NEWSLETTER 5th August 2021

Week 2, Term 3

TAMAHERE

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

Week 2 Happenings:

CONGRATULATIONS! Amazing! Our three Jump Jam teams made us all so very proud on Sunday at the Jump Jam Strictly LIVE competition!



Our teams lit up the stage with Kia maia energy and Kia Kotahi precision! *The Crazy Frogs* did a great job and came 3rd in their section. *The Tamahere Wreckers* had an amazing performance and were a close 4th, with our senior team *Tamahere Jammers* winning their overall division. All teams also came away with certificates for aspects of their performances. Well done to you all and your three amazing coaches!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Next Wednesday 11th August we will be having a shortened lunch hour and the <u>school day will finish at the earlier time of 2.00pm.</u> The bus will be running half an hour earlier and After School Care will also start half an hour earlier.

Upcoming Dates:

AUGUST	
FRIDAY 6th	ASSEMBLY AT 1.30pm - Virtue Awards & Pirongia Year 4 Camp Sharing
TUESDAY 10th	PTA Meeting
WEDNESDAY 11th	Learning Conferences - TEACHING DAY ENDS AT 2.00PM!!!!!!
	Year 6 Berkley Information Evening 6.00 - 7.30pm at Berkley
THURSDAY 12th	ICAS Digi Tech Exam Learning Conferences
MONDAY 16th TUESDAY 17th	ICAS English Exam SPORTS TEAM PHOTO's
WEDNESDAY 18th	Maungatautari Syndicate - Trust Waikato Symphony Orchestra Trip
THURSDAY 19th	WHANAU HUI at 1.30pm in the TCC
FRIDAY 20th	ASSEMBLY AT 1.30pm - Taupiri Year 0/1 Sharing

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Last week our PB4L vision focus was 'I am kind and inclusive' 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 1 Term 3 were:

Students of Week 1 Term 3 'I am enthusiastic, curious and ask questions'	
NIKAU 1	Tyler N
KAURI 2	Imani B
KOWHAI 4	Jamie H
ΤΙΤΟΚΙ 6	Quinn B
RIMU 7	Manth P
POHUTUKAWA 8	Tian Z
RATA 9	Robbie S
TOTARA 10	Max K
MATAI 11	Hannalise S
TANEKAHA 12	Harper L- M
MIRO 13	Sophie W
PUKATEA 14	Lily P & Josiah B
KARAKA 15	Jake W
MANUKA 16	Eli C
MAHOE 17	Mila W
TAWA 19	Claudia F
HOROPITO 20	Jecca P
HOROEKA 21	Ben M





Strictly Jump Jam Competition Results

Jump Jam - Crazy Frogs & Wreckers

On Sunday the Year 2/3 Jump Jam CRAZY FROG team and the Year 2-4 TAMAHERE WRECKERS competed at the Strictly competition at St Peters. Both teams have been working so hard this year to learn and perfect the moves! They both came away with a Merit in Technical Execution, and Excellence in Presentation. The Crazy Frogs received 3rd overall and the Wreckers 4th! Well done teams you all worked so hard!





Jump Jam Strictly Competition

Written by Lily P and Poppy L

Adrenaline rushes through our bodies as we watch others teams perform on the dazzling St Peters Stage. It was the Sunday of the Strictly Open Competition. As we get called to back stage our hands and legs tremble as the other team's song fades out. 5,6,7,8! We enter the stage with pumping legs marching furiously. As we get to our starting position our song booms out of the speakers and we start our incredible performance. Our powerful voices fill the auditorium as we energetically do our moves one by one as our sass takes over our face. Yeah! We finish with rosy red cheeks and a smile on our face. Prize giving comes around the corner and we stand there with hope. We are given certificates for Excellence in Presentation and Excellence in Technical Execution. 3rd is then called out then 2nd. Have we placed or have we not? Yes, No, Yes, No, YES! Tamahere Model Country School came 1st in the Waikato Year 5-6 Strictly Competition. We shout with delight and the crowd goes wild!



