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NEWSLETTER 19th September 2023

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MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

TAMAHERE

Wiki/ Week 10 Happenings:

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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What a busy and enjoyable term we have had. We wish all our families a wonderful two-week break, and hope you all get to enjoy some sun and relaxation. Many of you will be busy caring for lambs, kids, ponies and calves. We are very excited to see your animals at **Ag Day, on the first Thursday of next term!**

Please remember that **hats are compulsory in Term 4.** The warmth in the sun has already come out on a few occasions.

Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all back in Term 4, on Monday 9th October at 8.30am.

Please be aware that our **school gates will be locked** and school grounds will be inaccessible during the holiday break.

A reminder also that we will be having a **TEACHER ONLY DAY on Friday 10th November.** The focus for this day will be assessment and moderation before our final reports are completed. This will create a **long weekend** for you all about Mid Term.

START OF TERM 4 & WHAKATAU WELCOME:

We look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for another term on **Monday 9th October**, when we will be welcoming 11 new students to our school. Everyone is warmly invited to come along to **our Whakatau** to welcome our new enrolments and their whānau to our school in a special assembly. This will be held at **11.15am in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC)**.







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

Week 10, Term 3

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS - PARENT ELECTION NOTICE

Nominations are open for the election of 3 parent representatives to the school board.

Nomination forms were sent from <u>office@tamahere.school.nz</u> on Tuesday 12th September. Please check your SPAM folder, if you missed this important communication. You can use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also have received a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member was provided along with the nomination form. If you need more nomination forms, please contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 11th October 2023. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Angela Jenkins Returning Officer

Horticultural Happenings



Holiday Homework! - Read this to be ready for Thursday Week 1!!!

The following information is for children who will be participating in the Horticultural Happenings activities. If your child has an animal for Ag Day, the following information <u>does not</u> apply to them, as your child will be busy training their animal.

So that you have plenty of time to prepare, please <u>click here</u> for important Horticulture Happenings information for each Syndicate.

Ag Day Dress Up

Ag Day is on Thursday 12th October (Week 1 of Term 4) and this will be a 'dress up as a farmer day', so start thinking about your dress up ideas over the holidays.



Ag Day Update # 9

LAST CALL FOR ENTRIES!

Entries close on the last day of term, so get your entries in today. If you have any trouble please email <u>agday@tamahere.school.nz</u>

Please register your animal by clicking on one of the forms below:

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

Important Info Ag Day Diary:

Trophies:

Sausage sizzle:



For your animal or garden, create a diary in whatever format you wish and hand it in to the office on Ag Day.

If you still have your trophy from last year, please bring it to the office ASAP.

Forms will go home on day one of Term 4. Please return them the next day.

| Website info: | If you want guidance on how to look after your animal, please take a look at the <u>school website</u> or the <u>Waikato</u> <u>A&P Show website</u> . |
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| Lamb vaccines: | For those of you who attended the Vet Check day at school, your lamb is now due for its second vaccine. You can get individual doses from <u>Cambridge Vets</u> or if you would like them to administer them, please call them to discuss options. |
| Group Day: | On Wednesday 18 th October, Matangi School is hosting the Group Day for local schools. Anyone with a lamb, calf or goat can enter, including Intermediate aged children. |
| Volunteers: | The day can only run with the help of our amazing parents and volunteers. If you have any time on Wednesday 11 th October to help set up, or on Thursday 12 th October to help on the day or run a BBQ, please email agday@tamahere.school.nz |

How Will The Day Run?

If you, your family, extended family or local friends want to plan your visit to Ag Day, here is the rough plan for the day:

| 8.20 – 8.50am | Pet registration - Marquee located by Tanekaha 12 | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 9.00am | Judging commences for lambs, goats , calves, ponies and chickens. | |
| Individual Ribbons awarded in rings | | |
| 9.30am | Vet to judge caged pets | |
| 10.30am - 12.30pm | Classes will visit the petting zoo. | |
| Approx 1.00pm | Animal Parade and Fancy Dress | |
| Assemble for Prize Giving | Presentation of Cups, Major Ribbons and Vege Garden Winners | |

Viewing of Horticultural Happenings

Children who have signed out with their parents may go home.

PLEASE REMEMBER all calves must be socially distanced by 2m at all times and must stand next to their allocated number on the new back fence near calf ring (on soccer field behind new fence).



