

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), Salām (Muslim)

## \*\* SCHOOL CLOSED \*\*

**FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER - Teacher Only Day**  
**MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER - Labour Day Holiday**

A reminder school will be **CLOSED** for these days.  
School opens again on Tuesday 29th October, 2024

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Tiheī 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,



As we enter Term 4 we just have a couple of reminders please. As you can see from above we have a Teacher Only day on Friday 25th October followed by Labour Day Public Holiday on Monday 28th October. We hope all our families enjoy the long weekend.

In regards to school uniform. We need all children wearing their correct uniform plus their hat for outside. The weather is heating up and it's vital they wear their school hat. All children not wearing a hat after the long weekend will be directed to a shaded area. We will also have our sunscreen out for the children to use.



It has been wonderful to see all our children practicing their athletics since Term 4 has started. I know our children are looking forward to the "Have a Go Day" and the competitive senior athletics.

As I walk around the classrooms and gauge all the learning that is happening. I am extremely lucky to witness the explicit teaching as well as all the positive interactions between the children and their teachers. The joy on their faces when they know they have got something is priceless and this is what we are aiming to do and see regularly. Thank you to the teachers and our parent community for the positive communication we have so that our children become the best versions of themselves. Please make sure that if you have any queries to contact your child's classroom teacher first.

Have a fun filled long weekend and we look forward to seeing all our children back on Tuesday 29th October.

*James Murray*  
Principal

# JUNIOR ATHLETICS "HAVE A GO" DAY - FOR YEARS 0-2 ONLY

## WEDNESDAY 30TH OCTOBER, 2024

**Postponement date: Thursday 31st October, 2024**



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, High Jump and Quoits.

**The Orion (Rooms 7,8,9,& 10) and Neptune 24, 25, 27 & 28 will start at 9.00am, finishing at 12:00pm lunchtime.**

**The Matawhero Team (Rooms 1,2,3,4,5,&11) , Satellite Unit & Neptune 26 will start at 11:50am lunchtime (12:35pm - 1:30pm), finishing at 2.40pm.**

### Have a Go Day Information:

- Children can 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, 31st October.

**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	Yellow
Challenger	Blue
Discovery	Green
Mercury	Red

### SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS - SUBWAY ORDERS UNAVAILABLE

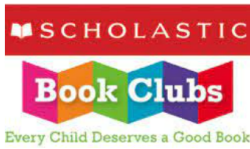
**Tuesday 29th October to Wednesday 13th November**

KINDO has informed us of the temporary closure of Subway Rototuna for remodeling. **This means the Subway lunch order service will NOT BE AVAILABLE on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from Tuesday 29th October to Wednesday 13th November (at this stage).**

**During this time, lunches will still be available to order on Tuesdays & Wednesdays from Fastlane Fitness.**



Updates will be provided if there are any changes to this schedule.  
KINDO apologise for any inconvenience caused.



## NEW SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDER CATALOGUE

This week your child was given a Scholastic Book Club catalogue. These orders close at **9.15am on Tuesday 29th October 2024.**

**Please Note: We DO NOT ACCEPT CASH at all. This means you will have three options to order your scholastic books:**

1. Through the Scholastic Book Club website - [scholastic.co.nz/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.co.nz/LOOP)
2. Through the Scholastic LOOP app
3. In person using EFTPOS at the school office.

Please note: If we receive any orders with cash from students, we will return them home with the student.

## 2024 YEARBOOK

### \$30.00 ORDERS THROUGH KINDO ONLY

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 **Friday 15th November 2024 @ 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.**



## 2024 FEES, SPORTS REGISTRATIONS & DONATIONS PAID VIA KINDO

This online system allows you to pay school fees, order school lunches etc and is the **ONLY** 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:**

- **2024 Yearbook - Only \$30.00**  
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.**



## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY- MATARIKI HALL

This week's assembly will be held **in the Matariki Hall at 2.00pm Thursday 24th October, 2024.** This week students from **Matawhero, Ra & Marama** will attend the assembly and **Matawhero 4 & 5** will be sharing.



## DATES COMING UP

Thurs 24 Oct	PTA - Iceblock Day
Thurs 24 Oct	Board Meeting @ 6.30pm
Fri 25 Oct	Teacher Only Day - <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Mon 28 Oct	Labour Day - <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Wed 30 Oct	Have a Go Day - Junior School Only
	<i>Thurs 31 Oct Postponement Date - Have a Go Day</i>
Tues 5 Nov	Senior Athletics Day
	<i>Thurs 7 Nov Postponement Date - Senior Athletics Day</i>
Wed 13 Nov	PTA Meeting via Zoom ( <i>Link to follow</i> )
Fri 22 Nov	PTA School Disco
Mon 25 Nov	Fairfield Cluster Athletics Day ( <i>Selected students only</i> )
Wed 27 Nov	Volunteers "Thank you" Morning Tea
Wed 4 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Supper - <i>Details to follow</i>
Thurs 5 Dec	PTA - Iceblock Day
Fri 6 Dec	RJHS Orientation Day 9.30am - 12.00 midday
	<i>(only for students who have had their enrolment confirmed by RJHS)</i>
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
	<i>Wed 11th Dec Postponement Day School Celebration</i>
	<i>Mon 16th Dec Final Postponement Day School Celebration</i>
Tues 17 Dec	<b>FINAL DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR - SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3.00PM</b>
Thurs 30 Jan	2025 - TERM 1, BEGINS @ 8.55am



# 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)



## 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!

**Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 7.00pm via Zoom. Check our Facebook page for the zoom link which will be shared closer to the date.**

## 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!

**Don't miss out, strictly limited time!**

**NZ – Bonus Membership Upgrade & \$20 eGift Card 8:00pm  
NZST, 03/10/2024 - 1:59pm NZST, 28/10/2024**

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.

## SCHOOL DISCO

The Term 4 School Disco will be held on **Friday 22nd November** in the Matariki Hall. Watch this space for more details. \$2.00 entry fee per student.

## ICEBLOCK DAY

Iceblock Day was today. Thanks from the PTA committee to all the parents, students and teacher helpers, and of course to our young Te Totara students, who purchased these yummy treats. Your support will help us put in the new basketball hoop for our young kids.

## NEXT PTA MEETING

Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 7.00pm via Zoom. Link to be shared later.

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

An advertisement for Entertainment NZ membership. The background is a dark, blurred image of a smiling woman in a restaurant. Text at the top reads 'Every day value, wherever you go' and 'UNLOCK OVER \$20,000 IN OFFERS AND A FULL 12 MONTH MEMBERSHIP'. Below this, a smartphone displays the app interface with a 'STILL ONLY \$70' badge. To the right is a '\$20 VALUE' Woolworths Gift Card. A 'Buy now' button is at the bottom. Fine print at the bottom left says '\*T&amp;Cs apply'. The main text at the bottom reads: 'Purchase a Single City Entertainment Membership and you will receive a Free Multi City Upgrade. PLUS, receive a BONUS \$20 Woolworths Card\*'



## 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**



Hollis Academy Football Sessions  
5-13 year olds at Hamilton Christian School  
3:20pm - 4:20pm on Tuesdays  
All levels welcome  
Ph: (021) 1386007 Amberley Holis  
[Hollisacademylimited@gmail.com](mailto:Hollisacademylimited@gmail.com)

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ATHLETICS  
A GO!**

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