

TAMAHERE MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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GOLF DAY Thanks!

What a great event our annual Golf Day is. The sun came out for us and the whole atmosphere was one of festive camaraderie and fun. Huge thanks to Howard Baker and his incredible team and to everyone involved. Thanks to all our GOLF DAY SPONSORS and those who donated prizes and attended the Golf Day 2020.

Thank you to all our amazing school families who supported our Golf Day raffle. We are very pleased to announce the winner of the \$500 voucher from the [Boundary Restaurant & Bar](#) is The Singleton Family. The winner of the Chainsaw from [Stihl Shop Hamilton East](#) is Martin Thomas. The winner of the 2 nights at [Bruntwood Lodge Airbnb](#) is Joanne Jogia and the winner of the lunch for four at [Punnet](#) valued at \$150.00 is Sharon Rolston.

The Golf Day was our only fundraising event for 2020, and we are very pleased to be able to announce that we made approximately \$19,000.00 – we could not have achieved this without all our amazing sponsors. Thanks so much to all those who contributed prizes for the event. All the players enjoyed receiving the prizes and went away with something to remember the day by.

Please continue to support all our wonderful Golf Day sponsors, whose businesses we feature later in this week's newsletter.



Upcoming Dates:

December	
Monday 14 th	Pirongia Big Day In
	Helpers Thank You Morning Tea at 10.30am
Wednesday 16 th	Prize Giving Assembly 11.00am to 1.00pm
Thursday 17 th	Last day of Term. School day ends at 12.20pm
February	
Tuesday 2 nd	First day of Term 1 2021

Lost Property

A significant amount of Lost Property has accrued over the past term and we encourage all families to check for any items belonging to them before the school holidays. Over the holiday break we bag and donate unclaimed and un-named items to charity.



Week 10 Happenings

PIRONGIA SYNDICATE – BIG DAY IN (POSTPONEMENT DAY)

Due to the impending weather forecast on Wednesday, we made the decision to postpone the Pirongia Big Day and it will now be held on [Monday](#).

The same plan will be in place and children will still need shoes, swimming gear, picnic lunch, school uniform and jersey / sweatshirt.

Thank you.

Pirongia Teachers

PARENT MORNING TEA THANK YOU – MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Thank you to the many wonderful parents, caregivers and friends who have stepped forward to help us in so many ways during the school year.

From sports coaches and managers, trip helpers, PTA, book helpers, classroom assistants, and many more... we want you to know that your assistance is invaluable to us and our school simply would not function the same without your help!

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As a token of our sincere appreciation for all of your assistance throughout the year, we warmly invite you to attend a special morning tea to be held in your honour:

When: [Monday 14th December](#)

Time: [10:30 - 11:00 am](#)

Where: [Tamahere Community Centre foyer](#)

PRIZE GIVING ASSEMBLY:

We look forward to seeing you at our Prize Giving next [Wednesday 16th December at 11:00am](#).

This is a formal assembly where all students, except our Year Six Graduates, wear their school uniform (not their whanau shirt) and we celebrate achievements of students across the school. Year Six Graduates are to wear smart casual clothing.

We do hope you will be able to join us on this very special occasion.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

Please see below for the last day of operation of our Before & After School Care Programmes:

Final [After School Care](#) for this year will be on [Wednesday 16th December](#)

Final [Before School Care](#) for this year will be on [Thursday 17th December](#).

LAST BUS:

We are pleased to be able to advise that the last day for the School Bus run this year is also our final day of school. School finishes on [Thursday 17th December](#) at 12.20pm. The bus will depart at the earlier time of 12.30pm on our final day.

SUMMER HOLIDAY READING:

Our library is open in Week 10 for students (Year 2, 3, 4 and 5) to issue up to 12 early chapter or senior fiction books for reading over the summer holidays. Children must bring a signed permission form and a bag to put their holiday books into. The permission slips are available from the library. Students are advised to bring a cloth bag if they can.

I will be available to help choose books and give advice on what books your child/children might like to read. Research shows how dramatically students' academic achievement can be impacted by not reading over summer. Summer reading is important to prevent this summer slide.

Mrs Kewish

Librarian

GETTING READY FOR 2021:

With only a few days to go, we are putting many of the final arrangements together for our 2021 structure and learning programmes. We will be emailing out a comprehensive final newsletter, with all you need to know to begin the 2021 school year.