2024 Out of Zone Ballot Closing Date

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 open until 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. Our Ballot will be drawn on Thursday 12th October 2023.



Year 5 & 6 STUDENTS: ARE YOU KEEN TO PLAY SUMMER HOCKEY?

We are on the hunt for some Year 5 or 6 kids who would be keen to play summer hockey next term. Games are on a Tuesday afternoon at the Gallagher Hockey Centre starting on 24th October. We need to know this week. If you are keen, please contact Natalie Harvey on <u>natalieharvey@outlook.co.nz</u> or ph 021 682 233.



Learn To Swim School



Sanitarium Weet-Bix KidsTRYathlon

The Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is coming up in early December. It's all about giving it a TRY and is a rewarding and fun day out.

WHEN: Sunday 10th December, 2023 WHERE: Waikato University Fields, Hamilton East, Waikato ENTRY AGE: Entry is open to all 6 to 15 year olds. (Based on age on event day)

ENTRY OPTIONS:

- Splash & Dash 6 years
- Individual TRYathlon -7 15 years
- Junior Team 7 10 years
- Senior Team 11- 15 years

IF YOU WANT TO ENTER A TEAM:

- Both team members must meet age requirements.
- Teams can be mixed gender (i.e boy / girl)
- One team member completes the swim, one team member completes the cycle and both complete the run.

The TRYathlon will begin with the swim leg in the outdoor pool at University of Waikato. The pool is 50m in length, with a depth of 0.9m in the shallow end and 1.4m in the deep end. The Transition area is located on the University of Waikato fields, a short distance from the pool. The bike leg is around the streets surrounding the University of Waikato fields, and the run leg is around the field itself.

HOW TO REGISTER:

Our school has created a School Group which you can join when you enter from home. Search for Tamahere Model Country School when prompted. By linking to our school group it will give us the chance to win some great prizes. To enter the TRYathlon visit <u>www.tryathlon.co.nz/</u>. The direct link to register into our school group can be accessed by <u>clicking here</u>.

Whaea Maria Oates

Upcoming Dates:

| September / Mahuru | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| WEEK 10 | | |
| Rāmere / Friday 22nd | ★ PTA Sausage Sizzle | |
| | ★ LAST DAY OF TERM 3 | |



| October / Whiringa-ā-nuku | | |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| WEEK 1 - TERM 4 | | |
| Rāhina / Monday 9th | ★ Whakatau Welcome Assembly at 11.15am ★ START OF TERM 4 | |
| Rāpare / Thursday 12th | ★ Dress Like A Farmer Day ★ Ag Day | |

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

| Students of Week 9 I listen, share and contribute' | | | |
|---|----------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Kia Kotahi 'Together as One' We learn and work together, supporting, and caring for each other. | | | |
| NIKAU 1 | Van W | TANEKAHA 12 | Tate B |
| KAURI 2 | Steven D | MIRO 13 | Morgan F |
| KAWAKAWA 3 | Hannah D | PUKATEA 14 | Winston P |
| ΤΙΤΟΚΙ 6 | Teacher Absent | KARAKA 15 | Olivia A Y |
| RIMU 7 | lsa S | MANUKA 16 | Logan R |
| POHUTUKAWA 8 | Willow T | TAWA 19 | Ryley D |
| TOTARA 10 | Phoebe C | HOROEKA 21 | Jacob F Knox C |
| MATAI 11 | Emma J | | |



Positive Behaviour for Learning

Hats In Term 4:

Just a friendly reminder that **hats are required for outside play in Term 4.** Can you please ensure your child comes to school with a school hat.



It is a great time to organise for children's names (first name and first letter of surname) to be embroidered on the back of their school hats. This costs only \$8.00 each! Not only is this an extremely competitive price, but the investment in purchasing only one hat and eliminating the need for several replacements more than pays for itself.

This is not just for brand new hat purchases but existing hats too! To be included in time for Term 4, please bring your child's hat to the school office with your \$8 payment (or order a new one for a total of \$28). This can take between 1-2 weeks, so please order as soon as possible.

YUMMY STICKER SHEETS

If you have any **FULL YUMMY STICKER SHEETS**, can you please **RETURN THESE TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE TOMORROW**, so that we can send them off to claim our free sports equipment. The more you collect, the more sports gear we can receive.

Thank you for your continuing support. Continue collecting until the end of Term 3 2024 when we will send them away again.



