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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 29th MAY, 2014
WEEK 4

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)

SCHOOL CLOSED

MONDAY 2nd JUNE QUEENS BIRTHDAY

Our school will be closed for our National holiday on Monday 2nd June 2014.

MATHEMATICS AT TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL

This week we have had the pleasure of working with Bruce Moody, consultant. This has been the second week he has been with us this year and we are delighted with his and our teacher's efforts and achievements so far.

He models lessons to teachers as well as observing and reflecting on "where to next". This is done in a way that is unique to each teacher and their own next learning steps, much like our children's learning plans of "where to next"

WHANAU HUI - MONDAY 9TH JUNE @ 5.30 pm IN THE STAFF LOUNGE

We invite families to come along and be a part of our wonderful Whanau group. Children are also very welcome, **meet in Staff Lounge**.

- Food - Please bring something to share
- Children can go to Orion 9 for entertainment

Agenda

Adults meet to discuss

- Kapa Haka
- Events coming up
- Things we are doing
- Reporting on achievement and asking about aims and aspirations of our Maori community

Our Principal, Brian Sheedy, is very happy to answer any queries on the evening or e-mail Brian at:

principal@tetotara.school.nz

TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL VISION AND CHARTER 2014

A copy of the 2014 School Vision & Charter will be given to the oldest child in each family today; a copy of this flyer will also be posted on our school website www.tetotara.school.nz

** IMPORTANT ** IMPORTANT ** IMPORTANT ** CHANGE OF HOUSEHOLD DETAILS/ADDRESS

Just a little reminder that if your family circumstances have changed, or any of your contact details i.e. phone, address, e-mail etc; to please advise the School Office so we can update your records accordingly.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book Club orders are due back to the School Office by **9.15am Friday 6th June 2014**.

Sorry No late orders will be accepted.

LEARNING PLANS HOME – FRIDAY 13th JUNE

A Learning Plan for each student will be sent home on Friday 13th June 2014 with the oldest or only child from each family. However, if your child started at school in Term 2 this year you will not receive a Learning Plan yet.

The Learning Plans will also be available online after 3.00pm on Friday 13th June 2014. Included in the information pack being sent home with the Learning Plan will be instructions on how to log-on to the site.

VISITORS TO OUR SCHOOL (INCLUDING PARENTS)

If you are visiting our school for business reasons, or as a parent dropping off things to your child during school hours, please report to the School Office before entering the school grounds.

OUR SCHOOL YEARBOOK IS COMING...

Each year our wonderful school yearbook is produced in December. This year we are selling advertising in the Yearbook.

We are looking for parents/staff/anyone in our school community who may be interested in this great opportunity for advertising.

Please contact Renee Morgan Room 22 for further details and thank you for your continued support.

COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

On the home page of our website we have a Community Directory. All products and services listed in this directory come from people who are directly related to students/staff at our school. We aim to bring our community together and support one another. If you wish to add your product/service to this list, e-mail Michelle on librarian@tetotara.school.nz

At \$10.00 (for 2014) and with almost 800 views so far this year, it is good value.

NAMING OF SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please, please, please can you make sure all items of school uniform are clearly named and check your children's uniform to make sure they have their own uniform and not another child's.

It is not good enough to assume that your child will know that something belongs to them "because it has a black dot on the tag". If an item of clothing is found out on the fields it can not be returned unless it is named. We go out of our way to identify and return lost property, but patience runs thin when clothing is not named.

All lost property is located in the yellow box outside the Earth Pod (Purple).

We ask ALL families to please check your child's uniform on a weekly basis to ensure they are wearing their own uniform rather than someone else's.

ASSEMBLY TOMORROW FRIDAY 30TH MAY 2014

There is no Assembly this week due to our Senior Leaders being away.

TE TOTARA SPORTS

PLAYER OF THE DAY

HOCKEY

Cheetahs	Emily Cocurullo
Lightning	Sebastian Du Bois
Thunder	Noah Lochie
All Stars	Chloe MacIntyre
Tigers	Lovejot Nahal
Strikers	Arnav Kumar
Stormers	Charlotte MacKenzie & Emma Lobb

NETBALL

Tigers	Kendyll Blissett
Magics	Danica Cooke
Ferns	Kayla Steel
Rebels	Lilli Hobbs

DATES COMING UP

Fri 30 May	School is open for learning
Mon 2 June	QUEENS BIRTHDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 4 June	Science ICAS exam
Mon 9 June	Whanau Hui @ 5.30pm
Tues 17 June	Spelling ICAS exam
Wed 18 June	Writing ICAS exam
Thurs 26 June	Muffi Day to support Oxfam
Tues 1 July	School Cross Country
Thurs 3 July	END OF TERM 2 @ 3.00PM
Fri 4 July	TEACHER ONLY DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 21 July	TERM 3 BEGINS @ 8.55AM

Jennie Brook-Watt

Acting Principal

Te Totara Primary School

TE TOTARA PTA



PTA AGM MEETING RESULTS

We had a fantastic turnout for our AGM and PTA meeting last Tuesday night. Thanks to everyone that attended, it was really great to see some new faces.

