wonderful efforts to make our Cross Country such a great success.

Anne Fraser

Principal

LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSIONS (NOT FOR ROOM 1 STUDENTS) BOOKINGS CLOSE: 3.00PM MONDAY 17TH AUGUST



PLEASE NOTE: Room 1 parents will have a discussion with Mrs Glyde at a later date.

PLEASE NOTE: Room 2 students will have their Learning Plan Discussions on Tuesday 18th August from 3.15pm & Thursday 20th August from 2.15pm.

Tuesday 18th August - ROOM 2 ONLY (Mrs Hansen) Wednesday 19th August - ALL STUDENTS (NOT Room 2 - Mrs Hansen) Thursday 20th August - ALL STUDENTS

We have arranged <u>15 minute time slots</u> for the discussion, there will be a change over bell so that everyone is aware of timings. If you have more than one child, you might like to have a break between each interview. To ensure the smooth running of our Learning Plan Discussions, we would be grateful if all our parents/caregivers kept to the timetable. There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress on:

Tuesday 18th August, 2020 (ROOM 2 ONLY)

3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm, 5.00pm, 5.15pm & 5.30pm Wednesday 19th August, 2020 (<u>NOT ROOM 2</u>)

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm, 5.00pm, 5.15pm & 5.30pm

Thursday 20th August, 2020 - ALL STUDENTS

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm *(teachers break between 5.00pm-5.30pm)* 5.30pm, 5.45pm, 6.00pm & 6.15pm

How do I book a time?

To make an appointment time for your child/ren, please use our online booking system

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz - our school code is CNkz7

An electronic confirmation can be sent to you via email upon completion of your booking, please don't forget to include your email address and select "<u>email</u>" from the confirmation screen.

If you are unable to access the internet, please phone the school (07) 853-0039 ext. 858 and leave a message with the time slot that you would prefer and Marise will collate these.

We will endeavour to give you the time as close as we can to your preference. If we are unable to assist we will go by first in first served. Please <u>do not</u> make arrangements directly with classroom teachers.

Bookings close on Monday 17th August, 2020 @ 3.00pm. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accept bookings after this date/time.

PLEASE NOTE: School will finish at <u>2.00pm</u> both Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th August for all students (including Rooms 1&2). Students will need to be collected at <u>2.00pm</u> - Thanks.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE - Learning Plan Discussions

As the whole school will finish at <u>2.00pm</u> on Wednesday 19th August & Thursday 20th August, 2020. After School Care will begin at 2.00pm, <u>for those children enrolled</u>.

Spaces are limited.... so if your child/ren normally attends ASC on either/both those days, please advise ASC two weeks in advance if you <u>DO NOT</u> require your booking. Otherwise, your child/ren will be booked in for the earlier start time of 2.00pm automatically on those days.

Any queries, please email Anna Herbert: afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz

PHOTOLIFE CLASS & INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Wednesday 12th August, 2020 – Class, Individual & Sibling Thursday 13th August, 2020 – Class & Individual & Sibling Note: Wednesday 16th Sept – Groups & Sports (NO Whole School Photo)



Students will need to look their best, so please ensure that ONLY our correct school uniform is worn and that it is in a <u>clean and tidy condition</u> (black school shorts/skort, white polo shirt and red polar fleece).

Soon after Photo Day your son or daughter will bring home an online slip with their unique Shoot Key detailed on it. When you log-in your personalised Shoot Key number will display all the photographs of your child <u>including an individual photo</u> (and sibling photo if you have ordered one).

It is then an easy process for you to shop online and purchase the photographs you want. If you place your order within three weeks of receiving your Shoot Key you will receive free delivery of your order to the school.

If you order after the 3 week free delivery period, a postage & handling fee per order will apply and orders will be sent to your home.

For families who do not wish to use the Photolife online system, order envelopes will be available from the School Office soon after Photo Day.

A Photolife flyer will go home today to the eldest child in each family.

PHOTOLIFE SIBLINGS PHOTOS (YOU MUST PRE-ORDER)

Wednesday 12th August & Thursday 13th August, 2020 in the Matariki Hall between 8.15am - 9.00am

Sibling Photos involving pre-schoolers/older siblings <u>NOT</u> at our school will be taken between 8.15am-9.00am on a first-come-first-served basis in the Matariki Hall on both days.

<u>PLEASE NOTE: Students who have their sibling at our school will have their</u> <u>Sibling Photo taken during class time.</u>

Students must be wearing the correct school uniform.

