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MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Wiki/ Week 10 Happenings:

SEE YOU TOMORROW AT PUMPKIN NIGHT!!!! - THE FUN STARTS AT 3.00PM



We hope everyone enjoyed their Easter break with friends and whanau and now we have our **PUMPKIN NIGHT** to look forward to this coming **SATURDAY**:

We are really looking forward to seeing everyone on Saturday afternoon. We have fingers and toes crossed that the amazing autumn weather we experienced over the Easter break continues this weekend!

We have some amazing rides and competitions this year, with an Inflatable Course, Horse Rides, Nerf Gun War Zone, Gumboot Throw, Splat The Teacher, , Chocolate Toss, Pumpkin Balloon Pop, Exercise Competition and Ring Toss. We also have stalls selling books, good quality 2nd hand clothing and a large number of stalls selling yummy food items, including gourmet burgers, pizza, popcorn, cupcakes, fudge and more.

A huge thank you to Joey Smith, Sarah Elliott, Annette Howard, Natalie Toohey, Louise Mercer, Fi Julian, Julie Koekemoer,

Rebecca Toon, Tessa Hargreaves, Yan Liang, Sheri DeBoard, Tanya Adams, Kelly Martyn, Freddy Davison, Nicky Lee, Heather Wilson, Mr Wickens and Mr Ball, the Pumpkin Night Class Reps, and the wonderful team who have been working tirelessly to make hundreds of lolly necklaces and organise all the stalls and prizes.

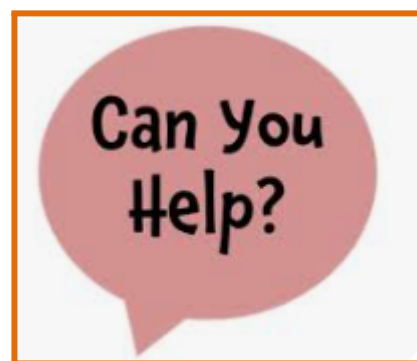
What a great night it will be!

Thank you also to everyone who has signed up to help out on a stall, etc for a short time. The more the merrier!

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LAST MINUTE REQUESTS FOR HELP.....

1. We are on the hunt for a **COUPLE OF SMALL GAZEBOS**. If you are able to let us borrow a gazebo, can you please drop it off to the back field between 9.00am and 10.00am tomorrow morning (Saturday).
2. We are still looking for **assistance with PACKING DOWN on SATURDAY EVENING between 7.00pm & 9.00pm**.
3. We are also looking for **help with a TIDY UP on SUNDAY MORNING from 10.00am**.



We are looking forward to a wonderful evening, with our community coming together to enjoy this special event. Everyone is welcome! There is still time for families to get involved in the list of competitions available and have some fun beforehand also. You can also view the **PUMPKIN NIGHT MAP** to see where each of our exciting pumpkin stalls are located. Please also see the information below for details:

STALLS	PUMPKIN DOLLARS
Chocolate Toss	\$2 for 3 throws
Lollies in a jar / Sandpit Dip	\$1 per guess
Recycled Boutique	Price as marked
Sausage Sizzle	\$3 each
Candyfloss	\$3 each
Pumpkin Balloon Pop	\$2 for 3 throws
Ring Toss	\$2 for 3 throws
Cupcakes	\$2 each
Sweet Stall - Fudge and Lolly Necklaces	\$2 each
Popcorn	\$3 each
Cold Drinks	\$1 small, \$2 medium, \$3 large
Exercise Competition	\$1-\$2 depending on event
Gumboot Throw	\$1 each
Gourmet Burgers	\$8 each
Pumpkin Soup	\$2 each
Nerf Gun War Zone	\$5 per 5 minutes
Crazy Hair, Face Painting, Tattoos	\$3 face, \$2 hair/tattoo
Pizza	\$3 per piece, \$5 for 2 pieces
Splat the Teacher	\$2 for 3 throws
Horse Rides	\$5 per 3 loops

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

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Farewell Mrs Howard

- Special Assembly Thursday 11th April at 1.20pm

Everyone is very welcome to come along and join us for this sad but special occasion.



End of Daylight Savings:

Daylight Saving ends this Sunday 7th April 2024.

Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour!



END OF TERM SAUSAGE SIZZLE REMINDER:

The PTA have organised an end of term sausage sizzle for next Friday. Order forms have already been sent home with students. Please ensure that the order forms and cash are returned to the class teacher before 9.00am on Tuesday 9th April.



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU:

A massive thank you to **Yan Liang**, who has brightened the front counter of our reception area, with her stunning flower arrangements from her home garden.



Upcoming Dates:

April / Paenga-whāwhā	
WEEK 10	
Rāhoroi / Saturday 6th	★ PUMPKIN NIGHT
WEEK 11	
Rāmere /Friday 12th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 1

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **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 any inconvenience.

