

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 (Congoese), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea) Israel Shalom (Hebrew)

COMMUNICATION WITH OUR FAMILIES

There are seven school weeks until the end of the school year.....

To keep up to date we suggest you use one of our communication methods:

Online school calendar [Online School Calendar](#)

School App [Download the School App](#)

School Web site [Te Totara Website](#)

Weekly notices [Weekly Notices](#)

Facebook Page

We have a great team at school who keep these all updated in real time.



2018 YEARBOOK

ORDERS OPEN NOW THROUGH KINDO ONLY

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.

Yearbook orders are placed through KINDO and close on **Friday 16th November, 2018 @ 3.00pm. Sorry, no late orders will be accepted.**

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



PLANNING FOR 2019

We are beginning to plan for 2019 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 emailing Anne Fraser, Deputy Principal, 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 email Anne Fraser, Deputy Principal, by **Friday 2nd November, 2018** at dp@tetotara.school.nz

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 red "X" on the tag.

This online system allows you to pay for our school's fees (**Mathletics, Aquatics, School Donation, Lost Library Book Fees etc**) and is also the ONLY way to register your child for sports. Register now for:



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Questions?

Register for Kindo using our App or through our School Website (click on the link)

www.tetotara.school.nz then select the "Fees & Donations" tab.

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.

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

TUESDAY 30th OCTOBER, 2018

Matawhero, Kōpū & 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 sun hats are compulsory.
- Plenty of lunch and water are important.
- The "Have a Go" Postponement date is Thursday 1st November, 2018.

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.

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 too.
- There are Lead Teachers looking after each house
- Students will be meeting in house groups beforehand

HOUSE COLOURS

Apollo
Challenger
Discovery
Mercury

Yellow
Blue
Green
Red

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SUPPER EVENING

TUESDAY 4th DECEMBER 2018 - 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 Year 6 child.



VOLUNTEERS "THANK YOU" MORNING TEA - WEDNESDAY 5th 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.

PHOTOLIFE CLASS, SIBLING & INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Sibling, Individual and Class photo orders at the end of last term will be coming home shortly. Soon we will receive shoot keys for families to be able to order the Cultural and Sports Photos that were taken on Wednesday 17th October, 2018.

PRINCIPAL AWAY

For the next three weeks I will be away overseas on leave with my brother. We will be visiting places that are significant to our family such as where my grandfather fought on the Somme. This is a special journey to connect with our family heritage. During my absence Anne Fraser, our Deputy Principal, will be taking on the Acting Principal role.

FIRST CREDIT UNION SPRING NEWSLETTER

Check out First Credit Union's Spring newsletter under our newsletters tab on our school website. Do your bit! Plant a tree and you could win \$50.00 for your savings!

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on Friday 26th October, 2018 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.

This week our children from Matawhero, Earth and Milky Way will be attending assembly and our Earth 37 children will be sharing.

STUDENTS LEAVING TE TOTARA

If you have not already notified us and are planning to leave our school at the end of 2018 (*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.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

TOUCH RUGBY

Chargers
Chiefs
Gunns
Pacers
Rockets

DATES COMING UP

Thurs 25 Oct	BOT Meeting at 6.30pm
Tues 30 Oct	Junior "Have a Go Day" Yrs 0-2
Thurs 1 Nov	Junior "Have A Go Day" Yrs 0-2 Postponement Date
Wed 14 Nov	Senior Athletics Yrs 3-6 (Please note change of date)
Thurs 15 Nov	Senior Athletics Yrs 3-6 Postponement Date
Fri 23 Nov	PTA - School "Happy Holidays" Disco (\$2.00 entry fee) Years 0-2 from 5.30pm - 6.45pm in the Matariki Hall Years 3-6 from 7.00pm - 8.30pm in the Matariki Hall
Thurs 29 Nov	RJHS Orientation Day 9.30am - 12.30pm (Enrolled students only)
Tues 4 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Supper
Wed 5 Dec	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea @ 9.00am
Tues 11 Dec	End of Year Celebration
Wed 12 Dec	End of Year Celebration (postponement date)
Fri 14 Dec	END OF TERM 4, SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM



Kind regards,
Brian Sheedy

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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



SCHOOL DISCO - "HAPPY HOLIDAYS" Friday 23rd November, 2018

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.

More details will follow in next week's newsletter.

Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop:

www.facebook.com/TTPTA

Your PTA committee: *Scott, Fiona, Rae, Jackie and 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.



