TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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

Wiki/ Week 9 Happenings:



Go the Chiefs!

To support our mighty Chiefs in their bid to win the 2023 Super Rugby Pacific title this Saturday, we are having a fun red, yellow and black Chiefs Supporters Day at school tomorrow. No donation, just fun for those who want to show their support for our Regional Team.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT LAST WEEK

Once again we apologise for the disruption to learning and the impacts on your busy lives, with the shorter day to achieve the First Aid certification for our staff last Thursday afternoon and the Hillcrest Kahui Ako Teacher Only Day on Friday of last week. I hope some of you were able to enjoy a long weekend with your children during that time. At the least it may have helped you to avoid some of the ridiculous Fieldays traffic congestion this year.

For all of our staff to be fully up to date with their first aid is an important part of keeping your children safe in all the various environments we are in with them. The Kahui Ako day was reported as being inspirational and very worthwhile. Sadly, I missed both due to testing positive with COVID.

There appears to be a lot of COVID in the community at the moment which seems to manifest itself in different ways for children and adults. For some, it is diarrhoea and nausea, others headaches, sore throat, aches and running noses. The more that we separate those with the virus from others, the faster we can all get back to being healthy. Thank you to everyone who is keeping their unwell children home, so they don't infect other students and their teachers. We do appreciate it.

FAREWELL MRS HAWTHORN AND MISS DUNN

We will be farewelling our wonderful teachers, Mrs Bridget Hawthorn and Miss Brooklyn Dunn at our final assembly for this term, next Thursday 29th June at 1.30pm. *Everyone is always very welcome to join us at our assemblies.*

Having been away on sabbatical, I didn't get the opportunity to acknowledge Brooklyn and thank her for her wonderful 2 years of service to our school. Brooklyn came to us as a vibrant and enthusiastic Beginning Teacher. She took on challenges and faced change from a mid year junior class, straight to the seniors. Brooklyn has taken everything in her Kia Maia stride. She is still vibrant and enthusiastic, is a real kia kotahi team player and her manaakitanga is real. We will miss your lovely smile and positive can do attitude. You are a special part of our staff and have created such beautiful relationships with your students. You are mature beyond your years. We wish you all the very best in your exciting new adventure in Egypt. We look forward to hearing all about it and seeing you on your return.

FAREWELL MISS COCKS

We are sad to be losing one of our Teacher Aides, Courtney Cocks, affectionately known as Miss C by our students. Courtney's calm manner and flexibility have been a great strength and she has supported many of our students during her time with us. Thank you Courtney. We wish you all the very best for the future!

Waveney Parker

HILLCREST KAAHUI AKO TEACHER ONLY DAY

Last Friday, our staff attended a professional development day run by our Kaahui Ako leaders. The day was a huge success, where we were fortunate to have three incredible, high quality keynote speakers from across the country - Adam Whauwhau, Ngahihi o te ra Bidois, and Sir Ian Taylor. The theme of the conference was *hono*, *whakahiri*, *auaha*, *whakauru*, *connection*, *inspiration*, *innovation*, *and engagement*. We were inspired by the messages and thoughts presented throughout the day, which ignited great reflection and conversations. It was a real honour to spend the day together as a community of learners, including 400 teachers and teacher aides, gathering in our local area at Hillcrest High School.

Annette Howard



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Upcoming Dates:

June / Pipiri		
WEEK 10		
Rāmere /Friday 30th	★ PTA Sausage Sizzle★ LAST DAY OF TERM 2	
July / Hōngongoi		
WEEK 7		
Rāhina / Monday 17th	★ START OF TERM 3 ★ Whakatau Welcome at 11.15am	
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	

Tabloids at Matangi

Tabloids at Matangi School

The tabloid sports at Matangi School was a series of fun and energetic events. The tabloids were a fun event as we had heaps of enjoyment and delight. My favourite activity was the egg and spoon race with the paddles and tennis balls. We balanced the ball on top of the wooden paddle and slowly walked to the cone. As for me, I ran as fast as I could hoping the ball wouldn't fall. I came to a grinding halt at the end of each run after I passed the cone.



My second favourite activity was swiss ball soccer, as I got to watch people scream away. So much hype and fun, yet no goals. I was horrified at the blindfolded nature walk. I kept bumping into the person in front of me and I kept walking straight through spiky bushes. I told my dad I hated it but he thought the exact opposite.

I had so much fun just playing games and walking around. There were so many awesome activities that we got to participate in and everyone had fun on that sunny day. We got to make new friends too.

That was the best tabloids I have ever experienced.

I give a big thanks to the parents who encouraged us kids to keep on going and to never give up. Special thanks to Sariza S, John T, Tracy Q, Caroline M, Jason and Connie L, Marie C, Sarah H for supporting us with transportation and parent help.

VictoriaT Year 4, Matai 11











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.

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.

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

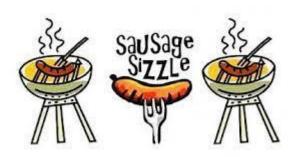
Students of Week 8 I make good choices.		
Kia Manaaki 'Honour Be Your Guide' We have respect for ourselves, others, property, and the environment. Citizen / Kirirau		
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KAURI 2	Etain B - S	
KAWAKAWA 3	Logan R	
TITOKI 6	Elise F	
RIMU 7	Arthur v	
POHUTUKAWA 8	Isla A	
TOTARA 10	Madison F	
MATAI 11	Michael M	
TANEKAHA 12	April C	
MIRO 13	Charlie L	
PUKATEA 14	Kereama R	
KARAKA 15	Luca B	
MANUKA 16	Shiya G	
TAWA 19	Brinley P	
HOROEKA 21	Libby C	

Positive Behaviour for Learning





END OF TERM SAUSAGE SIZZLE REMINDER:



The PTA have organised an end of term sausage sizzle for next Friday. Order forms have already been sent home with students. Please ensure that the order forms and cash are returned to the class teacher before 9.30am next Tuesday 27th June.

LIBRARY NEWS:

The Library Book Swap 2023

Soot Chilips

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.

Do You Want To Order A Copy of 'Emma'?

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. For more information about Jessica Lawry, please click here.

You can also purchase her book from Paperplus, Books for Kids and Whitcoulls



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Variable Speed Limit Signs Installation

We have received advice from the Waikato District Council that their contractors will be installing 40kmh variable speed limit signs around our school over the next few weeks.

A variable speed limit is a speed limit that can be changed. If the sign is illuminated, the stated speed is the legal speed limit. If the sign is off, the normal signposted speed limit applies. The sign operates automatically' during school times.

Additional signs and markings will also be installed at schools during 2023-24 to improve visibility of the schools and help reduce speeds.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

Families can find information about a number of **School Holiday Programmes** that are running these holidays. Please check out our 'Community Notices' section on the website:

https://tamahere.school.nz/whanau-information/#communitynotices



Waikato Kids Lego Masters Competition



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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 <u>events page to register</u>. Registrations close on Sunday 1st July.



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 <u>link</u> 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 opened 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



