# **TAMAHERE**

### MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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

# Wiki/ Week 4 Happenings:



DON'T MISS THE PARTY OF THE YEAR! 10 JUNE 2023, THE NARROWS LANDING

TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY 8 MAY!



#### **DISCO TONIGHT!!!**

Our Junior students certainly had a fun time at the Superhero themed Taupiri Disco held earlier today, with dancing, games, spot prizes and popcorn.







A reminder that the Pirongia Disco for our Year 3 & 4 students is on tonight from 5.00pm to 6.00pm and the Maungatautari Disco is from 6.30pm to 7:30pm. The Disco's are being held in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC)

We are looking forward to seeing everyone dressed up in theme: Pirongia Disco - International Theme, e.g countries Maungatautari Disco - Celebrities Theme

We ask that children bring along a full water bottle, which they can refill. There will also be a stall offering treats for sale for Pirongia and Maungatautari students, so feel free to bring some pocket money along.





#### **PINK SHIRT DAY TOMORROW!**

Tomorrow is the National Pink Shirt Day! Our school will be part of a powerful movement to spread aroha and kindness. We encourage you to dress up in pink to show awareness for the 'speak up, stand up, stop bullying' campaign, where we band together to remind each other that our school is a community where everyone feels safe, valued, supported and respected.



We encourage our tamariki to bring a gold coin donation and dress in pink (māwhero) to spread the message of kindness. All proceeds will go to the Mental Health Foundation. Please help us in supporting this important kaupapa.

### **Upcoming Dates:**

May / Haratua		
WEEK 4		
Rāpare /Thursday 18th	★ DISCO	
Rāmere /Friday 19th	★ PINK SHIRT DAY	
June / Pipiri		
WEEK 7		
Rāhina / Monday 5th	★ KING'S BIRTHDAY	
Rātū /Tuesday 6th	★ BOT Meeting at 7.00pm	
Rāapa /Wednesday 7th	★ Photolife Class Individual & Family Photos	
Rāpare /Thursday 8th	★ TMCS Hosting Regional Chess Power Tournament	
Rāhoroi/Saturday 10th	★ HAVANA NIGHTS - Narrows Landing	
WEEK 8		
Rātū /Tuesday 13th	★ PTA Meeting at 7.00pm	
Rāpare /Thursday 15th	★ SCHOOL DAY ENDS AT 2.00PM	
Rāmere /Friday 19th	★ FIELDAYS FRIDAY - TEACHER ONLY DAY	
WEEK 10		
Rātū /Tuesday 27th	★ BOT Meeting at 7.00pm	
Rāmere /Friday 30th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 2	

#### **IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP IN JUNE:**

We have a number of significant days coming up in June, which you need to mark on your calendars, starting with KING'S BIRTHDAY on Monday 5th June and then later that week on Wednesday 7th we have PHOTOLIFE STUDIOS visiting the school to take class/individual photos.





The following week, on **Thursday 15th June**, our **SCHOOL IS CLOSING AT THE EARLIER TIME OF 2.00PM**, to allow our staff to complete their First Aid Refresher Course. After School Care will start at 2.00pm and the school bus will be leaving half an hour earlier. This then leads into an extra long 3 day weekend, with **FIELDAYS FRIDAY TEACHER ONLY DAY** on **Friday 16th June**.

#### 2023 TMCS FUNDRAISING BALL - 10th June 2023

Thank you all so much for your support - we are over 2/3rd's sold out already!

If you are keen to come but worried you don't know a lot of other parents... (and we've probably all been in that position when our kids are YO or Y1....), please know that we would love nothing more than to welcome you - we're sure you won't stay not knowing many others for long!

Events like these really are such a good way to get to know other parents. Nothing like a good old fashioned dress up & dance to break the ice!

AND if you're already planning to come along.... Check out <u>this awesome auction</u> item kindly donated by two generous local businesses - *Busy Being Fabulous* and *Makeup By Kendall*.