Maungatautari Big Day Out

A huge thank you to all the wonderful whānau who helped out with our two Big Day's Out this week. The Year 6's had a day of adventure at Tōtara Springs while the Year 5's had a splashing time at Water World. We are so grateful for the enormous parent support we had this year for both trips. We cannot achieve days like this without your help and it is always a fun day to share with whānau.

Maungatautari Teachers



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St Stephen's Carol Singing Service

What a wonderful carol service Tanekaha 12 led at St Stephens Church. With many a lively and enjoyable arrangement of songs and celebrating many students who shone with their solo parts involving both reading and singing. Congratulations to you all and your amazing teacher Mrs Mandy Searancke.



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Year 6 Graduation

What a fabulous evening we had last night celebrating our Year 6's graduation! We had a wonderful time, enjoying social dancing and photos of the past as well as being entertained by a performance for the parents followed by a finger food meal. We were all so proud to see each and every student walk with *kia maia*, across the stage to receive their Graduation Certificate signifying a culmination of their years at Primary School and the next step in their learning journeys ahead. Many of our Year 6's will be celebrated further at Prize Giving next Wednesday.

Special thanks go out to our parent committee who worked behind the scenes to organise the decorations for this special evening and coordinate the food and photo compilation. We would also like to thank the Year 5 parents who provided nibbles for the Year 6 parents.





Flippa Ball Final

On Sunday the Tamahere Sharks played the division one final at St Peter's pool for flippa ball. The game started at 6.30pm so we all had to wait nervously the whole day before playing. Waiting all day just for one game was nerve racking for the whole team. In the practice pool before the game I was feeling really excited and I had butterflies in my tummy as well. Before the game we had to line up in front of everyone to be introduced. It was funny because we had never done this before it and it felt weird. I was the goalie for the first half. I tried my best to not let a single goal pass but sadly I let 3 goals in by half-time but our attackers Alex and Peter had scored 3 goals as well. After half-time everything intensified and became more serious. I was now attack and trying my very best to get as many goals as I could. I was scared they were going to win. When I got a goal, they got one straight after. As it got through to the end of the match the defence got harder. Our team was working 100% tirelessly and trying very hard to get past the opponent's. The noise from the crowd was getting louder and louder after every goal. Suddenly we let a goal sneak past and they were ahead by 1. I tried to swim as fast as I could to get a pass but I ran out of time to get the ball. The goalie had the ball then the buzzer

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blew. Sadly, we had lost the game 10-9 to St Josephs. Our team played so well together and even though we lost it was a great game just like a final should be.

It was such a fun season of flippa ball coming every week to St Peter's pool to see my teammates. I would recommend flippa ball it's a fun and fast sport. Our amazing team members are Luca, Nathan, Caterina, Ava, Alex, Mack, Peter, Riley and Ollie. What a super team!!

Luca M

Year 6

Pukatea 14



Attention Year 6 Students - Leavers' Legacy Books 2020

Would you like to donate a book to the school library? If your child is leaving Tamahere School this year and would like to purchase a book to donate to our library collection, please see Mrs Kewish.

Books have been selected from our library wish-list and classic replacements list. You can view the list in the library, selecting a book from the list or you are welcome to email tkewish@tamahere.school.nz. Alternatively, you can recommend a book that our library doesn't have and donate that book instead.

A special dedication bookplate is added inside the book to show future readers who donated the book. After the book has been chosen from the list the cost can be paid at the school office.

Regards

Mrs Kewish

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Vela School Pool News

As previously shared, the Vela School pool has been open for the last 4 weekends. This weekend will be your last opportunity to swim pre-Christmas and also this is the last chance to use concession cards purchased last summer. The Pool will be open Wednesday to Sunday, from the 6th - 31st January 2021, from 3.00pm - 7:30pm. Please note that the pool will be closed for school use on Thursday 28th January.

New passes can also be purchased from the pool office or school office. Please see below information for further details. A bulk swim card or individual swims can be purchased through the school office (during school open hours) and the pool office open times.

Cost for Passes are as follows:

Community Use Concession Card Cost:

\$5.00 - one-off swim entry

\$45.00 - 10 swims (\$4.50 per swim)

\$65.00 - 20 swims (\$3.50 per swim)

Non-swimmers free

Community Use Concession Card Open Hours:

Pre Christmas:

Weekends during Saturday 14th November - 13th December (3.00 - 7.00pm).

(This is the last chance to use concession cards purchased last summer)

(Closed from 14th December to 5th January 2021).

