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### LEARNING PLANS HOME TOMORROW - FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER, 2019

A Learning Plan for each student will be sent home with the oldest or only child from each family on **Friday 29th November, 2019**. However, if your child started at school in Term 4 (or late in Term 3) you will not receive a Learning Plan yet.

The Learning Plans will also be available online from 4.00pm on Friday 29th November, 2019. Included in the information pack being sent home will be instructions on how to log-on to the Parent Portal site.

The work involved in developing these Learning Plans is immense and reflect our goal of developing a personalised plan for each student.

Much thought and consideration has gone into these Learning Plans. We have managed to include a lot more of each child's comments and goals, to ensure they have an increased sense of ownership of their Learning Plan.



#### We strongly advise that you:

- Go through the Learning Plan with your child
- Look especially at the "Where To Next" and "Goals set by Student, Parent and Teacher" sections and incorporate these into supporting learning at home.

**A REMINDER.... Please keep your Login and Password details for the Parent Portal handy, these will be inside the Learning Plan folder.**

**We encourage families to log-in to the Parent Portal and check we have the correct details for your child/ren e.g. mobile numbers, home address and email address.**

**From Friday 13th December 2019 @ 4.00pm this is also where you will find your child's class for 2020. Further details will follow.**

**For those families who will not receive a Learning Plan for their child/ren, a letter will be forwarded to you with your Parent Portal Login and Password details.**

Log onto your @school Parent Portal <http://www.atschool.co.nz/>  
Enter your user ID and Password

- Go to My Child
- Click on Contact Details

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If your family are in a shared care arrangement, please advise Marise Crow on 07 853-0039 ext. 858 urgently who will be collecting the child/ren from school on **Friday 29th November, 2019** (if you haven't already done so). If you are happy for both envelopes to come home together, please also let me know via email: [receptionist@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:receptionist@tetotara.school.nz)

## YEAR 6 LEAVERS SUPPER EVENING

TUESDAY 3rd DECEMBER 2019, 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.

**Reminders have been sent home today with your child.**



## TE TOTARA WHITE OR RED POLO SHIRT SURVEY

**- 80.3% YES, CHANGE TO A RED POLO SHIRT**

Following on from our decision in August 2019 to change our school white polo top to the red polo top, we have further information for you.

There will be a **2-year** change over period so that by the beginning of the 2022 school year, the white polo shirt will be totally phased out and no longer worn by our students.



What does this mean?

- For the remainder of 2019 the white polo shirt is part of our school uniform and the only polo shirt available to purchase.
- The new red polo shirt design has been finalised by our uniform supplier Direct Group.
- Direct Group have advised the new red polo shirt will be available for purchase from 17th February 2020, this shirt will be the same length as the current white shirts. Until the 17th February a shorter length red polo shirt will be available to purchase from 6th January 2020.
- **Our current red Sports Polo Shirt with "Te Totara Primary School" lettering on the back will remain for sports teams only. Students are NOT to wear this in place of the white polo - it is a separate uniform item. The new red polo uniform shirt will NOT have large lettering on the back.**
- There will be no more white polo shirts sold from the beginning of 2020 however, for the next 2 years we will see a mixture of both white and red polo shirts in our school which is fine as colour-wise they all mix well.
- Our current suppliers (Direct Group) are running down their stock of white polo shirts and are currently out of stock of Sizes 6, 8 & 10. In the interim, they will be providing families with a plain white polo shirt with our logo on.

## ORDER YOUR STUDENT STATIONERY FOR 2020 NOW!

We've teamed up again with OfficeMax to make Back to School easy! You'll find your child's school stationery list **online**

[www.myschool.co.nz/tetotara](http://www.myschool.co.nz/tetotara) (click on the link)

Simply select your child's class and/or subject lists and follow the instructions on the website.

Buying through OfficeMax MySchool also earns School Rewards for our school which we can redeem for much needed educational supplies, equipment for our classrooms or to help those students in need.

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- **Save valuable holiday time** - avoid busy shopping malls and traffic queues by shopping online from the comfort of your home so your child starts the year with the correct stationery supplies.
- **Multiple Payment Options** - including secure internet banking, credit/debit card and cash in your local OfficeMax store.