Why not have a bit of fun on the day getting all glammed up with a friend and support the fundraising efforts at the same time!



Together As One! Confident Can Do Kids! Honour Be Your Guide.



# PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week Three I am enthusiastic, curious, and ask questions.  Kia Maia 'Confident Can Do Kids' We strive to do our best with a positive 'can-do' attitude.  Explorer		
NIKAU 1	Ryan O	
KAURI 2	Ben H	
KAWAKAWA 3	Oliver C	
TITOKI 6	Angus T	
RIMU 7	Oliver T	
POHUTUKAWA 8	Oliver L	
TOTARA 10	Teacher absent	
MATAI 11	Lucas E	
TANEKAHA 12	Finnlay B	
MIRO 13	Harriet E	
PUKATEA 14	Teacher absent	
KARAKA 15	Teacher absent	
MANUKA 16	Connor J	
TAWA 19	Jake P	
HOROFKA 21	Kalena T	

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# **Year 3 EOTC**

#### DAY 1: Firewise and Movie Time: Together as One - Kia Kotahi

Our Year Three explorers started their EOTC days learning and revising how to be 'fire wise'. We had two real firefighters, Sam and Mike from the Hamilton Firefighting Unit, visit us to help reinforce the learning and to demonstrate the uniform worn by firefighters when attending an incident. Our students had lots of questions for our visitors, showing great curiosity and enthusiasm! Well done to those children who brought in an escape plan showing their outside safe meeting place. We encourage any families who have not had this discussion with their tamariki to do the same. A reminder for all to check smoke alarms and to get down, get low, get out - FAST when smoke/fire is detected.







DAY 2: Tenting: Confident Can Do Kids - Kia Maia

Mr Stephenson and Miss Grant were blown away at the determination and problem-solving skills shown by the students, who were able to assemble and pack up our school tents inside the TCC. Our Confident, Can Do Kids (Kia Maia) communicated well with each other throughout the day to get the job done. This made for a fun-filled day for all involved. The rain could not and would not dampen our spirits. Fantastic work, team!









#### DAY 3: Extreme Edge/Hamilton Lake: Honour Be Your Guide - Kia Manaaki

Throughout the day, the Year Threes displayed *Honour Be Your Guide, Kia Manaaki,* respecting others and the environment, while sharing, compromising and encouraging one another.

It was wonderful to see our responsible risk-takers grow in front of our eyes at Extreme Edge, as they moved from wall-to-wall, embracing challenges and setting new goals for themselves. Moving onto Hamilton Lake, the brilliant sunshine was enjoyed by all.

It was a most valuable three days of learning experiences, reinforcing the benefits of education outside the classroom. A huge thank you to all of the parents/whānau who volunteered their time to assist us throughout the week. We are most grateful and appreciate the way you also carried out our school

vision!







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#### **Year 4 CAMP RAGLAN**

We are thrilled to share the incredible success of our recent Year Four Camp to Camp Raglan! It was an unforgettable experience filled with adventure, growth, and wonderful memories. We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents who supported us throughout this incredible journey. Without your invaluable contributions, time and effort, we wouldn't have been able to make this camp a reality. Your support is truly appreciated!

Throughout the camp, the children exemplified the core values of the Tamahere Model Country School Vision. They embodied a positive 'can do' attitude, demonstrating resilience, teamwork, and determination. Their enthusiasm and willingness to embrace new challenges were truly inspiring to witness. They conquered exciting outdoor activities and showed immense growth and personal development.

It was heartwarming to see the children forming strong bonds, encouraging and supporting one another throughout the camp. They embraced each opportunity to learn, discover, and push their limits, creating a vibrant atmosphere of camaraderie and positivity. We are incredibly proud of their achievements and the remarkable progress they made during this experience.

We would also like to express our gratitude to the dedicated teachers and school staff who worked tirelessly to ensure the safety, happiness, and growth of each child. Their commitment to providing a nurturing and stimulating environment truly made a difference.