City Cluster Cross Country

On the 14th of September 33 children from years 4-6 competed in the City Cluster Cross Country event at the Hamilton Gardens. The track was 1km long, some uphill and some down hill and it was a difficult track. We had to run the course 2xs. Tamahere children did incredibly well in all six races. Our runners all did really well in every race with many children coming in the top 10, which is a great achievement as there were between 38 and 45 children in each race. A huge congratulations to Isabelle M, who won the Year 5 race and to Dylan H, who won the Year 4 race.

Nearly all of the Tamahere kids said after their race the hill was deadly because it was steep, long and burned your energy very fast. Tamahere had a good team spirit and we were really good at cheering. Some of us nearly lost our voices. All of us were very competitive in our races, which was awesome. The conditions for the event were perfect; the weather was a bit chilly and sunny but in the afternoon it finally warmed up.

We would like to thank all the parents that drove us to the Hamiltons Gardens, to make sure we got there safely to compete. Also a big thank you to the parents for helping with the marshalling on the course. We really appreciate all your support during the event. You were enthusiastic spectators! A big thank you to Charlie L, who was injured on the day and was an awesome support to the team. Thank you to Mrs Copponi for organising us for the event.

By Monica C & Imani B





























































Congratulations to all of our runners who competed at this high level of competition and achieved a fantastic set of results, as you can see below.

| Year 4 Girls | Place | Year 4 Boys | Place |
|--------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| Harriet L | 2nd | Dylan H | lst |
| Chilli M | llth | Pearse L | 2nd |
| Thea B | 12th | Anru S | 7th |
| Francesca N | 13th | Lucas E | 13th |
| Ellie K | 18th | Lucas P | 25th |
| Ava T | 22nd | | |

| Year 5 Girls | Place | Year 5 Boys | Place |
|--------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| Isabelle M | lst | Cohen C | 2nd |
| Chloe A Y | 6th | Isaac S | 7th |
| Holly H | 7th | Nico V | 9th |
| Addison M | 9th | Zac S | 10th |
| Xin Yuan Z | llth | Levi W | llth |
| Addi H | 16th | Aynsley B | 15th |

| Year 6 Girls | Place | Year 6 Boys | Place |
|--------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| Lauren W | 3rd | Charlie H | 3rd |
| Macie M | 5th | Ethan B | 5th |
| Imani B | 7th | Harry A | 18th |
| Monica C | 8th | Winston P | 22nd |
| Ava D | 14th | | |
| Indigo W | 15th | | |

WEEK 4 TERM 4 IN THE LIBRARY

Monday - Thursday 9.00am-6.00pm Eftpos, cash & credit cards accepted



STRICTLY JUMP JAM Competition NEWS

What a fabulous result for our Jump Jammers!

A huge congratulations to all our Jump Jammers who participated in the Strictly Jump Jam Competition on the weekend. Both teams came second and were awarded Excellence in both Presentation and Technical Execution.

Thank you to all our amazing parents and whānau for coming along and supporting our teams.



| TAMAHERE SPARKLERS | TAMAHERE GREAT GATSBYS |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Lucie H | Isla A |
| Olivia L | Olivia AY |
| Tamara D | Charlotte C |
| Sophie S | Molly C |
| Emma J | India D |
| Jamie J | Estelle D |
| Cobie B | Maia G |
| Harriet L | Adelaide H |
| Ellie K | Addison M |
| Chilli M | Macie M |
| Greta C | Ivanka N |
| Emily M | Aria O |
| Meeli M | Hannah P |
| Riley D | Hannalise S |
| | Paige V |





Fairyland is finally happening...(it's a work in progress) With the expertise of Mr Wickens and the keen gardeners from Rimu 7, we have made a start on our long awaited fairygarden. What we would love from our community is fairy houses.

It could be a project you can do together over the holidays. Ideally the house needs to withstand rain and sun, but we can bring them inside each day. Also we would love some wee houses (like the pictures or similar) to go in fairyland, that are built by you and painted by you.

If you do have a fairyhouse to gift to the school, come and pop in to see me in Rimu 7 and we can place it together next term. Thank you everyone Shellev Howse





My Fairygarden helpers from Rimu 7



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Tamahere Enviro Gully Trip

Last Rāmere, a group of Enviro Warriors went on an expedition down to the Tamahere gully as part of their project-based learning around the tuna eel. We discussed how we can be Kaitiaki of the local gully and contribute to saving the habitat of the tuna.

