

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)

Kia ora Te Totara whanau

Welcome back to school for the last school term of this extraordinary year. This is a very busy term with activities, deadlines and events so we urge you to frequently check our Te Totara School Calendar. Also, we will keep you up-to-date with our weekly newsletters, the classroom Seesaw portal and from time-to-time with our school app alerts.

We are looking forward to an exciting term of learning with a great Science Unit throughout the school on *Physical and Chemical Changes in Common Substances*. Lots of experiments and creating are involved in this. We also have the Junior 'Have a Go' Day and Senior Athletics to look forward to in Weeks 4-5. Our Year 6 students are working hard to ensure they are well prepared for the next stage of their learning journey at new schools next year. We celebrate their time with us at the Year 6 Leaver's Supper in Week 8. Our End of Year Celebration for all is in Week 9. Lots to keep-up with before we close for the school year on Wednesday 16th December, 2020 - stay in touch through our communication channels listed below, so you don't miss all these exciting happenings.

Anne Fraser - Principal

FINDING OUT WHAT IS HAPPENING

We have many ways of keeping up-to-date regarding events that are happening at school:

Online Te Totara school calendar: [Online School Calendar](#)

School App: [Download the School App](#)

School Website: [Te Totara Website](#) - this has the option to translate the newsletter into other languages

Weekly notices: [Weekly Notices](#)

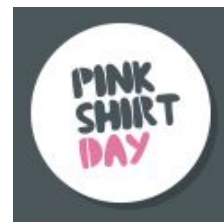
Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/TeTotaraPrimarySchool230374533681330/>

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



PINK SHIRT DAY MUFTI DAY FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER, 2020 (TOMORROW)

Celebrated annually around the globe, Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against bullying, after a peer was bullied for wearing a pink shirt. In Aotearoa, Pink Shirt Day aims to create schools, workplaces and communities where all people feel safe, valued and respected.



Our school will be supporting Pink Shirt Day tomorrow, Friday 16th October. Students are welcome to come to school wearing mufti clothing (not school uniform) wearing something pink e.g. t-shirt, ribbon or something similar to support Pink Shirt Day.

Please note: There will be **NO** collection of money for this day.

More information about "Pink Shirt Day" can be found at www.pinkshirtday.org.nz

Pink Shirt Day is led by the Mental Health Foundation.



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CELEBRATE DIVERSITY,
SUPPORT RAINBOW STUDENTS
PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ/SHWG

Mental Health Foundation
mentalhealth.org.nz



An important reminder to all families below.... (as previously indicated)

**** SCHOOL CLOSED ****

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER - Teacher Only Day
MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER - Labour Day Holiday

A reminder school will be CLOSED for these days.

School opens again on Tuesday 27th October, 2020

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are delighted with the large number of students who look really great by wearing their uniform in the correct manner. However, several students who are not complying with our Uniform Expectations and we ask for your assistance with this. **All** students are expected to be wearing their full correct Summer uniform. Students are to arrive at school and leave school in their Te Totara Primary School uniform, including footwear. **We are currently in the changeover period between the Winter and Summer uniform. All students are expected to be in the correct Summer uniform after Labour weekend. To see the uniform guidelines please click this link: [School Uniform](#)**

Please note: In Term 4, 2020 our Te Totara Red Bucket hat is compulsory for our children to wear.

EARLY ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL - BEFORE 8.15AM

Children are welcome to arrive at school from **8.15am onwards**. We have noticed some students arriving around 8.00am or even earlier. School gates are opened by the staff for students to enter the site at **8:15am**. If it is a wet day and your children are here just before our gate opening time we suggest you drop them off using the drop off zone so they can wait under the covered areas of the Matariki and Administration blocks.

Teachers have planning to do before school in their classrooms and are unavailable to supervise any students arriving before 8.15am. We do not want unsupervised children around the school site for a lengthy period prior to the gates opening time. We offer a **Before School Care** facility from 7:30am - 8:30am for families who do need to leave earlier; Enrolment Forms are available online from our school website: www.tetotara.school.nz (Click the link)

SCHOOL START AND FINISH TIMES

Just a reminder to everyone that school starts promptly at **8.55am** when the roll is taken.

