

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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

Wiki/ Week 1 Happenings:

WELCOME BACK - 'Hi' and can you go home again please!!

We certainly have started back with a bang! Our special opening ceremony and blessing of our refurbished Admin Block went off fine, but then challenges started over morning tea when students and staff started using water. No water = no school - Day One!

Thank you so much - for changing your plans so quickly and picking up your children. We do apologise for the inconvenience caused. The council had repaired a leak during the previous week but had not reinstated the flow of water back into our tanks. Our plumber rushed to help but only a council tool can open the water flow, so we had to wait for staff to come from Ngaruawahia. Schools can not operate without water for obvious health & safety reasons. Our water was out for three hours and we were unsure how long our tanks would take to get to a level that water would flow again. With only a few students left, there was enough water coming through our pipes. Everything is up and going again now. Thank you.

We are looking forward to a great term ahead.

Opening and Blessing of our Refurbished Administration Block

We were very lucky to have a sunny winter's morning for the official ceremony to open our newly renovated Administration Block on Monday.

We were honoured to have Matua Fred, Whaea Marilyn and a number of other Kuia from Ngaati Hauaa Iwi, as well as Reverend Sue from St Stephen's Church join us, along with parents from our community and members of the Board.

We started by standing for the National Anthem, followed by Emma C and Dominic C leading our school Karakia.

Matua Fred led the blessing of the new Administration building.



We had four student representatives, two of our eldest students - Gigi T & Ethan B and two of our youngest ones, Björn S & Charlotte N cut the ribbon, along with Mrs Liz Donovan from the Board.



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Beginning with a karanga by the Ngaati Hauaa Kuia Marilyn, the Kaumatua walked through the new building performing a warea (chant).



Our Kapa Haka Roopu performed our school haka with lots of mana, to make us all very proud.

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WHAKATAU WELCOME

Our Kapa Haka Roopuu were all warmed up and ready to perform our school haka for the second time, at our welcome for our new students, staff and whānau.



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We hope you have a very happy and successful time at our school, **Ananya P, Adam C, Danni P, Faris A, Julian N, Charlie A, Zora S & Ella Z.**

We also officially welcomed our two new Maungatautari Syndicate teachers, **Mrs Hayley Bacon**, in Pukatea 14 and **Mrs Frances Mossop** in Karaka 15, as well as **Mrs Annalise Catchpole**, who will be working across Maungatautari Syndicate providing classroom release time.

Also welcomed were our two new Teacher Aides, **Mrs. Leanne O'Connell** and **Mrs. Maura Hodgson**, and **Mrs. Leah Landman** who is our new Before & After School Care Programme Team Leader.



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New After School Care leader:

We are delighted to welcome our new Before & After School Care Leader for our Koromiko ASC.

Hi I'm **Leah Landman**, Team leader for the Before & After School Care Programme.

I recently moved from Cape Town, South Africa to Hamilton. I have a wonderful husband and two beautiful boys, aged 8 and 13 years old. We love the outdoors and water sports. Weekends are always spent exploring beautiful New Zealand and on the beaches.

I am so excited and happy to have joined this fantastic school and cannot wait to learn more about the school and New Zealand.



Learning Conference Final Reminder

We wish to remind you all that **we will be finishing lessons at 1.00pm next Wednesday 26th July to conduct our Mid Year Learning Conferences** involving our whole school. To enable all of our students to have a slightly longer, quality Learning Conference in a focused environment, we require the early finish and request that children be collected at 1.00pm and then return later for their conference at your booked time.



We look forward to meeting with you and your child to discuss their progress and achievements.

Important Learning Conference Arrangements for Wednesday 26th July

To enable all of our students to have a quality Learning Conference in a focused environment, **lessons will conclude at the earlier time of 1.00pm on Wednesday 26th July.** We will run two longer learning blocks to cover as much class time as possible. Children can then be collected and return for their conference at the allocated time.

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 After School Care and then take the bus home, if parents wish.

