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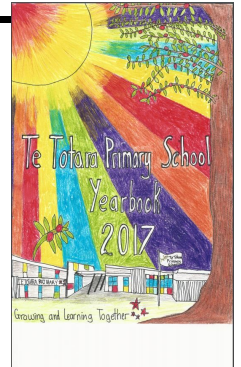
YEARBOOK ORDERS CLOSE TOMORROW

SORRY, NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED

ORDER YOUR 2017 YEARBOOK 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.



FUTURE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENTS

Yesterday we were notified that our 10 Year Property plan with the Ministry of Education has been approved, meaning that there is opportunity to develop further what we have at Te Totara:

- Approval to tender for the Court Cover project. We intend to cover the courts to provide an all weather facility for the school. This will allow sports, play areas for wet times, cultural events, whole school assembly etc. We are hopeful that the tenders will match the available funding. We expect tenders to go out early in the New Year with the intention that this project is finished next year. Our PTA have raised \$80 000 for this project, which is fantastic!
- An upgrade of the toilets in the Matariki Hall to allow for greater privacy when used by adults. Completed by the end of 2018.
- An interior upgrade of the original four school buildings (Milky Way, Marama, Orion & Matawhero), to ensure our students and staff continue to have optimum learning conditions. Scheduled for 2018.
- Sound baffling to Rooms 16 & 17 as it is likely they will be used for classes in 2018

EDUCATION REVIEW OFFICE (ERO)

This week and next week we are being visited by ERO looking at what we do to support our children. They have visited and talked with our children, Board of Trustees, met with Parents as well as School Leaders. We have enjoyed talking with them and showing them what we do. Their feedback and ideas will be useful for us going forward as we continue to look to improve what we do at our school, to benefit our children.

**** URGENT ** NETBALL SKIRTS TO BE RETURNED**

Many thanks to those families who have returned their netball skirts. However, there are still nearly **20** netball skirts outstanding. If you have not already done so, please **URGENTLY** return your child's netball skirt to the School Office or to Mrs Reid's room in the Earth Pod by **Wednesday 22nd November, 2017**. Replacement netball skirts cost the school \$30.00 each. Unfortunately, we will need to pass this cost onto those players who have not returned their netball skirt by the above date via an invoice. Many thanks in advance.

COMING HOME SHORTLY - FINDING OUT FROM PARENTS AND STUDENTS QUESTIONNAIRE

Over the next few weeks we will be giving each student a one page sheet with two key questions. We are asking each child to take this home and complete the questionnaire with their family and return to school. The information will be analysed independently and will be shared back to the community and our Board. The information will support our future Strategic and Annual Planning, so your help is important :)

We do ask that surveys are returned to the Mooloo Box, with the last date for collection being Friday 1st December, 2017.

CHANGE OF DETAILS/ADDRESS

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

We encourage our families to check your contact details are correct through the parent portal at www.atschool.co.nz using the User ID and Passwords that were provided with your child/ren previous Learning Plan last year.

PHOTOLIFE SHOOT KEYS – GROUPS & CLUSTER SPORTS PHOTOS ORDERS CLOSE SUNDAY 26TH NOVEMBER FOR “FREE DELIVERY” TO THE SCHOOL

The Shoot Keys have been sent home last week with each child with details on how to order **GROUP & CLUSTER SPORTS PHOTOS** online.

If you do not have a computer, please collect an order envelope from the School Office.

Families who have a shared care arrangement can still use the same Shoot Key to order online. If you have any queries, please phone Photolife direct on **0800 501040**.

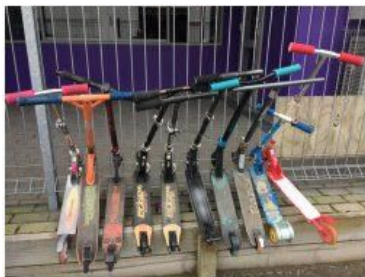
“Free Delivery” to the school will apply to orders prior to midnight on Sunday 26th November 2017.

SCHOOL SPARE CLOTHES

Just a little reminder... if you have borrowed any of the school's spare uniform, can you please return them to the School Office a.s.a.p. Currently, we have no stock of black skirts or shorts to lend to students. If you are happy to donate any of the above items (**clean and tidy**), you are welcome to drop them into the School Office. School clothing has a **“X”** on the tag.

