

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), Salām (Muslim)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Tihei mauri ora, nau mai, haere mai, tena koutou katoa, E nga whanau, e nga kaiako, e nga tamariki, e nga manuhiri, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa

Kia Ora Whānau,

What a fantastic week of activities at Te Totara. It was wonderful to see all those children competing at the trials for a spot to represent Te Totara at the inter school Cross Country competition. Wow, what an amazing day for the X-Challenge. The morning children braved the fog and got stuck right into everything. The sun was shining on the afternoon groups. It was wonderful to witness all the children experiencing some joy, fun in what they were doing. Thank-you to the staff who got everything set-up and put away. Also, thank-you to our parent community for your support.

I attended my first PTA meeting last night and thank-you for your dedication and commitment to our school. They will be having some ice-block days and a School Disco later in the year so please continue to show your support for this fabulous group.

Please make sure you come and visit your child's teacher for the upcoming Learning Plan interviews. This is an opportunity to continue the strong relationship between home and school. I look forward to seeing our community support this as we work in partnership to make sure our children achieve their very best.

On a social media note, we are noticing a number of children discussing that they are on snapchat, kids messenger and a few other social media apps. This is something that happens at home, but sometimes the discussions end up being not so nice and carrying over into school. We ask that if your child does have a phone and is using these social forums, that you are able to pay close attention and check your child's phone regularly. Thank-you for your support with this.

James Murray
Principal



LEARNING PLAN DISCUSSION BOOKINGS (ALL rooms except Room 1) BOOKINGS ARE OPEN NOW

Learning Plan Discussions will take place on **Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd August, 2024**. We have arranged **15 minute time slots** for discussions from 2.30pm onwards, 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:

Wednesday 21st August, 2024

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 (teachers break between 5.45pm-6.15pm), 6.15pm, 6.30pm, 6.45pm & 7.00pm

Thursday 22nd August, 2024

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, 5.45pm & 6.00pm

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 **fnhv5**

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 19th August, 2024 @ 9.00am. Sorry, we will not be able to accept bookings after this date/time.

PLEASE NOTE:

School will finish at **2.00pm** both **Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd August** for **ALL** students. Students will need to be collected at **2.00pm** - Thanks.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

The whole school will finish at **2.00pm** on Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd August; After School Care will begin at 2.00pm, **for those children enrolled**.

Spaces are limited... so, if your child/ren normally attends ASC on either/both those days, please advise ASC two weeks in advance if you **DO NOT** require your booking. Otherwise, your child/ren will be booked in for the earlier start time of 2.00pm automatically on those days. Any queries, please email Katrina Strong: afterschoolcare@tetotara.school.nz

2024 FEES, SPORTS REGISTRATIONS & DONATIONS PAID VIA 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.



Available to pay/register via KINDO now:

- **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**

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.



SIBLING OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2025 **Enrolment Period of 18th December, 2024 - 27th June, 2025**

Our School Board is looking to accommodate, if possible, younger siblings of current students and children of staff for the 2025 school year. To help determine this, we need to have OUTZ Enrolment Application Forms into the School Office to help with this process. Please complete an OUTZ Enrolment Form for each child, which is available online from our school website by clicking 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 **18th December, 2024 to 27th June, 2025**. This process will be completed in mid October, 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.

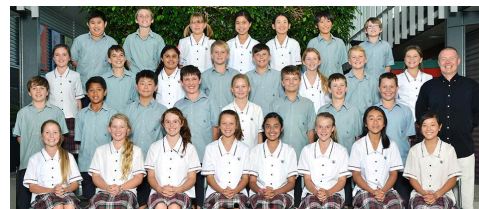
Please return the completed OUTZ Enrolment Form, including the relevant documentation, to the School Office by 3.00pm tomorrow, Thursday 8th August, 2024.

PHOTOLIFE CLASS & INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st August, 2024

– Class, Individual & Sibling Photos

Note: Monday 2nd September, 2024 – Groups & Cluster Sports



Students will need to look their best, so please ensure that **ONLY** our correct school uniform is worn and that it is in a clean and tidy condition (*black school shorts/skort, red polo shirt and red polar fleece*).

Soon after Photo Day your son or daughter will bring home an online slip with their unique Shoot Key detailed on it. When you log-in your personalised Shoot Key number will display all the photographs of your child including an individual photo (*and sibling photo if you have ordered one*).

It is then an easy process for you to shop online and purchase the photographs you want. If you place your order within three weeks of receiving your Shoot Key you will receive free delivery of your order to the school.

If you order after the 3 week free delivery period, a postage & handling fee per order will apply and orders will be sent to your home.

For families who do not wish to use the Photolife online system, order envelopes will be available from the School Office soon after Photo Day.

A Photolife flyer will go home today to the eldest child in each family.