If you wish to have a sibling photograph, please collect a **"Sibling Photo Request Form"** from the School Office and return it <u>BEFORE</u> Photo Day to the School Office. Sibling Photos can be ordered online and will be delivered to the school along with the Class and Individual photos at a later date.

SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION

"TUT TUT"

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW THROUGH

KINDO ONLY

Ticket purchase cut-off date is Wednesday 2nd September @ 3.00pm

TICKETS: We ask families to please be mindful that there are many Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 families wanting to attend an evening performance therefore, at this stage we have to limit ticket sales to a **maximum of 2 tickets per family for the 6.30pm performance**. There may be an opportunity to purchase extra tickets closer to the time depending on ticket sales. This will be conveyed through our newsletter.

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PLEASE NOTE: There is no ticket limit for the 1.30pm Matinee performances.

TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Marama 12&13, Milky Way 18, Ra 30&32 and Earth 38 WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Marama 15, Milky Way 19&20, Ra 33 and Earth 35&36

THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.30PM

Performances by: Marama 14&22, Milky Way 21&23, Ra 29 and Earth 34&37

ALL TICKETS ARE \$10.00 EACH

Children 3 years old and under are FREE, <u>provided they are sitting on the knee of a</u> <u>paying adult ticket.</u> Otherwise, you <u>must</u> purchase a separate ticket for them.

Limited to 300 tickets each performance. Sorry, <u>NO</u> door sales on the night.

We look forward to welcoming you all to this very exciting event!





** URGENT ** - SIBLING OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2021 Enrolment Period of 17th December 2020 - 30th June, 2021

The Board of Trustees are looking to accommodate, if possible, younger siblings and children of staff in the 2021 school year. To help determine this, please complete an Out-of-zone Enrolment Form for each child and return it to the School Office to help with this process. Out-of-zone Enrolment Forms are available online from our school website <u>www.tetotara.school.nz</u> (click the link) or by visiting the School Office.

The Board will look at the number of enrolments, the level of projected student growth and determine how many spaces for out-of-zone students are available for the upcoming enrolment period of **17th December 2020 - 30th June, 2021**. This will be completed in late September, allowing for lots of time for families to know what is happening. Further information around the number of out-of-zone spaces to be released will be communicated via the school newsletter over the next few weeks.

Please return the completed OUTZ Enrolment Form, including the relevant documentation, to the School Office by <u>Friday 14th August</u>, 2020

IN-ZONE NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS

If you have a preschooler coming to Te Totara in the future and you haven't officially enrolled your child at school yet, we would love to have an Enrolment Form - it would be much appreciated and certainly help with our future planning! Click on the link for an <u>Enrolment Form</u>

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will arrive on Friday 14th August and run until Thursday 20th August, 2020. A pamphlet will go home with each child today. All students will get a chance to look at the books with their classes. There will be an EFT-POS machine available for purchases, and credit cards are accepted. 35% of the total sales go back into books for the school library.

Opening hours:

Friday 14th August	3.00pm-4.00pm
Monday 17th August	3.00pm-4.00pm
Tuesday 18th August	3.00pm-4.00pm
Wednesday 19th August	2.00pm-5.30pm
Thursday 20th August	2.00pm-6.00pm



Please note that the Scholastic Book Fair is packed up at 6.00pm on Thursday 20th August and we are <u>unable</u> to sell books after this time.

LIBRARY CLOSED

The library will be closed from Friday 14th August until Thursday 20th August due to the Scholastic Book Fair. We have extended the loan period for books borrowed so students' library books will not become overdue. Please keep library books at home until the library opens again on Friday 21st August.

SCHOOL UNIFORM JACKET FOUND

If your child has lost their school uniform waterproof red jacket, we have this in the School Office for collection. A reminder that all school uniform items must be clearly named, if they are lost they can be easily returned to their owners. Thank You.

FAMILY HOLIDAYS TAKEN DURING TERM TIME

From time-to-time we have families who wish to take their children out of school for a family holiday during term time. A new "G" Attendance Code has been introduced by the Ministry of Education (MOE) to keep track of these "unjustified" absences.

"G" Code Definition as per the MOE: When a student is on a New Zealand or overseas holiday during the school term, the absence is <u>unjustified</u>. A parent's note does not provide justification.

Our school would prefer family holidays to be taken outside of term time, we have approx. 12 weeks of school holidays available each year to do so. Events like a Birthday aren't considered a valid reason for your child/ren being away from school either.

