

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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

Wiki/ Week 8 Happenings:

PRIZE GIVING NEXT TUESDAY - 13TH DECEMBER - 10:30AM START:

We look forward to having you join us at this special event, but please don't bring COVID to the party!

If you have been around others with COVID, please wear a mask and help protect others. We don't want this to become a spreading event. Only come if you are feeling well. We will have as many doors and windows open for ventilation as possible.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL PARENT & SCHOOL COMMUNITY HELPERS:

Since life has become more normal and we are living with Covid, we would like to thank everyone who has supported us in so many ways this year. Your support with class trips, camps, book room, spelling testing, listening to reading, etc, etc is invaluable to us. Special thanks goes to the PTA and everyone who has supported their activities this year, for the huge contribution they have made to finish funding our playgrounds and continuing to top up our budget expense areas. With the wave of Covid at present and everyone trying to keep healthy for Christmas, unfortunately we have trimmed down our Parent Helpers Morning tea invitation list. Instead our children are creating a video clip to thank you for all the support and mahi you have put in and this will feature in next week's newsletter.



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YEAR 6 GRADUATION:

What a wonderful evening our Year 6 Graduation was last Thursday evening. Even the strong southerly wind couldn't wipe the smiles of a cold crowd of supporters. The students resplendent in summer dresses and tidy attire, seemed oblivious to it, as they headed for the pool, to finish their special evening. Speeches, graduation certificates, singing, line dancing, 5 year old photos and special letters from loved ones, made this a night to remember. Topped off with beautiful decorations and cup cakes to finish, after a children-only pool party. We wish you well 2022 Year 6's! Thank you for sharing part of your journey with us!



Upcoming Dates:

December / Hakihea	
Rāmere /Friday 9th	★ GOLF DAY ★ PIRONGIA - BIG DAY IN
Rāhina/ Monday 12th	★ PARENTS THANK YOU MORNING TEA
Rātū/Tuesday 13th	★ PRIZE GIVING 10.30am to 12.30pm
Rāpare/ Thursday 15th	★ END OF TERM 4 - School Day Ends At 12.30pm

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January / Kohitātea	
Rāapa /Wednesday 25th	★ School Office Open 9.00am to 2.00pm
Rāpare/ Thursday 26th	★ School Office Open 9.00am to 2.00pm
Rāhina/ Monday 30th	★ AUCKLAND ANNIVERSARY DAY
Rātū/Tuesday 31st	★ School Office Open 9.00am to 2.00pm
February / Hui-tanguru	
Rāapa/Wednesday 1st	★ FIRST DAY OF TERM 1 2023

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 7 <i>Kia Maia - I try my best even when things are hard</i>	
NIKAU 1	Benji v
KAURI 2	Gisella M
KOWHAI 4	Elle D
PURIRI 5	Casey W
TITOKI 6	Eva O
RIMU 7	Summer L
POHUTUKAWA 8	Zara L
RATA 9	Nikora K
TOTARA 10	Hayley C
MATAI 11	Taylor M
TANEKAHA 12	Ellie K
MIRO 13	Mikayla B
PUKATEA 14	Mila D
KARAKA 15	Tyler J
MANUKA 16	Fletcher F
HARAKEKE 18	Ella M
TAWA 19	Steve A



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GOLF DAY 2022 - TOMORROW!!!!

[GOLF DAY 2022- ONLINE AUCTION - GALABID](#)

As part of the Golf Day, we are incorporating an auction. The online auction for the Advice 4 Life Tamahere Model Country School Golf Day [IS NOW LIVE](#) and online bidding has started!!

Please go to www.galabid.com/tamahere to login or sign up, and to bid on all the products that have been generously donated by our sponsors. Please share this with friends and family to encourage everyone to bid.

We'd like to thank again all the businesses that have sponsored us so special thanks to:

