

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)

## INTRODUCING OUR NEW CONFIDENCE COURSE

At the end of last term the first two stages (trails) of our Confidence Course were completed. This is situated towards the boundary of our back field. A local company 'Playground Creations' who have built other playgrounds for us came up with a 4-stage design that will stretch around the corner of the field towards the Galaxy covered court area. We were able to use school funding and a very generous donation of \$15,000 from the P.T.A. to complete Trail 1 and 2, including the proper grass retention matting underneath the climbing structures. We asked the designers to make a new design incorporating the history of our area and our Stars Matariki theme.



The first trail links us to our tuna (eels) and the Waikato River. It sees the children making their way through the Awa (river) by balancing - step from log to log and crawl through the rings that represent the tuna nets.

Trail 2 - Matariki represents the new year in the Maori lunar calendar - two stars at either end for social play - weaving through the tail balance logs without touching the ground providing core strength.



We are absolutely delighted with the Confidence Course which the students are really enjoying; as a curriculum activity and also in break times. We are very much hoping to complete Stages 3 and 4 at the end of this year by using school funding, applying for community grants and P.T.A. donation following a Knowledgathon next term that our learners can be part of. It will be great to have the full fitness trail completed for our students by the start of next year.



## LEARNING PLANS ONLINE 2.00PM ON FRIDAY 9TH JUNE, 2023 (tomorrow) ACCESS THESE THROUGH THE PARENT PORTAL UNDER "REPORTS" TAB

A Learning Plan for each student will be uploaded to the online Parent Portal on **Friday 9th June 2023**. However, if your child started at school in Term 2 (or late in Term 1) you will not receive a Learning Plan yet.



An email will be sent to you on Friday 9th June by 1.00pm via our Student Management System using the email address we have on file. The email will come from **eTap** and contain your User ID and Password details for the Parent Portal. Please make a note of your login/password for next time.

Once you have successfully logged-in, we recommend you change your password. Please check your spam or junk folder for this email if you do not receive it.

**You can download a copy of the Learning Plan from the Parent Portal and save it to your computer. If you do not receive an email with login codes, please contact Marise Crow by email at [receptionist@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:receptionist@tetotara.school.nz)**

The work involved in developing these Learning Plans is significant and reflects our goal of developing a personalised plan for each student. Much thought and consideration has gone into these Learning Plans. We have managed to include a lot more of each child's comments and goals, to ensure they have an increased sense of ownership of their Learning Plan.

We strongly advise that you:

- Go through the Learning Plan with your child
- Look especially at the "Where To Next" and "Goals set by Student, Parent and Teacher" sections and incorporate these into supporting learning at home.

**It is important that we hold the correct email address for you to be able to send the link, please feel free to contact the School Office if you wish to check this (07) 853-0039. For our separated families, please ensure we hold both caregiver email addresses on file.**

If you do not have access to a computer, please contact the School Office on (07) 853-0039 and we will arrange for a printed copy of the Learning Plan for your family.

## LEARNING PLAN GRAPHS

Our Learning Plans have a table for each of the Reading, Writing and Mathematics Curriculum areas. The table has green coloured boxes to indicate where children are expected to be working at, according to the New Zealand Curriculum Levels at the Mid-Year and End-of-Year assessment points.

Reading														
NZ Curriculum Levels	Year 0		Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
	End	Mid	End	Mid	End	Mid	End	Mid	End	Mid	End	Mid	End	
At NZC Level 4														
Early NZC Level 4														
At NZC Level 3														
Early NZC Level 3														
At NZC Level 2														
Early NZC Level 2														
At NZC Level 1														
Within NZC Level 1														
Beginning NZC Level 1														
Pre-NZC Level 1 (Informed by Te Whariki)														
<b>Comment:</b>														
<b>Next Steps:</b>														

The placement of a red star on the graph indicates where your child is presently working at. Each table is followed by Comment and Next Step boxes for your information.

\*Please be aware that every child is on their own learning pathway and the most important consideration is that they are making steady progress through the curriculum.

English as a Second Language (E.S.O.L) students' Learning Plans do not have the green progress line; they use the English Language Learning Progressions.

A 'Reach For the STARS' continuum is also in the Learning Plans. Teachers place a red star on the continuum where your child is presently working, in regards to each of our STARS. This

#### Reach For the STARS

Smart Decisions	With Support	★	Independent
Trying Our Best	With Support		Independent
Always Learning	With Support	★	Independent
Respectful	With Support		Independent
Self Managing	With Support	★	Independent

continuum relates to your child's year level only. For instance, Year 1 expectations of independence in Smart Decisions will be different to the expectations of independence in Smart Decisions of a Year 6 student.

