

# TAMAHERE

## MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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### Wiki/ Week 4 Happenings:

#### WELCOME BACK !!!



We are delighted that we will be able to welcome all of our students back on site, face to face, for some days from later next week. How wonderful, to have our children with their chatter and laughter filling our school with life and vibrancy once again.



There is still information coming through, from the Ministries of Education and Health, around more specific guidelines for us to follow. As you will appreciate, due to differences in physical

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surroundings, classroom cohorts and different systems, every school in the country will end up looking a bit different, each with our own unique bespoke approach.

Our staff are working hard to ensure our new systems and practices are going to work for the different age levels, class group numbers and the facilities we have. We are also very mindful of the endless challenges that you as parents are facing in your bubbles. Each one has your own unique combinations with juggling children of different ages, different businesses and occupations etc, etc. The complexities are endless and no system is going to work completely happily for everyone. Please bear with us, as we are endeavouring to achieve the best system we can but I am still awaiting the Ministry's promised guidelines later today.

### **Will your children be returning to us during Level 3?**

Please [click here](#) to give us feedback if your child/children will not be returning to school under Level 3 restrictions. We need to allow space between all students across our site and this will be extremely useful for us. Please let us know before 8.00am tomorrow (Friday) morning to help us with our planning.

**Tomorrow we will let you all know what our school's organisation will look like for next week and which days your children will be coming into school.** We will endeavour to make this as seamless for families as possible. Please make sure all children know which gate you will be using for drop offs and pickups. You may want to choose a less busy gate to spread people out more at peak times.

Please [click here](#) for information around many of the **guidelines** we will be needing to follow once students are back at school. It would be wonderful if you could try and explain why and what we are doing to your children so they have a better understanding of what they are coming back to. One big one is the new mandate that **all Year 4 - 6 students must wear a mask all day!** We know this is going to be very hard for all of our students and teachers alike, but I have just come out of a Ministry meeting and only medical exemptions can be accepted for not wearing a mask. Again it would be great if you can get some comfortable masks for your children to wear and help them to practice and understand that they have to wear them for the entire school day. Any Year 0-3 travelling on the school bus will also need to be wearing a mask. Our Taupiri teachers are allowed to teach without masks in those younger classes.

For your peace of mind, **all of our Teachers on site are fully vaccinated, our Administration and Teacher Aides have all had at least one vaccination.**

**Teacher Only Day:-** So as not to cause confusion to a brand new system, our scheduled Teacher Only Day on Monday 22nd November will **no longer be happening**. Teachers will still need to have some down time though, to finalise their report comments and other documentation. We will endeavour to achieve this through internal measures.

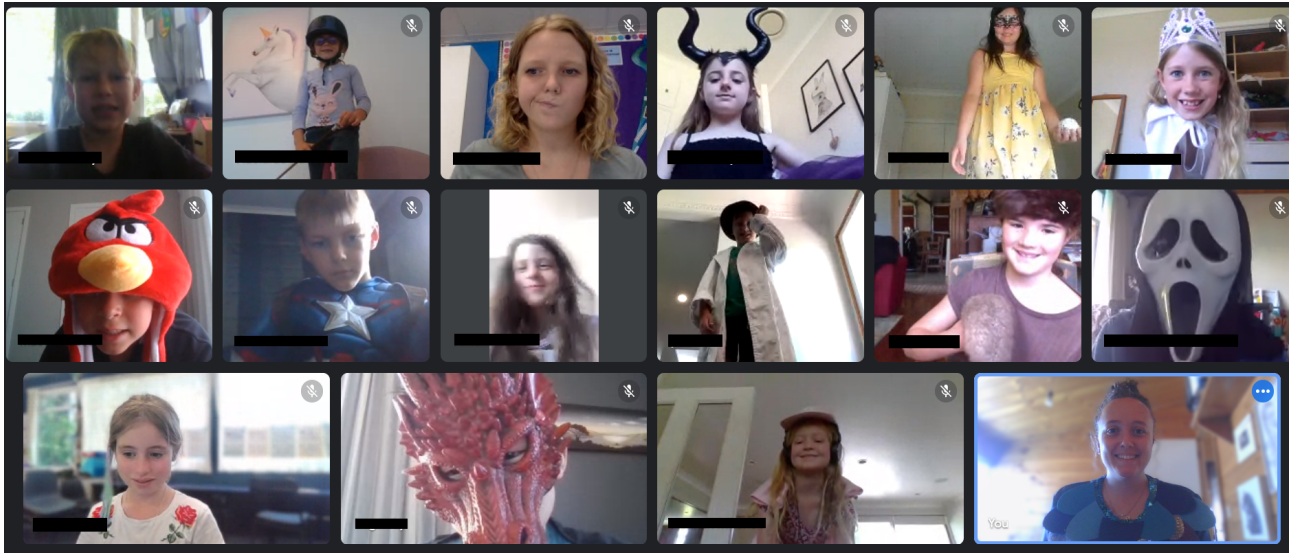
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**Start date for 2022** - Our start day for the 2022 school year will be Wednesday 2nd February 2022. Let's hope by then we are all back together normally again.

