

# TAMAHERE

## MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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*Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu ngatahi*

### Wiki/ Week 9 Happenings:

It was lovely to be able to hold our first outdoor assembly on Monday and see our whole school together, in the fresh air and well spaced, for the first time this year! Although the red light setting has been relaxed in a number of areas, schools are still operating in restricted ways due to our large numbers inside, the lack of masks in our Year 3 and below groups and the high number of not fully vaccinated children on site. We will generally be continuing on as we already are in the Red Light Setting, until at least the end of the term. Once again, thank you for all your support with this. Our outside activities are able to be more relaxed now and the news of being able to enjoy winter sports without restrictions, is lovely for everyone concerned.

### Child Safety:

Following an incident yesterday, we ask everyone to please be careful when collecting your children from the gates. Please ensure that other children, especially our Juniors, do not just wander through and then find that they are unable to return to the safe school side of the gate by themselves. We do try to have teachers at every gate but at times there could be gaps with absences and other situations that may detain them. Thank you for your help with this.

### Donations / Tax Rebate:

Just a reminder, that if you wish to make a tax claim on your school donation for the 2021 Tax Year, it needs to be paid before the end of today (31st March 2022).

If you require a receipt, please email [accounts@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:accounts@tamahere.school.nz).

On another note, we welcome our school families to make contact, if you would like to set up an ongoing automatic payment towards school fees and expenses. Please call Lisa Boyd to discuss on 07 856 9238 or you can email [accounts@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:accounts@tamahere.school.nz).

Thank you.

### End of Daylight Savings:

Daylight Saving ends this Sunday. Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour!



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### Naming Uniform Items:

With it getting cooler in the morning and children starting to wear their jerseys and jackets to school, now is a great time to check that they are all named, as often the names fade in the wash over time.

### Learning Conferences Booking Reminder:

Our Learning Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews) are running from 2.20pm through to 7.00pm, next Wednesday 6th April and from 2.50pm until 5.20pm on Thursday 7th April. Maungatautari with the larger class sizes, will be starting at the earlier time of 1.20pm on Wednesday. These children will be catered for during this extra time.

**Please note:** **Next Wednesday** 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 7th April, with our learning day concluding at the usual time of 2.30pm. Conferences will begin after this.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused by our early conclusion of learning on Wednesday.

**One Conference per child:** So that each teacher can discuss a child's learning journey in depth with parents and caregivers, and to ensure everyone is on the same page, we ask that all parents join together for this occasion. This will help everyone involved to understand the issues and know how best to provide the support required for each child. It will also enable teachers to have the time needed to achieve conferences for every student in their class. There are not enough spaces for our split family parents to have an appointment each. We appreciate your support in this matter.

**COVID Complications:** If you are **unable to attend** your child's conference due to COVID challenges, please email the classroom teacher(s) concerned and they will send you a Google Meet or Zoom Link and slot you into a free gap on these evenings, so that you don't miss out. Please let them know early, so that they can fit you in.

### Booking your Learning Conferences:

Bookings for our upcoming Learning Conferences to be held on Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th April operate on a **first in first served basis**.

Book your Learning Conference times by clicking on the links provided below.

We suggest you allow gaps between your different children's interviews to allow time to get from room to room and for delays that may arise.

Please book your conference **by Monday 4th April**, so that the teachers can be prepared for your visit.

Click on the following links to book:

[MAUNGATAUTARI Learning Conference link](#)

[TAUPIRI & PIRONGIA Learning Conference link](#)



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Book the time that you require with your child's teacher. If you do not have access to the internet or if you require any assistance with your booking, please contact Lisa on 0274 166 801 or [reception@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:reception@tamahere.school.nz).

A wee reminder to our families, to please ensure that you do **dress warmly for the Learning Conferences**, as we will be leaving our classroom doors open, to allow for ventilation and with the autumn evenings getting colder, you may need more layers.

### Teacher Only Days:

**Teacher Only Days:** Firstly, thank you all for supporting us to have our Teacher Only Day on March 14th. We hope it wasn't too inconvenient for you. We did gain feedback, that some felt a long weekend at that time was just what many children needed, to catch their breath and have a bit of a break around mid term. As a staff, we had a very worthwhile day focusing on Literacy and new initiatives and developments that we want to use and develop, to support reading, writing and oral language in our school.

I am just giving advance notice that next term, we will be having local kaumatua and iwi leaders in to support us with our **local curriculum** and **Aotearoa Histories** development for the new Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum, which is mandated for use by all schools in 2023. We will be holding this **Teacher Only Day** on **Monday 27th July** which will give families a **4 day weekend** with the first National Holiday for **Matariki** happening on Friday 24th July, if you would like to book early for a break away.