ENDEAVOUR SCHOOL

Spring festival

SAT 27TH OCT - 1PM TO 6PM

Come and join us for a day filled of Bouncy Castle Fun, Delicious Food, Sandpit Dig, Auctions, Face Painting and much more!!!

All funds will go toward our Sun Shade project



FAMILY FUN

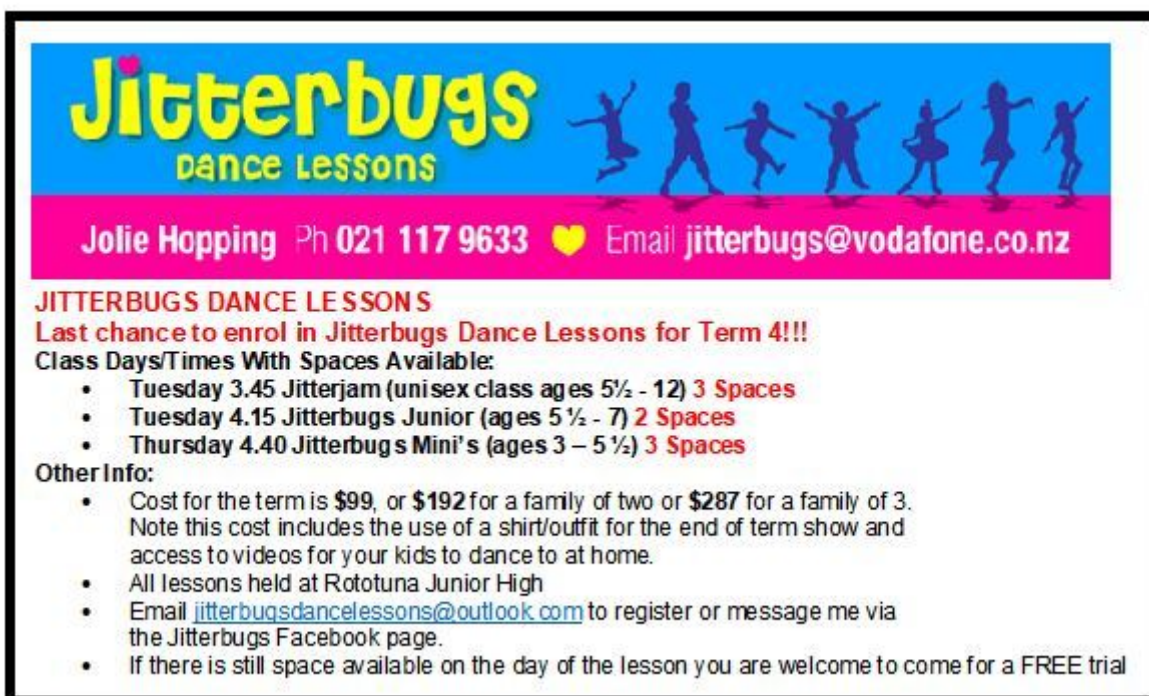
NW NEW WORLD Rototuna

HUKANUI SCHOOL GALA

SAT 3 NOV 10AM - 2PM

FREE ENTRY

GAME STALLS
YUMMY FOOD
GARAGE SALE
& MORE



Jitterbugs Dance Lessons

Jolie Hopping Ph 021 117 9633 ♥ Email jitterbugs@vodafone.co.nz

JITTERBUGS DANCE LESSONS
Last chance to enrol in Jitterbugs Dance Lessons for Term 4!!!
Class Days/Times With Spaces Available:

- Tuesday 3.45 Jitterjam (unisex class ages 5½ - 12) **3 Spaces**
- Tuesday 4.15 Jitterbugs Junior (ages 5½ - 7) **2 Spaces**
- Thursday 4.40 Jitterbugs Mini's (ages 3 - 5½) **3 Spaces**

Other Info:

- Cost for the term is \$99, or \$192 for a family of two or \$287 for a family of 3. Note this cost includes the use of a shirt/outfit for the end of term show and access to videos for your kids to dance to at home.
- All lessons held at Rototuna Junior High
- Email jitterbugsdancelessons@outlook.com to register or message me via the Jitterbugs Facebook page.
- If there is still space available on the day of the lesson you are welcome to come for a FREE trial

Want anti-theft screws on your
number plate?

**SAFER
PLATES**

*Community Patrols will be installing tamper deterrent 'Safer Plate'
vehicle licence plate screws for just \$5.00 per vehicle...*

WHEN: Fri 26th, Sat 27th & Sun 28th October 2018

TIME: 9:00am—3:00pm

WHERE: Bunnings Warehouse Te Rapa, Hamilton

