

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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

Wiki/ Week 7 Happenings:

Week Seven already! All of our students/aakonga should be comfortable with their new class routines and learning and teaching in their new classes. So much has been achieved already in a short time. At present our teachers/kaiako are busy with testing and assessments before meeting with you at our Student Centred Learning Conferences next week. Many of these assessments are standardised norm referenced tests that show how our older students in particular, are progressing in relation to all other New Zealand children of their age. These tests give our teachers useful information and a benchmark to work from. Thank you to all those who have already booked your conferences. It will be great if we can achieve 100% communication and support for every child at these learning conferences. The information on how to book in, is repeated further down in this newsletter. Thank you for your support.

WHAKATAU WELCOME

Our Kapa Haka performed with mana on Monday morning to welcome nine new students and their whānau to our school. We welcomed two new families who have recently moved into the Tamahere Community, as well as our latest New Entrant Mid Term Cohort of six students, who join Horopito 20. It was so lovely to have current students welcoming their younger siblings.

*We also officially welcomed our two new Teacher Aides, **Mrs Marie-Claire Nicholson** and **Ms. Ashlea Kowalski**. Some of you may already have met Mrs Nicholson and Ms. Kowalski, as they have been part of our team for a few weeks.*

*We hope you have a very happy and successful time at our school, **Blake H, Hunter H, Liam H, Evie H, Lucy R, Keira R, Juliette M, Finley H, Arlo J-M and Cayde H**, who unfortunately was unable to join the whakatau on his first day, due to illness.*

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CITY CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS:

Earlier today we hosted the City Cluster Swimming Sports, welcoming teams from 7 other schools, Newstead, Matangi, Hillcrest, Marian, Knighton, Tauwhare and Silverdale. Unfortunately the rain didn't hold off quite long enough for us to get through the full programme, but it was wonderful seeing so many whanau supporting and cheering on our competitors! Results will be posted for the 26 TMCS students who represented our school, as well as some photos, in next week's newsletter.



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GRANDPARENTS DAY TOMORROW:

We are all very excited for **Grandparents and Special Friends' Day**. We look forward to seeing everyone tomorrow. We hope you can join us on this very special day. Here is the plan for the day:

9.30am: We will start the day in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC), with some entertainment from our students.

At around 10.30am: We will share morning tea, provided by our Taupiri parents. Thank you in advance!

11.00am: Everyone is invited to walk through the classrooms and enjoy some time with the children.



This will be followed by lunchtime, and everyone is invited to share lunch with their whānau. If you are taking students from the school grounds, we ask that you sign them out please.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR WEEK 8:

- **Wednesday 20th March - 12.30pm pick up!!!**
 - finishing early for the first day of our Term 1 Student Centered Learning Conferences
- **Friday 22nd March - 12:30pm pick up!**
 - Paid Union Meeting (PUM) for all of our teachers



PTA AGM - Next Tuesday 19th March

Our **PTA Annual General Meeting** is **NEXT Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 7.00pm in the Staff Room.**

Please join us to elect the PTA Committee for the year and continue to raise funds for the school and provide fun for the kids. At our PTA meetings we discuss big events, along with ideas for other small fundraisers and ways to improve our school community.



If meetings are not your thing, you can still support our PTA activities. ***If you'd like to be involved with the PTA, or want more information, please email pta@tamahere.school.nz***

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Term 1 Student Centered Learning Conferences - Wednesday 20th **ALERT - 12:30pm pick up!** & Thursday 21st March

Have you booked your Learning Conference for next week?

Our Learning Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews) run from **1.15pm through to 7.03pm on Wednesday 20th March** and from **3.00pm till 5.34pm on Thursday 21st March**.

Normal school hours will resume on Thursday 21st March, with our learning day concluding at the usual time of 2.30pm. Conferences will start after this. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by our early pick up on Wednesday 20th March, at 12.30pm. Our Senior Leadership team and Teacher Aides will be on site to cater for any students not able to be picked up early. Please let your classroom teacher know if this is the case, so we can make sure everyone is safe. After School Care will operate from 2:30pm as per usual and the bus will also be running at the usual time.

How to Book Your Interviews:

Bookings for our upcoming Learning Conferences to be held on Wednesday 20th & Thursday 21st March are now open. Bookings operate on a first in first served basis. We suggest you allow gaps between your different children's interviews to allow time to get from room to room.