If you do not have access to the internet, you can purchase stationery direct through OfficeMax (cnr Victoria St & Princes St, Hamilton) Ph: (07) 838-8612. Advise them that you are from Te Totara Primary School and the Year Level your child/ren is in 2020. **They will have hard copies of stationery lists available at the OfficeMax shop from Monday 25th November, 2020.**

Many of our families used this online system last year and will be familiar with the ordering process. This website is available from today for ordering at: [www.myschool.co.nz/tetotara](http://www.myschool.co.nz/tetotara) **Step-by-step instructions on how to order student stationery for 2020 will be placed on our website under the "Newsletters" tab.**

Please note: You do not need a Student ID, please leave this field blank. **If you have a 5-year-old new entrant starting in Term 1, 2020 your child will be classified as a Year 1.**

Please ensure you have placed your online order no later than **Thursday 23rd January, 2020** to ensure delivery before school starts on **Monday 3rd February, 2020.**

**[Please ensure your child/ren have all their school stationery items before school begins for 2020.](#)**

## Order your child's stationery online at [myschool.co.nz](http://myschool.co.nz) in December... and you decide when you pay.



The OfficeMax team have done all the hard work for you! Your school's stationery lists are already online at [myschool.co.nz](http://myschool.co.nz)

Order online between 1-31 December 2019 then choose when you pay - and when we deliver... no holiday worries and no back to school hurries! Plus, you'll get a free gift\* with your order.



### Three easy options

1. Pay & receive in December\*
2. Pay in December, receive in January 2020\*
3. Pay† & receive in January 2020\*

† School donations and charges will be charged when you place your order.



### Order in December and:



[myschool.co.nz](http://myschool.co.nz)



## END OF YEAR CELEBRATION - TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER AT 5.45PM

This is our annual event to celebrate another great year at Te Totara. Here is some information to help make it a special event:

- It is a school event, so children need to be in a **clean and tidy uniform** and will be together as a school and are under the control of school staff.
- Please leave your child with us; we will take care of them.
- Students will need to stay through the whole event.
- There will be very limited parking available at the school car park and none in the turning bay.
- It will be best to find a car park on a nearby street and walk.
- It is like a concert in a park so bring a picnic, a rug to sit on, something to eat and drink and enjoy a variety concert.
- We use the hill behind Ra and Earth as outdoor stages where children perform.
- Toilets are open in the Ra and Earth blocks.
- Pre-schoolers are welcome to use the playground away from the performers so they don't distract from the performance.
- Other children not involved in the school are asked to be respectful and if they want to play, then the court area is a good place. There are likely to be over 2500 people at the event so we strongly advise walking to the event.
- Please **NO umbrellas** as it blocks the view of people behind. Low set chairs only are advisable if needed.
- **NO dogs** are allowed on our school grounds.
- We will have a "Paparazzi" section at the front for parents of those performing to use to get a good photo.
- **If the weather is not good, we will postpone to Wednesday 11th December 2019, same time.**
- **Notifications will be put on the school Facebook page, school app and the website.**
- **The event is weather dependent, so may be cancelled at the last moment, but we will do our best to let everyone know as early as possible.**
- At the end of the event we will need to stagger people leaving due to Health & Safety, so please be prepared to wait a little time. Announcements will be made to help.



### **VOLUNTEERS "THANK YOU" MORNING TEA WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

Please RSVP "YES" if you are coming to Marise at:  
[receptionist@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:receptionist@tetotara.school.nz) or Ph (07) 853-0039 ext. 858

**Note: Please include your full name on your reply.**



**THE HITS TOY RUN 2019.... CAN YOU HELP?  
COLLECT YOUR NEW AND USED TOYS FROM YOUR  
FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES**

**Thursday 5th December 1.00pm-2.30pm**

Children who donate a toy will be able to visit the bus on that day - and there will be lollies and music provided by the The Hits Radio Station.

*A massive thank you to all our 2019  
Yearbook sponsors....*

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**OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS - TO BE PAID  
THROUGH KINDO**

As at today's date, the following amounts are still outstanding:

Lost Library Books	\$206.00
Aquatics (Swimming)	\$12,920.00
Mathletics	\$4,265.00
Voluntary School Donation	\$38,819.00

**We would really appreciate it if all outstanding fees are paid by Monday 2nd December, 2019.**

*Voluntary 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 email Wendy Bulloch, our Business Manager at [wendyb@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:wendyb@tetotara.school.nz)



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**2019 FEES AVAILABLE TO PAY VIA KINDO NOW**

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**Fairfield Cluster Athletics - Selected Year 4-6 students only**

**Cut off date for registration is 3.00pm TODAY, Thursday 28th November, 2019**

**ROOM 21 ONLY - Science Trip to St Paul's Collegiate**

**Cut off date for registration is 3.00pm tomorrow, Friday 29th November, 2019**

## 2020 School Camp - Year 5&6 Students only

**Full Payment & Medical Questions OR**

**1st installment & Medical Questions**

**2nd Installment - Due by 13th December, 2019**

**3rd Installment - Due by 7th February, 2020**

**4th Installment - Due by 6th March, 2020**

### Questions?

Register for Kindo using our App or through our School Website (click on the link) [www.tetotara.school.nz](http://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.**

## LIBRARY STOCKTAKE - HELPERS REQUIRED

We would really appreciate parent help to give our book covers a clean during our stocktake next week. If you can spare an hour or two from 3 December - 5 December we would love to see you. If you are able to help, please email Esther at [estherr@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:estherr@tetotara.school.nz) or just pop in when you are free. Thank you in advance.