LOST PROPERTY

We have these items in the School Office, if anything belongs to your family please pick it up before the end of term. Thanks.



FOUND SCOOTERS

Our Caretakers have a few scooters that have been found at our school, if these belong to your child please pop down to the Caretakers shed and chat with Bernie or Ian. Thanks

STAFF VACANCY AVAILABLE WITH OUR AFTER SCHOOL CARE TEAM

Te Totara Primary School After School Care is looking for someone available every day of the week (not mandatory), to work 6 permanent hours with possible additional hours. This person must be passionate about children, be able to take instruction well and also lead when needed. They must be confident, articulate and a good communicator. We are looking for someone who is organised, responsible and able to use their initiative. Extra hours for planning could be available too. Send your CV with 2 relevant references to afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz

WHOOPING COUGH (Pertussis)

A general reminder.... we are aware that there are ongoing amounts of pertussis in the community. It is really infectious and correct detection (swab or blood test), home isolation and antibiotics during the infectious period are the best actions to reduce the spread of pertussis to others.

Ensuring that vaccinations are up-to-date and on time is also really important, again, particularly for babies and toddlers.

Finally, free vaccination is available for pregnant woman to protect their newborn – as outlined on the below weblink.

Please click on the link for further information from the Waikato District Health Board.

[Whooping Cough Information](#)

OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS - TO BE PAID THROUGH KINDO

As at 9th November 2017 the following amounts are still outstanding:

	As at 1 June	Owing today
Touch Rugby Fees	\$204.00	\$30.00
Cricket Fees	\$375.00	\$43.00
Hockey Fees	\$874.00	\$281.00
Basketball Fees	\$320.00	\$260.00
Lost Library Books	\$100.00	\$300.00
Taitua Arboretum Class Trip	\$170.00	\$45.00
Pukorokoro Class Trip	\$80.00	\$10.00
Aquatics (Swimming)	\$31,645.00	\$14,557.50
Mathletics	\$9,677.00	\$3,725.84

We would really appreciate it if all outstanding fees are paid by the end of this term.

School Donation	\$52,400.00	\$30,913.18
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School Donation payments can be made at the beginning of the year or throughout the year; the funds will be used for resources for the children.

Any queries regarding your invoice, please e-mail Wendy Bulloch, our Executive Officer at executiveofficer@tetotara.school.nz

2018 WEETBIX TRYATHLON

This summer's Weetbix TRYathlon is on **Sunday 11th February, 2018** at Waikato University. Start training now so you're ready to compete as there are fantastic prizes to be won and it is a really fun day. It's open to anyone aged between 7 years -15 years and you can enter as an individual, or with a friend in a team of two. Enter by registering online at try.weetbix.co.nz but **don't forget to click on the drop down box that selects "Te Totara" as your school!** We have won "biggest school" for the past couple of years which has won us some great prizes. See Mrs Reid if you have any queries.



STUDENTS LEAVING TE TOTARA

If you have not already notified us and are planning to leave our school at the end of 2017 (**other than Year 6 students**), it would be appreciated if you could please urgently advise us by emailing Marise Crow at

receptionist@tetotara.school.nz

If you have a child coming to Te Totara in the future, we would love to have an Enrolment Form - it would be very much appreciated and certainly help with our future planning.

WIN A DRAGON!

Our library is running a competition and the prize is a giant stuffed dragon! To be in to win, parents or family members need to borrow a book from the library on any Friday in November. The more Fridays you borrow, the more entries you will have. The library is open every Friday from 8.00am-9.00am and from 2.45pm - 3.20pm. Signing up to borrow is easy, just bring a Te Totara student with you!

TERM DATE FRIDGE MAGNETS FOR 2018

We have a great opportunity for a business to sponsor our term date fridge magnets for 2018. These fridge magnets go home with each Te Totara family at the end of this year and are placed in all our new enrolment packs that we hand out to new enrolments in 2018.

If you would like to advertise your business on these fridge magnets and be our 2018 sponsor, please email Celeste at: celestem@tetotara.school.nz

We would like to thank Kaimai Cycles In Morrinsville for sponsoring our 2017 fridge magnets.

