

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Wiki/ Week 6 Happenings:

FAREWELLS:

We are very sad to be farewelling two of our wonderful staff members at the end of this year. We didn't want to tell everyone during the lockdown as we felt the children were coping with enough. It is much easier to be present and face to face when talking about these things with children.

Mr Tim Ross is moving down to Queenstown to be closer to family and has won a position at Queenstown Primary School. Tim has been with us for almost two years and will graduate as a Fully Registered Teacher next month. Tim has been a great member of our staff and has helped keep numbers up in the men's corner in the staff room! He is a very able teacher whose maturity and skills far exceed his experience. I know he will go far in his chosen new career. Tim is also looking forward to all the bike trails and outdoor pursuits he will be able to get involved in. We wish you and your family happiness in this new phase of your life.

Mrs Jennie Jarvis. We are very sad to be losing one of our valued long term relievers, Jennie to Hillcrest Normal Primary School. We have been lucky enough to have Jennie on our team in a full-time position for almost two years. With numbers lower in 2022 and job uncertainty, Jennie looked at one job and was picked up within hours. Hillcrest's gain is our loss. Jennie has a wonderful way with children and has fitted our vision and nurtured and supported our tamariki so well. This is not goodbye though, as she is in our School's Kahui Ako and we are lucky that Jennie's son will be staying with us and Jennie and her family will still be a part of our school community.

FAMILY USAGE OF OUR SCHOOL'S VELA SWIMMING POOLS: Thank you to all those who replied to our survey about family use of our swimming pool complex over the summer holidays and weekends. Thank you especially, to those who also committed to purchasing tickets to help us with running costs. There have been many Zoom meetings and much debate within the Board, along with number-crunching and creativity to come up with a way we could make this casual family swimming viable.

Then COVID, once again, came along to change our plans. There is currently a high level of uncertainty

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around what we are able to allow on a school site. At present, no extra adults are allowed onsite. The ability to check vaccinations and keep people distanced within changing rooms, along with retaining staff who may get very few hours, has added to our challenges. Because of this the Board has decided not to open the pool complex for family swimming this summer. We have been exploring other funding options and will make further decisions next year when the Delta Variant has shown how life will look, and when we have all options available to us.

Community use is still important to us and we have managed to achieve Learn to Swim Lessons, through Hamilton Aquatics for the next three weeks with a number of new systems in place to comply with the COVID regulations.

We are also happy to hire the facility to organisations such as Water Polo, Aqua Jogging and other groups who through their own staff can develop systems that comply with all Government COVID and Health & Safety regulations.

By Term 1 2022, all levels of swim school will be able to operate from our school Vela Pool Complex under Hamilton Aquatics stewardship.

Once again, we thank you for your support and apologise that the pools will not be operating for casual swimmers this summer.

FLEXIBILITY IS HOW WE ARE ROLLING:

The following dates and events are to give you an indication of what we are planning but with parents not being able to come onsite and numbers restricted in the TCC, most of our gatherings will be held outside, spaced out and in areas where we find are most suitable at that time. We are going to be hugely weather dependent with our activities and will be changing times and locations at speed, so that children are not left out in the heat or adversely in the pouring rain. Some events, for example prizegiving, we are going to try to video. We are sorry that you can't be with us. Let's hope that we can all be together again in 2022!

Upcoming Dates:

<i>November / Whiringa-ā-rangi</i>	
<i>Rātu / Tuesday 30th</i>	<i>ROAD PATROLLERS Fun Day</i>
<i>December / Hakihea</i>	
<i>Rāapa / Wednesday 1st</i>	<i>DRESSING OF THE TREE - held at TMCS</i>
<i>Rāmere / Friday 3rd</i>	<i>GOLF DAY</i>

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<i>Rāapa / Wednesday 8th</i>	YEAR 6 GRADUATION
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 9th</i>	TAUPIRI Big Day In
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 9th - Rātu / Tuesday 14th</i>	PRIZE GIVING - spread over 4 days
<i>Rāmere / Friday 10th</i>	MAUNGATAUTARI Big Day Out
	PIRONGIA Big Day In
<i>Rāapa / Wednesday 15th</i>	LAST DAY - School ends at 12.30pm
<i>February / Hui-tanguru</i>	
<i>Rāapa / Wednesday 2nd</i>	FIRST DAY OF TERM 1

THANK YOU!!!