We finish school each day at **3.00pm** with the only exception being Fridays after assembly. All other days teachers have been asked not to release their students until the 3.00pm bell goes. This allows for the satisfactory conclusion of the afternoon teaching programme, student tidy up routines and for staff to manage the school exit areas.

If a student needs to be picked up before 3.00pm, for any unusual events such as urgent appointments then parents are asked to sign-out your child through VisTab in the School Office, including the reason for an early pick-up, prior to going to the classroom.

The conclusion of assembly on Fridays will be the only time when those students will be released early to parents who have attended assembly.

Thank you for your assistance in ensuring we maximise learning programmes for your child.

ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONDITIONS

In the event of a medical emergency, if your child has a medical condition and is taking regular medication or has an allergy (*including sticking plasters etc*), please advise the School Office (*if you haven't already*), so we can amend your child's student profile accordingly.

MEDICATION PERMISSION SLIPS

From time-to-time it is necessary to administer medication to children at school. The Administration Team are happy to do this and follow the guidelines set out in the schools *Administration of Prescribed Medication Policy*. The Policy also requires parents/caregivers to complete a "**Medicine Notification/Consent Form**". This form is held at the School Office or can be downloaded from our school website www.tetotara.school.nz it is to be completed prior to any medication being administered. For Health & Safety reasons, **ALL medication, including asthma inhalers, must be held at the School Office.**

SCHOOL BANKING IS BACK!

First Credit Union advised: "We are excited to let you know that we will be starting up our school banking programme again in Term 4! We are really proud to be able to offer school banking in your school and want to thank you for letting us offer this service to your pupils! What an interesting last few months we have all been through, we thank you for your patience over this time.



Our school banking team will be back at your schools the week starting Monday 19th October."

PRE-LOVED TE TOTARA SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER, 2020 FROM 8.30AM - 9.15AM

We will be having a second hand uniform sale in the Matariki School Hall foyer on the above date.

Items for sale will be Red Polar Fleeces, Red Sports Shirts, Summer Hats, Shorts, Skorts and Trousers. Sorry, no red polo shirts available.

Get in quick, items won't last! Sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 & 14

ALL ITEMS PRICED TO CLEAR AT \$5.00 EACH! Please bring cash with you.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS – DESTINATION SCHOOL FOR 2021

Many of our Year 6 families have already enrolled at an Intermediate School/High School for 2021 and have received confirmation of acceptance.

If you haven't already done so..... please advise your child's classroom teacher of your decision and whether or not you have received confirmation of their enrolment.

As you can imagine, these schools have a huge amount of applications to process and are keen to receive Enrolment Applications in advance.

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

STUDENTS LEAVING TE TOTARA

If you have not already notified us and are planning to leave our school at the end of 2020 (*other than our Year 6 students*), it would be appreciated if you could please urgently advise us by email to Marise Crow: 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.

2020 YEARBOOK

ORDERS THROUGH KINDO ONLY

\$25.00 per book

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 20th November, 2020 @ 3.00pm.**

Over 200 people have already ordered their yearbook, don't miss out, the preview copy is looking stunning! 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.



TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

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

HOCKEY

Eagles Erica Ansel

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 a small supply of black skorts 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.

ROUND THE BRIDGES SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER, 2020

TE TOTARA TEAM

Every year thousands of runners and walkers descend upon Hamilton City Centre for one of NZ's oldest and most beloved annually contested events, Lugtons Round the Bridges! If your child is interested in participating in the school team you can register against our school name when you enter at www.roundthebridges.co.nz (click the link)

Important Information:

Race Day: Sunday 15th November, 2020
Start Times: 8:25am, 8:35am and 10:00am
Location: Hamilton City Council
Registration Price: \$6.00 - \$15.00 (depending on when you register)



WEETBIX TRYATHALON - SUNDAY 21ST FEBRUARY, 2021

Weetbix TRYathlon time again!