## STUDENTS LIBRARY BOOKS DUE BACK NEXT WEEK TO SCHOOL

Could you please make sure that **ALL** school library books, except those borrowed by parents, are returned to the library next week so that we can do our stocktake.

## OUR LOST PROPERTY BIN IS FULL AGAIN!

Weather permitting; we will endeavour to display all lost property items EVERY Friday until the end of term.

Please check out our lost property bin. The BIG YELLOW bin is located outside the Earth building; there are LOTS of polar fleeces!

Please check to see if any items belong to your family as all unclaimed items (other than school uniform) will be donated to charity.

We ask ALL families to please check your child's uniform on a weekly basis to ensure they are wearing their own uniform, rather than someone else's.



## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on **Friday 29th November, 2019 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.**

This week our children from Matawhero 1, 3 and 4, Earth and Marama will attend assembly and the end of year Class awards will be presented to these classes.

## TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD to [celestem@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:celestem@tetotara.school.nz)

### CRICKET

Superstars Ethan Bishop  
Thunders Luka Devcich

### TOUCH

Cadets Stella Kepa  
Green Machines Shay Torr-Williams, Daniel McCosh, Blake Stevens  
Rebels Devon Palmer, Nate Hamilton

## DATES COMING UP

Fri 29 Nov	Learning Plans Home
Tues 3 Dec	Routine N/E Vision & Hearing Checks at School
Tues 3 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Supper @ 6.30pm
Wed 4 Dec	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea @ 9.00am - 9.45am (Staff Lounge)
Wed 4 Dec	Cluster Athletics at Southwell
Tues 10 Dec	End of Year Celebration @ 5.45pm
Wed 11 Dec	End of Year Celebration ( <i>postponement day</i> )
Fri 13 Dec	PTA - Iceblock Day
Thurs 19 Dec	END OF TERM 4, School Finishes at 3.00pm

Ngā mihi,

*Anne Fraser*  
Principal

## TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: [pta@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:pta@tetotara.school.nz) [www.facebook.com/TIPTA](http://www.facebook.com/TIPTA)

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

[www.facebook.com/TIPTA](http://www.facebook.com/TIPTA)



### ICE BLOCK DAYS COMING UP:

Friday, 13th December, 2019

### KEEP THESE DATES FREE FOR 2020 FUN, FUN, FUN....

Friday 13th March, 2020 - Twilight Family  
Event - *Details to come*

Friday 3rd April 2020 - School Disco  
- *Details to come*

### NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, 12th February 2020



Your PTA committee: *Fiona, Moshe, Rae, Kerry, Shelley*



# 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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Orders for Christmas strawberries taken now. We look forward to seeing you.

*Fruitdale Staff*








**It's School Holiday Time!!**  
**13-24 December 2019**  
**6-31 January 2020**

Check out our active and fun filled Holiday Programme at our four fantastic venues:  
**Hamilton Girls' High, Southwell, Te Totara, and Leamington Schools**

We are OSCAR/WINZ Approved



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 Email: [waikato@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:waikato@kellysports.co.nz)  
 Phone Kim or Hine 07 839 9017




**Te Totara**  
**Early Learning Centre**

33 Hector Drive  
 Open 7.30am - 6.00pm  
 0-5 year olds




Contact our friendly team today  
 (07) 852 5759 [bel.org.nz/te-totara](http://bel.org.nz/te-totara)


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**22nd DEC**



**Christmas**  
**SPECIAL WORKSHOP**  
 For kids ages 5 - 12

Come and join our Christmas workshop with fun-filled Christmas science!

<b>5-7 y/o:</b>	9am - 10:30am 11am - 12:30pm
<b>8-12 y/o:</b>	1pm - 2:30pm 3pm - 4:30pm

**LOCATION**  
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JANUARY 2020  
FOR AGES 5 TO 13 YEARS OLD



TWO WEEKS  
13TH - 24TH  
JANUARY