The Talkura Rudolf Steiner School







He Reo Ora Strategy Consultation

Tēnā koutou e te whānau whānui o Taikura

I would like to warmly thank all those who braved the wet and windy night on the 11 April to join us in the Taikura whare for our community consultation of the He Reo Ora Strategy. This strategy is one that has been initiated from and by the warmth of our community and we greatly appreciated the sharing of ideas and suggestions in how it can be brought to life at Taikura.

The evening was led by Troy Gardiner, Kura Rutherford and Te Kaahurangi Maioha who have all given a great deal of time, effort and aroha to this project. After our welcome a picture of the origins of this strategy was given as well as an overview of the guiding principles it embodies and the key goals which bring these principles to life.

Over tea and cake, enthusiastic conversations were had around possible ways these goals could be achieved, with a particular focus on Te hāpori Community - The community is engaged in upholding te reo me ōna tikanga in the school.

In order to continue to develop this strategy we will be sending out a survey next week to allow all families to share their suggestions. From the information we gather we aim to create a list of strategies which will complete the formation of our strategy. In acknowledgement of this step we are working towards a community blessing of this document as a part of our Matariki celebrations towards the end of this term.

We look forward to reading your responses to the survey and sharing the completed document with you all.

Mā ngā huruhuru Ka Rere Te manu With feathers a bird will fly With everyone's help the project/ mahi will succeed

Nei anō ngā mihi tino mahana, nā Pippa Caccioppoli

On behalf of the He Reo Ora Strategy Group

Mark Your Calendar

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	May 11	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Herman Veluwenkamp - Discussion about the Etheric
	May 14 - 18	Pre booked time	Lower School Interviews
	May 21	5:00 pm	BOT Meeting
	May 21	All Day	Class 10 Geography Field Trip - Clifton/Haumoana
	May 22	12:30 pm - 1:15 pm	French Conversation Group
	May 23	7:00 pm	Class 12 Parent Evening - TH 3.3
	May 25	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Rosie Simpson - The history of Taruna and Taikura
	May 30	7:00 pm	Class 5 Parent Evening - In the School Library
	May 30	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Kindergarten Parent Evening
	June 1	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Kaye Keats - Medical Herbalist & Nutritionist
	June 1	All Day	Teacher Only Day
	June 5	9:00 am	Photolife Class Photos
1	June 15	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	David Urieli - Goethe's Faust

Dear Community

This year we have had the privileged of welcoming a number of new staff members to Taikura. If you have not met them already over the coming weeks via the Grapevine you will. Each week there will be a short piece introducing a new staff member, along with a photo to help you to put a face to the name.

Kelly Sutton

Nau mai haere mai Mrs Wiltshire

Joanne Wiltshire is the new high school SENCO. This is the Special Education Needs Coordinator who makes sure that our tamariki are getting the support they need at school. Jo hails from Essex, fell in love with Aotearoa on holiday and has been here since 2009 with her husband, three children and Guinness, her pet foodle (Google it). Back in the day, Jo could be found reading up on Film Studies and Literature at university and, like any sane human, still enjoys a good movie and book. Her guilty pleasure is watching Eastenders which she balances out by entertaining a serious fitness streak. She completed the Rotorua half marathon last weekend. Ka pai Jo!



Nau mai haere mai Mrs Jenkins

Anna Jenkins is the new High School teacher aide. Anna, her partner and three children live out in Haumoana. Just a stone's throw from the sea where Anna began her working life as an electronics technician in the navy. After sailing the high seas for a few years, journeying to the subantarctic and Auckland Islands she decided that life on the ocean wasn't her calling (and she missed a good coriander flavoured Indian dinner), so she hung up her sou'wester and settled on dry land. Anna might find herself taking a little "visite" to the French Conversation Club as mastering French is next on her to-do list. So bonne chance Anna, great to have you here!



Lincoln University visit

Please note this is also Class 12 Work Week so students will need to be aware of this.

James Agnew, The Lincoln University liaison Officer, will be at school 3:15 pm Tuesday 15 May to introduce you to Lincoln University. This is an opportunity for Class 11-12 students to learn more about Lincoln's programmes and courses, as well as the student experience. He will also talk about admission requirements, school leaver scholarships and accommodation, and give you an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

Come along to find out about Lincoln University in Christchurch. This session is also open to Parents and teachers

Lesley Cox

Class Photographs

Apologies for any confusion caused by the wrong date printed on the envelope. The class photographs will be taken on Tuesday 5 June. Please make sure you get your PhotoLife envelope into the school office by 25 May. You have the option of paying by cheque/credit card or online. If you are paying by cash make sure that you include the correct money as no change will be given. Seal the envelopes carefully and tear off the display page as it is not necessary.

The final day for photograph money to be in handed in to the office is 25 May. No later!

French Conversation Group - Soirées de Conversation

The meetings this term are: 22 May, 5 June, 19 June and 3 July - from 12:30pm to 1:15pm (location to be confirmed). Contact Stasia on stasiepops@gmail.com for more information.

Lower School Interviews

Dear Parents of Lower School Children

During Week 3 of Term Two 14 – 18 May, the Lower School will be completing Parent, Teacher Interviews.

We look forward to this time in the year, where with whanau, we take a pause, reflect and plan together the next stage of your child's learning journey.

