

# TAMAHERE

## MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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### Wiki/ Week 1 Happenings:

I hope you were able to enjoy the holiday break with your children despite all of the rain! Two months worth of rain has fallen already this month in our area, and we are much luckier than many. It just keeps on coming! So a reminder please, if your child loves to play on the back field, please pop in some extra clothing. For seniors involved in more physical sports, a change of old clothes is a must at the moment.

**Masks wearing again:** Thank you all so much for your support with the quick transition back to mask wearing for our Year 4-6 students, following the new guidelines. We hope this will help to keep all students and families as healthy as possible over this period of winter illnesses and COVID. The transition back to wearing them has been seamless.

### STAFF FAREWELLS & WELCOMES:

**Farewell to Jo Metcalfe:** It is with great sadness that we let you know that Jo Metcalfe, our wonderful Tawa 19 teacher, made the decision to leave our school for personal reasons at the end of last term. Jo is an incredible worker, a passionate and amazing teacher and her efficiency is unbelievable. She is going to leave a big hole. Jo did so much around our school, in particular as Sports Coordinator of football, rugby and cricket. We wish her all the best as she goes forward.

**Welcome to Sandra Paymani:** We are very pleased to welcome Sandra Paymani onto our staff team for the rest of 2022, as our new Year 1/0 Tawa 19 teacher. Sandra comes to us as an experienced Early Childhood Teacher. For the last eleven years, Sandra has owned and continues to run two early childhood centres - Glenview Kindy and Glenview Park Kindy. Sandra has been part of our staff for most of this year, located in Maungatautari Syndicate, as she undertook her Post Grad Teaching qualifications. She is already a fully qualified Junior teacher. Sandra lives with

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her husband on a lifestyle block at Eureka and has two grown children and two grandchildren. She also enjoys travelling in her campervan and one of her hobbies is quilting.

**Welcome back Gillian Joe:** It is lovely to be able to welcome Gillian Joe back onto our Staff. Gillian has been a lovely Teacher Aide at our school for almost 8 years and last year followed one of our students through to middle school to help with their transitioning. It is great to have her re-joining our team for the next two terms.

## WHAKATAU WELCOME

On Monday morning, it was lovely to welcome Mrs Paymani and 19 new students and their whanau to our school, at our Whakatau. We hope you have a very happy and successful time at our school, Avril C, Matilda C, Amelia D, Ryley D, Tyler G, Tegan K, Oliver L, Charlie L, Jake L, Malachi L, James L, Taylor M, Genevieve M, Alfie M(absent), Neve O, Allyra R, Chilli M, Willow M and Koby S.



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## Learning Conferences - Thursday 4th August

We always look forward to hosting our learning conferences. Having strong links between school and parents is so important in supporting children's learning and for everyone to be on the same page. Understanding how things are going for your child in both environments, really helps to cater for their individual needs as best as possible.

By now you should have received your children's Mid Year reports, which were sent home earlier this week. For any school families that have not yet made their **LEARNING CONFERENCE BOOKINGS** for **Thursday 4th August**, please see the link which is provided a bit later in this Newsletter.

Another reminder that.....

**WE WILL BE STOPPING INSTRUCTION AT 1.30PM NEXT THURSDAY 4TH AUGUST,**

to allow more time for our Learning Conferences to occur. We will be having a shortened lunch break and running different learning times throughout the day. The bus will be running an hour earlier and After School Care will also start an hour earlier.

This year, to allow time for our larger classes, some of our Learning Conferences (Parent, teacher and student conversations) will start from 10.30am and will run throughout the day and evening until 7.00pm.

The link to book your learning conferences for all 3 Syndicates is below:

- **[LEARNING CONFERENCE BOOKING LINK](#)**

Please be aware of the following:

- 1. Different classes have different slots:** To cater for children being at school as well as having conferences, not all classes will be having learning conferences at the same time, until after 1.30pm. Families with children in all syndicates may prefer to book into later slots, to help accommodate your needs.
- 2. One Conference per child:** So that each child can celebrate their learning journey with the ones they love and get all caregivers on the same page with the support required, we ask that all parents join together for this occasion to support your child and enable teachers to have the time needed for all conferences. There are not enough spaces for our split family parents to have an appointment each. We appreciate your support in this matter.
- 3. Berkley Normal Middle School (BNMS) Information Evening:** We see the BNMS information evening is on the same night, so we recommend our Year 6 parents select earlier slots during the day, to avoid a clash.

