## **TAMAHERE**

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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#### Wiki/ Week 3 Happenings:

#### MEET THE TEACHER EVENING - we want your feedback:

It was lovely to see so many parents and whaanau wandering around the school last Thursday meeting their new classroom teachers. Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who were able to make it along and drop into our relaxed new format of drop in kanohi ki te kanohi/face-to-face meetings over the 5.15pm - 7.00pm timeslot. We hope this was a worthwhile evening for you. Our teachers really enjoyed having a chance to chat with new parents in their classes. We would love to hear your feedback on how you felt it went for you.



how you felt it went for you. Please share your thoughts by completing our short **Meet The Teacher Review Survey**.

#### **WHAKATAU WELCOME:**

On Monday, we welcomed two new students & ten School of Education Grad Students to our school. Once again our Kapa Haka Roopu, produced a powerful Haka.

We hope you all have a very happy and successful time at our school/kura, Simrath K, Isla D, Miss Spanbroek, Mr Crooymans, Miss Khan, Miss Agenbag, Miss Chen, Miss Stoddart, Miss

Frood, Mr Wharton, Miss Fookes and Miss Madden.













#### **FAREWELL FOR MS COPPONI:**

We held a very special farewell assembly for Ms Ann Marie Copponi following our whakatau Assembly on Monday. This was a lovely event where everyone participated with school-wide waiata and singing. Kapa Haka Performance, Year 4 & 5 Time Warp performance from last year's production. Many students wrote and presented speeches of thanks. We also gave Ann Marie a very special



korowai/cloak made with feathers decorated by children across the school, a few crunchie (chocolate) lei, a beautiful picture of Mt Pirongia and some diet coke. Liz Donovan spoke on behalf of the Board and past and present staff also paid tribute. Ann Marie and her partner Gerry were farewelled through a guard of honour made up of all the students Ann Marie had taught. We finished with a staff morning tea and were able to thank and farewell Ann Marie in a final relaxed space. Ann Marie really enjoyed and appreciated her special farewell. Thank you for everything Ann Marie, we wish you well with your new position supporting second language speakers at Rototuna Junior High School.







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### **Upcoming Dates:**

February / Hui-tanguru				
	WEEK 4			
Rāhina / Monday 24th	★ PIRONGIA & MAUNGATAUTARI SWIMMING HEATS			
	★ TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATION 11.00am to			
Rātū /Tuesday 25th	12.20pm			
	★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - Pirongia & Maungatautari			
Rāapa /Wednesday 26th	Swimming Heats			
	<b>★</b> POSSIBLE POSTPONEMENT DAY # 1- TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATION			
Rāpare /Thursday 27th	★ SWIMMING SPORTS FINALS			
Rupure / mursuay 27 th	<b>★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - Swimming Sports Finals</b>			
Rāmere /Friday 28th	★ POSSIBLE POSTPONEMENT DAY # 2- TAUPIRI			
	SWIMMING CELEBRATION			
Ma	rch / 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			
Traparo, maroua, car	TMCS			
	WEEK 6			
Rātū /Tuesday 11th	★ SOUTH EAST HAMILTON COUNTRY CLUSTER TABLOIDS - 10.00am to 11.45am			
Kutu/Tuesuay TTuT	★ PTA MEETING AT 7.00pm			
Rāpare /Thursday 13th	★ CITY CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS - hosted by TMCS			
WEEK 7				
Rātū /Tuesday 18th				
Rāapa /Wednesday 19th	★ MAUNGATAUTARI WAIHI BEACH CAMP A - Karaka 15,			
Rāpare /Thursday 20th	Miro 13 and Manuka 16 Y5 Boys and Y6 Girls.			
Rāmere /Friday 21st				
	WEEK 8			
Rāhina / Monday 24th				
Rātū /Tuesday 25th	★ MAUNGATAUTARI WAIHI BEACH CAMP B - Pukatea 14,			
Rāapa /Wednesday 26th	Mahoe 17, and Manuka 16 Y6 Boys and Y5 Girls.			
Rāpare /Thursday 27th				
WEEK 9				
Rāhina / Monday 31st	★ TEACHER ONLY DAY - Ministry Day, Mathematics and Statistics.			
April / Paenga-whāwhā				
Rāapa /Wednesday 2nd	★ LEARNING CONFERENCES			
Rāpare /Thursday 3rd	★ LEARNING CONFERENCES			
Rahoroi /Saturday 5th	★ PUMPKIN NIGHT			

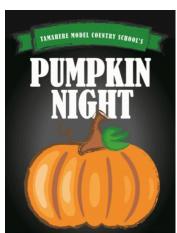
WEEK 10		
Rātū /Tuesday 8th ★ BOT MEETING at 6.30pm		
Rāmere /Friday 11th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 1	

#### Teacher Only Day Term 2:-

A reminder about our Hillcrest Kahui Ako Teacher-only day being held on 30th May for all schools in our area including the Middle Schools and Hillcrest High School.