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Students of Week 9

Kia Kotahi
I listen, share and contribute

<i>NIKAU 1</i>	<i>Knox H</i>	<i>TANEKAHA 12</i>	<i>Sophie S</i>
<i>KAURI 2</i>	<i>Eloise C</i>	<i>MIRO 13</i>	<i>Isaac S</i>
<i>KAWAKAWA 3</i>	<i>Eva O</i>	<i>PUKATEA 14</i>	<i>Georgia S</i>
<i>TITOKI 6</i>	<i>Oliver L</i>	<i>KARAKA 15</i>	<i>Elle D</i>
<i>RIMU 7</i>	<i>Zora S</i>	<i>MANUKA 16</i>	<i>Cecelia H</i>
<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	<i>Damian L</i>	<i>MAHOE 17</i>	<i>Benji v d H</i>
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	<i>Ryley D</i>	<i>TAWA 19</i>	<i>Lima K</i>
<i>MATAI 11</i>	<i>Samuel C</i>	<i>HOROPITO 20</i>	<i>Niam E</i>



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Country Cluster Junior Tabloids

Earlier this week we hosted students from Matangi, Tauwhare, Newstead and 7th Day Adventist School in our annual Country Cluster Junior Tabloids, which involved 250 students participating in 12 fun and challenging activities. It was wonderful to see so many parents, grandparents and friends supporting and cheering on all the children involved.

A huge thank you to **Angela Thomas** from **Prestige Portfolio** who provided the BBQ and her time to cook our tasty sausages. Also a huge thank you once again to Mr Paul Johnson who assisted Angela, coordinating the delivery of over 200 sausages on the day. We really appreciate your support!



We also had amazing help from our 1st Year Student Teachers, who really made the day a great success. Thanks to Shelley Howse and the Taupiri Team for a fun day! Please enjoy the photo gallery below:



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Celebrating Student Success!

Kia mau te wehi, Pearse!

Pearse L recently competed in the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Childrens Athletics Championships held at Porritt Stadium. Despite the wet conditions, Pearse did extremely well in the 9-year-old boys division and nabbed the following results:

Discus - 1st place

Shot put - 1st place

800m - 2nd place



Amazing achievements, Pearse! We are so proud of you.

Tui Ridge Camp

In Week 9, our Year 5 & 6 students left for 3 days of excitement at Tui Ridge Camp. A huge thank you goes to Whaea Maria, Luke Mitchell, Frances Mossop, Charlotte Visser, Josh Martelli and the phenomenal team of parents for all their hard work and fantastic support of our Maungatautari students, who helped to make this camp such a success. These experiences will form lifelong memories for our senior students.



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Giant Swing

Fear flooded through my body. Tiredness struck like a bolt of buzzing lightning. We were about to swing on the scariest activity in Tui Ridge. As we were hiking the treacherous steps of bumpy stone I saw a strip of the sun beaming through the dark green leaves. That meant we had reached the top of the lush green hill. As the cool breeze hit my face a variety of vibrant colors surrounded me and slowly joy rose unnoticed. After some time it was my turn. I got put in a pitch black bag and the second I blinked I found myself lying on my tummy. The enthusiastic children pulled, and I gradually rose to the mystical sky. I had a birds-eye view. It looked like I had grown into a bolshie giant. The lady shouted "PULL!" I pulled the sea blue rope and found myself soaring through the sky. It was like a dream had come true. Slowly I came down. The lady caught me and asked "Where will that go" I replied "In my top 12 memories".

By Omansh M



Tui Ridge 2024

Listening to the instructor. Ready to give the big swing a go. Here I go. Climbing up the stairs, very nervous. They harness me up. My legs slowly leave the ground. All of my group start to run, tugging the rope.

They pull me up off the ground. Now I'm at the top, double the height I thought it would be. Three, two, one, AAAHHHH. I yell, screaming my head off with my arms out like a bird. Wow this is high. I go out over the hill and back down a few times. Slowing down, finally it's nice to be back on the ground. I felt happy. I did it. All my friends clapping and smiling especially Addy. All my group agreed that I was the loudest screamer and I felt proud that I was the loudest screamer. Yay I did.

By Charlotte C

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Tui Ridge 2024

As I slowly approach the massive zipline I feel nervous but also excited.

"Step up" the instructor calls.

My heart is racing. I do what he says. I look down to smiling faces, knowing they have accomplished the zipline. I can't turn back now. Giving me one last boost of confidence - a you can do this. I am now ready '1,2,3' woohoo I did it!

By Addy M



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Year 1 and 2 Netball Skills:

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Year 1 and 2 Netball skills is **all go** for next term!

Thank you to the wonderful parents who have offered their time to make it happen.

If you have popped your name down, see you on the first Friday of Term 2 at 2.30-3.30pm on the courts by the pool.

If it is wet, the session will be in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC).



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