

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)

LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSIONS – BOOKINGS ARE OPEN NOW! (ALL CLASSROOMS, EXCEPT MATAWHERO 1)

Learning Plan discussions will take place on **Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th August, 2016**. To make an appointment time for your child/ren, please use our online booking system www.schoolinterviews.co.nz – our school code is **jpvs6**. 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 24th August, 2016

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 & 5.30pm

Thursday 25th August, 2016

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. Students will need to be collected at 2.00pm please.

We have arranged **15 minute time slots** for the discussion, there will be a 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.

WHO SHOULD COME?

We encourage the student, and family members who have an interest in learning, to come along and discuss this with the teacher.

WHAT WILL THE FORMAT BE?

The discussion is a general one about how the learner is progressing, areas of strength and also discussing next steps in learning and how this will happen.

HOW DO I BOOK A TIME?

Please book a time through the online website www.schoolinterviews.co.nz - our school code is **jpvs6**. 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.

NOTE: Bookings open on Monday 8th August @ 9.00am

Bookings close on Friday 19th August @ 3.00pm. We will not be able to accept bookings after this date/time.

As the whole school will finish at 2.00pm on Wednesday 24th August & Thursday 25th August; After School Care will begin at 2.00pm, for those children enrolled.

MID-TERM BREAK - MONDAY 29TH AUGUST, 2016

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



TE TOTARA SCHOOL MID-TERM BREAK MONDAY 29TH AUGUST, 2016

Not sure what to do with the kids? Kelly Sports will keep them entertained at Te Totara Primary School with a mixture of games, sport, art and craft all while having lots of fun. See Community Notices Section of this newsletter for further information and to BOOK ONLINE

**go to: www.kellysports.co.nz
Email: waikato@kellysports.co.nz
Phone: 07 839-9017**

PAID UNION MEETING FOR TEACHERS - MONDAY 12 SEPTEMBER, SCHOOL REMAINS OPEN

You may have seen recently that the Primary Teachers Union (NZEI) and the Secondary Teachers union (PPTA) have called a meeting to discuss matters related to possible future funding mechanisms for schools. Teachers at this school who are part of the NZEI are legally entitled to attend the meeting which is on Monday 12th September 9.00am-11.00am at the Claudelands Event Centre.

During this time the school will remain open and will be staffed by staff who are not required to attend. Over the next month we will be working through the organisation involved and keep everyone updated on this.

CHESS

Last weekend our school entered two teams in the Waikato Primary Schools Chess Competition, both of these teams performed really well. Our "A" Team won four and drew one of their games with Hukanui School, who won the competition on a countback.

We are fortunate to have William Lynne, former NZ Chess Champion, coach the children; we have around 30 students attend the coaching sessions each Wednesday during this term. Here is a photo of our A team in action.



YUMMY STICKERS

Let's work together to help support our Te Totara students by collecting Yummy stickers.

The 'cut out' labels from the 2kg bags of 'Yummy' apples or individual 'Yummy' apple stickers can be cashed in to go towards winning free DG Sport sports gear for our school.

You can download a sticker chart from <http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo> and once it is all filled up, students can hand them in to their teachers. It's time to get crunching! Time is running out.

Many thanks, Miss Komal Kumar - Room 25.

BOOK WEEK

Our '**Spies and Detectives**' Book Week kicks off next week with visits from illustrator Daron Parton (Yr 3-6) and poet Judi Billcliff (Yr 0-2). **On Friday 19th August we are having our Book Character Day, where students can dress up as their favourite character from a book.** Watch our Facebook page each day for special, top secret spy videos!

BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will arrive on Friday 19th August and run until Thursday 25th August. All students will get a chance to look at the books with their classes on Friday 19th, Monday 22nd or Tuesday 23rd August. There will be an EFT-POS machine available for purchases, and credit cards are accepted. 35% of the total sales go back into the school library.

Opening hours:

Friday 19th August	3.00pm-4.00pm
Monday 22nd August	3.00pm-4.00pm
Tuesday 23rd August	3.00pm-4.00pm
Wednesday 24th August	2.00pm-5.30pm
Thursday 25th August	2.00pm-6.15pm

SCHOOL PRODUCTION COSTUMES AND PROPS

The school production is in week 9 and we are on the lookout for people who are able to make/sew costumes for some of our main characters and dancers and/or help to make props.

If you can help please contact Jemma Campbell jemmac@tetotara.school.nz

or Kristy Hanks kristyh@tetotara.school.nz.

SWIM SCHOOL TERM 4, 2016 AFTER SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS – LIMITED SPACES!

New Zealand has one of the highest drowning rates in the developed world and unfortunately 2016 has seen many drownings in New Zealand already.