It is being held at the University of Waikato grounds and will be held in Hamilton on Sunday 21st February, 2021. **Registrations open Tuesday 15th September.**

Register online early to get the early bird price, and don't forget to scroll down on the registration form and click on our school name so that we can hopefully win the biggest school group again!

To register, go to try.weetbix.co.nz (click the link)

There is information there about doing the TRYathlon on your own or as part of a team.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on **Friday 16th October, 2020 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm.** This week our children from our Matawhero, Ra and Marama team only will attend assembly and our children from Marama 22 will be sharing. Sharing will begin promptly, please ensure you arrive through the main door and are seated by 2.00pm.

2021 TERM DATES

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

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)

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

Teacher Only Day - Friday 4th June
Monday 7 June - Queen's Birthday

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

Monday 6 Sept (Te Totara Mid-Term break)

Term 4 Mon 18 Oct – Tues 14 Dec (9 weeks)

Teacher Only Day - Friday 22 October)
Monday 25 October - Labour Day

LIBRARY VOLUNTEER - CAN YOU HELP US?

Our library needs a friendly volunteer to assist with issuing books for students during their library times on Wednesday afternoons from 1.30pm-3pm. If you are able to commit to helping on a long-term basis could you please contact Michelle Simms either by popping into the library on a Friday or via email to: librarian@tetotara.school.nz

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are due by Friday **30 October, 2020 @ 9.15am** 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.

2020 FEES & DONATION 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.

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- **2020 YEARBOOK - \$25.00**

Cut-off date 3.00pm on Friday 20th November, 2020

- **2020 SCHOOL CAMP (Years 5&6)** we currently have **\$2500.00** outstanding in camp payments.



Fees and Donations

URGENT - all outstanding amounts to be paid via KINDO under the "Fees & Donations icon"

TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Te Totara School Charter 2020-2023 has the objective of 'Growing Whanau Community Engagement.'

For your information the Te Totara Board of Trustees have reviewed and ratified the policies below at our last BOT Meeting:

- **Curriculum Delivery & Assessment Policy & Procedures**
- **Learning Support Policy**
- **Emergency Management Plan & Procedures**
- **Bullying Prevention & Response Policy**

NOTE: All Te Totara Primary School Policies & Procedures are available for your information on our school website under the "Board of Trustees" red quick link tab from the home page.

Melissa Guyan & Jo Stewart

Board of Trustees Policy Sub-committee

DATES COMING UP

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Fri 16 Oct | Pink Shirt Day |
| Sat 17 Oct | Muffin Day |
| Wed 21 Oct | 2020 General Election Voting @ Te Totara Primary School |
| Fri 23 Oct | Y5/6 Amazing Race Event |
| Mon 26 Oct | Teacher Only Day - School Closed |
| Thu 29 Oct | Labour Day - School Closed |
| Fri 30 Oct | BOT Meeting |
| Tues 3 Nov | School Disco - Further details from P.T.A. to follow |
| Thu 5 Nov | Junior "Have a Go Day" |
| Tues 10 Nov | Junior "Have a Go Day", postponement day |
| Thu 12 Nov | Senior Athletics Day |
| Fri 20 Nov | Senior Athletics Day, postponement day |
| Thu 26 Nov | Cluster Athletics |
| Tues 1 Dec | BOT Meeting |
| Wed 2 Dec | Year 6 Leavers Supper |
| Wed 2 Dec | RJHS Orientation Day, Yr 6 |
| Fri 4 Dec | Volunteers "Thank You" morning tea |
| Tues 8 Dec | Learning Plans Go Home |
| Wed 9 Dec | End of Year Celebration |
| Wed 16 Dec | End of Year Celebration, postponement day |
| | End of TERM 4, School Finishes at 3.00pm |

Ngā mihi,
Anne Fraser
Principal

WHY READ FOOD LABELS?

