Taikura Rudolf Steiner School





2 November 2017

School Doctor Visit and Evening Community Talk

The school is looking forward to Dr Mike Sargent visiting again in his role as School doctor next week.

As teachers we are so grateful to have a school doctor - who, with his insights, can assist us to deepen our understanding for both our children at the kindergartens and our students at the school. As teachers, we are always questioning ourselves - what do I need to understand about a particular child to make his/her learning easier? - to enable each child under our guidance the possibility to reach their potential? We are now enriched by also having our two anthroposophical nurses on site - Michelle Vette and Kristina Friedlander, and they will be joining us for the evening talk with Mike Sargent and will be happy to share in discussions at the end.

Dr Sargent will be giving an evening talk to the school community on Wednesday 8 November at 7:00 pm on '<u>Heart Rhythm and Health'</u> - in the School Hall

The most important educational objectives of Waldorf education (stated by Rudolf Steiner in 1919) was to learn to breathe correctly, and to develop the right rhythm between waking and sleeping. The soul and spirit being of the child needs to be connected with the physical body in a healthy way and this occurs in the interchange of breathing in and breathing out, of waking and of sleeping, of concentration and relaxation, of inner quiet and physical activity. These themes all flow between home life and school life, so will be a relevant talk for us all.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Rachel Hughes (on behalf of the CARE Group)



Mark Your Calendar

November 3 November 3 November 4 November 7 November 8 November 19 November 22 December 1 7:30 pm 8:45 am - 9:00 am start 10:00 am -12:00 pm 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:45 am - 9:00 am start 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Class 8 SM Play Evening Performance Troy Gardiner - Taikura Maori Teacher - flax weaving Taradale Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten Open Day Class 2 Parent Evening Dr Sargent - "Heart Rhythm and Health" Herman Veluwenkamp - Science & Anthroposophy Taikura School Fête Class 8 DU Biosphere Trip David Urieli - High School Teacher - Topic TBA

SCHOOL NOTICES

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.

- November 3 Troy Gardiner- Taikura Maori teacher, is offering us a fun & interactive flax weaving workshop. It will not be held at Taikura kindy, it will be held in our school Whare.
- Nov 17 Herman Veluwenkamp Science & Anthroposophy theme TBA
- Dec 1 David Urieli High school teacher, topic TBA

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

French Conversation Group - Soirées de Conversation

Our next meetings are: 14 November

End of year celebration - 28 November

A bientôt Kura

Abacus Calendars Order Reminder

| Prices: | Art Calendars | \$10 | Cards (pack of 8) | \$12 | Diaries | \$15 |
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| | Photo Calendars | \$10 | Kids notepads | \$12 | Mouse Mats | \$15 |

Order forms should by now have come home with your children. The order date printed on the forms is the Friday 27 October but as I did not manage to send these home before Labour Weekend as intended I have decided to extend this **deadline** an extra week. Please pop your orders into an **ENVELOPE** along with the money, and drop into the school office by: **FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER** (separate order form for each child).

Netsafe

Netsafe is coming to Taikura to run a session for parents and caregivers on social media. The session is 7:00 pm Tuesday 21 November in the School Hall. This presentation is designed for carers (rather than teachers although anyone who is interested is welcome to attend) covering information around digital tech, online safety, issues for young people, and how we as parents can best support our children to develop the skills, knowledge, values and attitudes needed to navigate the complexities and opportunities in online spaces. It will be great to fill the room so please put it in your dairies now. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Jess Barron

Allsorts Exhibition Opening 6-7pm Friday 3 November

Hastings Community Arts Centre, Russell Street, Hastings Come along and enjoy an hour of eclectic artwork, music, nibbles and local wine.

There is a \$2 raffle and a gold coin donation for the Allsorts catalogue so bring along some loose change to get these. Tickets will be available at the Gallery.

You are most welcome to attend and bring along some friends.



SCHOOL NOTICES

Board of Trustees Policies Community Consultation

The following policies are available for public consultation until: **12:00 pm Monday 27 November 2017**

Health and Safety Policy

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

Rachel Williams, Board Secretary

Condition of Enrolment and Special Character Pledge forms

We are posting out the 2018 Condition of Enrolment and Special Character Pledge forms this week. These forms as due back to the school office by **Friday 17 November**. If you have changed address please contact the office as soon as possible to ensure you receive your pack. It is important to remember that your child will not be enrolled for 2018 if these forms are not returned so it is urgent to have these back to the office by 17 November 2017.