Please contact the school office if you need assistance with your booking, or follow the links below to make your own booking:

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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/xq72r>

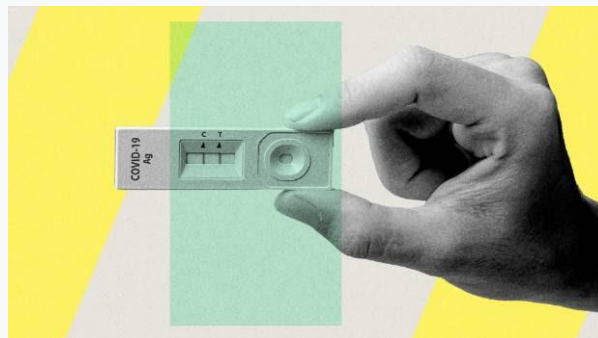
Please book the time that you require with your child's teacher. If you do not have access to the internet or if you require any assistance with your booking, please contact Lisa Laurence at the school office on 856 9238.

Miss Parker is also available for meetings, if you would like to pop in or make an appointment through the office.

We apologise for any disruption this may cause with organising leave or childcare arrangements. We thank you for your support and for valuing these special conferences.

KEEPING OURSELVES HEALTHY & AT SCHOOL:

Covid cases along with other nasty colds and flu are very prevalent across the Waikato at present. Again, we thank you all for the support in **keeping unwell students at home, so that they do not infect others.**



We have a number of at-risk students and families, who want to keep attending school. If you have COVID in your family, and your child is still well, we ask that students wear masks to help protect others from being infected. RAT testing as we know, may take days to show a positive result. If your child is unwell in any way, please keep them home, so that our teachers and other students can continue on at school. **We will continue to keep classrooms well ventilated and encourage regular hand washing.** Masks and hand sanitiser are available in all classrooms.

Let's hope we can all have a positive and healthy term.

MATARIKI:

We are having an exciting day tomorrow, where each Hapu Group will come together to celebrate Matariki, with a range of activities from arts, crafts and dance through to sports and Kapa Haka.

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Keeping Ourselves Safe:

This term, all classes will be involved in the Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS) programme that we teach every two years. This is a programme that has been designed and put together by the NZ Police for teachers to administer. The police connect with the school and support with ideas, where needed. The programme has been running for many years with valuable messages that are delivered in a fun, interactive and engaging way.



Keeping Ourselves Safe enables children and young people to learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others. Students recognise the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships and empower the children to have a voice.

If you are interested in finding out more, we will be holding a parent meeting to give you a quick outline of the programme on **Tuesday 25th July from 2:00pm -2:40pm in the TCC foyer**. Each syndicate will also be sending home a letter explaining the programme before they start teaching the lessons. Pirongia Syndicate will be starting KOS in Week 3.

Upcoming Dates:

July / Hōngongoi	
WEEK 2	
Rātū / Tuesday 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ KOS Meeting - 2.00pm to 2.40pm in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC) Foyer ★ PTA Meeting at 7.00pm
Rāhoroi / Wednesday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ SCHOOL DAY ENDS AT 1.00PM ★ Learning Conferences from 1.30pm to 7.00pm
Rāpare / Thursday 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Learning Conferences 3.00pm to 5.00pm ★ Berkley Middle School Information Evening starting at 6.00pm at BNMS
August / Here-turi-kōkā	
WEEK 4	
Rātū / Tuesday 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ ICAS - Digital Technologies ★ Board Meeting
Rāpare / Thursday 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ ICAS - Writing
WEEK 5	
Rāhoroi / Wednesday 16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ ICAS - English
Rāpare / Thursday 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Whaanau Hui
WEEK 6	
Rāhina / Monday 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ PHOTOLIFE - Team Photos
Rātū / Tuesday 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ ICAS - Science

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<i>Rāhoroi / Wednesday 23rd</i>	★ Dress Up As a Book Character Day
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 24th</i>	★ TMCS Cross Country
<i>Rāmere / Friday 25th</i>	★ ICAS - Spelling ★ Ag Day Judges Demo
WEEK 7	
<i>Rātū / Tuesday 29th</i>	★ TMCS Cross Country - POSTPONEMENT DAY
<i>Rāhoroi / Wednesday 30th</i>	★ ICAS - Mathematics
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 31st</i>	★ Chesspower Tournament
September / Mahuru	
WEEK 8	
<i>Rātū / Tuesday 5th</i>	★ Board Meeting ★ PTA Meeting
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 7th</i>	★ Country Cluster Cross Country hosted by TMCS (No postponement day)
WEEK 9	
<i>Rāhoroi / Wednesday 13th</i>	★ WIG WEDNESDAY
<i>Rāpare / Thursday 14th</i>	★ City Cluster Cross Country
<i>Rāmere / Friday 15th</i>	★ City Cluster Cross Country - POSTPONEMENT DAY
WEEK 10	
<i>Rāmere / Friday 22nd</i>	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 3