In conjunction with our other 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), we may also have a further Teacher Only Day in Term 4. This has been pencilled in for the new Fielday's Friday to help assist the police with traffic flow in the area and will **likely be Friday 2nd December**. We will confirm this later as the Kahui Ako plans develop.

### COVID-19 INFORMATION UPDATE:

During the last week, we have had almost more staff away with COVID isolation and symptoms than students, and luckily that is not many! We appear to have most of our students back with us and looking healthy, which is great.

## PROUD ABOUT OUR PUMPKINS

We absolutely loved receiving all the amazing entries for our Proud About Pumpkins competitions. The size of your pumpkins and the creativity of the entries was wonderful and we really enjoyed viewing your photos and reading about how you got along. Certificates and prizes will be awarded in Week 11. We were super impressed with all the entries, and have awarded the following winners in each category:

Name	Class	A. HOME GROWN PUMPKINS
Maddie E Lucas E	Totara 10 Tanekaha 12	<i>2nd Place - Biggest Pumpkin</i> <i>2nd Place - Best Shaped Pumpkin</i>
George D India D	Rata 9 Kauri 2	<i>First Equal - Proud As Punch</i>
Logan L Olivia L	Titoki 6 Matai 11	<i>4th Place - Best Shaped Pumpkin</i>
Jacob C	Matai 11	<i>3rd Place - Biggest Pumpkin</i>
Abbie T	Titoki 6	<i>Best Mouse House</i>
Hannah M	Manuka 16	<i>5th Place - Biggest Pumpkin</i>
Jamie H	Kowhai 4	<i>7th Place - Biggest Pumpkin</i>
Dylan H	Kauri 2	<i>4th - Biggest Pumpkin</i> <i>3rd - Best Shaped Pumpkin</i>
Isabelle S	Rata 9	<i>Best Name</i>
Tommy M Jack M	Titoki 6 Kowhai 4	<i>First Equal - Proud As Punch</i>
Maxx G	Pukatea 14	<i>Best Double Act</i>
Hazel H	Manuka 16	<i>6th Place - Biggest Pumpkin</i>
Lulu M Poppy M	Pukatea 14 Matai 11	<i>1st Place - Biggest Pumpkin</i> <i>1st Place - Best Shaped Pumpkin</i>
Michael Mc	Pohutukawa 8	<i>Best Colour</i>
Emily Mc	Kauri 2	<i>Best Colour</i>