Assembly Tomorrow at 1.30pm

We are holding an Assembly in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC) at 1.30pm tomorrow, when we will be presenting Virtue Awards and there will also be a Pirongia Year 4 Camp sharing item. As always all supporters are very welcome!!



Learning Conferences in Term 3

We look forward to hosting our LEARNING CELEBRATIONS on Wednesday and Thursday next week.

This is a wonderful time for everyone to come together and really look at each child's learning journey.

Our Learning Celebrations (Parent Teacher Interviews) will be held on **Wednesday 11th August** and **Thursday 12th August**.

On **Wednesday 11th August** we will be having a shortened lunch hour and the school day will finish at the earlier time of 2.00pm. 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 12th August** with our learning day concluding at the usual time of 2:30 pm. Conferences will start after this. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by our early conclusion of learning on Wednesday, however with our students involved in leading and discussing their own learning journeys and celebrations we want to finish at a reasonable time.

If you have not already booked your Learning Conference please follow the links to make your online booking: <u>TAUPIRI & PIRONGIA Learning Conferences Booking Link</u>

MAUNGATAUTARI Learning Conference Booking Link



We are so lucky at our school to have such strong partnerships between home and school. Research has shown that, for students to get the best out of their schooling years, a strong partnership between school and home is very important. The strength of the triangle - Parents, School and Students all working together to support the learner, makes a huge difference for academic and social outcomes, and helps the student to reach their potential. Our triangulated Learning Conferences are designed to reinforce this.



Berkley Normal Middle School – Information Evening Next Wednesday

Another reminder that the Berkley Normal Middle School Information Evening is being held next **Wednesday 11th August, from 6.00pm – 7.30pm** at Berkley. This is an evening structured for prospective parents and students to be informed about the extensive range of programmes on offer at Berkley.



Please note: Out of Zone Enrolments are welcomed and must be with the school office by Wednesday 1 September 2022.

Contact school office: 856 6537, office@berkley.school.nz or www.berkley.school.nz

Whānau o Tamahere Hui - Thursday 19th August

Kia ora, Haere Mai!

We warmly invite all whānau members and extended friends to join us as part of our Bicultural Treaty Partnership. We will korero and share ideas about how we cater for and support our Māori tamariki with their learning and succeeding as Māori. Our Pasifika whānau and all others are very welcome.



We are keen to have as many whānau along as possible, so we can share views and collaborate on ways to best meet the

needs of our tamariki. Previously we have had a large number of our whanau attend, which was very beneficial, and we had some excellent discussions, which we want to build on.

The Hui will be held in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC) Foyer in Week 4, on Thursday 19th August from 1.30pm.

Whānau and supporters of our Māori & Pasifika tamariki, along with any other interested parents, from all ethnic groups, teachers and Board of Trustee members are invited. We believe together, we can build stronger foundations for your tamariki to succeed. We are keen to hear your views and ideas of how we can best cater for your tamariki.

There will be kai with tea and coffee available. After 2.45 pm all tamariki may attend After School Care free of charge, if the hui is still in process. Pre-schoolers are also welcome to join their parents at the meeting or siblings can look after each other.

If you are unable to attend our hui, please feel free to contact me to korero. For catering purposes, we would appreciate it if you could confirm your attendance before Monday 16th August. We look forward to having you with us.

Nga mihi.

Waveney Parker Principal

ICAS Exams Start Next Week

ICAS Exams start from next week and the schedule is as follows:

<u>Week 3</u>:

• Thursday 12th August - DIGI TECH

Week 4:

• Monday 16th August - ENGLISH

Week 5:

- Monday 23rd August SPELLING
- Thursday 26th August SCIENCE

Week 6:

• Tuesday 31st August - MATHEMATICS



Due to the ongoing Covid Lockdown in NSW Australia - the **ICAS Writing** exam has now been moved for New Zealand Schools from Week 3 of this term to Week 1 in Term 4.

ROCK BAND LESSONS!!!!!

Hey Kids! Have you ever wanted to be in a Rock Band???? Here is your chance!

