



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER, 2022

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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), Mboté, Jambo (Congolesse), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea) Israel Shalom (Hebrew)

YEARS 3-6 ATHLETICS DAY

TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2022

Our Senior Athletic day is coming up next week. We have an exciting programme planned for the day which is detailed below.

Note to parents: Children are encouraged to wear their school house colours on Athletics Day. STUDENTS TO MAKE SURE THEY HAVE A SUNHAT AND SUNSCREEN APPLIED BEFORE SCHOOL.

Postponement date is Thursday 24th November, 2022. We will notify families via our School App and Facebook page. If you are in doubt, please check these areas before phoning the school.

TIME	Long Jump Boys	Long Jump Girls	50m Sprint	Tennis Ball Throw Boys	Tennis Ball Throw Girls	100m Sprint 80m sprint (Year 3)
	Behind Milky Way	Field Behind Pool	Back fence side of field	Left side of football goal	Right side of football goal	The hill side of the field
9:00am	All children gather on Turf for welcome in their house colours.					
9:10am – 10:00am	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5
10.00-10:25am & 11:10 – 11:35am	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4
11:40 – 12:30pm	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 6	Year 3
12:30pm	800m race for those who are keen. No heats. Straight finals. Year 4-6.					
LUNCH						
1:35pm – 2:25pm	Year 3	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 5	Year 6
2:30pm – 2:55pm	House Relays if time permits. 1 male 1 female from each year level per house.					



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Where: Outside the Matariki Hall

Thank you to our P.T.A. and helpers for organising this.

VOLUNTEERS "THANK YOU" MORNING TEA MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER 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 by 9.00am tomorrow to: receptionist@tetotara.school.nz or Ph (07) 853-0039 ext. 858

Note: Please include your full name on your reply.



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. The survey should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete. Many thanks for your input into this curriculum area.

[Health & Physical Education Survey for Parents](#)

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SUPPER - RSVP REMINDER WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 2022

This will be a night to remember..... our Year 6's are leaving us for new adventures.

Please bring a plate of finger food to share for supper. Adults, please bring your own beverages and drinking vessel. Paper plates and cups for the supper will be provided.

Unfortunately, due to limited space, parents/caregivers only - no siblings please. We are really looking forward to this special evening!

Please return your RSVP slip to the Office Mooloo Box by Thursday 24th November.



STUDENT STATIONERY FOR 2023

Order your child's stationery now and avoid the rush!

We know getting ready for the first day back at school can be a challenge for parents and kids. That's why we've teamed up with OfficeMax to make your back to school shop super easy.

If you order in December 2022, you'll go in the draw to WIN 1 of 5x \$1000 cash prizes — plus, you'll get a FREE A4 Magnetic Whiteboard Family Organiser*.

You can choose to receive your order straight away or in January.



You'll find your child's school stationery list **online by visiting:**

www.myschool.co.nz/tetotara (click on the link)

Simply select your child's year level in 2023 and follow the instructions on the website.

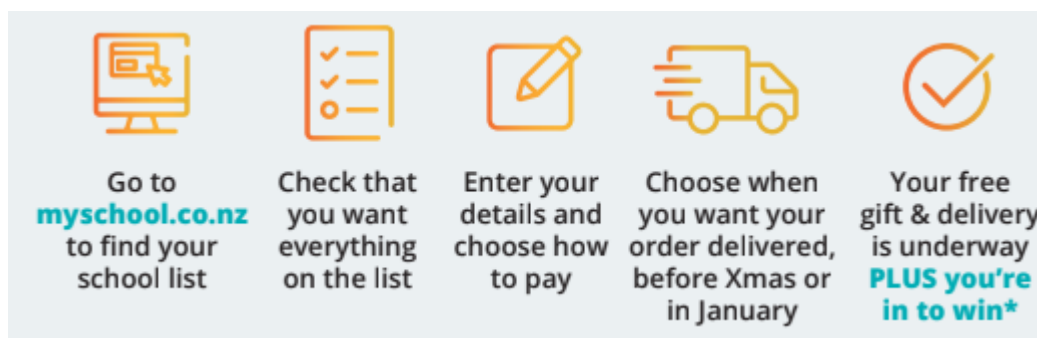
Please note: You do not need a Student ID, please leave this field blank. If you have a 5-year-old new entrant starting in Term 1, 2023 your child will be classified as a Year 1.

OfficeMax MySchool makes Back to School easy for you with these great benefits:

- **Order the easy way** - online at www.myschool.co.nz/tetotara OR call the OfficeMax My School Team on Freephone 0800 724 440 from Monday to Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm.
- **Pay now or in easy installments** - internet banking, credit cards, debit cards or pay in 6 weekly, interest-free payments with Layby* * **Terms & Conditions apply, see [myschool.co.nz](http://www.myschool.co.nz) for details**
- **Price Match Promise** - shop with confidence, if you find a lower price OfficeMax will match it. Conditions apply, see [myschool.co.nz](http://www.myschool.co.nz) for details.
- **Free Delivery - for orders over \$60.00**
Choose delivery to your home or workplace. Receive your order during the holidays, straight to your door at a time that suits you. See [myschool.co.nz](http://www.myschool.co.nz) for delivery windows.
- **Beat the back to school rush** - avoid busy shopping malls and traffic queues by shopping online from the comfort of your home so your child starts the school year with the correct stationery supplies.
- **School Rewards** —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.