LABEL READING

Food labels provide us with nutritional information. This enables us to compare products equally. It also helps us to make informed decisions around dietary requirements.

| Serving Size (kg) | AVG PER SERVING | TOTAL DAILY INTAKE Goal | AVG PER 100g |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| ENERGY (kJ) | 628 | 8700 | 1590 |
| - CARB | 150 | 2080 | 353 |
| PROTEIN (g) | 4.2 | 50 | 9.3 |
| FAT - TOTAL (g) | 0.5 | 70 | 13 |
| - SATURATED FAT (g) | 0.1 | 24 | 0.2 |
| CARBOHYDRATE - TOTAL (g) | 31.5 | 370 | 70.1 |
| - SUGAR (g) | 10 | 90 | 22.2 |
| DIETARY FIBRE (g) | 0.1 | 30 | 0.2 |
| SODIUM (mg) | 135 | 2300 | 300 |

| | PER SERVE | % RDI* PER SERVE | PER 100g |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|----------|
| CHOLESTEROL (mg) | 0 | 0% | 0 |
| TRANS FAT (mg) | 0.55 | 50% | 1.28 |
| IRON (mg) | 0.01 | 2% | 0.02 |
| IRON (B6) (mg) | 2.5 | 25% | 5.5 |
| IRON (B12) (mg) | 0.01 | 2% | 0.02 |
| IRON (FOLIC) (mg) | 0.01 | 2% | 0.02 |
| IRON (VIT) (mg) | 0.01 | 2% | 0.02 |

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TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

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ICE BLOCK DAY

Ice Block day was held on the last day of term 3 and was a great success. We sold out, so thank you to everyone who brought an ice block to support us. Special thanks go to our amazing helpers Gwen and Jing, who gave up an hour of their day to help us out once again.



SCHOOL DISCO - FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER, 2020

Our first disco of the year will be held on **Friday 30th October**. A letter will be sent home to the parents of **Marama and Earth** children asking if they can assist on the evening. We ask that you please return this form promptly to school, as it helps with our planning for the evening. If anyone else would like to help out please email the PTA at: pta@tetotara.school.nz

Disco Theme: **Save Our Planet**
Time: **Year 0-2** from 5:30pm – 6:45pm
Year 3-6 from 7:00pm – 8:15pm
Entry Fee: \$2.00 per student

Your PTA committee: *Shelley, Julyan, Rilesh, Kerry, Kerri*

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.**

Saturday Music Classes

Enrolments are open for Term Four 2020 at the Waikato Community School of Music (formerly Hamilton Community Centre of Music). The first session is on Saturday 17th October. The school caters for all ages (3 to retired) and ability levels. We offer both group-format and one-to-one tuition. Group-format term fees range from \$39 to \$105 depending on age and instrument. The enrolment fee for any instrument class includes unlimited participation in our ensembles. One-to-one classes assist students to prepare for exams and earn NCEA credits.

A music appreciation/readiness programme (Music Makers) is available from age 3.

Classes are held on the University of Waikato campus in Hillcrest.

Contact us via our website [Waikato Community School of Music](http://www.waikatocommunityschoolofmusic.co.nz) or on 07 838 4611.

GROW WAIKATO BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION

SPEAKERS:

Paula Southgate - Hamilton Mayor

Chris Joblin - CEO at Tainui Group Holdings

Lale Ieremia - Development Director at Perry Group/Te Awa Lakes

Leonard Gardner - CEO at Foster Construction

Matt Stark - Director at Stark Property

Rachel Karalus - CEO at Kaute Pasifika

Venue:

The Atrium - WINTEC Hamilton City Campus
(Parking available in carpark building access via Ward Street on Nisbet Street)

Time:

4:30 - 4:45pm - Mix and mingle

4:45 - 6:00pm - Speaker presentations and
Q & A session

***Hosted by Jamie Strange, List MP
based in Hamilton***

*Authorised by Jamie Strange, Parliament Buildings,
Wellington*

To register for this **Grow Waikato Building & Construction Event**, please email:
raylene.stevens@parliament.govt.nz