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Nurturing Our Future - Growing Together
Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu ngatahi

Week 4 Happenings:

Week 4 has been a settled week for us all with a lot of testing happening in classes. The annual Progress and Achievement Tests (PAT) have been happening in Years 3-6, with Literacy and Numeracy testing also occurring throughout the school. Everyone seems back in the swing of things with early mornings and expectations. Thank you to everyone for having hats on heads each day, togs in bags and uniforms looking smart.

Road Crossing: Please use the Road Patrol Crossing if you are wanting to enter or leave the school from the Northern side of Devine Road. Only children with their parents can cross closer to Lil' Pumpkins and the Seniors walking bikes, due to the struggles with the hedge. Sadly, as explained last week we have already had some close calls.

Stay home if you are sick! We are noticing an increase in the number of children coming to school with runny noses and feeling unwell. Please keep children at home if sick, in line with Government requirements and get tested if they have COVID Symptoms. We now have warm water in all of our bathrooms to help with our regular hand washing.

Upcoming Dates:

March	
Monday 1st	Pirongia - 7 & 8 year old Swimming Heats from 9.00am
Tuesday 2nd	Maungatautari - 9 & 10 year old Swimming Heats from 9.00am
Wednesday 3rd	POSTPONEMENT DAY - Swimming Heats
Thursday 4th	Swimming Sports Finals Day from 9.00am
Friday 5th	POSTPONEMENT DAY - Swimming Sport Finals
Monday 8th	Country Cluster Swimming Sports
Tuesday 9th	Taupiri Swimming Sports -Year 1 Demo -Year 2 Races
Thursday 11th	POSTPONEMENT DAY - Taupiri Swimming Sports
Saturday 13th	PUMPKIN NIGHT

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Swimming Sports: We are excitedly looking forward to Monday as we kick off our swimming sports events.

Monday will see our 7 & 8 year old students competing in their swimming heats. On Tuesday we have ages 9, 10 and 10+ heats, with our Finals Day for these ages being held on Thursday. All events will be starting at 9:00am. We have our fingers & toes crossed for great weather!

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Last week our PB4L vision focus was '***I am enthusiastic, curious and ask questions***' and the teachers selected one student from their class to receive the Principal Award this week, with this focus in mind.

Our Principal Award recipients for Week 3 Term 1 were:

NIKAU 1	Hazel H
KAURI 2	Monty G
KOWHAI 4	Nathan L
PURIRI 5	Freddie M
TITOKI 6	Benjamin M
POHUTUKAWA 8	Hayden N
RATA 9	Lucas E
TOTARA 10	Mayan M
MATAI 11	Millar G
TANEKAHA 12	Morgan F
MIRO 13	Oliver F
PUKATEA 14	Cadel H
KARAKA 15	Luka F
MANUKA 16	Finn D
MAHOE 17	Kobe J
HARAKEKE 18	Molly V
TAWA 19	Louis T

Not all our Week 2 Principal Award recipients were able to be shared in last week's Newsletter, as the teachers in Rata 9 and Totara 10 were absent. The following students received their Principal Awards this week, recognising the PB4L vision focus was '***I am culturally respectful***'.

RATA 9	Robbie S
TOTARA 10	Gisella M

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Triathlon

As promised in last week's Newsletter, here are the results of our annual Triathlon held last Thursday.

	YEAR 6 GIRLS	YEAR 6 BOYS	YEAR 5 GIRLS	YEAR 5 BOYS
1ST	Poppy L	Dylan M	Eva M	Cadel H
2ND	India M	Kaya H	Ella C	Jarryd I
3RD	Caterina H	George F	Lila R	Fergus G
4TH	Chelsy H	Henry D	Kaylee V	Luca H
5TH	Ariana H	Charlie B	Sissi P	Cooper T