Music House is holding Rock Band lessons during Term's 3 and 4 and we'd love you to be a part of it.

Students who are interested in Band Classes must audition.

Where: Puriri 5

When: Auditions will be held on Tuesday 10th of August at 10:50am (after morning tea)

What will I need to do for the audition?

- Play one song or piece of music
- Show musical knowledge (chords, scales**, tab or notation reading)
- Have timing (play in time with tutor or a metronome)
- Show original song ideas**

**Not crucial

Students who are successful with their audition will be required to do Rock Band lessons through until the end of Term 4.

Lessons will be held on Tuesdays (30 minutes) during the middle block from 10.50am to 12.20pm.



How much are the lessons?

\$10 per child, per lesson (30 minutes)

Rock Band Lessons will include:

- your role in a rock band
- fine-tuning your technique
- learning new songs
- songwriting basics
- performing on a stage
- working as a team



NB: You must be semi-confident on your instrument for Rock Band lessons i.e. have played for at least 1-2 years.



Also, we are looking for some extra gear to help make these classes run. <u>If you</u> <u>have any spare musical gear at home</u> <u>that you would love to donate to TMCS,</u> <u>please let us know!</u>

We need another guitar amp, bass amp, percussion (egg shakers, tambourine, bongos) and a speaker for a singer.

Sports Photo's Coming Up in Week 4

This is a notice for all our school sports team coaches and managers, to let you know that we will be having Team Photo's on **Tuesday 17th August** in the TCC. You are welcome to join in with your team. A schedule of the day will be shared next week.



FUN RUN / WALKATHON 2021 - Friday 10th September

Fun Run/Walkathon



Friday September 10th- 1:00-2:30pm

Mark the date on your calendar! We are having a school FUN RUN/WALKATHON.

- To set a challenge for fitness, health and wellbeing.
- For our children to be involved in and contribute to,
 - the magnificent fundraising efforts our PTA and parents have achieved towards improving the playgrounds across our school.



How it works...

- all students, staff and all supporters will run or walk or skip around the course as many times as they wish to
- laps will be one kilometre each
- each child will set a goal of how far they would like to run or walk
- along the way there will be pit stops
- rain or shine
- come dressed for the weather but the children can come dressed up in crazy colours and costumes to run in
- supporters can join the students to enjoy an afternoon of exercise

Key Dates

- Week one, term three sponsorship packs will be sent home with every child
- Over the next few weeks, gather sponsors
- Sponsors can give a donation or an amount for each lap completed
- PractiSe and gather sponsors Weeks one-seven, Term Three
- Big event in week seven Friday 10th September 1:00-2:30
- Collect money in and return to school Week Eight (Friday September 17th)

There will be prizes for...

- Most laps completed
- Most enthusiastic participants
- Biggest effort
- Spot prizes
- Most sponsors gathered

- Most money collected
- Best dressed participants
- Whanau points
- Random draw- once the sponsorship forms are in, draw out names. The more you raise the more times you get entered in the draw.

The organising committee (the leadership team and sports team)

Ag Day 2021 - Thursday 21st October

AG DAY INFORMATION IS NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR TMCS WEBSITE!

Check out all the details you need to know about Ag Day and how to enter, on our new 'Ag Day' section on the website under the 'Our School' tab or please click on the <u>link to Ag Day information on TMCS Website</u>

ANIMAL CONTACTS:

If you do not already have your own animals, then we have the following contacts available for orphans:

Lambs:

Contact Amy Beech: 021 542 547

Amy will be offering Lambs to be raised, available from late-August through to October, however the sooner people get in touch with her the better. Lambs are \$65 each - this money can be refunded on the return of a weaned, healthy lamb after Ag Day. Amy is also able to offer advice on rearing.

Lambs & Kids (Goats)

Contact Brooke: 021 488 854. Please see the information included in last week's newsletter. Brooke has kid goats available (not to be given back to her), and also some lambs to borrow for Ag Day pets, which are to be returned to her.