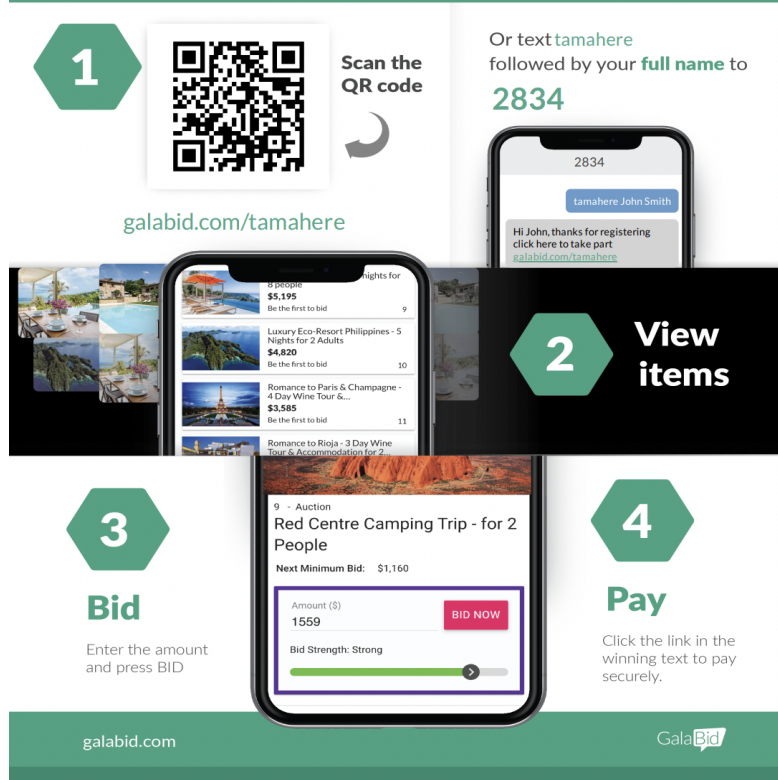
- Advice 4 Life Drummond family-Hahei Bach
- EVO Cycles-Sam and Alesha Fletcher
- Trade Depot Hamilton
- Pak N Save Te Awamutu
- Good George Brewing
- Callum Malcolm-Wanaka Apartment
- Grins Range
- Anchorage Wines
- Marie Corkill- Royal Lab
- Knocknaveagh Gin Cambridge
- Dorset Suits



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How to use Galabid

Silent Auction Instructions



Important End of School Year Information

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMME:

Please see below for the last day of operation of our Before & After School Care Programmes:

- Final **After School Care** for this year will be on **Wednesday 14th December**.
- Final **Before School Care** for this year will be on **Thursday 15th December**.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL /SCHOOL BUS OF THE YEAR:

We are pleased to be able to advise that the last day for the School Bus run this year is also our final day of school. **School finishes on THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER AT 12.30pm**. The bus will depart at the earlier time of 12.35pm on our final day.

GETTING READY FOR 2023:

With only a few weeks to go, we are putting many of the final arrangements together for our 2023 organisational arrangements and learning programmes. We will be emailing out a comprehensive final newsletter, with all you need to know to begin the 2023 school year at the end of next week..

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AFTER SCHOOL CARE CHARGES FOR 2023

We are sorry to have to notify you of a price increase for next year. Like everyone in the country we have been hit with increased costs, we want to maintain the care that we provide for your children and to do that, we have to increase the charge. As from February 2023, the hourly charge will increase to \$8 per hour – capped at \$80 per week for 1 child, \$160 per week for 2 children and \$210 per week for 3 children. Before School Care charges will not be changed at this stage.



THANK YOU!!!

On Wednesday, Zac S delivered another 4 boxes of toys to the Loft at the Salvation Army. Zac and his mum felt very lucky that they were able to have a look around. This year the Salvation Army is helping 200 families.

We'll done to Zac and everyone who donated toys - you have helped make Christmas special for families in need.



Pirongia Big Day In - TOMORROW!!!

A reminder that this event is being held at school TOMORROW (Friday).

All students in Pirongia will need:

- Their Tamahere School sunhat
- Shoes
- Togs, towel, cap - rash shirt and goggles are optional but strongly advised
- Lunch box for the day - we will be eating picnic-style so children can plan to share lunch goodies in a small group if they wish
- Whānau shirt
- Sunblock applied at home before coming to school



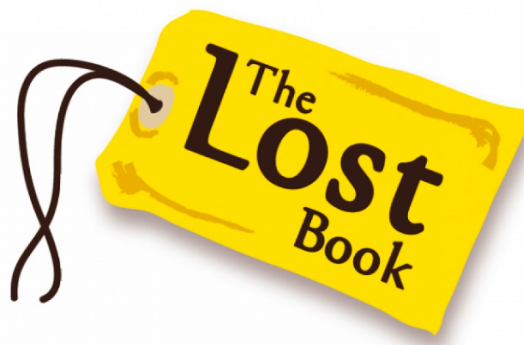
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Home Readers

We would like to thank the parents/whānau who have been involved in returning home readers to our bookrooms; your kind assistance is much appreciated. We will be looking for more helpers early next year.

Please could we have an amnesty on all books that may have found their way out of bookbags within the home. Please deliver them to your child's classroom at your earliest convenience, so that we can organise the bookrooms ready for another year of learning!



