# **TAMAHERE**

## MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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## Wiki/ Week 5 Happenings:

## **Cyclone Gabrielle Support:**

After meeting with each class across our school, our School Council has decided on a variety of fundraisers, to be spread over the next few terms, to raise funds to help those affected by Cyclone Gabrielle.

- ★ On Friday 10th March we will be having a Fun No Uniform Day dressing up in or as something that represents the First letter of your name. Thanks Tawa 19 for this great idea! e.g. Jane may come dressed in jammies, jandals looking like a jelly bean, doing judo or a Judge, etc. Bruce could come as a builder, bee keeper, a bee, etc. All children dressed up to please bring a generous donation for Cyclone Gabrielle Relief.
- ★ We are also going to have a **Disco in Term 2** for each Syndicate. Taupiri's theme will be Fairytale and Superhero characters. Pirongia will have an International Theme and Maungatautari, Movie Actors and Celebrities.
- ★ We will also be having a **coin trail** so save your loose change.
- ★ The School Council will have a donation box at the office and will also be running a raffle and other possible events.

Well done to our School Councillors!

## **Strategic Planning:**

Each year in our School Charter, which is available for everyone to see in our office area, we set goals and strategic directions to guide us in our teaching and learning across our school. We also have curriculum documents and many other bits of paper but the areas we pull out for development are encapsulated on our <u>Plan on a Page</u>. We also have our <u>Student Development Plan</u>, which shows more detail than the Overall plan. Please also view our <u>Maaori Achievement Plan</u>. We welcome feedback and comments from whānau on this, as well as any other areas.

## **REMINDER:** Teaching day ends at 12.30pm TOMORROW Friday 3rd March

A reminder that there is a Paid Union Meeting (PUM) for all of our teachers tomorrow. Classes will continue as normal in the morning and students may be picked up for a slightly longer weekend from 12.30pm. There will be no formal instruction in the afternoon. If you are unable to arrange an early pick up for your child/ren, please let our school know and we will make sure they are catered for.

After School Care and the bus service will be operating as usual, from 2.30pm.

#### PIRONGIA & MAUNGATAUTARI SWIMMING SPORTS

We hosted three very special swimming sport events this week, starting with our Pirongia and Maungatautari heats on Monday and Tuesday. We were very pleased to see so many supporters. Even though we had some light showers, this certainly didn't dampen the support from parents and whānau.

Earlier today, the Pirongia and Maungatautari swimming finals were held and again we were so lucky with the weather.

We feel so proud of all our students, who displayed their kia maia attitude and determination, along with their skills and talents. The respect - kia manaaki and support for others - kia kotahi have been beautiful to be a part of.

Please see the photo gallery featured later in the newsletter. We will publish the results in next week's newsletter.

## **Upcoming Dates:**

March / Poutū-te-rangi			
WEEK 6			
Rātū /Tuesday 7th	<b>★</b> TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATION		
Rāapa /Wednesday 8th	<b>★</b> MAUNGATAUTARI LEARNING CONFERENCES		
Rāpare /Thursday 9th	<b>★</b> MAUNGATAUTARI LEARNING CONFERENCES		
Rāmere /Friday 10th	★ Postponement Day - Taupiri Swimming Celebrations		
WEEK 7			
Rātū /Tuesday 14th	★ PTA AGM		
Rāapa /Wednesday 15th	★ CITY CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS at TMCS		
Rāpare /Thursday 16th	★ COUNTRY CLUSTER JUNIOR TABLOIDS		
WEEK 8			
Rātū /Tuesday 21st	★ WAIHI BEACH - CAMP 1 Starts: Karaka 15 & Manuka 16		
Rāapa /Wednesday 22nd	<b>★</b> PIRONGIA & TAUPIRI - LEARNING CONFERENCES		
Rāpare /Thursday 23rd	<b>★</b> PIRONGIA & TAUPIRI - LEARNING CONFERENCES		
WEEK 9			
Rātū /Tuesday 28th	<ul> <li>★ WAIHI BEACH - CAMP 2 Starts: Miro 13 &amp; Pukatea 14</li> <li>★ BOT MEETING</li> </ul>		

April / Paenga-whāwhā		
Rāhoroi / Saturday 1st	★ PUMPKIN NIGHT	
WEEK 10		
Rāpare /Thursday 6th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 1	
Rāmere /Friday 7th	★ GOOD FRIDAY/START OF SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	

## PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 4 Kia Manaaki - I value others and the environment		
NIKAU 1	Sam B	
KAURI 2	Flynn H	
KAWAKAWA 3	Vida U	
TITOKI 6	Harry S	
RIMU 7	Neve O	
POHUTUKAWA 8	Ralph W	
RATA 9	Lachlan R	
TOTARA 10	Ania G	
MATAI 11	Victoria T	
TANEKAHA 12	Ava T	
MIRO 13	William T	
PUKATEA 14	Lana R	
KARAKA 15	Monica C	
MANUKA 16	Kathlyn D	
TAWA 19	Tegan K	



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## **TRYathlon Certificates Presentation**

At last Friday's assembly, certificates were presented to the boys and girls who came in the top 5 places in our annual TRYathlon. Congratulations to all our students who took part in our 2023 TRYathlon.