We would like to thank one of our school families, who would like to remain unnamed, that recently donated a supply of 'Fever Tree' soda water to give our teachers a boost after all the Bubble school, online learning and endless re organisation. We really appreciated it! They are very refreshing.

Activity Fees & Class Placement Survey

This is a very quick survey to gauge your opinion on a couple of changes we are considering making due to the disruptions we have had this year with COVID lockdowns. [Please click here](#) to complete our Class Placement and Activity Fees Survey.



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Koru Design for Entranceway

Over the last few months we have been looking at our designs and signage around the school and one area we are exploring is the idea of adding a koru design to our main covered entrance way - Gate 3. Please see the image below for how this could potentially look. This design is taken from Ngāti Hauā website, just to get us all thinking. It has their anchor symbolism. We are looking for any one who has the skills and knowledge to help us develop our own koru design to show our journey and what we represent. This will then be shared with our Ngāti Hauā Kaumatua, to make sure it is in fitting with their protocols. If you are able to help us or know of someone who can, please get in touch with me and we can get more information to you.



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Kapa Haka Uniform Design

What do you think?

We are still keen to hear more views on our proposed Kapa Haka uniform design. We have three design options at this stage unless, again, someone has a skill or talent to create something different for us. Maybe in line with the new designs we are talking about above.



1. The colours are not quite right yet but this design celebrates our logo and school colours and the repeated colour pattern shows the rays radiating outwards - *Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu Ngatahi, Nurturing our Future Growing Together.*



2. This design may be more traditional with the stepping up of the Tūkūtū pattern in a learning style.

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3. The third option is similar to the first but the colour combinations have been changed to make it more of a geometric frame.

The final design will go on our Tipare, Tatua and Kakahu.

Any feedback and ideas are welcomed and can be emailed to reception@tamahere.school.nz
Thank you.

Nga mihi.

Waveney Parker
Principal

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning - Week 4 & 5 Principal Awards

Our Principal Award recipients for Week 4 Term 4, received their Principal Awards at the Whakatau Welcome Assembly held last Friday morning. The following students were our Week 4 recipients:

Students of Week 4, Term 4 'I try my best even when things are hard'	
NIKAU 1	Logan L
KAURI 2	Gracie D
KOWHAI 4	Grace H
PURIRI 5	Chloe S
TITOKI 6	Ayla H
RIMU 7	Summer L
POHUTUKAWA 8	Gideon A
RATA 9	Ellie K
TOTARA 10	Orien C
MATAI 11	Skyla B
TANEKAHA 12	Harper L

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MIRO 13	Annika H
PUKATEA 14	Billie A
KARAKA 15	Cohen Mc
MANUKA 16	Liam J
MAHOE 17	Timmy C
TAWA 19	Steven D
HOROPITO 20	Riley H
HOROEKA 21	Indie J-M



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On Monday morning, certificates were presented to the following students, who were recipients of our Principal Awards for Week 5:

Students of Week 5 Term 4 'I make good choices'	
NIKAU 1	Hannah M
KAURI 2	Monty G
KOWHAI 4	Nathan L
PURIRI 5	Hudson C
TITOKI 6	Etáin B-S
RIMU 7	Summer L
POHUTUKAWA 8	Bryan Z
RATA 9	Poppy M
TOTARA 10	Mayan M K
MATAI 11	Winston P
TANEKAHA 12	Kalia H
MIRO 13	Henry M
PUKATEA 14	Oliver H
KARAKA 15	Izzy S
MANUKA 16	Sofia L
MAHOE 17	Edward P
TAWA 19	Archie A

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HOROPITO 20	Madison F
HOROEKA 21	Michael F



Karaka 15 Google Meets - Book Day Dress Up Fun



Fun Run Sponsorship Prize Winners Announced

The winners of our competition to sign up the most Fun Run sponsors, were presented at last Friday morning's Whakatau & Welcome Assembly.