School Library Books

- If your child/ren were provided with a library book learning pack, over any of the lockdowns (a book, activities in a clear zip lock bag), please can you have a look at home and return any books to the school library.
- There are 13 students left to return school library books. Please can these be returned ASAP. Can everyone please have a look around at home and return any school library books to the library.
- Remember to drop in your signed permission form into the library for summer holiday reading. Forms can be collected from the library.
- Monday is the last day to hand in the **2022 50 Book Challenge** forms, to go into the book draw.
- Summer holiday issuing is happening next week from Monday to Thursday. Please bring a strong bag for library books



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TAUPIRI - BIG DAY IN



PIRONGIA DRESSING OF THE TREE

Last Thursday, the children, teachers and accompanying whānau attended our annual Dressing of the Tree. It was a lovely day for walking down to St Stephens Church, especially now that we can use the underpass, and we all enjoyed a beautiful service. The children's behaviour was exceptional and they all participated with enthusiasm and respect. Singing carols and dressing the tree definitely put us in the Christmas spirit!

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Adult Lane Swimming At Vela School Pool

On **Mondays** and **Wednesday mornings** from **7.00am to 7.45am** there are Adult Lane Swimming sessions available at the Vela School Pool.

Term 4 2022 Dates: November 23rd to December 14th

Term 1 2023 Dates: Wednesday 8th February to Wednesday 5th April

A program is provided and the cost is \$5 per swim

Please sign up by contacting Rachel Challis: swimtopialessons@gmail.com



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Summer Holiday Block Course Swim Lessons at Tamahere School

Bookings are now open for **The Holiday Block Course Swim Lessons** at Tamahere School: **Tuesday January 24th to Friday 27th January 2023.**

These are all 20 minute **Semi Private** (maximum 2 children) and **Private lessons** (maximum 1 child) with the main focus on water confidence for entry level swimmers and technique for all above entry level. **Lessons are open for 4 years old and up.**

Please see the flyer for full details and how to sign up.



BOOK NOW!

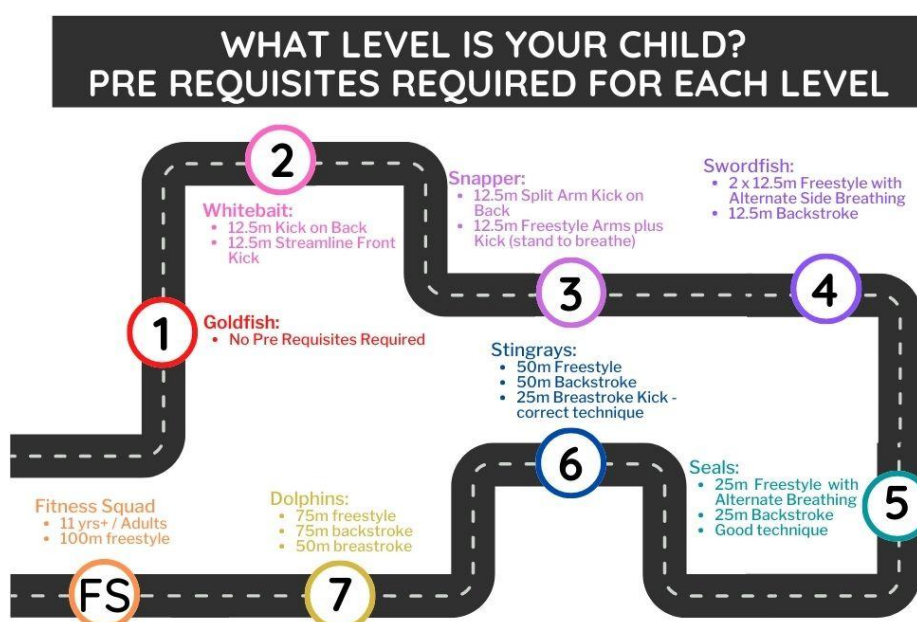
HOLIDAY SWIMMING LESSONS

Tamahere School:
Tuesday 24th January to Friday 27th January (4 days in a row). 20 minute lessons between 9am and 12pm

Semi private (2 children): \$100
Private (1 child): \$180
4 years old and up

E Mail Rachel with your child's name, age, level and time preference

SWIMTOPIALESSENS@GMAIL.COM



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Christmas Grandparent Morning Reminder: The Taupiri Team



*A reminder to all grandparents and special visitors, that we are looking forward to seeing you **TOMORROW, Friday 9th December from 9-10.45am**. We need sewing power, to create beautiful christmas decorations for your grandchildren that they will have for years to come. Thank you.*

The Taupiri Team

CAN YOU HELP US?

The Taupiri Team has a special project on the go. We are wanting to create a

Fairyland

We are in the process of creating a fairy garden in our play area and are very keen to have any grandparents or people in our community, who would like to create small fairy houses and donate them toward this special space. We also will need small plants that would be found in a fairy garden. This will be an ongoing project that we hope to achieve over the next few months ready for next year. If you did have something to contribute, we would gratefully receive these.

Below are some ideas of what we are hoping Fairyland will look like. If you have any questions or would like to drop off donations, please get in touch with Shelley Howse in Rimu 7, on showse@tamahere.school.nz



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