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EDUCATION REVIEW OFFICE (ERO) VISIT

Parent Meeting - Tuesday 14th November, 2017 at 2.00pm

Last week we met with the [ERO](#) Co-ordinator of the review, Jennifer Costar, to set up the review schedule. The focus of the Review will be "How effectively does Te Totara School Curriculum respond to Maori and other children whose learning and achievement need acceleration."

As part of their review the ERO team would like to meet with parents. They are particularly interested meeting with parents of children who have Learning needs (Priority Students) or children who have ongoing needs. The meeting starts at 2.00pm and is due to be finished by the end of school.

If you would like more information, or clarification about this, then please don't hesitate to contact me brians@tetotara.school.nz

PLANNING FOR 2018

We are beginning to plan for 2018 and are looking at next year's classes for our students. The process for organising classes includes:

- Looking at the school structure, the staff and how we can best cater for our students
- Teachers reflecting on their students' strengths and needs
- We consider students' needs and ask them for five names of their friends
- Parents have an opportunity to contribute by e-mailing Anne Fraser any factors to consider

Due to possible staff changes, it is best to consider the type of teaching style, curriculum needs or learning environment that you may be thinking of for your child, rather than asking for a specific teacher. If you would like to do this, please e-mail Anne Fraser, Deputy Principal, by **Friday 3rd November, 2017** at annef@tetotara.school.nz

MAJOR BUILDING PROJECTS UPDATE-COURT COVER

As you may be aware our big project is the building of a court cover to allow for use all year round. This will allow for so many different activities for our children.

As the school is now 10 years old, it qualifies for funding from the Ministry of Education to ensure our school is a safe place and is fit for purpose. This involves the formulating of a five-year-plan, which we have been working on over the last six months. We have now completed this plan and it is now with the Ministry of Education, awaiting ratification.

As part of the plan we have included the building of the court cover, which is a significant expense. We are hopeful that that if funding is approved we can tender this out and get going on the work, but will have to wait and see what tender prices are like.

Our wonderful PTA have raised \$80,000 to support the project and we are all very, very appreciative of the work and support of the PTA and community. Our BOT have also allocated \$50,000 out of the capital works budget for the project. It is neat to see our BOT and PTA working together to help our children.

As soon as there are any updates we will be sure to let everyone know. If you have any queries then please don't hesitate to contact me: brians@tetotara.school.nz

BEST WISHES TO OUR JUMP JAM TEAMS

Best wishes to our 2 Jump Jam Teams who will perform in Auckland on Saturday 28th October 2017 at the Jump Jam National Competition. Our teams have been practising very hard since early this year and whatever the outcome the children will have an amazing experience. Thanks so much to Tinttech for their financial contribution/sponsorship of our teams.

Go Te Totara Tradies and our Superms!

"HAVE A GO" ATHLETICS DAY FOR YRS 0-2 ONLY

TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 2017

Matawhero, Kōpū and Satellite Teams, Start at 9:10am finishing at 12:00pm

Neptune and Orion Teams, Start at 12:10pm finishing at 2:45pm

With our Year 0-2 year students we are developing and sharing their skills through a fun activity based event called the "Have a Go" Day. They will be rotated around the following activities:

High jump, long jump, sprints, quoits, long jump, egg and spoon, high jump, hurdles, cricket ball throw, parachute game.

- Children may arrive at school in their house colours; they can remain in their house colour clothes for the whole day.
- Check with your classroom teacher if you are unsure which house your child belongs in.
- Sports shoes are optional; children may wish to compete in bare feet.
- Te Totara bucket sunhats are compulsory.
- Plenty of lunch and water are important.

The "Have a Go" Postponement date is Thursday 2nd November, 2017. If "Have a Go" Day is postponed, it will be notified on our Facebook page at 7.30am or via our school website at 8.00am.

YEARS 3-6 ATHLETICS DAY ** PARENT HELP NEEDED **

TUESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER, 2017

We will need Parent Help on the day to help the events run smoothly. Please email Megan, megan@tetotara.school.nz by the 2nd November advising which of the times listed below you are available to help with. **Session 1:** 9.00am - 10:30am. **Session 2:** 11.00am - 12:30pm.

