

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 23 MARCH, 2023

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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 o te whanau

We are enjoying some fabulous autumn weather at the moment which makes our Learning Plan interview days this week go very smoothly. Thank you so much to you all for picking up your children at 2 pm, allowing these important conversations with our families to begin promptly at 2:15 pm. Tonight is our final afternoon and evening of interviews which conclude by 6:45 pm.

It is great to see our families catching up in the sunshine whilst waiting for their interview. Another chance to reconnect as a community. The teachers have shared with me that they are valuing the partnership that comes from sharing the children's learning and progress stages, as together you construct the next learning goals.

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Casual Vacancy for a Parent Representative

A casual vacancy has occurred on the School Board for an elected parent representative.

The Board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection. If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the Board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the Board to hold a by-election should be sent to: <u>melissapearlguyan@gmail.com</u> by: Friday 24th April, 2023



Melissa Guyan Presiding Member (Chairperson) Te Totara School Board

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 next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for **30th March**. Policies up for renewal at this meeting are:

- Classroom Release Procedure
- Digital Citizenship Policy
- Social Media Policy
- Student Behaviour Policy

Policy Review - May 2023

The following policies are to be reviewed at the **May** Board meeting, scheduled for 25th May.

- Appointments Policy
- Staff Leave Policy
- Valuing Diversity Equal
- Opportunities Policy
- Attendance 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.

If you have any feedback on these policies please email jos@tetotara.school.nz

Ngā mihi nui *Alex Williams, Maninder Singh and Jo Stewart* Board of Trustees Policy Sub-committee

2022-2023 TAX RECEIPT FROM KINDO School Donation Receipt

Families can download a copy of the tax receipt required from your my orders tab of your Kindo account. Please change the record type once on the my orders page to "Donation Receipts". You will be able to select the receipt required or opt for a tax summary for a certain time period, as the picture below:

transaction history



OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS PERIOD FOR 2023

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on our school website by clicking the following link: <u>www.tetotara.school.nz</u> The Board has determined the following places are likely to be available to out-of-zone students

The Board has determined the following places are likely to be available to out-ot-zone students from 2023 onwards. Enrolment period: **<u>1st July - 15th December, 2023</u>**:

20 places for Year 0 students 3 places for Year 3 students 3 places for Year 4 students

The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

For students seeking enrolment within the above enrolment period, the deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is **3.00pm on Friday 21st April**, **2023** and should be emailed to: *receptionist@tetotara.school.nz*

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 programmes) 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 under Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989.

If a ballot for out-of-zone is required, it will be held on <u>Monday 8th May, 2023</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by **Wednesday 10th May, 2023**.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held **in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm**. Students from **Orion & Earth Pods** will attend assembly and **Earth 34** will be sharing. Families from this classroom will be invited to attend via their classroom teacher.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD by Wednesday 1.00pm to <u>stephy@tetotara.school.nz</u>

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PacersLevi SandfordCometsEthan Vareed & Marcus SunRocketsLast week: Nate Fletcher & Brendan McCoshThis week: Kyrie Te Kani & Bryce Murray



2023 FEES & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO

Fees have now been loaded onto KINDO for 2023. 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.

Available to pay/register via KINDO now:

- Yrs 3&4 and Yrs 5&6 Future Ferns Netball \$53.00 (Terms 2&3)
 Cut-off date is 3.00pm Wednesday 29th March 2023 @ 3.00pm
 - Yrs 1&2, Yrs 3&4 and Yrs 5&6 Miniball \$43.00 (Term 2 only)
 - Cut-off date is 3.00pm Thursday 30th March 2023 @ 3.00pm
 - Yrs 1&2 \$56.00, Yrs 3&4 and Yrs 5&6 \$60.00 Hockey (Terms 2&3) - Cut-off date is 3.00pm Thursday 30th March 2023 @ 3.00pm
 - Aquatics (added to your KINDO account when your child's class is swimming)
- Voluntary School Donation (\$120.00 first/only child / \$60.00 each sibling)
- Mathletics/Mathseeds \$20.00

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.

