

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)

## SCHOOL CLOSED - MONDAY 1ST JUNE, 2020

### Queens Birthday National Public Holiday

### Principal's Message

After such a long period away, as our country went through such a worrying time with Covid 19, it is absolutely fantastic to have resumed school with the staff and our wonderful learners this week. The children have returned so excited to see their teachers and classmates and full of enthusiasm to return to their learning.

Thank you so much to all our families for the positive way you have responded to the guidelines we have in place to keep everyone safe and well. The Alert Level 2 guidelines will remain in place until we receive further notification from the Ministry of Health.

I am humbled by your trust in the processes that we have put in place. You have obviously prepared your children very well for school being slightly different at this time. The way that the children are walking in so confidently by themselves is a fantastic example of our 'Self Managing' STAR, in action.

We have had a very large percentage of our students back in this Alert Level 2 time with over 95% of our roll present each day (716 learners today.) A special 'thank you' to our staff for all their work over the lockdown period to initiate and support the Home Learning and resourcing.

With being back onsite with our large roll, the need to provide distance learning requirements is only focused on some students who have highly compromised health conditions, which may greatly extend their attendance at school.

The teachers are busy with the onsite learning programmes now so have very limited time to be doing the type of Home Learning that was provided in Alert Levels 4 and 3. The government is continuing with the TV channel for the next few weeks for anyone who may need that.

I know for some families the Home Learning was a challenge when juggling other work and home commitments. We very much appreciate all your efforts in doing some wonderful activities with your children. They will have created some great memories of this special family time together over the past few months.

It feels so good to have life back to our 'new normal' at school now, certainly made much easier by the lovely sunny weather this week.

Nga mihi

**Anne Fraser**  
Principal

**TEACHER ONLY DAY - CANCELLED**  
**FRIDAY 29TH MAY, 2020**

Our planned Teacher Only Day has been cancelled. Our staff were due to attend a seminar with a C.O.L. Professional Development Teacher - this event has been cancelled, due to the potential of large gathering of 500 + teachers being a risk at this time. Also, relevant to this decision is the fact that the students are only just returning to school and families to work and we need to prioritise school time and uninterrupted work time for families, at the moment.

We have a Teacher Only Day planned for **Friday 23rd October, 2020** which is connected to Labour weekend, this will still go ahead.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOOL LEADERS FOR 2020**

Last term we announced the positions of our Student Leaders for 2020. Each group has a specific role within their area. They are expected to be role models and consistently display the TeTotara STARS. They will be receiving their badges this week to wear with pride. We look forward to seeing the amazing work of our Student Leaders this year.

<p><b>TTTV</b>  <b>Miss Hanks</b></p> <p>Stefan Zaharachescu (20)            Chloe Muller (18)            Sophie Skipwith (18)            Kayla Avery (18)            Chloe Carter (15)            Rohnan Kendrick (15)            Evan Nel (21)            Alec Fenwick (13)            Ronan Little (23)            Eva Wilson (23)</p>	<p><b>Transition to School</b>  <b>Mrs Laybourn</b></p> <p>Brooke Peters (19)            Maddison Ace (19)            Keira Carr-Neil (12)            Sahashra Jetti (13)            Isaac Anglesey (20)            Abbey Leatherland (12)            Jaimee Franklin (14)            Luca Bryant (21)            Keerit Sandhu (21)            Emily Hancock (18)</p>	<p><b>Pastoral Care</b>  <b>Mrs Laybourn</b></p> <p>William Nuth (18)            Noah Savage (18)            Minyonne Grimbeek (22)            Noor Abu Hamid (22)            Aarav Rajan (23)            Neo Wang (18)            Ollie Askey (18)            Zane Van Der Merwe (15)            Kaiani Morrision (14)            Jiwon Kim (21)            Taliah Williams (22)</p>
<p><b>Art Attack</b>  <b>Miss Sweeney</b></p> <p>Noah Young (23)            Talah Alqahtani (12)            Jordan Abbot (14)            Anson Tam (22)            Demie Ansel (20)            Dhyana Patel (20)            Finn Taylor (13)            Cadi Grace-Fry (20)            Nina Leang (21)            Pilar Bejarano Valdazo (20)            Tessa Gao (21)            Jaeda-May Samuel (15)</p>	<p><b>Student Council</b>  <b>Mrs Goile</b></p> <p>Mere Toduadua (13)            Dhisha Sharma (14)            Joel Beros (22)            Kaden Ahmu (20)            Eli Reddish (21)            Jayden Westbury (23)</p>	<p><b>Library</b>  <b>Mrs Rorimpandey</b></p> <p>Sophie Shou (14)            Ariaahna Kiripatea (14)            Vrinda Master (15)            Zac Crowther (15)            Josh Gunn (15)</p>

