TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Nurturing Our Future - Growing Together
Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu ngatahi

Wiki/ Week 2 Happenings:

THANK YOU!

What a wonderful day we had on Agriculture Day last Thursday. A huge thank you goes out to the organising committee led by **Ash Best**, supported by **Frances McKenzie**, **Karen Fraser**, **Alex McMillan**, **Cara Lauder**, **Jennifer Hill and Samantha Cocker**, who spent so much time making sure every detail was covered to ensure everyone had a great day. The weather also came to the party and later in the newsletter, you will see the link to view the many happy pictures. The special bond between child and animal is always beautiful to see. Thank you also to the Teacher Coordinators - Jasmine Saussey and Hayley Smit, supported by all our staff, who made the learning and activities new and interesting for everyone.

Thank you, Russell and Angela Thomas of Thomas Estates Christie's International Real Estate, for again supporting us so incredibly by providing all the main ribbons, free apples and cooking the sausages all day for us. You are amazing and we really appreciate what you do to support our tamariki and school.



Special Kapa Haka Roopuu Performance, Shared Lunch & Whaanau Hui:



As already shared at the end of last term, we would like to invite everyone to join us <u>TOMORROW AT 11:20AM</u> in the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC), for a special KAPA HAKA ROOPU PERFORMANCE. We hope to follow this with a celebratory shared tina/lunch for the roopuu and supporters to enjoy. Please bring a plate of finger food to share to make this a special occasion for your tamariki.

Following kai/food, we will have a brief WHAANAU O TAMAHERE HUI, as part of our Bicultural Treaty Partnership. We warmly invite all whaanau members and extended hoa/friends to join with us, to korero/chat about how we are going as a kura, and what we are doing to support our Maaori and all other aakonga/students to be the best they can be. All of our multi cultural whaanau are very welcome to join us in this hui.

We are keen to have as many whaanau along as possible, so we can share views and collaborate together on ways to best meet the needs of our aakonga. Previously we have had a large number of our whaanau attend, which has been very beneficial, and we have had some excellent korero, providing new perspectives to help us build on what we are doing.

If your tamariki is not a member of the roopuu, you are still very welcome to come along and enjoy the performance, lunch and korero with us afterwards. We look forward to seeing you all there.

NOTICE OF PROBABLE STRIKE: Please be aware of this!

You have probably heard in the news that the NZEI is expecting to hold a strike on **Thursday, the 23rd of October**. This will involve Teachers, School Support Staff and Principals across the country.

Should the strike go ahead, the school will most likely have to be closed for instruction due to the lack of teaching staff and for the safety of aakonga/ students. Please be aware of this date and have plans in place for your tamariki. We apologise in advance for the inconvenience this will cause you.



Tamahere Country Club Speeches:

On Tuesday, seven children from the Maungatautari Syndicate shared their speeches with the Tamahare Country Club residents. **Greta C, Lucas P, Benjamin M, Thea B, Hana K, Omansh M** and **Kent H** represented TMCS, delivering their speeches with confidence and mana, demonstrating Kia Maia 'Confident Can Do Kids''. All 7 students were rewarded with a special treat from Mixture.

















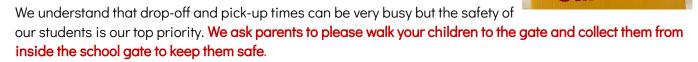


ROAD & CARPARK SAFETY REMINDER:

In our final Newsletter for Term 3, we alerted our parent community to concerning driver behaviour in and around our school, in particular the carpark area adjacent to the TCC, near Gate 7. Unfortunately we have received two further reports this week.

Please remember to:

- Respect and obey the NZ Road Rules, by reducing your speed around our school
- Stop and look for pedestrians. Be mindful of children walking out onto the crossing.



