

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2020

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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)

"TUT TUT" SCHOOL PRODUCTION

We have our Senior Production of 'Tut Tut' performances scheduled for Week 8, which is next week. We are very much hoping to go ahead with these performances next week, however they are dependent on us moving into Covid 19 Alert Level 1. At this stage, we are waiting for information from the Prime Minister this Friday, to make a decision about next week's performances.



The restrictions around the numbers of adults gathering together in our current Alert Level 2 is no more than 100 adults in a confined space at an event. If we were still in Level 2 next week then our production would need to have a change of performance dates. So we have an alternative plan needed **only** if we are to remain in Level 2 next week. We would move the production performance dates back two weeks until Week 10 and perform on Tuesday 22nd September, Wednesday 23rd September and Thursday 24th September - matinee and evening performances. The classes would still perform in the same order and the tickets already sold would still be valid for that production date.

We hope that the extra two weeks might be enough time to allow for the change in Alert Level and the production to go ahead. The students and staff have done an amazing job of preparing the show, it will make for a spectacular live performance.

We will all keep our 'fingers crossed' for some good news soon on the Covid 19 Alert Levels. I will update you using our School App, Facebook page and Seesaw, as soon as we are aware of when we will be performing.

Thank you for your understanding in these challenging times.

Anne Fraser

Principal

VISITING THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR PICKING UP YOUR CHILD/REN DURING COVID 19 ALERT LEVEL 2

- Any visitors to the School Office will be managed on a 'one in, one out' procedure much like in the past Alert Levels. This is to avoid close contacts and queuing and to allow us to implement our contact tracing with Vistab. We also have a Te Totara QR code displayed on our front door.
- If you need to pick up your child/ren before school finishes at 3.00pm, please phone the School Office to make arrangements <u>before</u> the day and time you would like to pick your child/en up. Please also let their teacher know via Seesaw, email or a note.
- If your child is unwell, they <u>must not</u> come to school. Children who become unwell during the school day will be immediately isolated and sent home. Your child will be signed-out by School Office staff.

PHOTOLIFE GROUPS & CLUSTER SPORTS PHOTOS

Wednesday 16th September, 2020

Student Council Year 6 Leavers

Cluster Swimming Team Cluster Cross Country Team

Librarians Library Shelf Monitors

Kapa Haka Pasifika Group Staff Photo Student Leaders

Cluster Winter Sports



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

SHOOT KEYS - PHOTOLIFE CLASS, INDIVIDUAL & SIBLING SCHOOL PHOTOS

The Shoot Keys have **NOT** arrived at school yet. When they do, we will send them home with the students and information will be placed in the newsletter with details on how to order.

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CANCER SOCIETY DAFFODIL DAY

Thank you for your wonderful support on Daffodil Day. With most of our children dressed in yellow, it was a colourful and cheerful sight. **Your donations raised a total of \$1,248.40**. All contributions to the Cancer Society are greatly appreciated and you were all generous with the money you gave. Thank you.



TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

As part of our Te Totara School Charter regarding the objective of 'Growing Whanau Community Engagement', the Board invites your feedback on our policies. The Te Totara Board of Trustees have reviewed and ratified the policies below at our last BOT Meeting:

- Lockdown Policy
- Traumatic Incidents Procedure
- Complaints Policy

NOTE: All Te Totara Primary School Policies & Procedures are available for your information on our school website under the "Board of Trustees" red quick link tab from the home page.

The Policy Sub-Committee of the Board of Trustees are currently in the process of developing a new policy titled:

• DRAFT - Bullying Prevention & Response Policy (click on the link, then click the draft policy)

This draft policy is based on 'best practice guidelines' from a Ministry of Education reference group and the School Trustees Association. We welcome parent feedback on the content of this draft policy. Please address your comments by email to Melissa Guyan at: melissag@tetotara.school.nz by Thursday 17th September, 2020.

Melissa Guyan & To Stewart

Board of Trustees Policy Sub-committee

SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION

"TUT TUT"



TICKETS ARE ON SALE THROUGH KINDO ONLY

Ticket purchase cut-off date has been extended until:

Friday 4th September @ 3.00pm



PLEASE NOTE:

The ticket limit has been lifted..... there is now <u>NO ticket limit</u> on any of the performances, families are now welcome to purchase additional tickets through KINDO.

If you haven't already purchased your tickets, <u>please do so urgently.</u>
YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS OUT!

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 paying adult ticket.</u> Otherwise, you <u>must purchase a separate ticket for them.</u>
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!

PROCEDURE FOR STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL FOR AN APPOINTMENT

Over the past few weeks we have seen a large number of parents in the school office to pick up their children before school finishes at 3.00pm and unfortunately we have not had prior notification of this to the teacher or school office.

On the rare occasion that you need to remove your child from school for any reason during the school day e.g. Dental Appointment, <u>please ensure that you let the classroom teacher know in advance by sending a note with your child on the day.</u>

All students leaving school between the hours of 9.00am - 3.00pm are required to be signed-out through the VisTab tablet in the School Office before they leave

school. This is a Health & Safety requirement, should we have a LockDown or Fire Drill then we will know that your child is not on school site.

We ask that you please remove your child from class with minimal disruption, bearing in mind that the class teacher will be busy teaching.

If possible, we would prefer appointments to be made outside of our school hours.



OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS PERIOD FOR 2021

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

The Board has determined that <u>9 places for New Entrant (Year 1) students</u>, whose 5th Birthday falls within the enrolment period of 17th December 2020 – 30th June 2021, 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.