Please book your Learning Conference times by clicking on this link: [Student Centered Learning Conference Link](#)

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 at the school office on 856 9238 or reception@tamahere.school.nz.

REMINDER: Teaching day ends at 12.30pm, on Friday 22nd March

A reminder that there is a Paid Union Meeting (PUM) for all of our teachers next Friday 22nd March. Classes will continue as normal in the morning and students may be picked up for a slightly longer weekend from 12.30pm. There will be no formal instruction in the afternoon. If you are unable to arrange an early pick up for your child/ren, please let our school know and we will make sure they are catered for. After School Care and the bus service will be operating as usual, from 2.30pm.



ALERT - another 12:30pm pick up on FRIDAY 22nd MARCH!

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Upcoming Dates:

March / Poutū-te-rangi

WEEK 7

Rāmere /Friday 15th ★ GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

WEEK 8

Rātū /Tuesday 19th ★ PTA Meeting

Rāapa /Wednesday 20th ★ LEARNING CONFERENCES - 12.30pm pick up!

Rāpare /Thursday 21st ★ LEARNING CONFERENCES

Rāmere /Friday 22nd ★ Paid Union Meeting! 12:30pm pick up again please

WEEK 9

Rāhina / Monday 25th ★ TUI RIDGE CAMP - Year 5 & 6

Rātū /Tuesday 26th ★ TUI RIDGE CAMP - Year 5 & 6

Rāapa /Wednesday 27th ★ TUI RIDGE CAMP - Year 5 & 6

Rāmere /Friday 29th ★ GOOD FRIDAY

April / Paenga-whāwhā

WEEK 10

Rāhina / Monday 1st ★ EASTER MONDAY

Rātū /Tuesday 2nd ★ EASTER TUESDAY HOLIDAY

Rāapa /Wednesday 3rd ★ Board Meeting

Rāpare /Thursday 4th ★ Country Cluster Junior Tabloids

Rāhoroi / Saturday 6th ★ PUMPKIN NIGHT

WEEK 11

Rāmere /Friday 12th ★ LAST DAY OF TERM 1

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 6

Kia Maia, Kia Manaaki, Kia Kotahi
Class Choice

NIKAU 1	Tom S	TANEKAHA 12	George R
KAURI 2	James L	MIRO 13	Jack M
KAWAKAWA 3	Tamara D	PUKATEA 14	Dylan H
TITOKI 6	Teacher Absent	KARAKA 15	Phoebe C
RIMU 7	Jack H	MANUKA 16	Ryder S

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<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	<i>Cullen S</i>	<i>MAHOE 17</i>	<i>Levi W</i>
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	<i>Charlie B</i>	<i>TAWA 19</i>	<i>Macy B</i>
<i>MATAI 11</i>	<i>Thomas C</i>	<i>HOROPITO 20</i>	<i>Lucy R</i>



PUMPKIN NIGHT 2024

The Night of the Year is coming up in 3 weeks time - **PUMPKIN NIGHT!** on **Saturday 6th April from 3.00-7.00pm.**

Families are asked to come along and support the event by volunteering their time. This is also a great way to get to know other families in the community.

If you would like to help in anyway, please fill in [this form](#).

THIS WEEK WE ARE FOCUSING ON:

PUMPKIN NIGHT STALL SIGN-UP SHEETS: Please add your name to the stall sign up sheets that are displayed outside each classroom . You only need to volunteer 1 hour of your time. Everything will be provided including very clear instructions to our volunteers. If you have a relative or even an older student, who is keen to help, feel free to add their name too. We really do enjoy having our ex pupils help on the night too.

DONATIONS:

WE ARE COLLECTING...

DRINKS: 500 ml bottles or standard-sized cans of fizzy drinks, water, and juice drinks. Low or zero sugar is also wanted.



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WRAPPED LOLLIES: Wax - wrapped lollies, e.g., Fruit Bursts, Minties or McIntosh's Toffees. These are used to make lolly necklaces.

CHOCOLATE BARS: Small bars of chocolate (NO NUTS PLEASE).

CLOTHING: Good quality label secondhand clothing and accessories. This must all be washed and ready to sell. These can be both ADULT and KIDS clothes.

KIDS BOOKS: Good quality children's and adult's books.

Please bring them to your classroom and the helpers will collect them and give out Whānau points to those who bring items. THANKS SO MUCH EVERYONE!