We are looking at running a 7-week block course of Swimming Lessons in Term 4, 2016. Lessons will be 25 minutes one day per week, either a Tuesday or Wednesday, and there will be small class numbers of children which is a great way to boost your child's confidence in the water.

Fees for this 7-week course are **\$105.00 per child**. These lessons will be held from 3.30pm-6.00pm. Approximate start date would be week 2, Term 4. Parents are reminded please to stay on site for your child's Swim School lesson as per our Swim School Terms and Conditions. A copy of our Terms and Conditions is available on our school website or from our School Office.

Please e-mail Celeste if you would be interested in making a booking with your child's name and swimming level at celestem@tetotara.school.nz

SCHOOL START AND FINISH TIMES

Just a reminder to everyone that school starts promptly at **8.55am** when the roll is taken.

We finish school each day at **3.0pm** with the only exception being Fridays after assembly. All other days' teachers have been asked not to release their students until the 3.00pm bell goes. This allows for the satisfactory conclusion of the afternoon teaching programme, student tidy up routines and for staff to manage the school exit areas.

If a student needs to be picked-up before 3.00pm for any unusual events such as an urgent appointment then parents are asked to sign out their child/ren prior to going to the classroom. This is done through the Vistab tablet in the School Office and includes the reason for an early pick-up.

The conclusion of assembly on Fridays will be the only time when students will be released early to parents who have attended assembly.

Thank you for your assistance in ensuring we maximise learning programmes for your child.

LATE ARRIVALS TO SCHOOL

Have you ever arrived at a meeting late, everyone is settled in their chair, the presenter has welcomed them and is now outlining what the day has in store..... and as you walk in they all turn and look at you?

That is what it can be like for your child when they arrive late at school and their class is all settled. So please, we ask parents to ensure their children arrive at school with at least five minutes to spare, for them to organise themselves by hanging up their school bag and sorting their book bag independently.

ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOL

We would like to remind everyone regarding the safety of our children around our school roads.

Please use our School Patrol crossing on Moonlight Drive and the traffic lights on Borman Road for safe crossing for your children. Please **do not** encourage your children to run across the road at any time to meet you waiting in the car, this could cause serious road accidents with the amount of traffic around.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held Friday 12th August 2016, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

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

This week our Marama 15 children will be sharing.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD to celestem@tetotara.school.nz

BASKETBALL

Breakers Manaiia Grace-Fry
Turtles Benjamin Jessep

HOCKEY

Thunders Tejveer Singh-Randhawa
Tigers Keira Lucas, Hannah Tod
Lightning Kyla Torr-Williams
Strikers Camryn Harker
All Stars Dylan Baillie
Leopards Gaurav Darshan

NETBALL

Magic	Mya Chee
Ferns	Jessica Laws
Invaders	Emma Kiely & Emily Cobby
Defenders	Alex Frater
Shooters	Elly Mills

Well done to all the Te Totara Girls who trialled for the Hamilton City Year 6 academy development squad. Congratulations to Jessica Laws, Danica Cooke and Teia Benefield.

DATES COMING UP

Fri 12 Aug	Routine N/E Hearing & Vision Testing
Mon 15 Aug	Book Week at School – 15 th to 19 th August
Tues 16 Aug	ICAS, Mathematics
Fri 19 Aug	Dress up as your favourite Book Character Day
Wed 24 Aug	Learning Plan Discussions – School Finishes at 2.00pm
Thurs 25 Aug	Learning Plan Discussions – School Finishes at 2.00pm
Fri 26 Aug	Cancer Society Daffodil Day
Mon 29 Aug	Mid Term Break
Tues 20 Sep	Earth & Marama 1.00pm School Production
Tues 20 Sep	Ra & Milky Way 7.00pm School Production
Wed 21 Sep	Ra & Milky Way 1.00pm School Production
Wed 21 Sep	Earth & Marama 7.00pm School Production

Kind regards,

Brian Sheedy

Principal



TE TOTARA PTA

Want to know more about the PTA but scared of commitment? Some myths we'd like to dispel:

- The PTA is not a cult-like secret organisation – we're just parents of Te Totara children who believe that we can help the community and add extra benefit to the school.
- You won't be roped in to a contract – people come and go all the time, and we do appreciate every single bit of help.
- If there are some projects coming up that you could spare some time for, that would be fantastic – but we are not looking to fill up your schedule.
- It's a great forum to help make decisions about the school fundraising and activities.
- We are human, friendly, like to socialise and all love a good laugh.
- Come along – there is honestly no pressure!

Please make sure you 'like' our PTA Facebook page, to be kept up-to-date with all the upcoming events we'll be running: www.facebook.com/TTPTA

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Te Totara Primary School PTA Account: ASB 12 3171 0277833-00

Please ensure your name is used as a reference.