PHOTOLIFE SIBLINGS PHOTOS (YOU MUST PRE-ORDER)

Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st August, 2024

in the Matariki Hall between 8.15am - 9.00am

Photos involving **pre-schoolers/older siblings** **NOT at our school** will be taken **between 8.15am-9.00am on a first-come-first-served basis in the Matariki Hall on both days.**

PLEASE NOTE: Students who have their sibling at our school will have their Sibling Photo taken during class time.

Students must be wearing the correct school uniform.

If you wish to have a sibling photograph, please collect a **“Sibling Photo Request Form”** from the School Office and **return it BEFORE** Photo Day to the School Office. Sibling Photos can be ordered online and will be delivered to the school along with the Class and Individual photos at a later date.

PhotoLife SIBLING PHOTO REQUEST

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY PARENT OR CAREGIVER AND RETURNED TO SCHOOL BEFORE PHOTO DAY FOR PHOTO TO BE TAKEN.

FAMILY LAST NAME: _____

List Full Name and Room Numbers of Children to be Photographed Together - **OLDEST FIRST**

Name: _____	Room No: _____
Name: _____	Room No: _____
Name: _____	Room No: _____
Name: _____	Room No: _____
Name: _____	Room No: _____

I authorise the above detailed children to be photographed together for a Sibling Photo

PARENT / CAREGIVER SIGNATURE: _____

After Photo Day you will receive a Shoot Key to view and purchase your Sibling Photo Pack ONLINE

We are here to help

If you have any further questions please contact us

09 262 1040 or 0800 501 040

PhotoLife
www.photolife.co.nz

A Sibling Photo Order Form will come home to the Oldest Child in each family today. Extra copies are available from the School Office.



UPDATE FROM YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Kia Ora. Please feel free to share this newsletter with your teachers, staff and school community

Scabies

Scabies is an itchy rash that is caused by tiny insects that burrow along in the skin, laying eggs as they go. Anyone can get scabies and it is spread by close bodily contact (e.g. holding hands, or hugging), and by sharing clothes and bedding. Scabies will not go away without treatment and everyone in the house should be treated at the same time, even if they are not itchy. If you think you may have scabies:

- You need a special cream/lotion which is available on prescription from your GP, or you can buy it from a pharmacy
- Have a warm bath or shower, and then cover your whole body with the cream/lotion from your chin down to the soles of your feet. This must be left on overnight
- The next morning have a shower or bath and put on clean clothes.
- All clothes that have been worn against the skin must be washed in hot water. Also, sheets, pillowcases, towels and facecloths should be washed in hot water
- Children should not attend school until 24 hours after the first treatment



Whooping Cough (Pertussis)

Whooping cough is a highly infectious disease that is spread by coughing and sneezing. Whooping cough can be very serious for babies and children – resulting in severe illness and hospitalisation. Whooping cough cases are currently on the rise - with a significant increase in whooping cough cases across the motu since the beginning of May 2024. Immunisation remains the best way to prevent whooping cough:



- The whooping cough immunisation is free for woman in their second and third trimesters of pregnancy, and is recommended from week 16 onwards. (Pertussis vaccinations should also be encouraged for the extended whanau of pregnant people, new babies and infants)
- As per the NZ Immunisation Schedule children should receive their vaccinations at 6 weeks, 3 months, 5 months, 4 years and 11 years of age
- Whooping cough vaccines are free for pregnant people, all children under 18 years old and adults from 45 and 65 years old

NEED TO TALK?

1737

- Are you feeling stressed or just need someone to talk to?
- Are you feeling down or a bit overwhelmed?
- Do you know someone who is feeling out-of-sorts or down?

Free text or call anytime to speak with a trained counsellor, or peer support worker. This service is available 24 hours a day and is completely free.

They offer brief 1:1 counselling support where they focus on one or two key things you need support for. They mainly provide support in English but there may be cases where they can connect you with someone from your language of origin

Free call or text 1737 anytime

CROSS COUNTRY & X CHALLENGE HIGHLIGHTS



TE TOTARA SPORTS PLAYER OF THE DAY

If you are a Coach or Manager, please email the POD by **Wednesday 1.00pm** to stephy@tetotara.school.nz



Netball

Meteors	6/8 Hayley McLeod
Ferns	TBA
Rockets	TBA
Comets	TBA
Invaders	TBA



Hockey

Red Sticks	3/8 Livia Gibson
Blue Sticks	TBA
Lions	27/7 Aizak Sebastian
	3/8 Reuben Henderson
Strikers	27/7 Kara Pretorius
	3/8 Libby Clark



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY- MATARIKI HALL

This week's assembly will be held **in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm Friday 9th August, 2024**. This week students from **Ra & Marama Pods** will attend the assembly and **Ra 29** will be sharing and families from this classroom will be invited to attend via their classroom teacher.

