

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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

Wiki/ Week 8 Happenings:

Havana Nights Ball Incredible! Wow! Thank You all!

What a fantastic evening! The excitement level was something to behold, with such a positive vibe and everyone having a great time. A talented band made up of many members connected with our school, played a wide selection of tunes that added to the atmosphere. The sun drenched colours of the decorations, along with glamorous ball goers, some adorned in tropical fruits, transformed the ball into a relaxed tropical paradise. The Narrows Landing ballroom pumped with atmosphere, fun, glitz and glamour. Congratulations to the incredible Ball Committee who ensured that every detail was perfect. Thank you all so much for your drive and dedication - *Kristyn Thomas, Shannon Bint-Popplewell, Frances McKenzie, Jess Watling, Joey Smith, Kelly Martyn, Corina Admiraal, Marie Corkill, Jessie Gower, Maura Hodgson, Ange Millar and Kylee Richardson.*

A huge thank you to our two major sponsors of the night, **Angela Finnigan from Bayleys Real Estate** in conjunction with **The Tamahere Country Club** and to all our other incredibly generous sponsors!!!



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The support from our community was amazing. A big shout out to **Brendan Popplewell**, who's powerful voice and skill enabled him to run an auction amongst a fizzing ball atmosphere. Thank you to everyone involved, from our incredible organising team, our generous sponsors, very generous bidders and everyone who bought tickets and came along to have a great time and make the night such a success. As a fundraiser, this event looks to have made over \$40,000 for our school, which is outstanding! Thank you all so very much! These funds go towards the extras our budget can't stretch to, but makes our school a special and happier place. Now that our playgrounds are finished and are such wonderful spaces, we are now looking at shade areas and blinds for classrooms.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

A final reminder that our **SCHOOL IS CLOSING AT THE EARLIER TIME OF 2.00pm TODAY**, to allow our staff to complete their First Aid Refresher Course. We will be shortening the lunch hour to achieve this. Thank you to all our school families for making it possible for our staff to attend a group First Aid Refresher course this afternoon. The Revalidation First Aid course is completed every 2 years and refreshes the first aid knowledge and practical skills of our staff. After School Care will start at 2.00pm and the school bus will be leaving half an hour earlier.

**SHORTENED SCHOOL DAY
THURSDAY 15th JUNE**

This then leads into an extra long 3 day weekend for our families, with **FIELDAYS FRIDAY TEACHER ONLY DAY this Friday 16th June.**



TABLOID SPORTS AT MATANGI TODAY:

Twenty Five of our Year 4 students have been selected to be part of the TMCS Tabloid Sports team, competing at Matangi School today.

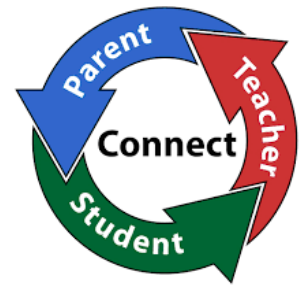
Representing TMCS were: Diya O, Thea B, Poppy M, Ryan O, Sam B, Jessica L, Ellie K, Sebastian C, Flynn H, Robbie S, Logan R, Lucas P, Hannah D, Greta C, Beau C, Victoria T, Pearse L, Lucas E, Anru S, Georgia S, Leon S, Chilli M, Ava T, Elijah D and Aria Q.

We will share how they got on, along with photos in next week's newsletter.

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Three Way Learning Conferences - Wednesday 26th July & Thursday 27th July

We are so lucky at our school to have such strong partnerships between home and school. Research has shown that, for students to get the best out of their schooling years, a strong partnership between school and home is very important. The strength of the triangle - parents, school and students all working together to support the learner makes a huge difference for academic and social outcomes, and helping the student to reach their potential. Our triangulated Learning Conferences are designed to reinforce this.



We look forward to hosting our Learning Conferences on the Wednesday and Thursday of Week 2.

The Conferences will be looking at goals and direction forward rather than just discussing the written reports which will be sent home on Tuesday of Week One. Having parents, teachers and learners together will help build understandings and support for our aakonga/our students. If you want 1:1 time to share delicate information, students can pop outside for a short time. This may be of benefit especially with our new teachers in the senior school, as you will be meeting them for the first time.

Our Learning Conferences (Student, Parent & Teacher Conversations) will run from 1.30 pm through to 7.00 pm on Wednesday 26th July and from 3.00pm till 5.00pm on Thursday 27th July.

Please note: On Wednesday 26th July our school day will **finish at the earlier time of 1.00pm**. We will run two longer learning blocks to cover as much class time as possible. After School Care will start at 1.00pm. Please note that the bus will be running at the normal time of 2.35pm. Bus students can go to afterschool care and then take the bus home, if parents wish.

