

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), Geia sou (Greek), Mbote, Jambo (Congoese), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea) Israel Shalom (Hebrew)

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HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION SURVEY FOR PARENTS

The Ministry of Education requires all schools to consult with their community on the school's delivery of the Health Curriculum.

Please click on the link below to read the parent information regarding Health Education at Te Totara, the survey link is located at the end.

[Health and Physical Education parent survey](#)

The survey should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

Many thanks for your input into this curriculum area.

Ngaa mihi

To Stewart

Deputy Principal

PLANNING FOR 2023 CLASSES

We are beginning to plan for 2023 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 Jo Stewart, 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 Jo Stewart, Deputy Principal, by **Friday 4th November, 2022** at: dp@tetotara.school.nz



BANISH THE BITES: FREE SEMINAR **Monday 14th November, 2022** **in the Matariki Hall @ 6.30pm**

Did you know last year in New Zealand over 20,000 dog bite-related incidents were reported to ACC, 1500 were from the Waikato alone? More worryingly around one-third of those were attacks on children under 12 years old. Most people would assume that this would be due to children approaching strange dogs, but what's really disturbing is that over 70 percent of those attacks were from dogs that lived in the family household.

If you have dogs in your family then you need to join us for our free event on **Monday 14th November from 6.30pm-7.30pm at the Te Totara School Matariki Hall**. There will be time for questions afterwards. Find out how you can learn simple tools to help keep your children safe when interacting with your dog. **Join Darran and the Mindfulness4dogs Team**, and guest **Patricia from Dog Mindz**, and help 'Banish the Bites'.

Our lovely Te Totara support dog Milo and his owner, our librarian Michelle Sims, work with Darren to help our students learn how to interact with Milo.

The poster for the 'Banish the Bites' seminar is set against a black background. At the top, the title 'BANISH THE BITES' is written in white, bold, sans-serif font. Below it, 'Free Evening' is written in a white, cursive script. A white-bordered box contains the event details: 'Monday, 14 November', '6:30 PM', and 'Te Totara Matariki / Hall'. At the bottom left of the poster is the Mindfulness4Dogs logo. On the right side, there is a photograph of a black and white dog (Milo) standing in a grassy field, looking towards a young girl in a pink shirt and blue polka-dot pants who is kneeling and reaching out to the dog. To the right of the photograph is a decorative grid of white dots. Below the photograph is a green banner with white text: 'Learn simple tools to help keep your children safe when interacting with your dog.' Underneath the banner, in smaller white text, it says: 'Run by Darran Rowe, professional canine behaviourist and dog trainer for over 18 years. President of the Association of Professional Dog Trainers NZ.'

YEAR 6 LEAVERS – DESTINATION SCHOOL FOR 2023

Many of our Year 6 families have already enrolled at an Intermediate School/High School for 2023 and have received confirmation of acceptance.

If you haven't already done so.... it would be much appreciated if you could advise Marise in the School Office of your decision on Ph: 853-0039 ext. 858. As you can imagine, these schools have a huge amount of applications to process and are keen to receive Enrolment Applications in advance.

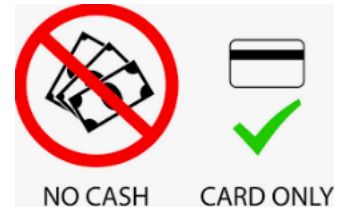
If you haven't made a decision yet, please also let us know.

STUDENTS LEAVING TE TOTARA AT THE END OF YEAR

If you have not already notified us and are planning to leave our school at the end of 2022 (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 near future, we would love to have an Enrolment Form - it would be very much appreciated and certainly help with our future planning.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS - CLOSING FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER @ 9.15am NO CASH ACCEPTED AT SCHOOL - Please order online

A few students are still giving us their book orders through our school office with cash. We are having to send this back home with them.



Please Note: From this term onwards, we are NOT ACCEPTING CASH at all. This means you will have three options to order your scholastic books:

1. Through the Scholastic Book Club website - [scholastic.co.nz/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.co.nz/LOOP).
2. Through the Scholastic LOOP app
3. In person using EFTPOS at the school office.

If we receive any orders and cash from students, we will return them home with the student.

LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.

Log in, or create a new account at mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
5. Make payment via credit card.

2022 FEES & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO

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

Please Note: Aquatics will be charged after your child's class has had their lessons.

- 2022 Yearbook Early-bird special of \$20.00 (until 31st Oct)
- 2022 School Camp \$180.00 (Years 5&6 Students only)

Kindo Questions? 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.

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The online one stop school shop



OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS - TO BE PAID THROUGH KINDO

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

Lost Library Books	\$810.00
Mathletics/Mathseeds	\$4,910.00
Voluntary School Donation	\$35,958.00
2022 School Camp	\$6,700.00



We would really appreciate all outstanding fees being paid by the end of the school year.

Voluntary School Donation payments can be made at the beginning of the year or throughout the year; the funds will be used for resources and activities for all the children.