We do appreciate there may be some circumstances beyond the control of families whereby children will need to be away during term time, in this instance simply notifying the teacher/school verbally that your family is going on holiday is not sufficient.

Our school procedure is to email the Principal with the dates your child/ren will be absent from school and the reason why.

Your email will be acknowledged and the Attendance Register will be coded as a"G" during their absence from school. We regularly monitor student absence.

Email address for our Principal, Anne Fraser, is: principal@tetotara.school.nz

c.c. officeassistant@tetotara.school.nz (for the Attendance Register)

Does my child have to go to school every day?

Yes, your child must go to school every day. Under the Education Act 1989, parents and carers of school children up to 16 years old can be prosecuted if their child is away from school without a good reason.

Why do they need to go every day?

Going to school every day really is the key to getting the best out of school because:

- It sets up good habits for going to school right from day one
- Learning to read, write and do maths takes a lot of practice and is easier to master if your child goes to school regularly
- Each day is a chance to learn something new
- School offers your child regular, dedicated help to master the many skills they need
- It teaches your child life skills like commitment, being reliable, having a good work ethic and sticking with things when they get hard.

For more information on attendance at school, please click on the following link: **Education.govt.nz**

<u>website</u>

SCOOTERS NORMALLY PARKED ON THE FENCE LINE BETWEEN MATARIKI & THE ORION POD TO BE MOVED



As from Monday 10th August, scooters normally parked in this area of our school will need to be

parked over on the fence line beside the Marama block instead.

The reason for this is to try to help prevent the theft of scooters from this area of our school grounds.

We would like to remind <u>ALL</u> our students to make sure your scooters are securely locked to the Marama fence line.

Our Caretakers will be onsite on Monday morning by the Orion pod fence line to help our younger students with the transition to this new designated area.



2020 YEARBOOK **ORDERS THROUGH KINDO ONLY** \$20.00 Early Bird order



\$25.00 if ordered after 3.00pm Friday 2nd October

Our wonderful school Yearbook is currently being put together, it's a great record of the years' learning and events and includes over 100 full colour

pages. Children love reading the pages and do so for many years. Yearbook orders are placed through KINDO and close on Friday 20th November, 2020 @ 3.00pm. Sorry, no late

orders will be accepted.

Please note: If you have Grandparents or friends who wish to order their own copy of the Yearbook, this must be ordered through KINDO and combined with your family order.

FIRST CREDIT UNION SCHOOL BANKING

First Credit Union has advised our School Banking will resume in Term 4, 2020.

Banking can be deposited in the Credit Union Drop Box in the School Office 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). Application Packs can be collected from the School Office.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 7th August, 2020 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm. This week our children from Neptune and Earth will attend assembly.

This week our children from Neptune 26 will be sharing.

Celebrating 65 years

of putting you first.

Sharing will begin promptly, please ensure you arrive through the main door and are seated by 2.00pm.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

HOCKEY Eagles

Caro Terblanche Stormers

NETBALL

Strikers

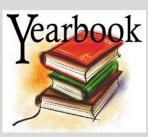
Comets Ferns Invaders MINIBALL Lakers Thunder

Mia Terblanche **Emily Hancock**

Pounamu Clarke Demie Ansel Ava Reid

Ciaran Senar, Nate Hamilton Paxton Murray







DATES COMING UP

Mon 10 Aug	Parenting Place/Sport Waikato - Jenny Hale Presentation in the Matariki Hall, 7.00pm start <i>RSVP: The event is free, but spots are limited to 300 so please email</i>
	damienp@sportwaikato.org.nz to RSVP
Wed 12 Aug	Photolife Class & Individual Photos
Thurs 13 Aug	Photolife Class & Individual Photos
Fri 14 - Thurs 20	Scholastic Book Fair
Wed 19 Aug	Learning Plan Discussions 2.15pm - 5.30pm
	- School Finishes at 2.00pm
Thurs 20 Aug	Learning Plan Discussions 2.15pm - 6.00pm
	- School Finishes at 2.00pm
Tues 25 Aug	Fairfield Cluster Cross Country
Thurs 27 Aug	Fairfield Cluster Cross Country Postponement Date
Thurs 27 Aug	BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 28 Aug	Daffodil Day - Gold coin donation
Mon 31 Aug	Mid-Term Break - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 8 Sept	Senior Production at 1.30pm & 6.30pm
	- Marama 12&13, Milky Way 18, Ra 30&32 and Earth 38
Wed 9th Sept	Senior Production at 1.30pm & 6.30pm
	- Marama 15, Milky Way 19&20, Ra 33 and Earth 35&36
Thurs 10 Sept	Senior Production at 1.30pm & 6.30pm
	- Marama 14&22, Milky Way 21&23, Ra 29 and Earth 34&37
Sat 12 Sept	2020 General Election Early Voting @ Te Totara Primary School
Tues 15 Sept	Fairfield Cluster Winter Sports (no postponement date)
Wed 16 Sept	Photolife Cultural & Sports Photos
Sat 19 Sept	2020 General Election Voting @ Te Totara Primary School
Thurs 24 Sept	BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 25 Sept	PTA Ice Block Day
Fri 25 Sept	End of Term 3, 2020
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Ngā mihi, **Anne Fraser** Principal

