NEWSLETTER 24th August 2023

Week 6, Term 3



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

Wiki/ Week 6 Happenings:

CROSS COUNTRY:

Wow, weren't we so lucky with the weather for today's Cross Country.



Thank you to all those who came and supported the event, from cheering on our students to assisting with marshalling. It was great to have you there and it always helps to lift the children's motivation and enthusiasm.

It was wonderful to see our *Kia Maia - Confident Can Do Kids* striving to do their best with a positive attitude. We are so proud of all our students, the ones who achieved highly, right through to the students who showed courage and resilience towards the back of the field. Well done everyone! It was also great to see *Kia Manaaki* and *Kia Kotahi* displays of respect and support being shown by our students on the day.

A massive thank you to Ms Copponi for organising our school cross country, which gives our students the opportunity to reach their personal goals.

We will be sharing the Cross Country photos and results in next week's newsletter for you to enjoy.

In Week 8, on Thursday 7th September, we will be hosting the South East Hamilton Country Cluster Cross Country, for our Year 4, 5 and 6 students who have been selected to represent TMCS. Once again, all spectators are very welcome to join us.

WHAKATAU WELCOME:

The sun shone, and our Kapa Haka performed with mana on Monday morning to welcome two new students and their whanau to our school. Our latest New Entrant Mid Term

Cohort was welcomed with a Tamahere Whakatau. They are joining Horoeka 21. We hope you have a very happy and successful time at our school, **Knox C** and **Arlow N**.



<u>Whānau Hui</u>

It was wonderful to have many of our whānau members join us for our whānau hui last Thursday. The kapa haka roopu greeted us with an impressive showcase of their talents as they welcomed everyone with a beautifully sung waiata and a strong haka. After the kapa haka performance we shared kai and a warm drink together. Following this, we had some

engaging discussions about our students' successes, their strengths, and the areas that we can improve.

The invaluable contributions from our families have given us essential insights and recommendations, crucial for a successful educational path for our tamariki. We are grateful to all of the families who came and we thank you for your time and your knowledge. By working together (kia kotahi), having the courage to share your thoughts (kia maia) and the empathy to listen to others and to hear their view (kia manaaki) we continue to strive for the best education for our tamariki.



Situations Vacant:

We are on the hunt for 1-2 'Super Star' parents/caregivers to help us out with our **GIANT LOST PROPERTY MOUNTAIN**. Unfortunately it comes with a zero salary package BUT it is a very important job. Unfortunately most children don't see lost property as an issue, even when their parents and teachers do.



All we need to reduce the mountain to a small hill is for a couple of parents to give up a few hours a month to pop into the school to sort the lost property shed contents, returning named items to children's classes. We know that our Admin Staff, Teachers and Parents will be very grateful to whoever can help.

If you would like to apply for this very important role, please call into the school office to have a chat about what is involved.

Flowers on Fridays - Spring Daffodils! Treat yourself to a little bunch of yellow and help the PTA raise funds at the same time.

Daffodils are on sale **TOMORROW afternoon** at Gate 3 and outside the TCC for \$2 per bunch (5 blooms). You can pay by cash or Cookie Cards (available from the office where you can use eftpos)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE - Safely Using the New Pedestrian Crossing:

As shared in our Week 4 newsletter, a signalised pedestrian crossing is now in place on the northbound on-ramp to the expressway. Can all school families who use this crossing, please take time to speak to your children about the **importance of waiting for the lights to change**, before crossing the road - even if they can't see any oncoming traffic? Please help us to keep your children safe on their journey to and from school.

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Lunchtime beside the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC). Come along and hear from the experts on how to raise your lamb, kid, calf or chicken, as well as what to expect and what the judges will be looking for on Ag Day. Parents are welcome too!

Class Placements for 2024 - Let Us Know!!

As we approach Term 4, it is once again time for us to start planning our classroom environments for next year.