<p><b>Digital</b> Miss Hanks</p> <p>Keira Tamatea (12) Oliver Andrews (13) William Wang (13) Finn Holst (14) Tayne Mael (14) Frank Koy (15) Damian So (18) Sam McMorran (18) Merna George (19) Christo Hechter (19) Cameron Wallace (19) Lachlan Crossan (20) Katie Gao (20) Amelia Rogers (20) Lokotea Moore (21) Joshua Bulbeck (21) Hayley Giles (22) Cooper Ellis (22) Shayan Punjabi (23) Amalia Passache (23)</p>	<p><b>Sports</b> Mrs O'Hallahan Mr Rodger</p> <p>Lily Seng (12) Samantha Wilton (12) Stephanie Ou (13) Rawan Hussin (13) Daniel Liang (19) Daniel Kiely (19) Olivia Davey (18) Justin Cloke (18) Toby Halliday (12) Grace Hodgson (20) George Williams (20) Amota Tabera (21) Janna Lupoy (21) Yousif Parwaisy (19) Sukhraj Singh (23)</p>	<p><b>Enviro</b> Mrs Laybourn</p> <p>Josh Lin (12) Emily Parry (12) Emma Nixon (23) Amy Bennett (18) Edward Hogg (15) Levi Lahana (12) Griffin Hubbard (20) Aaron Ardern (18) Grace Hewitt (13) Max Clark (15) Waimarino Clarke (20)</p> <p>Kapa Haka Whaea Dori</p> <p>Shaye Kottaiya (18) Hayley Lubbe (13) Daniel Hodgson (14)</p>
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## 2020 TERM DATES

**Term 2** 15 April - Fri 3 July (12 weeks)

**Term 3** Mon 20 July - Fri 25 Sept (10 weeks)

**Term 4** Mon 12 Oct – Wed 16 Dec (10 weeks)

Mon 31 August - Te Totara Mid-Term break

Friday 23 October - Teacher Only Day

Mon 26 October - Labour Day Holiday

## 2021 TERM DATES

**Term 1** Wed 3 Feb - Fri 16 April (11 weeks)  
(School Holidays 19th - 30 April)

**Term 2** Mon 3 May - Fri 9 July (10 weeks)  
(School Holidays 12th - 23 July)

**Term 3** Mon 26 July - Fri 1 Oct (10 weeks)  
(School Holidays 4th - 15th October)

**Term 4** Mon 18 Oct – Wed 15 Dec (9 weeks)

## Holidays During Term Time

Monday 8th February (Waitangi Day Holiday)

Easter: Good Friday 2nd April

Easter: Monday 5th April

Easter: Tuesday 6th April (school's only)

Friday 4th June - Teacher Only Day (TBC)

Monday 7 June Queen's Birthday

Monday 6 Sept (Te Totara Mid-Term break)

Friday 22 October - Teacher Only Day (TBC)

Monday 25 October - Labour Day Holiday

## \* PARENT PORTAL \*\*

### URGENT - CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS OR FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES

Just a reminder that if you have changed any of your details i.e. mobile, address, email etc; to please advise the School Office urgently so we can update your records.

**Please check your contact details are correct through the Parent Portal either via our School App OR at [www.atschool.co.nz](http://www.atschool.co.nz) using the User ID and Passwords that were provided with your child/ren previous Learning Plan.**

If you have recently joined our school, you will be issued with User ID and Passwords with Learning Plans which are due home on Friday 3rd July, 2020. In the meantime, you are welcome to check your contact details with the School Office on (07) 853-0039.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR TERMS 2 & 3

### An update from Direct Group, our uniform supplier

**"We are open from 8.00am - 5.00pm Monday to Friday. We are also processing online orders. Please be aware that we are experiencing major delays with couriers in and out so if your order is urgent you should consider collecting in store. We have new stock on order daily after a very busy start to Level 2 but again there may be some delay in receiving this on the courier. We appreciate your patience at this time."**

At this time of the year we are noticing an increasing need for warmer clothing. Although not compulsory we advise wearing **black under garments** i.e. singlet, long sleeve polypropylene. Also, our winter uniform requirements are plain black socks or tights and plain black shoes.

