Taikura Rudolf Steiner School





Winter

The other day at our staff meeting we had a lovely talk from Jenny Speedy, who along with Jo Doig, is responsible for keeping our gardens so beautiful and many of our students green fingered. Jenny described some of the 'life' of the garden at present: what is happening within the Earth, with crystallising and mineralising forces hard at work; and also, what she and Jo are doing alongside it on the outside, such as 'tree-paste' applications on the trunks of Scannel's green guardians.

It was a nice, gentle picture of the workings of Mother Nature, (and her friends), and a good reminder to take into account all of what is going on around us in this season.

At present, Class 7 are in the early stages of a main lesson on Astronomy: another good reason to get outside and think about the world in a different way. We have been talking about the Universe: the billions and billions of stars; the enormous distances between galaxies scattered as pollen across interstellar space; the vast clouds of gas floating in the dark like Hinepūkohurangi, (the mist maiden) forming suns and solar systems; and the creation itself, our science-based Big Bang mirroring so perfectly the ancient, wisdom-filled vision from Maori, of Te Kore (the Void) - Te Po (the Dark) - and Te Ao Marama (the Light).

A lecture from Steiner in "The Symphony of the Creative World" ties these two beautiful, seasonal and stellar pictures together. Plants, he says, gather the secrets of the Universe and let them trickle down into their roots during this time, as they whisper what has come from Light and Heat and Air and Water in the play of stem and leaf and flower and what the distant stars have created in their forms. These things trickle down through the roots and are taken up by the spiritual beings you might call gnomes, who then bear within them the ideas of the whole Universe as they stream and wander through ore and rock and mineral. This is Winter work indeed. The secrets of the cold stars brought to form, crystallising within our Earth: the microcosm of the macrocosm!

Johnny Ryan on behalf of the Festival group.

For more on our celebration at school of the season and Matariki please read on.



Mark Your Calendar!

June 16	5:30 pm -7:00 pm
June 16	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
June 16	8:45 am - 9:00 am start
June 21	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
June 26	5:00 pm
June 30	8:45 am - 9:00 am start

Lower School Dance Classes 5 and 6 Dance for Classes 7 and 8 Hannah Hales and Susan Barham - Suzuki method Lower School Mid Winter Festival BOT Meeting held in the Library Astrid Pook - Sounds of Language in Speech and Drama

Winter Festivals

Wednesday 21 June Day of the Solstice

The **High School Festival** for winter will take place during the day. It is celebrated in the hall with a world map, candles, a talk and thoughts of a global nature. This year Class Seven will be joining them rather than the Lower School. A hangi for lunch will then be shared by all the High school classes and their teachers. Class Seven will return to their room for their own shared lunch.

The Lower School Lantern Festival starts at 6.30 that night. Classes One to Six.

It has a slightly different look than in years passed. This year we ask that all children are dropped off at their classes and parents make their way to the big field outside the gym. (Inside the gym if it is wet.) You will be directed to make a large circle around a spiral on the ground and there you will await the classes. Following a bell at 6.45, the children will come from their rooms, lanterns lit, and walk to the field in long lines and, all going well, will form two large concentric circles within the parent circle. We will start with a community song (see attached page to bring that night). We will then hear songs or music from Classes four, five and six. There will then be two more community songs. While this music is going on, the inner-most circle of Classes One, Two and both groups of Class Three students will be walking the spiral in pairs. This is their chance to 'meet' a moment in the darkest night of the year with a little help from their lantern and lots of help from the rest of us.

When everyone is finished and we have sung our lusty songs long enough, the inner most circle of young classes will be directed to move out and around the outside of the parent circle following a teacher. This is **your** chance to gently grab hold of your own wandering child/children as they pass, so by the time their teachers have made a full circuit, everyone will be accounted for and back in your loving arms. When that is finished, Classes Four, Five and Six will do the same on the inside of the parent circle. When completed, we encourage you to make your way carefully and **quietly** back to cars and home, saving the magic of the light and sound and spiral, to talk about over hot chocolate and a biscuit in the warmth of home!

Students to Classes, parents to field: 6.30pm Circles and spiral songs: 6.55pm Lanterns lit, walk starts: 6.45pm End and home for a treat by: 7.30pm

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If wet, we will have the spiral in the gym.

Festival Songs

Rise up oh flame, by thy light glowing. Show to us beauty, vision and joy.

When days are darkest the Earth enshrines the seed of Summer's birth The Spirit of God is a light shines, deep in the darkness of Earth.