EMAIL: tetotara.pta@gmail.com

Thanks for reading, keep warm and dry :)

- Your friendly PTA team: Scott, Anna, Nalina, Jasmine & Vicki

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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Facebook
Kelly Sports Waikato

TE TOTARA SCHOOL MID TERM BREAK PROGRAMME 29 August 2016

Book Online at www.kellysports.co.nz

Activities	Art & Craft	
<p><u>Kelly Sports Favourites</u></p> <p>Monsters, Dodgeball, Capture the Flag, Rapid Fire, Force Back and much more</p> <p><u>Kids Choice</u></p> <p><u>Ball Blitz Monday</u></p> <p>Give a whole lot of ball sports a go.</p> <p>Dodgeball, Basketball, Football and More</p>	<p></p> <p>Paper Plate Art</p> <p></p> <p>Pet Rock Painting</p>	<p>Monday 29th of August 2016</p> <p>8.00am to 5.30pm</p> <p>Cost \$40.00</p> <p>We will require a minimum of 20 children to be enrolled for the programme to run.</p> <p>Bookings must be received by Wednesday 17th August 2016.</p>

General Information....

What Do You Need to Bring: A change of clothes, sports shoes, a jacket or sweatshirt and food.

Food: Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12.30pm to 1.00pm.

Programme Activities: Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

Payment Details: Payment is required prior to your child attending the programme. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking form is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice. Kelly Sports Waikato 2014 Ltd Account number 06-0541-0291189-00.

Absence: Enrolling in a Kelly Sports Programme secures a booking for the day at the time of booking. Irrespective of attendance payment is still required and is expected by the date due on the invoice. Parents/guardians and students are responsible for session attendance. Please inform us if your child will be absent of the day – this is in the interests of your child's safety.

Please Note: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Sports accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst on the programme.

If your children are collected after 5.30pm you will be charged \$15 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

For more information please contact Kim by email waikato@kellysports.co.nz or phone 839 9017 or 022 053 2425.

Office: Suite 11, First Floor, Seddon Park Cricket Building, 50 Seddon Road, Hamilton.

HOUSE TO RENT

www.quinovic.co.nz Rototuna Hector Drive Property ID: HM110976 Rental Per Week \$550. Phone 839-0400.

ST PAUL'S COLLEGIATE OPEN DAY

St Paul's Collegiate School is a Hamilton-based private secondary school that offers day and boarding to boys (Year 9-13) and girls (Year 11-13). St Paul's is one of New Zealand's highest performing schools that has a long-established tradition of excellence with an enviable record of academic, sporting and cultural achievements. .

To learn more come along to the **St Paul's Open Day on Saturday 3 September at 2pm** (77 Hukanui Road, Hamilton) or the **Tihoi Venture School Open Day on Sunday 11 September** (287 Tihoi Mill Rd, RD1, Tihoi). To find out more about the open days or to register your attendance visit: www.stpauls.school.nz/events

ST PAUL'S GALA

St Paul's is also holding a Fundraising Gala that has been organised by students. We would be delighted if you could join us. **Friday 9 September 2016, 3.30pm-7pm. Free entry and free parking.**

HAMILTON BMX CLUB

We look forward to seeing new families & riders at our:

Open day 21st August from 1pm to 3pm

Club nights starting 24th August from 5.15pm (every Wednesday)

Minogue Park, Moore Street Hamilton

For more information contact (07) 843 8373. www.hamiltonbmx.co.nz

FAIRFIELD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

Tuesday 16th August 2016, Information Evening 7.00pm

Wednesday 17th August 2016, Open Day 9.00am-2.30pm

Wednesday 31st August 2016, Open Day 9.00am-2.30pm


Some 2017 enrolment prospectus folders are available in Te Totara School Office if you would like one.

A NEW LIFE
for your used household items!

Support refugee families being resettled in Hamilton in August 2016 by helping to turn their houses into homes!

- . Kitchenware
- . Vacuum Cleaners
- . Kettle, toaster, blender
- . Lawnmowers
- . Pots and pans
- . Bicycles
- . Cutlery
- . Clock
- . Duvet inners
- . Blankets
- . Coffee tables

We can collect! - Contact us:
Bronwen, 027-2930552

 **NEW ZEALAND RED CROSS**
RIPEKA WHERO AOTEAROA

 **HAMILTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**
www.hcswaikato.school.nz

Open Day

Friday 12 August, 9:30am to 10:45am

9:30am - Welcome and Principal's Address
9:40am - Head Students Address
10:00am - School Tour

A fantastic opportunity to visit our school, meet the Principal and some of our students.

If you would like to attend this event, please contact the school on admin@hcswaikato.school.nz or 854 0010 to register your attendance.

Applications open.

