

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Week 7 Happenings:

What a wonderful **Pumpkin Night** we had on Saturday. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make this a very special night to remember.

It takes a lot of people to pull together to make something like this happen and we really appreciate everyone's time and support in helping with donations, child management or burger tossing etc. Thank you one and all. The amazing committee led by Julie Koekemoer, have held everything together for two years!

And what a result - thank you so much! The children had a ball and it is expected that we have raised in the vicinity of \$20,000, which will be added into school funding which is heading to achieve our playground aims.



Upcoming Dates:

MARCH	
Tuesday 23rd	Maungatautari Camp 2 (K15, M16, M17)
Thursday 25th	Country Cluster Junior Tabloids from 9.30am
APRIL	
Thursday 1st	City Cluster Swimming Sports at TMCS
Friday 2nd	GOOD FRIDAY
Monday 5th	EASTER MONDAY
Tuesday 6th	EASTER TUESDAY BREAK
Wednesday 7th	SCHOOL ENDS EARLY AT 2.00PM - Student Learning Conferences from 2.20pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 8th	Student Learning Conferences from 2.30pm - 5.00pm
Friday 16th	Last Day of Term 1
MAY	
Monday 2nd	1st Day of Term 2
Wednesday 5th	TEACHER ONLY HALF DAY - school day ends at 12.30pm



This week has been a busy one for our Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) experiences, with all of Pirongia Syndicate enjoying a day of learning and activity on their namesake - Mt Pirongia on Monday. (Please see further details below). And our Year 5 & 6 students in Te Akatarere Pod are away at Waihi Beach. More information and pictures will be shared next week.



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Exciting News!

We are delighted to be able to tell you that our two new classrooms, a disability toilet and staff room are all about to be delivered to our School in a couple of weeks. From then on, the process of linking to infrastructure and finishing will take a further few weeks - possibly 6 weeks or more in total. The entire Sewerage System at our School is also going to be updated over the holidays. This is a huge undertaking by the Ministry but a very important one for us all to cope with our growing site.



This space will look very different in a few weeks!

Pirongia Syndicate Trip:

Our Monday the Pirongia Syndicate visited the Pirongia Forest Park, to gain a better understanding and to tie in with their Term One learning about Relationships.

Please click [here](#) to view a video of what they got up to. Thank you to Nicola Spence for putting this together!



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First we got on a bus and went the wrong way to Pirongia mountain. But then Mrs Mills showed the bus driver the map and we went the right way. We all went on a flat bit of a hill to meet everyone before we set off on our activities. We went on a bush walk with our groups and wonderful parent helpers. We had to find trees and even a big boulder! Next we did orienteering where we raced up and down hills. It was kind of like a treasure hunt! We had to code crack to find out the secret message which was 'Forest Park' we had to return to the teachers and then we all had lunch. We packed up our stuff and did some bug spotting. We used magnifying glasses and clipboards it was pouring with rain we all gathered together underneath the trees. After it had finished raining we went and met Kate who was the caretaker of the mountain. We learnt about footprints of pests and pests we hadn't heard of before- we even got to try some Rata honey. We grabbed our gear and hopped on the bus and travelled the right way back to school. It was really really fun!

Amélie R

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Last week our PB4L vision focus was **'I try my best even when things are hard'** 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 6 Term 1 were:

Students of Week 6 "I try my best even when things are hard"	
NIKAU 1	Josh S
KAURI 2	Isabelle M
KOWHAI 4	Lila S
PURIRI 5	Abbie T
TITOKI 6	April C
POHUTUKAWA 8	Rebe M
RATA 9	Elijah D
TOTARA 10	Georgia S

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MATAI 11	Charlie H
TANEKAHA 12	Hamiora K-C
MIRO 13	Kate H
PUKATEA 14	Charlie B
KARAKA 15	Matthew R
MANUKA 16	Summer M
MAHOE 17	Axel F
HARAKEKE 18	Isabella v
TAWA 19	Sam B



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Taupiri Swimming Celebration:

What a fantastic day for the Taupiri Syndicate last Tuesday. We want to thank all the parents and supporters who came to watch our students showcase their swimming skills. This was a new format for us and we were really impressed with how the students responded. A big thank you to all the Taupiri Teachers who have run fantastic swimming programmes. We are continuing our swimming programme for a few more weeks on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Thank you for your ongoing support in making sure your children have everything they need.



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Learning Conferences - Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th April

Research shows that for students to get the best out of their schooling years, a strong partnership between school and home is very important. We are so lucky at our school to have such strong partnerships and we look forward to hosting our Learning Conferences on the Wednesday and Thursday of Week 10.

Our Learning Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews) will run from 2.20pm through to 7.00pm on Wednesday 7th April and from 2.30pm until 5.00pm on Thursday 8th April.

Please note: On Wednesday we will be having a shortened lunch hour and the school day will finish at the earlier time of 2.00 pm. The bus will be running half an hour earlier and After School Care will also start half an hour earlier.

