

#### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER THURSDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

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#### 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,

Wow, this Term has gone incredibly fast. Next week is our "The Stars of Matariki"

School Production and we are looking forward to seeing our children shine. Thank you to everyone who has come and supported their children and our wonderful school. It certainly will be a fantastic showcase.

During the week I was also fortunate to attend the Kapa Haka performances at RJHS. Our Te Totara children should be so proud. They were outstanding, thank you to Whaea Penny and Whaea Dori for their excellent preparation.

We have been having conversations with the children around rubbish and taking care of the environment this week. We have noticed a lot more rubbish and children not respecting the gardens. We are hoping to see this improve as the term finishes. Our school is a beautiful place and we are encouraging our children to take good care of it.



#### WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER - 1.30PM & 6.00PM

Performances by: Rā & Milky Way Teams (Rooms: 29, 30, 32, 33 & 18, 19, 20, 21 & 23)

#### ALL TICKETS ARE \$14.00 EACH

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

NOTE: Once you have received confirmation from KINDO that your tickets have been purchased, your production tickets will be given to your <u>oldest child to bring home on Friday</u>. 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 and your order will still be in your "shopping cart".



There are many stars that have been working hard around our kura getting ready for the Year 3 - 6 production of **The Stars of Matariki!** Have you got your tickets yet? Purchase through KINDO



#### 2024 YEARBOOK ORDERS ORDERS THROUGH <u>KINDO ONLY</u>

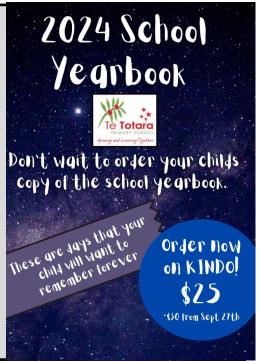


#### **\$25.00 Early Bird price** \$30.00 if ordered after 3.00pm Friday 27th Sept, 2024

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 <u>Friday 15th November 2024 @ 3.00pm.</u> 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.



# E TOTARA PRIMARY SCHOOL 2024 YEARBOOK ADVERTISING

Would you like to support a school in your community?

Would you like to advertise directly to the people that live in Rototuna?

Te Totara Primary School is now 14 years old and has a roll of 721 children and 557 families. It is located on Hector Drive, off Borman Road Rototuna.

Every year we create a full-colour Yearbook, to capture forever the fun and learning at our school. We would love to include your local business in this year's publication.

Our parents tell us that the Yearbook is often left on their coffee table for a good part of the year with other family members and friends pouring over it.

We want to make our Yearbook available to our community at an accessible price. Due to production cost increases, we depend on our local business support to make this happen. We also like to encourage our parent community to support your partnership with us so the advertising costs listed below include four weeks of promotion in our weekly school newsletter.



Growing and Learning Together



#### ADVERTISING RATES

Back cover	\$1500
Inside front cover (whole page)	\$1200
Inside front cover (half page)	\$700
Whole page	\$1,000
Half page	\$600
Quarter page	\$300
Business Card size	\$150

FULL PAGE 210mm w x 297mm h

HALF PAGE 190mm W x 133.5mm h

> BUSINESS CARD 90mm w x 55mm h

PAGE 90mm w x 138mm h

QUARTER

TO SUPPORT TE TOTARA SCHOOL, please contact Julia - juliam@tetotara.school.nz

#### SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL CAR PARKS

Thanks so much to almost everyone who takes care around the school, on behalf of our children. Some tips to make sure we have a safe school:

- Parking in Disabled car parks is not permitted at any time unless you have a current "Mobility Parking" permit on display in your vehicle. We have a number of families who legitimately require these carparks. Please do not park there otherwise.
- If you are in the main car park, please **don't double park** as it causes a grid lock behind you from cars entering and exiting the school car park.
- Please do not leave your vehicle if you are parked in the drop-off zone, this allows for the continued flow of traffic.
- Be extra careful when backing out of a parking space, there may be children behind you that you cannot see.
- The use of hand-held mobile phones is not permitted while driving.





#### be LATEST TT TV EPISODE OUT NOW! Starring Orion 9, Earth 35 & Marama 13

You can find the link on our website or for the latest episode click here  $\underline{\text{IT IV}}$ 



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#### TE TOTARA SCHOOL BOARD - POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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

The Te Totara School Board will be reviewing the policies below at our next Board meeting on Thursday 26th September, 2024:

- Learning Support Policy
- Emergency Management Procedure

At the Board Meeting on Thursday 24th October will be reviewing the below policies:

- Accident, Incidents & Illnesses of Student Procedure
- Administration of Prescribed Medication
- Health & Safety Workplace Policy

Please contact the Board Policy Sub-Committee via email: **jos@tetotara.school.nz** if you have any questions or submissions.