There will be two 2021 out-of-zone enrolment periods:

The First enrolment period runs from 17th December 2020 – 30th June 2021

The Second enrolment period runs from 1st July 2021 – 16th December 2021

For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period of 17th December 2020 - 30th June 2021, the deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is 3.00pm on Friday 25th September, 2020 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 next 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 approved by the Ministry of Education
- 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 with Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989.

If a ballot for out-of-zone is required, it will be held on <u>Friday 9th October</u>, <u>2020</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Wednesday 14th October**, <u>2020</u>.

2020 YEARBOOK

ORDERS THROUGH KINDO ONLY

\$20.00 Early Bird order

\$25.00 if ordered after 3.00pm Friday 2nd

Kindo. The online one stop school shop



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.

2020 FEES PAYABLE VIA KINDO

kindo. This online system allows you to pay for our school's fees (Mathletics/Mathseeds, Aquatics, Voluntary School Donation, Lost Library Book Fees etc) and is also the ONLY way to register/pay for your child for sports teams.



- **WINTER SPORTS TOURNAMENT (Selected Y4-6 Students only)** Cut-off now 3.00pm on Friday 11th September, 2020
- TOUCH RUGBY TERM 4 (All Year Levels) Cut-off 3.00pm on Friday 18th September, 2020
- TUT TUT PRODUCTION TICKETS Cut-off date extended until 3.00pm Friday 4th September, 2020
- 2020 YEARBOOK Cut-off date 3.00pm on Friday 20th November, 2020
- 2020 SCHOOL CAMP (Years 5&6)

 Fees and Donations

URGENT - all outstanding amounts to be paid via KINDO under the "Fees & Donations icon" We currently have \$2595.00 outstanding in camp payments.

FOUND - SCOOTERS AT SCHOOL

Our Caretakers have a few found scooters in their shed. If you think these may belong to your family please head down to our Caretakers shed to arrange collection.

If these are not claimed by the end of this term, Friday 25th September 2020, they will be donated to a charity.



TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

HOCKEY

Isabella Svenson Hawks

Strikers Lacey James, Ayla Yalden

NETBALL

Ferns Samantha Billingham Ava Stent, Pilar Bejarano Invaders



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 4th September, 2020 in the Matariki Hall at

This week our children from our Milky Way team only will attend assembly and our children from Milky Way 21 will be sharing.

Sharing will begin promptly, please ensure you arrive through the main door and are seated by 2.00pm. Covid-19 tracing will be compulsory for any parents attending this assembly.

DATES COMING UP

Tues 8 Sept Senior Production at 1.30pm & 6.30pm

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Tues 15 Sept Fairfield Cluster Winter Sports (no postponement date)

Wed 16 Sept Photolife Cultural & Sports Photos

Wed 16 Sept PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm
Thurs 24 Sept BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 25 Sept PTA Ice Block Day
Fri 25 Sept End of Term 3, 2020

Sat 10 Oct 2020 General Election Early Voting @ Te Totara Primary School 9AM-5PM

Mon 12 Oct Term 4 Begins @ 8.55am

Sat 17 Oct 2020 General Election Voting @ Te Totara Primary School

Ngā mihi,

Anne Fraser

Principal

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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ENTERTAINMENT BOOK MEMBERSHIP

An Entertainment Membership is a great way for you to save money doing the things you already love doing. They are packed with thousands of incredible savings across local dining, activities, travel and shopping experiences.

Right now, you can help us raise an extra \$10.00 (on Single City Membership) or \$20.00 (on

every Multi City or 2 year Membership), on top of the 20% we already receive from

every Membership purchased at www.entbook.co.nz/15502m5.



This offer only applies to memberships purchased before 13th September 2020 so get in now to make a difference.

PTA UPCOMING EVENTS

PTA Meeting - Wednesday 16th September @ 7:30pm Ice Block Day - Friday 25th September

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.

FREE Holiday Programme EDVENTURE Hamilton

These holidays Edventure is offering a FREE sports programme on Monday 28th September, this day will include a mixture of sporting skills drills and modified games across a range of different sporting codes (limited spaces). Edventure holiday programmes are based at Berkley Normal Middle School, for 5-13 year olds, OSCAR available. Different activities and trips planned every day of the holidays. To book in and check out our other holiday programmes & Camp-including Edventure Outdoors, Edventure Sports & Edventure Everyday please visit www.edventure.co.nz or ph 02102241576. See you on your next Edventure!





It's School Holiday Time!! 28 September to 9 October 2020

Bring the kids along to have a fun filled time with our awesome staff. We have loads of fantastic activities planned.

Hamilton Girls' High, Southwell & Te Totara Schools in Hamilton & St Peter's Catholic School in Cambridge.

We are OSCAR/WINZ Approved



Programme and bookings www.kellysports.co.nz

Email: waikato@kellysports.co.nz Phone Kim or Mark 07 839 9017

FAIRFIELD INTERMEDIATE OPEN DAYS

We have now set new dates for our Open Days which are open to our parents and community.

Fairfield Intermediate School Open Days will now take place on the following dates:

Tuesday 8th September, 2020 Tuesday 15th September, 2020

Drop in anytime between 9.00am and 2.30pm and have a guided tour of our school in action! We look forward to seeing you.



HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Join the action at Waterworlds OSCAR accredited Aquatic

Holiday Program. Children will have the opportunity to develop and experience a range of water-based activities

along with out of water adventures. Visit the Waterworld

Reception team to register for a jam packed school holidays

Dates: 28th September - 9th October

Cost: \$45-\$55 / day (OSCAR Subsidies may be available)

Time: 8-5.30pm Ages: 5-12 year olds

For further information please contact us on 07 958 5860 or learntoswim@hcc.govt.nz