Session 3: 1:25pm - 2:30pm. The postponement day is Thursday 9th November.

If you are able to offer Parent Help, can you please also indicate whether or not you are able to make it on the postponement day.

Note to parents: Children are encouraged to wear their school house colours on Athletics Day.

YEARS 3-6 ATHLETICS TIMETABLE 2017

Time	Long Jump Boys	Long Jump Girls	50m Sprint	Tennis Ball Throw Boys	Tennis Ball Throw Girls	100m Sprint 80m sprint (Yr 3)
	Behind Milky Way	Field	By hill	Field	Field	Far side of field
9:00am	All children gather on Turf for welcome in their house colours.					
9:10am – 10:00am	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5
10.00-10:25am & 11:10-11:35am	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4
11:40am-12:30 pm	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3
12:30pm	800m race for those who are keen. No heats. Straight finals. Year 4-6.					
LUNCH						
1:35pm – 2:25pm	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6
2:30pm – 2:55pm	House Relays if time permits					

TE TOTARA SCHOOL HOUSES

- Te Totara School has four houses, all named in line with our STARS theme and space expeditions:
- "Apollo, Challenger, Discovery and Mercury"
- Children are placed in houses when they arrive at school. New Entrants with family members already at school will be placed in the same house.
- We are able to use the houses for different school events and happenings e.g. Athletic Sports.
- Houses provide our children with leadership responsibilities and provide good natured competition.
- There are colours for each house (see below). The classroom teacher will advise your child which house they belong to.
- There are Lead Teachers looking after each house
- Students will be meeting in house groups beforehand

HOUSE COLOURS

Apollo	Yellow
Challenger	Blue
Discovery	Green
Mercury	Red

2017 YEARBOOK - ORDER YOUR COPY NOW THROUGH KINDO

Our wonderful school Yearbook is currently being put together, it's a great record of the years' learning and events and includes over 100 full colour pages. Children love reading the pages and do so for many years. Orders Close thorough KINDO on **Friday 17th November, 2017**. **Sorry, no late orders will be accepted.**



Please note: If you have Grandparents who wish to order their own copy of the Yearbook, this must be ordered through Kindo and combined with the family order.

AVAILABLE TO PAY NOW THROUGH KINDO...

Aquatics / Mathletics / School Donation / Lost Library Books

2017 Yearbook

2018 Year 5&6 School Camp (coming soon)

Fairfield Cluster Athletics Registration Yrs 4-6

(Selected Pupils only, register from Tuesday 7th November)

- Some items on KINDO are listed as "**Selected Pupils only**" as it may apply to specific year levels or a specific group of children. **THIS MEANS ONLY THOSE STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN GIVEN A LETTER FROM THE SCHOOL ARE ASKED TO REGISTER. OTHERWISE, THIS WILL NOT APPLY TO YOUR CHILD.**
- **You will be sent a confirmation email from Kindo when you have successfully completed each transaction. Otherwise, it is likely that your order is still sitting in your shopping cart.... the final part of the registration process is to "Place an Order" (even if there are no fees involved e.g. Cluster Athletics).**

Register for Kindo using our App or via our School Website www.tetotara.school.nz then select the "Fees & Donations" tab.

Questions? If you need help, please pop in and see us at the School Office OR give us a call on (07)

853-0039 OR call the **Kindo Helpdesk on 0508 454636 (toll free)**

If access is denied, it is most likely that our school does not have your current email address recorded on your child's file. Please do not hesitate to contact the School Office on (07) 853-0039 to amend.



YEAR 6 LEAVERS – DESTINATION SCHOOL

Many of our Year 6 families have already enrolled at an Intermediate or High School for 2018 and have received confirmation of acceptance.

If you not already advised us, or if you have changed your mind on schooling for 2018.... please call the School Office on Ph: 853-0039 to advise of your child's Y7 school for 2018. As you can imagine, these schools have a huge amount of applications to process and are keen to receive applications in advance.

