

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 (Congolese), Konnichiwa (Japanese), Hola (Spanish), Annyeonghaseyo (South Korea) Israel Shalom (Hebrew)

PARENT TRAVEL SURVEY

As part of our Te Totara Transport Week follow up, the Hamilton City Council is asking parents to complete a survey that will provide the Council with baseline data for the School Travel Plans moving forward. There is a prize draw for those who complete the survey which closes on March 24th. Click the below link:

[Te Totara Primary School – Parents](#)



TE TOTARA MUFTI DAY LAST WEEK

To help support the flood victims from Cyclone Gabrielle, our children held a Mufti Day last week. We felt it was important to show our children how we can support our wider communities, families and friends in their time of need. **We raised a grand total of \$1120.10** which will go to the New Zealand Red Cross who will distribute funds to help victims of Cyclone Gabrielle.



Thank you for your support.

LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSION BOOKINGS

BOOKINGS OPEN NOW

School finishes at 2.00pm Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd March

Learning Plan Discussions will take place on **Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd March, 2023** for all students except Room 37.

Room 37 only - Tuesday 21st March 3.15pm-5.15pm & Wednesday 22nd March 2.15pm - 5.30pm

We have arranged **15 minute time slots** for the discussion, there will be a change over bell so that everyone is aware of timings. If you have more than one child, you might like to have a break between each interview. To ensure the smooth running of our Learning Plan Discussions, we would be grateful if all our parents/caregivers kept to the timetable. There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress on:

Tuesday 21st March, 2023 - ROOM 37 ONLY

3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm, 5.00pm & 5.15pm

Wednesday 22nd March, 2023 (All rooms)

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm, 5.00pm, 5.15pm & 5.30pm

Thursday 23rd March, 2023 (Except Room 37)

2.15pm, 2.30pm, 2.45pm, 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.00pm, 4.15pm, 4.30pm, 4.45pm (teachers break between 5.00pm-5.30pm) 5.30pm, 5.45pm, 6.00pm & 6.15pm

How do I book a time?

To make an appointment time for your child/ren, please use our online booking system www.schoolinterviews.co.nz – our school code is **x9t8d**

An electronic confirmation can be sent to you via email upon completion of your booking, **please don't forget to include your email address and select "email" under Parent Bookings** when you have booked an interview time.

If you are unable to access the internet, please phone the school (07) 853-0039 ext. 858 and leave a message with the time slot that you would prefer and Marise will collate these.

We will endeavour to give you the time as close as we can to your preference. If we are unable to assist we will go by first in first served. Please **do not** make arrangements directly with classroom teachers.

Who should come?

We encourage the student, and family members who have an interest in learning, to come along and discuss this with the teacher.

What will the format be?

The discussion is a general one about how the learner is progressing, areas of strength and also discussing next steps in learning and how this can happen.

Bookings close on Monday 20th March, 2023 @ 3.00pm. We will not be able to accept bookings after this date/time.

PLEASE NOTE:

School will finish at **2.00pm** both **Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd March** for **ALL** students. Students will need to be collected at **2.00pm** - Thanks.

2022-2023 TAX RECEIPT FROM KINDO School Donation Receipt



Families can download a copy of the tax receipt required from your my orders tab of your Kindo account. Please change the record type once on the my orders page to "Donation Receipts". You will be able to select the receipt required or opt for a tax summary for a certain time period, as the picture below:

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We are noticing a few tummy bugs and viruses going around at the moment. Just a reminder that if your child has had diarrhoea or vomiting they cannot return to school until it has been 48 HOURS since those last symptoms. These bugs can be highly contagious. Thanks for your understanding.



TE TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD Casual Vacancy for a Parent Representative

A casual vacancy has occurred on the School Board for an elected parent representative.

The Board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection. If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the Board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the Board to hold a by-election should be sent to: melissapearlguyan@gmail.com by: **Friday 24th April, 2023**



Melissa Guyan

Presiding Member (Chairperson)
Te Totara School Board

SIBLING OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2023 Enrolment Period of 1st July, 2023 - 15th December, 2023

The Board is looking to accommodate, if possible, younger siblings and children of staff in the 2023 school year. To help determine this, we urgently need to have OUTZ Enrolment Forms into the School Office to help with this process. Please complete a form for each child, which is available online from our school website by clicking on the following link: www.tetotara.school.nz or by visiting the School Office.

The Board will look at the number of enrolments, the level of projected student growth and determine how many spaces for out-of-zone students are available for the upcoming enrolment period of **1st July 2023 - 15th December, 2023**. This will be completed early May, allowing for lots of time for families to know what is happening. Further information around the number of out-of-zone spaces to be released will be communicated via the school newsletter over the next few weeks.

Please return the completed OUTZ Enrolment Form, including the relevant documentation, to the School Office by Thursday 16th March, 2023.

2023 FEES & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO

Fees have now been loaded onto KINDO for 2023. 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.

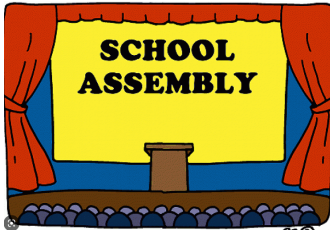
- **Aquatics** (added to your KINDO account when your child's class is swimming)
- **Voluntary School Donation** (\$120.00 first/only child / \$60.00 each sibling)
- **Mathletics/Mathseeds \$20.00**
- **2022 School Camp \$180.00 (Years 5&6 Students only from 2022)**

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





SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held **in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm**. Students from **Neptune & Milky Way Pods** will attend assembly and **Milky Way 20** will be sharing. Families from this classroom will be invited to attend via their classroom teacher.

