

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)

MUFTI DAY TOMORROW!

Friday 27th October, 2023

SUPPORT OUR 2024 SCHOOL CAMP FOR OUR YEAR 5&6 STUDENTS

We will be having a “**Mufti Day**” on Friday 27th October to help raise money for School Camp next year. The idea is to come to school in colourful, comfortable and fun clothing instead of uniform tomorrow and give a gold coin donation. This is one of several fundraising events happening this term to support the school in covering the extra costs of school camp, which have not been passed on to students in their camp fee of \$180.00 per student. This is to ensure all Yr 5&6 students can attend their Camp

So, please come to school tomorrow dressed in mufti clothing (non-uniform).

Your gold coin donation will be collected at the school gates from 8.30am onwards by some of our senior students. If you miss our collectors, please hand your gold coin to your classroom teacher.



JUNIOR ATHLETICS “HAVE A GO” DAY - FOR YEARS 0-2 ONLY

TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 2023

Postponement date: Thursday, 2nd November

With our Year 0-2 students, we are developing and sharing their skills through a fun activity based event called the ‘Have a Go’ Day. They will be rotated around the following activities: Sprints, Parachute, Long Jump, Hurdles, Egg and Spoon, Cricket Ball Throw and High Jump.



The Matawhero Team (Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5) and Neptune 24, 26 & 27 will start at 9.00am, finishing at 12:00pm lunchtime.

The Orion Team (Rooms 7, 8, 9 & 10), Satellite Unit & Neptune 25 & 28 will start at 12.05pm lunchtime (12:50pm - 1:25pm), finishing at 2.30pm.

Have a Go Day Information:

- Children may arrive at school in their house colours; they can remain in their house colour clothes for the whole day
- Check with your classroom teacher if you are unsure which house your child is in
- Sports shoes are optional; children may wish to compete in bare feet
- Te Totara bucket sun hats are compulsory
- Plenty of lunch and water are important
- If the weather is not looking good we will postpone it to Thursday, 2nd November.

If ‘Have a Go’ day is postponed, it will be notified on our Facebook page at 7.30am or via our school website at 8.00am.

TE TOTARA SCHOOL HOUSES

- Te Totara School has four houses, all named in line with our STARS theme and space expeditions: "Apollo, Challenger, Discovery and Mercury"
- Children are placed in houses when they arrive at school. New Entrants with family members already at school will be placed in the same house.
- We are able to use the houses for different school events and happenings e.g. Athletic Sports.
- Houses provide our children with leadership responsibilities and provide good natured competition.
- There are colours for each house. The classroom teacher will advise your child which house they belong to.
- There are Lead Teachers looking after each house. Students will be meeting in house groups beforehand
- **If you are unsure of your child's School House, please check with their classroom teacher**

HOUSE COLOURS

Apollo
Challenger
Discovery
Mercury

Yellow
Blue
Green
Red



SHOOT KEYS EMAILED TO FAMILIES PHOTOLIFE CLASS & INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Shoot Keys for these photos have been emailed to our families last week. If you did not receive your unique key code, please check your trash/spam folder. If you have any queries, please call Photolife direct on **0800 501040** or email them on enquiries@photolife.co.nz

PLEASE NOTE:

The cut-off date for "Free Delivery" orders to the school is midnight on Sunday 5th November, 2023. Photos will be delivered to the school before the end of the school year

PLANNING FOR 2024

We are beginning to plan for 2024 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*
- *Classroom Teachers' reflections on their students' strengths and needs*
- *Student needs*
- *Student input from their five friends recorded on the class friendship list*
- *Parents input (please see below)*

Parents have the opportunity to contribute towards the placement of their child by emailing Jo Stewart, Deputy Principal. 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 add your thoughts to your child's placement for 2024, please email Jo Stewart, Deputy Principal, by **3.00pm Friday 3rd November, 2023** at: dp@tetotara.school.nz

2023 FEES, SPORTS REGISTRATIONS & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO

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

Available to pay/register via KINDO now:

- **Topa Tamaiti Pasifika Celebration (Selected Students ONLY)**
Cut-off Date for registration is 3.00pm on Friday 10th November
- **2023 Yearbook Orders - \$25.00 per book**
Cut-off Date for orders is 3.00pm Wednesday 15th November

Kindo Questions? Kindo Helpdesk on 0508 454636 (toll free)

kindo.
The online one stop school shop



TE TOTARA SCHOOL BOARD

As part of our Te Totara School Charter regarding the objective of 'Growing Whanau and Community Engagement', the School Board invites your feedback on our policies.