ART EXHIBITION & OUR ART NEWS 2017

This term we are learning about Literacy and Visual Art. Each team has a literacy theme to link with different types of art. In week 9 our wonderful art will be on display in each pod. We are looking forward to having more fantastic art happening across our school.

You are welcome to view the art on Monday 11th December, Tuesday 12th December, and Wednesday 13th December (Week 9).

Most of this art will be displayed around our school for everyone to enjoy. You will also notice some incredible outdoor art - Tiki and Totem Poles that Liz Wills has worked on with some of our Year 5&6 students. We thank her very much for her talents and expertise. Thank you to Barnie and Ian for displaying these and cutting and preparing the wood for painting.

Thank you everyone for an outstanding year in Visual Art... especially to the amazing Year 6 Art Leaders, The Visual Art Team and all the helpers in Milky Way 18.

Angela Sweeney (Visual Art Coordinator).

VOLUNTEERS "THANK YOU" MORNING TEA - WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER @ 9.00AM

A warm invitation is extended to helpers of our school for a special morning tea in the Staff Lounge @ 9.00am to say "Thanks". If you were involved in helping out in any way at school (i.e., coaching, bookbinding, sports help, classroom help, transport etc) or in any other way, we would love to see you.

AVAILABLE TO PAY NOW THROUGH KINDO...

- **Aquatics / Athletics / School Donation / Lost Library Books**
- **2017 YEARBOOK - CLOSING TOMORROW**
- Sorry, NO late orders accepted
- **Fairfield Cluster Athletics Registration Yrs 4-6**
(Selected Pupils only, CLOSING TOMORROW, Friday 17th November)
- **Fairfield Cluster Cultural Festival Registration**
(Selected Pupils only, CLOSING Friday 24th November)
- **2018 Year 5&6 School Camp (coming soon)**

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

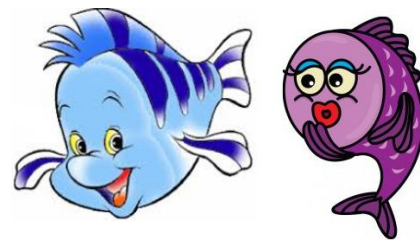


Questions? If you need help, please pop in and see us at the School Office OR give us a call on (07) 853-0039 OR call the **Kindo Helpdesk on 0508 454636 (toll free)**

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.

SWIM SCHOOL LESSONS AT TE TOTARA

We are looking at running Swimming Lessons in the January 2018 School Holidays and an 8-week block course starting in Term 1.



School Holiday Lessons

This will be a 1-week block course for your child/ren. Pre-school children's lessons will also be available if there is enough interest.

Block courses will be held over 2 weeks if we get enough swimmers :

8th-12th January and 15th-19th January if there is enough interest. Your child/ren's lesson would be held at the same time each day for the week for 25 minutes. These lessons are usually held at school between 9am-1pm.

Term 1 Lessons

This will be an 8-week block course for your child/ren. Pre-school children's lessons will also be available if there is enough interest.

Lessons will be on Tuesday's and Thursday's each week after school.

We are looking to start these lessons on Tuesday 13th February 2018, with the last lessons being held Thursday 5th April 2018..

Parents are reminded please to stay on site for your child's swim school lesson as per our swim school terms and conditions.

If your child/ren attend our ASC, arrangements can be made for your child to attend these lessons.

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 celestem@tetotara.school.nz

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by **9.15am, Friday 24th November, 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 was held today, **Thursday 16th November 2017, in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm** due to the Matariki Hall being set up for the School Disco on Friday 17th November 2017.

This week our children from Orion, Kōpū, Earth & Marama I attended assembly.

This week our Orion 10 children shared at assembly.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

TOUCH RUGBY

Gunns	Logan Ollington
Pacers	Matthew Jessep, Anten Maeuea
Rockets	Paige Blissett, Shirel Chandra

CRICKET

Midgets	Hadlee Tantrum
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DATES COMING UP

Fri 17 Nov	PTA - School "Happy Holidays" Disco (\$2.00 entry fee) Years 0-2 from 5.30pm - 6.30pm in the Matariki Hall Years 3-6 from 6.45pm - 8.00pm in the Matariki Hall
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 Supper
Wed 6 Dec	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea @ 9.00am
Mon 11 Dec	Art Work on Display in Classroom Pods - all day for viewing until 4.00pm
Tues 12 Dec	Art Work on Display in Classroom Pods - all day viewing and also in the evening for End of Year Celebration
Tues 12 Dec	End of Year Celebration
Wed 13 Dec	Block 1&2 - whole school tour to view art work
Wed 13 Dec	End of Year Celebration (postponement date)
Thu 14 Dec	Visit new classes for 2018 @ 1:30pm
Fri 15 Dec	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



** RAFFLE ** RAFFLE ** RAFFLE **

Well another week and the raffle is going strong!

