



7 September 2017



Class 12 Projects

For students and families who are new to Taikura the Class 12 Projects provide a wonderful insight into our graduating students at the end of their 12 year journey. For those who have been before you will know what a joy it is to listen to our young people share their experiences and ideas. This year's Class 12 students are currently putting the final touches on their project documents which are due in just a few weeks.

In Class 12 students undertake a project which is based on their interests and in which they immerse themselves for nearly a whole year. These projects combine a practical and artistic element with research and students present a theoretical document of 3000-5000 words, an artistic display and a public presentation to an audience. These projects are part of the New Zealand Certificate in Steiner Education at Level 3 and students are assessed on each of the three components.

On **Friday 22 September, from 10:30 am until 3:30 pm** the Class 12 Project Displays will be open for the community to view in the School Hall. This is an opportunity for you all to see what the students have undertaken over the year, read their documents and speak to the students directly about their projects.

On **Saturday 23 September** you are warmly invited to attend the Project Presentations. Each student delivers their presentation and then there is time for the audience to ask questions. These are formal presentations which will take place in the **Hall between 8:30 am and 5:30 pm**. While we encourage all in the community from Kindergarten to High School, parents and students, past and present to view these presentations it is an expectation that all of Class 11 attend in preparation for the following year.

Next week we will publish a list of students, their project topics and the times of each of the presentations.

We look forward to seeing you during these two days as we acknowledge our senior students who are nearing the end of their journey at Taikura.

Pippa Caccioppoli

Mark Your Calendar!

September 7	10:50 am - 12:30 pm	Community Assembly - Hall
September 12	12:30 pm - 1:15 pm	French Conversation Group - Soirées de Conversation
September 13	11:00 am - 12:45 pm	Class 9 Project Presentation Day - Library
September 13	7:00 pm	Liaison Parent Evening - library - hosts Pippa and Kelly
September 15	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Sue Simpson - "Three Steps Towards True Individuality"
September 18	5:00 pm	BOT Meeting - Library
September 20	6:30 pm	Class 7 Parent Evening
September 22	11:00 am - 3:30 pm	Class 12 Project Display - Community View - Hall
September 26	12:30 pm - 1:15 pm	French Conversation Group - Soirées de Conversation
November 19	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Taikura School Fête

SCHOOL NOTICES

Careers

Victoria University Scholarships Dates Online

Victoria Achiever Scholarships for School Leavers

CLOSING DATE: 15-09-2017

The purpose of this scholarship is to recruit academically-able school leavers to an undergraduate degree programme at Victoria University of Wellington. Students must be from one or more of the following targeted groups: Māori students, Pacific students, students with disabilities, students from decile 1-3 schools and students who can demonstrate financial hardship.

Scholarships for study in 2018 will be awarded competitively on the basis of academic merit and other criteria. The majority of these scholarships will be awarded at \$5,000 for the first year of study.

The top applicant in each category will be awarded the new Victoria Vice-Chancellor's Achiever Scholarship (ie. a total of five scholarships). These scholarships are valued at \$20,000 over three years of study.

Victoria Excellence Scholarships for School Leavers

CLOSING DATE: 15-09-2017

The purpose of the scholarship is to recruit high-achieving undergraduate students to Victoria University of Wellington and to support them in their studies. Scholarships for study in 2018 will be awarded competitively on the basis of academic excellence. The majority of these scholarships will be awarded at \$5,000 for the first year of study.

The top 20 applicants will be awarded the new Victoria Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Scholarships, valued at \$20,000 over three years of study.

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.

- **September 15** - Sue Simpson - Secretary of Anthroposophical Society of NZ
Talk - "Three Steps Towards True Individuality"

Any question please contact Filipa Hope 027 451 3445 filipahope@gmail.com

Wanted - Toasted Sandwich Makers !

The High School is looking for some new toasted sandwich makers for our lunches. Our last one has sadly worn out and we are seeking a couple of new ones. If you wish to donate one that is working but not being used, please feel free to leave it at the School Office.

Thank you in anticipation
The High School Students

Bike Security Reminder

There have been a number of unwelcome visitors to the school and as unlocked bikes are an easy target, it is a timely reminder to ensure you lock your bike to the bike stands supplied in the Lower School and High School.



