

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Wiki/ Week 7 Happenings:

Thank you to my two **Co-Principals for the day** last Friday - **Ella and Abby P** joined me for the day, following their Mum's prize winning bid at the Havana Nights Ball earlier this year. Ella and Abby stepped up straight away and helped with the Karakia & Vision Awards. They then took to the stage for Friday's morning assembly, shaking hands and giving out certificates. Their next job was installing Health & Safety Evacuation posters in each classroom, before joining the staff for morning tea. The rest of their busy day involved helping out in the school office, taking Inka for a walk with me at lunchtime and even checking on the school budget. Well done! It was great sharing my day with you and having you both as Co-Principals!!!!



Next Tuesday, the top few from each age level will be representing our school at the **South East Hamilton Athletic Sports**. We have a team of 44 students representing TMCS at the Intercity Athletics, being held at Silverdale Primary School. Unfortunately the St Peters Orientation Day is scheduled for the same day, so 9 of the students who were selected will not be able to take part.

The team selected to represent TMCS is:

Amelia J, Tori A, Ayla H, Emma J, Jamie J, Eira S, Pearse L, Anru S, Lucas E, Quinn B, Bridgette C, Chloe A Y, Olivia A Y, Hannalise S, Charlotte C, Emily M, India D, Addison M, Holly H, Shiya G, Eva H, Yadon J, Molly C, Lauren W, Monica C, Reed L, Winston P, Daniel E, Benji v, Dylan H, Levi W, Reilly B, Ruby C, Harry A, Paige v, Blake F, Ewan C, Charlie L, Ethan B, Indigo W, William T, Isabelle M, Charlie H and Imani B.



Good luck for your events next week!

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PARENT & STAFF ELECTIONS RESULT DECLARATION:

Parent Representative votes:

Name	Votes
Donovan , Elizabeth	90
Martyn , Matt	79
Mercer , James	72
Silby , Reuben	41
Invalid Votes	2

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Elizabeth Donovan
Matt Martyn
James Mercer

Angela Jenkins
Returning Officer



Congratulations to those nominees who have been elected to our School Board. To all four candidates who stood, we want to thank you for giving our school community the opportunity to choose. Standing in any election takes some courage, especially in your own community. We are very lucky to have such capable people standing for our Board.

Sincere thanks go to our outgoing Board member **David Palmer** and our Co-opted Board Member, **Sharon Calvert**, who have both been board members for 3 years. As well as helping to lead our school forward in numerous ways and assisting with Governance decisions, David specialised in Property and Sharon's focus was on Personnel.

I thank you for your dedication, knowledge and the skills that you have shared for the benefit of our school and all our tamariki. We truly appreciate the energy, enthusiasm and commitment you have shown to our school community and for your service and knowledge in your fields of expertise. We have valued working alongside you.



Congratulations to both **Liz Donovan** and **Jim Mercer** on being re-elected for another term. Welcome aboard **Matt Martyn**, who is our new Board member joining elected members Owen Culliney, Buddy Annals, Hilary van de Molen and Fraser Hodgson.

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Introducing Your New Board Member - Matt Martyn

Kia Ora all.

I have four children, all who are at (or have been through) our awesome school. I get to be married to Kelly and have a real care for Tamahere as a place and as a people.

I see the board as a team that carries the leadership and responsibility for many decisions for our school, yet beyond that as a group of people that first embody the values of the school community and serve for a time as kaitiaki over the culture and people of this place.

I am passionate about the wellbeing of the staff (and people in general) and would hope to bring that active care to the team and its projects.

I am currently the Chaplain at St Peter's and sit on their board (as a non-voting member)



Matt Martyn

Meal Makers - Huge thanks goes out to Tamsin Bradding, a wonderful parent and past teacher of our school. Tamsin is hanging up her apron strings from *Meal Makers*, which she initiated and has coordinated for many years. This wonderful initiative supports families in our community who may be going through tough times, with meals delivered to ease their load. We appreciate Tamsin's care and dedication to the running of Meal Makers over the years. Tamsin is now looking for someone to take over the coordination role. If you are interested, please call the office and we can pass your contact details on. Thank you also to all the wonderful meal makers, who have made delicious meals to support people they don't even know. Such a special community gesture for others. Thank you Tamsin - we certainly miss your baking around here!