THE BOUNDARY
RESTAURANT + BAR

The winners from each Syndicate were awarded a \$30.00 Voucher from The Boundary:

Taupiri Syndicate - Gideon A

Pirongia Syndicate - Eva H

Maungatautari Syndicate - Sophie W



Virtual Ag Day 2021 Results

Thank you to everyone involved in this year's Virtual Ag Day. We appreciate that it takes a lot of family support to care for animals. Thank you to all our parents who supported your children in their country endeavours. Celebrating the 'country' aspect of our school is important to us, as parents have expressed over the years. It is always wonderful to see the passion and love shown by students to their very special animal buddies.

A huge thanks goes to this year's Ag Day Committee, led by Frances McKenzie, Rachel Algar, Louise Mercer, Justine Cooper and Hilary van de Molen, who coordinated the Virtual Ag Day and did an amazing job.

It was wonderful to be able to recognise the students that entered Animals into our Virtual Ag Day, at our Prizegiving on Monday. Please enjoy the photo's of the prizegiving.

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RESULTS:

LAMBS:

HELEN DIXON CUP (Champion Most Obvious Pet Lamb)

<i>Winner</i>	Addison M
<i>Runner-up</i>	Sophie W

LANGLEY CUP (Champion Leading Lamb)

<i>Winner</i>	Holly H
<i>Runner-up</i>	Emily McK

GOUGH TROPHY (Champion Rearing Early Lamb)

<i>Winner</i>	Holly H
<i>Runner-up</i>	Harriet E

SPRING SHEEP CUP (Champion Rearing Late Lamb)

<i>Winner</i>	Greta C
<i>Runner-up</i>	George C

FONTERRA CUP (Overall Champion Lamb)

<i>Winner</i>	Holly H
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CALVES:

YEOMAN CUP (Champion Leading)

<i>Winner</i>	Finn D
<i>Runner-up</i>	Elle D

SIGNEL CHALLENGE CUP (Champion Rearing)

<i>Winner</i>	George F
<i>Runner-up</i>	Finn D

MAEROA CUP (Championship Dairy Type)

<i>Winner</i>	Finn D
<i>Runner-up</i>	Elle D

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LAW CUP (Championship Beef Type)	
<i>Winner</i>	George F
<i>Runner-up</i>	Oliver C
DUNCAN CUP (Championship Dairy Jersey)	
<i>Winner</i>	Ella P
MONTGOMERIE CUP (Overall Champion Calf)	
<i>Winner</i>	Finn D
KID GOATS:	
PATERSON CUP (Champion Most Obvious Pet Kid)	
<i>Winner</i>	Lottie B
BEVAN TROPHY (Champion Leading Kid)	
<i>Winner</i>	Lottie B
GRANT CUP (Champion Rearing Kid)	
<i>Winner</i>	Lottie B
HILL & MORRIS TROPHY (Overall Champion Kid)	
<i>Winner</i>	Lottie B
CHICKENS:	
NRM CUP (Best Chicken in Show)	
<i>Winner</i>	Keiran C
<i>Runner-up</i>	Tian Z

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PONIES:

MOST LOVED PONY (Junior School Section)

1st	Abbie T
2nd	Bonnie H

BEST RIDER (Junior School Section)

1st	Bonnie H
2nd	Abbie T

OVERALL JUNIOR SCHOOL CHAMPION

Champion	Bonnie H
Reserve Champion	Abbie T

BEST RIDER (Middle School Section)

1st	Adelaide H
2nd	Emma C

BEST COMBINATION (Middle School Section)

Champion	Emma C
Reserve Champion	Adelaide H

OVERALL MIDDLE SCHOOL CHAMPION

Champion	Adelaide H
Reserve Champion	Emma C

BEST RIDER (Senior School Section)

1st	Hayley H
2nd	Kate H
3rd	Holly E

BEST COMBINATION (Senior School Section)

1st	Holly E
2nd	Hayley H
3rd	Kate H

BEST JUMPING PONY (Senior School Section)

1st	Kate H
2nd	Holly E
3rd	Hayley H

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WAIKATO EQUINE VETERINARY CENTRE CUP (Senior Champion)

Champion
= Reserve Champion
= Reserve Champion

Hayley H
Holly H
Kate H

CAGED PETS:

REARING

1st
2nd
3rd

Eliza B
Grace H
Felix M



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GOLF DAY RAFFLE TICKETS

On December 3rd 2021, we are holding our annual GOLF DAY. This is one of the school's main fundraisers for the year (due to COVID 19). The proceeds will enable us to continue to upgrade the playgrounds.

