

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu ngatahi

Wiki/ Week 11 Happenings:

FAREWELL MRS HOWARD.....

Earlier today we farewelled our wonderful Deputy Principal, Mrs. Annette Howard in a very special Assembly. Photos and all the details of this sad but special occasion, will be shared in our first newsletter of Term 2. We farewelled Mrs. Howard with a special Korowai cloak made from feathers that each child created, also a pounamu taonga featuring the koru of our logo and representing a new beginning, as well as a twist of friendship and continual bond. Thank you Mrs. Howard for everything you have done to support and guide us along the way. Orini Combined School is very lucky to be getting a person of your calibre. We will miss you enormously. ***Kia pai to haere*** - May your journey be smooth!



Happy Birthday Tamahere Model Country School 140 years old!!!

Our now library, opened for students on 12th May 1884. Next term, in Week 3, on Monday 13th May we will be celebrating this great occasion!

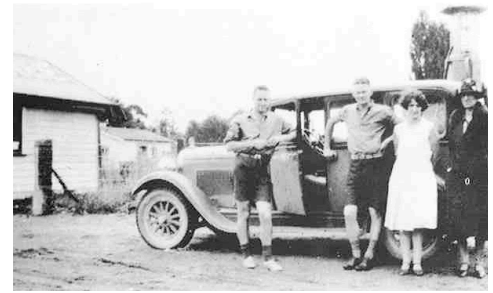
The details are not all finalised as yet but we want to give you some pre-warning that we will be getting **dressed up in clothes suitable for the 1884 era** - so please start looking at pictures and possibly in Op Shops. I'm sure everyone will look fantastic, as we do on our Book Character Days.



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We invite our community and past pupils to join us on this special day for some fun **old fashioned games and activities**. Walk down memory lane with some **folk dancing or a game of knuckle bones**. Maybe you know of someone with a vintage car who could join us.

We will put out more details early next term but please spread the word.



What an AMAZING Pumpkin Night!!!

We really want to thank everyone who was involved in making our 2024 Pumpkin Night such a fun and successful Tamahere Community event!

First up a massive thank you to the 2024 Pumpkin Night organising team, who made it all possible, working tirelessly behind the scenes to make it such a memorable night, not only for our tamariki but our entire school community to enjoy! We are so grateful for - **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.**



We also acknowledge all the **Pumpkin Night & PTA Reps** who organised stalls, along with our wonderful **teaching staff** who oversaw their smooth running on Saturday night!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this very special school event, whether you donated books, quality clothing, lent us your nerf guns, donated lollies, baked yummy cupcakes, threaded lolly necklaces, helped set up on Saturday morning, were involved in the Saturday evening pack down crew, or just turned up on the night.....THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!



Message from the Organising Committee.....

Wow, how lucky we were to strike such a stunning autumn Saturday for our annual Pumpkin Night! The sense of community was strong throughout the entire day. From the early morning arrival of trailers towing enormous pumpkins, to parents arriving for set up, children in tow enthusiastically moving anything not tied down, right through to the stacking of chairs and dismantling of gazebos in the darkness, that immediately followed final announcements. It was

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clearly evident that this is a significant event in the calendar for many. Undoubtedly the event raised valuable funds for our school, and while we cannot share that figure yet, we can safely say that the sense of community and belonging on display on Saturday was priceless.

By 3pm the colouring and Pumpkin Pals creations had all been judged as being of a fantastic standard, with thanks to **Lee Tulloch** from **Li'l Pumpkins**, and **Sarah Peterson** from **RosiePosy** for choosing the winners, and special thanks to **Angela and Russell Thomas, of Thomas Real Estate** for sponsoring prizes. The glorious golden truck from **Normans Transport** provided the perfect platform for Kelly Martyn and Freddy Davison to work their magic, creating a stunning stage setting for our bravest and brightest stars to share their many musical and theatrical talents.

