

TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Nurturing Our Future - Growing Together
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Wiki/ Week 2 Happenings:

Tabloid Sports

We had a great time at our tabloid sports on Friday. Our Year 6 senior leaders really stepped up and did a wonderful job of leading their mixed-age teams from five-year-olds upwards. This is one of the first Leadership activities our Year 6's are involved in for the year. Thanks to all those who were able to join us on this beautiful morning where the clouds protected us from some of the heat. Please see the photo gallery that features later in this newsletter.

Manukura Leaders

We run an extensive student leadership programme at Tamahere Model Country School to provide opportunities for our senior students to develop their leadership skills and build confidence, for when they step out into the next stage of their educational journey and beyond. After their efforts with leading the tabloid teams on Friday our Year 6s went on to impress us with their speeches given at the Manukura Elections on Monday morning. Our new Manukura Leaders will be announced on Friday or early next week.



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MEET THE TEACHERS EVENING - TONIGHT! (Repeat notice)

We welcome all parents and caregivers to our *Meet the Teacher Evening* tonight - Thursday 13th February, from 5.15 pm to 7.00 pm.

We are trialling a new format this year, as we have found that parents want to meet their children's teacher properly, rather than have a presentation. We would love you to introduce yourselves, so please do pop into our classrooms with your children/tamariki, where your teachers will be looking forward to chatting and meeting with you. You may have questions to ask about routines or have information to share that may be useful for the happiness of your child. This is an informal meet-and-greet opportunity where parents can connect with their children's teachers across the school.

We look forward to seeing you at our Meet the Teachers Evening tonight!

FAREWELL FOR MRS COPPONI - Monday 17th February at 9:30 am

We are going to hold a small whakatau for our last few Term One enrolments next Monday morning, followed by a happy celebration/farewell for **Ms Ann Marie Copponi**, thanking her for her many years of involvement and service at Tamahere Model Country School. Everyone is very welcome to come along and celebrate and thank Ann Marie with us. Please just join us in the hall as tangata whenua at 9:30am.



DEFIBRILLATOR

Along with the defibrillator located in the TCC, our school now owns our own Defibrillator which is located in the swimming pool office for the swimming season.



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MAUNGATAUTARI & PIRONGIA SWIMMING SPORTS - WEEK 4

In Week 4, we will be holding our Swimming Sports for all Pirongia and Maungatautari children. We hope you can come along and enjoy supporting your children. All spectators will be based on the uncovered side of the pool, with students under the shade sails, so you may want to bring an umbrella for either rain showers or protection from the sun, depending on the weather.

- ★ 7, 8, 9 & 10 year old Pirongia & Maungatautari children's heats - Monday 24th February, starting at 9.00am.
- ★ Finals will be held on Thursday 27th February, starting at 9.00 am.

Please remember to apply sunblock before children come to school. They will need to be organised with their togs, towel, water bottle and food. Please ensure that children come to school dressed in their togs, with whaanau shirts.

Thank you and we look forward to welcoming you to watch.

Luke Mitchell

lmitchell@tamahere.school.nz



Taupiri Syndicate Swimming Celebration

Tuesday 25th of February 2025.

On Tuesday 25th February, we will celebrate our current swimming learning and the growing abilities of all Taupiri students. In the last week, we have noticed a significant drop in air temperature while at the pool in the morning, therefore we have decided to commence the events from 11.00am. Our swimming celebration will begin with the **Year One classes from 11.00am**, followed by the **Year Two classes from 11.45pm**.

All children will be involved in a variety of non-competitive swimming races, showcasing the skills they are proud of. The purpose of our swimming celebration is to not only share and showcase our students' developing abilities but to model our swimming celebration off the Middle and Senior Syndicate swimming sports. This is to support our juniors in preparation for moving up within the school.

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Our swimming celebration will highlight some of the learning we have been doing at school in large group sessions, focusing on water safety and swim skill basics. We acknowledge that this may differ from what your child is able to do within small group private swimming lessons but we are confident that your child's swimming has developed, and know that they are very excited to share this with you.

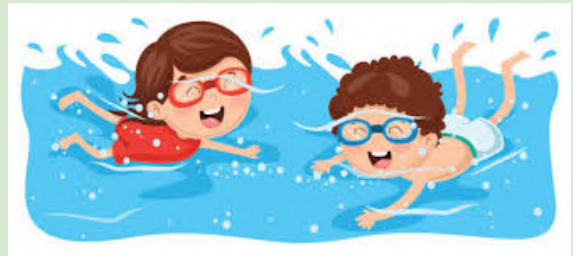
On Tuesday 25th February, please ensure your child has their swimming togs, rash shirt, towel, cap and goggles. We ask that you please ensure your child applies sunscreen before school.