A number of students are appearing with different coloured jackets/sweatshirts.

Children are asked to **wear the red Te Totara Micro Fleece top as prescribed only.**

We understand families may still be sorting their children's winter uniforms due to the stores being closed and we would appreciate if your children could please be in the correct full winter school uniform within the next two weeks.

**ALL** students are expected to arrive at school and leave from school in their correct Te Totara Primary School Uniform, including footwear.

- Uniforms are to be worn clean, neat and tidy. Please clearly name your uniform items.
- Students are encouraged to take pride in their school uniform and to wear it well.
- Hair is to be off the face, tied back if longer than the bottom of the collar, and be the natural hair colour.
- Nail polish and cosmetics are not permitted.
- Second hand uniforms may be available. Please see the School Office for details.
- Variations in relation to the Human Rights Act may be negotiated with the Principal.
- All pupils are encouraged to use sunscreen at home before school and expected to wear the regulation school hat while outdoors. No hat – play in the shade (Terms 1 & 4).
- All uniform items should be clearly named.
- Extras for warmth such as polyprops or singlets, must be plain black.
- Plain black school sandals in summer (Terms 1&4) OR plain black school shoes in the winter (Terms 2&3). No other colours on the sandal or shoe, just plain black.
- Any hair accessory is to be plain and of a single school uniform colour – either red, white, black or green.



A reminder regarding the red Sports Polo Shirt with the words "Te Totara Primary School" printed on the back is NOT the everyday school uniform.

This Sports Shirt is for children who are part of a school sports team.



## SPORTS TEAM JACKET



We have also introduced a red waterproof jacket which is an optional school uniform item.

**These jackets are only to be worn to and from school. They are NOT to take place of our red school polar fleece which are to be worn in class.**

If your child plays in one of our after school or weekend sports teams, the jacket may also be worn to their sports games.

## WINTER SPORTS UPDATE

**What we know:**

- **Waikato Hockey and Netball** Associations are planning a phased approach to the return of competition.
- There have been no decisions made yet regarding **competition** for this term for Hockey or Netball, but we could see some non-competition weeks or festivals for teams as early as mid June. Unfortunately, there will be NO Miniball in Term 2.
- Competition will more than likely resume as normal as possible in Term 3.

**KINDO Sports Registration:**

- With the suddenness of lockdown, sports registration may not have been a priority. Therefore, we will reopen KINDO for a short period of time for Hockey and Netball registrations. If you would still like your child to play please register by the cut-off date of **3.00pm Friday 29th May, 2020.**
- Alternatively, if you registered your child and now they are unable to play or you have changed your mind, please urgently email the teacher in charge of that sport.

**Netball- Levi O'Hallahan**

[levio@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:levio@tetotara.school.nz)

**Hockey- Craig Rodger**

[craigr@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:craigr@tetotara.school.nz)

**Miniball - Craig McAuley**

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## 2020 FEES PAYABLE VIA KINDO

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

Please make school payments through your myKindo account. You can pay via American Express, Visa, Mastercard, UnionPay (fees apply), POLi or bank transfer (no fees). Add regular top-ups if you'd like, then allocate to payments when you're ready, or just pay as you go.



## HOCKEY TERMS 2&3 (Years 1-6 students)

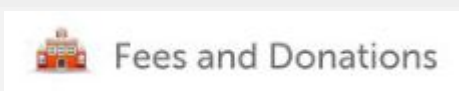
Cut-off date for registration 3.00pm Friday 29th May, 2020

## NETBALL TERMS 2&3 (Years 3-6 students)

Cut-off date for registration 3.00pm Friday 29th May, 2020



*Note: Please ignore the cut-off dates showing on KINDO for Hockey & Netball. The above cut-off dates are the correct ones. There is no Miniball in Term 2.*



## 2020 SCHOOL CAMP (Years 5&6)

**URGENT** - all outstanding amounts to be paid via KINDO now under the "Fees & Donations icon"  We currently have \$4000.00 outstanding camp payments.

### Kindo Questions?

To register for Kindo using our School App... Go to the App store on your Apple or Android device and search "School Apps NZ" to download the App to your phone or tablet and then add "Te Totara" then click on the "Fees & Donations" icon OR register 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.*

## SCHOOL LUNCH SERVICE - STARTS TUESDAY 2ND JUNE, 2020

Our priority is to keep our students and staff safe and we have decided to delay the start of Lunch Orders being ordered which will give us the opportunity for things to settle at school before introducing another element to Alert Level 2.

