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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 5th SEPTEMBER, 2013

WEEK 6

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)

OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2014

Each year our Board of Trustees looks to see if there are out-of-zone places available. To help with planning the Board need to know if families have moved out-of-zone and want to enrol a younger sibling in 2014 at Te Totara Primary School.

Enrolment Forms need to be with Anne Fraser by Monday 16th September 2013. You can either drop these off at the School Office or e-mail the Administration Manager at receptionist@tetotara.school.nz

In September, the Board will decide if places are available for out-of-zone enrolments for 2014.

SPCA DAY, FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST 2013

What an awesome day we all had on Friday. Thank you to all the students and families for participating in the day by dressing up as your favourite animal. We managed to donate to the SPCA a trailer of pet food and \$500. The money we raised is going to help any animals that need life saving surgery. On behalf of the Waikato SPCA and the animals, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

MILK FOR SCHOOLS

We are now on our second week of Milk for Schools and have had a fantastic response. We ask that each family complete the Milk in Schools form to state whether or not your child/ren are to receive the milk. If you have not already completed the form, your classroom teacher will have some spare ones which you can complete and drop back to the School Office.

MEDICATION PERMISSION SLIPS

If your child requires medication to be administered at School e.g. asthma, antibiotics etc; a Medication Permission Slip must be completed prior to administering medication. This form can be collected from the School Office or is available on our school website www.tetotara.school.nz

ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONDITIONS

In the event of a medical emergency, if your child has a medical condition, is taking regular medicine/tablets or has an allergy (including sticking plasters etc), please advise the School Office (if you haven't already), so we can amend your records accordingly.

PRINCIPAL ON STUDY TOUR

From Tuesday of next week, until the beginning of Term 4, I will be on a Study tour along with six other New Zealand Principals. This is organised by the Educational Leadership Centre of the University of Waikato and involves visits to schools in South Africa and the United Kingdom.

I am specifically looking at Leadership in other school systems and how that may influence what we do at Te Totara to support our continued improvement.

During my absence the school will be led by Anne Fraser, our Deputy Principal. My thanks to our Board and staff for supporting this learning opportunity for me.

WHAT IS THAT BIG YELLOW BOX?

We have purchased a large Yellow box for all our lost property. It is located by the Earth team (Purple building). It is unlocked in the morning and locked after school. It is weather proof and has ventilation holes to help dry things out. So if you are looking for something you will hopefully find it there!



FOUND SCOOTERS

Barnie, our Caretaker has some scooters in his shed that are not named and have been found.

Please contact Barnie if you have lost a scooter, on 027 478 1440.

SCHOOL SPARE CLOTHES

Just a little reminder.... if you have borrowed any of the schools spare uniform or undergarments, can you please return them to the School Office a.s.a.p. Currently, we have no stock of black of girl's skorts, or boys/girls undergarments to lend to any other students. If you are happy to donate any of the above items (clean), please drop them into the School Office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM WHITE POLO SHIRTS

Direct Group has advised the short sleeved white polo shirts will be available to purchase on Monday 30th September 2013. Unfortunately, the delay has been with their supplier.

A reminder for all parents to please clearly name all items that comes to school, including clothing.

NORTH HAMILTON LIONS CLUB QUIZ NIGHT SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2013

A Night of fun and frivolity.....

Come dressed as a T.... Who will you be?

Saturday 19th October 2013, Te Totara School Hall, doors open 6.30pm.

Tickets on sale Mon 23rd Sept and Tues 24th Sept in the Te Totara School Hall.

See our school website for the wonderful flyer kindly produced by Vicki Jordan Creative.

This can also be viewed on our Community Noticeboard in our school office.

LEARNING PLANS OFFLINE

Teachers are beginning to review and refine our Student Learning Plans. As our staff will be working on these, they will be taken offline as of tomorrow, Friday 6th September, and will remain offline until they come home at the beginning of December. Any new students who have joined our school from the **beginning of Term 3 onwards** will not receive a Learning Plan for the second half of this year. The Teachers will schedule a progress interview for each of these students at the end of November.

CRICKET INTEREST LETTER

If you received a cricket interest letter that says "you will be notified when to purchase a sports red polo shirt" please ignore it. It should say every child playing in a Te Totara Sports Team from now on must purchase the sports red polo shirt from our uniform supplier, Direct Group. We apologise for any confusion.

SPORTS INTEREST NOTICES

Sports interest notices for summer hockey, touch and cricket are going home shortly. Remember to discuss this with your children if they are interested in playing one of these sports and remind them to listen out for the "bing bong" notice during school.

A friendly reminder that once interest notices have gone home, it is your child's responsibility to make sure these are brought back on time. Children generally have one week to bring these notices back. **Any notices that are brought back after the due date will not be considered for a team.** We are working hard to ensure families have as much notice about up-coming sports as possible and children have multiple reminders about these sports. From now on, we will be using the newsletter, website and facebook to indicate new sports. Teachers work very hard to organise Sports Teams

and we want this to be as stress free as possible. Thank you in advance for your help.

FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY TOMORROW

This week's assembly will be held **Friday 6th September 2013 @ 2.00pm** in the Matariki Hall and stars our **Earth 16** children. Everyone is welcome. This week **Ra** is rostered off assembly.