Sundries

A reminder to those who are still to pay sundries. We currently have \$28,413 owing from families for sundries. This equates to 142 children having sundries owing with 69 children having not paid any sundries at all! It would be greatly appreciated to have these outstanding amounts attended to immediately. Please remember to pay sundries into the BoT account: 03 1518 035763 00

Selena Crouch Finance Manager

Friday Market

Mālō e lelei

We welcome you all to come and grab some afternoon tea at this Fridays Market. This week Class 8 Du will be selling:

- Hot Sausage Rolls
- Fruit Kebabs
- Cold Drinks
- Ice Cream



Along with a variety of other items to raise money for the Kanukupolu School roof in Tonga. Please come along and support us. For those who would like to donate to this worthy cause please donate into the back account below: Contact person: Esther Watson 0277112282

Tonga Roof: BNZ 02 0655 0022016 006 or via givealittle.co.nz/cause/rooffortonga

`Bee' Safe Wear Shoes:

During Term 4 our main field always attracts the buzz of our friendly little workers of the flowers. To ensure the children are safe from harm please check that they have suitable shoes on at all times. This is up to parents and staff to enforce. If you see one of our children on the field without shoes on, please ask them to go and put some on.



Glasses Found

A pair of gold rimmed and tortoise shell reading glasses left behind at the Book Fair. Please collect from the main school office.

SCHOOL NOTICES



ATTENTION, DETENTION!

Class 85M Play this Friday

A comedy by Bradley Hayward

When: Friday 3 November at 7.30pm Where: In the school hall Cost: Gold coin koha please

Four of the best students in the school have ended up on after-school detention, and the principal wants to know why. The students make up crazy stories to explain the reasons they were late to school, but the principal doesn't believe them. Finally, he uncovers the truth. Please come along and enjoy our play.

By Madeleine Wuts and Herman Veluwenkamp from 8SM

Taikura Student Wanted

Casual help wanted in the Mahora area for odd jobs around the section and garden. Must be strong and able to use a lawn mower. Please phone Gerald Cheshire on 876 7507

Kereru Station Horse Trek

Saturday 25 November at Kereru Station, 10:00 am – 3:30 pm. Cost: \$25 Includes sausage sizzle and afternoon tea. A fundraiser for 'Gumboots' Maraekakahos' Early Childhood Centre. For further information contact: Lindsay Averill at averl@xtra.co.nz, 06 8760947 or 0273548400

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School Website

If you would prefer to read the Grapevine on-line via the school website please go to <u>www.taikura.school.nz</u> Under the heading: Key Dates, News & Events select Newsletters from the drop down box, the latest copies of the Grapevine will be on the left side of the page. Click on the date you wish to read.



When human beings meet together seeking the spirit with unity of purpose then they will also find their way to each other Rudolf Steiner

Taikura Fête Sunday 19 November 2017

Just two more weeks to prepare for the Fête. Thanks to everyone who has already made a commitment to help out on the day. If you are not already rostered, please put your hand up for something this week.

Taikura Fête is an accomplishment of the creativity, dedication, generosity and skill of the entire body of families, children and staff. By opening our school to the wider Hawkes Bay community we offer something of our school's special character that endures beyond the festivities' conclusion. As a state-integrated school, Taikura Rudolf Steiner School receives no funding for school facilities. These are funded from within the school community. Taikura Fête is the most important fundraising event at our school.

Your Participation

Taikura Fête depends on **EVERY** whanau's help and participation. There are many ways to contribute according to our individual skill and ability.

Class Food Stalls

Each class is allocated one food item at the Real Food Market. This is where the bulk of the income from the Fête is generated. Your class is responsible for sourcing ingredients, following recipes, preparing food in a safe environment and storing food hygienically in advance of the Fête. Liaison parents are organising food preparation, and a roster for serving on the day is available to fill online. For more information, you can contact your liaison parent, call Suzan on 021 206 59 09, or email taikurafete@gmail.com.

On Fête Day

This year we'd like to change our community thinking around how we contribute so that the fête can run as smoothly as possible, and so that we all get some time to play as well as work. Rather than attempting to give a little to each of our children's classes or kindergarten groups, we ask that each parent or whanau spend half of fête day working on just one stall and the other half enjoying the fête. This model depends on every whanau contributing! If you have a special skill, such as face painting or hair braiding, please volunteer for these preferentially. Shifts for **Children's Activities** are

| Shifts for Food Stalls are | Morning Afternoon | 9.45am-12.30pm 12.30-3.15pm. | |
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| | Set Up/Serve Lunchtime Serve/Pack D | 8.30-11am 11 am-1pm own 1-3.30pm | |

Please sign up by emailing at taikurafete@gmail.com or calling Rosheen on 027 777 07 59.

Children's Activities

We still need parents to donate a few hours of their time to Adventure Playground – Archery – Art Spin – Candle Dipping – Children's Shop – Clay Play – Coconut Shy – Crystal Panning – Face Painting – Fairy Wands – Fishing – Flower Garlands – Go Karts – Hair Braiding – Hot Burner Pictures – Jousting/Stocks – Sumo Wrestling – Sword Whittling – Ticket Sales. If you are willing and able to assist with any of these fun activities, please contact Rosheen 027 777 07 59 or email taikurafete@gmail.com.