School Donations:

Thank you to all those who have supported our school with paying the school donation this year. We really appreciate this, and rely on these funds to run our budgets and provide the extras we like to provide for our students' learning. We understand times are pretty tough out there and don't want to put pressure on, however if you can help us by paying some, or all of your donation, we would be very grateful.



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Upcoming Dates:

November / Whiringa-ā-rangi	
WEEK 7	
Rāmere / Friday 24th	★ Road Safety Fun Day for Road Patrollers
WEEK 8	
Rātū / Tuesday 28th	★ St Peter's Orientation Day ★ SEH City Athletics at Silverdale for Year 3-6 ★ TAUPIRI SYNDICATE: Dressing The Tree - 9.00am Titoki 6, Rimu 7, Tawa 19 & Puriri 5 - 11.00am Pohutukawa 8, Totara 10 & Horoeke 21 ★ BOT Meeting
Rāapa / Wednesday 29th	★ MAUNGATAUTARI SYNDICATE: Dressing The Tree - 9.00am Karaka 15 & Manuka 16 - 11.00am Miro 13 & Pukatea 14
Rāpare / Thursday 30th	★ GOLF DAY ★ POSTPONEMENT DAY: SEH City Athletics Yr 3-6 at Silverdale
December / Hakihea	
WEEK 8	
Rāmere / Friday 1st	★ PIRONGIA SYNDICATE: Dressing The Tree - 9.00am Nikau 1, Kauri 2 & Kawakawa 3 - 11.00am Matai 11 & Tanekaha 12
WEEK 9	
Rātapu / Sunday 3rd	★ Ninja Valley PTA Fundraiser 9.00am to 10.00am
Rāhina / Monday 4th	★ Life Education - Puberty /Sexuality (Maungatautari)
Rātū / Tuesday 5th	★ Life Education - Puberty /Sexuality (Maungatautari)
Rāapa / Wednesday 6th	★ Life Education - Puberty /Sexuality (Maungatautari) ★ TAUPIRI SYNDICATE - Big Day In
Rāpare / Thursday 7th	★ Life Education - Puberty /Sexuality (Maungatautari) ★ PIRONGIA SYNDICATE - Big Day In ★ Year 6 GRADUATION
Rāmere / Friday 8th	★ PTA Hosted Christmas Carols & Family Picnic - Tamahere Reserve Piazza and stage from 5.00pm onwards
Rātapu / Sunday 10th	★ Weetbix Tryathlon
WEEK 10	
Rāhina / Monday 11th	★ Thank You Parents Morning Tea
Rāapa / Wednesday 13th	★ PRIZE GIVING ASSEMBLY 10.30am to 12.30pm
Rāpare / Thursday 14th	★ MAUNGATAUTARI SYNDICATE - Big Days In/Out
Rāhina / Monday 18th	★ Uniform Free Day ★ LAST DAY OF TERM 4

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Keeping Our Kids Safe in the School Carpark:

We understand that drop-off and pick-up times can be very busy but the safety of our students is our top priority. We wish to remind all our school families that young children are at higher risk as pedestrians in car parks, especially if not supervised by an adult because:

1. *They are still developing their directional hearing and peripheral vision. They are smaller in stature, which makes it difficult for them to see past parked cars. They can be impulsive, unpredictable, easily distracted and have a limited concept of danger.*
2. *They have difficulty judging the speed and distance of oncoming vehicles.*



Please make sure you are absolutely certain where children are, before moving your car and in particular when reversing out of a carpark space,

Thank you for helping us to keep our children safe!

Golf Day 2023

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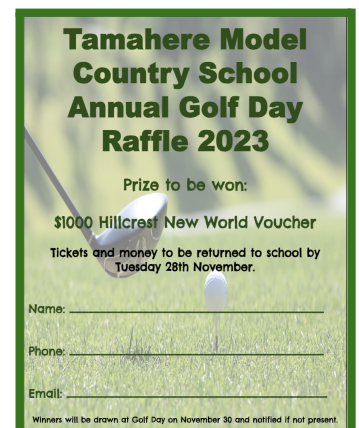
As part of the Golf Day, we have an online auction. The online auction for the Advice 4 Life Tamahere Model Country School Golf Day **IS NOW LIVE** and online bidding has started!!

Please go to <http://www.galabid.com/tamahere23> to login or sign up, and to bid on all the products that have been generously donated by our sponsors. Please share this with friends and family to encourage everyone to bid.