Please note: due to us using the Pumpkin Pool and the shallow end of the big pool, viewing space will be limited. Seating will be provided on the field side of the pool and you will be welcome to see your child after the celebration is complete.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 25th February.

Many thanks

The Taupiri Teachers



TMCS Parent Teacher Association 2025

The school year is now well underway and it was great to see so many new faces at the first PTA meeting. The group of parents present really did reflect the diverse nature of our school community with a number of different nationalities represented! 2024 events and accomplishments were celebrated, and some of the activities planned for 2025 were discussed. Below is a brief description of some areas where the PTA is looking for helpers.



Please indicate your interest on this form <https://forms.gle/5JauqCKqKXnnurVs7>, or by emailing pta@tamahere.school.nz. Next week's newsletter will provide more information on the use of PTA funds.

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SAUSAGE SIZZLES - held at the end of every term, as well as some sports events, Paul is always looking for more helpers. Often on a Friday, from 10.30am-12.30pm.

ICE BLOCK FRIDAYS - every Friday after school, senior students facilitate sales of ice blocks for \$1 (cookies in winter). Liz would love to hear from anyone who may be available to supervise the sales, from 2.25pm - 2.50pm.

BAKING - following a whakatau, baking is provided for new families, generally twice a term. This group also combines to provide an evening meal for the teachers during parent/teacher conferences (1 evening in Term 1 and again in Term 3).

MEAL MAKERS - separate to the 'bakers', this group prepares meals for school families at a time of need. Requests for meals are generally coordinated twice a term.

QUIZ NIGHT - previously a fun and competitive night out, this event has had a hiatus for 2 years but we would love to see it make a comeback! Let us know if you would like to help drive the resurrection of a TMCS Quiz Night.

Ice Block Treat Cards

The PTA sells ice blocks for \$1 after school every Friday, outside Rimu 7, and Karaka 15.

Money raised from the ice blocks is to go towards updating the school vision signs. You can save yourself the hassle of finding gold coins for Friday ice blocks and head to the school office to purchase a treat card for your child. The card is equivalent to 10 ice blocks (or cookies in winter). Put your child's name and class number on it, and their Friday purchase will be marked off each week.



Thanks for your support.

TMCS PTA

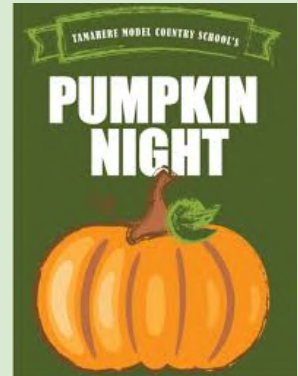
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PUMPKIN NIGHT

- Saturday 5th April from 3.00-7.00pm

Pumpkin Night is a fun filled annual event for the whole Tamahere Community. It is focused on bringing the community together and providing entertainment for everyone. As a major fundraiser for TMCS, the event has lots of food and drinks to buy, along with activities for the family and wonderful live entertainment provided by the kids and local performers.

We need the help of all TMCS families, contributing in various ways - by volunteering to help run a stall for an hour, donating lollies and/or drinks, making fudge to sell and so much more. Helping on your class stall can be a great way to get to know other families in your child's class this year, the school and wider community.



THIS WEEK WE ARE COLLECTING...

WRAPPED LOLLIES:

Please can we have the wax-wrapped lollies delivered to school **THIS WEEK**, as we are hoping that we can have parent helpers assist us with the making of the lolly necklaces in Week 4, while they are enjoying watching their children participate in the Swimming Sports.

A reminder that donated lollies must be wrapped in wax paper, e.g., Fruit Bursts, Minties or Mackintosh's Toffees.



CLOTHING:

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

SOFT TOYS: Good quality 2nd hand soft toys please.

Please bring all items to your classroom, so you can be awarded Whaanau points.

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Planning for this event is already well underway, however all offers of help are gratefully received. So if you are interested in being involved, please email the PTA email address: pta@tamahere.school.nz and someone from the committee will get in touch with you.

The entire event is run by a committee of TMCS parents, volunteering their time and energy to make such a fun event a success. Any offers of help prior to the event, on the day or even cleaning up at the end of the evening, would be fantastic to receive.

THANKS SO MUCH EVERYONE!

HELP WANTED!!!!!!!

Our Caretaker/Property Manager, Mr. Wickens is putting out a request to any parent who is a builder or similar. Due to the pending demolition of Kowhai 4, we have to relocate our cleaners' room. This will involve a job that a tradesperson would probably do in about 2-3 hours. The aim is to make a small room for the cleaners, within the alcove area of the Miro 13 toilets.



Please contact Mr Wickens on 027 950 9546, if you can help.

Thank you!