Calling All Musicians

Classical Musicians needed for entertainment in the Devonshire Tea Room. Parents or students who play piano, violin or another soothing instrument please volunteer an hour or so of your time. Contact Suzan on 021 206 59 09 or email <u>taikurafete@gmail.com</u>.

Crafting

Small handcrafted items are needed for sale in the Children's Shop, and for the Lucky Dip. There should be no less than 15 of each craft item in the shop, but ideally 20-40 and we will need in excess of 400 items in total. In the past we have made origami flowers and butterflies on sticks, needle felted bees, ladybirds and spiders, little knitted mice, a small crystal in a covered match box, tiny wool angels, gnomes, gold painted walnuts with a bell inside, hair clips and badges. The crafts should reflect the special character of the school and be made from natural materials as far as is possible. If anyone has a desire to craft but feels that they need mentoring, we will be meeting on

Tuesday mornings from 9am to 11am at Taikura Kindergarten Parent Room.

Completed items can be dropped off at this time or to the Office.

Ribbons and Beads Needed

Donations of ribbon and beads (or old jewellery that can be easily unstrung) are needed for the Fairy Wand Activity. Please drop to the Office.

Signs

Our beautiful new signs will be coming out this week. If you live on a busy road, please get in touch so that we can arrange for a sign to be put up. Email <u>taikurafete@gmail.com</u> or call Brad on 021 288 3308.

Magic Beans!

This year we will be trialling an exciting new fête currency – Magic Beans! All activities at the Fête will require one or more magic beans, which have equivalent value to the old tickets. They will be available for purchase from **Monday 13 to Friday 17 November ONLY** at the school gate from **2.45pm-3.20pm** at a special discounted rate of **15 for \$10**. This is to acknowledge the work that our community puts in to creating the Fête. You can buy a beautiful cotton pouch, stamped with the school logo, with a rainbow drawstring for \$2 each. Magic Beans will be available for purchase at \$1 apiece after Friday **17** November.



Hastings Community Arts Centre Screative





Taradale Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten has places available and is currently enrolling children for 2018. You are invited to encourage friends, family and people from the wider community who may be interested in a Steiner kindergarten education for their child to come along to our

Taradale Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten

Open Day Market • Sausage sizzle • Story time • Meet the teachers

Saturday 4th November 2017 10am - 12 midday

Kindergarten hours 8.30am to 2.30pm, Mon- Fri, from 3 years Thursday Playgroup for Parents and young ones, 9am to midday

Celebrating 35 years of Early Childhood Rudolf Steiner Education in Napier!

Taradale Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten 68 King Street, Taradale, Napier For more information contact Helen on 06 844 2486 or email taradalekindergarten@xtra.co.nz

Taradale Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten Play, learn, grow and explore

FREE 20 hours per week ECE funding available



Placements available now

68 King Street, Taradale Phone: (06) 844 2486 email: taradalekindergarten@xtra.co.nz

Open 5 days a week 8.30am - 2.30pm

Part of Taikura Rudolf Steiner School

Taradale Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten is a place where the spirit of childhood is living and protected. Children have the full measure of time for play, learning, growing and exploring in a beautiful natural environment.

Key features of our Kindergarten include:

- Holistic education based on child development, provided in natural, homely surroundings on a half-acre property
- Small mixed-age groups of children aged 3 - 6 years of age
- Playgroup for children under 3 years of age with their parent/s
- A peaceful, unhurried and unpressured environment
- The whole child is celebrated and nurtured; body, soul and spirit
- Excellent preparation for school
- Working with the child's natural inclination to be active
- Self-directed creative play
- Using imitation and example as an educational approach
- Supporting the development of the child in partnership with parents
- Rhythm and repetition allow the child to feel safe and secure
- Children encouraged to know and love the world through wonder and respect
- Children are supported to grow up healthily, with good habits and sound nutrition.



The Healing Madonna's

Treat *yourself to a* 'Soul Nurturing Experience'

These sessions begin with a presentation of Madonna paintings by Raphael and sculptures by Michelangelo and Donatello.

These images are accompanied by lyre music followed by an artistic activity in drawing, painting or pastels. No previous artistic experience is necessary. A wonderful treat not to be missed.

| Time:9.30 - 12.30 pmCost:\$25.00 per session \$40.00 for 2 sessionsVenue:Margaret-Mary Farr Studio/Gallery 100 Eastbourne Street Hastings | Dates: | DECEMBER Thursday 7 and Friday 8 |
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| | Cost: | |
| | Venue: | |

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