

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 29TH JULY, 2021

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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 whanau,

It is great to be back at school for Term 3. We have a fantastic term of learning planned which we are all looking forward to.

Units this term include a Health topic - Keeping Ourselves Safe, a science focus on learning about water and to finish the term we have the wonderful Art Exhibition with a nature theme.

Our school Cross Country/Te Totara X Challenge day is in week 5 (Tuesday 24th August). Competitive runners will compete in the morning. The rest of the school will participate in a challenge course after the competitive races. It will be a great day of fun and physical activity.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Learning Plan interviews and the open evenings for the Art Exhibition in week 9.

Ngā mihi

FINDING OUT WHAT IS HAPPENING

We have many ways of keeping up-to-date regarding events that are happening at school:

Online school calendar: Online School Calendar

School App: Download the School App

School Website: <u>Te Totara Website - this has the option to translate the</u> newsletter into other languages

Weekly notices: <u>Weekly Notices</u>

Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/TeTotaraPrimarySchool230374533681330/

We have a great team at school who keep these all updated in real time.

2021 FEES & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO

Fees have now been loaded onto KINDO. This online system allows you to pay for our school's fees (Mathletics/Mathseeds, Voluntary School Donation, Lost Library Book Costs etc) and is also the <u>ONLY</u> way to register/pay for your child for sports teams.

Please Note: Aquatics will be charged after your child's class has had their lessons.

- Waikato Explorer & Hamilton Gardens MARAMA TEAM ONLY Registrations Close 3.00pm Friday 6th August, 2021
- Gymnastics Festival (SELECTED STUDENTS ONLY) Registrations Close 3.00pm Wednesday 11th August, 2021

Kindo Questions? Kindo Helpdesk on 0508 454636 (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 do not hesitate to contact the School Office on (07) 853-0039 to amend.









SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held, **Friday 30th July, 2021 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.** This week our children from our Matawhero, Milky Way and Ra teams will attend assembly and Ra 30 will be sharing.



ADVERTISING RATES

| Back cover | \$1500 | |
|---------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|
| Inside front cover (whole page) | \$1200 | |
| Inside front cover (half page) | \$700 | FULL PAGE |
| Whole page | \$1,000 | 210mm w x 297mm h |
| Half page | \$600 | |
| Quarter page | \$300 | |
| Business Card size | \$150 | |



TO SUPPORT TE TOTARA SCHOOL, please contact Julia – juliam@tetotara.school.nz

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

NETBALL

| Invaders Magic Stars | Paris Ny, Ariella Cartmill Alexis Torr-Williams, Skylar Wright Lilly Nac |
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| Ferns | Lydia Zheng |
| HOCKEY | |
| Green | Lilly-Ann Faber, Tobyn Newman-Lander |
| Lions | Shay Torr Williams |
| Red | Max Singh, Savannah Bourne |

TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL 2021 YEARBOOK COVER COMPETITION

Calling all Te Totara Artists! Prizes to be won!

Would you like to design the cover of the 2021 Te Totara Primary School Yearbook?



This would be a great holiday project! Please include on your A4 sized paper:

- the school logo (see above)
- "Te Totara School Yearbook 2021"
- · graphics that depict what makes our school so special.

Out theme this year is "Celebrating the cultural diversity of Te Totara School"

Deadline: Friday 30th July @ 3pm

Questions? Email Mrs May: juliam@tetotara.school.nz or come and see Mrs May in Orion 10

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by **Friday 6th August, 2021 @ 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

TE TOTARA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

As part of our Te Totara School Charter regarding the objective of 'Growing Whanau and Community Engagement', the Board invites your feedback on our policies. The Te Totara Board of Trustees, will be reviewing the policies below at our next BOT meeting on Thursday 29th July:

- Financial Management Policy & Procedures
- Entertainment Policy
- Sensitive Expenditure Policy
- Theft & Fraud Prevention Policy

At the 26th August BOT meeting the Te Totara Board of Trustees will be reviewing these policies:

- Day to Day Care/Conduct & Guardianship
- Complaints

NOTE: All of the Te Totara Primary School Policies and Procedures are available for your information on our school website under the "Board of Trustees" red quick link tab from the home page. Please address your comments on the August policies by email to Melissa Guyan at: **melissag@tetotara.school.nz by 3.00pm on Tuesday 10th August, 2021.**

Melissa Guyan & Jo Stewart Board of Trustees Policy Sub-committee

DATES COMING UP

| Thurs 29 July | BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm |
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| Wed 4 Aug | PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm |
| Thurs 5 Aug | RJHS Open Day - Tours at 9.45am & 2.00pm (no need to register with RJHS) |
| Wed 11 Aug | Photolife Class & Individual Photos |
| Thurs 12 Aug | Photolife Class & Individual Photos |
| Tues 24 Aug | School Cross Country |
| Wed 25 Aug | Learning Plan Discussions - School closes at 2.00pm |
| Thurs 26 Aug | Learning Plan Discussions - School closes at 2.00pm |
| Thurs 26 Aug | School Cross Country - Postponement Date |
| Thurs 26 Aug | BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm |
| Fri 27 Aug | Daffodil Day |
| Mon 30 Aug | Mid Term Break - SCHOOL CLOSED |
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Ngā mihi, **Anne Fraser -** Principal

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

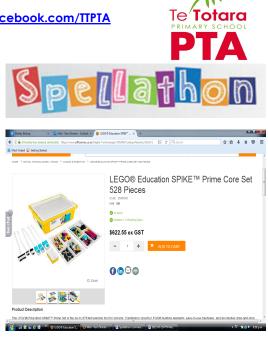
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SPELL-A-THON FUNDRAISER: FORMS OUT NEXT WEEK



To kick off our Term 3 fundraising efforts the PTA will be running a SPELL-A-THON. This is a great way of improving our students' spelling, while raising money to purchase LEGO® Education SPIKE[™] Prime Sets for our school.