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4. **Technology:** With the use of technology e.g. Zoom and Google Meet, if you are unwell please don't come on site. Instead, we will organise a face-to-face online conference. This could also be used as an option to include your spouse or partner in the interview via a phone conference.
5. **COVID & Wellness Protocols:** As with our normal school protocols, please sanitise on the way in and wear a mask to your conferences, so that our teachers can stay well and be able to keep on teaching after our Learning Conferences. Thank you.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused by our early conclusion of the day but felt this was easier for families, rather than setting a whole day aside. We look forward to meeting with you and your child to discuss their progress and achievements.

## Tamahere Model Country School Board Elections

### Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of **four** parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations.

Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at **noon** on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Please provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at **4pm** on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022.

Angela Jenkins

Returning Officer

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## **THANK YOU P.T.A. FOR OUR NEW SENIOR CLIMBING FRAME!**

It is finally here! Our long awaited 6M high climbing frame is now officially opened! Thank you so much to the P.T.A. and all the supporters who have helped to raise the funds required for this wonderful addition to our school playgrounds. Yesterday we managed to hold an opening ceremony between showers, to officially open this impressive piece of playground equipment for the enjoyment of our Pirongia and Maungatautari Students.

Our PTA Chairperson, Louise Mercer was on hand to help with the cutting of the ribbon along with Liz Donovan, our Board of Trustees Sponsorship Representative. Eight students representing Maungatautari and Pirongia Syndicates were also involved. Well done to Cadel H, Lyra R, Olivia A, Chloe A, Elijah D, Zoe S, Luka F, and Felicity B.



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## Cambridge Netball Tournament Success

On July 3rd, a range of Year 3-6 netballers played in a tournament at Cambridge Netball Centre against teams from around the North Island. This was a huge day and lots of fun even despite the rain. Teams played nearly two full hours of netball over the day.

We are extremely proud of all of our netballers that got out there and gave it their all at the recent Cambridge Netball Tournament. The girls wore their Tamahere netball uniforms with pride, illustrating great sportsmanship, teamwork and positive attitudes. Not to mention their skill level which was very impressive. A big thank you to all of the coaches, managers and parent helpers for giving up their time and to all of the supporters for cheering the girls on.

Congratulations to one Yr 5 team who came Runners Up after going down in their final by 1 point. Well done Holly C, Chloe P, Kea W, Mikayla B, Kaylee V and Anahera G - you girls left it all out there on the court having played 6 games with no subs!

Kei runga noa atu koutou! 🙌



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## Year One and Two Netball - Thank you

I would like to extend an enormous thank you to our two star netball coaches - **Letitia Cambie** and **Alexandra Huddart** - also to all those parents who helped during last term.

Thank you to you both for giving our students an opportunity to enjoy the skills they need to play a game. Rain didn't stop you, you were committed every week, we really appreciate your expertise and enthusiasm.

Thank you.

*Shelley Howse*



## ICAS EXAMS:

We are delighted to inform you that Tamahere Model Country School will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year.

### What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

Learn more about ICAS [here](#)

The exams will be held at school on the following dates:

- Digital Technologies - Tuesday 9th August
- Writing - Thursday 11th August
- English - Tuesday 16th August
- Science - Tuesday 23rd August
- Spelling - Wednesday 24th August
- Mathematics - Thursday 1st September



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**How to participate in ICAS** - Entry this year is via direct online ordering by parents and closes on

**\*Sunday 7th August** (Digital Technologies, Writing and English)

**\*Sunday 21st August** (Science, Spelling and Mathematics)

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

1. read about ICAS subjects and prices [here](#):
2. read the terms and conditions [here](#):
2. go to Parent Portal [here](#):
3. enter our school's access code – **OPW605**
4. enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS tests shown for selection are at the school's discretion.

After payment is made, via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, **please keep this for your records.**

We will notify you when your child's ICAS results are ready. You and your child can access the results once released via the Reports Portal using the TAP ID and pin found on the back of the ICAS certificate.

The following information is a *privacy notification* about how your child's data is kept private and secure.

### **Privacy Collection Statement**

*Janison is aware of our responsibility to protect the identity of, and all information relating to, children, and students in general, from disclosure and consequently Janison does not:*

- *collect any personal information or data of children other than as required for the purposes of completion of the assessment, test or exam;*
- *transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in Australia to any jurisdiction outside of Australia other than with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;*
- *transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in other international regions out of the child's jurisdiction other than with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;*
- *share any personal information or data relating to children or students with any third parties (other than a third party whose services are necessary for servicing our products, e.g. print/distribution)*

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companies, medal engraving, etc.) except with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;

- use any personal information or data relating to children or students for marketing purposes.

