## NEWSLETTER 10th June 2021

# TAMAHERE

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Week 6, Term 2

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

#### Week 6 Happenings:

We hope everyone had a wonderful long Queen's Birthday weekend, and got to enjoy the break!

#### **IMPORTANT WEEK 7 DATES:**

We have a number of significant days coming up next week:

On Wednesday, we have **PHOTOLIFE STUDIOS** visiting the school to take class and individual photo's, including siblings by request.

## We have TWO TEACHER ONLY DAYS happening NEXT WEEK!!!!

Another reminder in case some families have missed reading about our two Teacher Only Days happening next week, when our school will be closed for tuition on Thursday 17th & Friday 18th June.



#### **Upcoming Dates:**

JUNE	
WEDNESDAY 16th	Class & Portrait Photographs
THURSDAY 17th	TEACHER ONLY DAY
FRIDAY 18th	TEACHER ONLY DAY
TUESDAY 29th	BOT Meeting
WEDNESDAY 30th	Maungatautari Syndicate - Winter Sports Day
JULY	
SATURDAY 3rd	ROARING 20'S FUNDRAISING GALA BALL
FRIDAY 9th	End of Term 2
MONDAY 26th	Start of Term 3

#### Repeat Reminder - we have TWO TEACHER ONLY DAYS NEXT WEEK!!!!

**Our school will be closed** for tuition on **Thursday 17th and Friday 18th June**. Our Two Teacher Only Days next week will give you a long mid-term weekend break over Fieldays. 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.

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.

#### Bricks4kidz - Teacher Only Day Classes!!!!

Bricks 4 Kidz have organised classes next week for the Teacher Only Days, on Thursday and Friday. They usually charge \$80.00 a day for their normal holiday programme, however they are offering a **reduced rate of \$70.00 per day for our Teacher Only Days**.

Please book at https://www.bricks4kidz.co.nz/hamilton-after-school-classes/



#### **ROAD CROSSING Behaviour**

Last Friday, 5 students were seen crossing Devine Road with their parents, in sight of the road patrol. Please keep our tamariki and whānau safe by always using the pedestrian crossings at pick up and drop off times.

We also ask that you refrain from calling your child/children over the road outside the front gate, to avoid children (or parents) crossing the road in front of parked cars.

Many thanks for your support to keep our school community safe and modelling great road crossing behaviour.

#### **New Classrooms & Staffroom News**

The Ministry and BuiltSmart are progressing really well with our new classrooms and staff room.

Soon we will be taking over the work site to add the finishing touches and concreting, to join the area to our school more seamlessly.

We will let you know when our official blessing will be.



#### **School Exterior Repaint**

In case you missed last week's Newsletter item, we are about to undertake a full exterior repaint, scheduled for the end of this year, over the Summer break.

We will shortly be asking for expressions of interest to quote for this project and we are sharing this information with you, as within our school community, there may be families that own a painting contracting business, who would like to be considered. Please email Jeremy Waters <u>jwaters@tamahere.school.nz</u> or Lee Boyd <u>lboyd@tamahere.school.nz</u>, if you would like to receive information.

## X Man's Visit to Taupiri Syndicate

In Week 5, X Man came to visit the Taupiri Syndicate. He works for 'Xtreme Zero Waste' and teaches children about how to reduce waste. We learnt the difference between the rubbish bins, recycling and compost bins and where to correctly put the household items.

X Man brought along hundreds of his 'friends', which were tiger worms from his compost bin. We were able to have a close look at the worms, which we all loved. The worms eat the fruit and vegetable waste and make soil for plants to grow.

Everyone was amazed to see all of X Man's reusable toys. He showed us his many puppets and games, which we were lucky enough to be able to play with. We had so much fun and can't wait to see him again! Thanks for coming X Man.