Sports Notices

Dance Achievements

Amelia Goodhind of Class 5 competed in the HB Teachers' and Judges' Club Highland Dance competition on Saturday 26 August and won the Most Points trophy cup in the 10 - 12 years age group. She also won the HB Championship Irish Jig Under 11 years.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Board of Trustees Policies Community Consultation

The following policies are available for public consultation until: **12:00 pm Monday 18 September**

Hospitality Policy
2017 Finance Policy

Gifts and Koha Policy
Travel Policy

EOTC Policy

The documents and a response sheet can be found in the Policy File in the school Office.

Rachel Williams
Board Secretary

School Board Of Trustees Election

Declaration of Students Election Results. At the close of nominations, as there was only one valid nomination received. I hereby declare: **Ray Solis** duly elected.

Janet Osborne - Returning Officer

Enriching our School Community

We are calling for parents to please join our COMMUNICATIONS TEAM. Enlivened communication is vital to our school health. All hands up for this initiative greatly welcomed.

Please phone Ruth 0273540844

Waiheke Island Steiner School

Educating the head, the heart and the hands:

Class 1/2 Steiner Teacher, 2018

In May 2017 something special happened on Waiheke Island: Our fledgling Steiner school welcomed its first children. More than two years of commitment and vision lay behind this moment. We are now seeking a class teacher to join our school.

We are a small self-funded school, with a roll of 23 children, and growing. We are seeking a creative, experienced teacher who is highly adaptable and who brings a positive approach during this time of transition for our school.

This role is for a full time, permanent class teacher for composite Class 1/2. Must be NZ registered (or have the ability to become NZ-registered), with a strong grounding in Steiner philosophy, and be comfortable applying it in a modern setting.

Please contact Tania at office@waiheke.steiner.school.nz for a job description and application pack, or call 0276 889 204 for enquiries.

Applications close Monday 2 October.

Fundraiser for Zachariah Marshall

When: **Sunday 10 September**

Time: **3:00 pm onwards DOOR SALES - BE QUICK!**

Entry: **\$20:00 which includes nibbles, sausage sizzle, food platters**

Where: **The Common Room
Heretaunga Street
Hastings**



Fantastic items up for auction and in the raffle, including art work and a gym pass. Come and join the fun with live music by Margot Wuts, Jessica Hope and Ben Throp. Ticket sales at the School Office and on the day. Get a team together and support this family.

For further details please contact Teresa on 022 1393025

SCHOOL NOTICES

Sports Notices

On Wednesday 23 August Taikura 1st XI hockey team set out on the inaugural ever trip to Gisborne to play hockey against other schools. They travelled in the dark and stayed in a hall in the suburbs of Gisborne.

Their first game on Thursday was cancelled by the opposition so time was spent practising and going through set plays. In the afternoon we played Champion College in a hard match that went back and forth for a while and ended up with Taikura winning 3 goals to 1. The team was not use to playing in the heat of the middle of the day, and fluid intake was very important. The players were given the choice of playing in bibs or turning their shirts inside out as the opposition had the same coloured uniform. They chose to turn their shirts inside out. It was a fun game, played in good spirit and apart from a damaged knee to Jaylin most players came off happy and satisfied.

After showers we went done to the beach for a little sightseeing and a game of hand ball on the Waikanae Beach. Dinner that night was held at the Gisborne Cosmopolitan club, here the students relaxed and some games were played. These games frustrated many players but a great time was had by all and many laughs. Some parents joined us for dinner which was awesome.

Up early the next day saw us packing up our accommodation and heading off to play against Lytton High School – Last year's National Mixed Tournament Champions. The game was played over the middle of the day in very hot conditions which Taikura struggled with. The first half we matched them and it was one all at half time but unfortunately the heat and the skills of some of the opposition slightly overwhelmed us in a hard fought game and the Lytton winning by 3-1 in the end.

Afterwards we had an after match function where the Captains and Coaches gave simple speeches and thanked each other. A lovely spread of food was put on for us and the students really appreciated the effort of Lytton parents. Both teams started to intermingle after the match and the start of friendships were forged.

The trip was rounded off with a swim on the way home at Morere Hot Springs which helped to relieve tired and strained muscles.

The team is looking ahead to next year when they hope to have a Home and Away series against Lytton and a return match against Champion College. It was a most successful trip and the players are starting to make the bonds between the different class levels and trust their team players. The future of hockey at Taikura is looking healthy and strong.

Anne Hilton (Coach)



WHAT IS SOCIAL MEDIA?

COME AND FIND OUT!

On the 12th of September at 7pm in the School Hall there will be a "social media Q & A night" for the parents of the school where you can come and ask questions about social media and all its tricks and twists that you might not feel comfortable asking your own kids.