Any queries regarding your invoice, please email Wendy Bulloch, our Business Manager at wendyb@tetotara.school.nz

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2022 YEARBOOK ORDERS ORDERS THROUGH KINDO ONLY \$20.00 Early Bird price \$25.00 if ordered on or after Monday 1st November

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 **Tuesday 15th November, 2022 @ 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.



LIBRARY OPEN ON FRIDAY MORNINGS

The library is open to families every Friday during term time, from 8.15am - 9.00am. We lend to parents/caregivers and you are welcome to borrow books for your preschoolers. If you need help finding books for your children we are happy to provide suggestions.



DATES COMING UP

Fri 28 Oct	School Disco - Jungle Jam Years 0-2 from 5:15pm – 6:00pm Years 3-4 from 6:15pm – 7:00pm Years 5-6 from 7:15pm – 8:15pm
Mon 7 Nov	Bike Safety Week
Wed 9 Nov	Year 0-2 Have A Go Day
Mon 14 Nov	6.30pm Mindfulness 4 Dogs: Banish the Bites Free Seminar in the Matariki Hall
Tues 22 Nov	School Athletics Day
Thurs 24 Nov	Postponement date for Athletics
Thurs 24 Nov	School Board Meeting at 5.30pm
Wed 30 Nov	Year 6 Leavers Dinner
Mon 5 Dec	School End of Year Celebration
Thurs 8 Dec	Fairfield Cluster Athletics
Thurs 15 Dec	3.00PM - END OF SCHOOL YEAR

TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: pta@tetotara.school.nz www.facebook.com/TTPTA

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

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WE NEED PARENT HELP! In October Mrs. Stewart sent out a form on Seesaw to the parents of the Earth and Marama Pods. Please complete the form ASAP as we will be unable to safely manage the Disco without enough parent help. If there are any other parents willing to help, please contact the PTA on pta@tetotara.school.nz

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ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Seize the opportunity quickly and enjoy some amazing offers. Please use the link below to support Te Totara Primary School PTA:

<https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/15502m5>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jungle Jam Disco – Friday 28th October

Time: Years 0-2 from 5:15pm – 6:00pm

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Years 5-6 from 7:15pm – 8:15pm

Enter our biggest member competition ever!

Up for grabs:
\$10,000 CASH
20 x \$1000 eGift Cards

Join today for your chance to
WIN up to \$30,000 in prizes*

ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP OFFER

BUY ANY: **Single City**

RECEIVE A: **Bonus Upgrade***

TO: **Multi City**

One Membership
20 cities
1000's of offers

Your PTA Committee: *Kerri, Adelle, Navreet, Kerry & Angelique*

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.**



LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR TERM 4 2022

Jitterbugs

DANCE LESSONS

Monday (Rototuna Junior High School Dance Studio)

- 3.40 Jitterbugs Seniors (by selection only) **FULL**
- 4.10 MiniJam (girls & boys aged 3 – 5½) **3 Spaces**
- 4.35 Jitterbugs Advanced (by selection only) **FULL**
- 5.05 Senior Hip Hop (girls aged 9–14) **5 Spaces**

Tuesday (Flagstaff Fitness – now called Common Ground)

- 3.40 Jitterbugs Junior (girls aged 5 ½ – 7) **5 Spaces**
- 4.10 Jitterbugs Junior Plus (girls aged 7 – 8) **1 space**
- 4.40 Jitterbugs Intermediate (girls 8 – 14) **4 Spaces**

Wednesday (Flagstaff Fitness – now called Common Ground)

- 3.30 Jitterbugs Mini's (girls aged 3 – 5½) **5 Spaces**
- 4.00 Jitterbugs Junior (girls aged 5 ½ – 7) **3 Spaces**
- 4.30 Jitterbugs Intermediate (girls 8 – 14) **4 Spaces**

LESSONS START WEEK 1 OF TERM 4

Every term the kids learn two dances and get to go on stage and present these to friends and family at a show. Outfits/t-shirts are provided for the show. Cost: \$115 for one kid, \$224 for two kids

Email Jolie at jitterbugsdancelessons@outlook.com or check out the jitterbugs dance lessons facebook page or website for more info





Brain Play teaches online after-school science & technology classes to Kiwi kids aged 5 - 13, from right across the country! Online topics this term include 3D printing, coding, animation, STEM experiments, LEGO & more. Free trials available for

new students. Check out our timetable on our website and use the form get in touch - <https://www.brainplay.co.nz/>.



Fathers' views on coping with the stress of parenting



Kia ora, I am Amin Ghaleiha, a doctoral student in psychology at the University of Waikato. I am asking **fathers from New Zealand and Australia to participate in a brief 10–15-minute online survey.**

The aim of this study is to explore fathers' opinions and knowledge on what their counterparts should do while facing stressful situations during their parenthood.

The survey takes about 10 minutes, but the information can help families in future!

For every completed survey, \$1 will be donated to Kidz Need Dadz

Link to the survey: https://waikato.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cPjajdcS1w6zwt8

Contact me, ag92@students.waikato.ac.nz