## Pirongia & Maungatautari Swimming Sports Photo Gallery



































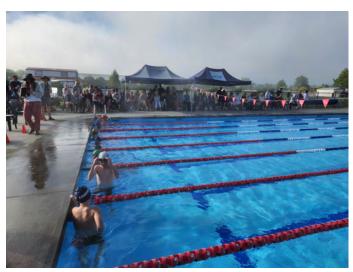


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## **Harvesting Potatoes From The School Garden**



## TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATIONS - Tuesday 7th March at 11.00am

Next Tuesday we will celebrate our current swimming learning and the growing abilities of all Taupiri students. Our swimming celebration will start at 11.00am. Each child will get an opportunity to participate in three events. We will begin with the Year Two girls, followed by the Year One girls, then the Year Two boys and finally the Year One boys.

All children will be involved in a variety of non competitive swimming races showcasing the skills they are proud of. The purpose of our swimming celebration is to not only share and showcase our students' developing abilities but to model our swimming celebration off the middle and senior syndicate swimming sports. This is to support our juniors in preparation for moving up within the school.

Our swimming celebration will highlight some of the learning we have been doing at school in large group sessions focusing on water safety and swim skill basics. We acknowledge that this may differ from what your child is able to do in small group private swimming lessons but are confident that your child's swimming has developed and know that they are very excited to share with you.

On Tuesday, please ensure your child has their swimming togs, rash shirt, towel, cap and goggles. We ask that you please ensure your child applies sunscreen before school. Please note: Due to us using the Pumpkin pool and the shallow end of the big pool, viewing space will be limited. Seating will be provided on the field side of the pool. You are welcome to see your child after the celebration is complete. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Many thanks.

The Taupiri Teachers



## Pirongia Forest Park Trip - Wednesday 8th March

Next Wednesday, the Pirongia Syndicate will be visiting the Pirongia Forest Park. The purpose of this trip is to gain a better understanding of our place and tie this in with our Term One focus of learning about Explorers. We will be leaving school at 8.45am and returning around 2.25pm. As we are travelling by bus, we ask that all children arrive at school early on Wednesday morning, so the buses can leave on time. If children arrive late they may miss the bus.

Children are to wear their school uniform, school hat, and good walking shoes. Please ensure your child has a raincoat packed, plenty of food and drink and that sunscreen has been applied in the morning.

Thank you to all the wonderful parents and caregivers who have volunteered their time!



# MAUNGATAUTARI SYNDICATE & MATAI 11 Learning Conferences - Wednesday 8th & Thursday 9th March

Just a reminder that we are holding our Learning Conferences next **Wednesday and Thursday** for our **Year 5** /6 and **Matai 11 students.** 

Our Learning Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews) for Maungatautari Syndicate (Year 5 & 6) and Matai 11, will run from 1.00pm through to 7.00 pm on Wednesday 8th March and from 1.00pm until 5.00pm on Thursday 9th March. Our Maungatautari & Matai 11 students will be participating in these 3 Way Conferences.

**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.

#### For Interviews:

Bookings for our upcoming Learning Conferences to be held on Wednesday 8th & Thursday 9th March are now open. Bookings operate on a first in first served basis. Please 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.

Please click on the following links to book: MAUNGATAUTARI Learning Conference link

#### **MATAI 11 Learning Conference link**

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 at the school office on 856 9238 or <a href="mailto:reception@tamahere.school.nz">reception@tamahere.school.nz</a>.



## Dad's Army - WORKING BEE THIS SATURDAY!!!

Dad's Army provides occasional support to the Property Team at school. Our working bees run approximately once per term, on a Saturday morning. It's a great opportunity for any parent (mum's welcome too) to come along and meet other parents, while helping the school out at the same time.

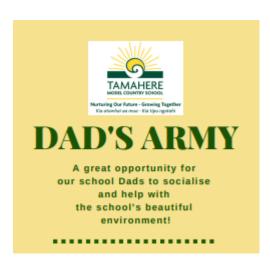
We have a Facebook group that you are welcome to join called Tamahere Dad's Army

(<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/188635875112592">https://www.facebook.com/groups/188635875112592</a>) where we post information about upcoming working bees.