We are proud to offer ICAS and look forward to some fantastic results later in the year.  
Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Annette Howard - Assistant Principal  
Heather Wilson - Office Administrator

## Upcoming Dates:

August / Here-turi-kōkā	
Rāpare/ Thursday 4th	★ LEARNING CONFERENCES ★ SCHOOL DAY ENDS AT 1.30PM
September / Mahuru	
Rāpare/ Thursday 8th	★ Hamilton (Junior) Regional Chess Tournament - held at TMCS
Rāmere /Friday 30th	★ END OF TERM 3
October / Whiringa-ā-nuku	
Rāhina/ Monday 17th	★ START OF TERM 4
Rāpare/ Thursday 20th	★ AG DAY
Rāhina/ Monday 24th	★ LABOUR DAY
Rātū /Tuesday 25th	★ GROUP DAY - hosted by TMCS
November / Whiringa-ā-rangi	
Rāhina/ Monday 14th	★ TEACHER ONLY DAY
December / Hakihea	
Rāmere /Friday 9th	★ 2022 GOLF DAY

## AG DAY UPDATE # 1

### [Ag Day Information is Available on TMCS Website!](#)

Check out all the details you need to know about Ag Day on our section of the school website under 'Our School' > 'Ag Day' or [by clicking here](#).

### [Animal Contacts:](#)

If you do not already have your own animals, then we have the following contacts available for orphans for those who wish to raise an animal:

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### **Lambs:**

- Contact Amy Beech: 021 542 547  
Amy will be offering orphan 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, and 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.
- Contact Jen Tapper: 022 627 6314  
Orphan boy lambs available from a sheep milking farm to be raised. Can be neutered on the Animal Vet Health day to be held at school early September (date to be confirmed).

### **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 on this.

### **Requests 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 2021 trophies now be POLISHED and returned to the school office - thanks!

### **Calling all Ag Day Judges!**

Our Waikato Ag Day Co-ordinator 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) [janden@xtra.co.nz](mailto:janden@xtra.co.nz)

Waikato A&P Association Judges Training Dates to be confirmed. Everyone is welcome.

## **PTA NEWS**

Kia ora koutou,

We are nearly half way through the year and we have some more fun planned for Terms 3 and 4. These events can only run with help from volunteers, so if you are able to offer a few hours to help with any of them, please email [pta@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:pta@tamahere.school.nz) and we can connect you with the organiser. Please see our next page for all our exciting events coming up.

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### Friday Treats

- 2:30 outside Karaka 15 and in the junior area.
- Term 3 \$1 for a cookie
- You can use EFTPOS to get a treat card from the office.



### Morning Tea 2nd August

- At the TCC Tuesday 2nd August 8:30am.
- Join other parents for coffee and cake.
- Gold coin donation.



### PTA Meeting 2nd August

- Join us in the staff room at 7:30pm.
- Informal and social.
- Everyone welcome.



### Feed the teachers 4th August

- Learning conferences mean teachers work very late.
- Cook a dish for a shared dinner.
- Email [pta@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:pta@tamahere.school.nz)



### Quiz Night 20th August

- Get a team together and decide a theme for your table.
- Prizes for best costumes.
- Donations of raffle prizes needed.



### An Afternoon with Sir Graham Henry

- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, tickets are now for sale.
- Thanks to Johnston Associates & Lewis Lawyers for sponsoring.



### Dinner at the Boundary

- Early September, an time for all parents to get together.
- Make connections with others in your childrens syndicate.



### Sausage sizzle

- End of term lunchtime treat.
- \$2 per sausage
- Let us know any dietary requirements.



### Ag Day

- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October
- Lots of info is on our website now under "Our School"
- Info booklets will go out in Term 3.



