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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST, 2015

Week 5

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)

STAFFING UPDATE

Recently our appointments panel met to consider applications for key roles in the school. The school was fortunate to be able to have outstanding fields of applicants for the positions we had advertised. As a result we are delighted to announce the following:

Congratulations to **Jennie Brook-Watt**, who has been appointed as **Assistant Principal**. Jennie comes with a wealth of successful experience in Teaching and Learning and will be a great support with the future direction of the School.

We also congratulate **Jo Stewart** and **Angela Zillwood** as **permanent Team Leaders** in the School. Both currently are in the school and will continue to enhance the positive direction the school is heading in.

We also welcome in 2016 as a **Team Leader** **Krissy Tantrum**, from Cockle Bay School in Auckland. Krissy brings seven years successful experience as a Team Leader and has a real strength in catering for diversity, which will help our school going forward. Her biography can be found here...

http://www.tetotara.school.nz/5/profile_areas/1-staff/categories/17-2016-staff

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY DENTAL CLINIC MOBILE CARAVAN AT TE TOTARA

The mobile dental assessment van will be at our school from Tuesday 25 August, 2015 – Friday 25th September, 2015.

Students who are enrolled with the Dental Clinic will be examined in the mobile clinic at school. Treatment (*if required*) will be carried out at the Fairfield Community Dental Clinic by appointment. Any queries, please contact the Fairfield Community Dental Clinic on (07) 853-8145.

DAFFODIL DAY

FRIDAY 28TH

AUGUST, 2015



Te Totara School will be raising money for this worthy cause by having a **muffi day where students can dress up in yellow/gold clothing for gold coin donation**. Please hand in all donations to the office.

A parade of the students dressed in their yellow/gold clothing will be held on **Friday at 1:30pm** for the whole school (*weather permitting*).

In addition to this event fabric daffodil flowers will be available from the School Office for a gold coin donation from Monday 22nd August. Thank you for your support.

ICAS EXAMS

We have completed all the ICAS exams for 2015. Well done everyone who took part. Students were given the opportunity to collect the question booklets of the exams they took today. Anyone who may not have collected them, please see Mrs. Brook-Watt.

As the certificates arrive at school we will give them out in the following way:

Participation Awards will be given out at Team Assemblies

Credit, Merit, Distinction and High Distinction will be given out at School Assemblies where possible.

If you have any questions please feel free to see me. *Jennie Brook-Watt*

OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR THE 2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Our Board of Trustees will look at the number of enrolments, the level of predicted student growth and determine how many spaces (*if any*) for the 2016 School Year. This will be completed in September/October, allowing for lots of time for families to know what is happening.

To help determine this, we need to have out-of-zone Enrolment Applications in to the School Office to help with this process. Standard Enrolment Forms for completion are available online from our school website www.tetotara.school.nz or by visiting the School Office.

Further information regarding this process will follow and communicated via the newsletter.

LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSIONS

(ALL CLASSROOMS EXCEPT ROOMS 1 & 8)

Learning Plan discussions will take place on **Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th August, 2015**. To make an appointment time for your child/ren, please use our online booking system

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz – our

school code is **U995Y**. You can also access this site via our school website www.tetotara.school.nz

If you are unable to access the internet, please phone the school **(07) 853-0039 ext. 858** and leave a message with the time slot that you would prefer and Marise will collate these.

We will endeavour to give you the time as close as we can to your preference. If we are unable to assist we will go by first in first served.

Please **do not** make arrangements direct with classroom teachers.

There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress on:

Wednesday 26th August, 2015

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm, 5.00pm & 5.15pm

Thursday 27th August, 2015

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm (**break between 5.00pm-5.30pm**), 5.30pm, 5.45pm, 6.00pm, 6.15pm & 6.30pm.

Please note: School will finish at 2.00pm on both days for all students (including Rooms 1 & 8). Students will need to be collected at 2.00pm please.

We have arranged **15 minute time slots** for the discussion, there will be changeover bell so that everyone is aware of timings.

To ensure the smooth running of our Learning Plan Discussions, we would be grateful if all our parents/caregivers kept to the timetable.

If you have more than one child, you might like to have a break between each interview.

HOW DO I BOOK A TIME?

Please book a time through the online website www.schoolinterviews.co.nz - our school

code is **U995Y** If you have more than one child attending school; please use the **"Add Student"** key for additional children to be displayed at the same time.

An electronic confirmation note will automatically be sent via e-mail upon completion of your booking, don't forget to include your e-mail address.

BOOKINGS CLOSE TOMORROW, FRIDAY 21ST JULY @ 3.00PM. We will not be able to accept bookings after this date/time.