If you haven't made a decision as yet, please also let the School Office know.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SUPPER EVENING

TUESDAY 5th DECEMBER 2017 - FROM 6.30pm-8.00pm IN THE MATARIKI HALL

This will be a night to remember..... our Year 6's are leaving us.

Please bring a plate of finger food to share for supper and BYO drink. Unfortunately, due to limited space, no siblings please.

We are really looking forward to this special evening. Invitations will go home today with your child.

FIRST CREDIT UNION SPRING NEWSLETTER

Check out First Credit Union's Spring newsletter under our newsletters tab on our school website.

Complete the Wordfind and you could win \$50 for your savings!

YUMMY STICKERS

A huge thank you to all those students who have been busy collecting Yummy Stickers this year. Your hard work has paid off and Te Totara Primary School has won **\$632.00** to spend on sports gear for our students. Congratulations on the great effort!

PHOTOLIFE CLASS, SIBLING & INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Sibling, Individual and Class photos that were ordered by families last term are coming home today. Shortly, we will receive shoot keys for families to be able to order the Cultural and Sports Photos that were taken on 18th October, 2017.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by **9.15am, Friday 27th October, 2017** to the School Office.

Sorry **NO** late orders will be accepted. **REMEMBER.... When completing the order form please fill in all the details i.e. name, room number, item number and title of the book.**

A quick easy way to order and pay now, is to order and pay online with the book club loop.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on **Friday 27th October 2017, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.**

This week children from Matawhero, Neptune, Ra and Milky Way will attend assembly.

This week our Neptune 28 children and our Kapa Haka group will be sharing.

DATES COMING UP

Thurs 26 Oct

BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Sat 28 Oct

Jump Jam Nationals Competition

Te Totara Teams in Auckland

Tues 31 Oct

Junior Athletics Years 0-2

"Have a Go Day"

Thurs 2 Nov

Junior Athletics (postponement date)

Tues 7 Nov

Senior Athletics Years 3-6

Thurs 9 Nov

Senior Athletics (postponement date)

Wed 15 Nov

Routine New Entrant Vision

& Hearing Checks

Tues 21 Nov

Fairfield Cluster Athletics Years 4-6 (selected pupils only)

Thurs 23 Nov

Fairfield Cluster Athletics (postponement date)

Thurs 30 Nov

BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

Tues 5 Dec

Year 6 Leavers Dinner



Tues 12 Dec
Wed 13 Dec
Fri 15 Dec

End of Year Celebration
End of Year Celebration (postponement date)
END OF TERM 4, SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM

Kind regards,
Brian Sheedy
Principal



TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: tetotara.pta@gmail.com www.facebook.com/TTPTA

MOVIE NIGHT – Bad Moms 2: A Bad Moms Christmas – NEXT WEEK! (Thursday 2nd November)

Time is flying by and our Movie Night is next Thursday night, so what are you waiting for? Buy your tickets TODAY.

We have some AMAZING spot prizes to giveaway, and fabulous goodie bags for everyone who attends. Pair that up with bubbles on arrival, a very funny movie and lots of like-minded mamas in for some raucous fun, and you've got a great night of fun.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/bad-moms-movie-night-te-totara-school-pta-fundraiser-tickets-37560368072>



RAFFLE RAFFLE

The Raffle is going really well! Please keep selling those tickets, and get your sold ticket stubs and money back into the PTA Box as soon as you can. If you are unable to sell your tickets, please return them ASAP to the Green PTA Box in the School Office so that they can be reallocated to another child. If you'd like more to sell, please either see the lovely ladies in the School Office or message us via the Facebook page and we'll sort you out. Thanks.

In addition to a **BRAND NEW IPAD MINI** for the student who sells the most number of tickets overall, there will also be a **PRIZE FOR THE TOP TICKET SELLER IN EACH POD**. That means that Junior, Middle, Senior & Satellite school students will all have the same opportunity to win a prize.

DISCO TIME AGAIN!

That's right kids, we are holding our final disco for the year on **Friday 1st December, 2017**.