## There'll be a working bee this Saturday 4th March to:

- 1. Finish off the Junior Playground and spread cushionfall.
- 2. Top up the sandpits (two by Tawa 19 and one at After School Care)

**Start at 8.00am and finish by 12pm**. Bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows. All are welcome. We'd love to see you there!



## **PTA NEWS**

Our PTA Annual General Meeting is coming up on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.00pm in the Staff Room.

Please join us to elect the PTA Committee for the year and continue to raise funds for the school and provide fun for the kids. At our PTA meetings we discuss big events, along with ideas for other small fundraisers and ways to improve our school community.



If meetings are not your thing, you can still support our PTA activities. Please complete the PTA survey below and let us know if you are able to help in any other way or have ideas you'd like to share. It's very short and should take 2-3 minutes.

PTA Survey - please fill it in



## PUMPKIN NIGHT 2023

Pumpkin Night is an annual event for the Tamahere Community. It is focused on FUN and bringing the community together. We do raise funds and the event has lots of food and drinks to buy, along with activities for the family. The Night of the Year is coming up soon -PUMPKIN NIGHT! on Saturday 1st April from 3.00-7.00pm.

Families are asked to come along and support the event by volunteering their time. This is also a great way to get to know other families in the community.

There will be a central stage, where we have a band who play along with kids performing their talents for the audience. There is a variety of kids rides to choose from - bouncy castles, horse rides, gumboot throwing and maybe even a Nerf Gun 'war'. Food is in



abundance, with many options to choose from. We need all families to contribute in some way by volunteering to help run a stall, provide lollies, drinks, making fudge to sell and so much more.

### **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

If you would like to help in anyway, please fill in this form.

Pumpkin Night Rep: The best way to meet new people is to volunteer and Pumpkin Night is the perfect chance to connect. Each class needs a parent representative who will help organise the stalls assigned to their class. A survey is coming out next week, asking who would like to be 'The Class Pumpkin Night Liaison Rep". The rep. is the person that communicates information to the class and helps rally support for the evening. They are not required to operate the stalls on their own, but they help set these up and get them organised for the event.

#### **Donations:**

## WE ARE COLLECTING...

DRINKS: 500 ml bottles or standard-sized cans of fizzy drinks, water, and juice drinks. Low or zero sugar is also wanted.

WRAPPED LOLLIES: Wax - wrapped lollies, e.g., Fruit Bursts, Minties or

McIntosh's Toffees. These are used to make lolly necklaces.

CHOCOLATE BARS: Small bars of chocolate (NO NUTS PLEASE).

CLOTHING: Good quality label secondhand clothing and accessories. This all must

be washed and ready to sell. These can be both ADULT and KIDS clothes.

KIDS BOOKS: Good quality children's books - no adult books needed this year, as we have many left from last year's donations.

Please bring them to your classroom and the helpers will collect them and give out Whānau points to those who bring items. They will be stored in Kōwhai Four. THANKS SO MUCH EVERYONE!

#### PUMPKIN NIGHT FOOD OPTIONS AVAILABLE:

- ★ Ice Cream and Ice Blocks
- \* Candyfloss
- \* Cold Drinks
- ★ Sweet Stall Fudge and Lolly Necklaces
- ★ Cakes, Cupcakes & Pumpkin Cookies
- ★ Hot Dogs & Hot Chips
- ★ Popcorn x2
- ★ Bacon Butties
- ★ Pizza

- \* Brownies
- ★ Gourmet Burgers
- ★ Sausage Sizzle
- ★ Ice cream truck-hopefully
- ★ Coffee Cart
- **★** Tacos
- ★ Ice Cream sundaes
- ★ Pumpkin Soup and baguettes( if we have some keen pumpkin soup makers)



#### PUMPKIN STAGE TALENT SHOW:

Hi everyone,

Pumpkin Night is coming up fast and we will have a stage available for students who would like to do a pre prepared performance. If you would like to perform on stage, a musical item, dance, trick, etc, please email <a href="mailto:kellyjvercoe@gmail.com">kellyjvercoe@gmail.com</a> and let her know the following details...

- 1. Name/s
- 2. Classroom number
- 3. How many are in your performance?
- 4. What are you going to perform? Is it a song, dance, etc?
- 5. What do you need? Music, instruments, etc?



#### PUMPKIN NIGHT STALLS:

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Below is the list of all the stalls that will be run by classes. We have many more stalls but these are run by third party providers or other staff. Your children's class PTA representative has sent home the Pumpkin NIght sign up sheets, asking for your support by selecting a time/s you could help. The sign up sheets will also be posted outside each classroom, so you may like to pop in and add your name at drop off or pick up time. Many hands make light work. If you have a relative or even an older student, who is keen to help, feel free to add their name too. We really do enjoy having our ex pupils help on the night too.