#### **PUMPKIN NIGHT 2025 - Week 3 Update**



# PUMPKIN NIGHT - Saturday 5th April from 3.00-7.00pm

Pumpkin Night is an annual event for the Tamahere Community. It is focused on FUN and bringing the community together. We do raise funds and the event has lots of food and drinks to buy, along with activities for the family. **PUMPKIN NIGHT** is coming up very soon at the end of Week 9, on Saturday 5th April from 3.00 -7.00 pm.

We need all families to contribute in some way by volunteering to help run a stall, provide lollies, drinks, making fudge, baking and cupcakes to sell and

so much more. 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.

#### **PUMPKIN STAGE TALENT SHOW:**

Pumpkin Night is coming up fast and we will have a stage available for students who would like to do a pre prepared performance. If your child would like to perform on stage, a musical item, dance, trick, etc and they haven't brought home the permission slip for you to complete, please ask them to go to the children's entrance at the office to collect the form. Forms must be returned before 9.00am on Friday 27th March.



#### THIS WEEK WE WILL BE COLLECTING...

We will be collecting donated items to use as prizes and supplies in the lead up to Pumpkin Night and this coming week our focus is on collecting:

• WRAPPED LOLLIES: Must be wrapped in wax paper, e.g., Fruit Bursts, Minties or McIntosh's Toffees.

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

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

#### THANKS SO MUCH EVERYONE!

#### MESSAGE FOR ST PETER'S SWIM SCHOOL FAMILIES

This is a reminder to our families whose children attend St Peter's Swim School lessons after school in the Vela Pool. Although we are a dog friendly school, our Health & Safety policies require that NO PETS are permitted to enter the Vela Pool Complex.



Waikato/Bay of Plenty Schools Cross-Country Mountain Biking Champs

Te Miro Mountain Bike Club is hosting the Waikato/Bay of Plenty cross country mountain biking champs on Wednesday 12th of March 2025. **This event is open to all Year 5 and 6 students**. Before reading on, please know that parents are 100% responsible for transporting children to the event and looking after them there - there will be no teachers at the event. Te Miro Mountain Bike Club also asks that each school provide a volunteer marshall for the event if we have more than 3 competitors.

There are individual races (a separate Year 5 and Year 6 race) for male and female, and a team relay race. Relay teams consist of three riders, all of whom must have competed in the individual race and go to the same school. There are male, female and mixed rider relay categories. The relay race will include children aged between year 5 and year 8 in the same race.

For the individual race, the entry fee is \$25 per person. The relay costs \$30 per team.

Registration opens at 8.00am on the day. The briefing is at 9.00am and the year 5 and 6 races are first. The relays aren't scheduled to start until 1.50pm.

The course is around 3 km long and predominantly a Grade 2 track, suitable for inexperienced riders. Year 5s and 6s complete two laps.

Students can wear their Tamahere sports shirt and provide their own biking equipment. This includes a correctly fitted helmet, covered shoes and bikes with front and rear brakes in good working order and suitable tyres.

Further information about the day will be communicated. If you have any questions, please email <a href="mailto:imartelli@tamahere.school.nz">imartelli@tamahere.school.nz</a>.

If you are keen to register, please complete this <u>form</u> by Friday 28th February.

The relay race can be coordinated once this form is completed.

## MAUNGATAUTARI (Yr 5 & 6) & PIRONGIA (Yr 3 & 4) SWIMMING SPORTS HEATS - Monday 24th February

Next week we are 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 swimming togs, towel, swim caps, goggles, water bottle and food. Please ensure that children come to school dressed in their togs, with clearly named whaanau shirts, plus sunhats and plenty of warm layers.