DATES COMING UP

Thurs 23 March Thurs 30 March	Learning Plan Discussions - School Finishes at 2.00pm Board Meeting at 6.30pm
Fri 31 March	School Disco: T-Party Theme
	Year 0-2 5:15 - 6.00pm
	Year 3-4 6:15 - 7.00pm
	Year 5-6 7:15 - 8.15pm
Thurs 6 April	3.00pm END OF TERM 1, 2023
Mon 24 April	TERM 2 BEGINS
Tues 25 April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 19 May	Pink Shirt Day
Fri 2 June	Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 5 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 20 June	Junior School Production - "How Does Your Garden Groove"
Wed 21 June	Junior School Production - "How Does Your Garden Groove"



 TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

 EMAIL:
 pta@tetotara.school.nz
 www.facebook.com/TTPTA

 Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop:
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TIME TO DISCO

The PTA is *Thrilled* to be hosting *a T-Party* Disco on Friday 31st March, 2023.

T is for **Te Totara**, **Teacher**, **Tiger**, **Turtle**, **T-Rex...** Too many options to mention. Come dressed as your favourite **T** for a **Totally Terrific Disco**. Dress up is optional. The PTA will be selling snacks, drinks and glowsticks on the night.

Date: Friday 31st March, 2023

- Time: 5:15pm 6pm (Year 0-2) 6:15pm - 7pm (Year 3-4) 7:15pm - 8:15pm (Year 5-6)
- Entry: \$2.00 per student



ENTRY & PICKUP/EXIT

ENTRY to the Disco is through the main doors into Matariki Hall. PICK-UP/EXIT Parents MUST come into Matariki Hall via the side doors from the carpark. No child will be allowed to leave via these doors without an adult.

MORE PARENT HELPERS ARE REQUIRED

To enable the PTA to run a safe and fun disco we need to have adult helpers to assist on the night, either on the door, selling treats and glow toys, or cleaning up afterwards. If you want a fun night out and get to meet some of our Te Totara School Community then this is a great way to do it. You don't need to stay for all sessions, just the one your child is attending is all we need. If you can help out, please click on this link https://forms.gle/X9LdEnoi9i6U32CMA and you will be directed to a form to complete. Many thanks in advance.

DISCO PRICE LIST

- ★ Drinks \$2 each
- ★ Chips \$2 each
- ★ Lolly Bags \$2 each
- ★ Flashing light/glow toys \$3 each
- ★ Glow Sticks 3 for \$1

T-PARTY DISCO ART COMPETITION

Does your child love art? The PTA would love to have some T-Art to display at our T-Party Disco. There will be a box in the foyer of Matariki from Monday 27th until Thursday 30th March, for your artwork to go in. Please remember to put your name and year level on the back. There are glow toys up for grabs for the best artwork. This will be based on disco session year levels with winners announced in each disco session. Students must be there to claim their prize.



ICE BLOCK DAY

Thank you to everyone who purchased an ice block last Friday. Despite the wet weather we still sold approximately 350 ice blocks. Many thanks to our wonderful team of helpers: Uri, Amaanat, Donna-Marie and Claire-Lynn for braving the weather and turned up to make the event a success. Your help is always greatly appreciated.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PTA?

Are you interested in joining the PTA? If so, keep an eye on this newsletter to find out when the Annual General Meeting will be held, (usually mid-year). All parents/caregivers are invited along to find out about the PTA and what it does for our children at Te Totara. The PTA is in need of some new members this coming year, so please have a think about how you can help our school and how the PTA contributes to our school community. More information about the PTA will be provided in the upcoming weeks.

ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Your VIP Upgrade Awaits - Get a Multi City Membership when you purchase any Single City Membership. For a limited time only, between **8.00pm**, **Tuesday 28 th February and 2.00pm**, **Monday**

27 th March 2023 NZST, we are rolling out the red carpet to give you a bonus Multi City upgrade on any Single City 3, 12 or 24 month Membership purchased.

Unlock access to thousands of discounts on the best restaurants, events and experiences across 20 cities for as little as \$29.99.* (*Based on the price of a 3-month Single City Membership purchase.) From delicious dinners and adventure-fuelled activities, to family holidays and tranquil spa sessions, a Membership to The Entertainment App will provide you with VIP access to play, dine and save across Australia and New Zealand.