We wish to remind all our school families that young children are at higher risk as pedestrians in car parks, especially if not supervised by an adult because:

- 1. They are still developing their directional hearing and peripheral vision. They are smaller in stature, which makes it difficult for them to see past parked cars. They can be impulsive, unpredictable, easily distracted and have a limited concept of danger.
- 2. They have difficulty judging the speed and distance of oncoming vehicles.

Please drive slowly and make sure you are absolutely certain where children are, before moving your car.

Thank you for keeping our students safe!

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY:

A reminder that LABOUR DAY is on **Monday 27th October**. All schools will be closed and will reopen again as normal on Tuesday 28th October.



CAUTION

Drivers
Please be

Aware of

Children

in

Car Park

SHAKE OUT

Earlier today, our entire school took part in the *New Zealand ShakeOut*, at 9.30am. Today's ShakeOut was a great opportunity for all our staff and students to practise what to do during an earthquake or tsunami. Everyone dropped, held and covered until the danger had passed and then we all assembled on the field to make sure we were all safe and accounted for.



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!!

Another fabulous Agricultural Day for our school. The day ran so smoothly as a result of all your hard work and it's very much appreciated by our school community. Special thanks to the Ag Day Team and all their help to pull off such a special day: Ash Best, supported by her committee members **Frances McKenzie**, **Jen Hill**, Karen Fraser, **Samantha Cocker**, **Alex McMillan** and **Cara Lauder**. Thanks also go to our teacher organisers, **Hayley Smit** and **Jasmine Saussey** for coordinating the agricultural based learning activities.

Sincere thanks also go to our sponsors this year, without whom our day would lack the final polish and glamour. Special thanks to **Russell and Angela Thomas of Thomas Estates**Christies International Real Estate, our main sponsor for Ag Day, Maple Construction & Agriculture for their sponsorship of our pony ribbons, Your Lunch Box for their donation of the judges lunches, Hellers Sausages for Schools Programme and Acorn ITM for the BBQ on the field.

To our amazing judges and stewards, with the teachers help, this day would be impossible without you. Thank you.

A massive thank you to **Buddy Annals**, our amazing MC, **Paul Johnson** cooking up a storm on the BBQ and to **James Mitchell** and **Cat Fraser-Jones** for their help with the scrim, plus all the parents who helped out on the day.

The **VEGE GARDEN COMPETITION**, sponsored by Amber Garden Centre, will be judged on **Sunday 9th November**. Further details will be provided closer to this date.



Parents' situations change year to year, so the more parents we can bring on board to understand how the event is run, the easier it will be to continue with these special events in the future. If anyone is keen to assist with Ag Day next year, or would like to have a go at a different role, or even have a go at overseeing the day, please get in touch at: aqday@tamahere.school.nz

From the 2025 Ag Day Committee

A big thank you to our sponsors

Main Ribbon and Petting Zoo Sponsor:



Equine Ribbon Sponsor:



Poultry Sponsor:



Caged Pets Sponsor:



Competitor Ear Tags Sponsor:



Judges:



Ag Day Sponsors:





Cup Sponsors:





Prize Sponsors:





2025 Ag Day PHOTO GALLERY

Please check out the photos taken last Thursday, by clicking on this link: <u>2025 Ag Day PHOTO</u> <u>GALLERY</u>

Ag Day Results

What a fantastic day it was watching the very special relationship between children and their young animals, displaying love and care plus celebrating their achievements together. None of this could be possible without parental support and many hours of nurturing and organising.

Lamb Results:

HELEN DIXON CUP (Champion Most Obvious Pet Lamb)			
Winner:	Lucy R		
Runner-up:	Emily M		
LANG	LANGLEY CUP (Champion Leading Lamb)		
Winner:	Ayla H		
Runner-up:	Emily R		
GOUGH TROPHY (Champion Rearing Lamb)			
Winner:	Ayla H		
Runner-up:	Tegan K		
SPRING SHEEP CUP (Champion Rearing Late Lamb)			
Winner:	George C		
Runner-up:	Emily R		

FONTERRA CUP (Overall Champion Lamb)		
	Ayla H Emily R	

Calve Results:

YEOMAN CUP (Champion Leading)			
Winner:	Blake H		
Runner-up:	Gisella M		
SIGNAL	SIGNAL CHALLENGE CUP (Champion Rearing)		
Winner:	Ella P		
Runner-up:	Evelyn S		
MAEF	MAEROA CUP (Championship Dairy Type)		
Winner:	Abby P		
Runner-up:	Ella P		
LA	LAW CUP (Championship Beef Type)		
Winner:	Evelyn S		
Runner-up:	Anru S		
MONTGOMERIE CUP (Overall Champion Calf)			
Winner:	Evelyn S		
Runner-up:	Ella P		

Chicken Results:

NRM CUP (Best Chicken in Show)				
Winner: Runner-up:	Nicky A Eric A			
BETTER EGGS CUP (Best Poultry Raising Category)				

Equestrian Results:

Led Section				
Champion:	Abbie T			
Reserve Champion:	Lucca T			
	Seniors			
Champion:	Eloise C			
Reserve Champion:	Dylan G			
	Juniors			
Champion:	Sloane S			
Reserve Champion:	Jacob N			
Judges Choice:	Austin C-S			
WAIKATO EQUINE VETERINARY CENTRE CUP				
Champion Rider:	Jacob N			
Runner-up:	Eloise C			

Caged Pets Results:

Caged Pet		
1st: 2nd: 3rd: 4th: 5th:	Lexi T (Bluey) Nathan S (Bubba) Lucia H (Cuddles) Sam M (Cookie) Brendon M (Diamond)	

Hanging Baskets:

Hanging Basket			
1st: 2nd:	Loren C James M		
3rd:	Alivia P		
Highly Commended:	1. Eddie B		
	2. Zoe D		
	3. Chloe F		

Agriculture Day in the Taupiri Syndicate

Well done to all our students who cared for animals for Ag day. What a wonderful job you all did. We loved seeing you all show us your animals. Thank you.









For those students without animals: What a wonderful day of learning we had in the Taupiri Syndicate:

Students had the opportunity to learn about where milk and cream comes from to make butter and how butter is made before making butter together to spread on bread and taste. Delicious!

Students made their own garden markers to take home with seeds and watch them grow. Beautiful work!

Another group of students explored herbs through senses, cultural knowledge and creative activities: The room smelled delicious!

Another group decorated cups with colours and stickers then planted a seed to take home and watch grow. Grow, grow, grow!

And a group talked about why bees are so important in the world and made a cute bee that flies between two flowers. Buzz, buzz!

We all loved Ag day! Thank you especially to our two teacher organisers Miss S and Mrs Smit - You are amazing!

GROUP DAY:

Congratulations to those who took up the challenge to represent us at Group Day yesterday. Well done. Another great day. We had a total of 13 students involved in this event, hosted by Newstead. More information will be shared next week.





TMCS 2025 GOLF DAY - Friday 28th November

There has been a strong interest in our Annual Golf Day, being held at Ngāruawāhia Golf Club on 28th November. We only have 17 spots left for 18 hole teams & 6 spots for 9 hole teams. Your team entry also includes access to food stalls during the event. We will be running an auction for cart use, end of round raffles and spots prizes/winner prizes. Further details to be announced in the coming weeks.



If you would like to book a team, or become involved as a sponsor please let us know at selliott@inghams.co.nz

- \$560 team entry for 18 holes
- \$280 team entry for 9 holes
- \$350 hole sponsorship available.

HATS COMPULSORY IN TERM 4:

With hats being compulsory for Term 4, it is a great time to organise for children's names (first name and first letter of surname) to be embroidered on the back of their school hats. This costs only \$9.00 each! This is not just for brand new hat purchases but existing hats too!



To be included in time for Term 4, please bring your child's hat to the school office with your \$9 payment (or order a new one for a total of \$30). This can take between 1-2 weeks, so please order as soon as possible.

