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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 27th March, 2014

WEEK 8

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)

Our first ever Gala/Festival is fast approaching and this newsletter has much information on this exciting event. Your support is so much appreciated to help our children.

TE TOTARA PTA GALA 29 MARCH 10.00am-2.00pm



The PTA would like to thank those who have generously supported the Gala already in preparation for Saturday. Some of these include:

Vicki of Vicki Jordan Creative for her time and outstanding design work for all the Gala logo, design, flyers, posters and signs.

Our MC for the day Nick Trott who has offered to help us out at short notice, as well as...

New Zealand Home Loans Hamilton Office
Indiefilm Productions
\$2 Shop at Rototuna
Radius Pharmacy
The 1 2 3 Mart
HJ Plus Trading Ltd
Equisite Beauty Therapy Spa
New World Rototuna
Countdown Rototuna
More Than Flowers
Bob's Bikes
The Virus Centre
Gilmours
Porter Group
The Girl on the Swing
Jitterbugs Dance Lessons
Agrodome and Rainbow Springs Rotorua
Clarence Wine and Tapas Bar
Healthy Inspirations
Hilton Brown Swim School
Kitchen Things
Lodge Rototuna
Novotel Tainui

Olive Cafe
Rototuna WOF Centre
Smith & McKenzie
Style Hairdressing
Zealong
Toyworld Te Awa
Pro Drive Golf
House of Fundraising
Kelly Tarlton's Auckland
Ingham Hyundai

And of course our wonderful families who have generously donated goods for raffles, there will be some amazing grocery hampers on the Quick Fire Raffles!!!

HELP NEEDED!!!!!!

We still urgently require help for the Gala stalls, otherwise we may have to cancel some of them and our children will miss out on lots of fun! 20 more helpers would be great! We need these across all stalls, parking, cash and activities for a minimum of 1 hour.

Surely with over 680 students at the school we could get enough parent helpers for our stalls please?? Helpers needed on the following activities anytime from 10.00am – 2.00pm:

- Sponge Throw
- Sausage Sizzle
- Raffles Table
- Pony Rides
- White elephant

Please email Lisa Clay -

shaunandlisa@vodafone.co.nz or Jolie Hopping – jolie.hopping@vodafone.co.nz if you can help out ASAP. Thanks to those people who have already offered their time.

ITEMS NEEDED!!

Can you supply any of the following for our activities? Please take to the office and say they are for the gala:

- LOLLIES, LOLLIES and MORE LOLLIES or mini chocolate bars – we need lollies for our lolly station. Any size or type or do you know anyone who owns a shop that could donate a large bag??
- Nail polish – used or unused, any colour or type
- Hair Chalk – donate a pack from the \$2 shop
- Coloured hairspray – can be purchased from the \$2 shop
- THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HAS DONATED SO FAR!

COLOURING-IN COMPETITION

Entries close Friday 28th March 2014 at 3pm. Extra forms are available on our school website, under newsletters.

ADULT MARSHALS NEEDED

Any adult marshals or high school children who would like to volunteer some time helping to direct motorists to the parking area, please contact Des by e-mail desnviv@xtra.co.nz. Thank You.

GALA DAY ACTIVITIES

Below are some of the activities that will be at the gala which your children have come up with.

A couple of the activities involve water – so make sure you bring a change of clothes and a towel if you are keen on getting wet! The majority of these stalls will work based on a \$2 token system.

Name/team:	Activity:
Neptune / Marama	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cake / Bake stall • White Elephant Stall
Milky Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasure Hunt • Balloon Piñatas
Orion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decorating Biscuits • Mini Golf Game
Matawhero	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bouncy Castle • Water slide • Lolly guess
Earth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face Painting • Coin Drop • Quoit Throw
Ra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Splat the Rat • William Tell - Shoot the target • Castle
Kōpū	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kōpū Will be serving chocolate brownies and slices in Milky Way Pod
Additional activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cherry Picker Ride • Lolly Station • Guess the weight of the fudge supplied by The Girl on the Swing • Sponge Throw • Photo with the Fire Engine • Te Totara Funky Fashion Stall • Meet the Alpaca • Pony Rides (weather permitting) – Children will need shoes to ride the ponies.