Post Christmas:

Holiday Season:

Open Wednesday to Sunday 6th - 31st January 2021 from 3.00pm - 7:30pm.(excluding Thursday 28th January when the pool is shut)

(Closed Monday, Tuesdays and Public Holidays)

School Term:

All weekends in February and March 2021 (3.00 - 7:30pm).

One-off Swim Entry

Same dates apply as community use concession card

Thank You For Your Donations

Thank you for the amazing donations of books for 'Kids In Need Waikato'. Well done to our wonderful Tamahere community!!

Winter Sports Uniforms

We have several sport uniform shirts (basketball, football, hockey and rugby) from this season that have still not been returned, so can you please return them to the school office ASAP.

Attention Touch Coaches & Managers

A huge thank you for coaching and managing the touch teams this season. Can you please return all touch balls and cones to Ponga Iti or the school office by this Monday.
Thank you in advance.

Calling All Under 10's Boys Touch Players!!

Waikato Touch are currently seeking interest for more players for the Waikato U10 Boys Black team.
(Born 2011 or after)

TRAININGS

*Monday 5.00pm-6.30pm at Flagstaff Park

TOURNAMENTS

*Contingent Day - Sunday 20th December 2020, Swarbrick Park

*Central Junior Touch Series - Sunday 17th January 2021, Swarbrick Park

*Tamariki Touch Classic - Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st January 2021, Lloyd Elsmore Park, Pakuranga

If you can make the above commitments and would like to be a part of an amazing team please reply to us on how we can make this happen.

Ngā mihi,

Toni Morgan | Administrator

WAIKATO TOUCH ASSOCIATION

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Police Vetting Reminder for Term 1 School Camps

If you would like to be a camp parent in Term 1, you will need to get a Police Check completed, which are then valid for 3 years. You are welcome to complete the Vetting form at the school office. Please bring with you 2 forms of ID - one needs to be a photo ID (Drivers Licence or Passport) and the processing fee of \$10.00.

Can you help to keep Subway Fridays going in 2021?

Unfortunately, our Subway lunches will have to be discontinued at the end of this term, unless we can find volunteers who are able to collect the orders from Cambridge and deliver them to school by no later than midday on a Friday, starting from Term 1 next year. If you are able to assist, please call the school office on 856 9238 or email hwilson@tamahere.school.nz.

Thank you.



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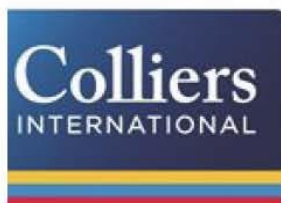


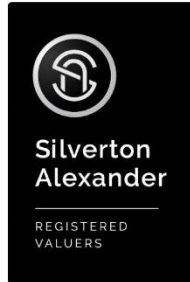
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Wine compliments of the Davison family
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The Beauty Boutique

Hamilton Aquatics 'Learn To Swim' - Term 1 2021



Start: February 2 2021

Levels: One - Five

Lesson days: Tues | Wed | Thurs

Potential: To do 2 lessons twice a week

Duration: 9 weeks

Price: \$144 per child

Location: Vela Pool Tamahere

Its@hamiltonaquatics.nz
www.hamiltonaquatics.nz



Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids

Kan tabs are bringing in thousands of dollars to help kids suffering from Kidney disorders and they need our help to collect more.

It would be great if all children and their families could start collecting ring top tabs off soft drinks and canned foods and bring them into school. There is a special collection tin in the office at the children's entrance.

The tabs are sold to a recycler and the funds raised are passed on to the Kidney Kids Support Group. At the moment there are about 1250 children who require dialysis treatment or additional support from Kidney Kids. Kidney Kids is a not-for-profit parent driven organisation that assists parents of children who have kidney disorders.

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Ez Covers

Ez Covers is a Kiwi company that has created an easier and cheaper way to cover school exercise books. Not only that, when you place an order, choosing Tamahere Model Country School from the school list at the online checkout and enter the Promo Code EZ15, the school will receive 15 cents per cover. Please [click here](#) to go to the Ez Covers website.



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Weetbix Tryathlon 2021

This coming year, the WEETBIX TRYATHLON is happening in Hamilton on [Sunday 21st February](#). We have a school team all set up and ready for you to enter. Join the team! Each year we have a large group of students who participate in this event and everyone LOVES IT! Nearer to the time I will send out further information to help you on the day. Click on [this link](#) to register:

Lee Boyd



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