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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 25th September, 2014

WEEK 10

**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)

### PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN

This week has been busy with our school production being a big focus for us. This has involved rejigging our school timetable and ensuring that all goes smoothly. We are delighted with the efforts of all to make the production a wonderful event and we certainly have appreciated all the support.

### PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN DVD'S

Both Earth/Matawhero & Ra/Orion Performances will be filmed for separate DVD's. Please order and pay for your DVD's via the School Office by the end of Term 3 @ **\$10.00 each**. Next term, you will be advised through the newsletter when the DVD's will be available to collect.

### YEARBOOK 2014

Our wonderful school Yearbook is currently being put together and order forms will be sent out to all families in week 1 of Term 4. At only \$15.00 per book it is a great record of the years' learning and events and includes over 100 full colour pages. Be sure to get your order in early next term!

### SWIMMING TIMETABLE – TERM 4

We are delighted to start our swimming programme again in Term 4 and below is a link to our swimming timetable and swimming protocols around children using the changing sheds.

<http://www.tetotara.school.nz/39/pages/65-swimming-pool>

### SWIM SCHOOL SURVEY

We are investigating the possibility of running a Swim School here at our Te Totara school pool with lessons being held after school and school holidays.

A survey form will be sent home shortly with your child and we would really appreciate your feedback.

Could all surveys please be returned to the school office Mooloo box before Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2014.

### SCHOOL CAFÉ

Thank you to everyone who completed the school café lunch survey we recently sent home. We are investigating the possibility of opening a school café in 2015, so watch this space for further information.

### WELCOME TO OUR WORLD

Congratulations to Kelly Fletcher on the birth of her handsome son, Rhys, who arrived into the world on Tuesday. Congratulations to her and her husband Paul on the addition to the family.

### FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY TOMORROW

This week's assembly will be held **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 2.00pm in the Matariki Hall.**

**Our Kopu 5 children will be sharing.**

This week Marama, Kōpū, Matawhero and Earth children will attend assembly. Everyone is welcome.

### Spelling **ICAS** certificates for:

High Distinction - top 1%

Distinction - next top 10%

Credit - next top 25%

Merit - next top 10% (note, this is a new award this year)

will be given out at Full School Assembly as follows:

Matawhero and Earth Week 10 Full School Assembly

Participation will be given out at team assemblies.

### ENGLISH **ICAS** certificates for:

High Distinction - top 1%

Distinction - next top 10%

Credit - next top 10%

Merit - next top 10% (note, this is a new award this year)

will be given out at Full School Assembly as follows:

Orion and Ra Week 1 Full School Assembly

Matawhero and Earth Week 2 Full School

Assembly

Participation will be given out at team assemblies.

### FOOD AT SCHOOL

We have children at our school who are highly allergic to dairy products and nuts and exposure to these foods could potentially be life threatening to them. We have procedures in place for 1:1 support for these children to ensure their safety. At present we will continue to carry on with our normal food eating programme, but we have to carefully plan school events/learning area celebrations etc. With this in mind, please don't be offended if any kind offers of food to the school are scrutinised. Please ensure all food containers are clearly named.

### ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONDITIONS

In the event of a medical emergency, if your child has a medical condition, is taking regular medicine/tablets or has an allergy (including sticking plasters etc), please advise the School Office (if you haven't already), so we can amend your records accordingly.

## CRICKET

The cricket teams for Term 4 have already been established and we are very lucky to have the Hamilton Cricket Association come into our school to run a session. This will be on Wednesday Week 1 of Term 4 at lunch time, and is for any children deciding if they would be interested in playing cricket in Term 1, 2015. This is a "have a go" type of session for all ages, so if you are interested listen out for the loud speaker reminding you next term.

## DATES COMING UP

<b>Thurs 25 Sept</b>	Pirates of the Curry Bean School Production Matinee/Evening - <b>Earth &amp; Matawhero</b>
<b>Fri 26 Sept</b>	<b>END OF TERM 3 @ 3.00PM</b>
<b>Mon 13 Oct</b>	<b>TERM 4 BEGINS @ 8.55AM</b>
<b>Mon 20 Oct</b>	Photolife - <b>Full School &amp; Group Photos</b>
<b>Tues 4 Nov</b>	<b>Junior School Athletics Yrs 0-2</b>
<b>Thurs 6 Nov</b>	<b>Postponement Date</b> - <b>Junior Athletics</b>
<b>Fri 7 Nov</b>	<b>School Disco - PTA</b>
<b>Tues 11 Nov</b>	<b>Senior School Athletics Yrs 3-6</b> <b>Postponement Date</b> - <b>Senior Athletics</b>

**Brian Sheedy**  
**Principal**



## TE TOTARA PTA

### Disco 2014

**Theme to be announced first week back at school ☺**

**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014

The disco will be split into two sessions based on year levels. More details regarding session splits and times to come.

