

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Nurturing Our Future - Growing Together
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Week 3 Happenings:

CELEBRATING NATIONAL PINK SHIRT DAY

It was great to see so many children and teachers dressing up in pink today, to show awareness for the 'speak up, stand up, stop bullying' campaign. A massive thank you to everyone that supported this day, which raised \$491.00, to be donated to the Pink Shirt Day campaign, to help us grow the movement in 2021 and beyond.



Upcoming Dates:

MAY

THURSDAY 20th	PINK SHIRT DAY DISCO'S Pirongia 5.10pm -6.30pm Maungatautari 6.55pm - 8.15pm
SATURDAY 22nd	QUIZ NIGHT

JUNE

MONDAY 6th	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
WEDNESDAY 16th	Class & Portrait Photographs
THURSDAY 17th	TEACHER ONLY DAY
FRIDAY 18th	TEACHER ONLY DAY

JULY

SATURDAY 3rd	ROARING 20'S FUNDRAISING GALA BALL
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HAVE FUN AT THE PINK SHIRT DISCOS TONIGHT!!!

After all the excitement of Pink Shirt Day, our Pirongia and Maungatautari children are super excited for tonight's disco.

A reminder of the times:

Pirongia Disco is on from 5:10 pm - 6:30pm

Maungatautari Disco from 6:55 pm - 8:15pm

We ask that children bring along a full water bottle, which they can refill. Please note that there will no longer be a stall offering treats for sale on the night.

WELCOME - NEW TEACHERS!

We are very pleased to officially welcome three new staff members onto our team this Term.

Mrs Christy Paladin has once again joined us, as she does each year when our roll grows. Christy is now with our Year One, Harakeke 18 class replacing Mrs Lisa Murray. Christy brings a ray of sunshine with her and her nurturing ways.

We are also very pleased to welcome and introduce a new face to our team, **Miss Brooklyn Dunn**. Brooklyn was appointed over the holidays and takes over her class full time next week, with Mrs Kat Karadshi continuing with two afternoons a week. Welcome Brooklyn, you have fitted in so well to our team and we know your enthusiasm and commitment will be an asset for us on our staff.

We are also very pleased to now have **Mrs Kat Karadshi** appointed to our Senior Maungatautari Team from Monday through to Thursday. Kat works part time with us already, but will now provide the sixth teacher in the senior area each morning, for literacy and numeracy support. Kat's *Kia Mai Can Do* attitude and skill will be another great fit for our school team. Our Senior numbers are large this year and have been increasing with several new enrollments.

It is great to have all three of you ladies on our team!

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INTRODUCING BROOKLYN DUNN

Kia ora, my name is Brooklyn Dunn and I am really excited to be joining the Tamahere team this year. I was born and raised in Hamilton and attended university here as well. I recently graduated from the University of Waikato with a Bachelor of Teaching at the end of last year. I really enjoy getting away to the beach to visit my family of 8 as well as enjoying the sunshine with friends. I have wanted to be a teacher for as long as I can remember and I am very excited for this year at Tamahere :)



AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND HISTORIES IN THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM:

From 2022 onwards, Aotearoa New Zealand's histories will be taught in all schools and kura.

The draft curriculum content embraces the histories of all the people who live in Aotearoa New Zealand and encourages schools and kura to develop local curriculum and marau ā-kura that reflect the histories of their communities.

The Draft curriculum content for Aotearoa New Zealand's histories is now available for public feedback, seeking feedback from as many people as possible. The online survey is open until 31 May 2021. Please read more about the draft curriculum survey and how to take part in the Aotearoa New Zealand's Histories survey [by clicking here.](#)

As a school we are also looking at this initial draft and giving feedback, as well as starting to embed ideas within our programmes.

TAMAHERE PTA QUIZ NIGHT ON SATURDAY:

We are looking forward to a fun filled night of quizzing. Thank you to everyone who has entered a team and remember that there are prizes up for grabs for:

- Best Dressed TABLE
- Best Dressed TEAM
- WINNING TEAM

The doors open at 6.00pm, with the Quiz starting at 7.00pm. Best of luck to all the teams!

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OPENING OF THE NEW FLAG POLE AREA:

On Friday afternoon, we held a very special assembly outside in the sun, officially opening the new Flag Pole Area. After our old flagpole broke, it was decided to relocate it away from the cramped area by the front entrance. It is now located outside the library, where we have also created 2 lovely seats either side of the flagpole, constructed out of the old red bricks that had previously been the front fence of the school. We have also fixed our school shield to the side of one of the seats. Our new flagpole is also a lot higher than our old one, measuring 8 metres in height. Please see the photos below of the wonderful opening ceremony.