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: <u>pta@tetotara.school.nz</u> <u>www.facebook.com/TTPTA</u> Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop: <u>www.facebook.com/TTPTA</u>

PRIMARY SCHOOL

ICE BLOCK / POTATO CHIP DAY

Last Friday we held the first Ice Block / Potato Chip Day of the year. It was a huge success with lots of well mannered and polite students purchasing ice blocks and potato chips. Many thanks to our parent, grandparent and older sibling helpers; Harleen, Jing, Gwen, Melanie & Ashley.

These wonderful people gave up an hour of their time to help make our fundraising efforts a success. Thank you once again.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Thank you to everyone who has purchased an Entertainment membership recently. 20% of the cost of each membership is returned back to the PTA, which has resulted in \$468 coming back to us. The Te Totara School PTA has been offered an exclusive 6 week trial from Entertainment Book.

This gives new users the



opportunity to use the new digital format book and see what offers are available. This offer will be available from 10th August and orders need to be made using this link: <u>https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15502m5</u>

Flyers containing more information will be sent home with your child soon. Should you require more information please email the PTA on pta@tetotara.school.nz

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 25th September – Ice Block Day

Your PTA committee: Shelley, Julyan, Rilesh, Kerry, Kerri

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.

SleepWell MoePai - Give a Kid a Blanket Charity

SleepWell have now helped over 700 people across the Waikato with bedding and pjs. Demand is still high, many agencies are placing several family referrals every week. We will gladly keep accepting donations of good sheets, blankets, duvets and pjs right through the winter. Please share this with your friends



and family and drop off to school office. Thanks to all the people who have donated this year. Every little bit helps.

Your donations are very much appreciated.

Thank you, Jo Stewart



Raising happy, confident and resilient children

with Jenny Hale

Confident, resilient children deflect trouble, resist pressure, handle stress and recover from setbacks. All children can be helped to tackle life and grow up to have a 'can-do' attitude.

Monday 10 August Te Totara School, 31 Hector Drive Rototuna North, Hamilton 6.45pm: Doors open 7–8.30pm: Presentation Cost: Free community event Light refreshments provided

For tickets or further information - please contact Damien Puddle - damienp@sportwaikato.org.nz NB: RSVP only, no need to purchase tickets

Event proudly brought to you by Sport Walkato

parentingplace.nz



 Time/Date:
 Monday 10th August 7:00pm – 8:30pm

 Venue:
 Te Totara School, 31 Hector Drive RSVP:

 The event is <u>FREE</u>, but spaces are limited to 300 so please email your to RSVP: <u>damienp@sportwaikato.org.nz</u> Light refreshments will provided.



FAIRFIELD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

THE HOME OF EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS

ENROLMENTS FOR 2021

ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS OPEN: Monday 27th July 2020

INFORMATION EVENING: Tuesday 11th August - 7:00pm

OPEN DAYS: Wednesday 19th August - 9:00am to 2:30pm Wednesday 2th September - 9:00am to 2:30pm

LAST DAY TO MEET REGARDING CLASS PLACEMENT: Friday 13th November 2020

ENROLMENTS TO SCHOOL BY: Friday 6th November 2020

SCHOOL OFFICE OPENS: Monday 25th January 2021 - 9:00am to 3:00pm

SCHOOL OPEN TO MEET TEACHERS: Friday 29th January 2021 - 8:00am to 12:30pm

SCHOOL STARTS: Wednesday 3rd February 2021 - 8:45am



At Fairfield Intermediate School we specialise in high quality learning for emerging adolescents. Our ultimate goal is for our students to become confident citizens and life-long learners who will contribute positively to the community and who will go on to reach their full potential.



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We have Fairfield Intermediate Prospectus at Te Totara Primary School in the School Office, you are very welcome to pick one up.