<u>STALLS</u>	CLASSROOM NUMBER
Chocolate Toss	NIKAU 1
Ice Cream and Ice Blocks	KAURI 2
Gumboot Throw	KAURI 2 / MIRO 13
Candyfloss	KAWAKAWA 3
Cold Drinks	KAWAKAWA 3
Toilet Roll Toss	ТІТОКІ 6
Recycled Boutique	TITOKI 6 / KARAKA 15
Ticket Booth A	RIMU 7
Sweet Stall -Fudge and Lolly Necklaces	POHUTUKAWA 8
Cakes, Cupcakes & Pumpkin Cookies	POHUTUKAWA 8
Pumpkin Toss	RATA 9
Pumpkin Balloon Pop	RATA 9
Hot Dogs & Hot Chips	TOTARA 10
Magic Carpet Ride	MATAI 11
Headstands, rowing and Planking	MATAI 11
Popcorn x2	TANEKAHA 12
Fashion Makeover	TANEKAHA 12
Nerf Gun War Zone	MIRO 13
Gumboot Throw	MIRO 13 / KAURI 2
Horse Rides	PUKATEA 14
Bacon Butties	KARAKA 15
Pizza	KARAKA 15
Splat the Teacher	MANUKA 16
Ticket Booth B	TAWA 19
Brownies-making	TAWA 19
Gourmet Burgers	NIKAU 1 / MANUKA 16

## **2023 RUGBY SEASON:**

For all children interested in playing Rugby this year, including Rippa Rugby, please contact your local rugby club to register.

It is always more fun playing in an environment where you know others around you, so if you are not already aligned to a club, we suggest that you go with Hautapu Club, as this is the closest club to our school.

Below are the links to the registration pages for several clubs:

- \* Hautapu Junior Rugby Registrations: https://hautapusports.co.nz/junior-sports/
- \* Leamington Junior Rugby Registrations: <a href="https://www.sporty.co.nz/leamingtonrsc/Junior-Sports-Registrations/junior-rugby-player-registration">https://www.sporty.co.nz/leamingtonrsc/Junior-Sports-Registrations/junior-rugby-player-registration</a>
- \* Ohaupo Junior Rugby Registrations: https://www.sporty.co.nz/ohauporugbysports/Junior-Rugby/registration

If you have any questions about this please email <a href="mailto:bhawthorn@tamahere.school.nz">bhawthorn@tamahere.school.nz</a>

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### **2023 TERM DATES:**

TERM	START DATE	END DATE
Term 1	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2023	Thursday 6 April 2023
Term 2	Monday 24 April 2023	Friday 30 June 2023
Term 3	Monday 17 July 2023	Friday 22 September 2023
Term 4	Monday 9 October 2023	No later than Wednesday 20 December 2023*

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

To give you plenty of notice of upcoming disruptions to our regular timetable, here are some dates you may want to put into your calendar. We have tried to choose days that cause the least inconvenience for our families and link together to give you a longer weekend break, rather than impacting mid week where possible.

- MONDAY 24TH APRIL: In Week One of Term 2, we will be using Monday 24th April as a Ministry Teacher Only Day, to look at the revised curriculum. This means the holiday break will continue until after ANZAC Day on 25th April.
- **THURSDAY 15TH JUNE:** To enable all of our staff to complete their First Aid Refresher course, we will be **closing earlier** on this Thursday, before a longer weekend linked to Fieldays Friday.
- FIELDAYS FRIDAY 16TH JUNE: All of our staff will be off site on this day, as we will be involved in a whole Hillcrest Kahui Ako Professional Development Day, at Turangawaewae Marae in Ngaruawahia.

## KIDS CLUBS INFORMATION









- **Junior Robotics Level 1:**
- **Coding Introduction**
- Friday 2:45pm-3:45pm/4:45pm
- Location: Puriri 5
- \$25 / 1 Hour
- \$35 / 2 Hours

#### **First Week FREE**



- Junior Robotics Level 2:
- **Sensors Programming** Wed 2:45pm-3:45pm/4:45pm
- Location: Puriri 5
- \$25 / 1 Hour \$35 / 2 Hours
- **First Week FREE**

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Chris Gale

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## AFTER SCHOOL RUNNING GROUP!

Some kids just want to run and this is what I will cater for. Beside the obvious crossover of speed and endurance to other sports this will be a great way to burn off some extra energy in a fun but challenging way

READY TO GO FOR 2023!!

We are located outside at the TCC end of Park

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

Year 3 & up 2:45-3:30pm

**Every Wednesday Starting 8th Feb Limited spaces** \$60per child for Term 1

txt or call Paul on 021 08 949 818



## **Community Notices**