PUMPKIN STAGE TALENT SHOW:

We already have many students who have signed up to perform at Pumpkin Night, but there is still an opportunity to put your name forward to perform at the Pumpkin Stage Talent Show. Students who would like to do a pre-prepared performance, can add their details to the sign up form at the children's entrance. Alternatively, if you would like to perform on stage, a musical item, dance, trick, etc, please email kellyjvercoe@gmail.com and let her know the following details...

1. Name/s
2. Classroom number
3. How many are in your performance?
4. What are you going to perform? Is it a song, dance, etc?
5. What do you need? Music, instruments, etc?

Tamahere New Entrant Enrolment Tracking:

All families with pre-schoolers and anyone expecting to enrol a child at Tamahere Model Country School for 2025, please ensure that you have added their names to our cradle roll, which greatly assists us with planning for next year.



Please email the school office on reception@tamahere.school.nz

Thank you for your assistance.

Can You Help Us?

LEGO

We are hoping that our school community may have some Lego that is no longer in use, that they are happy to donate to our school. It is very popular with our students and we would love to receive donations of preloved Lego. If you are able to help, please drop off your lego to the school office.



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DRUM KIT WANTED!

Our school has a very active music programme full of talented musicians, including a number of budding drummers. Unfortunately the school drum kit is showing serious signs of wear and tear, such that it is really in need of repair or replacement. If you, or anyone you know, has a drum kit at home that you are looking to move on, the school would love to hear from you! If you can help, please contact the office on reception@tamahere.school.nz



Thank you for your help!

Hockey Registrations

Friday Night Hockey:

Registration closes TOMORROW, 15th of March. Please fill in the google form below, if you want to play:

[Friday Night hockey form](#)

Saturday Hockey:

Registrations are now open for Saturday morning hockey players. Registrations close on Wednesday 20th March. Children in Years 1-6 are able to play. Please fill out the form below:

[Saturday Hockey registration](#)

Thank you!

Ann Marie Copponi



Donations / Tax Rebate:

Just a reminder, that if you wish to make a tax claim on your school donation for the 2022 Tax Year, it needs to be paid before Friday 31st March 2024. If you require a receipt, please email accounts@tamahere.school.nz.

On another note, we welcome our school families to make contact, if you would like to set up an ongoing automatic payment towards school fees and expenses. Please call Lisa Boyd to discuss on 07 856 9238 or you can email accounts@tamahere.school.nz.

Thank you.

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Naming Uniform Items:

With it getting cooler in the morning and children starting to wear their jerseys and jackets to school, now is a great time to check that they are all named, as often the names fade in the wash over time.

Attention Bookroom Parent Helpers!

BookRoom

Laura Grant would like to meet you for a quick meeting in the Junior Bookroom (attached to P8) at **2.40pm on Monday, 18th March**, to go over some tips and tricks on returning our readers back to the right place. We thank you in advance for the time you are volunteering to assist us with this job. Please confirm with your classroom teacher, if you think you are able to help out. Thank you.

COUNTRY CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS:

As promised in last week's Newsletter, here are the results from last Friday's Country Cluster Swimming Sports. Well done to all swimmers that represented TMCS!

FREESTYLE:

7-Year-Old Boys Freestyle		7-Year-Old Girls Freestyle	
1st	Thomas C	1st	Hayley C
4th	Angus T	2nd	Charlotte H
		3rd	Lucie H

8-Year-Old Boys Freestyle		8-Year-Old Girls Freestyle	
2nd	Sam C	2nd	Ayla H
4th	George D	3rd	Amelia J
		4th	Molly v d H

9 Year Old Boys Freestyle		9 Year Old Girls Freestyle	
1st	Dylan H	2nd	Bridgette C
2nd	Benji v d H	4th	Greta C
4th	Anru S		

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10 Year Old Boys Freestyle		10 Year Old Girls Freestyle	
1st	Nico V	1st	Norah G
4th	Isaac S	3rd	Charlotte C

BACKSTROKE:

7-Year-Old Boys Backstroke		7-Year-Old Girls Backstroke	
1st	Thomas C	1st	Hayley C
2nd	Blake E-S	3rd	Madison F
		4th	Lucie H

8-Year-Old Boys Backstroke		8-Year-Old Girls Backstroke	
1st	Benjamin M	2nd	Ayla H
3rd	Freddie M	3rd	Tamara D
		4th	Tori A