Raffle Tickets:

Thanks to the families who have already sold golf day raffle books. A reminder that there are 10 raffle tickets per family to sell. These are part of the GOLF DAY fundraiser and were sent home last week. You may wish to purchase them yourself or sell them to others. There is an incredible prize to be won, with tickets just \$5 each. **Please return sold or unsold tickets to the school office by next NEXT TUESDAY, 28th November.** Thank you everyone for your support with this.



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2023 TAMAHERE SCHOOL GOLF DAY

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Year 6 Bake Sale Thanks

Thank you for the fantastic support of our Year 6 Bake Sale on Tuesday. Children turned out from across the school with gold coins and hungry tummies to purchase items from the older students. Our Year 6 students, and families, put on a super spread of delicious kai. A huge thank you to everyone for making it such a successful event. \$823.40 was raised.



Thank you for your amazing support!!!!

After School Care Team Vacancy - Permanent/Part Time Position

We are seeking enthusiastic & caring people/persons to join our After School Care Team from the start of 2024, to maintain a safe and happy environment for our students. We are looking for confident and caring supervisors to join our programme, who are comfortable and competent at working with children aged 5 – 13. If you know of someone who would be perfect for this permanent/part time position, please get them to check out the listing on [Seek](#) or on our [school website](#). Applications close next Thursday 30th November at 9.00am.

We're hiring:

After School Care
Team Member 2024

Scan the code to apply on SEEK



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Important End of School Year Information

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMME:

Please see below for the last day of operation of our Before & After School Care Programmes:

- Final **After School Care** for this year will be on Friday 15th December.
- Final **Before School Care** for this year will be on Monday 18th **December**.



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: School finishes on **MONDAY 18TH DECEMBER AT 12.30pm**.

FINAL SCHOOL BUS OF THE YEAR: The last day for the School Bus run this year is Friday 15th December.

GETTING READY FOR 2024: With only a few weeks to go, we are putting many of the final arrangements together for our 2024 organisational arrangements and learning programmes. We will be emailing out a comprehensive final newsletter, with all you need to know to begin the 2024 school year in the final week of school.

PTA EVENTS

Invitation for 2023 PTA Hosted Christmas Picnic & Pizza Order Form

We hope you can join us!!!

If you would like to order pizza, the cost per pizza (size is large) is \$8.00.

Here is the link for Pizza orders:

[Pizza order form - PTA Hosted Christmas Carols, Concert & Picnic - 8 December 2023](#)

All payments need to be made to the Tamahere PTA bank account, 12-3152-0212196-00, no later than Monday, 4th December 2023.

Pizzas will be available for pickup at the venue on the day.



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Friday Treats!!!

Just a reminder that at 2.30pm on Friday afternoons, the PTA sells ice blocks outside Karaka 15 in the Senior School and in the Junior Quad. Please bring your cash or you can purchase a \$10.00 treat card from the school office using Eftpos.



Ninja Valley Fundraiser

There is a Tamahere party at Ninja Valley and you are ALL INVITED! At **9.00am on Sunday 3rd December**, Hamilton's favourite indoor playground is offering a special session for TMCS students, family and friends. **Use the code TMCS10 to get 10% off your tickets**, with a further 20% being donated to the school PTA. Follow this link to purchase your tickets <https://ecom.roller.app/ninjavalley/drayzatamaheremodelcountryschool3dec2023/en/home>. Get in quick before the session fills up!

Mini Family Photo Sessions



C H R I S T M A S M I N I S
T R A D I T I O N A L & W I N T E R
W O N D E R L A N D
SESSION DATES
NOV 4th, 18th & 19th
DEC 2nd & 3rd

When using the code: TAMAHERE15
15% from all sessions booked by Tamahere School Families
will be donated to the school

WWW.EMMAHALEPHOTOGRAPHY.COM

It is time to get festive everybody! A local photographer, Emma Hale, is running mini family photo sessions with Christmas themes over the coming weekends and she is generously donating 15% of her takings to our school PTA.

This is a great way to get in the Christmas spirit, and the prints will make amazing Christmas presents!