Upcoming Dates:

February / Hui-tanguru

WEEK 2

Rāpare /Thursday 13th

★ MEET THE TEACHERS EVENING TONIGHT - 5.15pm to 7.00pm

WEEK 3

Rātū /Tuesday 18th

★ BOT MEETING at 6.30pm

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WEEK 4	
Rāhina / Monday 24th	★ PIRONGIA & MAUNGATAUTARI SWIMMING HEATS
Rātū / Tuesday 25th	★ TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATION 11.00am to 12.20pm
Rāapa / Wednesday 26th	★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - Pirongia & Maungatautari Swimming Heats ★ POSSIBLE POSTPONEMENT DAY # 1- TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATION
Rāpare / Thursday 27th	★ SWIMMING SPORTS FINALS
Rāmere / Friday 28th	★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - Swimming Sports Finals ★ POSSIBLE POSTPONEMENT DAY # 2- TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATION
March / Poutū-te-rangi	
WEEK 5	
Rāhina / Monday 3rd	★ TRYATHLON - SPLASH & DASH
Rātū / Tuesday 4th	★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - Tryathlon Splash & Dash
Rāpare / Thursday 6th	★ COUNTRY CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS - hosted by TMCS
WEEK 6	
Rātū / Tuesday 11th	★ SOUTH EAST HAMILTON COUNTRY CLUSTER TABLOIDS - 10.00am to 11.45am ★ PTA AGM MEETING AT 7.00pm - in the staffroom
Rāapa / Wednesday 12th	★ T.B.C - CITY CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS - hosted by TMCS
Rāpare / Thursday 13th	★ T.B.C - CITY CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS - hosted by TMCS
WEEK 7	
Rātū / Tuesday 18th	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP A - Year 5 & 6
Rāapa / Wednesday 19th	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP A - Year 5 & 6
Rāpare / Thursday 20th	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP A - Year 5 & 6
Rāmere / Friday 21st	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP A - Year 5 & 6
WEEK 8	
Rāhina / Monday 24th	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP B - Year 5 & 6
Rātū / Tuesday 25th	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP B - Year 5 & 6
Rāapa / Wednesday 26th	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP B - Year 5 & 6
Rāpare / Thursday 27th	★ WAIHI BEACH CAMP B - Year 5 & 6
WEEK 9	
Rāhina / Monday 31st	★ TEACHER ONLY DAY
April / Paenga-whāwhā	
Rāapa / Wednesday 2nd	★ LEARNING CONFERENCES
Rāpare / Thursday 3rd	★ LEARNING CONFERENCES
Rahoroi / Saturday 5th	★ PUMPKIN NIGHT
WEEK 10	
Rātū / Tuesday 8th	★ BOT MEETING at 6.30pm
Rāmere / Friday 11th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 1

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PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

STUDENTS OF WEEK 1

Kia Maia, Kia Manaaki, Kia Kotahi
I am kind and inclusive

NIKAU 1	Oliver L	TANEKAHA 12	Mikaere K-C
KAURI 2	Claire J	MIRO 13	Flynn H
KAWAKAWA 3	Emily R	PUKATEA 14	Gabz H
RIMU 7	Harry H	KARAKA 15	Max K
POHUTUKAWA 8	Annabelle N	MANUKA 16	Grace J
RATA 9	Keira R	MAHOE 17	Olivia L
TOTARA 10	Brooke S	TAWA 19	Caden C
MATAI 11	Harriet B	HOROPITO 20	Hudson Y



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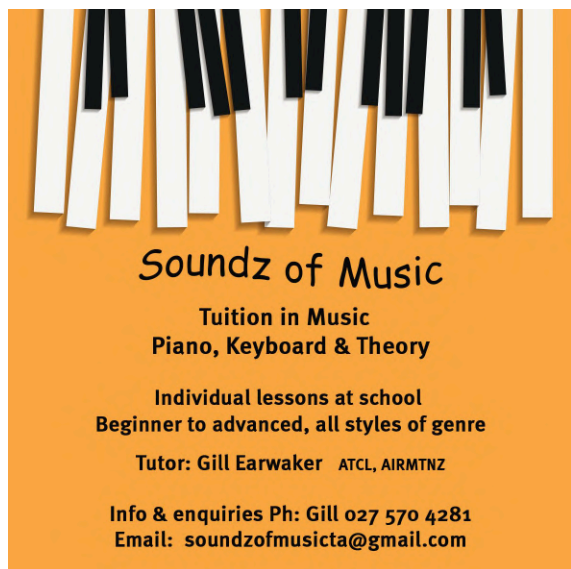
Whaanau Tabloids Photo Gallery - Friday 7th February



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KIDS CLUBS INFORMATION

All children at our school can get involved in our Kids Clubs activities. Please contact the providers directly, if you would like to find out more or register your child. Different activities are designed for different age groups and the timings vary, with music lessons and gymnastics available during school hours and others on offer after school hours.