TAMAHERE SCHOOL POOL SWIM LESSONS - Bookings for Term 4

If you missed the Newsletter communication sent home to school families at the end of last term, we are again partnering with St Peters Swim School, to have Learn-to-Swim lessons operating from our school pool for the last four weeks of this term, continuing in Term 1 2026. If you haven't already registered, bookings are still open. Please see information below, for how to book.



Dear Families,

We are pleased to let you know that our Learn to Swim Lessons at Tamahere Model Country School are back again! They are open now and available to book online. These lessons are available to any school age child whether they are St Peter's Swim School student or not. Lessons in Levels Goldfish – Seals will be taught at Tamahere and can be booked though our customer portal.



These lessons will be run in the Tamahere Model Country School heated outdoor pool. While the pool is heated, being outdoors with varied air temperatures and element conditions will keep the water fresh. We suggest long sleeve togs and rash shirts for the children who may be sensitive to the cold.

Our lessons at Tamahere will follow the same detailed lesson plans as our Learn to Swim Lessons at St Peters and will be run by members of our current fantastic team.

Lessons will run daily Monday – Wednesday from 3pm - 6pm from **Monday November** 10th – Wednesday December 10th and again in Term 1 Monday 9th Feb – Wednesday March 11th.

Please note that when enrolling your student, your booking will automatically roll over between the terms and **you do not need to book twice for Term 4 and Term 1.**

Please note that if you currently have an enrolment at St Peters Swim School, it can be transferred to Tamahere, however there is no guarantee that the same space will be available after these lessons finish.

All health and safety aspects of our lessons will apply here. This includes:

- All children under the age of 8 will always require a guardian with them during their lessons.
- Lessons will only be cancelled in the event of thunder and lightning.

To book into these lessons now, or to transfer a current St Peters Swim School Learn to Swim enrolment, just click the link below and log into your customer portal:

St Peters Swim School Learn to Swim Lessons at Tamahere Model Country School: https://portal.iclasspro.com/stpetersswimschool/classes?programs=87

To transfer a current student to Tamahere lessons: Customer Portal>My Account>Select Student>Enrolment>Transfer Enrolment>Select new class

Please click here to see the <u>list of pre requirements</u> for each level, to help you find the correct level for your child. You are welcome to contact us to organise an assessment for your child if you are very unsure.

These lessons will be charged via the St Peter's Swim School Direct Debit system monthly. It will consider how many lessons you will have in the calendar month to adjust for the Christmas break and public holidays. As you are charged monthly (1st of the month), and we know how life changes quickly, if you require a change or cancellation of these lessons, you will be able to do so by letting us know before the next Direct Debit run. This is explained further in our terms and conditions.

Unfortunately, these lessons will not be included in our "make up" offer. The programme is small and there are not the options to offer them. Thank you for your understanding with this.

All children will require caps and goggles for their lessons. This streamlines interruptions and hugely helps maintain the hygiene of the pool.

If you would like to book in and there is not a class available for you, please email us at swimschool@stpeters.school.nz so we can assist you.

Kind regards,

The team at St Peters Swim School

Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon 2025

This year the Weet Bix tryathlon will again be held at St Peters School in Cambridge. Included is a link to register your child for this event, as part of the Tamahere School team. This is a safe, fun event for all children aged 7 years and over.

Registration link





Upcoming Dates:

TERM 4			
October / Whiringa-ā-nuku			
WEEK 2			
Raamere /Friday 17th	 ★ Kapa Haka Roopu Performance/Shared Lunch & Whaanau Hui - 11.20am in the TCC 		
	WEEK 3		
Raapare /Thursday 23rd	★ POSSIBLE TEACHER STRIKE DAY		
WEEK 4			
Raahina / Monday 27th	★ LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY		
Raatuu /Tuesday 28th	★ Board Meeting at 7.00pm		
Raapare /Thursday 30th	★ SEH Country Schools T Ball Tournament		
Raamere /Friday 31st	★ Waikato A & P Show - Boys & Girls Ag Club		
	November / Whiringa-ā-rangi		
	WEEK 5		
Raahina / Monday 3rd	★ Scholastic Book Fair Starts		
Raatuu /Tuesday 4th	★ PIRONGIA ATHLETICS 8.45am to 12.30pm		
Raapa /Wednesday 5th	 ★ Scholastic Book Fair ★ MAUNGATAUTARI ATHLETICS 8.45am to 12.30pm ★ Scholastic Book Fair 		