KELLY SPORTS

Kelly Sports operates an After School Sports Programme at our school on a Thursday afternoon, during term time. This weekly programme gives children aged between 5 and 8 years active skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future. This term Kelly Sport has a 6 week programme focusing on the following sports: Football, Hockey and Netball. Book online at www.kellysports.co.nz. The children meet the coaches at the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC Building) for the sessions that go from 2.40pm to 3.40pm for 6 weeks, starting on 3rd August.

[They currently have less than 10 students enrolled for Term 3 and unfortunately if they do not get at least 10 children enrolled, they will not be able to offer this amazing programme this term.](#)

Please book online by going to www.kellysports.co.nz/waikato or you are welcome to call 07 839 9017, if you have any questions.



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Fifa Women's World Cup Fundraising Opportunity

Have you got your tickets for the largest women's sports event in the world? Don't miss your chance to watch some incredible female footballers at Waikato Stadium, while also earning the school 20% commission from each ticket sold. Follow these steps to apply for tickets for your friends and family:

- Visit www.fifa.com/tickets
- Click "Get Your Tickets Now"
- Scroll down and click the green "Community Group Sales" icon
- Complete the online form to request tickets (you will then be emailed regarding seat selection and payment)
- You must enter Tamahere Model Country School as the group
- Other details can be fairly vague eg reason = fundraiser, role = parent
- Ignore the detail about 10+ tickets, you can purchase as few as 1 ticket



Please email pta@tamahere.school.nz if you have questions.

PTA MEETING - Tuesday 25th July

Would you like to meet twice a term and help support our school?

If yes, please come along to the Staffroom at 7.00pm next Tuesday 25th July, to join in with the PTA. We are an informal group of mums and dads who work together to fundraise for school improvements.

If you have any questions please get in touch with us at pta@tamahere.school.nz



Berkley Normal Middle School - Information Evening Thursday 27th July - 6.00pm - 7.30pm

An evening structured for prospective parents and students to be informed about the extensive range of programmes on offer at Berkley.

Please note: Out of Zone Enrolments are welcomed and must be with the school office by Friday 25th August 2023.

Contact school office: 856 6537, office@berkley.school.nz or www.berkley.school.nz



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WAKA KOTAHI MESSAGE- New Pedestrian Crossing Nearing Completion

Here is a message from **Waka Kotahi** NZ Transport Agency, providing an update to our school community on the safety improvement works at the SH21/Tamahere interchange, which are due to be completed shortly.

"The traffic signals for the new pedestrian crossing on the northbound on-ramp to the Waikato Expressway are due to be activated shortly.

Once these signals are activated anyone wishing to cross the road should push the buzzer and wait for the green signal before crossing. Remember to check for cars before crossing. Traffic management staff will be on site at the crossing for the first few days of operation to help pedestrians and cyclists adjust to the change.

The new crossing is one of the safety improvements now in place for people moving around and under the Tamahere interchange.

Other improvements completed at the interchange include:

- *raised pedestrian crossing on the southbound off-ramp and Airport Road*
- *a two-metre wide footpath along Airport Road from Regal to Devine Road*
- *lighting improvements.*

These changes ensure a safer journey for everyone as they move through this area. Waka Kotahi thanks you for your patience while this work has been completed."



www.nzta.govt.nz

PHOTOLIFE

Photolife has emailed school families with their child's unique Key Code, to enable you to go online to view and purchase 2023 School Photos. If you have not received the Photolife communication, please check your trash/spam folder. If you do not receive your code, you are also welcome to email Heather Wilson on hwilson@tamahere.school.nz who will be able to share it with you. Please be aware that the **FREE DELIVERY PERIOD EXPIRES Midnight on Sunday 23rd July.**

PhotoLife

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ICAS 2023: ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 31ST JULY

We are delighted to inform you that **Tamahere Model Country School** will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year. (Available for Year 4, 5, & 6 students only)

What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

Learn more about ICAS [here](#)

The exams will be held at school on the following dates:

- Digital Technologies - Tuesday 8th August
- Writing - Thursday 10th August
- English - Wednesday 16th August
- Science - Tuesday 22nd August
- Spelling - Friday 25th August
- Mathematics - Wednesday 30th August

ICAS
assessments



How to participate in ICAS - Entry this year is via direct online ordering by parents and closes on ***Monday 31st July (All subjects)**

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

1. read about ICAS subjects and prices [here](#):
2. read the terms and conditions [here](#):
2. go to Parent Portal [here](#):
3. enter our school's access code – **YHW865**
4. enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS tests shown for selection are at the school's discretion.