Normal school hours will resume on Thursday 8th April with our learning day concluding at the usual time of 2.30pm. Conferences will start after this.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused by our early conclusion of learning on Wednesday 7th April. Our Maungatautari & Pirongia Syndicate students will be returning to school to participate in their 3 Way Conferences and Taupiri Syndicate students may be involved if parents wish. Our Mid Year interviews will involve all of our students.

One Conference per child: So that each child can celebrate their learning journey with the ones they love and get all caregivers on the same page with the support required, we ask that all parents join together for this occasion, to support your child and enable teachers to have the time needed for all conferences. There are not enough spaces for our split family parents to have an appointment each. We appreciate your support in this matter.

For Interviews:

Bookings for our upcoming Learning Conferences to be held on Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th April are now open. Bookings operate on a first in first served basis.

Please book your Learning Conference times by clicking on the links provided below.

We suggest you allow gaps between your different children's interviews to allow time to get from room to room.

Please follow the following links:

MAUNGATAUTARI Learning Conference [link](#):

TAUPIRI & PIRONGIA Learning Conference [link](#):

Book the time that you require with your child's teacher. If you do not have access to the internet or if you require any assistance with your booking, please contact Lisa at the school office on 856 9238.

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Year 4 Camp - Change of Dates

Thank you to all those who have completed their Police Vetting for our upcoming camp. All Year 4 students will bring home information and forms regarding camp tomorrow. Please note, we have had to change the dates by one week and we will now be going on **Wednesday 2nd June until Friday 4th June**, to a new camp location in Raglan.

Junior Country Cluster Tabloids- Thursday 25th March

The Taupiri Syndicate are very much looking forward to hosting the Junior Country Cluster Tabloids next **Thursday the 25th March**. We have four cluster schools visiting and taking part in our Junior School event and welcome all parents and whānau along between 9.30am and 12.00pm.

Junior Syndicate Parents Dinner Invitation



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Junior Syndicate Parents Dinner

An invitation for all Taupiri parents of Year 0, 1 & 2 children, to a fun gathering, making new friends and enjoying a relaxed night out!

When: Thursday 15th April 7pm
Venue: The Boundary Restaurant + Bar, 65 Devine Road Tamahere

Please RSVP by email by Fri 26th March to:
Frances McKenzie : francesmcknz@gmail.com
Maura Hodgson : hodgsonmaura@gmail.com



The head chef is preparing a set menu for us, which will be forwarded prior to the event and pre-payment will be arranged.

Thanks so much and we look forward to seeing you there!

P.S. we understand family pressures and babysitting costs, so please don't feel that both parents need to attend, for those who miss out this time there are lots of other fun social events the PTA have coming up!

THE BOUNDARY
RESTAURANT + BAR

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PUMPKIN NIGHT 2021

What a stunning evening on Saturday night! The team was so thrilled with the outstanding success of Pumpkin Night for 2021. With 2020 Pumpkin Night unable to go ahead due to COVID 19, the community really needed an event like this. The crowds enjoyed the food and this year we sold out of almost all items! This is a first. We had so many people that supported the event with equipment, prizes, baking and so on. Initial calculations have indicated that the total raised is close to \$20,000. This will be added to school funding, to achieve our playground aims.

THANK YOU TO:

- Four Square - donated ice blocks.
- Alex McMillan for the pony rides.
- Western Community Centre - inflatables.
- Captain Compost - hay bales.
- Black Dog - bar learners.
- The Verhoeven Group - loan of barbeque & prizes.
- Sunday Society - tables and benches.
- Hazel Coalter of L.J. Hooker Real Estate, for contributing \$500 to sponsor the burger stall.
- Evo Cycles - cycle prize for the raffle.
- Regal Haulage - the stage area.
- Liz Donovan - Pumpkin Night poster.
- Beauty Boutique -voucher for auction.
- Red Lid Bins -providing all the rubbish bins.
- St. Peter's Cambridge - for the chairs, tables, gazebos and the food truck.
- Parents who helped make food, lolly necklaces and set up, pack down.
- Sky City - prizes.
- Confinement Escape Rooms - prizes.
- Inflatable World Pass - prizes.
- Extreme Edge Indoor Rock Climbing - prizes.
- Unichem Cambridge Pharmacy - prizes.
- Fun Zone - prizes.
- Tatura - donating chocolate mousse.
- Hillcrest New World.
- Waikato Homes - gazebos.
- Our wonderful Grad student Liam.
- W.S.U. students.
- First year students.
- Supakidz.
- Tamahere Lions.
- Darcy Perry - a past parent, for being the stage manager and providing the P.A. system.
- Michelle Bassett - a past parent, for running the sweet stall.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE PEOPLE

RAFFLE TICKETS

- 1st prize - EVO BIKE - PAIGE S
- 2nd prize - \$200 GROCERY VOUCHER - HENRY M

BEAUTY BOUTIQUE - \$50 VOUCHER

- Tessa Hargreaves

VERHOEVEN GROUP - VOUCHER FOR \$150

- Chris Hilton

GUMBOOT THROW

- George F \$10 Primary Student
- Zion H \$20 High School Student
- Rob Heke \$50 Adult