Buy now to ensure you don't miss out on this VIP offer! If you use the link below to make your purchase you will be supporting Te Totara PTA as 20% of the purchase price will be donated back to us. We thank you for your continued support.

https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/15502m5

UPCOMING EVENTS

T-Party Disco	Friday 31 st March
	5:15pm - 6pm (Year 0-2)
	6:15pm - 7pm (Year 3-4)
	7:15pm - 8:15pm (Year 5-6)
PTA Meeting	Wednesday 3 May at 7.3-pm (Staff Lounge)

Your PTA Committee: Kerri, Adelle, Narreet, Kerry & Angelique

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.

Learn to Dive with Waikato Diving Club

Waikato Diving (Springboard and Platform) are running Learn to Dive sessions at WaterWorld commencing term 2 2023. After school and weekend sessions available.

Diving teaches fitness, water confidence and safety, learning to meet and conquer challenges, friendship and a team spirit without the team environment of some other sports. It is also an Olympic Sport (for those planning ahead). Divers need to be confident in water and ideally at least 7 years old (No top age limit and we welcome adults who like to try the sport).

To register your interest or find out more information please email **waikato.diving.ww@gmail.com** or txt / call Danny on 0276002201



Rototuna New World Scholarship

Applications are now open for a prospective student entering Year 7 in 2024. This scholarship provides support to a student whose financial situation may not allow them to attend Southwell School. The Scholarship is tenable for the duration of the successful student's education at Southwell School in Years 7 and 8. The value of the scholarship is \$5000 per annum.

> Applications close 30 July 2023. Enquiries to registrar@southwell.school.nz



Kia ora ,

We noticed you haven't given your feedback on the community spaces of Hamilton Kirikiriroa! We'd love your thoughts and feedback on your community space to help us update our information. We want to find out



what you use your spaces for, and what options you would consider for future use. Please complete the survey as soon as you can. Click the link: <u>Give your Feedback Now</u>

It's very important to update our information about the community facilities in Hamilton regularly as the needs and availability of our spaces are constantly changing. The information we gather will also assist us with our long-term planning.

Your feedback will help us to understand the different needs for facilities amongst our community groups, allowing us to plan and manage any future development for our community spaces.

If you have any questions or would like to give your feedback in person, please do not hesitate to reach out to haveyoursay@hcc.govt.nz or by calling 07 838-6699 and asking for myself, Michelle Rivers. Look forward to hearing from you,

Michelle Rivers - Project Lead | Community

LEADERSHIP - KIDS



School Holidays: 17-20 April 1-4 days Age 10+ Gain Certificate Crucial topics: leadership, bullies, conflict, challenges, depression, sports-stress, health, public speaking and AWESOME activities. Rave reviews from Kids! Help your child cope with life's challenges RING Roz 027 248 2888 www.speak4success.co.nz

TE AWA RIVER RIDE CELEBRATIONS!

28 stations will be set up along the 65km of Te Awa for you to tick off on Sunday 26th March (between 11am and 2pm)

Pick up a passport from your first station and take it with you to as many other stations as you can.

You'll collect a sticker from each station you get to and the more stickers you collect, the more entries you'll have into the draw to win your share of over \$13k in spot prizes – including two eBikes and kids' bikes!

We're holding a Garden Party along with Gourmet in the Gardens and loads of other family entertainment, together with the prizegiving from 3:30pm at the Hamilton Gardens.

For more info, head to:

https://www.te-awa.org.nz/celebration

The Leger-Walker Family Proudly Presents THE BSL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL

Registrations are now OPEN To enrol VISIT: https://tinyurl.com/5bdshb6w for more information please email basketballsecrets3@gmail.com

Ages 7 - 15 years (Girls + Boys)

April 19, 20, 21 2023 8:30am - 2:30pm Fraser High School (Hamilton NZ) \$200 for 3 days, \$140 for 2 or \$80 for 1



— Limited Spaces!

NZ Representative 2021 u15 National MVP Tannika L-W

+ Renowned Special Guest coaches







April School Holiday Skill Camps!

The time has come for the first skill camps of 2023!

Everyone is welcome, regardless of your Centre affiliation or skill level.

Year 3-4 (1 day camps \$50) - Tuesday 11th April; **Thursday 20th April**

Year 5-6 (1 day camps \$50) - Tuesday 11th April; **Thursday 20th April**

Year 7-8 (2 day camp \$100) - Wednesday 12th and **Thursday 13th April**

Under 14 & 16 (2 day camp \$100) - Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th April

The camps run from 9:00am until 3:00pm each day and will be held at the Hamilton City Netball Centre

For further information and to register, click here