GALA TOKENS

Tokens will be required for all games and activities and can be used to make purchases for raffle tickets, the White Elephant, Cake Stall and the NZ Home Loans Sausage Sizzle. In addition, cash/eftpos will be required to purchase from some of the Food Vendors. Cash can also be used at the White Elephant and Cake Stall and the NZ Home Loans Sausage Sizzle will also accept \$2 gold coins. Don't forget your gold coins to catch the bus.

WHAT A GREAT WOF DEAL!!

Visit the Hyundai stand at the Northern Entrance to purchase a WOF for \$25 and **ALL money goes to the school**. Vouchers for WOF purchase can be made by eftpos from the school office window or by cash at the Hyundai stand.

THANKS HYUNDAI!

GALA DAY WHITE ELEPHANT STALL

We need your good condition pre-loved items e.g. toys, books, puzzles, baby gear, plants, furniture, electrical items in good working order please.

No Junk, No clothes/Manchester/Linen

No weekly magazines

Items need to be clean, in good working order and complete.

Thank you!

LAST CHANCE TO DROP YOUR ITEMS OFF TO MATARIKI HALL:

8.00–9.00 or 2.00–3.00 Friday 28th March

Helpers wanted to sort, price, sell and clear up

Thank you to all those people who have signed up – we still need helpers for selling on the day.

A sign-up sheet in Marama Pod, please help us make this event a success by giving us an hour of your time.

For more information contact:

Jolie Hopping and Lisa Clay

Caron Ace (Room 36) and

Jennie Brook-Watt (Milky Way Pod)

LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSIONS

Learning Plan discussions will take place on **Wednesday 2nd April & Thursday 3rd April, 2014**. To make an appointment time for your child/ren, please use our online booking system www.schoolinterviews.co.nz – our school code is **AS5ZY**. You can also access this site via our school website www.tetotara.school.nz. If you are unable to access a computer, please phone Marise in the School Office on (07) 853-0039 ext. 858 to make a convenient time.

Bookings close tomorrow, Friday 28th March @ 3.00pm. Please note we will not be able to accept bookings after this time.

PLEASE NOTE:

- If your child is in Earth 19 with Mrs Fletcher, Learning Plan Discussions will be staggered over 4 days:
Wednesday 2nd April
Thursday 3rd April
Wednesday 9th April (from 3.15pm)
Thursday 10th April (from 3.15pm)
To book, please follow the above instructions

The whole school will finish at 2.00pm on Wednesday 2nd April & Thursday 3rd April; students will need to be collected by parents/caregivers at 2.00pm please.

After School Care will begin at 2.00pm for those children enrolled at After School Care.

FOUND SCOOTERS

Our Caretaker, Barnie has some scooters that have been found and these are in his school shed if you would like to view them.
Please contact Barnie ph 027 478 1440

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Orders due by **9.15am on Friday 28th March 2014**. Sorry No Late orders will be accepted.

NO FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY TOMORROW

There is **NO** assembly this week, due to the Hall being used for our School Gala.

2014 WINTER HOCKEY

Expression of interest forms were handed out this week. If you missed it, please see Mrs Corkill in Matawhero 16 ASAP. This notice must be returned by **Thursday 3rd April**. Hockey runs in Terms 2 and 3 and is open to all Year 2-6 students. Games are on a Saturday. Thank you.

MINIBALL

Miniball interest notices went home today and will be called for again Friday. If your child wants to play Miniball please make sure they have a notice or they come and get one. Notices must be back on time or they will not make a team.