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	★ TAUPIRI ATHLETICS 11.00am to 12.30pm			
Raapare /Thursday 6th	★ SEH City T Ball Tournament			
	★ Scholastic Book Fair			
	WEEK 6			
Raatuu /Tuesday 11th	★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - MAUNGATAUTARI ATHLETICS 8.45am			
	to 12.30pm			
Raapa /Wednesday 12th	★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - PIRONGIA ATHLETICS 8.45am to			
	12.30pm			
Raapare /Thursday 13th	★ POSTPONEMENT DAY - TAUPIRI ATHLETICS 11.00am to			
	12.30pm WEEK 7			
Raatuu /Tuesday 18th	★ PTA MEETING at 7.00pm			
Raapa /Wednesday 19th	★ Road Patrol Training Day			
Raapare /Thursday 20th	★ Year 6 Berkley Middle School Orientation Morning- 9.15am to			
Raupare / maisaay 20th	10.30am			
	WEEK 8			
Raatuu /Tuesday 25th	★ Dressing The Tree - Maungatautari Syndicate			
•	★ Board Meeting at 7.00pm			
Raapa /Wednesday 26th	★ Dressing The Tree - Pirongia Syndicate			
Raapare /Thursday 27th	★ Dressing The Tree - Taupiri Syndicate			
Raamere /Friday 28th	★ 2025 TMCS Golf Day			
Rudiffere /i fludy 25th	★ Road Patrol Fun Day			
December / Hakihea				
	WEEK 9			
Raahina / Monday 1st	★ Thank You - Parents & Sponsors Morning Tea 10.30am			
Raapare /Thursday 4th	★ Year 6 Graduation			
Raamere /Friday 5th	★ SEH City Athletic Sports - Hillcrest High School			
Rudiffere / Friday our	★ Christmas Carols Evening at the Tamahere Piazza			
WEEK 10				
Raapa /Wednesday 10th	★ PRIZE GIVING 10.30am to 12.30pm			
Raapare /Thursday 11th	★ TAUPIRI BIG DAY IN			
Raamere /Friday 12th	★ MAUNGATAUTARI - BIG DAY OUT			
Radillele / Filuay 12(11	★ PIRONGIA - BIG DAY IN			
WEEK 11				
Raapa /Wednesday 17th	★ End of Term 4 - school day ends at 1.00pm			

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students of Week 1, Term 4 I am kind and inclusive			
Kia Kotahi – Together as One			
NIKAU 1	Caitlin M	TANEKAHA 12	Karlin W
KAURI 2	Ella M-B	MIRO 13	Dylan G

KAWAKAWA 3	Lucy P	PUKATEA 14	Etáin B-S
RIMU 7	Avni W	KARAKA 15	Eric A
POHUTUKAWA 8	Finn G	MANUKA 16	Maddie C
RATA 9	Faris A	MAHOE 17	Beau O
TOTARA 10	Zeek F	TAWA 19	Aisea T
MATAI 11	Brinley P	HOROPITO 20 HOROEKA 21	Sienna F Eli P





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Year 5 and 6 Junior Velodrome Cycling Programme Term 4

Key dates and details for term 4:

Junior Coached Sessions

Term 4: 9 weeks starting on the week starting 6th October and finishing on the week starting 1st Dec | Cost: \$130 | For riders aged 10-18 |

Sign-up Period: 1st Oct - 16th Oct 2025

\$130 for the full 9-weeks or \$200 with the FNR add on.