Please follow the links below to book - sessions are 18th & 19th November/2nd & 3rd December:

Option 1: Traditional Christmas (black background)
<https://book.usesession.com/s/HKv0eOZVQ>

Option 2: Winter Wonderland
<https://book.usesession.com/s/2DXsdoDuF>

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School Library Happenings for the rest of 2023

WEEK 7...last week for normal issuing

WEEK 8...ALL library books need to be returned by the end of this week

WEEK 9...LIBRARY CLOSED FOR STOCKTAKE

Year 6 2023 Leavers book donation choosing week

WEEK 10.....Christmas holiday issuing week, Monday -Thursday

...Tuesday 12th December - Lunchtime Librarians Shared Lunch



School Library Summer Holiday Issuing in Week 10

The School Library will be open from Monday 11th December to Thursday 14th December to all Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 students, so they can issue books for the summer holidays in Week 10.

- Monday 11th December from 7.30am-3.00pm
- Tuesday 12th December from 7.30am-3.00pm
- Wednesday 13th December from 7.30am-3.00pm
- Thursday 14th December from 7.30am-3.00pm



Students (Yrs 2, 3, 4 & 5) will be allowed to issue up to 15, early chapters or senior fiction books, for reading over the summer holidays. A parent must sign a permission form for issuing over the summer holidays. These are available from the library. I will be available during the above times to help choose books and give advice on what books your child/children might like to read. **STUDENTS MUST BRING A BAG FOR LIBRARY BOOKS**

Read about Research on the 'Summer Slide & Summer Reading':

<https://natlib.govt.nz/schools/reading-engagement/summer-reading/summer-slide-and-summer-reading-research>

Mrs Theresa Kewish
Tamahere School Librarian
tkewish@tamahere.school.nz

SWIM CAPS

Swimming at TMCS started this week. Just a reminder that all swimmers must wear swim caps at the Vela Pool Complex. We have 2 styles available to purchase through the school office - caps printed with the whānau name are \$14.00 each and \$12.00 without (only green left).



You can either send the cash to the office with your child/ren, pay by Eftpos at the office or you can elect to make payment by internet banking. If you would like to pay by internet banking, please make the appropriate payment into the Tamahere Model Country School bank account, and send the proof of payment to reception@tamahere.school.nz. We will then arrange to deliver the swim caps to your child's classrooms.

Helping Families in Need this Christmas

A reminder that Zac S is again collecting items for Families in Need this Christmas. If you are able to help, could you bring in children's christmas presents. (The presents must be new and please do not wrap). We have 2 boxes in the school office for you to pop your donations into for either the *Salvation Army* or Kids in Need Waikato.



Please share a little magic this Christmas and give a gift to a child in need.

Zac would love it if you could help some families in need this Christmas, because he thinks all children should have a happy Christmas. If you have any questions, please ask Zac S from Karaka 15.

The presents will be delivered to *The Salvation Army & Kids In Need Waikato* on Monday 11th December, so please make sure you have dropped off **all presents before 4.00pm by the end of Week 9, Friday 8th December.**

Thank you

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DRESSING OF THE TREE

A reminder that next week, we will walk down to St Stephen's Church for a 'Dressing of the Tree' service, which has been a special tradition of Tamahere School for many years.

The Syndicates will be attending in two sessions due to the numbers of children, as follows:

Taupiri Syndicate (Year 0, 1, & 2) - Tuesday 28th November

- Rooms T6, R7, T19 and P5 will be leaving school at 8.40am for the 9.00am service.
- Rooms P8, T10 and H21 will be leaving school at 10.40am for the 11.00am service.



Maungatautari Syndicate (Year 5 & 6) - Wednesday 29th November

- Rooms K15 and M16 will be leaving school at 8.40am for the 9.00am service.
- Rooms M13 and P14 will be leaving school at 10.40am for the 11.00am service.

Pirongia Syndicate (Year 3 & 4) - Friday 1st December

- Rooms N1, K2 & K3 will be leaving school at 8.40am for the 9.00am service.
- Rooms M11 & T12 will be leaving school at 10.40am for the 11.00am service.

We will need at least 3-4 parent helpers per class. Please approach your classroom teacher, if you are available to help - no preschoolers, please. Your child will need to wear sensible walking shoes (no jandals please) as we are walking from school. Unfortunately, children who do not have suitable footwear will need to stay behind with a buddy class. If you do not wish your child to attend a 'Dressing of the Tree' service, please let your classroom teacher know.