9-Year-Old Boys Backstroke		9-Year-Old Girls Backstroke	
1st	Dylan H	1st	Bridgette C
2nd	Elijah D	3rd	Harriet L
4th	Anru S		

10 Year Old Boys Backstroke		10 Year Old Girls Backstroke	
2nd	Nico V	2nd	Olivia A-Y
3rd	Beau J	3rd	Charlotte C
4th	Aynsley B	4th	Norah G

BREASTSTROKE:

7-Year-Old Boys Breaststroke		7-Year-Old Girls Breaststroke	
1st	Thomas C	1st	Hayley C
2nd	Iziah J	2nd	Charlotte H
4th	Angus T	3rd	Evelyn S

8-Year-Old Boys Breaststroke		8-Year-Old Girls Breaststroke	
1st	George D	1st	Jamie J
3rd	Sam C	3rd	Tori A
		4th	Molly v d H

9 Year Old Boys Breaststroke		9 Year Old Girls Breaststroke	
1st	Dylan H	1st	Greta C
3rd	Elijah D		
4th	Lucas E		

10 Year Old Boys Breaststroke		10 Year Old Girls Breaststroke	
1st	Logan L	1st	Norah G
3rd	Skip t B	2nd	Charlotte C
4th	Nico V	3rd	India D

MEDLEY:

9 Year Old Boys Medley	
1st	Dylan H
2nd	Elijah D
3rd	Benji v d H



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10 Year Old Boys Medley		10 Year Old Girls Medley	
1st	Logan L	1st	Norah G
3rd	Nico V	2nd	Charlotte C
4th	Isaac S		

Country Cluster Swimming Sports

Last Friday it was a sunny day and we hosted four schools to compete in the Country Cluster swimming event. Newstead, Seventh-day Adventist, Tauwhare and Matangi arrived promptly at 9:15 excited to compete in the annual event. The four events were freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and medley. Many of our swimmers placed in the top 3 and will now compete in the City Cluster Competition. Some people were even lucky enough to compete in the school relay which was the last race of the day with 7, 8, 9 and 10 year old boys and girls swimming freestyle.

Tamahere won by a country mile!

We all did so well and it was so much fun!

By Chloe, India and Olivia



Concussion Study:



Concussion Recovery Assessment of New Zealanders in Adolescence and Childhood



THE UNIVERSITY OF
WAIKATO
Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato

We are looking for families of children and teenagers (age 5-17 years) who have had a concussion or mild TBI in the last ten days, to take part in a study to find out how long it takes them to recover.

We would like to talk to families up to five times over the 6 months after injury. The interviews can be conducted by phone, on zoom, or in person at a time that suits you. Each participating family will be given a \$20 voucher for each assessment in appreciation of your time.

To find out more, email concussion@waikato.ac.nz, ring 022 015 9773 or facebook.com/craniac.nz.

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Puppet Theatre Workshop – Register Now!

The Puppet Theatre Workshop is specifically designed for 7-12 year olds, spanning six days during the second week of the school holidays in April (22-27th April) at Matangi Community Hall. Each four-hour session immerses participants in the art of puppetry, culminating in a three-hour rehearsal and performance on Saturday, April 27th. Depending on the participants' availability, we would consider including ANZAC Day as part of the workshop. You can watch a short video of our last workshop at Karangahake hall [here](#)

When: 22nd-27th April (9-1pm) / 27th April (10-1pm)

Where: Matangi hall, 478 Tauwhare Road, Matangi

Price: Between \$150-\$250. To be confirmed on April 2nd, depending on successful funding application.

Materials included. Limited spots.

If you think this is something that could be of interest for your child, please send an email to naranjarte@gmail.com, and we will book a spot for your child and send payment details at the beginning of April.



Sarapu Cup Hamilton - Register Now for this Sunday!

The Sarapu Cup Hamilton is a fun, social chess tournament just for kids aged 4 to 18. Open to all kids from complete beginners to experienced players. Lots of great prizes!

When: Sunday, 17th March

Venue: Performing Arts Centre, Berkley Middle School, 26 Berkley Avenue, Hillcrest, Hamilton

Time: 1:00PM - 5:30PM

Cost: \$32 per entry, if prepaid

Format: Pawns, Knights and Rooks Divisions - Three 7 round Swiss tournaments with a time control of 15 minutes for each player. Each game lasts 30 minutes maximum.