Calves:

Contact Roger Duncan 021 929 263 Roger (and his wife Karen) will be offering Calves for sale (not to be returned to farm). They are also available to offer advice, and can sell feed/colostrum etc, to assist with the raising of the calf, as

required. Some keen children may enquire about rearing a calf at Roger's farm, if they are dedicated and reliable.

Chickens:

Eureka Poultry Farm will be able to supply 7 week old Hyline chicks, for anyone that wants to raise a chicken. Keep an eye out on the newsletter for further details.

REQUEST FOR ANY SPARE OR 'HAND ME DOWN' EQUIPMENT:

Any families who have rearing equipment i.e. teats, bottles, collars, leads, spare milk powder etc, which they no longer require, please let us know, as we will happily pass on anything useful to new families, who are wishing to get involved with Ag Day this year.



TROPHY RETURN:

Can we please ask that all 2020 trophies be POLISHED and returned to the school office as soon as possible - thanks!

CALLING ALL AG DAY JUDGES!

Our Waikato Ag Day Coordinator is in need of some more judges to support the local school events.

If you have some experience judging Ag Day events, or are interested in being trained as a judge for future years, please contact Dennis Ticklepenny (Waikato Co-ordinator)by emailing janden@xtra.co.nz

Waikato A&P Association Judges Training Dates are:

- 11.00am on Wednesday 15th September at the Kihikihi Domain
- 11.00 am on Friday 17th September at the Matamata Netball Courts
- 11.00am on Saturday 18th September at Horsham Downs School

Everyone is welcome!!!!

ANIMAL DEMO & JUDGES VISIT DAY - Friday 17th September, from 12.20pm-1.15pm, outside the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC). Judges will give advice on how to look after the animals and prepare for Ag Day. All children with animals should attend and parents are also very welcome.

ANIMAL HEALTH DAY - SATURDAY 11th SEPTEMBER:

A Free Animal Health Check for lambs, kids and calves is kindly offered by one of our Sponsors, Cambridge Vets, where they will offer free vaccinations and tail docking. The date for this is Saturday 11th September 202, from 9.00am to 10.00am. The Health Check is held in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC) carpark.

PGG WRIGHTSON CAMBRIDGE

We are excited to offer a special AG Day price list to the students of Tamahere School.

Lambs/Kids -

Sprayfo Primo Lamb Milk Powder 20kg - \$99.00

Lambstart Muesli 20kg - \$27.50

Calves -

Maxcare Premium Milk Powder 20kg - \$99.00

Gusto 20% Calf Blend 20kg - \$21.00

Come see the team at 87 Duke Street, Cambridge or phone 07 823 0640







GET INVOLVED:

Ag Day would not be possible without the amazing support of parents. Whether you want to join the Ag Day Committee, sponsor or donate some prizes, or simply offer your time to help set up or pack up on the day, all offers of assistance are gratefully accepted.

If you would like to become involved or have any questions about Ag Day, please email <u>agday@tamahere.school.nz</u>



Thanks! The Ag Day Committee

SAVE THE DATE - Friday 8th October



Tamahere Interchange Options - Please Provide Feedback!!!!!

There was a large turnout for last Thursday's Tamahere Interchange drop-in session held in the TCC. Waka Kotahi NZTA are seeking views on how they can make the State Highway 1 Tamahere Interchange safer for all users, including pedestrians and cyclists. NZTA and the Tamahere Community Committee have identified four options for improving the interchange, which are shown below.

We especially encourage those school families who live on Woodcock, Windmill and all streets/roads to the East of the school, to provide feedback using the link to the submission form, as this is the opportunity to influence how students/people might get from the other side of the expressway to the village side. <u>Please</u> click here to download the feedback form, which must be returned by Friday 20th August.

Please see below for the 4 options.