Normal school hours will resume on Thursday 27th July with our learning day concluding at the usual time of 2.30pm. Conferences will start after this at 3:00pm. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by our early conclusion of learning on Wednesday.

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 26th & Thursday 27th July 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.

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Please follow the following links:

MAUNGATAUTARI Learning Conference link: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/ghek9>

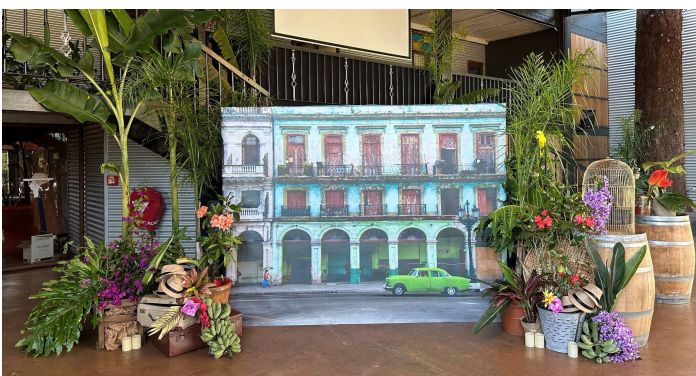
TAUPIRI & PIRONGIA Learning Conference link: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/xg72r>

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.

Havana Nights 2023

What a night! A fabulous night in old Havana was had by all last Saturday at The Narrows Landing. It was fantastic to see everyone all glammed up and really getting into the theme - thank you for making the effort!

It was particularly great to meet so many people who'd never come to any of the previous balls, out and about supporting this year's event.



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Together, we have raised over \$40,000 for the school - an absolutely phenomenal result and testament to the power of community.

Congratulations to the Havana Nights Raffle Tickets winners:



Events like this simply don't happen without the support of our local community, so we'd like to take this final opportunity to thank all of the generous sponsors who so kindly gave of their time, product, and services.

See you all in 2025!

Upcoming Dates:

June / Pipiri

WEEK 8

Rāpare /Thursday 15th

★ **SCHOOL DAY ENDS AT 2.00PM**

Rāmere /Friday 19th

★ **FIELDAYS FRIDAY - TEACHER ONLY DAY - No School**

WEEK 10

Rāmere /Friday 30th

★ **LAST DAY OF TERM 2**

July / Hōngongoi

WEEK 7

Rāhina / Monday 17th

★ **START OF TERM 3**

Rāhoroi/Wednesday 26th

★ **SCHOOL DAY ENDS AT 1.00PM**

★ **Learning Conferences from 1.30pm to 7.00pm**

Rāpare/Thursday 27th

★ **Learning Conferences 3.00pm to 5.00pm**

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2023 TERM DATES:

TERM	START DATE	END DATE
Term 3	Monday 17 July 2023	Friday 22 September 2023
Term 4	Monday 9 October 2023	No later than Wednesday 20 December 2023*

Jessica Lawry Author Visit

This week we had an author/illustrator visit from a local author Jessica Lawry. Jessica read her book to each syndicate and then took a question and answer session.

It was a fantastic insight on how a book is made from conception to the finished product, both the text and the illustrations. It was also an insightful look into how Olympian Emma Twigg overcame the disappointment of getting 4th at the three previous Olympics and her resilience to come back to win a gold medal.



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Jessica did such a great job at tailoring her sessions to each of the age groups. Her skills as a teacher certainly came in handy.

We are very grateful to have had her at our school and thank her for the donation of her book *Emma*, signed by both herself and Emma Twigg.

Mrs Theresa Kewish
Librarian



For more information, please go to [Jessica Lawry](#)

If you would like a signed copy for \$20, please email Mrs Kewish at tkewish@tamahere.school.nz and she will sort one for you.

You can also purchase Jessica's book from Paperplus, Books for Kids and Whitcoulls.

Regional Chess Tournament Results

TMCS hosted the Regional Chesspower Tournament on Wednesday, with our representative Chess teams competing against 39 students from around the Waikato in the Hamilton Zone Junior Chess Power Competition. Students were chosen after playing games in their lunchtimes.

We are so proud of our 16 competitors who showed our school vision through *kia maia* - taking on the challenge, *kia kotahi* - supporting each other and others, and *kia manaaki* showing respect and great manners. Well done everyone!

Altogether 10 teams from Southwell, Taupo Homeschool, St Mary's Rotorua, Te Totara, Te Rapa Primary and TMCS took part in the tournament.

