

# TAMAHERE

## MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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

### Wiki/ Week 10 Happenings:

2023 seems to have flown by, but when looking at your children we can see the huge growth they have made in so many ways, physically, academically and socially and looking back, the start of the year does seem a long time ago. This is our penultimate weekly newsletter of the year. Next week we will be sending out our final newsletter sharing all the **information you will need to know for starting 2024**. Please use this document to check all the details about stationery, dates and class structure, plus lots more. It is designed to help everyone feel comfortable and well prepared when returning to school on **Wednesday 31st January 2024**.

Thank you to all those who attended our Prize Giving on Wednesday, which is always a very special occasion. Congratulations to all our award and cup winners. We also recognised all of our students who worked hard this year to be the best they can be - well done everyone!

We have had an exciting Week 10, with our Prize Giving on Wednesday, Big Day In/Out for our Year 5 & 6's yesterday and our Christmas Dress Up Day today. Inka got involved with her summer surfboard as well.



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**UNIFORM FREE DAY MONDAY:** Monday is our last school day for everyone. Year 6 students can have the morning off, as they get prepared for the next step in their lives, but they are very welcome to join us if they wish. Monday will be a **uniform free day and we will be closing at 12.30pm. A reminder that there is no school bus or After School Care operating on Monday. Before School Care will be available if required.**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS:**

We hope you all have the most wonderful Christmas and holiday with your beautiful tamariki, and that you can relax and enjoy being with your whānau over the summer break.

Wishing you all a very happy, safe and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Meri Kirihimete!

*Nga mihi nui.*

*From our Staff and Board*



**GOLF DAY 2023 - FINAL \$\$\$**

The final numbers are in.....and we are thrilled to share that this year's Golf Day raised a grand total of \$25,000.00. **WOW** - this is just amazing and we are so grateful for all the massive hours the organisers committed to make this such a fun and successful fundraising event for our school.

**Upcoming Dates:**

December / Hakihea	
FINAL WEEK	
<i>Rāhina / Monday 18th</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Uniform Free Day</li> <li>★ <b>LAST DAY OF TERM 4 - School Day ends at 12.30pm</b></li> </ul>

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## 2024 TERM DATES:

TERM	START DATE	END DATE
Term 1	Wednesday 31 January 2024	Friday 12 April 2024
Term 2	Monday 29 April 2024	Friday 5 July 2024
Term 3	Monday 22 July 2024	Friday 27 September 2024
Term 4	Monday 14 October 2024	No later than Friday 20 December 2024*

## LOST PROPERTY REMINDER

Misplaced uniform items may have found their way to our lost property room, which is located at the end of the deck behind the school office. If you have items missing, please ensure you check for them on Monday.



## 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>



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## Year 6 Graduation Celebration

As the end of the year draws to a close, we were able to spend a special evening celebrating our Year 6 students, many of whom have been with us since starting as New Entrants. We celebrated with a formal graduation evening. We thank the many helpers, who made this evening a success. Max Brown, an inspirational Olympic canoeist, spoke during the evening, inspiring us to take up challenges and to continue to show our Tamahere values. Congratulations Year 6's on your achievement of graduating from Tamahere Model Country School, as confident, *Can-Do Kids!* As you embark on the exciting journey ahead, remember to call in if you are passing by - we would love to see you.



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**Class of**   
 **2023**  
**Graduate**  
  
**Congratulations!**  


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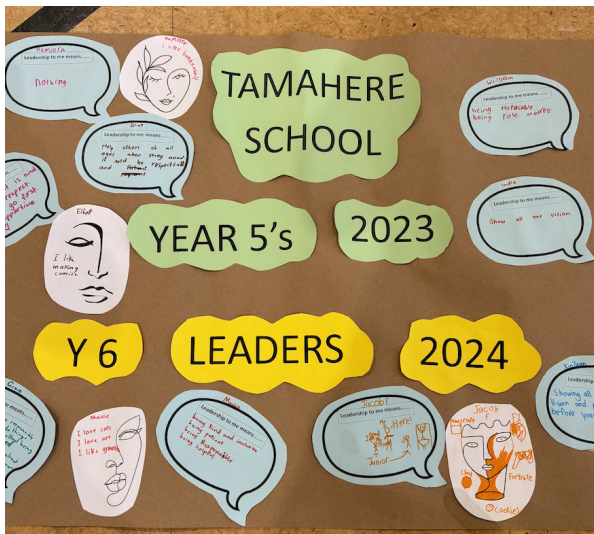
## PTA Hosted Christmas Carols & Family Picnic

Congratulations to our dedicated PTA once again!! What a great Tamahere community evening you created with a very special Community Picnic and Carol Singing evening last Friday. Weren't we so incredibly lucky with the weather. What a wonderful event to lead us into the festive season!



## Year 5 Big Day In / Out

The Year 5's started their day with a leadership morning, run through Waikato Institute For Leadership with Paula Dewar. This programme supported and guided our future leaders for 2024, with their roles and responsibilities. We look forward to Paula working alongside us at the beginning of next year. For the final part of the day and to round off a great year, we had a blast at Ninja Valley!



