

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)

Tena koutou

With the retirement of our wonderful Principal, Anne Fraser, the School Board now has a vital role in helping to ensure we select a Principal that will best serve our school going forward. We are aware of the importance of this appointment and we are working hard to ensure that we get the best possible person to be our Principal going forward.

Before advertising the position, we are very keen to get the views of our parents/caregivers, staff, students and other family or community members to support the appointment process as part of our Strategic Plan. We will use this information to help shape the applicant requirements, advertisement and interview questions when selecting who our next Principal will be. To do this, we are holding a community drop-in session for parents/caregivers and other family or community members to chat with the School Board about the upcoming appointment and possible criteria. **This will be held in the Te Totara Staff Lounge on Monday 20th November from 2.00pm - 3.00pm. We will also hold a drop-in session for our Maori community on Wednesday 22nd November from 2.00pm - 3.00pm in the Staff Lounge.**

In addition, we have a brief online survey for everyone to contribute ideas for this important appointment, so we get a wide cross-section of our school community contributing.

Click the link: <https://forms.gle/AxMSe24gxoVfe18s9> This survey needs to be completed by midday on Thursday 23rd November, 2023.

Melissa Guyan

Presiding Member

Te Totara Primary School Board

SCHOOL DISCO TOMORROW NIGHT!

Friday 10th November, 2023

Come dressed as your favourite extraterrestrial, a spacecraft or anything you consider Out of this World.
Dress up is optional.

DISCO PRICE LIST

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

Time: 5:15pm - 6pm (Year 0-2)
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7:15pm - 8:15pm (Year 5-6)

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OUT OF THIS WORLD!
DISCO
Friday 10th November 2023
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Year 3-4: 6:15-7:00pm
Year 5-6: 7:15-8:15pm

Glow sticks, snacks and drinks for sale on the night
\$2 ENTRY
A Fundraiser for Te Totara Primary School PTA

YEARS 3-6 ATHLETICS DAY

TUESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER, 2023

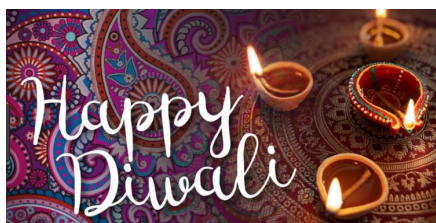
Our Senior Athletics day is coming up next week. All parents and family of senior students are most welcome to come along and cheer the students on.

Note to parents: Children are encouraged to wear their school house colours on Athletics Day. STUDENTS TO MAKE SURE THEY HAVE A SUNHAT AND SUNSCREEN APPLIED BEFORE SCHOOL.

Postponement date is Thursday 16th November, 2023. We will notify families via our School App and Facebook page. If you are in doubt, please check these areas before phoning the school.

We have an exciting programme planned for the day which is detailed below:

TIME	Long Jump Boys	Long Jump Girls	50m Sprint	Tennis Ball Throw Boys	Tennis Ball Throw Girls	100m Sprint 80m sprint (Year 3) The hill side of the field
9:00am	All children gather on Turf for welcome in their house colours.					
9:10am – 10:00am	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5
10.00-10:25am & 11:10 – 11:35am	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4
11:40 –12:30pm	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3
12:30pm	800m race for those who are keen. No heats. Straight finals. Year 4-6.					
LUNCH						
1:35pm – 2:25pm	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6
2:30pm – 2:55pm	House Relays if time permits. 1 male 1 female from each year level per house.					



12 November 2023 - Festival of Lights
Happy Diwali to our Hindu community

JUNIOR ATHLETICS HAVE A GO DAY

Our Junior Athletics *Have A Go Day* was held last Thursday and was a great success. We were lucky with the weather as it was a beautiful day. Our Year 0-2 students participated with great enthusiasm and enjoyment in the fun events. The Year 4 helpers did a magnificent job in explaining each event and encouraging the younger students. Thank you to our wonderful Year 0-2 teaching staff, caretakers and parents who helped out on the day. This was much appreciated.

We are looking forward to the Senior Athletic Day (Years 3-6) scheduled for **Tuesday 14th November**, more details will be published in next week's newsletter.




YEAR 3 -6 BAKE SALE *Money raised towards Camp 2024*


TOTAL RAISED: \$3,338.10

We would like to thank all the families that made goodies to sell for the Yr 5/6 School Camp in 2024. We were amazed by the huge effort that you all made to support this. The students had very full tummies by the end of the day! We also had some food left over for the next day to sell. What a lovely treat for the middle of Term 4!