At this stage we are preparing for lunch orders to start at school again on **Tuesday 2nd June, 2020.**



- Visit us online at [www.lunchorders.co.nz](http://www.lunchorders.co.nz)
- Sign up for a free account and select your school
- Top up your account using a credit card or direct credit
- Place your order and select delivery date
- Sit back and relax while your order is freshly made and delivered to your school

LunchOrders delivers to Te Totara Primary on **MONDAY - FRIDAY** at 12.15PM.



## CHARTER AND ANNUAL PLAN

Today we are sending home a pamphlet outlining our Charter, Strategic and Annual Plan targets with the oldest or only student in the school.

### Some information:

- The Charter and Strategic Plan is our four-year plan (*on one page*) to support our vision of Growing and Learning Together
- Our Annual Plan and targets are based on achievement results from the end of 2019 and Ministry of Education priorities. It sets out very specific actions, responsibilities, resourcing and timeframes to achieve our targets in 2020.
- Our goals are set above the Government expectations of 85% of students achieving at or above National Standards in Reading, Writing and Maths.

If you have any queries then please don't hesitate to contact me at:

[principal@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:principal@tetotara.school.nz)



## FIRST CREDIT UNION, SCHOOL BANKING

First Credit Union have advised all of their branches will be open from 9am Monday 18 May for limited services only, they will continue to serve their members online and via their call centre. The health and safety of their members and staff remains their priority at this time and they wish to advise that they will not be restarting our school banking program in Term 2. If parents would like to continue to save into their children's First Credit Union accounts, contact First Credit Union directly and they would be more than happy to help you set up regular automatic payments.

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

### SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19, FLU AND COLD

	DRY COUGH	FEVER	RUNNY NOSE	SORE THROAT	BREATH-LESSNESS	HEADACHE	BODY ACHES	SNEEZE	FATIGUE	DIARRHOEA
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FLU	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✗	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✗	✓✓✓	✓✓
COLD	✓	~	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✗	~	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✓✓	✗

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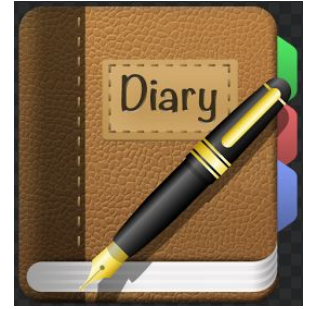
SOURCE: WHO, CDC

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The above diagram was developed by Dr Siouzsie Wiles, to assist us when considering symptoms. It is important to note that a dry cough and high temperature are common to both flu and COVID-19. Also, that while sneezing is not a symptom of COVID-19, if someone **has** COVID-19, then sneezing can spread droplets containing the virus.

# DATES COMING UP

Thurs 28 May	BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm
Mon 1 June	Queens Birthday, school closed
Wed 24 June	PTA AGM @ 7.30pm in the School Staff Lounge
Thurs 25 June	BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 3 July	Learning Plans go home
Fri 3 July	3.00pm End of Term 2, 2020
Mon 20 July	Term 3 Begins at 8.55am



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



### AMAZING RACE TWILIGHT FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone involved in our Twilight Event in March. Not only was it a great event, with a real sense of community involvement, family fun and all round relaxing evening - we also **RAISED \$3014 for the PTA.**

#### VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all our volunteers without your help this event wouldn't have been such a success.

#### SPONSORS

Thank you to our sponsors for our fabulous spot prizes and help with running our event.

#### FEEDBACK

We want to know how you found the event or if you have ideas for the next event? Please see the survey link on our Facebook page, this has been emailed to all participants, we do encourage feedback from the wider school too.

### PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up and we would like to invite all parents/caregivers along to come find out about the PTA and what we do for our children at Te Totara. Come see how you can help our school and how the PTA contributes to our school community. A few of our executive members are standing down, after several years helping on the PTA. Details to come... The PTA needs you!

#### SCHOOL DISCO

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, **the School Disco planned for Friday 22nd May, 2020 has been cancelled.** We will revisit holding another School Disco later in the year once restrictions have been lifted.

#### UPCOMING DATES

Disco: Friday 22nd May, 2020: Cancelled

AGM: Wednesday 24th June @ 7.30pm at School Staff Lounge (if regulations allow)

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

*Raised:*

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Thank you again to our School Families & the wider Community for supporting our Event.



## 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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