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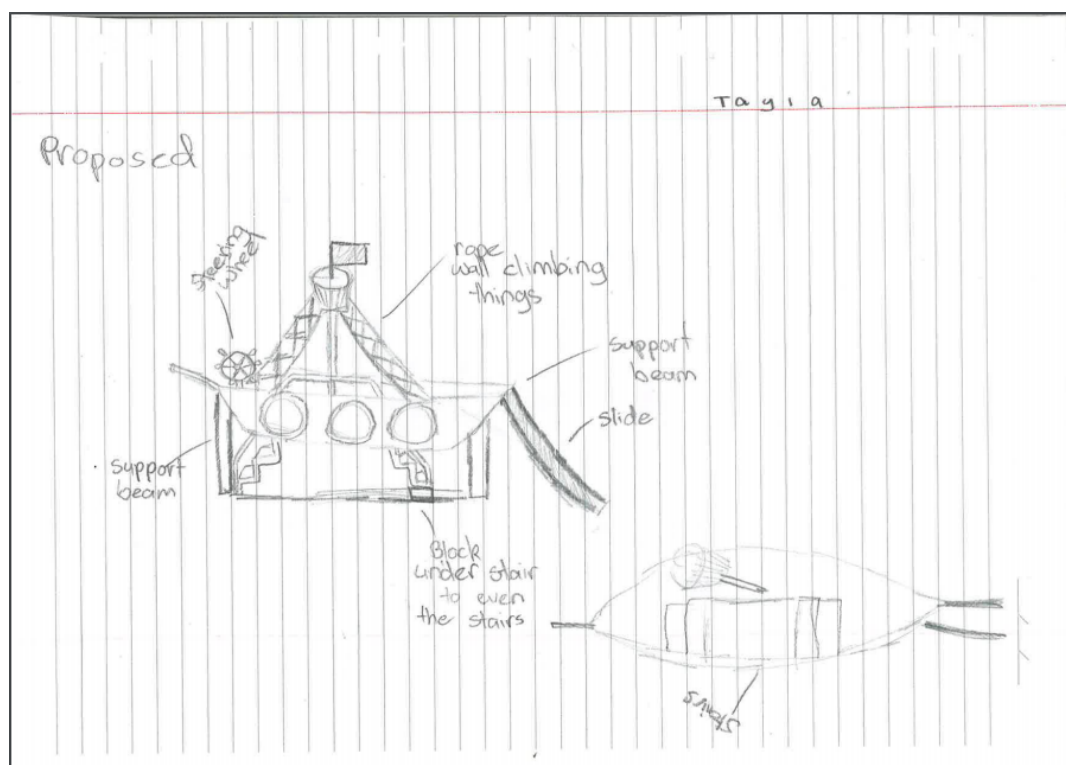
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OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE SHIP PLAYGROUND:

In Term 2 last year, we asked students from Pirongia Syndicate to come up with some ideas and designs to see what we could create using the old pool steps as the base of a new play area, to be built around the old bars under our precious rhododendrons.



Even though we had a few boat-like structures designed for us, Tayla G's design of a boat was selected as the winning entry because her design had the greatest details and depth of potential.



Tayla G's winning design

We have a lot of very special people to thank for bringing Tayla's design to life. In particular Mr Wickens and Mr Doran, who prepared the site and constructed the boat, Dad's Army who built the water and the beach area for the boat to sit in and a very special thank you to Mrs Bennetts, who worked with a team of Pirongia artists, to create the scenes on the sides.

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Almost a year later, after lots of designing, planning and construction our wonderful new playground was officially opened last Friday. Tayla got to cut the ribbon, declaring the new playground open and was the first to try it out.



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Year 4 Camp

Camp is getting very close for our Year 4 students and the excitement is definitely building! Please make sure each child has every item on the gear list; it is getting very cold now, so please ensure your child has woollen and thermal layers.

All children are expected to bring a container of home baking (slice or biscuits please) containing no nuts. We are also asking for donations of apples, pears and oranges - thank you in advance!

If you have any questions regarding camp, please see your child's teacher.

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Last week our PB4L vision focus was '***I am culturally respectful***' 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 2 Term 2 were:

Students of Week 2 'I value others and the environment'	
NIKAU 1	Amelie R
KAURI 2	Beau J
KOWHAI 4	Lila S
PURIRI 5	Tommy M
TITOKI 6	Teacher Absent
RIMU 7	Vida U
POHUTUKAWA 8	Bryan Z
RATA 9	Poppy M
TOTARA 10	Yasser A
MATAI 11	Skyla B
TANEKAHA 12	Macie M
MIRO 13	Olive L
PUKATEA 14	Freya Y
KARAKA 15	Hanna L
MANUKA 16	Maddie H
MAHOE 17	Emmi E
HARAKEKE 18	Tamara D
TAWA 19	Logan R

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WANTED!!!!

I am wanting to have a Lego Club operating in the school library 2 lunchtimes a week. This will be a safe, quiet zone for those creators. Please see the link below, to see the benefits of Lego Clubs.

<https://www.childrenswellnesscentre.co.uk/10-incredible-benefits-of-playing-with-lego-2/>



So if your family or your business would like to donate some Lego for this project, please contact me at tkewish@tamahere.school.nz, or I am in the school library Monday-Thursday from 7.30am-3.00pm. If you would just like to drop some off to the library, that would be great too.

Regards,

Theresa Kewish
Tamahere School Librarian

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Roaring 20's Fundraising Gala Ball



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SH21 Underpass Project Update from Downer's Matt Kofoed

Hi everyone,

I hope you had a good weekend, and that you are staying dry while we experience a bit of wet weather.

As outlined last week we are undertaking the tree removals on the southern side of State Highway 21 yesterday and today. Both trees were removed yesterday (Monday), with minimal need to stop traffic. Work will continue today to remove and/or mulch the tree sections that have been taken down.

Elsewhere we are continuing to construct the new footpath on the northern side of the site, and service installations are also continuing to take place across the site.

Next week we will continue with service installations across the site, with multiple third parties on site working with us.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch.

Kind regards,
Matt

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REMINDER: Two Teacher Only Days - giving you a long mid-term weekend break over Fieldays Friday

We have joined our two Teacher Only Days together this term, to hopefully cause you less disruption and inconvenience. These days should also help you to avoid Fieldays peak traffic times. Our school will be closed for tuition on **Thursday 17th and Friday 18th June**. On Thursday our staff will be looking at assessments and moderation in preparation for our mid-year reports and on the Friday we will be joining with all of our Kahui Ako Schools (Hillcrest High School, Berkley Normal Middle School, Hillcrest Normal School, Silverdale Normal School, Newstead Model Country School, Tauwhare School and Matangi School), for a day of learning about our local history and tikanga with Ngaati Hauaa.

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