**Archie A from Tawa 19 and his Scarecrow**



**Google Meet Book Character dress up day in Nikau 1**



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## PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

[Please click here to watch](#) Miss Parker announcing our Week 3 Principal Award recipients.



### **Students of Week 3 Term 4: 'I LISTEN, SHARE AND CONTRIBUTE'**

NIKAU 1	Eva H	Eva, what a wonderful participant in online learning you have been. You listen to others, share your ideas at the google meets and contribute to our class learning. You are giving your absolute best and I am so proud of you!
KAURI 2	Dominic C	Dom, you are a valued participant in our Google Meets and online reading lessons. You have great ideas to share and are respectful in doing so. Ka rawe!
KOWHAI 4	Taine D	Taine, you share your ideas and thoughts during our Google Meets and show enthusiasm for your online learning. What a confident, 'can-do' kid!
PURIRI 5	Billie R	Billie, you always come to our Google Meets so well prepared and ready to learn. You listen carefully and share your ideas and special things so beautifully when it's your turn. Thank you for being an online school superstar!!!

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<i>TITOKI 6</i>	Benjamin M	Benjamin, you always give 110% with your home learning. You listen to all of Ms Listers teaching Looms and use what you have learned to produce well crafted, interesting writing.
<i>RIMU 7</i>	Mason S	Mason has shown a great online presence and attitude to our online learning sessions and is learning lots of new words. Keep it up Mason. You're doing so well!
<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	Bonnie H	Bonnie, you give all activities a go with a positive attitude. You have been a super star during our Lockdown learning. Well done.
<i>RATA 9</i>	Tate B	Tate, I appreciate that you always go above and beyond in your Seesaw posts. I so enjoy seeing all those extra bits you share with me. Ka rawe to mahi!!
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	Kate D	Kate, you have such a positive, enthusiastic attitude to your online learning. I love your great Kia maia being shown, with a great can do attitude.
<i>MATAI 11</i>	Kathlyn D	Kathlyn you have been so diligent with your remote learning working hard to complete your tasks to a high standard. Thank you for being such an enthusiastic learner! You are a super star student!
<i>TANEKAHA 12</i>	Kruz P	Kruz you have worked hard on all your Remote Learning and always take part in our on-line learning with enthusiasm, adding some very interesting thoughts.
<i>MIRO 13</i>	Caleb L	Caleb, you have brought an enthusiastic and positive approach to your lockdown learning each day. You are polite, respectful and keen to share each morning on Google Meets. You are a pleasure to teach.
<i>PUKATEA 14</i>	George F	George, you are a star. You have completed your online work to such a high standard. You are always willing to share and contribute to our class Google Meets and I thought your speech was amazing. You are such a pleasure to teach even online.
<i>KARAKA 15</i>	Luke D	Luke, I am so proud of how hard you have been working on our online learning programme. You have been focused during our Google Meets. You ask inquiring questions and you are always willing to take on feedback to improve your work. You are awesome!
<i>MANUKA 16</i>	Emily C	Emily, it is a pleasure to see you embrace your online learning this lockdown, asking for help, problem solving and joining in with the google meets. Keep it up, you're doing a fantastic job!