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## Year 6 Big Day Out

*On Thursday our Year 6 students travelled to Christian Youth Camp (CYC) Ngaruawahia, to participate in a day of camp activities. This was a fantastic opportunity for our Year 6's to challenge themselves, participating in 5 different outdoor activities, which included kayaking, raft building, flying fox, mudslide and swimming. Thank you to all the parent/caregiver helpers, who helped out on the day!*



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## Farewell to Mrs Murphy Curtis & Mrs Goord

As shared in our Week 8 Newsletter, sadly Mrs Murphy-Curtis and Mrs Emma Goord are leaving us. On Wednesday, our entire school took the opportunity to farewell them in a very special and moving assembly. Students created Korowai cloaks, made up of hundreds of leaves. We will miss you both and wish you all the very best for 2024!



## Thank You For Your Generosity! A message from Zac S

Thank you everyone from Tamahere School who donated a gift for the kids this Christmas. **The Salvation Army** and **Kids in Need Waikato** were so happy to receive the boot load of gifts.

Thank You.

Zac S

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## Splash Polo

*In Term Four we had four teams play Splash Polo, the teams were the Sharks, the Marlins, the Seals and the Dolphins. Splash Polo is when you are in the water and you try to score a goal. The game is split into two halves. In total the game is about 15 minutes long. You can only hold or throw the ball with one hand. If you use two hands the other team will get the ball. The only person that is allowed to use two hands for the ball is the goalie who is defending the goal. There is one goalie, two defenders, two midfielders and one attacker.*

*Hannalise S from the Marlins team was awarded most valuable player and Chloe A Y was awarded most valuable player from the Seals. In Division one the Sharks got third place. In third division the Seals came first place and in Division two the Marlins got second place.*

*Everyone who played Splash polo this term enjoyed it.*

*Thank you to the parents who supported the four teams - Donna D, Olive, Cassie, Emma and Adrienne. Thank you to the parents who opened the pool each Friday morning.*

*-Xin Yuan Z*



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**Junior WATER POLO**

**Holiday Program**  
 January 22nd-24th  
 9am-3pm  
 Waterworld

Swim Skills Ball Skills  
 Water Safety Skills  
 Making lots of new friends!

U12 AGES 7-12

To register contact Teresa 027 562 2293

**JOIN THE FUN!** [www.waikatowaterpolo.co.nz](http://www.waikatowaterpolo.co.nz)



**Free Water Polo Clinics**  
 Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>  
 February 2024

Come and join the fun!

**Waikato Water Polo U12**

To book your slot contact  
 Teresa 027 562 2293

**waikato WATERPOLO**

## Yadon's Volunteering Award

**Yadon J** was awarded the Youth Award at the 2023 Volunteer Excellence Awards hosted by Volunteering Waikato.

Yadon has been shadowing his mother at the Tim Tebow Night To Shine Event (now called Shine) since 2019. The event is held for people with mental and/or physical disabilities. In 2022, Yadon volunteered to fill a position by himself and the organisers were so impressed that they invited him to return in 2023. Yadon also assisted the Breast Cancer Research Trust at the IBCPC Dragon Boat Festival held earlier this year and is currently planning a soup outreach for those in need. Yadon won an award for the youngest volunteer ever nominated.



Well done Yadon!!!!!!

## Weetbix TRYathlon

Last Sunday 44 TMCS students completed the Weetbix Tryathlon, held at the University of Waikato. It was a beautiful day and everyone had fun. TMCS won a spot prize of \$300.00 of Rebel Sports gear!!!! Well done to everyone who took part.



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# 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	Hurihia D-W	TANEKAHA 12	Rowan O
KAURI 2	Asher J	MIRO 13	Chloe A-Y
KAWAKAWA 3	Logan R	PUKATEA 14	Elle D
TITOKI 6	Hudson C	KARAKA 15	Emma C
RIMU 7	Leah S	MANUKA 16	Cohen C
POHUTUKAWA 8	Thomas C	TAWA 19	Genevieve M
TOTARA 10	Luka B	HOROEKA 21	Adam C Ava L Björn S



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## Kids Art Works

Thank you so much to all the families who supported our fundraiser by purchasing calendars, diaries, etc. this year. The opportunity for you to enjoy your children's artwork for 2024, also raised \$1511.30.



## Tamahere Tennis Club

Calling for new members or even a new Club Captain. Anyone interested in playing tennis on the school courts over the holidays? Day and time is flexible depending on when we can get a group together.

For more details, please phone Joy on 0204 025 8326.



## Community Notices

The logo for Gymnastic Academy New Zealand features a stylized star with red and blue wings above the text 'GymnasticAcademy New Zealand' and a red laurel wreath.

**AIR TRACK TUMBLE CLASS**  
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A photograph of a young boy in a blue gymnastics leotard giving a thumbs up, and a group of five girls in colorful leotards (orange, blue, yellow, green, red) standing together.

**Term 1** **Monday 12:30-1:15pm.**  
**12th Feb - 8th April**  
*with grade certificate* **\$125**

*Book online at*  
[www.thegymnasticacademy.com](http://www.thegymnasticacademy.com)

Call Marie **0211705426**  
for more information

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