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

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the School Office on 07 853-0039.



Please ensure you have placed your online order no later than **Thursday 12th January, 2023** to ensure delivery before school starts on **Wednesday 1st February, 2023.**

Please ensure your child/ren have all their school stationery items before Term 1 begins.

PARENT PORTAL - LEARNING PLANS

Available online @ 3.00pm Friday 2nd December, 2022

Rather than send home a hard copy of the report, you can download a copy from there and save it to your computer.

We will send you an email on Thursday 1st December to the email address we have on file, this will contain your User ID and Password details for the Parent Portal. Once you have successfully logged-in, we recommend you change your password.

It is very important that we hold the correct email address for you, feel free to contact the School Office if you would like to check this (07) 853-0039.

This will be the format we will continue to use as it also helps to reduce our carbon footprint by using less paper.

Please note: We will NOT send home a hard-copy of the Learning Plan. If you do not have access to a computer, please contact the School Office on (07) 853-0039 and we will arrange for a hard-copy for your family.

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS OR FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES

Just a little reminder that if you have changed any of your details i.e. family circumstances, phone, address, email etc; to please advise the School Office on (07) 853-0039 or email stephy@tetotara.school.nz so we can update your records accordingly. We encourage our families to check your contact details are correct through the Parent Portal at www.atschool.co.nz using the User ID and Passwords that were provided with your child/ren's previous Learning Plan.

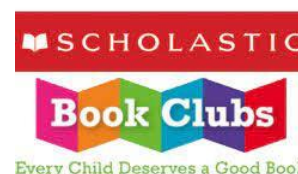
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE - 2023 BOOKINGS OPEN

Bookings for 2023 are now open! All bookings must be made online by going to the School website then clicking on 'Enrol Now' on the Before and After School Care page. Once registered and logged in you will be able to make all your 2023 bookings. Please feel free to contact Katrina on 027 8530032 or offerschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz if you have any questions or issues making your booking. Alternatively you are welcome to pop in to see Katrina at ASC in the Matariki Hall on a Wednesday or Friday afternoon.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDER - ISSUE NO. 8 REMINDER

Your child was given a Scholastic Book Club catalogue last week. These orders close at 9.15am on Wednesday 23 November, 2022.



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.
2. Through the Scholastic LOOP app
3. In person using EFTPOS at the school office.

Should we receive any Scholastic Book orders with payment of cash, we will return it home with the student.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held on **18 November 2022 in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm**. Students from **Earth & Milkway Pods** will attend assembly and **Earth 37 and Milky Way 20** will be sharing. Families from these classrooms will be invited to attend via their classroom teachers.

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 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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OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS - TO BE PAID THROUGH KINDO

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

Lost Library Books	\$772.50
Mathletics/Mathseeds	\$4,085.00
Voluntary School Donation	\$31,453.00
2022 School Camp	\$5,705.00

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 wendybulloch@tetotara.school.nz

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.

TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD by Wednesday 1pm to stephy@tetotara.school.nz

Touch

Tigers	TBA
Rockets	TBA
Tigers	TBA
Pacers	Ya'laynah-May George & Lachlan Amies
Stormers	Noah Killian & Levi Ardern
Leopards	Ana Greenwood



DATES COMING UP

Fri 18 Nov	PTA Iceblock Day
Mon 21 Nov	9.00am Volunteers Morning Tea
Tues 22 Nov	School Athletics Day
Thurs 24 Nov	Postponement date for Athletics
Thurs 24 Nov	Board Meeting at 5.30pm
Wed 30 Nov	Year 6 Leavers Supper
Fri 2 Dec	RJHS Orientation Day (ONLY for Y6 students who's enrolment has been confirmed by RJHS)
Mon 5 Dec	School End of Year Celebration
Thurs 8 Dec	Fairfield Cluster Athletics
Fri 9 Dec	PTA Ice Block Day
Thurs 15 Dec	3.00PM - END OF SCHOOL YEAR
Wed 1 Feb	TERM 1, 2023 Begins

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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ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Seize the opportunity quickly and enjoy some amazing offers. Currently when you purchase a Single City Membership you receive a BONUS UPGRADE to a Multi City Membership, saving \$50.

If you use the link below, 20% of every membership purchased goes to support Te Totara Primary School PTA.

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



UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

Ice Block Day Friday 18th November

Ice Block Day Friday 9th December

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.**



KELLY SPORTS
DECEMBER 2022
JANUARY 2023
HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
AT WAIKATO

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The opportunity to professionally record a Christmas song with Nathan King

The grand prize

Professionally record a Christmas song with Nathan King, return flights to Auckland for two (if you live outside of Auckland), hotel accommodation for one night and a studio tour.

To enter

Must be under 13 years old. Email yourself singing a Christmas carol to christmas@newstalkzb.co.nz before entries close 12 December.

Listen to Newstalk ZB on Christmas morning at 6am to find out if you've won!