The Te Totara School Board, will be reviewing the policies below at our next Board meeting to be held tonight - Thursday 26th October, 2023:

- **Media Guidelines Policy**

At the November Board meeting the Board will be reviewing the following policies:

- Allocation of Units
- Sexual Harassment Policy

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

2023 YEARBOOK ORDERS 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 **Wednesday 15th November, 2023 @ 3.00pm. Sorry, no late orders will be accepted.**

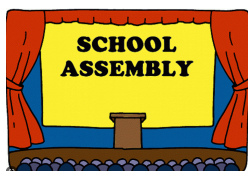
Please note: If you have Grandparents or friends who wish to order their own copy of our Yearbook, this must be ordered through KINDO and combined with your family order.

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YEAR 6 LEAVERS – DESTINATION SCHOOL FOR 2024

Many of our Year 6 families have already enrolled at an Intermediate School/High School for 2024 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 or via email receptionist@tetotara.school.nz 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.



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be held **in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm on Friday, 27 October 2023**. This week students from **Neptune and Milky Way Pods** will attend assembly and **Neptune 25** will be sharing. Families from this classroom will be invited to attend via their classroom teacher.

DATES COMING UP

Thurs 26 Oct	Board Meeting at 6.30pm
Fri 27 Oct	Muffi Day - Gold Coin donation to support Year 5 & 6 School Camp (2024)
Tues 31 Oct	Junior Have a Go Day <i>Thurs 2 Nov Postponement Date Junior Have a Go Day</i>
Wed 8 Nov	Year 3-6 Bake Sale to support Year 5 & 6 School Camp (2024)
Fri 10 Nov	School Disco "Out of this World" theme. \$2.00 Entry Fee 5:15pm - 6.00pm (Year 0-2) 6:15pm - 7.00pm (Year 3-4) 7:15pm - 8:15pm (Year 5-6)
Tues 14 Nov	Senior Athletics Day <i>Thurs 16 Nov Postponement Date Senior Athletics Day</i>
Wed 22 Nov	PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm in the Staff Lounge
Thurs 23 Nov	Board Meeting at 5.30pm
Tues 28 Nov	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea
Fri 24 Nov	PTA Ice-Block Day - \$2.00 each
Wed 29 Nov	Year 6 Leavers Supper
Fri 1 Dec	Ice-Block Day to support Year 5&6 School Camp (2024) \$2.00 each
Mon 4 Dec	School Celebration
Tues 5 Dec	School Celebration <i>Postponement Date</i>
Wed 6 Dec	Cluster Athletics Day (<i>Selected students only</i>)
Fri 8 Dec	PTA Ice-Block Day - \$2.00 each
Thurs 14 Dec	FINAL DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR - SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM

2023 School Term Dates

Please note that our final day of school for the 2023 school year has been amended to: **3.00pm on Thursday 14th December, 2023**



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



DISCO

The PTA are hosting an "Out of this World" disco on Friday 10th November.

Come dressed as your favourite extraterrestrial, a spacecraft or anything you consider Out of this World. 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 10th November 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 help out on the night, please keep an eye on Seesaw as it will be sent out shortly. Alternatively, please email the PTA at pta@tetotara.school.nz



KNOWLEDGE-A-THON

The PTA's fundraising Knowledge-a-thon has now finished. A HUGE thank you to all the students who returned sponsorship money. We raised just under \$10,000 and this will be donated to school to help fund stages 3 & 4 of the confidence course.

If anyone still has any outstanding money to be returned this can be done via internet banking or dropped into the Green Box in the school office.

WINNERS, WINNERS, WINNERS.... If you returned your money before 18th October you were in the draw to win a Paper Plus voucher.

These have now been drawn and the winners are:

Hiru – Room 5

Ishani – Room 8

Mieke – Room 12

Livia – Room 18

Riley – Room 26

Emmabella – Room 32

Tajveer – Room 38

The person who raised the highest amount of \$380.00 was Ophelia from Room 24.