Here is the Programme of Events for the Pirongia/Maungatautari SWIMMING SPORT HEATS on Monday, 24th February 2025. If required, the postponement day is Wednesday 26th February.

#### Heats (Start at 9:00am approximately)

	•	 • •
1	7 year old boys	25m freestyle
2	7 year old girls	25m freestyle
3	8 year old boys	25m freestyle
4	8 year old girls	25m freestyle
5	9 year old boys	25m freestyle
6	9 year old girls	25m freestyle
7	10+ year old boys	25m freestyle
8	10+ year old girls	25m freestyle



9	7 year old boys	25m backstroke
10	7 year old girls	25m backstroke
11	8 year old boys	25m backstroke
12	8 year old girls	25m backstroke
13	9 year old boys	25m backstroke
14	9 year old girls	25m backstroke
15	10+ year old boys	25m backstroke
16	10+ year old girls	25m backstroke

17	7 year old boys	25m breaststroke
18	7 year old girls	25m breaststroke
19	8 year old boys	25m breaststroke
20	8 year old girls	25m breaststroke
21	9 year old boys	25m breaststroke
22	9 year old girls	25m breaststroke
23	10+ year old boys	25m breaststroke
24	10+ year old girls	25m breaststroke

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

Luke Mitchell
<a href="mailto:lmitchell@tamahere.school.nz">lmitchell@tamahere.school.nz</a>

#### **TAUPIRI SWIMMING CELEBRATIONS - NEXT TUESDAY**

# Taupiri Syndicate (Years 1 & 2) Swimming Celebration - Tuesday 25th February

Next Tuesday, 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.

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



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has developed, and know that they are very excited to share this with you.

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 next Tuesday 25th February.

Many thanks

The Taupiri Teachers



## Programme of Events: Thursday 27th February Maungatautari & Pirongia SWIMMING SPORTS FINALS

Here is the Programme of events for our **SWIMMING SPORTS FINALS** to be held at Vela Pool Complex next **Thursday, 27th February 2025.** If required, the postponement day is the following day, Friday 28th February.

Please be aware that the Swimming Sports Finals are for our Maungatautari (Year 5 & 6) and Pirongia (Year 3 & 4) students aged 7 and above only. If your child is in the Taupiri Syndicate, even if they are 7 years old, they are not involved in our finals day.

#### Finals (Start at 9:00am approximately)

1	7 year old boys	25m freestyle
2	7 year old girls	25m freestyle
3	8 year old boys	25m freestyle
4	8 year old girls	25m freestyle
5	9 year old boys	25m freestyle
6	9 year old girls	25m freestyle
7	10+ year old boys	25m freestyle
8	10+ year old girls	25m freestyle
9	7 year old boys	25m backstroke
10	7 year old girls	25m backstroke

10 7 year old girls11 8 year old boys



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25m backstroke

12	8 year old girls	25m backstroke
13	9 year old boys	25m backstroke
14	9 year old girls	25m backstroke
15	10+ year old boys	25m backstroke
16	10+ year old girls	25m backstroke
17	7 year old boys	25m breaststroke
18	7 year old girls	25m breaststroke
19	8 year old boys	25m breaststroke
20	8 year old girls	25m breaststroke
21	9 year old boys	25m breaststroke
22	9 year old girls	25m breaststroke
23	10+ year old boys	25m breaststroke
24	10+ year old girls	25m breaststroke
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25	8 year old boys	3x25m Medley (timed final)
26	8 year old girls	3x25m Medley (timed final)
27	9 year old boys	3x25m Medley (timed final)
28	9 year old girls	3x25m Medley (timed final)
29	10+ year old boys	3x25m Medley (timed final)
30	10+ year old girls	3x25m Medley (timed final)

## TMCS Tryathlon Week 5 - Monday 3rd March

We are looking forward to getting outside in the fresh air and sunshine - fingers crossed - for our annual School Tryathlon on Monday 3rd March, at the beginning of Week 5. We hope you can come along and enjoy supporting your children in this fun event.

A reminder that it is a great idea to have something distinctive on your bikes, for easy identification mid race. Once we are underway, we ask all spectators not helping out as marshalls, to remain in the designated areas, for the safety of everyone.

Each syndicate will be competing during a different block of the school day. Please see the outline below, to get a better idea of the plan for the day.