You should have found a pack of raffle tickets in your child's school bag (One pack per family), which was sent home earlier this week. You may wish to purchase them yourself or sell them others. There are some amazing prizes to be won and they are just \$5 per ticket.

There are two prizes to be won:

1. \$1000 voucher from Hillcrest New World
2. 3 Nights accommodation at Taipa Beach Resort for 4 people
 - 18 Holes of golf at Kauri Cliffs including golf cart hire
 - 18 Holes of golf at Carrington incl. golf cart hire
 - 3 Evening meals

(This voucher must be redeemed by 31st May, 2022)

All sold and unsold tickets will need to be returned to the school office by Wednesday 1st December.

The Golf Committee

TAMAHERE MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL ANNUAL GOLF DAY RAFFLE



TWO PRIZES TO WIN-choose
from \$5/TICKET

1. **\$1000 Hillcrest New World voucher**
2. **Three nights away at the Taipa Beach Resort for four people**
 - 18 Holes of golf at Kauri Cliffs incl. golf cart hire
 - 18 Holes of golf at Carrington incl. golf cart hire
 - 3 Evening meals
 - This voucher must be redeemed by May 31, 2022.

TICKETS AND MONEY TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY DECEMBER 1ST.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN AT GOLF DAY ON DECEMBER 3RD AND NOTIFIED IF NOT PRESENT

to

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GOLF DAY 2021 - 3rd December

GOOD NEWS! The golf day is going ahead. There might be some rules we need to follow but we are pleased to be able to proceed. At this stage, all team spots have been filled.

Sponsors

If you would like to sponsor this event, there are a few spaces available for hole sponsors (\$500 for par three and \$300 for all other hole sponsorship options). If you would like to donate some money to the event, please let us know.

howard.baker@jennian.co.nz

Prizes

If you have any prizes that you would like to donate, we would love to hear from you, e.g. water bottles, sports gear, golf balls, drinks, etc.

Thank you for your support

The Golf Day Team



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Kids Art Works

Last call for orders! If you are wanting to order calendars, cards, diaries, mouse mats or sketch pads, orders close on Wednesday 24th at 9.00am.

www.kidsartworks.com

If you do not have your child's unique access code, please email hwilson@tamahere.school.nz



Swimming Caps Reminder

Now that we are back swimming, we are getting a large number of students who are forgetting to bring their swimming caps to school. This is just a gentle reminder, could you please ensure that these are packed in their swimming bags.



If you need a replacement cap, these are available at the office. We have 2 styles available - caps printed with the whanau name are \$14.00 each and \$12.00 without. You can send your children to the school office with cash or make the appropriate payment into the Tamahere Model Country School bank account, and send the proof of payment to reception@tamahere.school.nz. We will then arrange to deliver the swim cap to your child's room.

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Hamilton Aquatics Swim School

Hamilton Aquatics commenced their swim lessons this week and there is still an opportunity to register your children, if you haven't already done so.

You may have noticed that for this Term only, the Level 4 & 5 swim lessons are being hosted at Hamilton Boys High School. This change of venue is only for this term, as we are waiting on replacement Pool Covers to be delivered, which are unfortunately caught up with Covid delays and we are concerned that we cannot maintain a safe pool temperature for the early evening swim classes.

We will be back to hosting all swim levels from 2022.



FREE ASSESSMENTS

STARTS - Tuesday 23 November (4 weeks)

LOCATION - Tamahere Vela Pool

LESSONS - Tues | Thurs

TIME - From 4 pm

AGE - 4 years and above

LEVELS - Levels: Up to Level 3

Levels 4 & 5 are held at HBHS

COST - \$64

Its@hamiltonaquatics.nz

www.hamiltonaquatics.nz



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Parent Reminder

We have been getting lots of parents emailing teachers, about sending children to ASC, or to meet at a certain gate, etc. Now that we are back face-to-face, our teachers are very busy with teaching and often do not have an opportunity to check their emails. This could leave your children in a vulnerable position.