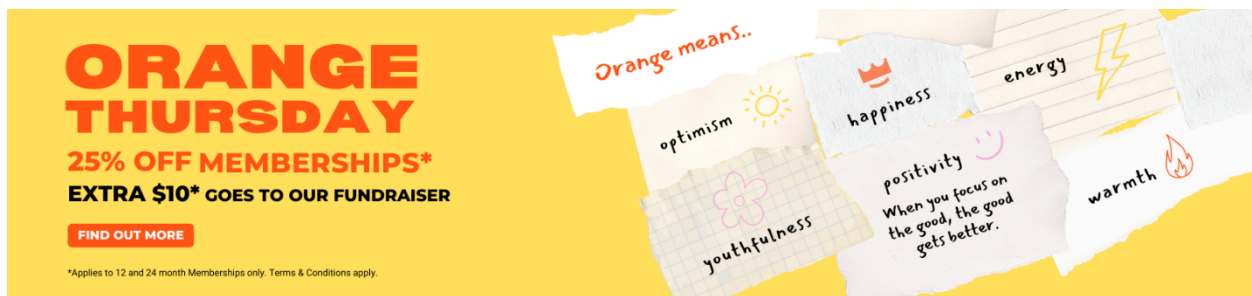


Congratulations to all our winners and thank you for your efforts in the Knowledge-a-thon.

ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

An Entertainment Membership is an easy-to-use App packed full of incredible savings of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, so you can save on takeaways, dining, shopping, gift cards, activities and more! It is your passport to a world of exclusive benefits, unforgettable experiences and endless entertainment.

The next promotion running from 8pm Thursday 26th October until 1:59pm Monday 6th November is called Orange Thursday. This promo gives you 25% off the original price of all 12 and 24 month memberships and also earns Te Totara Primary School PTA an additional AUD \$10 on top of the 20% we already earn when you use this link to purchase your membership. <https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/15502m5>. We thank you for your continued support.



ORANGE THURSDAY
25% OFF MEMBERSHIPS*
EXTRA \$10* GOES TO OUR FUNDRAISER

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

*Applies to 12 and 24 month Memberships only. Terms & Conditions apply.

The graphic features a yellow background with several torn paper scraps. One scrap says "Orange means..". Other scraps include "optimism" with a sun icon, "youthfulness" with a flower icon, "happiness" with a crown icon, "positivity" with a smiley face icon and the text "When you focus on the good, the good gets better.", "energy" with a lightning bolt icon, and "warmth" with a flame icon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Out of this World Theme Disco – Friday 10th November
PTA Meeting - Wednesday 22nd November at 7:30pm
Ice Block Day – Friday 24th November
Ice Block Day - Friday 8th December

Your PTA Committee: *Kerri, Adelle, Navneet, Kerry and Garima*

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.**



GET READY FOR YOUR GREAT KIWI SUMMER!

11 & 12 NOVEMBER 2023
THE GREAT KIWI
SUMMER FESTIVAL
LAKE KARAPIRO

www.greatkiwisummer.co.nz

FEATURING
ARMISTICE IN CAMBRIDGE
Established in 1994, Armistice is a not-for-profit organisation that provides a safe and fun environment for children and young people to learn about the history of war.

The Great Kiwi Summer Festival has something for everyone to enjoy.

We are sure the kids will be excited to have a go on inflatable Waterworld, or the on-land inflatable fun from Event Fun, completing the Armistice kids Challenges, More FM's gumboot throwing competition, have a go kayaking, or watch the BMX Big Nationals take place..... there is heaps more for the whole family including boat displays, camping and fishing displays or find out more about the local cycling trails. Plus we will have LOADS of yummy food trucks – so come along and enjoy a day out at the lake. You can see more here

<https://www.greatkiwisummer.co.nz/whats-on/>



SUMMER JAM

YOUTHTOWN SINCE 1932

HAMILTON

Saturday 4th November 2023
Enderley Park Community Centre
9am - 3:30pm

Gather your whānau and join the fun this summer!
It will be an epic day out for the whole community.

**3X3 BASKETBALL COMP | CHILL ZONE & CHALLENGES |
MUSIC | RENEGADE HOCKEY | FOOD | STALLS | COFFEE**

3x3 entry only \$25 per team

www.youthtown.org.nz/summerjam



BASKETBALL
New Zealand



Hamilton City Council
Te Kaunihera o Kirikiriroa

The Gumboot Friday Concert
(on a Saturday)
Globox Arena: Claudelands - November 25

Superb young Cambridge Band

Pineja

Are playing the opening set.

GUMBOOT FRIDAY CONCERT

Raising funds for I AM Hope and Gumboot Friday
THE FEELERS . MIKE KING . JASON KERRISON AND MORE

Tickets through
Ticketek

Junior surf commences Sunday 29
October at Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club
at 10am and continues every Sunday.

Make friends, learn skills, compete
against other clubs, train to be a paid
lifeguard and enjoy fun experiences.

Open to ages from 5-12 years. 13 year
olds can participate in our rookie
lifeguard programme and 14+ can
begin lifeguard training.

Contact
juniorsurf@raglansurflifesaving.org.nz
for more info or visit our website.