Whether you celebrate Christmas, Diwali, Chinese New Year, Matariki, Eid, Hanukkah or any other significant celebration, come along dressed in your favourite clothes and get ready for some fun.

\$2.00 entry per child. Novelties and refreshments available for sale. Pop it on your calendars now!

FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

Te Totara PTA PRIMARY SCHOOL **SAMPLE ONLY**

2017 FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

1st PRIZE • QUEENSTOWN WEEKEND ESCAPE FOR TWO
Return flights for two to Queenstown with Air New Zealand (ex Auckland), 2 nights accommodation at Copthorne Lakefront Hotel including daily breakfasts, Dinner at Stratosphere Skyline Restaurant including Stargazing at the Skyline Gondola, plus an iconic Shotover Jet Boat Ride. **VALUED AT \$2200**

2nd PRIZE iPad Mini 4 128GB Wifi Valued at \$660	3rd PRIZE Dinner feast for 6 people at Madam Woo Hamilton Valued at \$330	4th PRIZE Family Day Pass at Rainbows End Auckland Valued at \$250	5th PRIZE Gift Hamper from NewWorld Rotorua Valued at \$200
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Drawn under police supervision in front of the audience at the Te Totara 'End of Year Celebration' Tuesday 12 December 2017. Winners will also be notified by phone and/or email, and results published on the Te Totara PTA Facebook page: www.facebook.com/TTPTA. First prize Selected travel dates will be offered to prize winners. Terms, conditions and exclusion dates apply. Prizes are not redeemable for cash and no correspondence will be entered into. Organiser: Te Totara PTA Executive Committee, c/o Te Totara Primary School, Hector Drive, Rotorua, Hamilton.

\$5 per ticket
Thank you for your support!

Te Totara PTA PRIMARY SCHOOL

HAPPY HOLIDAYS DISCO

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Years 0-2: 5.30-6.30pm • Years 3-6: 6.45pm-8.00pm
Entry \$2. Refreshments & novelties available for sale

You may be wondering where all the fundraising money is going – we are happy to announce that the **PTA have reached the \$80,000 target contribution to the covered tennis court project**. As you may imagine, this is a large logistical and financial project and the school is moving forward with the plans for next year.

The PTA's current objective is to fundraise for a **new playground**, to be located on the grassy area at the back of the hall. We will be working with Student Leaders and garner school student feedback to ensure that the playground is a success.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising thus far – we're part of a fantastic school community and we should all be very proud of it.

THANK YOU JEMMA!

The PTA team would like to publically thank the gorgeous **Jemma Campbell (Room 31)** for all her help with the PTA over the last few months, it has been great working with you ☺

We're going to miss you Jem, and wish you all the very best for your exciting new adventure. They are very lucky to have you!

We are pleased to announce that the wonderful **Jackie Smith** will be our PTA Secretary going forward. Thank you Jacks, we really appreciate you stepping up – again – to help the school and students.

The fabulous **Rae Gunn** is moving to the Event Co-ordinator role, taking the lead on the large events coming up next year: starting with the **Gala & Colour Run on Saturday 17th March, 2018**.

Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop: www.facebook.com/TTPTA

Have a great week ☺

Your PTA team: Scott, Liz, Jackie, Nalina, Vicki, Rae & Jemma

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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Attention Bikers

Hamilton North Special Schools'

Sunday 19th November 2017

11th annual charity motorbike run — \$10 person
Open to anyone with a motorbike



Where: Hamilton North School,
end of Warwick Ave
off Sandwich Rd.

9:30am Ceremonies, tea/coffee
Breakfast and Registration Starts:
10am Kick stands up.
12:30pm Bikes returning, open for lunch and
raffles

For Further Information Contact:

Michael (07) 849 3029 or email
michael@hamnorth.school.nz

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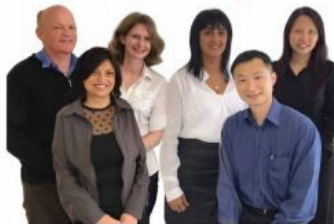


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