ROWING

- GIRL Dahna S
- BOY Dylan McL
- WOMAN Belle Woods
- MAN Leon Johnson



PLANKING

- GIRL Ella P
- BOY George F
- WOMAN Ellyse Ingram
- MAN Kurt Fuller

HEADSTANDS

- GIRL Thea B
- BOY Wilson B and Maxx G
- WOMAN Hayley Jonkers

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LARGEST PUMPKIN

- 1st Donay Z & Jimmy Z
- 2nd Bowen Z
- 3rd Asher M
- Highly Commended: Abbie T

FAMILY SCARECROW

- 1st Maxx G and Millar G
- 2nd Lauren C
- 3rd Tyler N & Hayden N



FAMILY JACK - O - LANTERN

- 1st Max K
- 2nd Lucas C
- 3rd Jarryd I
- Highly Commended: Michael McK and Emily McK

GUMBOOT DECORATING

TAUPIRI:

- 1st Hannah D

PIRONGIA:

- 1st Aynsley B
- 2nd Kathlyn D
- 3rd Holly H

MAUNGATAUTARI:

- 1st Kate H
- 2nd Evelyn B

DRAWING COMPETITION

TAUPIRI:

- 1st Riley J
- 2nd Hannah D
- 3rd Ryan O
- Highly Commended: Mia H

PIRONGIA:

- 1st Kodi H
- 2nd Thomas B
- 3rd Molly C
- Highly Commended: Paige v

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MAUNGATAUTARI:

- 1st Emmi E
- 2nd Hayley H
- 3rd Zara H
- Highly Commended: Eliza B

PUMPKINS AND PALS

TAUPIRI:

- 1st Lucas E
- 2nd Oscar McN and Felix McN
- 3rd Archie A
- Highly Commended: Jack M and Tommy M

PIRONGIA:

- 1st Ewan C
- 2nd Isaac S
- 3rd Grace H
- Highly Commended Holly H

MAUNGATAUTARI:

- 1st Emme H
- 2nd Reynolds Family
- 3rd Olivia C

PUMPKINS ON PARADE

TAUPIRI:

- 1st Michael McK and Emily McK
- 2nd Ayla H
- 3rd Logan R

PIRONGIA:

- 1st Sophia M
- 2nd Eliza F
- 3rd Sam O

MAUNGATAUTARI:

- 1st Tayla G
- 2nd Chloe P
- 3rd Kara I

Tamahere Park Food Market - TONIGHT!!!!



Teacher- Only Half Day - Wednesday 5th May

To enable our whole staff to fit in a four hour First Aid Refresher Course, we are needing to take an hour of learning from the school day to be able to fit in the training. We hope this is the least inconvenient way we can achieve this. We will have a longer middle learning block and ask **families to pick up children at 12:30pm on Wednesday 5th May**. We do apologise for any inconvenience this may cause you in **Week One of Term 2**. After School Care will be available from 12:30pm on this day, for those that need it on a pre booking basis. Children who are booked into ASC from 12.30pm on this day will need to bring their usual packed lunches.

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LET THE GAMES BEGIN!

CAMBRIDGE NETBALL CENTRE FUNDRAISER QUIZ NIGHT

FORM GROUP OF UP TO 8 PEOPLE

April 6 | Start at 7:00PM
Five Stags Leamington

Register a team by following the link or
emailing cambridgenetball@gmail.com

<https://bit.ly/3cB2Y9t>

ENTRY \$10 PER PERSON
WAITER & BAR STAFF AVAILABLE

REGISTER YOUR QUIZ TEAM HERE: <https://bit.ly/3cB2Y9t>

Sign Up for The Gymnastics Academy in Term 2


THE GYMNASTIC ACADEMY
0211705426

AIR TRACK TUMBLE CLASS TAMAHERE SCHOOL

*Beginner and advanced classes for all school years
Plus optional Tumbling Championships event this term!*



Term 2 Monday 12:30-1:15pm. in hall
3rd May - 28th June

For 8 weeks with graded certificate **\$125**

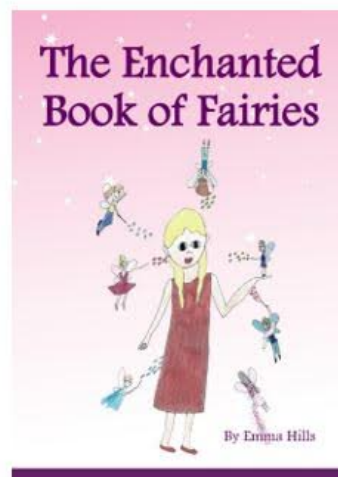
Book online at
www.thegymnasticacademy.com

Call Marie 0211705426
for more information

The Enchanted Book of Fairies - Book Launch

The Enchanted Book of Fairies Book Launch

Tamahere Market
Saturday the 20th, 8:30 am to 1 pm



- Fudge and fairy bread for sale
- A colouring in table with Emma's fairy pictures to colour in

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