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

#### TE TOTARA BUCKET SUN HATS - COMPULSORY IN TERM 4, 2024

With the warmer weather approaching our thoughts are turning towards protection against the summer sun. The sun is very harsh in New Zealand with skin cancer occurring from sun damage in children. From the beginning of Term 4 <u>ALL</u> children will need to wear their Te Totara Primary School Red Bucket Hat when outside. These can be purchased through Direct Group.



## *Te Pae Here Te Reo Māori Showcase* Wednesday, 18 September 2024



#### Tēnā koutou katoa,

At last night's Te Pae Here Te Reo Māori showcase, our talented Kapa haka rōpu performed with pride and skill.

"There was a sense of 'we're all in this together, we have to look after each other". Being a member of the Kapa haka roopu enhances identity, language, and culture. It facilitates strong connections with peers and gives students the opportunity to succeed and achieve.

A big thank you to the RJHS for hosting this amazing event and to all our whānau and extended school community for their aroha and manaakitanga.

We would also like to thank Whaea Penny for her skilled leadership and guidance.

AKE, AKE, AKE A FOREVER LANGUAGE KIA KAHA TE REO MÃORI



#### PLANNING FOR 2025

We are beginning to plan for 2025 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 2025, please email Jo Stewart, Deputy Principal, by <u>3.00pm Friday 18th October, 2024</u> at: <u>dp@tetotara.school.nz</u>

#### YEAR 6 LEAVERS – DESTINATION SCHOOL FOR 2025

Many of our Year 6 families have already enrolled at an Intermediate School/High School for 2025 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.

#### **OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2025**

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on our school website by clicking the following link: <u>www.tetotara.school.nz</u>

There will be two 2025 out-of-zone enrolment periods:

The First enrolment period runs from 18th December 2024 – 27th June 2025

The Second enrolment period runs from 28th June 2025 – 17th December 2025

The Board has determined the following places are likely to be available to out-of-zone students from 2025 onwards. Enrolment period of **18th December**, **2024 - 27th June**, **2025**:

**10x places for New Entrants** (whose 5th Birthday falls within the above enrolment period)

The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

For students seeking enrolment within the above enrolment period, the deadline for receipt of out-of-zone applications is **9.00am Friday 27th September**, **2024** and should be emailed to:

receptionist@tetotara.school.nz

Parents of students who live within the home zone should also apply by this date to assist the school to plan appropriately for this year. Students who live in the home zone are entitled to enrol at the school.

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot supervised by a Justice of the Peace, a Practicing Lawyer or a Police Officer in accordance under Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989.

If a ballot for out-of-zone is required, it will be held on <u>Friday 11th October, 2024</u>. Parents will be informed of the outcome by Wednesday 11th October, 2024.

#### **IN-ZONE ENROLMENTS**

If you have a child that is turning 5 years of age within the next 6 months, we would love you to complete an Enrolment Form and return it to the School Office. This certainly helps us with our forward planning. Click the link: <u>Enrolment Form</u> Many thanks.

**2024 FEES, SPORTS REGISTRATIONS & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO** This online system allows you to pay school fees, order school lunches etc and is the <u>ONLY</u> way to register/pay for your child for sports teams and class trips.

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

#### Available to pay/register via KINDO now:

- Term 4, 2024 Touch Rugby \$26.00 (Yrs 1&2) \$35.00 (Yrs 3-6) Cut-off Date is 9.00pm on Friday 20th September, 2024
- Year 3-6 School Production Tkts Evening performances SOLD OUT
- 2024 Yearbook Early Bird Rate of \$25.00 until 3.00pm 27/9/24 Cut-off Date is 3.00pm on Friday 15th November, 2024
- 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.* 

#### DATES COMING UP

Tues 24 Sept	Year 3-6 Senior School Production (Team A) - The Stars of Earth & Marama Teams Performances @ 1:30pm & 6:00pm	of Matariki	
Wed 25 Sept	Year 3-6 Senior School Production (Team B) - The Stars of	of Matariki	
	Rā & Milky Way Teams Performances @ 1:30pm & 6:00pm		
Thurs 26 Sept	Board Meeting @ 6.30pm		
Fri 27 Sept	END OF TERM 3 - School Finishes at 3.00pm	<b>S</b>	
Mon 14 Oct	TERM 4 BEGINS (10 weeks)	Important Dates	
Wed 16 Oct	PTA Meeting @ 7.00pm via Zoom	Inportant	
Thurs 24 Oct	PTA - Iceblock Day	Importeet	
Thurs 24 Oct	Board Meeting @ 6.30pm	Dates	
Fri 25 Oct	Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED	Police	
Mon 28 Oct	Labour Day - SCHOOL CLOSED		
Wed 30 Oct	Have a Go Day - Junior School Only		
	Thurs 31 Oct Postponement Date Have a Go Day		
Tues 19 Nov	ues 19 Nov Senior Athletics Day		
	Thurs 21 Nov Postponement Date Senior Athletics Day		
Fri 22 Nov	PTA School Disco		
Mon 25 Nov	Fairfield Cluster Athletics Day (Selected students only)		
Wed 27 Nov	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea		
Wed 4 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Supper		
Thurs 5 Dec	PTA - Iceblock Day		
Fri 6 Dec	Dec RJHS Orientation Day 9.30am - 12.00 midday		
	(only for students who have had their enrolment confirmed by RJH	S)	
Fri 6 Dec	End of Year Learning Plans Online through Parent Portal		
Sun 8 Dec	Weetbix TRYathlon @ St Peter's School, Cambridge		
Mon 9 Dec	School Celebration		
	Wed 11th Dec Postponement Day School Celebration		
	Mon 16th Dec Final Postponement Day School Celebration		
Tues 17 Dec	FINAL DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR - SCHOOL FINISHES AT	3.00PM	
Thurs 30 Jan	2025 - TERM 1, BEGINS @ 8.55am		