Taupiri Syndicate













## PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Last week our PB4L vision focus was 'I make good choices' 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 5 Term 2 were:

Students of Week 5 'I make good choices'	
NIKAU 1	Owen H
KAURI 2	Isaac R
KOWHAI 4	Chloe A Y
PURIRI 5	Jecca P
ΤΙΤΟΚΙ 6	Ishaan V
RIMU 7	Felix McN
POHUTUKAWA 8	Benjamin H
RATA 9	Bo L
TOTARA 10	Jimmy Z
MATAI 11	Рорру С
TANEKAHA 12	Teacher Absent
MIRO 13	Taylor D

PUKATEA 14	Quinn J
KARAKA 15	Anunand C
MANUKA 16	Isha R
MAHOE 17	Anahera G
HARAKEKE 18	Isabella v d M
TAWA 19	Jack M



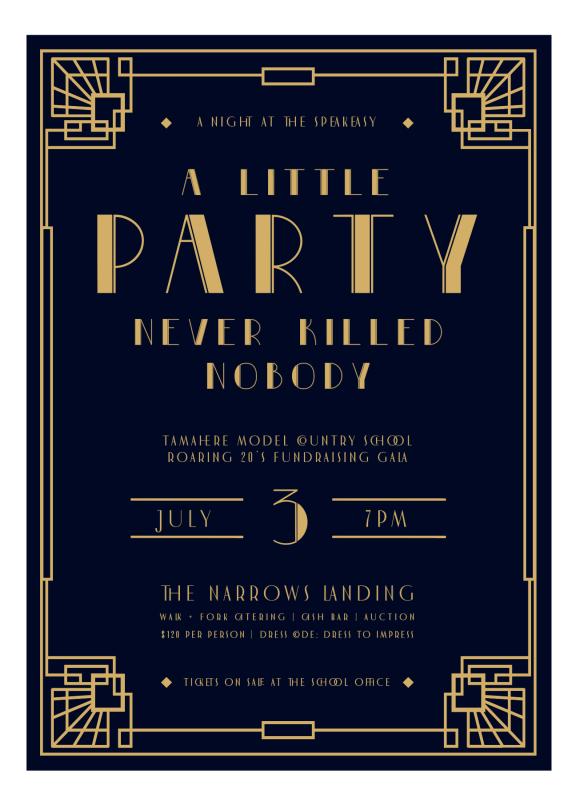
## **ROARING 20s FUNDRAISING GALA - 3rd JULY**

THE night of the year is fast approaching - it's Golden Ball time! Gather your friends, channel your inner Gatsby and dance the night away at The Narrows Landing - all in aid of fundraising for our new playground equipment. Live band, auction items, dinner and cash bar.

Tickets on sale at the School Office - strictly limited numbers, so don't miss out on this fabulous night of fun. <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/795835401058628/?ti=ls</u>

Themed costume is not required (but feel free to go all out if you want to!).

This is a very special night and an opportunity to mingle and mix with others. 'Walk & fork catering' allows you to move about, so there is no need to book tables or be part of a group. All new parents are very welcome. Just come and join in the fun.



#### Photo Day 2021

Photolife will be here next week, on **Wednesday 16th June** for our annual Class/ Individual Portraits and Sibling Photos.

If you would like a Sibling photo taken, we need a Photolife Sibling Photo request form filled in and <u>returned</u> <u>before photo day</u>. The forms are available to collect from the school office or you are welcome to email <u>hwilson@tamahere.school.nz</u> and we can fill one in on your behalf.



#### Year 4 Camp

What a wonderful Year 4 Camp we had at Camp Raglan last week! We did many activities like the Waterslide, Climbing Wall, BMX, Confidence Course, Low Ropes, Archery and the Flying Fox. It was really fun and we really enjoyed it. Thank you to all the amazing parent helpers who helped on camp! We appreciate all the support you gave us and for giving up your time!

#### By Mason R and Hazel H

Camp truly was a wonderful experience! We are so proud of all the children and the can-do attitude they displayed. Thank you to all parents for having the children so well prepared for camp, I think we had the least amount of lost property ever! A special thanks to the 16 wonderful adult helpers who came on camp with us - you were all amazing and helped to make this camp the fabulous success that it was.

#### Camp Teachers









## Y3 EOTC Week

Last week, while our Year Four students were on camp, the Year Three's had their own adventures!

First up, we visited Extreme Edge. The children displayed our vision of 'Kia Maia, Confident Can-do Kids', with many taking themselves out of their comfort zones. What a fantastic place to be challenged and have fun!