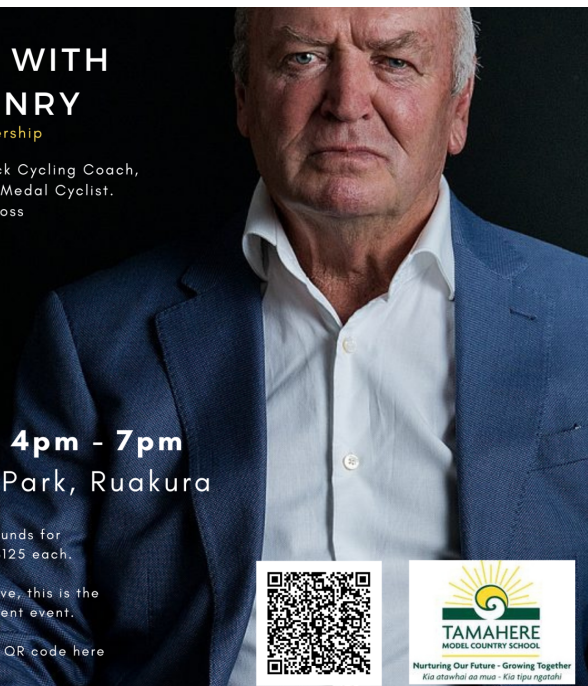
### Group Day

- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October
- Similar to Ag Day but competing with other schools.
- Anyone can enter, you don't have to place.

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## An Afternoon With Sir Graham Henry




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**September 2 2022, 4pm - 7pm**  
Waikato Innovation Park, Ruakura

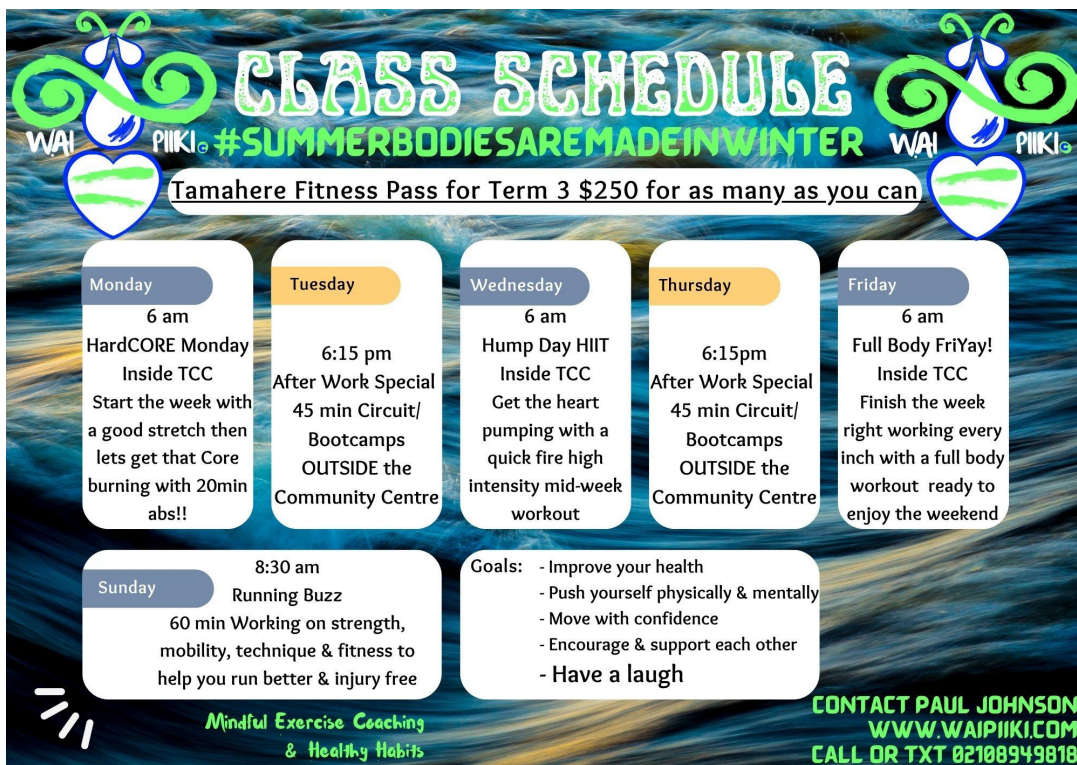
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perfect team building or client entertainment event.

Email [pta@tamahere.school.nz](mailto:pta@tamahere.school.nz) or scan the QR code here  
to secure your tickets.