In our Junior Learning Plans we have added the Better Start Literacy Testing Data. Better Start Literacy is a new Reading Programme being taught in all Year 1-2 classrooms. The testing data will be added to these tables over the course of the year. On each box there is a proficiency level which means when the proficiency score has been reached this test will not be repeated.

On all Learning Plans there are **blue hyperlinks** which you can click on that will take you to an explanation of that particular section or word.

Please do not hesitate to contact Jo Stewart, Deputy Principal via email: [dp@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:dp@tetotara.school.nz) if you have any questions.

#### \*\*\*\* COMING SOON \*\*\*\*

#### NEW SCHOOL LUNCH SERVICE PROVIDERS - TERM 3 ONWARDS

A heads up to our families who currently use the School Lunches ordering system.... as from Term 3 onwards we will have new School Lunch providers - *Subway and Fastlane Fitness Cafe*.

**ALL** lunches will need to be ordered through KINDO so please make sure that you are registered for KINDO.

If you have a credit with our current School Lunch Order providers, please ensure you use it before the end of this term.

More information will follow over the coming weeks including menus from both suppliers.



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#### FIRST CREDIT UNION SCHOOL BANKING - FINISHES END OF TERM 2

As from Term 3, 2023 we will no longer provide School Banking facilities through our school. Since the arrival of Covid, almost all of our First Credit Union families have chosen to utilise internet banking instead. The last day for School Banking will be **Wednesday 28th June, 2023**.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



## JUNIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION - YEARS 1&2

### "How Does Your Garden Groove?"

TICKETS ON SALE NOW VIA KINDO ONLY

Cut-off date is Thursday 15th June at 3.00pm

\*\*\* DON'T MISS OUT \*\*\*

Tuesday 20th June 2023 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm

Both performances by:

**Orion 7 & 9, Matawhero 4 & 5 and Neptune 25 & 27**

Wednesday 21st June, 2023 @ 2.00pm & 6.00pm

Both performances by:

**Orion 8 & 10 and Neptune 24, 26 & 28**

**ALL TICKETS ARE \$6.00 EACH**

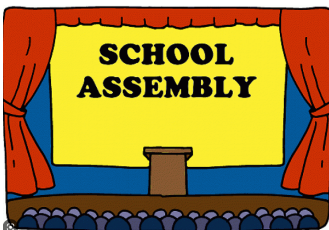
**Children 3 years old and under are FREE, provided they are sitting on the knee of a paying adult ticket. Otherwise, you must purchase a separate ticket for them.**

**Limited to 300 tickets each performance. Sorry, NO door sales on the night.**



NOTE: Once you have received confirmation from KINDO that your tickets have been purchased, your production tickets will be given to your **oldest child to bring home on Fridays** - please check your child's school bag for the tickets. If you have not received confirmation of your ticket order from KINDO, you have not completed the process. Please check your "shopping cart" for your order and go to checkout.

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### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm on Friday, 9th June, 2023. This week students from Orion and Earth will attend assembly and Earth 36 will be sharing. Families from this classroom will be invited to attend via their classroom teacher.

### CHESS TOURNAMENT

Zayne and Aizak Sebastian are representing Te Totara in the Hamilton Junior Regionals Chess Competition being held at Tamahere today. We wish the boys all the best in their chess games today.



**LATEST TTV EPISODE OUT NOW!**  
**Featuring Orion 8 & Marama 14**



Did you know that Te Totara Primary School have their own YouTube channel? These are presented by different classes with the students sharing little snippets of what they have been learning that week. We aim to produce 5 episodes a term.

You can find the link on our website or for the latest episode click here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dgfo2wRiV28&authuser=0> This week's episode features **Orion 8 & Marama 14.**



# 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](mailto:stephy@tetotara.school.nz)

## Hockey

Blue Sticks	TBA
Lions	TBA
Red Sticks	TBA
Strikers	TBA
Tigers	TBA

## Netball

Ferns	Kaylee Lindsey
Rockets	Alyssa Pretorius
Invaders	Sophie McLeod
Meteors	Emmabella De Beer
Comets	Libby Clark