All praise to Thee, my God, this night, for all the blessings of the light; Keep me, oh keep me, King of Kings, beneath Thine Own Almighty wings.

Friday Market

Dear Community, last Friday a group of interested parents met to discuss the Friday Market and what, as a community did we want for this weekly event. I want to thank all those who attended. A fruitful discussion was had, and as always when people get together new ideas start to bubble.

This meeting also provided an opportunity to look back with gratitude at the previous groups and persons who have held this market space. These groups and persons, have created a weekly experience which our Lower School children look forward to with much anticipation. Nga mihi mahana ki a koutou..

From this meeting it was decided that baked goods would remain rostered to ensure some continuity for the children. At the end of each term there will be an opportunity for classes to roster themselves onto the weekly baked goods stall. This pre-organisation will give classes plenty of time to consider what they can or cannot manage. All other stalls would be welcome with no rostering necessary. Thus if you have an abundance in your garden one week and wish to share in support of your class, Kei te pai, welcome. More detailed organisation points and minutes from this meeting will be communicated via liaison parents to classes.



Mətəriki

Mānawa maiea te putanga o Matariki Mānawa maiea te ariki o te rangi Mānawa maiea te mātahi o te tau!

Hail the rise of Matariki Hail the Lord of the sky Hail the New Year!



Yes, Matariki has risen, and in Te Ao Māori it was a time to; reflect on the past year, remembrance of those who have passed on, for whānau to be together, sharing of kai, and giving thanks. To celebrate Matariki there are a number of events that the classes are taking part in, and other events that the wider community can join in if you wish to!

Last week we had Whaea Tracy come in and share with the Lower School classes a story about Matariki, alongside an activity of making whetū. This week a number of classes have helped with the installation of 'Te Kāhui o Matariki' that is in the school foyer. The installation is a combination of whetū (stars), the story of 'Mātariki – Ngā mata o te ariki Tāwhirimātea – The eyes of the god Tāwhrimātea' and 9 whetū in particular that are mentioned with their specific attributes of this constellation. There is a Eurythmy performance this week for the school that tells about the tears of Tāwhirimātea. Other classes are making rewana bread, and looking at other activities to acknowledge this time.

- Next week there is going to be a 'Harvest table Kua hauhakea' set up in the foyer for gifts that can be brought to school and placed there over that week. On Friday this food will be gathered and it will be donated to the Foodbank for families in need.
- On the Friday the 23 of June, I will be holding a 'Fun with Flax' workshop, looking at making simple taonga with harakeke that you can do with your tamariki. This workshop will run from 9 10.30 a.m
- Lastly on Friday the 30 of June at <u>6 a.m ...in the morning</u>, one of our school parents; Nathan Foote, who was the leading carver for the pou that make up the 'Celestial Star Compass' at Waitangi Reserve, which is the first turn on the right as you go past Hohepa Farm heading towards Napier. They will give a talk about these whakairo and what they represent, and Piripi Smith the Celestial Navigator for the double hulled waka Te Matau-a-Māui, will also give a talk about Ngā whetū The stars. There will be koha (donation of money) collected from those gathered to gift to Nathan and Piripi. If it is raining it will be cancelled.

No reira, ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou!

Troy Gardiner

Music

The HB Secondary Schools Chamber Music competition final was held this week. Congratulations to our Taikura group JAMZ with Amy Gilbert on flute, Miru Shimaoka and Zach Marshall playing violins and Jacob Grupp on the piano. Miru is also playing in a combined schools group. Both these groups gave admirable performances at the Hastings Musical Society on Sunday afternoon.

We are very excited at the possibility of having an original piece of music being written by Stephen Lang for a Taikura group next year. Please contact Frances with any suggestions or questions about this. The cello students are very excited after their first lesson with Hilary Baker last week. We have cellos in different sizes if anyone is interested in learning either this year or looking towards next year. Maybe a trial term to check out suitability?

Thank you Frances

Finance Update

Attendance Dues

Our Attendance Dues committee was formed this year to follow up dues and to review how our processes have run with our first roll out of Attendance Dues. The committee consists of the Pippa Caccioppoli, Sue Simpson, Aimee Hawke and myself.

In our April Grapevine, we wrote that meetings would occur with families who have not paid their dues and have returned their Condition of Enrolment forms. We sent these letters to 28 families. Of these families we had payments made by 20 families and we met with the remaining eight families. We can confirm that we have received a payment from all of these families, however we have used the last line of our policy in some circumstances.