When we organise classes in our school we look at each of our students' academic and social needs

and abilities. We use our cumulative teachers' notes and check friendships with each child. We strive to achieve the best possible learning environments for all of our students and teachers. We actively decide to separate some students and join others, to achieve the best possible learning and teaching outcomes.

While providing support, we also work to build resilience and independence in our students, so that they will be able to cope with

change and the next steps in their educational journeys when they transition from us to other schools. Our aim with mixing students around is to develop a school environment where students know and are













happy to work with many other students, to give opportunities to develop further friendships and to have a break from others to improve concentration and learning.

If you believe you have *any special information that you feel our teachers may not be aware of*, for example – the possibility of avoiding a competitive cousin in the same class, **please let your class teacher know** as they will add any relevant comments to the cumulative placement sheet. It is important if you have any information to share that you **let us know before the end of this term.**

HAVE YOU LOST A BIKE?

We have a bike that has been left unclaimed at our school. If this is your's, can you please call into the school office or call 07 856 9238, so we can return it to its owner.



Upcoming Dates:

August / Here-turi-kōkā						
WEEK 6						
Rāmere / Friday 25th	 ★ ICAS - Spelling ★ Ag Day Judges Demo 					
WEEK 7						
Rātū / Tuesday 29th	★ PTA Meeting at 7.00pm					
Rāhoroi / Wednesday 30th	★ ICAS - Mathematics					
Rāpare / Thursday 31st	★ Chesspower Tournament					
September / Mahuru						
WEEK 8						
Rātū / Tuesday 5th	★ Board Meeting					
Rāpare / Thursday 7th	★ Country Cluster Cross Country hosted by TMCS (No postponement day)					
WEEK 9						
Rāhoroi / Wednesday 13th	★ WIG WEDNESDAY					
Rāpare / Thursday 14th	★ City Cluster Cross Country					
Rāmere / Friday 15th	★ City Cluster Cross Country - POSTPONEMENT DAY					

WEEK 10						
Rāmere / Friday 22nd	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 3					
October / Whiringa-ā-nuku						
WEEK 1						
Rāhina / Monday 9th	★ START OF TERM 4					
Rāpare / Thursday 12th	★ AG DAY					
November / Whiringa-ā-rangi						
WEEK 5						
Rāmere / Friday 10th	★ TEACHER ONLY DAY					
WEEK 8						
Rāpare / Thursday 30th 🛛 🛨 GOLF DAY						
December / Hakihea						
WEEK 9						
Rāmere / Friday 8th	★ PTA Hosted Christmas Carols & Family Picnic - Tamahere Reserve Piazza and stage					
Rāhina / Monday 18th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 4					

Maungatautari Speech Finals

On Tuesday morning the Maungatautari Syndicate held their speech finals. Fifteen students were selected to compete and they spoke on a wide range of topics. Thank you to Miss Parker and Mrs Howard who had the difficult job of judging the speeches.

The teachers were proud of all the speakers and the hard work that went into writing and presenting.

Our 1st place winner was Indigo W from Miro 13 who

spoke about refugee swimmers. Second place went to **Grace K** from Karaka 15. Grace spoke about crazy laws. Third place was awarded to **Grace H** who spoke about why we should read paper books rather than ebooks. Well done everyone. It was a great morning.



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



Book Week 2023

WOW! Everyone did any AMAZING job dressing up as children's book characters! Children and Staff!!

There was a lot going on this week for Book Week in the library.



The children have until Monday morning to drop potatoes, book crafts and the 'NO TV' forms to the library.

Author Visits:







<u>Decorate A Potato As A Book</u> <u>Character</u>



Make A Craft From An Old Book:





Games & Competitions:





Dress Up As A Book Character Day & Parade









THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING LIBRARIAN MRS KEWISH!!!!



PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 5 I am reliable and trustworthy.							
Kia Kotahi 'Together as One' We learn and work together, supporting, and caring for each other.							
NIKAU 1	Diya O	TANEKAHA 12	Orien C				
KAURI 2	Elin H	MIRO 13	Charlotte C				
KAWAKAWA 3	Beau C	PUKATEA 14	Grace K				
TITOKI 6	Matilda Mc	KARAKA 15	Eliza F				
RIMU 7	Caitlyn M	MANUKA 16	Blake F				
POHUTUKAWA 8	Oliver L	TAWA 19	Emily B				
TOTARA 10	Ania G	HOROEKA 21	Adam C Danni P				
MATAI 11	Isabelle S						



Positive Behaviour for Learning

PB4L Vision

Last week our school vision was "I am reliable and trustworthy". Here are some of our classes, showing how they demonstrate this.



Matai 11

We can be trustworthy when we walk to the library.





Pukatea 14 - we are reliable and trustworthy in the library, some of us are librarians but we all look after the books





Pohutukawa 8 and Titoki 6 - trying a trust circle exercise together!



SPLASH POLO

Waikato Water Polo is offering **SPLASH POLO** for children in Years 3-6. Splash Polo is a beginners version of water polo for children wanting to get in the pool, have some fun, learn new skills and make new friends.

Games will be held during Term 4 between 12.00pm and 6.00pm on a Sunday. Location and times will be confirmed closer to the time once team numbers and pool bookings have been confirmed. Venue and fees will be shared once I receive more information from Waikato Water Polo. Team lists will be sent out at the beginning of Term Four with all the information regarding the Splash Polo season.

Players must be water confident and must commit to most Sunday games and attend training sessions.

If you are keen to play, please fill in the form that can be collected from the children's entrance in the office or from Matai 11.



All forms must be in by this Saturday 26th of August. (or you can email me with your child's name, room number, your phone number and if you are able to help coach or manage)

Ann Marie Copponi

acopponi@tamahere.school.nz

AG DAY UPDATE # 5

<u>REMINDER:</u> Ag Day Judges Demo Day is TOMORROW Friday 25th August from 12.30-1.15pm

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PET DIARIES:

Children are encouraged to keep a 'Pet Diary', which can include details about their pet's breed, date of birth, feeding and health details, as well as photos and drawings.

It is up to the child as to what they choose to submit for this, as there is no set criteria.



This year children have two options:

- The first being a hard copy, which can be a notebook, clear file etc. What is included in it is up to you there is no set criteria.
- The second option is to create a google slide pet diary, by using google slides to create a visual presentation showing steps to care for the animals and photos showing them following these steps.

Here is an <u>example</u> to give you some ideas. Remember that you can also keep a pet diary about your caged pet or chicken.

VEGGIE GARDEN COMPETITION:

If animals aren't your thing, or if you think you have green fingers, why not enter the Vege Garden competition! Gardens can be planted at home any time after **this Saturday**, **26th August**, and will need to be tended with a diary kept, right through to judging which will take place at the end of the October school holidays. Gardens can be any shape or size, and can be started from seeds or seedlings.

More information is available on the website. Entries close on Friday 15th September. Entry form is here.





ANIMAL CONTACTS:

If you do not already have your own animals, then we have the following contacts available for orphans, for those who wish to raise an animal:

<u>Lambs:</u>

Coopworth Cross Lambs Available for Ag Day. Please contact Amy Beech on 021 542 547. Amy will be offering lambs to be raised, available from mid August. Lambs can be purchased from Amy for a small fee of \$60.00. If they are returned to her weaned after Ag Day, the fee will be refunded. Amy is able to provide advice on rearing her lambs too. Her lambs are usually popular, so it's helpful to contact her in advance to go on the waiting list for orphans.





Want to raise a chicken for Ag Day?

School families can now place an order through the school office for young 7 week old chickens to raise and enter in the Poultry category - orders limited to 2 chickens per family due to supply. \$26 each, supplied by Eureka Poultry Farm and to be collected from Tamahere school on **Friday 25th August**.