	YEAR 4 GIRLS	YEAR 4 BOYS	YEAR 3 GIRLS	YEAR 3 BOYS
1ST	Imani B	Charlie H	Sophia M	Nico V
2ND	Monica C	Winston P	Holly H	Millen M
3RD	Ava D	Daniel E	Olivia A	Isaac S
4TH	Lauren W	Mason R	Chloe A	Reed L
5TH	Hazel H	Ethan B	India D Emma C	Jakob J

	YEAR 2 GIRLS	YEAR 2 BOYS	YEAR 1 GIRLS	YEAR 1 BOYS
1ST	Greta C	Dylan H	Rebe M	Ollie H
2ND	Claudia F	Benji V	Ayla H	Quinn B
3RD	Emily M	Lucas P	Molly V	Sam C
4TH	Maddie R	Kent H	Tori A	George D
5TH	Diya O	Luca C	Bonnie H	Asher J

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Important School Procedures

Signing in & Out at the School Office:

Now that we have been back at school for almost a month, it is timely to remind everyone of the need to call into the school office to sign in or sign out your children. If your children are arriving late or returning after an appointment or similar, we require you to sign them in on the Ipad at the office, so that we know that they have returned. Just as important, is signing them out every time that they leave school grounds, even if they are returning that day.

Advising Absences:

There are many ways to keep us informed if your chil/ren is going to be sick. We appreciate that often you will have communicated directly with your children's classroom teacher. However it is imperative that you let the school office know if your child/ren is going to be absent, prior to the start of the school day.

PUMPKIN NIGHT 2021

The night of the year for our families is on **SATURDAY 13th MARCH** from 3.00 to 8.00pm.

Thank you for all the amazing donations so far. The supplies are growing by the day. Also a HUGE thank you to the two families that have volunteered to bring along their ponies.

THIS WEEK:

- We need **PARENTS TO SIGN UP** for their classroom stalls. Most of these forms are posted outside the classrooms or you can email your teacher to let them know what time you can help.
- **CLOTHING:** Good quality label secondhand clothing and accessories. This all must be washed and ready to sell.

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- **KIDS BOOKS:** Good quality children's books – no adult books needed this year as we have many left from last year's donations.
- **HAY HAY HAY:** We need hay bales!!! We need around 50 hay bales for the Nerf Gun FUN and the stage.
- Please [click here to complete the GOOGLE FORM to let us know how you can help](#) and we will be in touch soon. Alternatively you can email julie.koekemoer82@gmail.com to let us know how you would like to help.
- **COMPETITIONS:** please see below for all the amazing competitions your children can enter. We look forward to the shed being filled this year with all the Pumpkin Night exhibits. These are to be delivered to the shed on PUMPKIN NIGHT

Pumpkins On Parade

Any pumpkin creation either carved or decorated with embellishments, (e.g., Lego, toys, hair, ...). Let your imagination run wild kids!

Pumpkins & Pals

Pumpkins and/or other Vegetable friends, carved or decorated as you wish. You may use any other veges you like, e.g., marrows, carrots, radishes...

Heaviest Pumpkin

The big weigh in for all those children who have been cultivating and watering all summer.

Family Jack-O-Lantern

One for the whole family to do together. Carve your most amazing, jolly, or scary jack-o-lantern for us to light up on Pumpkin Night.

Colouring-In Competition

This will be distributed at school a couple of weeks before Pumpkin Night for those children that want to enter.

Family Scarecrow Competition

Let your creativity run rampant! Feel free to add props to your creation (not too large please).

There will be a range of exciting prizes for each category so get creating!

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WE WILL BE SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS: These will be coming home with each family. The prize will be grocery vouchers and other items.