AT-GRADE SIGNALISED CROSSING (NEAR)

- Realignment of roundabout and onramp
- · Widened footpath to the west of onramp

Pros: Reduces speed, improves safety, lower cost Cons: More delay for users, queuing issues at the roundabout

AT-GRADE SIGNALISED CROSSING (FAR)

- Realignment of roundabout
- Reduces speed in and around roundabout

Pros: Reduces speed, improves safety, lower cost Cons: More delay for users and does not meet some desire lines



FOOTBRIDGE MINIMUM HEIGHT 6.0M 90M LONG RAMPS (6.6% GRADE)

DEVINE OVERPASS

- · Bridge over the full motorway, located north of the school
- Speed treatment at the interchange

Pros: Grade separated connection, improved safety

Cons: Not ideal crossing point for some pedestrians and cyclists. Limited connectivity to the east of SH1 currently. Higher cost than at grade options



90M LONG RAMPS (6.6% GRADE)

UNDERPASS (NORTH DEVINE)

- Subway under northbound onramp only
- Likely to affect the Devine Road Intersection with onramp
- Access to Tamahere Lane remains open Speed treatment at the interchange
- Pros: Improves safety

Cons: Potential for security issues for users Higher cost than at grade options

French Lessons

French lessons

Would you be interested in French lessons for your child in your school? We are opening group sessions for Year 5 and 6 every Wednesday from 12:30 to 1:00. For more details or to enroll, please contact me on 021332657 or pryorsandrine@gmail.com Au revoir!



Honey for Sale

We still have Wairere Artisan Honey for sale in the office. We are selling the 500gm jars for just \$20.00 each or 3 for \$50.00.

Once again a huge **THANK YOU** to the Tan family, for their very generous donation. 100% of proceeds go towards supporting our school.

The honey is for sale at the school office. Don't miss out, as we anticipate that these will sell out very quickly.



SH21 Underpass Project Update from Downer's Matt Kofoed

Hi everyone,

I hope you had a good weekend.

Due to the weather and overall conditions we waited until the end of the week to seal the road over the underpass; until then we monitored the site and ensured it was holding up to the traffic. We have completed the road marking through this area as well, and the temporary barriers used over the underpass construction weekend have been removed as well.

This week we have commenced the concreting of the shared path areas (between the Country Club and the Church) that have been prepared previously.

Looking forward we will now start with the construction of the underpass ramp on the southern (Country Club) side of the road, and the sheet piling for this will commence this week. The sheet piling process does involve the piles being hammered and/or vibrated into the ground, so there may be some noise and/or vibration for nearby residents and businesses. We'll aim to minimise this where possible.

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

Kind regards,

Matt Kofoed Stakeholder Manager New Zealand

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Bricks4kidz Afterschool Program in Term 3

Bricks4kidz are back in Term 3, offering 2 classes. If you would like to enrol please go to <u>https://form.jotform.com/211797525670867</u> to register.



ART COMPETITION

HILLCREST & TAMAHERE MEDICAL CENTRES

would like to invite the Tamariki / Youth from your school to take part in an

ART COMPETITION!



We would love to see drawings / paintings / collages / photographs (wherever their artistic flair leads!) of what GOOD HEALTH LOOKS LIKE to them. Older children / youth may like to depict GOOD MENTAL HEALTH.

Winning entries will be displayed at Hillcrest and Tamahere Medical Centres (all artworks will be displayed depending on the number of entries).

Not only will this get our young people thinking about good health, but they are in to



1ª prize: \$200

2** prize: \$100

3* prize: \$50

For each age group:

5-9yrs

10-13yrs

14-18yrs

The small print:

Entries close 13th of August 2021. These can be hand delivered to Hillcrest or Tamahere Medical Centres or posted to us at: Attn: Kaylie. Hillcrest Medical Centre, Cnr Masters Ave and Cambridge Roads, Hillcrest, Hamilton 3216.

Please nothing larger than A4 size.

Please ensure that the child's name, age, class, and school is clearly written on entries. (First name and age on the front, and full name, school, and class on the back). Please also indicate if consent is given to display entry on our Facebook / instagram pages (school and child's age may be shown, but personal details will be withheld).

We would appreciate your feedback on whether prizes should be in the form of cash or vouchers (to local activities / Prezzy Cards etc)

Please contact Kaylie at admin@hillcrestmedical.co.nz or 07 856 5087 with any questions.

Judge's decision will be final.