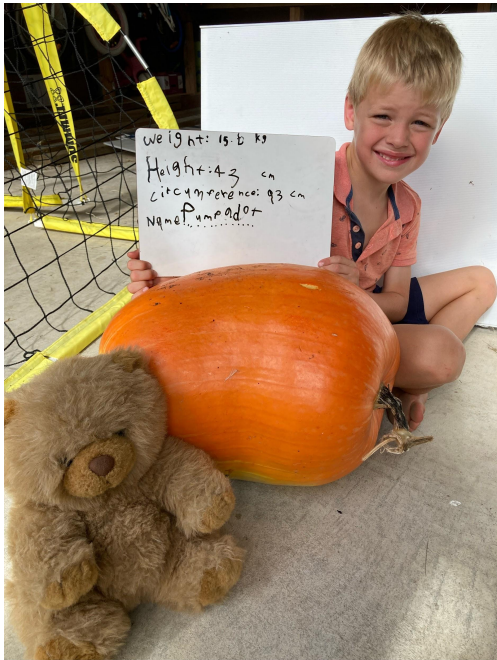


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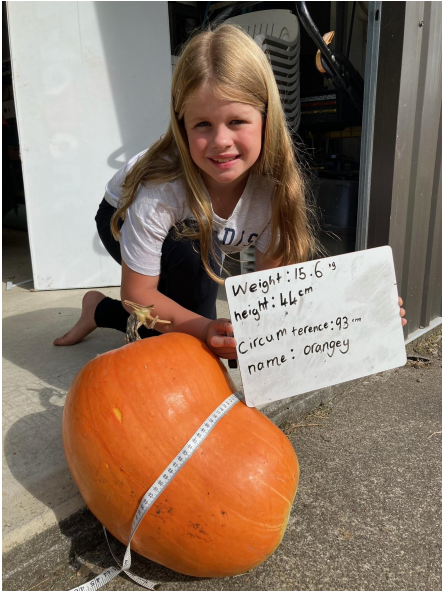
<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>B. DRESS UP YOUR PUMPKINS</b>
Michael Mc	Pohutukawa 8	<i>1st Place - Taupiri</i>
Emily Mc	Kauri 2	<i>1st Place - Pirongia</i>
Abbie T	Titoki 6	<i>1st Place - Best Dressed Pumpkin</i>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>C. PUMPKINS ON PARADE</b>
Rhylan E	Tawa 19	<i>Best Junior</i>
Logan L Olivia L	Titoki 6 Matai 11	<i>1st Place - Home Grown Pumpkins on Parade</i>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>D. PUMPKINS &amp; PALS</b>
Freddie M	Rata 9	<i>3rd Place - Junior</i>
Logan L Olivia L	Titoki 6 Matai 11	<i>1st Place - Homegrown Pumpkin &amp; Pals</i>
Abbie T	Titoki 6	<i>1st Place - Junior</i>
Vida U	Rimu 7	<i>2nd Place - Junior</i>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>E. PUMPKIN POEMS &amp; STORIES</b>
Abbie T	Titoki 6	<i>1st Equal Place - Juniors</i>
Isabelle S	Rata 9	<i>1st Equal Place - Juniors</i>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>F. PUMPKIN DRAWINGS &amp; ARTWORK</b>
Abbie T	Titoki 6	<i>2nd Place</i>
Lauren C	Pohutukawa 8	<i>1st Place</i>
Omansh M	Kowhai 4	<i>3rd Place</i>

# Congratulations!



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### *The tale of 3 Pumpkin Seeds - By Isabelle S*

I dug a hole in mums vegetable garden and put 3 pumpkin seeds in it. One seed grew and grew. It grew out of the vegetable garden and over the stones. It attracted bees 🐝. It had middle-sized, yellow flowers 🌻. The pumpkin had some orange and white stripes on it. It was really heavy. It got squished underneath on the stones. I called it Mr Orange because it was orange. The End.'

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By Omansh M



## Upcoming Dates:

### April / Paenga-whāwhā

<i>Rāapa / Wednesday 6th</i>	★ <b>SCHOOL ENDS EARLY AT 2.00pm</b> ★ Parent Teacher Interviews
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 7th</i>	★ Parent Teacher Interviews
<i>Rāhina /Monday 11th</i>	★ Crowd Control for Coaches- Skills to make coaching easy & enjoyable at 2.45pm. (Venue to be confirmed)
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 14th</i>	★ Whakatau Welcome for our Term 2 starters ★ PTA Sausage Sizzle ★ END OF TERM ONE

### May / Haratua

<i>Rāhina /Monday 2nd</i>	★ START OF TERM 2
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## PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

<i>Students of Week 8 'I make good choices'</i>	
<i>NIKAU 1</i>	Jimmy Z
<i>KAURI 2</i>	India D
<i>KOWHAI 4</i>	Meeli M
<i>TITOKI 6</i>	Olivia L
<i>RIMU 7</i>	Felix Mc
<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	Rocklynn J
<i>RATA 9</i>	Isabelle F
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	Evelyn S
<i>MATAI 11</i>	Charlotte C
<i>TANEKAHA 12</i>	Robbie S
<i>MIRO 13</i>	Teacher Absent

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PUKATEA 14	Ella C
KARAKA 15	Ewan C
MANUKA 16	Braxton P
TAWA 19	Steve A



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## Year 4 Camp

This week, all Year Four students were given information about their camp next term. Please ensure the Student Participation Form is completed and returned to the class teacher by the end of next week (8/4/22). If you are interested in being considered to come on camp as a parent helper, please also fill out the application form and return that to school as well. If you have any questions or didn't receive the forms, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.



## HELP!!!!!! Return of Football Shirts from Last Season

We are still on the hunt for a number of football shirts that were not returned at the end of last year. If you still have a football shirt at home, can you please have your child/children return them to the children's entrance of the office in a named bag. Thank you for your assistance.

*Jo Metcalfe*  
*Sports Coordinator*



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## Ice Block Fridays ARE BACK!!!!



## PTA Parent Survey

Hi everyone,

If you could spare 2 minutes could you please fill in this short survey? It will help the PTA plan events for the children and make the school environment more fun and engaging.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3DFQHxD> or the QR Code link:



Thank you 😊

TMCS PTA Committee

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## Basketball in Term Two for Year 3- 6 Children

Please email me, if you are keen to play basketball in Term Two. I will provide more information when I receive it.  
Thank you.

*Ann Marie Copponi*  
[acopponi@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:acopponi@tamahere.school.nz)



## Hockey-Saturday Players needed for the Year 3/4 team

If you are interested in playing Saturday hockey please contact me.  
Thank you.