After payment is made, via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, **please keep this for your records.**

We will notify you when your child's ICAS results are ready. You and your child can access the results once released via the Reports Portal using the TAP ID and pin found on the back of the ICAS certificate.

The following information is a *privacy notification* about how your child's data is kept private and secure.

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Privacy Collection Statement

Janison is aware of our responsibility to protect the identity of, and all information relating to, children, and students in general, from disclosure and consequently Janison does not:

- collect any personal information or data of children other than as required for the purposes of completion of the assessment, test or exam;
- transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in Australia to any jurisdiction outside of Australia other than with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;
- transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in other international regions out of the child's jurisdiction other than with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;
- share any personal information or data relating to children or students with any third parties (other than a third party whose services are necessary for servicing our products, e.g. print/distribution companies, medal engraving, etc.) except with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;
- use any personal information or data relating to children or students for marketing purposes.

We are proud to offer ICAS and look forward to some fantastic results later in the year. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Annette Howard - Assistant Principal
Heather Wilson - Office Administrator

Kids Clubs

We have a variety of music and other extracurricular opportunities available for our students. Itinerant tutors visit our school offering lessons in gymnastics, guitar, ukulele, piano/keyboard, drums, singing and violin to name just a few. A full list can be viewed on our website www.tamahere.school.nz. Please click on the **Our Learning Tab** at the top and scroll down to Music & Kids Clubs to explore the options available. If you wish to enquire about your child starting up with a tutor, please contact them directly using the information on our website.



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Book Swap

The book swap last term was a fantastic success!!

There was an amazing selection of books and it was a busy time in the library. I was so busy swapping books for students I didn't get time to get any photos.

Over 350 books were swapped among over 150 students!



Waikato Kids Lego Masters Competition

HAMLUG Presents...

The Hamilton **BRICK SHOW**

Claudlands Events Centre
5-6 August 2023

Waikato Kids Lego Masters Competition

WIN!

To enter simply make an original Lego creation and fill out the entry form below



- *An invitation to display your Lego at Waikatos Biggest Brick Show
- *Free passes to the Show!!
- *Lego prizes for yourself and your classroom!

Age Categories
Years 0 - 2
Years 3 - 4
Years 5 - 6
Years 7 - 8

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Community Notices

TERM 3 CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES

with ELENA BRAMBILLA



Enjoy making art during Term 3 guided by Elena, member of the CAS (Cambridge Art Society) and BASNZ (Botanical Art Society New Zealand).

We will experiment with several techniques and create a different and new piece of art session.

PROGRAMME:
3.30pm - 5.00 pm

25th July: Creating a Kakapo and a Penguin using pine cones, paint, cardboard and hot glue

8th August: Recreate Kandinsky's paint "Squares with concentric circles" using watercolours and oil pastels

15th August: Collage of a Kea picture using magazine cut offs

22nd August: Illustrate a story (Three little pigs) with coloured pencils

5th September: Reproducing the famous painting "Starry Night" from Van Gogh with acrylics

12th September: Scratch out mandala using wax pastels

19th September: Painting a picture using Pointillism technique (cotton swabs and paint)

WHERE:
The Painting Place
opposite 50 Thornton Road, Cambridge 3434

PRICE:
\$ 210 per children for the full course
max 10 children per class
AGE: 7-12 y.o.

HOW TO BOOK:
Please contact Elena Brambilla,
Ph: 0297791777
E-mail: thesewingsailor@gmail.com






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LET'S GO 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.

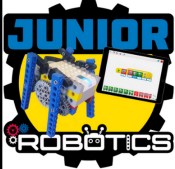



 Tamahere Hiking Club
 ☎ 027 754 9012




AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Tamahere Model Country School



- **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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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



WAI PUKI FITNESS

txt or call Paul on 021 08 949 818

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