CHESS POWER

If you would like more information about the tournament or to register [please click here](#)

2024 TERM DATES:

TERM	START DATE	END DATE
Term 1	Wednesday 31 January 2024	Friday 12 April 2024

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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*

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>



Edventure Holiday Programmes

We are excited to announce that Edventure Hamilton will be back up and running these coming school holidays.

- **Edventure Everyday (themed days)** - 5-13 yr olds - \$50/day
- **Dungeons and Dragons with Lewis** - 9-13 yr olds - \$75/day

Daily activities based at Berkley Middle School, OSCAR available, 8.00am - 5.30pm

Todd is also running a Brand New Camp...

Edventure Young Adventurers Camp 2024 (8-12 year olds), based at Omokoroa's TOP 10 Holiday Park and Thermal Pools (Tenting). Monday 15th April to Friday 19th April
\$650.00 (20 Spaces available)

Please visit www.edventure.co.nz to BOOK NOW



Hamilton Holiday Programmes Term 1

📍 Berkley Normal Middle School
👤 5 to 14 yr olds 🕒 8:00am - 5:30pm

Sat, 13 Apr 2024 to Sun, 28 Apr 2024

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COMMUNITY NEWS



AIR TRACK TUMBLE CLASS
TAMAHERE COUNTRY MODEL SCHOOL

Beginner and advanced classes for all school years



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

Book online at www.thegymnasticacademy.com

Call Marie for more information **0211705426**



TERM 1
SUPER SUMMER SPORTS



TAMAHERE MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL
EVERY THURSDAY 2:40 - 3:40PM

- Cricket
- Rippa Rugby
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Athletics - Jump

BOOK ONLINE AT
KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

Music Lessons
at school

Learn to play guitar, ukulele, piano, drums or sing...


Individual, pair or group lessons

Info and enrol at musichouse.co.nz
Sam Trenwith - 021845888

CLAUDELANDS ROVERS X WFA

SKILLS CENTRE

TERM ONE
19TH FEBRUARY - 8TH APRIL 2024
GALLOWAY PARK, HAMILTON
EVERYONE WELCOME!



6-8 YEAR OLDS 4PM - 5:15PM
9-12 YEAR OLDS 4PM - 5:15PM

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Friday

Kiwi Red
2:45-3:30 PM
\$105

Kiwi Orange
3:30-4:30 PM
\$140

Kiwi Green
4:30-5:30 PM
\$140

kiwi tennis
Tamahere Primary School Coaching Schedule



www.kiwitennis.co.nz
Starts Friday 2nd February for 8 weeks

Tamahere Primary School

Music Lessons

Violin

Ukulele

Recorder

Experienced tutor
Beginner to advanced
Classical, traditional and modern music
Exam preparation or just for fun
Individual lessons \$35/half hour
Small groups possible by arrangement

Chris Gale
chris-gale-m@gmail.com 021 044 2854



HILLCREST UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

Have-A-Go Sessions

Hillcrest United are running "Have-A-Go" Sessions at Jansen Park

Saturday 9th March 2:00pm to 3:00pm
and
Sunday 17th March 2:00pm to 3:00pm

All new and returning players are welcome to head over and have a go at some fun, easy football training activities and games. Bring comfortable shoes or boots and a drink. You don't have to be registered to participate, just show up. Feel free to email secretary@hillcrestunited.co.nz if there are any questions.



CAMBRIDGE FOOTBALL CLUB

BOYS FOOTBALL AGE 9-11

MUSTER

MONDAY MARCH 18TH
JOHN KERKHOFF PARK SENIOR FIELDS

9TH FROM 6:00
ARRIVE 30 MINS PRIOR FOR WARM UP

10/11TH FROM 6:45
ARRIVE 30 MINS PRIOR FOR WARM UP

WWW.CAMBRIDGEFOOTBALL.CO.NZ




HILLCREST UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

Registrations Open

Hillcrest United is a local football club based at Jansen Park providing boys' and girls' football teams for young players from the wider community. Games are played on Saturdays during Terms 2 and 3. Registrations are now open for any player to join. New players are welcome. Details can be found on the home page of the Hillcrest United website (www.hillcrestunited.co.nz) or feel free to email secretary@hillcrestunited.co.nz if there are any questions. Registrations close March 30th.



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