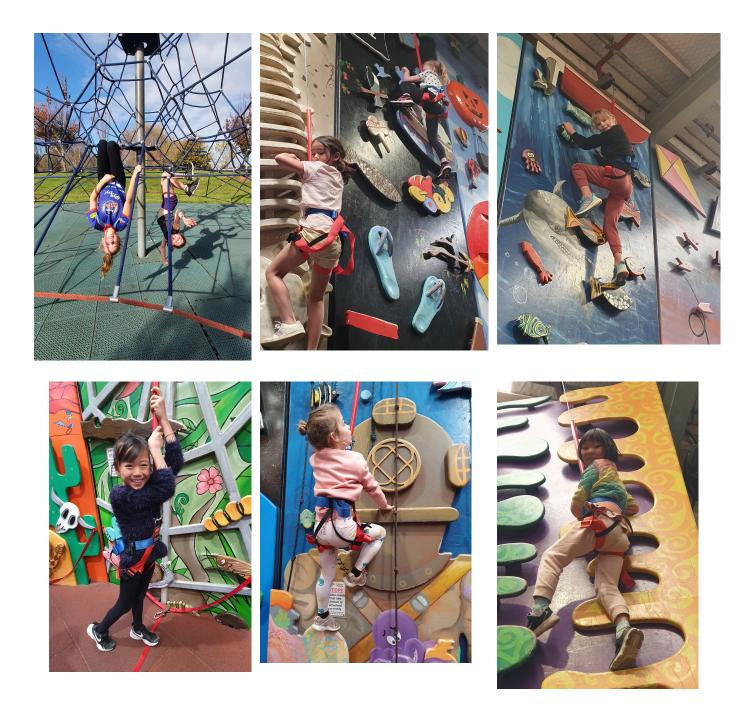
Thursday was our Tent and Team-Building Day. The students worked together to put up their tents, with lots of

opportunities for problem-solving and working 'Together As One' (Kia Kotahi). They did this in no time and were equally adept at packing the tents away. In the afternoon, we were visited by the Waikato University WILLS team, who led us in team-building exercises.

Friday was our chance to complete the Firewise program, concluding with a visit from two firefighters. Once again, our students were fully engaged, asking and answering great questions and showing 'Kia Manaaki' (respect for themselves, others and the environment). Well done, Year Three team! You did yourselves proud.

A huge 'thank you' to all of the parents who were able to assist us with the transport and support us over the three days.

Stories from our Year Threes will be shared at a later stage.



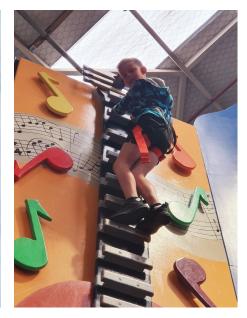




















#### Adele Gaddes Author - New Book Launch

Adele Gaddes, the author of the book 'Blaze', visited our school last October, when she talked to Pirongia and Taupiri Syndicates about monarch butterflies and how they are threatened by pests, sprays and humans and what we can do to protect them. A number of whānau ordered copies of Adele's book Blaze last year, following her visit to our school. Adele is about to launch her next book 'Trixie Protector of the Bees', this Sunday at the Hamilton Gardens Playground between 10.00am to 3.00pm.

You can pre-order your copy by going online to <u>www.adelegaddes.com</u> and collect your copy at the launch.



#### SH21 Underpass Project Update from Downer's Matt Kofoed

Hi everyone,

I hope you all had an enjoyable long weekend.

With Fieldays taking place next week we have removed our traffic management from State Highway 21, to ensure that this area can be utilised as efficiently as possible by people making their way to and from Mystery Creek. We will re-establish in this area the week after Fieldays, and this will allow us to complete the service related works that we were not able to schedule in previously.

Over the next few weeks our main area of work will be the section between State Highway 21 and Tamahere Drive, where a walkway will connect between the underpass and the existing shared path on Tamahere Drive.

Looking further forward, our plan for the underpass construction is to complete the excavation, underpass installation and reinstatement over two weekend periods. For the periods of **7pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July – 5am Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July** and **7pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – 5am Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July** State Highway 21 between Wiremu Tamihana Drive and Tamahere Drive will be down to one lane and operating under stop/go traffic management with a temporary speed limit of 30km/h.

These dates and times allow us to maximise our effectiveness over the weekends, minimising overall disruption. We will not work over the weekend when the Tamahere Country Market is operating, as we appreciate this would likely cause significant disruption.

If we face any delays or have to change our plans, we will use the following weekend ( $30^{th}$  July –  $2^{nd}$  August) to complete the work.

I appreciate that this work may be disruptive to some, so please let me know if you have any questions regarding this, or any other aspects of the project.

Kind regards,

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