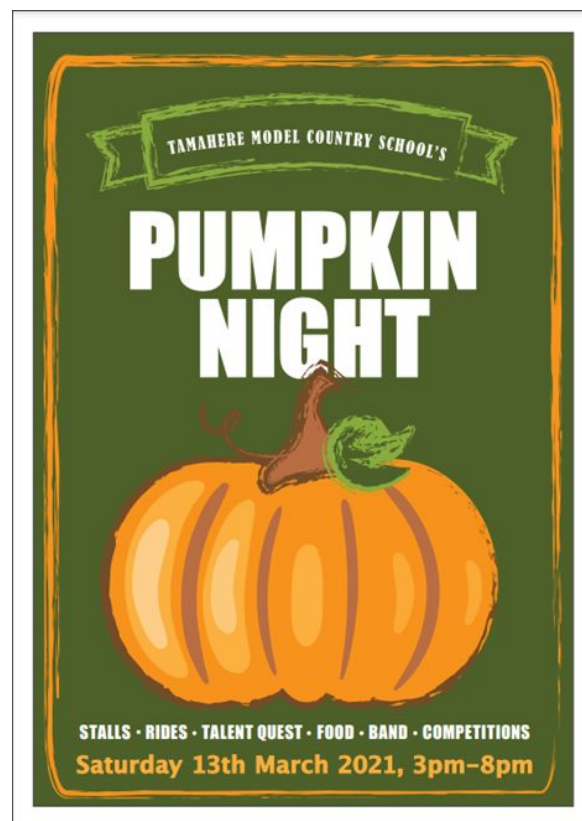
WE ARE COLLECTING...

- DRINKS: 500 ml bottles or standard sized cans of fizzy drink, water, juice drinks. Low or zero sugar is also wanted.
- WRAPPED LOLLIES: Must be wrapped in wax paper, e.g., Fruit Bursts, Minties or Mackintosh Toffees.
- CHOCOLATE BARS: Small bars of chocolate (NO NUTS PLEASE).
- CLOTHING: Good quality label secondhand clothing and accessories. This all must be washed and ready to sell.
- KIDS BOOKS: Good quality children's books – no adult books needed this year as we have many left from last year's donations.

As soon as you are ready to deliver items to school, please drop off to your child's classroom and label with your Whānau for points to be awarded.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

- o Making lolly necklaces
- o Making fudge, coconut ice or brownies
- o Helping set up on Saturday morning from 10.00am.
- o Helping pack down on Saturday night at 8.00p.m.



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- o Lending a trailer
- o Lending a chiller/small freezer
- o Joining the team (we meet weekly for an hour or so in the afternoon/evening).
- o Helping with the Recycled clothing stall and book stall

If you are able to assist with any or all of these jobs, please email Julie Koekemoer on julie.koekemoer82@gmail.com.

The Pumpkin Night Team 2021

Weet-Bix Kids TRY DIY

Unfortunately the Weetbix TRYathlon that was to have been held last Sunday was cancelled. The EXCITING NEWS is that all children who had registered, now have the opportunity to still compete, but under the Weet-Bix Kids TRY DIY challenge. Under the TRY DIY, children and their families can create and complete their very own TRYathlon course, which they design themselves, in their own backyard or neighbourhood. Plus they are in to win some amazing prizes.

TRY DIY WITH A BUDDY:

If you have a buddy that you would like to complete the TRY DIY with (that wasn't already signed up to the TRYathlon) then get them to [enter here](#). They'll even have the option to get their own TRY T-shirt and Champions Medal.

On Sunday morning Lucas E (Yr 2), Addison M (Yr 3), Joe M (Yr 3) and Ben M, who is in our Tamahere Tupu, held their DIY TRY. Everyone had a blast and we look forward to doing the real thing next year!



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Have you downloaded the Skool Loop App yet?