**2023 YEARBOOK ORDERS
ORDERS THROUGH KINDO
\$25.00 PER BOOK**



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 Wednesday 15th November, 2023 @ 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 our Yearbook, this must be ordered through KINDO and combined with your family order.



2023 FEES, SPORTS REGISTRATIONS & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO
Please Note: Aquatics will be charged after your child's class has had their lessons.



Available to pay/register via KINDO now:

- **2023 Yearbook Orders - \$25.00 per book**
Cut-off Date for orders is 3.00pm Wednesday 15th November
- **2024 Year 5&6 School Camp - \$180.00**
- **Pay it Forward - \$10.00, \$20.00 or \$50.00**
Currently, any "pay it forward" monies we receive will go towards the 2024 Year 5&6 School Camp fees for some of our families who may be struggling to cover the entire camp costs



Kindo Questions? Kindo Helpdesk on 0508 454636 (toll free)

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

*If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD by **Wednesday 1pm** to stephy@tetotara.school.nz*



Touch Rugby

- Comets Zion & Cezar Huavi
- Rockets Keon Anthony & Brendan McCosh



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held **in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm on Thursday 9th November, 2023 (today).** This week students from **Orion & Earth Pods** will attend assembly and **Orion 10** will be sharing. Families from this classroom will be invited to attend via their classroom teacher.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SUPPER

WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER, 2023

This will be a night to remember... our Year 6's are leaving us for new adventures!

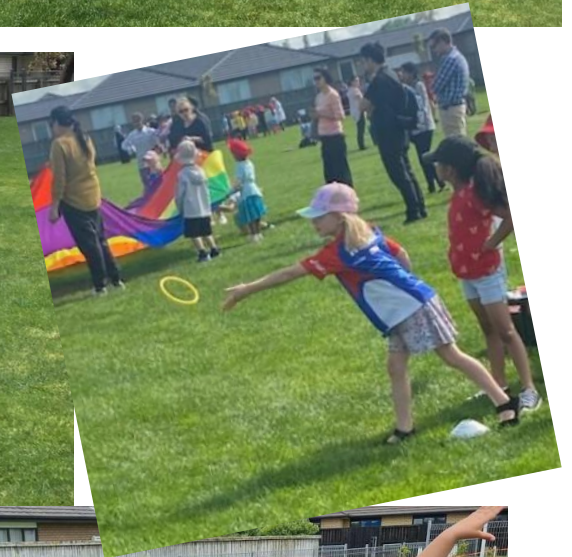
Year 6 students will be given information and rsvp's next week. Please look out for it! More details will follow in next week's newsletter.



DATES COMING UP

Fri 10 Nov	School Disco "Out of this World" theme. \$2.00 Entry Fee 5:15pm - 6.00pm (Year 0-2) 6:15pm - 7.00pm (Year 3-4) 7:15pm - 8:15pm (Year 5-6)
Tues 14 Nov	Senior Athletics Day <i>Thurs 16 Nov Postponement Date Senior Athletics Day</i>
Mon 20 Nov	Parent/Caregiver drop-in session - New School Principal Consultation held in the Staff Lounge from 2.00pm - 3.00pm
Wed 22 Nov	Maori Community drop-in session - New School Principal Consultation held in the Staff Lounge from 2.00pm - 3.00pm
Wed 22 Nov	PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm in the Staff Lounge
Thurs 23 Nov	Board Meeting at 5.30pm
Fri 24 Nov	PTA Ice-Block Day - \$2.00 each
Tues 28 Nov	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea
Wed 29 Nov	Year 6 Leavers Supper
Fri 1 Dec	Ice-Block Day to support Year 5&6 School Camp (2024) \$2.00 each
Mon 4 Dec	School Celebration
Tues 5 Dec	School Celebration <i>Postponement Date</i>
Thurs 7 Dec	RJHS Orientation Day 9.30am - 12.00 midday (only for students who have had their enrolment confirmed by RJHS)
Wed 6 Dec	Cluster Athletics Day (<i>Selected students only</i>)
Fri 8 Dec	PTA Ice-Block Day - \$2.00 each
Tues 12 Dec	1.30pm - 2.00pm Meet the 2024 Class Teacher
Thurs 14 Dec	FINAL DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR - SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JUNIOR HAVE A GO DAY



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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

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DISCO

Our Much-awaited DISCO event is tomorrow. Please join in and dance to the awesome music with some fun toys and food!