Junior Coached 1 - On Track (Beginner / Entry Level)

Monday 5:00-6:00pm

"Learn the basics and develop towards accreditation and Coached 2."

Junior Coached 2 - Track Craft (Intermediate / Skill-Building)

Thursday 4:00-5:00pm

"Develop the skills and fitness to ride faster, smoother, and smarter."

Pro Coached 3 - Junior Pro (Advanced / Race-Focused)

Thursday 5:00-6:00pm

"Turn group training into real racing results."

Plus Mortgage Trust Friday Night Racing

5 x Friday race nights: 17th October, 31st October, 14th November, 28th November, 12th December (Junior GP).

Racing for all abilities. Riders are graded, and everyone gets min. 3 races per night to put their skills into action.

\$20 per night casual rate OR book for the whole term at a reduced rate:

\$70 as an 'add on' after purchasing term 4 coached sessions. Sign up here.

\$80 for the 5 race nights only. Sign up here.

If you have any questions on the above, please sing out! You can best reach me at dan.gardner@velodrome.nz.



LIGHT PARTY

October 31

St. Stephen's Tamahere, 5:30 pm grab a sausage and check out the easy activities around the site.
6-7 pm traditional race by age groups.

Our alternative to Halloween.

Games, Sausage Sizzle, Lollies and lots of Family Fun!
All are encouraged to dress up in family-friendly costumes

The Kerfuffle - kids' event in Cambridge - Saturday 8th November!

THE KERFUFFLE IS BACK!

Lake Te Koo Utu | Saturday 8th Nov, 9am - 12pm

ENTRIES NOW OPEN!

Part bike challenge. Part outdoor mayhem. 100% CHAOS!!

Get ready to pedal, run, duck, crawl, and scramble through the messiest, wildest, most unforgettable event of the year! This isn't your average bike ride - it's mud, madness, and memories all rolled into one epic adventure! It'll be a complete KERFUFFLE!

4 RACES | 4 AGE GROUPS | PRIZES FOR TOP 3 + SPOT PRIZES!

⚠ Warning: Not suitable for toddlers still rocking training wheels... but perfect for any kid up to 11 years old who is brave enough to embrace the chaos!

ENTER ONLINE NOW!

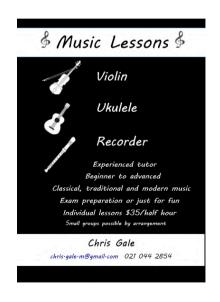
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KIDS CLUB INFORMATION:

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.



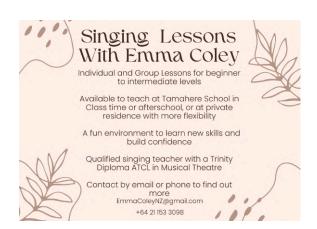




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COMMUNITY NOTICES:





Tamahere School families: Book any Lawn Rite service with code MOW4TMCS and get 5% off — plus we'll donate another 5% to Tamahere School!







Te Miro Mountain

Bike ClubsThursday Night Summer Race
Series is proudly sponsored by

Riverside Adventures Waikato!

Racing runs from the 30th of October to the 11th of December 2025 & the 22nd of January to the 12th of March 2026.

20th Nov, 29th Jan, 26th Feb will be **ENDURO RACES.** (Courses will be advised week of the enduro, your best 2 races will determine the enduro winner).

Rego opens at 5:45PM, closes at 6:20PM.
Racing starts at 6:30PM.

3 XC tracks to choose from. Tracks for all skills, ages & fitness levels. Race last for 60 mins. Your best 10 races will determine this years summer series winners! Free for Te Miro club members. \$10 non members. Please pre-register for your first race by 4:00PM using the link provided or on our website under events.

https://www.webscorer.com/register?raceid=408938
Any questions please email temiromtbevents@gmail.com
or contact 027 236 3778 A/H









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