DATES COMING UP

Tues 20 Aug	Photolife Class & Individual School Photos
Wed 21 Aug	Photolife Class & Individual School Photos
Wed 21 Aug	Learning Plan Interviews - School Finishes at 2.00pm
Thurs 22 Aug	Learning Plan Interviews - School Finishes at 2.00pm
Thurs 22 Aug	Board Meeting @ 6.30pm
Mon 26 Aug	Mid Term Break - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 27 Aug	Fairfield Cluster Cross Country (Years 4-6 placegetters)
Thurs 29 Aug	Fairfield Cluster Cross Country (Postponement date)
Friday 30 Aug	Daffodil Day Fundraiser (Further details to follow)
Mon 2 Sept	Photolife Groups & Cluster Sports Photos
Thurs 12 Sept	Routine New Entrant Hearing Testing
Tues 24 Sept	Senior School Production (Team A) - The Stars of Matariki
Wed 25 Sept	Senior School Production (Team B) - The Stars of Matariki
Thurs 26 Sept	Board Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 27 Sept	END OF TERM 3 - School Finishes at 3.00pm
Mon 14 Oct	TERM 4 BEGINS (10 weeks)



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



PTA – WHAT DO WE DO?

As the name suggests we are the Parents and Teachers Association, and we help organize events and raise funds that we donate to the school for various causes. Some of our events include but are not limited to school discos, ice block days, spellathons etc. We have donated these funds to the school to help with the obstacle course, school camps and various other events. If you feel motivated and want to make a difference while you meet a bunch of cool parents, please come and join us at the next PTA meeting! NOTE: The next PTA meeting date is below.

SMITH & MCKENZIE CHEESECAKE FESTIVAL

The Te Totara PTA have nabbed a spot in the "Top 11" for 15th Annual Smith & McKenzie Cheesecake Festival, with our flavour "Peppermint Kit-Kat".

This is how the festival helps the Te Totara PTA raise money:

- **Sales:** \$1.00 from each slice of cheesecake sold goes towards your fundraising and gets totalled at the end of the festival.
- **Voting:** Each person who buys a slice will also get a token to vote for their favourite one. The most votes wins the overall festival.
- **Prizes:** The winner receives \$500.00 towards their fundraising goals or a Smith & McKenzie voucher to raffle off, holds the Smith & McKenzie Cheesecake Trophy for the year, and gets their cheesecake added to our dessert menu until the next festival.



So.... pop down to Smith and McKenzie during the festival, order a slice and place your vote for "Peppermint Kit-Kat" to support us!

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's Entertainment's 30th Birthday and we are teaming up with them to raise much-needed funds for our cause and give you a few goodies to celebrate too! For a limited time, buy any Single City Entertainment Membership and get a FREE upgrade to a Multi City Membership! Plus, go into the draw to win some epic prizes including luxury dining experiences, thrilling family adventures, gift cards and more. All with a 12-month Entertainment Membership starting at just \$70! Grab this amazing offer now for your chance to win while saving up to 50% off restaurants, activities, shopping, and more. Bonus Membership Upgrade 8:00pm NZST, 05/08/2024 - 1:59pm NZST, 30/08/2024 Thank you for your continued support!

If you use the link below, 20% of every membership purchased is donated back to support Te Totara Primary School PTA <https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/15502m5>.



PTA MEETING

Our PTA meeting was held yesterday. More news to follow....

Your PTA Committee: *Kerry, Nate, Navreet, Lorinda, Garima & Alexx*

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 with a sunburst pattern. At the top, there are two banners: "Exceptional Learners Whakamahara āonga" and "Exceptional Place Whakamahara wāhi". In the center, the school crest is displayed. Below the crest, the text reads "Fairfield Intermediate School" and "Open Days" in large white letters. The dates and times are listed as "Wednesday 14 August 9.00am - 2.30pm" and "Wednesday 21 August 9.00am - 2.30pm". A paragraph of text describes the open days, and contact information is provided at the bottom. To the right of the text are three photographs: two girls in school uniforms embracing, a girl in a green apron looking at a book, and a boy in a school uniform playing a ukulele.

Exceptional Learners
Whakamahara āonga

Exceptional Place
Whakamahara wāhi

Fairfield Intermediate School

Open Days

Wednesday 14 August
9.00am - 2.30pm

Wednesday 21 August
9.00am - 2.30pm

Drop in at anytime during an Open Day to see what Fairfield Intermediate has to offer, ask questions and engage with our staff and students. Enrolment packs are available at all of our main contributing schools from the beginning of Term Three. All enrolment enquires are welcome.

mail@fairfieldintermediate.school.nz
School Office: 07-8559718