We entered 4 teams:

TAMAHERE EDINBURGH

Shiya G	Holly H	Joshua S	Mika P
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TAMAHERE WINDSOR

Sam O	Ewan C	Grace H	Reilly B
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TAMAHERE STIRLING

Nathan L	Eliza F	Gigi T	Hannah P
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TAMAHERE LANARK

Monica C	Lottie B	Ryder S	Hazel H
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St Mary's Rotorua were the tournament winners, with Tamahere Windsor's in 4th place, followed by Tamahere Stirling in 5th. Tamahere Lanark were placed 7th, with Tamahere Edinburgh coming 8th.

The top player's for each TMCS team were:

- ★ Tamahere Edinburgh - **Joshua S**
- ★ Tamahere Windsor - **Reilly B**
- ★ Tamahere Stirling - **Nathan L**
- ★ Tamahere Lanark - **Monica C**

Reilly B was awarded '*Rookie of the Tournament*' and **Josh S** was awarded '*Runner-Up Rookie of the Tournament*.'

Congratulations to everyone who took part! We look forward to the next Regional Chesspower tournament, which we are again hosting in September.



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We are so proud of you

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PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 7 <i>I try my best even when things are hard.</i>	
Kia Maia 'Confident Can Do Kids' We strive to do our best with a positive 'can-do' attitude. Explorer	
<i>NIKAU 1</i>	<i>Bryan Z</i>
<i>KAURI 2</i>	<i>Jessica L</i>
<i>KAWAKAWA 3</i>	<i>Cobie B</i>
<i>TITOKI 6</i>	<i>Zoe R</i>
<i>RIMU 7</i>	<i>James M</i>
<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	<i>Willow T</i>
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	<i>Tommy M</i>
<i>MATAI 11</i>	<i>Eric A</i>
<i>TANEKAHA 12</i>	<i>Leo P</i>
<i>MIRO 13</i>	<i>Dakota D</i>
<i>PUKATEA 14</i>	<i>Elle D</i>
<i>KARAKA 15</i>	<i>Estelle D</i>
<i>MANUKA 16</i>	<i>Reed L</i>
<i>TAWA 19</i>	<i>Jack H</i>
<i>HOROEKA 21</i>	<i>Indie S</i>



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LIBRARY NEWS:



The Library Book Swap 2023

What is it? A free second-hand book swap. If you have read it, and it is in good condition, you can swap it! No ex-library books.

When is it? The Book Swap is to be held in the Library WEEK 10 Term 2, during lunchtimes on Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th June.

Why take part? Students can swap books which they have read and no longer want, for new ones. A great way to recycle books! Your Parents/caregivers must know that you are swapping books.

How to take part? Students can bring a maximum of 5 (picture, fiction or nonfiction) books for Book Swap into the Library, at lunchtime Monday-Thursday during Week 9. They will be given 1 token for each of their donated books, then these tokens can be exchanged for books on Book Swap Days.

Please see Mrs Kewish in the Library for more information.



Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency Information:

Tamahere Interchange safety improvements

Overnight Road Closures from Sunday 18 June

There will be a series of overnight road closures from Sunday 18 June to enable safety improvements at State Highway 21 Tamahere interchange.

The closures will allow the installation of raised pedestrian crossings on the Waikato Expressway northbound on-ramp, southbound off-ramp and the eastbound lanes of State Highway 21 at the roundabout.

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The closures, from 9pm until 5am, will be sequenced as follows:

- Northbound on-ramp - Sunday 18 June (with Monday 19 as contingency)
- Southbound off-ramp - Monday 19 June (with Tuesday 20 as contingency)
- SH 21 eastbound lanes at roundabout - Wednesday 21 June (with Thursday 22 as contingency)

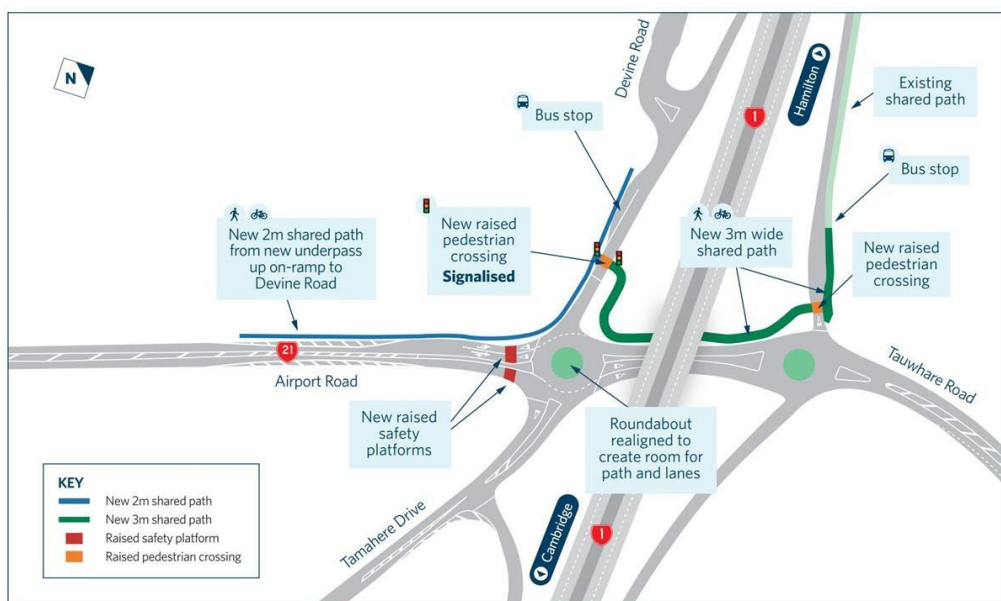
Detour routes will be clearly signposted. We recommend checking Journey Planner before you travel and allowing extra time for your trip.