We are continuing to monitor payments. We will be sending letters to families who do not keep to agreed arrangements. For those families paying on a quarterly basis, a reminder that the third instalment is due 31 July 2017.

The follow up of Attendance Dues has been an intensive process, involving many hours of speaking to and writing to families. For me, it has been a great way to meet and to get to know families. We appreciate the patience of families that have committed to Attendance Dues from the start of the year as we align all families to the fee structure.

Condition of Enrolment Forms

In March we had 158 families who were still to return their Condition of Enrolment forms. We have sent letters this week to twenty nine families to return Condition of Enrolment forms. We are expecting 100% return of these forms.

Bank accounts

A reminder about our bank accounts, we have separate bank accounts for the Trust and the School Board of Trustees

Our **Trust bank account** is **03-1518-0040482-00** (Attendance Dues and donations) Our **School BOT bank account** is **03-1518-0035763-00** (Sundries and camp)

We have some payments that are being made into the incorrect account and this takes considerable time to transfer between accounts. If you have a few minutes to spare, please check your payments and ensure they are being made to the correct bank account.

Hours of Work

I am available in the office, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. If you would like to meet with me, please call in to the office on any of these days. Alternatively my email address is <u>selena.crouch@taikura.school.nz</u>

Warm regards Selena Crouch Finance Manager

Sports Notices

If anyone is interested in the event below please talk to Janet for more details.

Havelock North High School Equestrian Event Open to all Primary, Intermediate and High School students. Flaxmere Equestrian Park 26 September.



Taikura Parents Group - All School Community Welcome

Please come along and enjoy the opportunity to meet other parents and staff from our school in a relaxed and supportive environment - and if you have young ones don't worry as all meetings are baby/toddler friendly. Gatherings are held at the Hastings Taikura Kindergarten community space a couple of Friday mornings a month. Guest speakers begin at 9:00 am with tea and coffee available from 8.45 am.

Our next meeting:

June 16 - Hannah Hales and Susan Barham. Music and the developing child. An overview of the Suzuki method and how it supports the developing child.

June 30 - Astrid Pook will talk about working with the "Creative Forces of the Word" in the Spirit of the Word School for Creative Speech and the Art of Drama, with a brief introduction to the upcoming three week "Orientation Course" 9 - 28 July 2017. There will be time for questions and a taste experience of the work.



Announcing our drama club musical for this year Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat! This will be performed on 3, 4 and 5 of August at 7.30pm

The cast includes students from Classes Four to Twelve and all children from both Class Three groups.

A show for all the family, based on the biblical story and with lots of fun songs by Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber

This is our first Drama Club musical for 10 years since we did the smash hit "Oliver!" Posters up and tickets are on sale now!

BAKE SALE Fund Raiser For Bio-diversity Project CLASS 9 Friday 23 June Lunchtime Edwin Ayre Building





Kairos Centre 2017 Year courses

The Heart of Art: Strengthening the Heart Charkra through inner contemplation. A Practical Course.

Year One: 7 weeks per term THURSDAYS - 8:50 am - 12:15 pm

This course offers an opportunity for the beginner to become acquainted with some basic artistic techniques e.g. Wet on wet painting, observational drawing, Form Drawing, etc. The Language of Fairy Tales. Costs \$250 per term.

Year Two: TUESDAYS - 8:50 am - 12:15 pm. This course is designed for people with prior artistic experience and is a continuation of year one. Veiling, Geothe's colour theory, The Story of Parcival.

History of Art: 7 weeks per term through the year Tuesdays - 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm A study of Art History reveals to us the evolution of human consciousness. There will be a small introduction an artistic exercises included in this session. Costs \$180 per term

Curriculum Art for Teachers: Three seminars through the year. This course will provide a basis of techniques , wet on wet stroke/form/ charcoals, observational drawing etc to help the teacher become more confidant and creative within the classroom.

Dates: July - 13,14,15 October - 5, 6, 7 Costs \$300. Per three days

ENQUIRE NOW Text / Ph Margaret- Mary Farr 027 2484193 Email manawastudio@gmail.com Facebook. Margaret Mary Farr artist Kairos Artistic Endeavours

Wilderness Lifestyle Craft Classes

Daniel Hales teaches the skills needed to live comfortably in the bush or field. Learn about shelter building, making stone tools and hunting tools, tracking and trapping, wild foods, friction fire, coal burning bowls and spoons, outdoor cooking methods and more. Suitable for all ages.

