

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Wiki/ Week 9 Happenings:

GOOD FRIDAY, EASTER MONDAY & EASTER TUESDAY HOLIDAY BREAK:

We wish you all a very happy, safe Easter weekend, and time to recuperate with your families ready to get back into a week and a half more mahi/work before the term ends. Just a reminder that all schools will be closed on the Tuesday following Easter Monday as it was written into the Education Act many years ago as a mid-term break and this legislation has never been repealed. We hope this doesn't cause too much inconvenience to you. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school at 8.30am on Wednesday 3rd April. This will be a short week, leading up to our exciting **PUMPKIN NIGHT** on Saturday. We hope you can all be there to enjoy this fun community event. If you are able to help out at all please let the office know or a PTA person, so you can be allocated a job on the night. There is also a form you can fill in later in the newsletter.



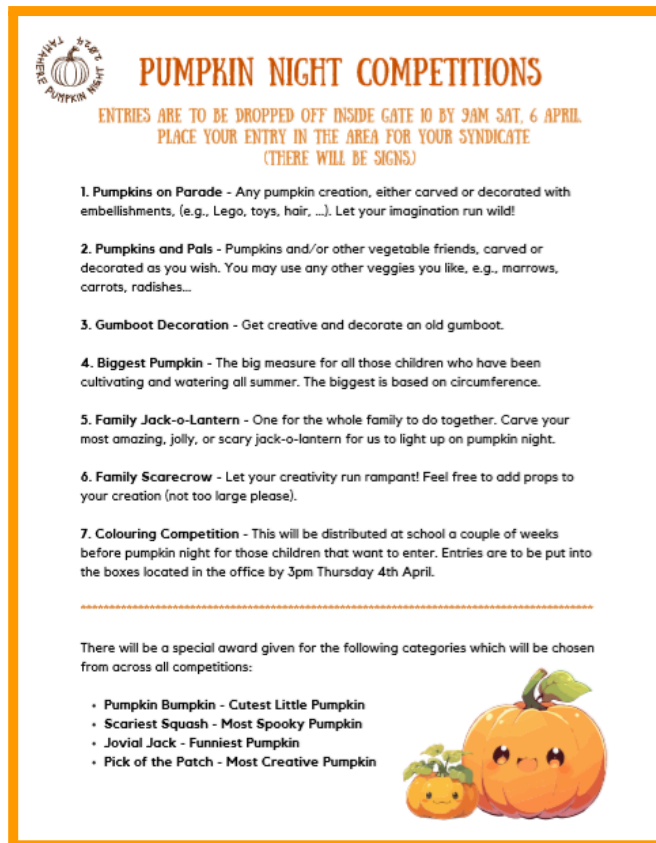
TUI RIDGE CAMP

What a fantastic camp we had this week with our Maungatautari Students. The weather was trying at times, as is expected during autumn but our senior students demonstrated our *kia mai, kia manaaki* and *kia kotahi* vision so well - we were all so very proud of them. A **HUGE thank you** goes to all of the parents helpers and to our teacher organisers, Whaea Maria, Mr Mitchell, Mr Martelli, Mrs Mossop and Miss Visser. We will share more details and photos in next week's Newsletter.



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Pumpkin Night Competitions:




PUMPKIN NIGHT COMPETITIONS

ENTRIES ARE TO BE DROPPED OFF INSIDE GATE 10 BY 9AM SAT. 6 APRIL.
PLACE YOUR ENTRY IN THE AREA FOR YOUR SYNDICATE
(THERE WILL BE SIGNS)

- 1. Pumpkins on Parade** - Any pumpkin creation, either carved or decorated with embellishments, (e.g., Lego, toys, hair, ...). Let your imagination run wild!
- 2. Pumpkins and Pals** - Pumpkins and/or other vegetable friends, carved or decorated as you wish. You may use any other veggies you like, e.g., marrows, carrots, radishes...
- 3. Gumboot Decoration** - Get creative and decorate an old gumboot.
- 4. Biggest Pumpkin** - The big measure for all those children who have been cultivating and watering all summer. The biggest is based on circumference.
- 5. Family Jack-o-Lantern** - One for the whole family to do together. Carve your most amazing, jolly, or scary jack-o-lantern for us to light up on pumpkin night.
- 6. Family Scarecrow** - Let your creativity run rampant! Feel free to add props to your creation (not too large please).
- 7. Colouring Competition** - This will be distributed at school a couple of weeks before pumpkin night for those children that want to enter. Entries are to be put into the boxes located in the office by 3pm Thursday 4th April.