## Term 3 Fitness Classes On Offer



**CLASS SCHEDULE**  
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**Tamahere Fitness Pass for Term 3 \$250 for as many as you can**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6 am HardCORE Monday Inside TCC Start the week with a good stretch then lets get that Core burning with 20min abs!!	6:15 pm After Work Special 45 min Circuit/ Bootcamps OUTSIDE the Community Centre	6 am Hump Day HIIT Inside TCC Get the heart pumping with a quick fire high intensity mid-week workout	6:15pm After Work Special 45 min Circuit/ Bootcamps OUTSIDE the Community Centre	6 am Full Body FriYay! Inside TCC Finish the week right working every inch with a full body workout ready to enjoy the weekend

**Sunday**  
8:30 am  
Running Buzz  
60 min Working on strength,  
mobility, technique & fitness to  
help you run better & injury free

**Goals:**

- Improve your health
- Push yourself physically & mentally
- Move with confidence
- Encourage & support each other
- Have a laugh

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## Cheesecake Festival

Smith & McKenzie is hosting a Cheesecake Festival. Everyone is welcome to enter their cheesecake design. **If your entry is one of the 10 selected to go into the Festival, then Smith & McKenzie will make and sell it and every time they sell your cheesecake \$1.00 comes back to our school.** People vote for their favourite cheesecake and the winner gets a \$500.00 book voucher or a \$500.00 Smith & McKenzie voucher. Also the winning cheesecake will become part of the Smith & McKenzie dessert menu until the next cheesecake festival.

It's that easy. So if you would like to enter, [please click here](#) to check out the flavour combinations you can choose from and access the entry form, which must be received by Monday 8th August.

A promotional poster for the Cheesecake Festival. The background is black. At the top left, the words 'CHEESECAKE FESTIVAL' are written in large, bold, red capital letters. To the right of this text is a circular logo featuring a cow's head and the text '2011 SMITH & MCKENZIE BREAK HOUSE'. Below the main title, in smaller white capital letters, it says 'THE 13TH ANNUAL SMITH & MCKENZIE CHEESECAKE FESTIVAL IS HERE!'. Below that, the dates '15TH AUG - 11TH SEP' are written in large, bold, white capital letters. To the right of the dates is a photograph of a slice of cheesecake with yellow filling, white cream, and a purple flower on top, all outlined in red. Below the dates, in small white capital letters, it says 'SAMPLE SOME DELICIOUS CHEESECAKES TO HELP SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY AND ORGANISATIONS BY VOTING FOR YOUR FAVOURITE FLAVOUR.' Below that, in small white capital letters, it says '\$1 PER SLICE GOES BACK TO THE SCHOOL OR ORGANISATION THAT CREATED IT.' At the bottom, in red capital letters, it says 'WINNER WITH THE MOST VOTES AND SALES WILL RECEIVE A \$500 VOUCHER.' In the bottom right corner, there is a red circle with white text that reads 'WE ARE ALSO GIVING AWAY ONE CHEESECAKE PER WEEK!'. At the very bottom, in small white capital letters, is the website 'WWW.SMITHANDMCKENZIE.CO.NZ' and the address '13 LYNDEN COURT, CHARTWELL, HAMILTON 07 855 1400'.

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## Community News

Free meeting rooms for community use, with hot desks available.

Click and collect and drop off library service, council services: rates, dog registration, enquiries, jute library bags for sale for \$5.00 each. Located upstairs next to the Tamahere Pharmacy.



## Celebrating 25 Years of Yummy Sports Gear Promotion In Schools

Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for our school's share of the \$200,000 free DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores. The more you collect, the more sports gear we can receive, so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!

**Yummy Tally Sheets are available from the office and every completed sheet earns you WHANAU POINTS.**



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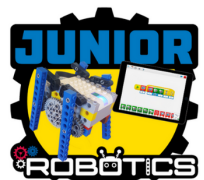




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### AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

# Tamahere Model Country School



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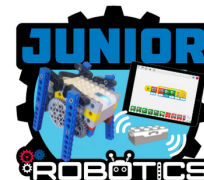
- Junior Robotics Level 1:
- Coding Introduction
- Friday 2:45pm–3:45pm/4:45pm
- Location: Harakeke 18
- \$25 / 1 Hour / Casual Booking
- OR \$225 / 10 Weeks
- \$35 / 2 Hours / Casual Booking
- OR \$315 / 10 Weeks

### Term 3 2022

DEVELOPS INFORMATION PROCESSING & PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS

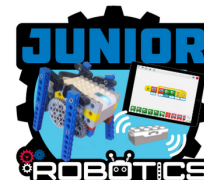
INSPIRES GROWTH MINDSET THROUGH DESIGN & CRITICAL THINKING

SHAPES INNOVATIVE & CREATIVE THINKERS FOR THE FUTURE



**First Week FREE**

- Junior Robotics Level 2:
- Sensors Programming
- Wed 2:45pm– 3:45pm/4:45pm
- Location: Harakeke 18
- \$25 / 1 Hour / Casual Booking
- OR \$225 / 10 Weeks
- \$35 / 2 Hours / Casual Booking
- OR \$315 / 10 Weeks



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