#### CHILDREN WILL NEED:

Whaanau shirt, running shoes, togs and towel, swimming cap, bike and helmet. Please make sure all belongings are named. Please also ensure your child has plenty of food and water. If you do not have these items, please see your class teacher and they will help to organise the appropriate gear for your child. Sunblock will be available, however students will be asked to wear sunblock to school and to reapply during the day.

Bikes and helmets are to be placed in the following designated areas on the Monday morning.

Maungatautari = on the Reserve

**Pirongia** = on the tennis courts

**Taupiri** = A separate notice for the 'Splash and Dash' can be found below

NB: Every Pirongia and Maungatautari competitor **MUST BE WEARING SHOES!** All cyclists **MUST WEAR A HELMET**.

#### Outline of the day and races:

Please note that all times are approximate.

8.45am - Welcome

9.00am - Races begin with Maungatautari

- Year 6 Girls individual
- Year 6 Boys individual
- Year 5 Girls individual
- Year 5 Boys individual

10.00am - Morning tea (flexible timing - when finished)

10.15am - Races continue with Pirongia

- Year 4 Girls individual
- Year 4 Boys individual
- Year 3 Girls individual
- Year 3 Boys individual

#### ARE YOU AVAILABLE TO HELP MARSHALL STUDENTS:

We are seeking parents' support to marshall students on the course. If you are able to support with the Maungatautari and Pirongia Tryathlon or Taupiri Dash and Splash events, could you please email Josh <u>imartelli@tamahere.school.nz</u>

If you have any questions please email Josh Martelli <u>jmartelli@tamahere.school.nz</u>

## Taupiri 'Dash and Splash'

This year our event is to be held on Monday the 3rd of March from 11.30am.

These are approximate timings as both Maungatautari and Pirongia Syndicates are before us.

The order is:

- ★ Year 2 Girls
- ★ Year 2 Boys
- \* Year 1 Girls
- ★ Year 1 Boys



The children are all very positive and enthusiastic. They are beginning to practise in their classes and are all to complete two disciplines i.e. run/swim/run as individuals. Our confident 'Can-Do' Tamahere kids know they are all winners and we are right behind them! Like the Weetbix Try-athlon, we will not be having official placings. We will instead be celebrating all entrants for their accomplishments. Placings can come later in Middle and Senior School when children are well-practised and where they will be participating in a Triathlon (run/bike/swim).

All children will need shoes suitable for running and their swimming gear. This includes a towel, swimming hat, rash vest and goggles, if desired. Their gear is to all be named and put in a bag, please. Children can come to school in their togs with their Tamahere uniform over top. Remember to bring a drink bottle and to apply sunblock in the morning.

The event will start with a run on the back field. Children will run in their swimsuits with sneakers for the first part of the event. They will then remove their sneakers at a designated area outside the pool and have a go at the short swim in the Pumpkin pool. They will finish the 'Dash and Splash" with a run to the finish line.

Parents are invited to come and encourage our tamariki. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 3rd March. Please stay in designated spectator areas for the safety of all children and to help them become independent. We hope you enjoy this fun event and watch with pride as your children celebrate their successes.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Taupiri Team Teachers



#### PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

STUDENTS OF WEEK 2 Kia Manaaki - I am culturally respectful			
NIKAU 1	Gloria K	TANEKAHA 12	Zoe R
KAURI 2	Casey W	MIRO 13	Benjamin M
KAWAKAWA 3	Abi P	PUKATEA 14	Jimmy Z
RIMU 7	Donina Z	KARAKA 15	Ellie K
POHUTUKAWA 8	Eddie B	MANUKA 16	Maddie C
RATA 9	Alfred A	МАНОЕ 17	Logan R
TOTARA 10	Penny U	TAWA 19	Charlotte N
MATAI 11	Willow T	HOROPITO 20	Luka U





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#### 2025 Manukura Year 6 Student Leaders

We are delighted to announce our main Student Leaders/ Manukura for 2025. All of our Year 6 students will get opportunities to take on other leadership roles, including swing, lunches, recycling and PE shed monitors.

Our main Manukura have been selected through our Leadership Speeches to their Whaanau, along with showing their leadership abilities at the tabloid sports. Once again we were spoilt for choice, with many students showing their abilities to be wonderful senior leaders. It is hard when we have to select students to fit the number of roles required. Congratulations and well done to all of our Year 6 students, who have stepped up to the challenge of taking on these roles. Manu = bird and Kura = something highly prized, chiefly, sacred, of leadership qualities. Alongside the dictionaries definition of manukura, we see our students as our manu and very much a kura to us all - inarā mā rātou e whakairo te āpōpō - they will shape tomorrow.