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

Pacers Last week: Eldric Sun & Charlie Halse
 This week: Rhys Fletcher & Ayden Vareed
Comets Eli Philips
Rockets Kyrie Te Kani

DATES COMING UP

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| Wed 15 March | PTA Meeting in Staff Lounge at 7.30pm <i>(all welcome)</i> |
| Thurs 16 March | Cluster Swimming Sports |
| Fri 17 March | Ice Block Day |
| Wed 22 March | Learning Plan Discussions - School Finishes at 2.00pm |
| Thurs 23 March | Learning Plan Discussions - School Finishes at 2.00pm |
| Thurs 30 March | Board Meeting at 6.30pm |
| Fri 31 March | School Disco: T-Party Theme Year 0-2 5:15 - 6.00pm Year 3-4 6:15 - 7.00pm Year 5-6 7:15 - 8.15pm |
| Thurs 6 April | 3.00pm END OF TERM 1, 2023 |
| Mon 24 April | TERM 2 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



ICE BLOCK DAY

Our last Ice Block day for Term 1 will be held on Friday 17th March. Hopefully the sun will shine so you can cool down with a yummy icy treat.

Thank you to all the parents that have volunteered to help us on the day. We really appreciate your support and now have enough helpers.

DATE: Friday 17 March 2023
TIME: After eating for learning
COST: \$2.00 per Ice Block
FLAVOUR: Lemonade only
WHERE: Outside Matariki Hall



TIME TO DISCO

The PTA is **Thrilled** to be hosting a **T-Party** Disco on Friday 31st March, 2023.

T is for **Te Totara, Teacher, Tiger, Turtle, T-Rex...** Too many options to mention. Come dressed as your favourite **T** for a **Totally Terrific Disco**. Dress up is optional. The PTA will be selling snacks, drinks and glowsticks on the night. A price list will be published closer to the event.

Date: Friday 31st March, 2023
Time: 5:15pm - 6pm (Year 0-2)
6:15pm - 7pm (Year 3-4)
7:15pm - 8:15pm (Year 5-6)
Entry: \$2.00 per student

We need parent helpers to make this event a success so if you are able to assist us please email: pta@tetotara.school.nz.

ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Your VIP Upgrade Awaits - Get a Multi City Membership when you purchase any Single City Membership. For a limited time only, between **8.00pm, Tuesday 28 th February and 2.00pm, Monday 27 th March 2023 NZST**, we are rolling out the red carpet to give you a bonus Multi City upgrade on any Single City 3, 12 or 24 month Membership purchased.

Unlock access to thousands of discounts on the best restaurants, events and experiences across 20 cities for as little as \$29.99.* (*Based on the price of a 3-month Single City Membership purchase.) From delicious dinners and adventure-fuelled activities, to family holidays and tranquil spa sessions, a Membership to The Entertainment App will provide you with VIP access to play, dine and save across Australia and New Zealand.

Buy now to ensure you don't miss out on this VIP offer! If you use the link below to make your purchase you will be supporting Te Totara PTA as 20% of the purchase price will be donated back to us. We thank you for your continued support.

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



PTA MEETING

We invite all parents and caregivers of Te Totara students to join us for our next PTA meeting. This is an opportunity to meet new people and get involved in the activities we host.

We will meet in the Staff Lounge (turn right when entering Matariki) on Wednesday 15th March at 7:30pm. *We will be in from 7pm to pack lollies for the Disco.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

PTA Meeting - Wednesday 15 March

Ice Block Day - Friday 17 March

T-Party Disco - Friday 31 March

Your PTA Committee: Kerri, Adelle, Navneet, 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.**

The poster features a blue background on the left with white silhouettes of people cycling and walking. On the right, there is an aerial view of a river flowing through a lush green forest. A white silhouette of a person riding a bicycle is positioned above the text. The text is arranged as follows: 'TE AWA The Great New Zealand' in white, 'RIVER RIDE' in large white letters, 'Celebration!' in large green cursive letters, '26 MARCH 2023' in white, 'Roll or stroll to stations along the 65km and be in to' in green, 'WIN' in large white letters, and 'OVER \$13K IN SPOT PRIZES!' in white. At the bottom left, three bicycles (two adult and one child) are shown. A green arrow points from the 'WIN' text towards the bicycles.

TE AWA
The Great New Zealand
RIVER RIDE
Celebration!
26 MARCH 2023

Roll or stroll to stations along
the 65km and be in to

WIN
OVER \$13K IN
SPOT PRIZES!

28 stations will be set up along the 65km of Te Awa for you to tick off on Sunday 26th March (between 11am and 2pm)

Pick up a passport from your first station and take it with you to as many other stations as you can.

You'll collect a sticker from each station you get to – and the more stickers you collect, the more entries you'll have into the draw to win your share of over \$13k in spot prizes – including two eBikes and kids' bikes!

We're holding a Garden Party along with Gourmet in the Gardens and loads of other family entertainment, together with the prizegiving from 3:30pm at the Hamilton Gardens.

For more info, head to:

<https://www.te-awa.org.nz/celebration>