



Wednesday 31st May 2017

Dear Parent / Caregivers,

ORIENTEERING HOUSE EVENT - TOTARA PARK; Friday 9th June

On Friday 9th June all students will be going to Totara Park to take part in our school wide Orienteering House Event. Students have been learning the skills associated with orienteering during their PE lessons and will be practising these while participating in this event. We have planned to cater for a range of physical ability by offering 3 different events for students to enter.

- **“For Fun”** a short course (25 minute walk) through the bush. Students are able to walk.
- **“Competent”** a short course through the bush. Students are expected to run as much as possible.
- **“Elitist”** - a long course, uphill and downhill, intended for our fit and able students who are keen to compete.

Val Robinson from Counties Manukau Sports has assisted with the planning of this event and will be an Event Supervisor along with Joe Lukupa on the day.

Transport:

- Students will travel by bus, leaving school from 9.30a.m. All students will have returned to school by 2.00p.m. There is no charge for this school event.

What to Wear:

- Students are to wear their school shirt so they be easily identified at Totara Park. However they can choose to wear shorts, leggings or other suitable active wear. They do need to wear suitable footwear for running or walking in the bush.

What to Bring:

- Students will need to bring morning tea, lunch and a large drink. Cellphones will be handed in at school and locked away as usual.

What if it rains?

- If the weather proves unsuitable, the event will be cancelled. We will send out an alert on the School App - if you haven't downloaded this, you may wish to do so as it is awesome!

Parent Helpers

- We will need parent helpers to assist with supervision; please complete the form below if you are able to help on the day.

Parent Consent

- This is a school activity, with no cost to parents, taking place during the school day. We expect all students to attend. However parents can choose to “opt their child out” of the actual event itself if they feel they are unable to complete the lowest ability course (ie walk). In these cases, they will come to support the other students in their house. Some may be assigned a helping role. Please complete the form below if you do **not** want your child to take part.

If you have any questions, or would like more information please contact your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,
Joe Lukupa

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Name: _____ Child: _____ Room: _____

I do not want my child to take part in the Orienteering Event. I understand they will still go to watch and support their peers.

Signed: _____ (Parent/Caregiver)

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I am able to help with supervision as a parent helper.