Congratulations to our new Manukura:

WHAANAU LEADERS:				
TAKAHE	ноіно	котики	KAKAPO	
Diya O	Claudia F	Greta C	Isabella S	
Tamara J	Ava T	Zara G	Bridget C	
Meeli M	Karma H	Gabz H	Chloe W	
Harriet L	Benji v	Blake H	Maya K	
Yasser A	Lucas E	Flynn H	Elijah D	
Jacob C	Dylan H	Kent H	Anru S	
Beau C	Lucas P	Pearse L	Jack M	
KAIAWHINA:				
Beau C	Jack M	Sam M	Donay Z	
Robbie S	Gabz H	Lachlan H	Yasser A	
Blake H	Jimmy Z	Meeli M	Ellie K	
Elijah D	Ella P	Simeona K	Claudia F	
Chilli M	Zara G	Leo P	Jordan Y	
Ava T				

	PEER MEDIATORS:			
Mia H	Jessica L	Elin H	Grace J	
Georgia S	Emily M	Anaya S	Harriet L	
Bridgette C	Ella P	Tamara J	Lucas C	
Blake H	Thea B	Donay Z	Meeli M	
Evie S	Kent H	Мауа К	Diya O	
Victoria T	Simeona K	Dylan H	Karma H	
Phoebe C	Jordan Y	Omansh M	Ryan O	
	LIBRAF	RIANS:		
Georgia S	Taylor M	Cobie B	Sam B	
Robbie S	Jessica L	Oliver F	Kate D	
Lucas P	Thea B	Benson L	Ryan O	
Chloe W	Leon S	Evie S	Gisella M	
Hannah D	Sam M	Anaya S	Phoebe C	
Sophie G	Beau O	James M		
	SCHOOL (	COUNCIL:		
Chilli M	Kent H	Isabella S	Sophie G	
Benson L	Jacob C	Lucas E	Emily M	
Maya K	Taylor M	Gisella M	Greta C	
AFTER SCHOOL CARE MONITORS:				
Georgia S	Leo P	Harriet L	Lachlan H	
Lucas C	Steven D	Victoria T		
FLAG MONITORS:				
Sebastian C	Orien C	Beau O		
PHOTOGRAPHERS:				
Archie A	Ryan O	Logan R		

#### **ENVIRO MONITORS:**

Flynn H Ellie K Archie A Logan R

Harry W Lucas E Simeona K Orien C

Kate D Hannah D Grace J

#### **ROAD PATROL:**

Robbie S Jack M Simeona K Anaya S

Ava T Zara G Diya O Evie Si

Chloe W Thea B Isabella S Cobie B

Chilli M Emily M Hannah D Sam B

Lucas P Kent H Lucas E Greta C

Flynn H Dylan H Archie A Beau O

Orien C Gisella M

#### TCC MONITORS:

Blake H Benji v Jimmy Z Harry W

Max K Donay Z

#### **BUS MONITORS:**

Pearse L Bridgette C Sam M





**HOIHO WHAANAU LEADERS** 

**KOTUKU WHAANAU LEADERS** 



**KAKAPO WHAANAU LEADERS** 



**TAKAHE WHAANAU LEADERS** 



KAIAWHINA



**PEER MEDIATORS** 



**SCHOOL COUNCIL** 



**AFTER SCHOOL CARE MONITORS** 



**LIBRARIANS** 



**PHOTOGRAPHERS** 



**FLAG MONITORS** 



**ENVIRO MONITORS** 



**ROAD PATROLLERS** 



**TCC MONITORS** 

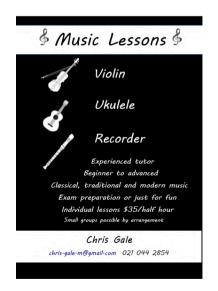


**BUS MONITORS** 

#### KIDS CLUBS INFORMATION

Any children at our school can get involved in our after school Kids Clubs activities. Please contact the providers directly if you would like to find out more or register your child.











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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.





#### 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 <a href="https://www.waipafunrun.co.nz/shop/">https://www.waipafunrun.co.nz/shop/</a> 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.