*Ann Marie Copponi*  
[acopponi@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:acopponi@tamahere.school.nz)



## End of Term SAUSAGE SIZZLE - Thursday 14th April

*We're having an End of Term Sausage Sizzle!!!!!!*



Please check your children's school bags early next week, when the sausage sizzle order forms will be sent home. These will need to be returned by 9.30am on Tuesday 12th April, so that we can order the sausages and bread, ready for Thursday 14th. Please send the completed order form and cash (\$2.00 per sausage) to the classroom teacher.

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## Crowd Control for Coaches-Skills to make coaching easy & enjoyable

We would like to invite the valued coaches and managers of our school sports teams to a short session on **Monday 11th of April at 2.45 pm** to give you some of those 'teacher type' skills for maintaining children's attention and managing behaviour while coaching. This half hour workshop will give you a set of skills to positively manage behaviour in your team and some ideas on how to get help if you have any problems at practise or during games.

Please email [tbradding@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:tbradding@tamahere.school.nz) if you would like to attend and you'll be emailed final details of the location prior to Monday's session.



## Arts On Show Holiday Workshop Voucher Available - MAKE US AN OFFER!!!

We have been very lucky to have received a complimentary voucher for the Arts on Show 4 day school holiday workshop. **We would like to offer one lucky family the opportunity to secure themselves a place and will award it to the first family who is willing to make a donation to the school, in return.**

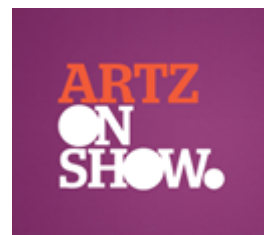
This is a great opportunity for any children, who would love to attend a performing Arts workshop. It is valued at \$300, and is being held at Southwell School.

If you would like to secure this voucher, please email [reception@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:reception@tamahere.school.nz).



**Artz on Show School Holiday  
Performing Arts Workshop**  
This is a fun yet educational week for students  
aged 5 – 15 years  
Students participate in a range of performing arts classes,  
concluding the week with a performance!  
26 - 29 April 2022, 9am – 4pm daily  
Held at Southwell School  
*\*this is a 4 day Workshop due to Public Holidays*  
**View our website; [www.artzonshow.co.nz](http://www.artzonshow.co.nz)  
or contact Hayley on either  
[artz@artzonshow.co.nz](mailto:artz@artzonshow.co.nz) or 09 294 7129**





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## Learn Great New Chess Skills During The School Holidays!

### Chess Lovers ONLINE Holiday Program

- Week 1: 19th - 22nd April
- Week 2: 26th - 29th April

**When:** 9.00am - 12.15pm

**Cost:** \$45

#### Why Join:

- Develop thinking and problem solving
- Learn great new skills
- Interactive hands-on lessons
- Experienced professional coaches
- Make friends with like-minded kids
- This program is suitable for kids who have some experience with chess



[Read More & Register By Clicking Here](#)

## School Holiday Programmes On Offer

We have a number of School Holiday Programmes listed on our website. You can check them out [by clicking here](#).



## First Credit Union - Easter Colouring Competition

**\*\*\*EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION - BE IN TO WIN\*\*\***

First Credit Union is celebrating Easter by giving you the chance to WIN 1 of 3 Easter Baskets. Simply complete our colouring competition, download our entry form here <https://bit.ly/3DkeKSz> and send us a photo of your entry to our Facebook messenger and you are in the draw. For more information about the colouring in competition, including T&Cs please visit: <https://www.firstcreditunion.co.nz/about/promotions/>



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## Sign Up for The Gymnastics Academy in Term 2



### AIR TRACK TUMBLE CLASS TAMAHERE SCHOOL

*Beginner and advanced level for all school years*  
**inspiring students to achieve goals**



**Term  
2**

**Monday 12:30-1:15pm. in hall  
2nd May - 27th June 2022  
with graded certificate!**

**\$125**



*Book online at*  
[www.thegymnasticacademy.com](http://www.thegymnasticacademy.com)



**Call Marie**  
for more information **0211705426**

## Farm Cottage Inspections Available



Lynn Jackson  
Ph 027 210 6761  
[farmcottagecompliance@gmail.com](mailto:farmcottagecompliance@gmail.com)

Did you know you are required to complete 3 or 6 monthly **recorded** inspections of your farm employees cottage for both your Insurance company and the new Dairy Company Compliance payment. You don't want that difficult discussion about maintaining property standards, but being accountable will actually save you time and money. Also an unbiased third party with documented inspections will become essential. For each new signup before 1 June 2022 I will donate \$25 to the school so give me a call.

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