FUN FERNS

I am glad to say we have found a coach for our Fun Ferns group for the Year 2/3. This is a fun netball skills based team of 30 girls. It runs on a first in, first serve system and interest notices will be going home next week. So if your child is interested make sure they are listening out for the loud speaker notice.

SPORTS

TE TOTARA PLAYERS OF THE DAY

CRICKET

Midgets Ave Benefield & James Paki
Terrors Rory Allison & Ethan Sale
Thunders Dean Ralph & Fletcher Warren

TOUCH

Gunns Dulina Haegoda & Riley Binnie
Pacers Connor Daly & Flynn McCormack

VOLLEYBALL

Setters Kelly Icke
Spikers Arwa Mekkey
Volleys Lilli Hobbs

Brian Sheedy
Principal

NO ADDED SUGAR

Breakfast foods may contain natural sugar.
E.g. A glass of fruit juice with no added sugar still contains 5-6 teaspoons of natural sugar.

Always make sure you read the label to check the sugar content.

Aim for less than 15 grams of sugar per 100 mls.

DATES COMING UP

- Thurs 27 Mar** BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 28th Mar Learning Plan Bookings
 Close at 3.00pm
Sat 29 Mar **PTA School Gala & Food Festival**
Wed 2 Apr Learning Plan Discussions
 2.15pm – 5.30pm
Thurs 3 Apr Learning Plan Discussions
 2.15pm – 7.30pm
Thurs 17 Apr **END OF TERM 1 @ 3.00PM**

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.

THE GREAT PUMPKIN CARNIVAL

Check out www.greatpumpkincarnival.co.nz or phone Jenny 8545436

GIVE SQUASH A TRY

The squash season is just about to kick in. Want to try an energetic, fun sport, that you can play all year no matter what the weather? Why not join Hamilton squash and tennis club. They have an organised junior night on Thursdays from 5 to 7pm, with the opportunity to learn the skills and play the games. Mention this notice and your school's name when you join and the club will donate \$15 to your school. Contact Desiree Smart either by phone [07 834 3271](tel:078343271) or email office@hstc.co.nz

THE IRON LADY LTD

Busy life? Hate ironing?
 Let the iron lady help!
 Free collection & delivery in Rototuna, Flagstaff, Huntington
 For price list and how to book
 Ph. 0223024647
 Www.theironlady.co.nz

YMCA HAMILTON HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Our Holiday Programmes offer fun and exciting activities. This coming holiday programme includes a trip to the Rotorua mud pools, cooking, treasure hunts, learning some magic tricks, there will be something fun, new and exciting every day. Come and join us for the holiday fun! We have 7 holiday programme sites across Hamilton for 5 year olds through to 15 year olds. Contact us on [07 838 2529](tel:078382529).

GKR KARATE

We run classes in the local area. Karate is fun for the whole family (ages 5 and up). Karate is great for confidence, discipline, self defence and of course fitness. For more info please call Callum on 021 2999 560.

R.E.A.P

We are an afterschool enrichment programme with the purpose of providing children, in the Waikato, with a range of courses to help develop them as global citizens. Our programmes are starting on Monday 5th May. In term 2 we are offering; Fabric Art, Violin, Chess, French, Jazz, Spanish, Korean, Singing, Speech and Drama, Sewing, Keyboard, Piano, Fun with Watercolour and eBooks. For more information you can see our timetable and booklet at www.hamiltonreap.co.nz or e-mail us at admin@hamiltonreap.co.nz.

HELP SUPPORT ONE OF OUR PARENTS, POPPY FITZWALTER

I am going to be shaving my hair off! I challenged work colleagues and friends to raise \$500 by this Friday 28th and if they did, I would get the clippers out and go for a No.4 all round.

<http://my.leukaemia.net.nz/Anuradha>

Shave for a Cure is Leukaemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand's signature fundraising event. Every year thousands of individuals, schools and businesses across the country whip out the clippers and shave their locks in a bid to help the 6 Kiwis a day diagnosed with a blood cancer or related condition.