MAHOE 17	Cooper H	Cooper, we celebrate your bright smile and positivity. You have shared quality ideas, asked inquiry questions and brought fun to our Google Meets with a class challenge.
TAWA 19	Logan R	The effort and positive attitude you display each day is fantastic, Logan. You have embraced online learning and always show care and attention when completing your tasks. Ka rawe!
HOROPITO 20	George R	George, It has been amazing to see you so engaged with our new google hangouts and I love seeing you so happy and smiling. You are always respectful when others are sharing and I love to hear what you have been up to. Keep up the good work!
HOROEKA 21	Molly v	I am so impressed with all the video posts you have shared on Seesaw, Molly! I have loved seeing you complete your tasks and telling me about your activities. It's great to see that you are happy doing online learning in your bubble. What a star!



## Country Cluster Speech Competition

Congratulations to **Sam W** for being the overall winner of the Country Cluster Speech Competition this year. We also congratulate **Liadán B** who placed as a runner up.

This competition is held every year for Year 5 and 6 students from Tamahere Model Country School, Newstead School, Tauwhare School and Matangi School. We are very proud of all the children for their efforts in putting a speech forward for the competition this year.



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## Fun Run/Walkathon 2021

Last chance for getting your sponsorship forms in for the Fun Run, to be in to win for the **MOST SPONSORS collected** - Mrs Boyd has been really impressed with all the forms already returned.

**TOMORROW is the cut off**, with the winners of the \$30.00 Boundary voucher from each Syndicate announced in next week's Newsletter.

Please either drop off the sponsorship forms in the school mailbox, (contactlessly) or you may email a photo of the sponsorship form to [lboyd@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:lboyd@tamahere.school.nz)

Thank you to everyone who has already contacted the school office to arrange contactless drop off of your Fun Run/Walkathon sponsorship forms and money.



Could you please take the time this week to ask all those who sponsored your child/ren, to pay what they have pledged?

- Then, to keep things simple, could you please deposit the money into the school account and add the payment reference FUNRUN. You can deposit all money into the bank account for the whole family. The school bank account details are: 12-3152-0070140-00
- If you have cash and would rather drop this off, along with the sponsorship forms, please call the office on 07 856 928 and they will meet you at the front gate.

Thank you for your support!

## Virtual Ag Day Judging Update

We had a great turnout with 49 entries in our Virtual Ag Day Lambs, Calves, Goat, Caged Pets and Chickens category. The Virtual judging is taking place this week and we anticipate that we will be able to share the results, including Ribbon placings and Cup winners in next week's Newsletter.



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## Berkley Year 6 Orientation Programme Update

The face-to-face orientation for our Year 6 students moving onto Berkley, which had been scheduled for 18th November, is unfortunately not able to go ahead under the current restrictions. However they are preparing a video presentation as a replacement, which will cover everything that a new Berkley student will need to know ready for their first day next year. When the video is ready to view, the link will be shared in an upcoming Newsletter. It will also be available on both the Berkley Middle School website and the Berkley Facebook page.



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TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE

## Golf Day

AMBROSE COMPETITION  
RIVERSIDE GOLF CLUB

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**ANNUAL GOLF DAY  
FUNDRAISER  
FRIDAY 3 DECEMBER**

12PM TEE OFF | 18 HOLES \$50/PERSON  
9:30AM TEE OFF | 9 HOLES | \$30/PERSON  
DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

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