Come along with your questions no matter how simplistic they might be (remember there is no such thing as a “dumb” question) and we will do our best to inform you about what social media is all about.



“This workshop is a collaboration between Dani Le Bon, Jess Soutar Barron and the Student Council”



ECHOES FROM THE FUTURE

WHAT IS OUR RESPONSE?

5-8 OCTOBER 2017
ANTHROPOSOPHICAL SOCIETY NEW ZEALAND
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

TAIKURA RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOL, 505 NELSON ST, HASTINGS NORTH

YOU CAN REGISTER ONLINE: www.anthroposophy.org.nz



The New Zealand Biodynamic Association

in conjunction with the

Biodynamic Agricultural College (UK)

presents:

Nourish to flourish: Introduction to Biodynamics

Wondering what biodynamics is all about?

**Wanting to grow nutritious food for yourself and your family, or
looking to take organic production to the next level on your farm?**

Keen to give it a try but don't know where to start?

Connect with other students across the world in a 20-hour online introduction to biodynamics and learn how to apply the teachings in a practical way here at home. All tutors are biodynamic practitioners with real-world experience.

COURSE CONTENT

Principles of biodynamics • Global overview and context • Compost making
Using the biodynamic preparations • Liquid manures • Tree paste
The biodynamic planting calendar • Local biodynamic farm visits
Online seminars • Video resources

WHEN AND WHERE

14-15 Oct: Workshop
Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, Hastings
16 Oct–11 Nov: 20-hour online course
via BDAC, UK
18-19 Nov: Workshop
Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, Hastings

COST

\$360 plus £50/NZ\$90 paid separately
to BDAC, UK
Registration includes 1 year membership to
the NZ Biodynamic Association for further
contacts and support

For more info and to register
biodynamic.org.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Communication for Connection NVC Workshop

Hastings 4 and 5 November

Discover new ways to empower yourself and your family!

Strengthen your relationships, your confidence, your creativity, and your ability to connect with yourself and others.

NVC enhances communication and connecting skills, improving your ability to: be heard & understood, inspiring motivation & cooperation, engaging with others when they are defensive or aggressive, holding firm boundaries, and strengthening your relationship with yourself.

NVC is a practical 'how to' that works!

(Many parents at the school have found value in this workshop. If you would like to talk one of them please let me know). Cost: \$220 w/\$50 by 27 October.

Filipa Hope 027 451 3445 filipahope@gmail.com

More info about NVC and Filipa's background: www.nvc.org.nz.

If you have friends out of town....

Parenting with NVC Sept 23 & 24 in Gisborne.

Parenting with NVC Oct 14 & 15 in Dunedin.

Handcrafted Candles

Creamy soy candles handcrafted with beautiful scents in NZ... and wax melts, tea lights, room sprays, medicinal face and body oils, face clays and bath salts. Affordable exquisite gifts. If it's not yet on our website, please just ask - much more to come! www.amberjack.co.nz

Art Class For Adults

Fridays 1 - 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm sessions starting Friday 18 August. Exploring painting and drawing techniques; observation drawing; good company; listening to stories (the life of Buddha), choose your own art project. Beginners and the more experienced welcome. Steiner Centre, 500 Nelson St Hastings. Cost \$120.00, art 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, listen to a story (the Girl with the Pearl Earring), 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 evaurieli@gmail.com 878 6028 or text 02102771201.

Draw And Paint The Goddesses Of Aotearoa

You will be guided to create drawings and paintings using your imagination. Discover your personal connection to the goddesses of this land. Share your insights with others. An art and self development course. No previous experience in art expected as art instruction given .

When: Thursday evenings 7:30 – 9:15 pm - starting October 19 for 6 weeks.

Where: Steiner Centre Hastings corner Nelson Street and Whitehead Road.

Cost: \$170 with art materials included .

Contact: Eva Steinmetz-Urieli [<evaurieli@gmail.com>](mailto:evaurieli@gmail.com) 06 878 6028

Reiki Level One And Two

Courses In September and October

Reiki is a natural energy healing. Reiki One for opening a connection to healing energy is to be held on Saturday 23 September. Level Two on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 October is an advanced two-day course to extend the healing ability with Symbols and Mantras utilizing specific aspects of the energy. Level Three will be arranged later this year. Please contact Shu for further details and questions.

For booking, Shu 0210549035/877 1298 or Email: crystal@naturallifenz.org.