Our new Executive Committee was chosen and is as follows:

Chairman	- Bryan Wrigg
Secretary	- Lisa Clay
Treasurer	- Katie Hemmingsen
Communications Officer	- Jackie Smith

A huge thank you to our outgoing Executive Members:

Ryan Hamilton – Chairman

Angela Dryden – Secretary

Callum MacIntyre - Communications Officer

Their commitment & hard work while on the committee are greatly appreciated. They have left very big shoes to fill!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS!!

Entertainment books went out a couple of weeks ago and so far we have had a great response. If you do not wish to purchase a membership or have chosen the fancy new digital version, please can you return your unwanted book to the box at the office as soon as possible. This year's offers are as exciting as ever, take a moment to flick through the book to see what discounts you can take advantage of. Don't forget to make your payment, there are lots of options - online, cheque, cash, credit card. Remember, for every membership sold, the school receives \$12 which will be going towards a new Junior Playground. Any questions, please feel free to contact Jackie @ gregandjack@gmail.com or [0204 220169](tel:0204220169).

PTA BANK ACCOUNT

Te Totara Primary School PTA

03-1355-0711498-00

Please ensure child's name & class are used for reference.

PTA EMAIL ADDRESS

tetotara.pta@gmail.com

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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.

TERM 2 2014

GYM FOR ALL GYMNASTICS

Turn & Gymnastic Circle

BOYS - Ages 6+
Tuesdays 6pm—7pm

JUNIOR - Ages 5 – 7
Tuesdays 4pm - 5pm

INTERMEDIATE - Ages 7– 9
Tuesdays 5pm—6pm

SENIOR - Ages 9+
Thursdays 6pm—7pm

16 Ridout Street, Forest Lake
Contact: tumandgymnasticcircle@gmail.com

RENTAL AVAILABLE

A new 4 bedroom, two bath room house, in Arista Way. Available from May 29th for \$460 per week. Ph Rhys on 854 5563 or [0274 744183](tel:0274744183).

THE EATERY

ROTOTUNA SHOPPING CENTRE

PINK RIBBON BREAKFAST

WEDNESDAY 4 JUNE 2014 FROM 9AM

\$30 per person includes a glass of bubbles, tea or coffee and breakfast.

All profits from the ticket sales will go to the New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation.

Additional fundraising events will be run on the day with 100% of proceeds going to the Breast Cancer foundation.

Book your ticket now p 07 8525925

www.theeatery.co.nz

TIGERS GWYNNE SHIELD RUGBY TRIALS

The 2nd of the Gwynne Shield Trials is this weekend, 12.30pm, Monday 2nd June 12.30pm (for those who need to weigh in) training begins at 1pm at Swarbrick Park, Frankton, on Rifle Range Road.

The Gwynne Shield Rep Rugby Tournament is fast approaching, The first week of the July Holidays (Sunday 6th July to Sunday 13th July)

The Gwynne Shield Rugby tournament is administered by the Waikato Primary School Committee. Children are selected into teams based on the school that they attend (not the clubs they play for). Waikato Central Junior Rugby administers the four Hamilton teams, Players must play in the team in which their school is associated with.

The teams will be playing up to two games per day during the tournament, we are looking for players who have the **X factor** to come along a trial for this tournament that fit the school/weight requirements below.

The team I will be coaching this year is the **Tigers** and the catchment schools that the players can be pooled from are listed below And the weight requirements to trial and play at tournament.

Schools: Fairfield Int., St Josephs, Farifield, Insoll, Woodstock, Bankwood, Pukete, Hukanui, Te Totara, St Andrews, Vardon, Hamilton Christian, Te Rapa.

Weight: For tournament is Under 57kgs, Must be under 60kg to trial.

Note: players that don't weigh in and trial on the Sunday 25th May or 2nd June are ineligible to play in tournament.

For more information contact Mike Gregan at Kiwi Sport. Ph 8395 675 or email mikeg@mooloo.co.nz

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Growing and Learning Together