We hope that the memories made during this Year 4 camp will stay with the children for years to come, fostering a lifelong love for adventure, learning, and personal growth. Once again, we extend our heartfelt appreciation to the parents for their unwavering support. Together, we have created an unforgettable experience that will positively impact the students' lives.

Here are some photos of the Year 4 students at Camp Raglan.































































# **TAUPIRI Syndicate Daffodil Planting**

# **Daffodil Planting - The Taupiri Team**



Thank you to the council for organising our annual daffodil planting. This is the last time the council will be providing bulbs for our reserve, so we felt very fortunate to have been part of this experience.

The Taupiri team were fabulous planters and came well prepared with gumboots, gloves and trowels. A huge thank you to our amazing parent helpers. You know who you are! We couldn't have done it without you. It was wonderful to share this experience with you all. The children loved it and are already planning a springtime picnic beside their blooming daffodils.

















### Lit Quiz Results

As shared in last week's newsletter, we had 2 teams represent TMCS at the 2023 Lit Quiz. We are very proud to be able to share their results.

Ruby C, Sam O, Eva H and Eyrah-Lee K made up Team One and they came 21st out of 52 teams, including Year 7 & 8 students. Out of the eighteen Year 5 & 6 teams, they came 7th!



Team Two, made up of Sophia M, Harper L-M, Grace K and Hannah P, were placed 30th out of the 52 teams entered and in 14th place for the Year 5 & 6 teams.

Well done everyone!!!

### YOUR LUNCHBOX News

Sophie who operates 'Your Lunch Box' is expecting baby # 2 next month and has been unable to find anyone to run 'Your Lunch Box' in her absence.

Lunch orders will be closed off after Friday 2nd June, missing the last 4 weeks of Term 2. At this stage, it is Sophie's intention to restart lunch orders from the start of Term 3 and we will keep you updated. In the interim we will continue to have Subway lunches available on a Friday.





# Tamahere Hiking Club - Kid's Calendar



Tamahere Hiking Kid's Club Calendar 2023

**April** | Waitomo Ruakuri Bushwalk

May | Maungatautari Rata Track | Kiwi Guardian's Walk

June | Bridal Veil Falls | Kiwi Guardian's Walk

July | Maungakawa Scenic Reserve

August | Lake Rotopiko | Kiwi Guardian's Walk

September | Te Waihou Walkway

October | Karangahake Windows Walk | Kiwi Guardian's Walk

November | Mt Pirongia Mangakara Nature Walk

December | Karakariki Track





# Waikato District Libraries Matariki Online Competition 2023

Matariki is a Maori festival that celebrates family both past and present, a bountiful harvest, and change and growth in all things. It is a celebration of what we have, and what we have to give. The goal of the Waikato District Libraries is to promote and educate, whilst encouraging the enjoyment of the written word and the arts. Last year they received many impressive entries from people all across the Waikato district.

They are again offering a fantastic prize to two lucky schools. For every entry they receive from a TMCS student, our school will receive an entry into the draw to win 1 of 2 \$300 Whitcoulls vouchers for our school. So please be sure to write Tamahere Model Country School on your entry form. Last year the winning school was Glen Massey School.

There is a \$100 voucher for the winner of each age group and category. The tote bag design winners will also receive a tote bag printed with their design.

To enter, create a picture to be printed on to a tote bag that reflects what Matariki means to you or share your Matariki poem. Entries can be written in both English and Te Reo, and the age categories are 5-9, 10-15 and 16+. Here is a link to the INFORMATION SHEET and the ENTRY FORM, which has the template on the reverse for the tote bag.



One entry per person per category. This year the competition will be online with entries being emailed in to <u>librarycomp@waidc.govt.nz</u>, you hold on to the originals.

The competition opens on Monday 12th June and closes on Friday 14th July at 2023 at 5.00pm. Winners are announced on Wednesday 21st July.



# **Community Notices**

# 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