#### Organising Committee:

Last chance to sign up to be on the disco committee as we will be meeting next week. Being on the committee involves attending a few meetings to help choose the theme, organise decorations, lights, lollies etc and is heaps of fun. Your children love seeing you get involved and helping out.

#### Helping on the night of Disco:

Are you keen to help out on the night of the disco? This involves selling food/lights/security/taking money at the door/etc. We need at least 15-20 parents for each session. This is heaps of fun as you get to see your kids enjoying themselves and the kids love seeing you helping out and contributing to their school events.

#### Prizes:

We love giving the kids prizes for best dressed, great dancing etc so would love any items/prizes that anyone may be able to donate. Anything accepted. Thanks to **BIG DADDY VEHICLE BROOKERS LTD** who were first to donate some prizes ☺

If you can help out in any way with anything in regards to the disco please email Jolie Hopping – [jolie.hopping@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:jolie.hopping@vodafone.co.nz).

### TERM 4 PTA FUNDRAISER

Coming up in Term 4 we have a new and exciting PTA fundraiser. Your child's piece of art or photo made into a superb Calendars, Greeting Cards, Diaries and Mouse Mats. Perfect Christmas presents for friends and family. Calendars will be \$13 each, Cards \$14, Diaries and Mouse Mats \$18 each. Treasured keepsakes while supporting your school at the same time. Look out for order forms coming out in the first week of Term 4. No late orders will be accepted and cut off date will be 31 October. Your order will be available no later than 21 November and delivered to your child's classroom.

### NEXT PTA MEETING

**TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2014 @ 7.30pm**

Held in the school Staff Lounge. All welcome, we would love to see some new faces.

### PTA EMAIL ADDRESS

[tetotara.pta@gmail.com](mailto:tetotara.pta@gmail.com)

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Te-Totara-Primary-School-PTA/30090011661692>



## 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.

### MEN IN EDUCATION RUGBY GAME

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

See Ryan Jordan (Orion 9) for further information on how to purchase your tickets.



**Waikato  
MIE  
Men in Education**



**Waikato Educators  
vs  
Gisborne Educators**

**Saturday 27 September  
11.30am Kick Off  
Hamilton Old Boys Club**

Then head to Waikato Stadium to watch the  
**Mooloo's vs Manawatu - 2.30pm**  
*Discounted tickets booked from school office.*



**Come along and support your Teacher / Principal**  
*Proudly supported by*



### TENNIS COACHING

'Number 1 Tennis' is offering tennis coaching before and after school at Te Totara Primary School. Tennis lessons will be 45 minutes long and are on Wednesdays and Thursdays and start on October 15th.

Private lessons are available.

There will be a holiday camp for all ages from Monday-Thursday, 6-9th of October from 9am-12noon. For more information contact coach Andrew Sheedy at: [andrewsheedy@hotmail.com](mailto:andrewsheedy@hotmail.com) 027 906 3353 facebook - Number 1 Tennis'

Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
7.30-8.15 am Red group ages 5-7	7.30-8.15am Orange group ages 8-10	Private lessons Available anytime
3.15-4.00pm Orange group ages 8-10	3.15-4.00pm Red group ages 5-7	Private lessons Available anytime
4.00-4.45pm Green group ages 9+	4.00-4.45pm Orange group ages 8-10	Private lessons Available anytime
4.45pm Onwards Private lessons	4.45pm Onwards Private lessons	Private lessons Available anytime

### IMPECCABLE CLEANING



My name is Luz, I am a professional cleaner with years of experience. I want to offer my affordable and reliable service to your homes and businesses. I am hardworking, trustworthy and can provide solid references. My fees start at \$20 per hour. I am based in Flagstaff but can work anywhere in Hamilton. Please contact me on 020 40092675 or (07) 854-0020.