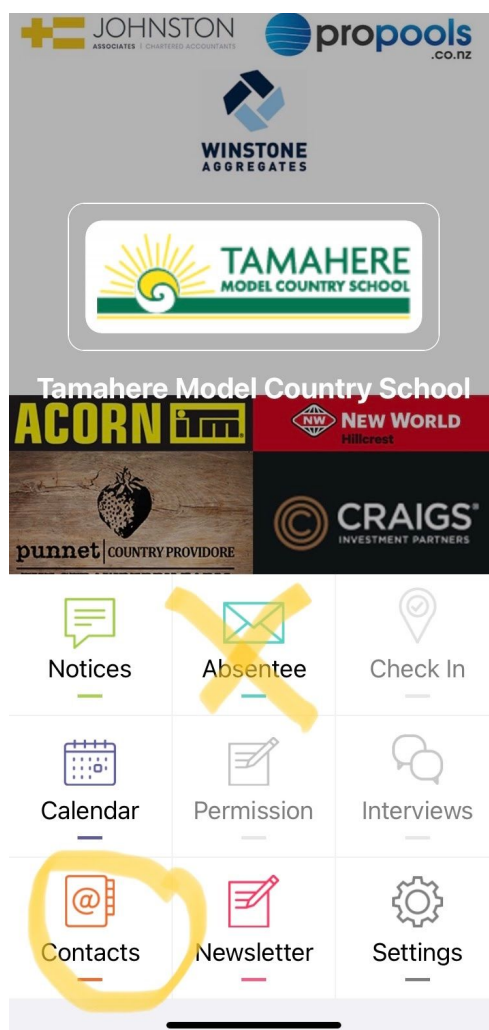
Skool Loop is a free download in the Play Store or App Store. Search Skool Loop NZ, once installed to your phone you then follow the steps for selecting Tamahere Model Country School and then the app will prompt you on what to do next.




You will be asked if you want to subscribe to groups. A list of a range of sporting and year group options are available. We do recommend that you select your groups, as this will give you access to push notifications with information pertaining to these groups. If you don't select groups you may miss content you are interested in.

You can use the Skool Loop app to view our school calendar, current newsletter, permissions, notices and push notifications. It will also be our immediate go to in the event of an emergency to contact parents.

Recording Absentees on the Skool Loop:

You can also use the Skool Loop App to advise absences, however you will need to click on the 'Contacts' button, which will take you to the Absences form.



-  Call Direct
-  Send Email
-  Visit Website

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Have you Checked out 'Your Lunch Box'?

Want the hassle taken out of school lunches? Struggle to think of something new for the kids to have everyday? Well say no more, 'Your Lunch Box' is here to help! Delivering delicious and nutritious lunchboxes filled with fresh local ingredients direct to school everyday.



We offer different sizes for different appetites and ordering is easy peasy. Simply order before 8.00pm the night before you would like the lunchbox delivered and we'll take care of the rest! Visit us at www.yourlunchbox.co.nz or look us up on Facebook

Friday Subway Orders Resume this week - orders close Wednesday evenings at 10.00pm



We are happy to be able to share that we are resuming Subway lunches on a Friday, starting this week, through Silverdale Subway.

They need orders in on a Wednesday evening by 10.00pm, for a Friday lunchtime delivery.

Please be aware, if you order after this cut-off time, your order will automatically be transferred to the following week.

To order a subway lunch please go to www.subwayexpress.co.nz, selecting 'school lunch programme'. Please login or create a login with your details and select Tamahere Model Country School,

which will automatically default to the Silverdale Road store.

Learn to play a woodwind instrument!



Flute, clarinet, sax, recorder, music theory & ear test tuition is available from a friendly, experienced and qualified teacher at school or in my home studio in Pukete, Hamilton. All enquiries from children and adults are welcome.

Please contact cwallace@orcon.net.nz or phone Catherine on 021 101 1447.

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Calling all Future Ferns!



Cambridge Netball Centre
Future Ferns
Netball 'Taster' Day
FREE!



When: Wednesday 3rd March 2021
4.00pm to 5.00pm.

Where: Cambridge Netball Centre, Scott St,
Leamington.

Have a go at netball!



Year 0-2

Players to wear active
clothing, closed toe shoes &
bring your drink bottle!



Year 3 & 4

Interested in umpiring?

Come along to find out more



Year 5 & 6



Year 7 & 8

If you are new to
netball or umpiring,
come give it a try!