The chickens will be feathered and old enough to live in a caged area outside. Please contact Rachel on ph: 020 422 6711, if you need further information.





Please register your animal entry using one of these forms, so we can plan for the numbers on the day.

- <u>Caged pets</u>
- <u>Calves</u>
- Kid goat
- <u>Lambs</u>
- <u>Ponies</u>
- <u>Raising poultry</u>
- <u>Showing poultry</u>

Vet Health Check on Saturday 2nd September from 9.00-10.00am

Once you have your animal, if you have any health concerns, need to get it vaccinated or banded (castrated) please come along to our Vet Health Check Day on Saturday 2nd September from 9.00am to 10.00am in the carpark of the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC).



AG DAY WEBSITE INFORMATION:

Details about what Ag Day involves can be found on the school website, by <u>clicking here</u>.

Any questions you may have about Ag Day that we haven't covered here, we would love to hear from you. If you have a question about Ag Day, please email <u>agday@tamahere.school.nz</u>

If your question relates to Horticultural Happenings, please email <u>reception@tamahere.school.nz</u>

The Ag Day Committee

BALLOT for 2024 Out of Zone Enrolments NOW OPEN

For all out-of-zone families expecting to enrol a child at Tamahere Model Country School in 2024, our annual ballot for Out-of-Zone placements is now open and closes at 3:00pm on Friday 6th October 2023. Please note if you are out-of-zone, even if your child is a sibling of a current student, you have to be in the ballot to have a chance of your child being enrolled at our school in 2024. As with the last few years, except for siblings and possible priority enrolments, no out-of-zone children will be allocated a ballot place in 2024. This is to help alleviate the overcrowding challenges we are currently facing. This is to ensure we don't end up with overcrowding challenges in the future.



ENROLMENTS

Tamahere New Entrant 2024 Enrolment Tracking

Thank you to the many families that have already contacted the school office, confirming names to be included in our 2024 cradle roll and completing the Pre Entry Form. Can all families with preschoolers and anyone expecting to enrol a child at Tamahere Model Country School for 2024, please ensure that you have added their names to our cradle roll and completed the Pre Entry Form, which greatly assists us with planning for next year. **Please <u>click here</u> to download our 2024 Pre Entry Form.**

Please email the completed Pre Entry form to the school office at <u>reception@tamahere.school.nz</u> Thank you for your assistance.

Enrolments for Berkley Normal Middle School

All 2024 enrolments for Berkley Normal Middle School are **due by 4.00pm TOMORROW Friday 25th August 2023** - this includes both in-zone and out-of-zone enrolments. Out-of-zone enrolments must be received at the office by 25 August to be eligible for the enrolment ballot.



TMCS 2023 GOLF DAY - Save The Date

Tamahere Model Country School runs an annual golf day. It is a fund-raising opportunity for the school as well as a load of fun for all of those involved. This year the Golf Day is **Thursday 30th November.** More information to come.



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REGAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

On Saturday Regal welcomed over 1,000 people through their Tamahere yard for their combined 35th Birthday and 100th Volvo celebrations. It was a great turnout with the weather playing ball - only just starting to rain as the last tables were packed away.









Well done to everyone who entered the colouring in competition. Regal Group was very impressed with all the entries and it was really hard for them to choose the winners.



We are pleased to announce that the winners of each section were: Year 1 & 2: Malachi L Year 3 & 4: Logan R Year 5 & 6: Owen H

The winners were presented with their prizes at the Open Day last Saturday.







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



EVERYONE WELCOME

AT LUGTON PARK TENNIS CLUB & PARTICIPATING CLUBS NATIONWIDE 10 SEPT 10AM-4PM

Come give tennis a go! All equipment provided.

Prizes, giveaways, BBQ & more.

REBEL AO>TRAVEL





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.

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