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### TE TOTARA PTA NEWS

EMAIL: <u>pta@tetotara.school.nz</u> <u>www.facebook.com/TTPTA</u> Please 'like' our Facebook page to ensure you keep in the news loop: <u>www.facebook.com/TTPTA</u>



#### PTA - WHAT DO WE DO?

As the name suggests we are the Parents & Teachers Association, and we help organise 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!

#### **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!

When you purchase any 12-month Single City Membership between 8:00pm NZST, Tuesday 3 September 2024 and 1:59pm NZST, Monday 16 September 2024 your 12-month Single City Membership will be upgraded to a Multi City Membership at no additional cost.

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 We thank you for your continued support.

#### **PTA MEETING**

The next PTA meeting will be on Wednesday 16th October @ 7pm via zoom. The link will be shared closer to the time.

Your PTA Committee: Kerry, Nate, Narreet, 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

## 2025 Enrolments at Rototuna Junior High School - Grandparent Enrolment Form



The Ministry has approved the Rototuna High School BOT

to 'grand-parent' the enrolment of particular students who have been affected by the introduction of the 'home-zone' boundaries. The circumstances are as follows:

"Students who legitimately enrolled as 'in-zone' students and who are still presently enrolled at Endeavour, Rototuna, Hukanui, Te Totara or Te Ao Marama Primary Schools, but who have subsequently moved residence to live in the 'rural' catchment of the Rototuna Junior /Rototuna High School zones".

If you have any queries regarding a Year 7 Grandparent Enrolment, please contact Lisa Mundell -Junior Enrolments & Leavers Administrator, Rototuna High Schools Ph: 07 854-0541 ext. 290



ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN FOR TERM 4 2024

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Monday (Rototuna Junior High School Dance Studio)

- 3.40 Jitterbugs Seniors (by selection only)
- 4.10 MiniJam (girls & boys aged 3 51/2)
- 4.35 Senior Hip Hop (girls aged 9-16)
- 5.05 Jitterbugs Advanced (by selection only)

#### Tuesday (Common Ground Gym in Flagstaff)

- 3.30 Jitterbugs Junior (girls aged 5 ½ 7)
- 4.00 Jitterbugs Junior Plus (girls aged 7 8)
- 4.30 Jitterbugs Intermediate (girls aged 8 14)
- 5.00 Jitterbugs Adults Session (ages 16 and over)

#### Wednesday (Common Ground Gym in Flagstaff)

- 3.30 Jitterbugs Mini's (girls aged 3 5½)
- 4.00 Jitterbugs Junior/Jitterjam (girls & Boys 5 ½ 7)
- 4.30 Jitterbugs Intermediate (girls aged 8 14)

Lessons start week 1 of Term 4 – 14th October. Every term the kids learn two dances and get to go on stage and present these to friends and family at a show. Outfits/t-shirts are provided for the show. Cost: \$130 for one kid, or \$250 for two kids. Adults session \$80 (don't do the show). Email jolie at jitterbugsdancelessons@outlook.com or check out the

jitterbugs dance lessons facebook page or website for more info



**Click: Edventure Tauranga Facebook Page** 

# Children's Wellbeing and Resilience with

# Anna Mowat

ONLINE - Thursday 3rd October 7:30 pm Explore how we can support our kids to be resilient and bounce back in the face of adversity with Anna - background in psychology and child wellbeing

Bookings essential https://events.humanitix.com/childwellbeing-and-resilience-with-anna

## real parents

# Let's talk parenting styles!

With a bacgkround in psychology Anna has been working with parents for over 20 years supporting them to understand their parenting style and whether this is supporting kids best!

Bookings essential: https://events.humanitix.com/futureproofing

real parents

Only \$18!

ONLINE Thursday 31st of October 7:30 - 9pm