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WHERE: Tamahere Hall
 TIME: Mon 12:30-1:15pm.
 WHEN: 10th Feb - 31st March.

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 book online at www.gymschool.nz



KELLY SPORTS

SUMMER SPORTS SPECTACULAR
 SUMMER SPORTS IN TERM 1

Our summer sports programme focuses on developing your fundamental sporting abilities, so if your child is a budding superstar or looking to ignite a sporting passion we have something to offer, with our fun and inclusive programmes.



INFORMATION FOR PARENTS | **MULTI-SPORT PROGRAMME**

This term we will focus on the following sports:

- Cricket
- Football
- Ultimate Frisbee

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

Programmes run weekly - once a week for one hour and are designed for Year 0-4 students (Years 5-6 are also welcome)

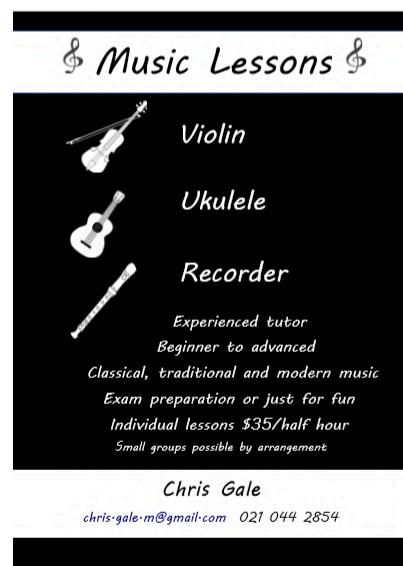
- Rototuna Primary School – Monday's at 3:10pm meet at the undercover court
- Hukanui School – Tuesday's at 3:10pm meet on the field
- Te Kowhai School – Wednesday's at 3:10pm meet at the court
- Tamahere School – Thursday's at 2:40pm meet at the TCC building

\$90 FOR 6 WEEKS

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Battle of the Schools

The team at the Grassroots Trust Velodrome is thrilled to be holding the Battle of the Schools event for 2025! If your child is interested in a fun and challenging 6-week course on a world-class velodrome, please [CLICK HERE](#) to head to the website and download the information pack for all the details.



Battle of the Schools 2025

WHAT is BOTS?

Six weeks of training with friends on a world class velodrome
Team Sprint Event
Track cycling, food trucks, music and prizes
\$100 entry cost

WHO can enter?

Anyone at school aged 10+
Both accredited and non-accredited riders welcome

WHEN is the event?

Training Starts: 2nd March
Race Day: 12th April
Entries Close: 21st February

HOW to enter

Enter your team via our website
www.velodrome.nz
grassroots Velodrome

PLUS VENDOR STALLS

2025 Waipa Fun Run Schools Challenge

The Independent Traffic Control Waipa Fun Run is back on Sunday, 9th March 2025. Registrations for the 2km School Challenge are online. Please go to <https://www.waipafunrun.co.nz/shop/> to enter.

Schools with 10 or more competitors go into the draw to win \$500 for their school. The 2km School Challenge is for Year 3-8 students with categories for Year 3-4, Year 5-6 and Year 7-8. The cost to enter is \$10.00.

SCHOOLS CHALLENGE

SUNDAY 09 MARCH 2025

MAJOR SPOT PRIZE DRAW
\$500

WHERE AND WHEN

Victoria Square, Cambridge
10.00am - warm up
Events starting:
10.30am - Year 7-8
10.40am - Year 5-6
10.50am - Year 3-4

ENTRIES

Three sections:
1. Year 3-4 2. Year 5-6 3. Year 7-8
School Teams - first four runners over the line
Teams will be taken to the starting line in race order.

PRIZES

\$500 MAJOR SPOT PRIZE
All schools with 10 or more entries will go in the draw
Prizes
- Podium Certificates for each 1st, 2nd and 3rd Boys and Girls in each section
- Medal Certificates and prizes for each 1st, 2nd and 3rd school team in each section

www.waipafunrun.co.nz

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Singing Lessons With Emma Coley

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8 Weeks of FUN!

TT Kidz (NZ) gives children aged 6-11 a great first experience in table tennis.

REGISTER NOW!



TT Kidz - Waikato

Venue: Waikato Table Tennis Stadium, Edgecumbe Park, Edgecumbe Street, Whitoria, Hamilton, 3200

Start Date: Saturday, starting 15th February 2025

Time: 10am to 11am

Cost: \$100 (new participant) or \$60 returning participant (Already have equipment pack)

Equipment pack included!
T-shirt, Bag, Bat and balls.



www.tabletennis.org.nz/tt-kidz

Enrolments Open for 2025

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