There will be a special award given for the following categories which will be chosen from across all competitions:

- Pumpkin Bumpkin - Cutest Little Pumpkin
- Scariest Squash - Most Spooky Pumpkin
- Jovial Jack - Funniest Pumpkin
- Pick of the Patch - Most Creative Pumpkin




PUMPKIN NIGHT 2024 - Saturday 6th April 3.00 to 7.00pm

ONE WEEK TO GO.....


Thank you for all the wonderful donations to date. It's great to see all the lolly necklaces that are being created by our wonderful parent volunteers and it looks like everyone is starting to clear out their cupboards to support our 'recycled boutique and book stall'.

Please keep the donations coming of:

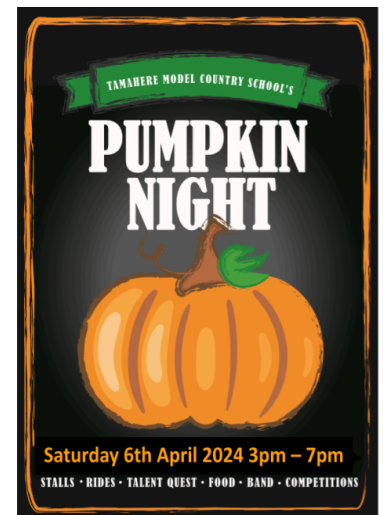
 **Quality branded clothing**

 **Drinks:** 500 ml bottles or standard-sized cans of fizzy drinks, water, and juice drinks. (low or zero sugar is also wanted)

 50-60 gram bars of **chocolate** (NO NUTS PLEASE).

 **Baking** - Cupcakes, fudge/coconut ice (cut into 3x3cm) Email Annette at ahoward@tamahere.school.nz if you are going to bake please.

 **Nerf Guns/bullets**



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Thank you for your help to make this fabulous school event a success. Please bring your donations to your classroom and the helpers will collect them and give out Whānau points to those who bring items.

We URGENTLY require more helpers!!!

If you can give an hour or two, please fill in the forms that are now displayed inside the glass foyer of the office, or fill in this [form](#). Someone will be in contact with you closer to the time.

We also require assistance with:

- ★ Saturday night pack down 7.00-9.00pm
- ★ Sunday morning clean up crew from 10.00am

If you and the whānau are able to help please email: pta@tamahere.school.nz

Some last minute reminders for next week.....

- ★ **Pumpkin competitions** - to be delivered to the back field on Saturday morning by **9:00am**. They will be judged after that.
- ★ **Pumpkin Night Reps** - could you all please be at school by 2.00pm to set up your stalls. All the equipment you will need will be ready for you. The instruction sheets have been sent home to you this week.
- ★ For those making **cupcakes, fudge, coconut ice** or lolly necklaces, could these please be dropped off to the school office on the morning of **Friday 5th April**.



Thank you so much!

The Pumpkin Night Committee

Upcoming Dates:

Another reminder that there is no school for Easter Weekend on:

- **GOOD FRIDAY - Friday 29th March**
- **EASTER MONDAY - Monday 1st April**
- **EASTER HOLIDAY TUESDAY - Tuesday 2nd April**



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March / Poutū-te-rangi	
WEEK 9	
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

IMPORTANT DATES:

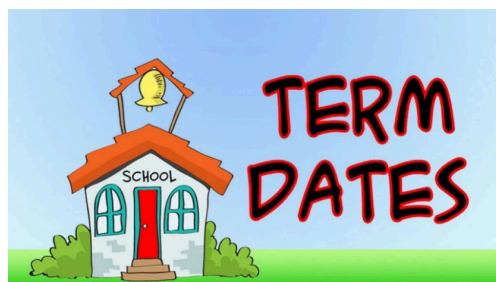
To give you plenty of notice of upcoming disruptions to our regular timetable, here is a date you may want to put into your calendar. We have tried to choose a day that causes the least inconvenience for our families.

- Fieldays Friday - Teacher Only Day - 14th June:** As per previous years with the horrific Fieldays traffic and travel restrictions, we will be having a Teacher Only Day on Friday 14th June, which we hope will help to ease the congestion and frustration for many of you. This day will be part of the Ministry's revised curriculum development schedule. Please mark this date on your calendars. Once again we do apologise for the inconvenience.