The expedition started with Leo Koppens sharing all the mahi he has carried out, as the kaitiaki of our gully, including planting many natives. Next as a follow-up from our talk with Scientist Jacques Boubee, we were able to observe the tuna in its natural habitat.

As tuna have small rows of small sharp teeth that point backwards, we observed them as they bit into our muslin cloth. We learnt that tuna have slime that helps protect their skin out of water. Young eels are called elvers and some can climb 40 metre high obstacles.

We discussed how manmade culverts in the gully can have an impact on their natural habitat, as they sometimes can not climb up the culverts. Our next step is to look at planting in the Tamahere gully, water quality sampling and a simple step of removing rubbish in our school and Reserve area that could end up in our gully waterways.

Thank you to our fantastic parent helpers who joined us.

Mrs. Hayley Bacon







🦞 K2's Garden Work🌱

Over the last couple of months, Kauri 2 has been upgrading the school's lizard garden. This is what we have done. First, we started weeding. Once the weeds were removed, we started to prune the overgrown plants. Then K2's awesome gardeners started placing logs, building bark homes, planting greenery, watering the shrubs and spreading woodchip all around the garden, all for the hope of reopening the lizard garden to the whole school. Kauri 2 hopes you can make your garden a nice place for creatures to inhabit, too. Here are some tips to help you transform your garden:

1. Every spring turn up your soil and plant fresh seeds in the turned up soil. 2. Think about putting in raised garden beds; don't forget to turn up the soil in them, then plant some seeds in them. We will be giving out some seeds that we will not plant. Please ask us on Seesaw or K2 if you would like to adopt some seeds.

By Benjamin Mc









K2 Lizard Garden 💸

During the past couple of months we have been working tremendously hard on our lizard garden and we would like to share it with you. On our very first day we learned how to take care of the garden. Then we made wood and bark homes for the lizards and we made a marshmallow woodpit. We also planted seedlings, then looked back at what we had done. The next things we'll be taking care of the baby seedlings. We're going to need water, sunlight and time. We're very excited to see how our work turns out. Please help by showing our school visions so you can come and enjoy the lizard garden with us. We hope you have enjoyed K2 telling you all about the garden. This writing was made from the heart of the garden. Υ

By Kate, Asher and Sebastian

Clothe Our Kids - Pyjama Day

Clothe our Kids – Waikato's mission is to provide needy Waikato children with good quality second-hand clothing. By filling this need they can help ensure these children are clothed and warm while helping reduce the financial pressure on their parents.

To support Clothe our Kids – Waikato, and the children and families in our community, on **Friday 20th October** our children can wear their pyjamas to school. If you have any pyjamas, dressing gowns or other items of clothing in good used condition your children no longer need, please bring these to donate to this cause, or cash donations are also welcome. A great chance to clear out the cupboards!

There will be bags for the donations in each classroom, or if you have any bulk lots you wish to donate, these can be dropped off at the office please.

If you want to know more about how you can help, please visit the website <u>www.clotheourkidswaikato.co.nz</u>





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.

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 your children's teacher know before the end of this week.**

TERM 4 Tennis Lessons

Tennis Coaching resumes in Term 4 at Tamahere School. It will take place on Friday afternoons, with squads between 2.45pm-5.30pm. For more details please see the flier below:









School Holiday Programmes

Please check out our 'Community Notices' section on the website, where you can find information about a number of School Holiday Programmes that are running these holidays. <u>Please click here to</u> view.



The annual round the bridges fun run and walk will be held on **Sunday 12th of November**. If your child would like to run for Tamahere School in the 2km kids challenge, please use the link and code below to register them.

To register for this event as part of our **Tamahere School** group, please follow these steps :

- 1. Go to the website using this link: <u>https://eventplus.net/RTB23?code=Tamahere</u>
- 2. Either create your account, or login if you already have an event plus account. You can request a password reset if you need to.
- 3. After logging in you should be prompted to join the group.
- 4. Your group code is **Tamahere**
- 5. Valid categories for this group are: 6 km U20, 6km Adult, 12km U20, 12km Adult, 12km Senior, 6km Community Services Card Holder, 6km Senior, 12km Community Services Card Holder, Kids Challenge.





Community Notices







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 case Hikes are scheduled expla month on a Saturdov or Sundov.

of all ages. Hikes are scheduled each month on a Saturday of Sunday. Each child will receive a certificate and medal for getting out and doing a Kiwi Guardian's adventure.

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