Come dressed as your favourite extraterrestrial, a spacecraft or anything you consider '**Out of this World**' (Dress up is optional)
The PTA will be selling snacks, drinks and glowsticks on the night.

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Thanks!

A huge shout out to a very generous school parent who donated all the lollies for this event and a big thanks to all the parents who have volunteered to help at the DISCO. Your help is crucial to make this event a success!

KNOWLEDGE-A-THON

The PTA's fundraising Knowledge-a-thon has now finished. **A HUGE thank you to all the students who returned sponsorship money. We raised just under \$10,000 and this will be donated to school to help fund Stages 3 & 4 of the confidence course.**

Any outstanding knowledge-a-thon money can still be dropped in the box or deposited to the PTA bank account.

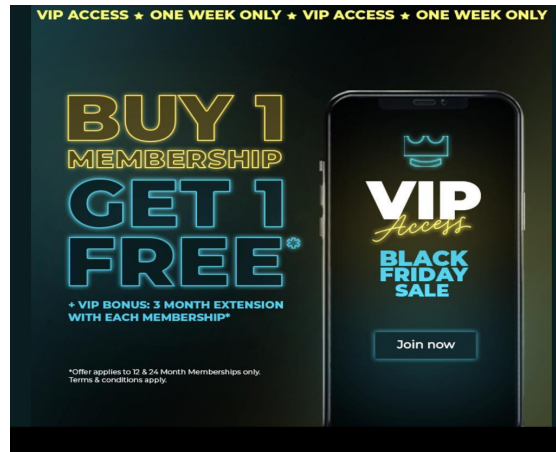
ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP - BLACK FRIDAY SALE! (for one week only)

An Entertainment Membership is an easy-to-use App packed full of incredible savings of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, so you can save on takeaways, dining, shopping, gift cards, activities and more! It is your passport to a world of exclusive benefits, unforgettable experiences and endless entertainment.

Black Friday Sale VIP Access★ – Buy One Membership & Get One Free (+ Bonus 3 Months Free for our VIPs)

Purchase a membership to The Entertainment App and receive a complimentary membership of equal value. Plus as a VIP Member, you will also unlock a bonus 3 month Membership extension added to each membership when you use this link to purchase your membership

<https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/15502m5>. We thank you for your continued support.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Out of this World Theme Disco – Friday 10th November

PTA Meeting - Wednesday 22nd November at 7:30pm

Ice Block Day – Friday 24th November

Ice Block Day - Friday 8th December

Your PTA Committee: *Kerri, Adelle, Navneet, Kerry and Garima*

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.**



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FOOTBALL CONNECT

GIRLS AGED 7-15

Lace up your boots, put your game face on and prepare for a football extravaganza!

DEC 18th-21st
8:30am - 3:30pm

Bring boots if you have them or trainers and a water bottle!

Rototuna Library Te Kete Tuatea Meeting Room (18th, 20th, 21st)

Rototuna Sports Park (19th)

\$10
per day, including food



NORTHERN UNITED SPORTS CLUB



NEW ZEALAND FOOTBALL FOUNDATION



HOOKED ON HOCKEY

December Holidays
18th-20th December

Summer Holidays
WEEK ONE: 15th-19th January
WEEK TWO: 22nd-26th January

FOR AGES: 5-13 FROM 7:30AM TO 4:30PM
COST: \$60 PER DAY Gallagher Hockey Centre,
Queens Avenue,
Innes Common, Hamilton



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KORIKORI CHRISTMAS MARKET



Free entry

*Come along, support local vendors
and shop early for Christmas*

*Arts & Crafts * Clothing & Jewellery
* Books * Toys & Games *
Food Trucks * And more...*

25TH

NOVEMBER 2023

9-2PM

FREE ENTRY

KORIKORI PARK

ROTOTUNA



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Get ready for an unforgettable day of family fun and festivities! Santa Claus is making a special appearance from 10:30am to 1.00pm, and Harold the Giraffe will be there throughout the day. But that's just the beginning!

With a whopping 200 craft stalls, delicious food trucks, thrilling bouncy castles, talented face painters, and young entrepreneurs showcasing their goods, this event has something for everyone. It's the perfect opportunity to create cherished memories with your loved ones. Join us for an amazing day of joy and excitement that you won't want to miss!

**25th November, 2023 from 9.00am until 2.00pm, Korikori Green, Rototuna, Hamilton.
Parking available by donation at the Hamilton Christian School.**