- <u>10:30 am 12:30pm</u> Saturdays 27 May, 10 June, 24 June.
- <u>3:30-5pm</u> most Tuesdays until 4 July
- Cost \$15:00 per class

Knife making workshop for adults. Register by 16 June 617 Heretaunga St East Hastings Craft your own quality utilitarian knife from a variety of styles and create a leather sheath for it.

- 9:00 am 5:00 pm Sunday 2 July
- Cost \$150

For more info and to register ph Hannah or Daniel on 0221049867 or email empowerlife@gmail.com

Car For Sale

2005 Honda Odessey Absolute "The Red Rocket"

Tidy, well cared for condition, mechanically sound. Four new tyres, current rego & WOF, seven seater. Amazing family car! \$5,500.00

Please phone Ally to view 0212238039 or arhay21@gmail.com

Travel

If you're thinking of doing a student exchange, your big OE or just a holiday away, then contact me to discuss options or to keep an eye out for any future specials.

Travel deals change from week to week and costs are very much dependant on availability at the time of booking.Phone Eric Cox on 8358574 or email <u>eric@coxworldtravel.co.nz</u> for a free quote.

With you all the way...

Art Class For Adults

Fridays 1.30 - 3.30 pm starting Friday 23 June - 6 sessions

23 & 30 June,7 & 28 July, 4 & 11 August. Exploring painting and drawing techniques, observation drawing, good company and listening to stories, (mythology stories from India & the life of Buddha). Choose your own art project. Beginners and the more experienced welcome. Steiner Centre, 500 Nelson St Hastings. Cost \$115:00 materials and one small canvas included. Contact Eva Urieli on 8786028 or via e-mail evaurieli@gmail.com.

Art Class For Teenagers 13-18 Years

Explore & research your own images, try out different art techniques, look at artists work and hear about their lives, gallery visits. Tuesdays 3.30 - 4.45 pm. Cost \$160:00 for 10 lessons, art materials and one small canvas included. Commitment for one term. Steiner Centre 500 Nelson St. Hastings. Interested? Contact Eva Urieli < <u>evaurieli@gmail.com</u>> 878 6028 or text 02102771201

Eva's After School Children's Art Class

Children are encouraged to chose their own images, try out art techniques & listen to a story. Thursdays 3:00 - 4.10 pm. Steiner Centre 500 Nelson St Hastings. Cost \$160:00 for 10 lessons, art materials and one small canvas included. Commitment for one term. Contact Eva Urieli < <u>evaurieli@gmail.com</u>> 878 6028

Communication for Connection – NVC Foundation workshop July 1 & 2

Personal & professional communication enhancement for all your relationships. Simplifying 'power with' connection and cooperation in over 65 countries. Discover why so many others are saying NVC is effective and empowering communication skills and awareness - helping with parenting, partnership, workplace, and all other types of relationships.

NVC is a practical 'how to' that works!

Hastings: July 1 & 2 9 to 5pm Cost: \$220 - \$50 by June 20

Filipa Hope 027 4513445 filipahope@gmail.com

More info about my background and NVC: www.nvc.org.nz

Many parents at the school have done this workshop. If you would like to one of them please let me know.

Coming up....

- <u>Byron Katie 'The Work'</u> June 17& 18 How to dissolve stressful thoughts and limiting beliefs (come along and see if you are interested introduction evening \$20 June 16 7pm 9.30 @ Anthroposophical rooms). With certified facilitator Manfred Friedrich.
- <u>Parenting with NVC:</u> August 5 & 6 9 to 5pm weekend workshop in Hastings. (the above workshop with a focus on parenting of all ages).

House For Rent

Three bedroom house in good area of Hastings, just a five minute walk through Cornwall Park to the Taikura Steiner School. In a quiet area with a wood fire, garden and fenced. From 30 June to 15 August. \$300 per week plus power & fire wood. Phone and wifi included. Contact Ross or Aurelia Hurford at 06 6511138 or 0226749450.

Needle Felting

Holiday Programme

Would you like your child to explore the beautiful Art of Needle Felting?

I am holding another Needle Felting class in the holidays and I was wondering if there are more children in the community who would like to learn this beautiful craft.

Please phone Sabine at Goldkinder Crafts on 8751905 or 0274928444

Well Spoken

Is your child interested in drama, storytelling, poetry or public speaking? Rudolf Steiner brought huge insight into the art of speaking and drama and from my training in this and teaching, I can help students achieve a high degree of effectiveness, confidence and style. If your child would like to excel in speech and drama, call me for a free consultation.