### PRIVATE SALE, EXECUTIVE HOME

Quality built brick and tile 4 year old home in the exclusive Durham Estate sub division in Flagstaff.  
4 bedrooms, office, modern kitchen with scullery, tiled bathrooms, large spacious living areas, heatpumps, fully landscaped, fantastic neighbourhood!  
For further details and to view please phone 027 646 0753

### CREATIVE MINDS ART CLASSES AT TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Creative Minds After School Art Classes will be offered at our school for term 4, starting week 1. Art classes run after school once per week for ages 5-12 years, with creative and knowledgeable art tutors. Registration is required and limited to 10 children. For more information about what the children will learn during this exciting opportunity and to register, please go to the Creative Minds website at: [www.creativeminds.co.nz](http://www.creativeminds.co.nz)

### BUILDING SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE IN OUR CHILDREN

Children's 9 Session Workshops Term 4 (Plus, Two Informative Parent Evenings)

FRIENDS programs help children aged 4 to 15 years cope with feelings of fear, worry, and depression by building resilience and self-esteem and teaching cognitive, behavioural and emotional skills in a simple, well-structured format. Developed in Australia and used in schools throughout the world, FRIENDS is the only evidence based program acknowledged by the World Health Organization for its ten years of comprehensive evaluation and practice. Contact Jenny Bell P:027 2452749, E:[jenny@jennybell.co.nz](mailto:jenny@jennybell.co.nz), W: [www.jennybell.co.nz](http://www.jennybell.co.nz)

### **JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS**

Only a few spaces left for Term 4 if you are interested! Lessons held at Te Totara School on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afterschool for both boys (hip-hop boxing style unisex class) and girls (jazz/aerobic style class). Boys from age 5-11 and girls from age 3-11. Heaps of fun and great for your child's confidence, coordination and fitness. Cost \$75 for the term and includes an informal show at the end of the term held in the school hall. Lessons start week 1. Email Jolie at [jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz) for more info.

### **JITTERFIT ADULTS AEROBICS CLASS**

Last chance to register for Term 4. Guaranteed to increase your fitness and help tone your bums, tums and thighs! Class held at Te Totara Primary School on Monday nights at 7.30pm. Heaps of fun and a great workout. Cost \$75 for the term plus you will need a Swiss ball. Email Jolie [jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz) or phone (021) 117 9633.

### **JITTERFIT SPECIAL HOLIDAY SESSIONS**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct Aerobics sessions and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October Bums, Tums and Thighs (great for strengthening and toning). All sessions from 7.00 – 7.50 held at Te Totara School in the hall. Heaps of fun and chance to exercise with some great ladies J. Cost \$8 per session or all 4 for \$30. Email Jolie [jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz) or phone (021) 117 9633 if you are interested.

### **GORDONTON COUNTRY MARKET**

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month  
Hukanui Park, Gordonton Village  
8:30am-1pm

 [GordontonCountryMarket](https://www.facebook.com/GordontonCountryMarket)  
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### **CAMBRIDGE LIONS MARKET**


- *Trash & Treasure* –

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month  
Main Street, Cambridge  
8:30am-1:00pm

[www.eventfinder.co.nz/2014/cambridge-lions-trash-treasure-market/cambridge](http://www.eventfinder.co.nz/2014/cambridge-lions-trash-treasure-market/cambridge)

### **TAMAHERE COUNTRY MARKET**

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month  
St Stephens Church, 8:30am-1pm

 [TamahereMarket](https://www.facebook.com/TamahereMarket)  
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*\*\*Tamahere Twilight Market\*\**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2014  
4pm-8pm

### **ROTOTUNA MARKET (NEW!!!)**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month  
85 Barrington Drive, Rototuna  
10am-2pm

 [RototunaMarket](https://www.facebook.com/RototunaMarket)  
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### **LIFE EDUCATION TRUST, THE COLOUR RUN 2015**

The Colour Run will be in Auckland, Christchurch and Wellington and registrations are open now at [thecolourrun.com](http://thecolourrun.com)

### **TALENT COMPETITION**

Would you, or some of your mates, like the opportunity to perform on stage at Christmas at the Park this year? We are now accepting entries for our Talent Competition "The X-Mas Factor"! Please email [xmasatthepark@gmail.com](mailto:xmasatthepark@gmail.com) for all of the details and audition rules to or check out the line on our facebook page [www.facebook.com/christmasattheparkflagstaff](https://www.facebook.com/christmasattheparkflagstaff).

We welcome dancers, singers, bands, instrumentalists!

### **HOLIDAY FUN**

Stories and More are proud to bring you their brand new play for children,  
The Dragon who lost her Fire.

To be performed at The Meteor theatre in the 2nd week of the school holidays.

Shows are on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm, and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am and again at 7pm each day.

Tickets cost \$5 at the door from half an hour before the show starts or, \$8 if you book on line opening soon at iTICKET. Children under 5 years are free.