Primary and Intermediate Schools Golf Competition

On Friday 17th November, six Tamahere children competed in the 2023 Primary and Intermediate Schools Competition at Ngahinapouri Golf Club.

It was a very wet and at times windy morning for the players, but with great spirits and enthusiasm they headed onto the golf course for some fun.

Huge congratulations to **Pearse L**, who won the Division 2 competition. His brother, an ex TMCS student, won the Division 1 competition.

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The 'Tamahere Wackers' team of **Ethan B, Kruz P & Monty G** came 3rd in the Ambrose 6-hole team event. **Charlie H and Ewan C** competed in the individual 9-hole competition.

Congratulations to all our golf participants. You were outstanding representatives of our school.



ASSEMBLY

Last Friday, the final **ICAS Certificates** were presented for students who had not been available for the 2 previous presentations. The certificates were presented by our two Principals of the Day.



Our Principals of The Day, **Ella & Abby P** also presented the trophy to Kotuku for being the winning whanau of the athletics.



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Another two of our very talented senior music students, **Sam O & Levi W** performed in front of the entire school, demonstrating and celebrating their musical progress.



PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 6

Kia Maia, Kia Manaaki, Kia Kotahi
Class needs/student voice

<i>NIKAU 1</i>	<i>Bridgette C</i>	<i>TANEKAHA 12</i>	<i>Finn B</i>
<i>KAURI 2</i>	<i>Indie J-M</i>	<i>MIRO 13</i>	<i>Pip O</i>
<i>KAWAKAWA 3</i>	<i>Emily M</i>	<i>PUKATEA 14</i>	<i>Adam D</i>
<i>TITOKI 6</i>	<i>Zoe R</i>	<i>KARAKA 15</i>	<i>Reilly B</i>
<i>RIMU 7</i>	<i>Neve O</i>	<i>MANUKA 16</i>	<i>Nathan L</i>
<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	<i>Ralph W</i>	<i>TAWA 19</i>	<i>Kate N</i>
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	<i>Daphne K</i>	<i>HOROEKA 21</i>	<i>Björn S</i> <i>Opal R</i> <i>Lincoln S</i>
<i>MATAI 11</i>	<i>Donay Z</i>		

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More Photos from the Taupiri Athletics Day to Enjoy!!!



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Community Notices

Hamilton BMX Club Brings You A Day At The Track To:

BE A BMX QUEEN



**WOMAN, LADIES, GIRLS, MUMS,
DAUGHTERS AND EVEN GRANDMAS**

COME TRY BMX

Saturday | 25th Nov | 9am-11am

Morning Tea | Spot Prizes
Hamilton BMX Club, Minogue Park, Forest Lake

Must Bring: Long-sleeve Top, Pants, Covered Shoes
Can Bring: Off Road Bike, Gloves, Helmet
(Available from Club: BMX Bikes, Gloves, Full Face Helmets)



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TERM 4 CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES

with ELENA BRAMBILLA



Enjoy making art during Term 4 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 each session.

PROGRAMME:

- 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
- 10th October: Colour mixing in watercolours and acrylic
- 17th October: Scrape painting
- 24th October: Halloween decorations with pine cones
- 7th November: How to draw and shade 3D shapes
- 14th November: Impressionism - painting your own art piece
- 21st November: Crafting paper animals pen holders
- 28th November: Painting with watercolours
- 5th December: Crafting X-MAS decorations
- 12th December: Mixed media X-MAS card

WHERE:

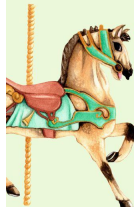
The Painting Place
opposite 50 Thornton Road, Cambridge 3434

PRICE:

- \$ 280 per children for the full course or
- \$35 per children per class
- 20% discount for second sibling
- max 10 children per class
- AGE: 7-12 y.o.

HOW TO BOOK:

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St Stephen's Tamahere Christmas Festival

Friday 1st to Saturday 16th December
10 am - 4 pm, closed Sundays

Twilight market

Saturday 2 December, 4pm-8pm

Carols in the Church

School choirs and local musicians

Monday 4th to Friday 8th Dec
10.30am and 1.30pm

Saturday 9th to Friday 15th Dec 10.30am



Christmas Shop and Refreshments in the Hall



Gifts and decorations
Proceeds to local charities

For the programme, visit the website: www.ChristmasFestival.nz

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