TERM DATES

TERM	START DATE	END DATE
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*



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PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 8

*Kia Manaaki
I make good choices*

<i>NIKAU 1</i>	<i>Eira S</i>	<i>TANEKAHA 12</i>	<i>Abbie T</i>
<i>KAURI 2</i>	<i>Lyra N</i>	<i>MIRO 13</i>	<i>Grace J</i>
<i>KAWAKAWA 3</i>	<i>Lauren C</i>	<i>PUKATEA 14</i>	<i>Cobie B</i>
<i>TITOKI 6</i>	<i>Willow T</i>	<i>KARAKA 15</i>	-----
<i>RIMU 7</i>	<i>Adaline W</i>	<i>MANUKA 16</i>	-----
<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	<i>Lucy B</i>	<i>MAHOE 17</i>	<i>Jimmy Z</i>
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	<i>Millie G</i>	<i>TAWA 19</i>	<i>Natalie H</i>
<i>MATAI 11</i>	<i>Sehaj S</i>	<i>HOROPITO 20</i>	<i>Nicholas A</i>



Donations / Tax Rebate:

Just a final reminder, that if you wish to make a tax claim on your school donation for the 2023 Tax Year, it needs to be paid before Sunday 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.

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News from your Waikato District Councillors – March 2024

Let's talk about the Annual Plan and proposed rates rise.

Waikato District Council has deferred its Long Term Plan until next year and is now presenting an “enhanced” Annual Plan 2024/25 to the community instead.

A general rates increase of 13.75% is proposed to meet a range of increased costs including inflation, interest rates, escalating compliance requirements, and asset maintenance costs. This is a no frills budget and will only just allow the Council to continue to provide services at the same levels as previously. We've had to find \$2m in operational efficiencies to keep rates from going higher.

Meet your Councillors (and bring your questions) to one of the Annual Plan meetings in the Ward:

- **Tuesday 2 April, 6.30-7.30pm, Tamahere Community Centre**, 17 Devine Rd, Tamahere, followed by a presentation to the Tamahere Community Committee
- Friday 5 April, 6.30-8pm, Matangi Hall, 478 Tauwhare Rd, Matangi
- Thursday 18 April, 6.30-8pm, Gordonton District Hall, 1024 State Highway 1B, Gordonton

Read more about this and other Ward news on www.crystalbeavis.com – click on “latest news”. See the full 2024/25 Draft Annual Plan Consultation Document and draft general and targeted rates on <https://www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/say-it>.

Contact your Tamahere-Woodlands Councillors:



Crystal Beavis, mob 0275 957 927, email crystal.beavis@waidc.govt.nz

Mike Keir, mob 027 449 3012, email mike.keir@waidc.govt.nz

Safety Improvements around Tamahere School

The Waikato District Alliance is about to begin work around the Tamahere School on an upgraded pedestrian crossing and surrounding safety work.

The work will occur during the school holidays to minimise disruption, starting on Sunday 13th April, with completion scheduled on Sunday 28th April. There may be minor preparation / completion work a week either side of the school holidays if required.



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Work will be carried out between 7.00am to 5.00pm. One night shift will be carried out for road marking and this will be between 7.00pm and 6.00am.

THE WORK WE ARE DOING: (see map below for details of what goes where)

Raised speed tables - We'll be constructing 2 raised tables, one new and one to replace the existing speed hump on Devine Road.

The new asphalt raised table will be in place of the existing 'Kea Crossing' outside the school. This will become a patrolled zebra crossing with Stayput Patrol Arms on either side.

Signage - A series of pedestrian crossing, speed limit, and school signage will be installed.

Road Marking - Red marking on roads to indicate school zone as well as School markings in the traffic lanes.



HOW TO CONTACT US:

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these works please contact **Sumit Mammen (Project Manager) on 027 405 4552.**

Some noise from the work is unavoidable and we aim to keep this to a minimum throughout the work period. Every effort will be made to ensure residents experience minimal inconvenience and disruption.

Yours sincerely

Gary Dela Rue

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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VOLLEYBALL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

When : Tues 23 April & Wed 24 April
Time: 9.00am - 3.00pm each day
Where : Cambridge High School Gym
Cost : \$40 for 1 day or \$70 for 2 days



Volleyball skills, drills, games, and other activities for yr 5 to yr 8 students

Bring your lunch, water bottle, and non marking shoes.
A bake stall will be running (\$2 items) at lunch time.

For info and registration please email :
volleyball@camhigh.school.nz

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