

Term 1

Week 3



Hamilton
Seventh-day Adventist School
Educating For Eternity

Friday, 23rd February
Rāmere, 23 Kohitātea

Term 1



Karakia

Over the next two weeks we will be praying for the following families

Term 1	Week 4	Week 5
Rāhina	Bredenkamp	Dunn
Rātū	Cameron	Dunstone
Rāapa	Chatfield	Fletcher
Rāpare	Chavachery	Florendo
Rāmere	Donguila	Fourie

Twelve years ago, schools across Christchurch and most of Canterbury were shaken by a violent and destructive 6.3 magnitude earthquake, resulting in the loss of 185 lives and severe damage to buildings and infrastructure.

If you visit Christchurch today for the first time, you won't easily see evidence of the devastation caused by the earthquake. However, if you were familiar with the city prior to the earthquake, there are parts of it that are hard to recognize.

There is one part of the city that Katie and I always find hard to drive past. There used to be a beautiful old stone church sitting below the cliffs of Sumner. It was the church where we both stood and exchanged our marriage vows in the presence of our family, friends, and God. The only evidence left indicating that a church once stood there is a small monument with a cross on it. While the church we married in no longer exists, the memories we have of the day are captured in our hearts, and in photos, of course.

The other day, I came across the photo of our wedding day and as I gazed at it, I noticed that I wasn't looking at the church building and how beautiful the setting was, but rather, I was looking at the people in the photo. I was looking at the expressions of joy, excitement, and celebration. Thinking about the different people captured and reminiscing about how much they had changed, or remembering those that are no longer with us, or wondering how much younger we all looked.

Our journey may take us to incredible places, but the thing we will always remember are those that joined us at some point along the journey. It made me realize that it is not the journey that is meaningful, but those that we journey with that give it its true meaning.

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Our Deep Hope

Our students will encounter the heart of God, as they walk in a growing relationship with Him and with others, that inspires them to make a positive impact for His Kingdom

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Creating Community

On Thursday, 15th Feb, we held our annual school picnic. It was great to catch up with our school whānau and make connections with the new families to our school.

We hope that you feel welcome at our kura and look forward to building a strong home and school partnership with you.

Thank you all for coming along and we look forward to journeying with you this year.



Growing Young Leaders

Our students in Room 4 are participating in a leadership course called "Student Leader & Role Model Journey".

As students grow their understanding of what leadership is and how to be a leader and rolemodel, they will learn that leadership is not something that you are born with, it is something that can be grown and cultivated.

Throughout the course, they will learn how to build and strengthen their leadership capabilities.



"Beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news"
Romans 10:15



Praying for Families

Every morning, our staff team pray for a family in our school community. We invite you to join us in praying for families listen on the front of the newsletter.

If it is your families turn for prayer and you have a specific prayer request, please email your request to the school office and we pray specifically for it.



Friday Tuck Shop

Every Friday, the PTA runs a small tuck shop to raise money for a number of initiatives that support the school.

This term we will be selling ice-blocks and lolly bags at \$2 each.



Country Zone Swimming Comp

When: Tuesday, 5th March

Time: 9.30 am - 2.00 pm

Where: Tamahere Country Model School

Wear: Sports uniform with togs underneath

Bring: Towel, swimming cap, goggles, lunch, hat, and sunblock

Students that have qualified for the team will be informed next week.



WaiBop Christian Schools Athletics

When: Wednesday, 27th March

Time: 9.30 am - 2.00 pm (Students to arrive by 9am)

Where: Porritt Stadium, Crosby Rd

Who: Students in Year 3 - 8

Bring: Jumper, hearty lunch, hat, and sunblock

Bus students will be dropped-off and picked-up from the venue



Country Zone Junior Tabloids

When: Thursday, 4th April

Time: 9.30 am - 12.00 pm

Where: Tamahere Country Model School

Bring: Jumper, hearty lunch, hat, and sunblock

Who: Students in the Koru Class and Room 1



“Poipoia te kakano Kia puawai”

Nurture the seed and it will blossom

Displaying Our Values



RESPECT. RESPONSIBILITY. RESILIENCE.

Important Dates

Week 4 & 5

Mon, 26th Feb	School Board Meeting @ 7pm Hamilton SDA School - Room 1
Tues, 5th March	Country Zone Swimming Competition @ 9.30am - 2.00pm Tamahere Country Model School

Coming up in Term 1

Wed, 20th March	PTA Meeting @ 3.15pm Hamilton SDA School - Room 1
Mon, 25th March	School Board Meeting @ 7pm Hamilton SDA School - Room 1
Wed, 27th March	Year 3-8 Christian Schools Athletics @ 9.30 - 2.00pm Porritt Stadium, Crosby Rd
Thurs, 4th April	Junior Tabloids Y0-2 @ 9.30am - 12pm Tamahere Country Model School

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