As the whole school will finishes at 2.00pm on Wednesday 26th August & Thursday 27th August; After School Care will begin at 2.00pm, for those children enrolled.

SCHOOL DONATION

Thank you for the fantastic support we are receiving for the school voluntary donation, it is appreciated and the funding will be used for resources for the children.

Please note: The total Voluntary Donation for the whole family will show as a combined amount on the records for the eldest child at our school. If you have any queries regarding this, please contact our Executive Officer, Wendy, at school on extension 854.

If you wish to pay your voluntary School Donation, we are happy to accept payment by cash, internet banking, cheque or EFT-POS at the School Office.

The Board of Trustees has set payment at:

\$100.00 for the first family member
\$50.00 for each subsequent child

Please check with the School Office as the voluntary School Donation is adjusted depending on which term your child/ren started school.

Internet banking details are:

Account Name: Te Totara Primary School
Bank: ASB Bank Chartwell
Account Number: 12-3171-0270973-00

Please place your child's name, (or surname only if making payment for more than one child) and what the payment is for e.g. "School Donation" in the reference boxes).

A GST receipt can be provided on request. A % of your donation may be claimed as a tax rebate using a "Rebate Claim Form" – please refer to Inland Revenue for further details.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held **Friday 21st August, 2015 at 2.00pm in the Matariki Hall.**
Our Earth 38 children will be sharing.

This week Orion, Kōpū, Earth and Marama children will attend assembly.

Everyone is welcome.

MID-TERM BREAK MONDAY 31ST AUGUST, 2015

A reminder school will be **CLOSED** for this mid-term break.

RIPPA RUGBY

Last Friday night 9 of our Year 3&4 students had the opportunity to play Rippa Rugby at the halftime break of Waikato's ITM cup game. They had a great battle against Frankton School. It was a great opportunity to experience playing in front of a crowd. Well done to these players who represented the school with pride.



ITM CUP STICKERS

If you are attending a Waikato ITM Cup game, please collect the little stickers that are being handed out at the games. These little stickers can go on our sticker board which is in the School Office foyer. This will put us in the running to go in to win a working bee for the school. Discounted tickets to the game are available if you use the following promocode.

PROMOCODE: WAIKATOSCHOOLS



TE TOTARA JUMP JAM TEAM FUNDRAISING EVENTS



CUPCAKE DAY

Cupcake Day will be on Daffodil Day, **Friday 28th**

August. Cupcakes will be \$2 each. Available at morning tea time from Ra pod. *Special thanks to Girl on a Swing for providing all the cupcakes.*

YEAR 4 NETBALL TOURNAMENT SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2015 FROM 9AM-2.30PM

To be held at Te Totara Primary School. Come down and support our school's Year 4 netball team in a tournament for some of our local Hamilton schools. Witness some great "Silver Ferns in the making" and see what top sportsmanship looks like. Bring your wallets as well because our school's Jump Jam Team will be selling baking, lollies, drinks, tea/coffee, chocolate bars, etc and running a sausage sizzle to help them raise funds to attend the National Jump Jam Competition in Christchurch (*the only Hamilton team to be chosen to compete at the Nationals!*). See you there!"

TE TOTARA SPORTS

PLAYER OF THE DAY

HOCKEY

Leopards	Hayley MacIntyre, Joshua Callan
All Stars	Ben McMorrان, Jasmine Fitzwalter
Lightning	Olivia Cullen
Strikers	Kaidin Strong
Cheetahs	Brooke Laws
Tigers	Mazoe Skinner
Stormers	Francesca Cullen
Thunder	Ella Leeson

PLAYER OF THE DAY

NETBALL

Comets	Ashley Cloke
Rebels	Sama Yaghi
Stars	Mya Chee
Ferns	TBA
Magics	Ella Schaab

DATES COMING UP

Tues 25 Aug	Yr 5/6 Trip to Fairfield Intermediate Production
Tues 25 Aug	Fairfield Dental Mobile Caravan, here until 25/9/15
Wed 26 Aug	Learning Plan Discussions - School Finishes at 2.00pm
Thur 27 Aug	Learning Plan Discussions - School Finishes at 2.00pm
Fri 28 Aug	Cancer Society Daffodil Day
Fri 28 Aug	Jump Jam Team Cupcake Day Fundraiser
Mon 31 Aug	Mid Term Break - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 1 Sep	Fairfield Cluster Cross Country
Wed 2 Sep	Kōpū, Hamilton Zoo Trip
Wed 2 Sep	PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm
Wed 9 Sep	Neptune 27 & 25, Kiwi House trip
Thur 10 Sep	Neptune 28 & 26, Kiwi House trip

2015 PASIFIKA LANGUAGE WEEKS

30 Aug – 5 Sep	Tonga Language Week
27 Sept-3 Oct	Tuvalu Language Week
5 – 11 Oct	Fiji Language Week
12 – 18 Oct	Niue Language Week
25 – 31 Oct	Tokelau Language Week

Kind regards,

Brian Sheedy
Principal

PARTY IDEAS

DRINKS



Did you know there can be at least 10tsp of sugar in a can of fizzy drink and 4tsp in small glass of cordial?