## Miniball

Ballers	Marcus Sun
Tigers	TBA



## DATES COMING UP

Wed 14 June	PTA AGM & Mtg @ 7.00pm
Tues 20 June	Junior School Production - Shows at 2.00pm & 6.00pm <i>Orion 7 &amp; 9, Matawhero 4 &amp; 5 and Neptune 25 &amp; 27</i>
Wed 21 June	Junior School Production - Shows at 2.00pm & 6.00pm <i>Orion 8 &amp; 10 and Neptune 24, 26 &amp; 28</i>
Thurs 29 June	Board Meeting at 6.30pm
Fri 30 June	END OF TERM 2, 2023
Mon 17 July	TERM 3 BEGINS
Tues 8 Aug	Te Totara X Challenge and Cross Country Trials
Thurs 10 Aug	Te Totara X Challenge and Cross Country Trials <i>postponement date</i>
Wed 16 & 17 Aug	Learning Plan Interviews
Tues 29 Aug	Cluster Cross Country
Thurs 31 Aug	Cluster Cross Country <i>postponement date</i>
Thurs 31 Aug	Board Meeting at 6.30pm
Wed 6 & 7 Sept	Photolife Class & Individual School Photos
Tues 19 Sept	Photolife Groups & Cluster Sports Photos
Thurs 21 Sept	Board Meeting at 6.30pm
Fri 22 Sept	END OF TERM 3, 2023
Mon 9 Oct	TERM 4 BEGINS

# TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: [pta@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:pta@tetotara.school.nz) [www.facebook.com/TTPTA](http://www.facebook.com/TTPTA)

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



## THE PTA AGM MEETING

The PTA Meeting date has been set so book out your calendar now as it would be great to meet you!

**When:** Wednesday 14th June 2023  
**Time:** 7:00pm to be followed by a general PTA Meeting  
**Where:** Staff Lounge (*turn right as you enter into Matariki Hall Foyer*)  
**Who's invited:** Anyone who is a parent or caregiver of a child who attends Te Totara Primary School.

**Nominations are now open for all positions, (Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Communications Officer) however, it is only our Communications Officer who has advised she will be stepping down, meaning we need to fill this position at the AGM.** If you would like to put your name forward for this or any position, or would like further information please email the PTA at: [pta@tetotara.school.nz](mailto:pta@tetotara.school.nz)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

PTA AGM Wednesday 14th June at 7.00pm (*Staff Lounge*)  
PTA Meeting Wednesday 14th June at 7.30pm (*at the conclusion of the AGM*)

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

A promotional poster for the PTA AGM. The top half has a background of green grass with a stylized tree logo on the left. The text 'JOIN Te Totara PTA PRIMARY SCHOOL' is centered. The bottom half has a solid green background with white text: 'Come along to the AGM\*, Wednesday 14th June 2023 at 7:00pm in the Staff Lounge, (turn right as you enter into the Hall) \*Annual General Meeting'.

## 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.**

### ROTOTUNA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL KEY DATES:

#### Wednesday 31st May, 2023 - Information Evening

for all prospective students and their families from 6.15pm. No need to register, just come along

#### Thursday 1st June, 2023 - Enrolment Applications Open

Bulk enrolments open - Complete an online enrolment application:

<https://www.rhs.school.nz/enrolments>

#### Friday 13th October, 2023 - Close date for Friend Request Form.

We will again be offering confirmed enrolments the opportunity to request to be placed into an Advisory Class or Hapu with a friend.

This option will be available to students who's enrolments are confirmed by the 13th of October.

A link to a Google Form will be emailed to all enrolments once they are confirmed

#### Thursday 7th December, 2023 - Orientation Day for confirmed enrolments

Our Orientation Day date is the 7th of December this year, where all of our new students are invited to come and experience our school

#### Tuesday 30th January, 2024 - Powhiri and first day of school for confirmed enrolments



## 2024 Enrolments

- Do you have specific questions around your child's transition to our school next year?
- Book a 20 minute appointment with either a member of the Senior Leadership Team or our Inclusive Learning Team

Thursday 29 June - 9.00 am - 7.00 pm  
& Friday 30 June - 9.00 am - 2.00 pm

Book online through School Interviews - [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) - code: v3fsy



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**KELLY SPORTS** HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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**07 8399017**

BOOK ONLINE AT  
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### Rototuna New World Scholarship

*Applications are now open for a prospective student entering Year 7 in 2024.*

*This scholarship provides support to a student whose financial situation may not allow them to attend Southwell School.*

*The Scholarship is tenable for the duration of the successful student's education at Southwell School in Years 7 and 8.*

*The value of the scholarship is \$5000 per annum.*

*Applications close 30 July 2023.*

*Enquiries to [registrar@southwell.school.nz](mailto:registrar@southwell.school.nz)*



To support the launch of the Fieldays Sustainability Hub, which aims to provide easy access to accurate information about sustainability and the environment for all ages, we're running a colouring-in competition. To enter, and for a chance to win a T-Rex Pest Trap and a \$100 Prezzy Card, we're asking kids to bring their entry to Fieldays (14-17 June) and pop it in the letterbox in the Sustainability Hub.

Click the blue link: [https://www.fieldays.co.nz/media/1284/download/colouring\\_in\\_competition.jpg](https://www.fieldays.co.nz/media/1284/download/colouring_in_competition.jpg)  
Please rest assured that the entries will be recycled after judging has concluded.

Kind regards  
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