Therapeutic speech lessons available for students over the age of 9 years. Speech formation is a great help in developing articulation, confidence, memory and well-being.

I am five minutes from the school and can set up times to suit you. Call Robyn to find out more.

Robyn Hewetson robyn@wellspoken.co.nz 06 878 3496 021 217 8688

Spiritual Group

Do you want to know who you are and where you are going in life? Do you have a calling or need to find your spiritual side?

Then come join our free group, we start at the very beginning. Students and adults welcome. Fridays 7-9pm. Any questions about the group and to get the address please call/text Alethea on 0273263206. Blessings

Calling All Reiki Folks!

Are you Reiki attuned? Maybe using it or not using it so much? Experience Reiki meditations, Group Reiki and Reiki swaps.

Time to prioritise self-care? Come and share Reiki with us. I'd love to meet you. All levels and Reiki disciplines welcome.

I'm finally taking action to create space for this starting Thursday May 25 7:00 -9:00 pm in Hastings (\$8). (Looking at fortnightly to begin with)

If you'd like to join please do get in touch with me, Jehanne 027 47 47 342 or <u>readings@lovingvoice.com</u> (I'm Usui trained Master/Teacher, Reiki NZ member.)

Autumn Community Offer

Do mention this ad to get 20% off. Please contact me directly to take up this offer. Services include, Reiki Treatments, Clairvoyant Guidance sessions, Access BARS sessions, Soul Alignment Clearings, and Property Clearings. I'd love to connect with you! Jehanne 027 47 47 342 <u>readings@lovingvoice.com</u>

Room To Rent

Room to rent with young easy going family in sunny home in Clive. Large section, fire wood, power, internet, some household essentials inc \$170. Look forward to hearing from you. Phone or Text Tara 021-2604992

Seeking A Home

We are looking to rent a house within walking distance from school. Please let us know of anyone that you know that might be able to help us out. We are obviously watching TradeMe but there seems to be a lack of suitable houses so hoping someone might have a personal lead. Please text or call Rachel 0211282810

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Orientation Course - something for everyone

The Spirit of the Word School is holding another 3-week course, **9 – 28 July 2017**, at the Rudolf Steiner Centre, opposite Taikura: It is open to anyone interested. All Welcome! Please see posters and Course Details on the notice boards around the school. Astrid, for the Faculty of Tutors: 06 857 7113 or starguide@xtra.co.nz.

Billets Required

For the Spirit of the Word School's July 9 - 28 'Orientation Course', we are needing some billets, preferably near the Rudolf Steiner Centre, for one, two or three weeks. Please contact us if you can help: Penelope Snowdon-Lait, t: 03 384 9768 m: 022 0931 098, e: penelope.snowdon.lait@gmail.com

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A mindfulness based psychological approach to therapy/counselling

> Taruna College, Havelock North

Saturday 1st July, 9am- 5pm

Cost: \$160*

*Includes training and certificate for Professional Development & food (surchage for special meals apply)

While it is easy to say that our past experiences determine who we are and the kind of person we have become; it is harder to accept that we have the power to determine who and how we will be. This innovative workshop provides easily integrating tools to understanding our relationship with ourselves, our family, loved ones and the wider world. The Self-Love approach gives skills that work, that are easily integrated into daily life practices and compliment other therapeutic approaches. Bhavna will be presenting this approach.

In this workshop, Bhavna will introduce you to this novel approach to working with clients. The workshop will include theory as well as mindfulness practices so that participants can get a personal experience of the approach before introducing it to clients. You will be introduced to the self-love theory and practical tools to help clients to regain their self-love/worth. This workshop is suitable for anyone working within the mental health or guiding others - namely

Registrations: contact Bhavna@alivepsych.co.nz 022 0843 095 www.alivepsych.co.nz

Bhavna will be presenting this psychological approach as a workshop at the NZCCP Conference in Queenstown on Saturday 29 July AND as a paper at the the NZPsS Conference on the 1st September in Christchurch



Bhavna is a clinical psychologist with 16 years of both clinical and mindfulness experience. She is originally from South Africa and has been in New Zealand since 2008. Since 2009 she has been using Mindfulness-based therapy and the Self-Love approach evolved out of that work. In 2012, she started her own practice- Alive! Psychology- a name that reflects her passion for life. Through therapy and mindfulness she found her passion for life and discovered the ability to live life fully with all that it has to offer - the good and the bad. This is the focus of the Self-Love Approach - to live fully, authentically, enabling clients to find their way of reconnecting with life and expressing who they are fully.



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