These LEGO SPIKE[™] Sets are the go-to-STEAM learning tool. They combine colourful LEGO building elements, easy-to-use hardware, and an intuitive drag-and-drop coding language based on Scratch. Students will be able to design and build robots, dynamic devices and other interactive models. SPIKE Prime helps students learn essential STEAM and 21st century skills needed to become the innovative minds of tomorrow...while having fun!



HOW IT WORKS... Class teachers will provide an age appropriate list of spelling words to your child to learn. Please help and encourage your child to learn their Spell-a-thon words. The students will be tested during class time in week 5 (week beginning Monday 23rd August).

Students will need to seek our family, whanau and friends who would like to sponsor them. They may offer as little or as much sponsorship as they like - either by sponsoring per correct answer, or by offering a fixed amount sponsorship.

Your child's results will be sent home so you can see how they did and this needs to be written on their sponsorship form.

The sponsorship form and all money collected must be returned, in a sealed envelope, to the Green PTA Box in the School Office by Friday 3rd September 2021.

PRIZES... All students who return their sponsorship money on time will be eligible for cool prizes within their pod, and the student who collects the highest overall sponsorship amount will earn a special prize.

We hope you and your family will support this fun initiative, thank you!

NEW GARDEN FUNDED BY PTA

Last year the PTA committed to providing the school with funds to transform the un-used grassy area between the staff lounge fence and Orion block into a beautiful garden. It was great to see this project get under way over the recent school holidays. A seat and additional plants are still to be installed and planted on the site.



NEXT MEETING

The next PTA Meeting is next Wednesday 4th

August at 7:30pm in the Staff Lounge, (turn right inside the entrance to Matariki Hall). Parents and caregivers of Te Totara Primary School students are welcome to attend. We look forward to meeting you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PTA Meeting – Wednesday 4th August Spellathon – starts Monday 2nd August

Your PTA Committee:

Shelley, Julyan, Rilesh, Kervy, Kervi

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.





We now have **TRUMPET** and **VIOLIN** available to learn with **guitar, ukulele, piano, voice** and **drums**!



Just contact **Carl** for more info... carl.watkins@musiqhub.co.nz 027 388 9558

Jitterbugs

TERM 3 2021 TIMETABLE

Monday (Rototuna Junior High School Dance Studio)

- 3.45 Jitterbugs Seniors (by selection only) FULL
- 4.15 Jitterbugs Mini's (girls aged 3 5½) 6 Spaces
- 4.40 Jitterbugs Advanced (by selection only) FULL
 5.10 Senior Hip Hop (girls aged 10 15) 3 Spaces

Tuesday (Flagstaff Fitness)

- 3.40 Junior Hip Hop (unisex aged 6 9) 8 Spaces
- 4.10 Jitterbugs Junior (girls aged 5 1/2 7) 6 Spaces
- 4.40 Jitterbugs Junior Plus (girls aged 7 8) FULL Wednesday (Flagstaff Fitness)
 - 3.35 Jitterbugs Mini's (girls aged 3 51/2) FULL
 - 4.00 Jitterbugs Junior (girls aged 5 1/2 7) FULL
- 4.30 Jitterbugs Intermediate (girls 8 14) 2 Spaces Thursday (Flagstaff Fitness)
 - 3.40 Jitterbugs Junior (girls aged 5 ½ 7) 5 Spaces
 - 4.10 Jitterbugs Intermediate (girls 8 14) FULL
 - 4.40 Jitterbugs MiniJam (unisex aged 5 ½) 8 Spaces

Classes start week 2 of Term 3. Cost \$108 for the term which

includes a show where the kids get to go on stage Email jolie at jitterbugsdancelessons@outlook.com, phone (O21) 117 9633 or check out the Jitterbugs Dance Lessons facebook page or website for info.

The exhibition runs from 19 June until 29 August.

Read about it on waikatomuseum.co.nz

Visit and explore the exhibition, then respond to the visual storytelling with your own poems and short stories. Base your written competition entry on any aspect that captures your imagination.

One entry per person, which can be prose or poetry. There is no charge for entry.

Maximum length is equivalent of one A4 page or 40 lines of poetry, in 12pt font.

All entries are to be emailed to competition.hbm@gmail.com with the subject line: Interstellar Writing Competition.

In the body of the email state:

- Your full name and your age if under 16
- · The title of your piece
- Which character or characters you are responding to and, if you like, a short explanation (no more than 50 words)
- Your contact phone number
- Your entry

Entries to be received by 13 August.

Winner and runners up will be contacted and invited to read at the National Poetry Day Open Mic event at The Long Room on Wintec's city campus on Friday 27 August, 6:30-8:00pm when the competition results will be announced.

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Terms and conditions: Entries close at 5pm, 13 August 2021. The prizes include book vouchers and a small family pass to Exscite. Winners will be contacted by phone/email. Employees of Hamilton City Council and their immediate family members are not eligible to enter.