ICAS CERTIFICATES

ICAS Certificates for Credit, Distinction and High Distinction will be given out as follows:

Friday 6th September, Matawhero and Earth Writing ICAS.

Friday 13th September, Ra Writing ICAS.

Participation certificates will be given out at team assemblies.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book Club orders are due back to the School Office by **9.15am on Friday 13th September 2013**. **No late orders will be accepted.**

PHOTOS PHOTOS PHOTOS

To all our snappy happy parents! If you have taken high quality and high resolution images that show clear faces of a school event, then we would love to have them for possible inclusion in our 2013 Yearbook.

Please choose a handful of your best photos. For optimum reproduction, the photos need to have been taken by a camera rather than a phone or ipad and be unedited.

Please contact Ms Jennifer Dalton Orion 11

CHEESECAKE FINALE!

Smith and McKenzie have a cheesecake eating competition and prize giving on Monday 9th September 2013 in the McKenzie Room from 5.30pm, there will be free cheesecake for all supporters along with kids activities and spot prizes.

TE TOTARA SPORTS

PLAYER OF THE DAY

HOCKEY

Tigers Cam Hopping & Ben McMorran

MINIBALL

Pistons Liam Carpinter

DATES COMING UP

Thus 5 Sept PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm

Mon 23 Sept Fairfield Intermediate Orientation Day
– Year 6 students

Fri 27 Sept **3.00PM END OF TERM 3**

Mon 14 Oct **TERM 4 BEGINS**

Fri 1 Nov Te Totara Disco – details to follow

Brian Sheedy

Principal

'EVERYONE NEEDS TO PUSH PLAY 30 MINUTES A DAY'

False. Adults need to push play for at least 30 minutes each day, but children need at least 60 minutes of huff and puff a day. So get star jumping, riding your bike, running around and playing games/sports that will increase your huff and puff time to keep you fit and healthy!



TE TOTARA PTA



NEXT MEETING TONIGHT THURSDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2013

In The Staff Lounge at School 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS - \$60.00 EACH

Entertainment Books - \$60 each

Books or payment are now overdue. If you have any queries or you wish to purchase extra books, please contact Kristy MacIntyre on 021 440 016 or rigmac@orcon.net.nz.

2013 TE TOTARA SCHOOL DISCO

Date Confirmed: Friday 1 November 2013

Any queries please email:

jolie.hopping@vodafone.co.nz

PTA BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Name: Te Totara Primary School PTA
 Bank: SBS Bank
 Account: 03-1355-0711498-00
 (please ensure your child's name and class are used as a reference)
 E-mail: tetotara.pta@gmail.com
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Te-Totara-Primary-School-PTA/30090011661692>



PLAYGROUND MAGAZINE

Stuck for ideas on what to do with the kids these holidays? Visit <http://playground.org.nz/regions/> and view the magazines for your region.

IT'S MY TURN TO COOK TONIGHT BOSCH SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM – OCT 2 - 4

The It's My Turn To Cook Tonight Bosch School Holiday Program is FREE, ONLINE, FUN for the whole family and unique with great prizes. It is available ANYWHERE there is Internet coverage. This means no travelling, no pick ups or drop offs – kids have heaps of fun, get food savvy while they learn to cook in their own home, using their food, cooking their meals. Find out more itsmyturntocooktonight.com

KELLY SPORTS

Holiday Programme – 30th Sept – 11th Oct

5 – 13 years old 8am – 6pm

At Te Totara School, Southwell School,

Netball Clinic with Elias Shadrok

from the Kia Magic Team – 9th & 10th October

9 – 13 years old 9am – 3pm

At Hamilton Girls High School

Rugby Clinic with WRU Academy Players

30th September & 1st October at Southwell School

7 – 9 years old 9am - 12.30pm

10 – 13 years old 1pm - 4.30pm

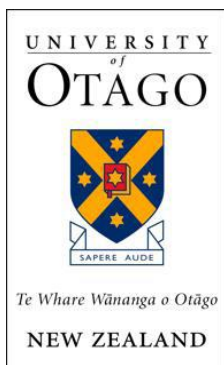
For more information or to **BOOK ONLINE** go to our website www.kellysports.co.nz

Email: waikato@kellysports.co.nz Tel: 07 839 9017

***** CHECK OUT THE NOTICEBOARD IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE*****

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.



NEW ZEALAND PARENTS

Have you used the Internet to search for health information?

Student research at the University of Otago needs ten minutes of your time to answer an online survey about Internet health information. Visit the link, www.healthsurvey.kiwi.nz

North Hamilton Lions Club
invite you to a night of fun and frivolity...




Quiz & Auction Night
Come dressed as a 'T'... who will you be?
Sat 19 Oct 2013, Te Totara School Hall
Fundraising for the Rototuna Community Pool

Doors open 6.30pm, quiz starts 7.30pm
 Live Band and Celebrity MC
 Prizes for Best-dressed Team and Individual
 Spot prizes and prizes to be auctioned

TICKETS ON SALE
Mon 23rd Sept
Tues 24th Sept
 8AM-9.30AM AND
 5PM-7PM, Te Totara School Hall

DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE • SUPPER PROVIDED • EFTPOS
 TABLES OF 8: \$200 OR \$60 FOR A COUPLE
 Couples placed with others to make up tables of 8.
 Internet Banking for tickets available – ph Tracey Gurnick 021 514 101 for details.