We are conscious of the disruption the community has experienced during the construction of the Waikato Expressway and these associated safety improvements. Our contractors will work to minimise disruption and complete this important work as quickly as possible.



More about this project

Our teams are carrying out the final stage of safety improvements for pedestrians, cyclists and people on mobility scooters moving around and beneath the Tamahere Interchange.



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Raised pedestrian crossing, including a signalised crossing, widened footpaths and improved lighting are being installed. This will create a safe journey for everyone – including Tamahere Model Country School pupils and their families, and nearby residents heading to and from the local shopping centre.

We expect work to run through to late winter, and our contractors, Base Civil, will generally work weekday daytime hours.

There will be no work carried out from Wednesday 14 June until Saturday 17 June, to allow for expected higher traffic volumes during Fielddays.

Traffic management and speed restrictions are in place to ensure the safety of motorists, cyclists and mobility scooter users.

Detours will be in place at times for pedestrians and cyclists, particularly along Airport Road. An alternative route will be signposted through Tamahere Park, please follow the signs when these are in place.

If you have any further questions about this work please email Waikato.projects@nzta.govt.nz

GYMNASTICS ACADEMY Inter-Schools Tumbling Championships

The annual **GYMNASTICS ACADEMY Inter-Schools Tumbling Championships** are being held in Term 3, on Sunday 3rd September. This optional annual participation event is for Gymnastic Academy students who enjoy competitions and demonstrating their skills to their parents. Each competitor earns points towards their schools overall total. The top placed schools in Tauranga, Cambridge & Hamilton are awarded trophies.

This is a participation event for all our students 6 years and older, from beginner to advanced grades. Students do need to complete one full term of training prior to entering a competition. Students receive a participation medal on the completion of their competition. The top three overall placings in each division will receive a medal. The top school and runner up place will receive a trophy.

Registrations are now open for Inter-Schools Tumbling Championships 2023. Go to the [events page to register](#). Registrations close on Sunday 1st July.



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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 librarycomp@waidc.govt.nz, 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.



Matariki Online Competition

Design a tote bag or write a poem inspired by Matariki

Enter and your school will be in the draw to win \$300 worth of books!

Plus six category winners will win a \$100 gift voucher!

Open to primary-school aged children, teens and adults.

Entries open Monday 12th June and close Friday 14th July at 5PM

www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/libraries
@WaikatoLibraries 0800 492 452

Waikato District Libraries

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



SPACE FOR 5-6 MORE SO BOOK NOW GEARING UP FOR X-COUNTRY!!

Year 3 & up 2:45-3:30pm
Every Wednesday
\$60per child for Term 2

We are located outside at the TCC end of Park

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txt or call Paul on 021 08 949 818

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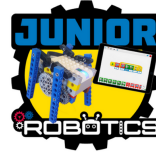


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for more information

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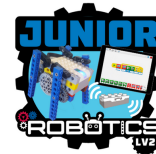


- Junior Robotics Level 1:
- Coding Introduction
- Friday 2:45pm-3:45pm/4:45pm
- Location: Puriri 5
- \$25 / 1 Hour
- \$35 / 2 Hours

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

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HIKING



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



Our kid's hikes are designed for beginners and families with children of all ages. Hikes are scheduled each month on a Saturday or Sunday. Each child will receive a certificate and medal for getting out and doing a Kiwi Guardian's adventure.



Tamahere Hiking Club
 027 754 9012

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**English and Math
Tutoring**
Years 1 - 6
\$35 per hour per child

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SQUASH**

EQUIPMENT
PROVIDED

AGES 5-10
Come attend any Tuesday 5-6pm
You can attend all 4! Introduction to the basics
LUGTON PARK SQUASH CLUB
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