We would like to remind parents that all communications regarding pickups and after school arrangements e.g After School Care, must be directed through the school office, either by emailing reception@tamahere.school.nz, phoning 07 856 9238 or phoning/ texting 022 140 3689.

Library NEWS

As we head towards the end of the year, I wanted to give you a library update until the end of the Term:

Week 6: This week we will be continuing with the normal issuing of library books.

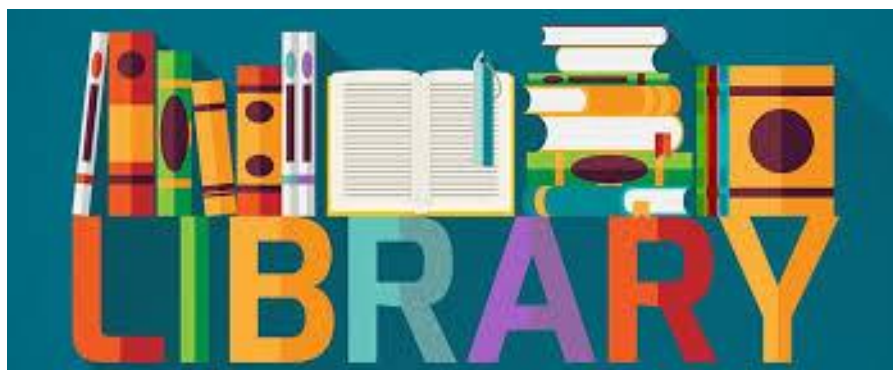
Week 7: ALL library books to be returned to the library by Friday.

Week 8: LIBRARY CLOSED FOR ANNUAL STOCKTAKE.

Week 9: Summer holiday issuing on Monday, Tuesday and up until lunchtime on the final day. Permission slips will be given to Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 students, during week 6 and 7, which can be dropped off at the library.

Research shows how dramatically students' academic achievement can be impacted by not reading over summer. Summer reading is important to prevent this summer slide.

*Mrs Kewish
Librarian*



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Your Lunchbox News

Firstly we wanted to share our immense gratitude and love for all of our amazing customers and their families who have enjoyed our lunchboxes throughout 2021. It has been a true pleasure to help make your lives easier and help feed the community through healthy and nutritious lunches! It has been a tough few months for everyone and we empathise with everyone directly affected by Covid and the lockdowns. Due to the ongoing situation and uncertainty around numbers of children returning, we have made the decision to finish up for 2021 and return when everything's back to normal in 2022 (fingers crossed 🤞). So we hope you all stay safe and that the end of the year is a bit better, brighter and merrier than the last few months! And we cannot wait to be back and better than ever in 2022 ❤️

Sophie and the Your Lunchbox team



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School Banking Update

First Credit Union wishes to advise parents that School Banking will not resume in Term 4.

We will resume in Term 1 2022

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact your nearest branch.



SH21 Underpass Project Update - 15th November 2021

Kia ora koutou,

We have continued to construct the temporary structures to allow the stair construction to occur on the southern (Country Club) side of the underpass, and the stair itself is being poured this week.

We are also busy preparing the next section of ramp, ahead of the panel delivery on Wednesday. Once these have been delivered and placed you will be able to see the structure from the State Highway, and will give a good perspective on how far we have come.

You will also see our team on the northern (Tamahere Park) side of the site, as we commence sheet piling on this side, and then make the changes to the traffic management layout this coming weekend. Once this is in place we will commence the excavation of the ramp area on this side.

I must also advise you that I move on from Downer at the start of December; Victoria Cooper, will provide monthly updates moving forward from December onwards. With our most disruptive work completed we are looking forward to the completion of this project in the first quarter of 2022. Thank you for your understanding throughout this project to date, especially during the earlier disruptive stages, and also as we have navigated through the Covid-19 enforced lockdown period and subsequent return to work.

All the best!
Nga mihi nui,

Matt Kofoed

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Hillcrest High School 50th Jubilee



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