For four fabulous hours, kids ran free clutching their precious Pumpkin Dollars, while tossing up between pony rides, crazy hair, lolly necklaces, evading Mr Mitchell in a Nerf War, being dunked at Mr Wicken's stall, or all of the above. Meanwhile parents and teachers worked tirelessly at the stalls, battling errant candy floss machines, high burger demand, and intricate face painting requests, with the odd mad dash to Four Square! As the evening wound down, the audience on the main field enjoyed the talents of teenage band **Sure Brake**, before the sun set on what many were heard to comment was their best Pumpkin Night yet. We're already dreaming about 2025...

Sarah Elliott

We are still waiting on a few prizes, vouchers and certificates for our Pumpkin Night competition winners, so will share all the details in the 1st newsletter of Term 2. We look forward to sharing all the results!



An event of this magnitude could not happen without the help and support of an enormous number of people and organisations. In addition to our wonderful school staff and parents, we would like to give particular acknowledgement to the following businesses and supporters listed on the following pages:

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- **Angela and Russell Thomas, Thomas Real Estate** - sponsorship of prize vouchers, and inflatable obstacle course
- **Prestige Portfolio Property Brokers** - provision of BBQ trailer
- **Inghams Chicken** - chicken patties for burgers
- **Better Eggs, courtesy of the van der Heyden family** - eggs for burgers
- **Greengrower** - lettuce for burgers
- **Newstead Vets** - sponsorship of pony rides
- **Hurrell Family** - truck contact
- **Cocker Family** - hay for the Nerf war
- **Captain Compost** - hay for stage
- **Ruakura Berry Farm** - donation from ice cream sales
- **Tamahere Lions** - donation from hot chips and hotdog sales
- **Black Dog** - bar leaners
- **St Peter's School, Cambridge** - chairs and tables
- **Paul Johnson from Wai Piiki Fitness** - exercise equipment

Without the generous support from our amazing **PUMPKIN NIGHT SPONSORS & CONTRIBUTORS**, we couldn't have achieved such a special night for our school community. Please make sure you support these local businesses, who so generously got behind our school.



Russell & Angela
THOMAS



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samandhisfarmyardfriends.co.nz



A student's perspective.... **PUMPKIN NIGHT 2024**

My heart beating like a drum, I walked onto stage with my band The Bandits. As I stood there waiting for my band to set up I glanced briefly across the massive, excited audience. "It's our time to shine" I thought as Yasser started the beat of our first song, The Hardest Button to Button. My belly was sloshing with fizzy as I sang and jumped in time to the music. IT WAS BY FAR THE BEST PUMPKIN NIGHT YET!!!!

Lucas E



Is Anyone Missing.....

After the clean up on Saturday night, we found this rather gorgeous little fellow, who was sadly left behind in the dark. If this is yours, please call into the office to collect it.

REMINDER: We're having an End of Term Sausage Sizzle TOMORROW!!!!!!



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!!!!

What an activity-filled, successful learning, and enjoyable term we have had. Our students have worked hard and are ready for a break. We wish all our families/whanau a wonderful two-week break, and hope you all get to enjoy some sun and relaxation. Whether you are staying close to home, enjoying the beautiful outdoors or venturing further afield - keep safe and be happy together.



START OF TERM 2 & WHAKATAU WELCOME:

We look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for another term on Monday 29th April, when we will be welcoming 7 new students and their whānau to our school. Everyone is warmly invited to come along to **our Whakatau** to welcome our new enrolments and their whānau to our school in a special assembly. This will be held at **11.00am on Monday 29th April in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC).**



TERM 1 VISION TICKET WINNING WHANAU:

Congratulations to KOTUKU, the winners of the Term 1 Whānau Vision challenge!!!!!! On Wednesday, all our Kotuku Whānau members were rewarded with not only a hot chippie treat at lunchtime but also Wheels Day.