Instead try flavouring water with fruit like oranges, lemons, limes



Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

TE TOTARA PTA

NEXT PTA MEETING

Wednesday 2nd September, 2015
7.30pm in the Staff Lounge
Everyone is welcome

Due to the generous support from our community at events such as our Gala, Disco, and buying Entertainment Books... The PTA are super excited to announce that we are donating **\$5000** to the Te Totara Primary School Board of Trustees, to put towards rugby & soccer posts on the school field. This was one of the items on the Student Councillor's wish list that they presented to us at the last PTA meeting. The Student Councillor Representatives did a great presentation and should be proud of their efforts. We're sure there will be lots of happy kids out there looking forward to seeing the posts and getting out and getting active!



Are you a parent or caregiver of a Te Totara student? Then you're invited to an evening of fun and friendship with fellow parents & the members of Te Totara PTA.

This is a great opportunity for you to come along and meet new friendly faces, socialise together and have a great time!

THURS 27 AUG	Year 1	Orion & Matawhero
THURS 3 SEPT	Year 2	Neptune & Kopu
THURS 10 SEPT	Years 3 & 4	Ra & Earth
TUES 15 SEPT	Years 5 & 6	Milkyway & Marama

To be held at Good Neighbour, 7.30pm.
Come along, we'd love you to join us!

PTA EMAIL AND FACEBOOK ADDRESSES:

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.

NUMBERWORKS'NWORDS

Help your child reach their potential with NumberWorks'nWords. Developed in New Zealand we now have 30 years of experience providing specialist Maths and English tuition for students from New Entrants to Year 11. By tailoring lessons for each student, setting and monitoring goals, using specialist tutors, and making it fun, they quickly grow in confidence and achieve amazing results. Phone 07 8538323 to book a free lesson at the new centre in Rototuna or visit www.numberworkswords.co.nz for more information.

TE TOTARA YEAR 6 STUDENTS ORIENTATION DAY AT FAIRFIELD INTERMEDIATE

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to Fairfield Intermediate School. On **Wednesday 17 September** your Year 6 child is invited to attend an Orientation Day at Fairfield Intermediate School from 9.00am to 12.30pm at our school. They will be involved in a number of activities with our students and we extend a special invitation to you to accompany your child on this Orientation Day. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in a number of technology and specialist classes.

Please note that morning tea will be provided so students, unless they have special dietary requirements, will not need to bring their bags.

Can you please RSVP on Ph: 855-9718 by Friday 11 September if you and your child will be attending the Orientation Day.

If you haven't already done so, it would be greatly appreciated if you could complete the enrolment forms as soon as possible and, as per the information in the enrolment pack, deliver the enrolment form to Fairfield Intermediate School, or post them to Fairfield Intermediate School, PO Box 12 026, Chartwell, Hamilton, or return them to your child's present school. Enrolments close on Friday 23 October, 2015.

Once we have received your child's enrolment forms you will be sent an acceptance letter. You are also invited to make an appointment if you wish to discuss your child's educational needs at our school. This appointment needs to be completed by 23 October, 2015.

We look forward to working with you and your family. Thank you very much for your support.

Yours sincerely

Barry Roberts, Principal

SCALLYWAGS AND MUNCHKINS MARKET

The next Scallywags and Munchkins Market will be held on Saturday 29 August 1:30-4:00, at Chartwell Cooperating Church on Comries Road in Chartwell. The market is for new and preloved items for maternity, babies and kids. There will be more than 25 stalls selling a variety of goods and products, including a fundraising bake stall, toy sale a sausage sizzle.

www.facebook.com/ScallywagsAndMunchkinsMarket

HAMILTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
www.hcswaikato.school.nz

All Welcome

Open Days
Year 7 to 13
21 August 2015
16 October 2015
27 November 2015
9:30am to 5pm

4 North City Road
Rototuna North, Hamilton
854 0010

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\$500 cash to participating schools.

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St Paul's COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

OPEN DAY
SATURDAY
5 SEPTEMBER @ 2PM

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Widely recognized as one of the highest performing schools in New Zealand, with an enviable record of academic, sporting and cultural achievements, St Paul's Collegiate School boasts a long-established tradition of excellence.

JOIN US AT OUR OPEN DAY on Saturday, 5 September at 2pm. We'd love to see you.

www.stpauls.school.nz