Please remember, all tickets and money must be returned by 1st December in order to be eligible for the student iPad and Pod prizes.

There is a brand new iPad Mini 4 128GB Wifi 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 Junior, Middle and Senior students will all have the same opportunity to win a prize.

Thanks to our sponsors for the amazing prizes for the raffle, we really appreciate your support!

- Air New Zealand
- Copthorne Lakefront Hotel, Queenstown
- Skyline Restaurant, Queenstown
- Shotover Jet, Queenstown
- Madam Woo, Hamilton
- Rainbows End, Auckland
- New World, Rotorua

If you are unable to sell your tickets please return them promptly to the office so others can sell your allotted tickets as we have many children wanting to sell more.

Again many thanks for your support selling the tickets - keep up the great work.

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 New World Rotorua Valued at \$200
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Drawn under police supervision in front of the audience at the Te Totara's 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 winner. 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!

\$2 LUNCHTIME \$2

LEMONADE ICE BLOCKS

FRIDAY 24 NOV

OUTSIDE MATARIKI AFTER
'EATING FOR LEARNING'

DISCO TOMORROW NIGHT

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.

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

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 17th November - Happy Holidays School Disco - come in your favourite clothes for a fun evening out with your friends.
- 1st December – all Raffle tickets and money to be returned please
- 12th December - Raffle Drawn at the end of year celebration
- Save the date – Colour Carnival - Saturday 17th March 2018



GALA 'COLOUR CARNIVAL' - SATURDAY 17th MARCH 2018

That's right, we're going to do another Gala & Colour Run next year, bigger, brighter and busier than the last! Pop it on your calendars now, you definitely won't want to double book that date!

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

Have a great week peeps! ☺

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

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.

DOJO: TE TOTARA SCHOOL HALL

Martial Arts training for children aged 4 and above and adults of all ages. First lesson free.

The following classes are cancelled Tuesday 5th and 12th December, 2017.

Our final class for 2017 at Te Totara school is the Thursday 14th December.

2018 classes start on Tuesday the 30th January and Thursday the 1st February from 6.00 to 7.00pm.

These classes are suitable for beginners of all ages as well as existing students.

Existing students – grading is on the 11th of March so make sure you are back to training as soon as possible to enable you to grade.

Phone or text Marie Thom 027 497 0499 or check our website www.tkma.co.nz for more details.



Hamilton BMX Club

Reminder we run our club nights on Wednesday's from 5.15pm, racing @ 6pm
 New riders please ensure you are fully covered - long pants, long sleeve top, covered shoes.
 Hope to see you at the track & support our local businesses that support our club.
 Contact Mary Lyall-Brennan, Hamilton BMX Club
 Mobile: 021 266 0790

Edventure Summer Camps. WIN A SURFBOARD!!!

We have three great camps coming up these summer holidays.
 8-13 yr olds, OSCAR available, Free pick up/drop off.
 BOOK NOW and you could win a surfboard!
www.edventure.co.nz

Squiggle Holiday Programme, Hamilton

Squiggle holiday programme is OSCAR approved and is great for kids aged 5 to 13. Young Engineers (motorised Lego) is one of our most popular activities kids love! Our theme this holidays is learning about the outdoors. There's nothing better than spending holiday's outdoors! Squiggle runs from one of the best locations in Hamilton - Waikato Diocesan School (Fairfield) from 8am-5.30-pm Mon-Fri. To enrol, please go online – www.squiggle.org.nz/enrol, or contact Katrina katrina@squiggle.org.nz or 027-909 3903.

**RHS
MARKET
DAY**

November 25 | 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
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LEGO DISPLAY | BOUNCY CASTLE

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NEW PATIENTS WELCOME!
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