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Upcoming Dates:

April / Paenga-whāwhā	
WEEK 11	
<i>Rāmere /Friday 12th</i>	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 1
TERM 2	
WEEK 1	
<i>Rāhina / Monday 29th</i>	★ START OF TERM 2 ★ Whakatau Welcome Assembly at 11.00am
May / Haratua	
WEEK 2	
<i>Rātū /Tuesday 7th</i>	★ PTA Meeting at 7.00pm ★ LIT QUIZ
WEEK 3	
<i>Rāhina / Monday 13th</i>	★ 140 Years. Happy Birthday Tamahere Model Country School
WEEK 4 - Road Safety Week	
<i>Rāapa /Wednesday 22nd</i>	★ Pirongia Camp - Yr 4's Camp Raglan Yr 3 EOTC Day 1
<i>Rāpare /Thursday 23rd</i>	★ Pirongia Camp - Yr 4's Camp Raglan Yr 3 EOTC Day 2
<i>Rāmere /Friday 24th</i>	★ Pirongia Camp - Yr 4's Camp Raglan Yr 3 EOTC Day 3 ★ PINK SHIRT DAY
WEEK 5	
<i>Rātū /Tuesday 28th</i>	★ BOT Meeting at 7.00pm
June / Pipiri	
WEEK 6	
<i>Rāhina / Monday 3rd</i>	★ KING'S BIRTHDAY
<i>Rāpare /Thursday 6th</i>	★ TMCS Hosting Regional Chess Power Tournament
WEEK 7	
<i>Rātū /Tuesday 11th</i>	★ Marae Hapu Visits & Activity Day
<i>Rāmere /Friday 14th</i>	★ FIELDAYS FRIDAY - TEACHER ONLY DAY

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WEEK 8	
Rātū /Tuesday 18th	★ Marae Hapu Visits & Activity Day ★ PTA Meeting at 7.00pm
Rāapa /Wednesday 19th	★ Year 3 Tabloids Matangi
Rāpare /Thursday 20th	★ Marae Hapu Visits & Activity Day
WEEK 9	
Rātū /Tuesday 25th	★ BACK UP DAY -Marae Hapu Visits & Activity Day ★ BOT Meeting at 7.00pm
Rāpare /Thursday 27th	★ PJ DAY ★ DISCO
Rāmere /Friday 28th	★ MATARIKI
July / Hōngongoi	
WEEK 10	
Rāmere /Friday 5th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 2

IMPORTANT DATES:

Fieldays Friday - Teacher Only Day - 14th June:

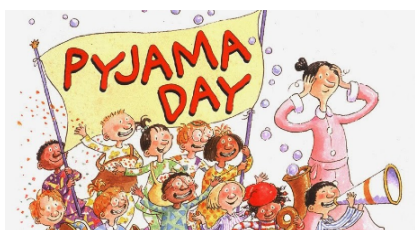
As per previous years with the horrific Fieldays traffic and travel restrictions, we will be having a Teacher Only Day on Friday 14th June, which we hope will help to ease the congestion and frustration for many of you. This day will be part of the Ministry's revised curriculum development schedule.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



PYJAMA DAY NEXT TERM - Thursday 27th June

In Week 9 of Term 2, to support Clothe our Kids – Waikato and the children and families in our community, our children will be able to wear their pyjamas to school and if they have any pyjamas, dressing gowns or other items of clothing they no longer need that are in good used condition, please bring these to donate to this cause, or cash donations are also welcome. A great chance to clear out the cupboards over the school holidays!

Clothe our Kids – Waikato's mission is to provide needy Waikato children with good quality second-hand clothing. By filling this need they can help ensure these children are clothed and warm while helping reduce the financial pressure on their parents. If you want to know more about how you can help, please visit the website www.clotheourkidswaikato.co.nz



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2024 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*

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 10

Kia Maia - I am a responsible risk taker

<i>NIKAU 1</i>	<i>Zara L</i>	<i>TANEKAHA 12</i>	<i>Ben S</i>
<i>KAURI 2</i>	<i>Teacher absent</i>	<i>MIRO 13</i>	<i>Bo L</i>
<i>KAWAKAWA 3</i>	<i>Harry S</i>	<i>PUKATEA 14</i>	<i>William T</i>
<i>TITOKI 6</i>	<i>Lewis M</i>	<i>KARAKA 15</i>	<i>Kate D</i>
<i>RIMU 7</i>	<i>Skye C</i>	<i>MANUKA 16</i>	<i>Logan R</i>
<i>POHUTUKAWA 8</i>	<i>Harriet B</i>	<i>MAHOE 17</i>	<i>Jessica L</i>
<i>TOTARA 10</i>	<i>Brendan M</i>	<i>TAWA 19</i>	<i>Arlo B</i>
<i>MATAI 11</i>	<i>Rowan C</i>	<i>HOROPITO 20</i>	<i>Keira R</i>



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Splash Polo

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On Sunday the 7th of April five Tamahere teams played Splash Polo and did very well in the finals. Three teams came in the top three. Two teams got third and one team got second and the other two teams did very well but just didn't quite make it in the top three. They were close to coming in the top three.



The Tamahere Torpedos were so close to coming 1st in division one but CES Stingrays were just too good and beat them. Tamahere Sharks were playing off for third and fourth and they came third.

A big shout out to the Tamahere MVPS Chloe and Olivia A Y! What an awesome effort!

A huge thank you to our coaches and managers, Donna, Brigit, Olive, Cassie, Sallie, Lucy, and Michael, for training us on Friday mornings and supporting us at our games on Sundays. We appreciated all the parents who opened the pool on early Friday mornings too!

We can't wait for Term four and more Splash Polo!

By Chloe, Addy, Charlotte, Olivia



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ASC Skipping Rope & Cartwheel Champions

Earlier this week, our wonderful ASC Team encouraged students to get involved in a *Skipping Rope Challenge*, as well as a *Cartwheel Challenge*. The results were very impressive, as you can see below:

Skipping Rope Challenge:

1st Place : Maia G - 135 revolutions
2nd Place: Olivia A Y - 125 revolutions
3rd Place: Ivanka N - 80 revolutions
4th Place: Tyler N - 66 resolutions



Cartwheel Challenge:

1st Place : Maia G - 155
2nd Place: Hayley C - 102
3rd Place: Morgan F - 64
4th Place: Ivanka N - 31



Year 1 and 2 Netball Skills:

REMINDER: 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, from 2.30-3.30pm on the courts by the pool. If it is wet, the session will be in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC).



Grassroots Trust Velodrome 10th Anniversary Open Day

Come and join us as part of our much-loved Velodrome Community for our 10th Anniversary Open Day on Saturday April 13th! The Open Day is from 9.00am - midday and Battle of the Schools is on in the afternoon, from midday to 7.00pm.

The gym will remain open to all our regular members but the Track will be CLOSED for our regular riders but open for the Have A Go and Battle of the School riders. We have a variety of FREE experiences on offer, bring the family and give everything a go!

We have Food Trucks - all day! Cy-Co coffee, Sweet n Sassy Southern Ribs, Little Tasty Food Truck (Dumplings) and Donut Express (Donuts and Shaved Ice)

Join us for **FREE** 30 minute Sessions:

- Trike and Track Have a Go's
- Behind the Scenes Tours
- E-Bike with Riverside Adventures

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- Gym Challenges with prizes

To book your Free spot please go to <https://www.velodrome.nz/10th-anniversary-celebrations-april-13-2024/> and email us!

Fun for the kids:

- Prizes to be won throughout the day
- Meet & Greet our NZ Elite Track Cyclists
- Lolly Scramble @ the Open Day
- Face Painting
- Chuck a puck on the track (afternoon)

PLUS, ride your bike to the Velodrome and Enter a prize draw at [BRC Tent!](#) (Bike Parking available)

We can't wait to celebrate with you!

From the team at Grassroots Trust Velodrome

Cambridge Cycling Festival 2024- heaps of fun for the kids!

BICYCLE REVOLUTION Presents
CAMBRIDGE Cycling FESTIVAL

- ★ KIDS' STREET RACES - 10 & UNDER
- ★ DUAL SLALOM OBSTACLE COURSE - ALL AGES
- ★ AWESOME BIG AIR BMX SHOW!
- ★ BATTLE OF THE SCHOOLS RELAY
- ★ ALL COMERS RELAY - ALL AGES (MIN 8 YRS)

ENTER EARLY TO SECURE YOUR FREE T-SHIRT!

AWESOME KIDS' RACING! **BICYCLE REVOLUTION Presents** **BIG AIR TRICKS**

CAMBRIDGE Cycling FESTIVAL

ANZAC DAY, APRIL 25TH, 2024
FROM 11:30AM, VICTORIA ST, CAMBRIDGE

ENTER ONLINE TODAY!

- DUAL SLALOM OBSTACLE COURSE
- ELITE STREET RACES (OLYMPIANS TOO!)
- TEAM RELAYS!
- KIDS' STREET RACES
- HUGH WOTHERSPOON & HIS BIG AIR TRICKS
- FOOD TRUCKS

FIRST 300 WHO REGISTER GET A T-SHIRT!

LOADS OF COOL PRIZES!

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BICYCLE REVOLUTION Presents
CAMBRIDGE Cycling FESTIVAL

BATTLE OF THE SCHOOLS RELAY

ANZAC DAY, APRIL 25TH, 2024

Grab a team of three mates and whip around the **CLOSED** main street of Cambridge as part of the **Cambridge Cycling Festival** in the **Battle of the Schools Relay!**

- 3 LAPS OF 1KM - one lap each!
- NO BIKING EXPERIENCE NEEDED - just a bike & mates!
- OTHER STUFF GOING ON - Aerial BMX displays, Olympians racing, Dual Slalom Obstacle Course, Spot Prizes!

PRIZES! for the speediest team & the best dressed!

\$10 PER PERSON (INCLUDES FREE EVENT TEE!)

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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>



COMMUNITY NOTICES/KIDS CLUBS:

Bricks 4 Kidz
AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME
Tamahere Model Country School

Junior Robotics Level 1:
Combines model building and WeDo "drag and drop" coding to spark interest in STEAM
Fridays 2:30-3:30pm/4:30pm
Location: Puriri 5
\$25 / 1 Hour
\$35 / 2 Hours
First Week FREE

DEVELOPS INFORMATION PROCESSING & PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS

INSPIRES GROWTH MINDSET THROUGH DESIGN & CRITICAL THINKING

SHAPES INNOVATIVE & CREATIVE THINKERS FOR THE FUTURE

Junior Robotics Level 2:
Sensor Programming
Wednesdays 2:30-3:30pm/4:30pm
Location: Puriri 5
\$25 / 1 Hour
\$35 / 2 Hours
First Week FREE

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TAMAHERE COUNTRY MODEL SCHOOL
Beginner and advanced classes for all school years

Term 2 Monday 12:30-1:15pm.
6th May - 1st July
8 weeks with grade certificate **\$115**

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Call Marie for more information **0211705426**

Enrolments Open for Term 2

KIDS MUSICAL THEATRE CLASSES
In Hamilton for 9-12 year Olds

CLASS TIMES
Wednesdays 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm
Gallagher Academy of Performing Arts

Teens & Adults Classes Also Available

www.scothallvoicestudio.co.nz

Cambridge High School Production - 'For Today':

We wanted to let you know that **Cambridge High School** is putting on a School Production called 'For Today'. This is being staged from **Wednesday 1st May - Saturday 4th May**.

'For Today' is a musical based on great kiwi music. It is a feel-good family friendly musical, set in a contemporary New Zealand high school. The show includes romance, action, drama, rugby, singing and dancing all set to a collection of classic songs by some of New Zealand's greatest singers and bands.

Tickets can be purchased via the following link - <http://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2024/may/chs-for-today>

Adult tickets are - \$25.00 and **Students** \$10.00. We also have a SUPER deal - book any **4 Family Members** for only \$60.00, apply the discount at checkout. Visit our Cambridge High School website to find out more information and to see the cast list - <https://www.camhigh.school.nz/production/>

Cambridge High School

FOR TODAY
The Kiwi High School Musical

Script by Hamish Arthur © 2024
1-4 May 2024

Director: Toni Garson
Vocal Director: Jayne Tankerley
Choreographer: Chloe Grace
Band Director: Lisa Norman

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