These meetings happen annually and it is our expectation that all parents attend. We are using the same booking site as in previous years. Bookings have been open since April 13.

When you login you will see each class teacher has a range of times on various days available for interviews. We trust that the many options available will make it possible for all families to attend.

Please note that the interview bookings will be closing, mid-night Friday 11 May.

Families not booked for an interview will be contacted by the school prior to interview week to ensure a suitable time is found.

Please Note:

On the Wednesday of Interview Week, 16 May, Lower School children will be having a half day and interviews will be running from 1:30pm on this day. We ask that children are collected at 12:30pm. If your child requires a holding class on this afternoon, please fill in the Holding Class slip which will be sent home separately and return to your child's class teacher.

Warm wishes Kelly Sutton for the Lower School

How to Book:

- 1. Log onto the following website: http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
- 2. Enter the following code into the 'event code' **h2xd6**
- 3. You will then be guided by the website.

Parents who do not have access to a computer can phone Adrienne, to book an appointment. We encourage you to book on-line please.

Festivals This Term: Whitsun, Mid Winter And Matariki

In week four this term, Monday 21 May, we will be celebrating Whitsun or Pentecost with the school. This festival marks the eighth Sunday after Easter and we celebrate it in several ways: firstly, we come together in the hall decorated with white doves by the Lower School and symbolising the Holy Spirit, to listen to a story and hear a short passage from the bible which describes the moment of Pentecost and is spoken to us by students in different languages; secondly, we return to our rooms in small groups of students spanning the entire school and have a short time together to enjoy a biscuit and a drink and each other's company.

This festival tends to be slightly more subdued and centred than others but this sets the correct mood of reflection about the Easter events but also about the season that we are entering. We use it as a moment, through the story and atmosphere, to explore a sense of uprightness, courage and community.

On Thursday 21 June we will mark Mid Winter with our festivals for the Lower and High school. The High School meets in the darkened hall during the day and amongst candle light to celebrate the longest night around a gigantic map of the world and a biography to inspire us. Class 7 join the High School for this event.

The Lower School meet that evening for a lantern walk and the singing of songs around the spiral. This is the inward gesture of winter but also a little suggestion of the light to come: a looking ahead.

Unlike Whitsun and Mid Winter, Matariki celebrations are not confined to just one day. We are currently confirming a range of activities acknowledging Matariki and these will be shared in the coming weeks with the community.

Johnny Ryan
On behalf of the Festival Group

Dear Kindergarten Parents

Welcome to Term Two. We trust you have had a very relaxing and restful holiday. We are planning a combined parent evening for all kindergarten parents on 30 May at 7:00 pm till 8:30 pm.

The agenda for this meeting will include a picture of kindergarten life for your children, including our upcoming festivals and parent information sharing.

We would also like to take the opportunity, while we are all together, to invite Aimee Hawke from the Proprietors Trust to begin a discussion around donations and financial obligations at our kindergartens. The kindergarten donations are currently tracking well below expectations and we want to work together to find a solution to increase these.

We look forward to welcoming you on 30 May at 7:00 pm in the school library, a full agenda will be available soon.

Playgroup is set to start again this week. We have secured a new venue in Taradale for playgroup and there are still places available for new families. The Hastings groups are presently full. Please contact Erika Potter if you are interested in a place in Taradale or wanting a place on the waiting list for Hastings Ph.8787363

We wish you all the best for a colourful autumn term.

Corrie Levick.

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. All meetings are baby/toddler friendly and you are welcome to bring them along and come and go as you need. Gatherings are held at the Hastings Taikura Kindergarten community space. Guest speakers begin at 9:00am with tea and coffee available from 8:45am.

Our next meetings:

Friday 11 May: Herman Veluwenkamp: Bringing his synthesis of years of personal research into a 'Discussion about the Etheric' - Some thoughts about this elusive realm and how it may be approached.

Friday 25 May: To be held at Taruna College 33 Te Mata Peak Rd. Rosie Simpson, past Taikura principle and current Taruna director. Rosie will share the common history of Taruna and Taikura through the biographies of two extraordinary women: Ruth Nelson and Edna Burberry. Taruna was their home and became their initiative to bring Waldorf Education to New Zealand - and is today an adult education centre inspired by anthroposophy. For those who wish to join in Rosie will also lead us in a simple art activity.

Friday 1 June: Kaye Keates - Medical Herbalist & Nutritionist offering her depth of knowledge and personal experience to support us in practical ways to support our families winter wellness.

Friday 15 June: David Urieli - High school teacher. This will be David's third talk by popular request looking into Goethe's Faust. Dont worry if you have missed the prior talks as each talk is a complete in itself. Everyone who has come along has found great value.

Friday 29 June: Sue Simpson - past Taikura principle - TBA

Any offerings, suggestions or questions please contact: Filipa Hope 027 451 3445 filipahope@gmail.com

Flute Lessons

Our Itinerant flute teacher Susan Barham, has offered to give small group introductory flute lessons. This would entail a 45 minute lesson for 3 weeks at a cost of \$30 per child.

Flutes would be available from the school for these lessons at no cost. If, however, you would like your child to bring the instrument home over this 3 week period, this can be arranged through the schools Instrument Hiring process. This is a great opportunity for children to have a taste of flute playing, to see if this is something they would like to pursue. To register please contact Zahira at: zahira.rickard@taikura.school.nz



HAWKE'S BAY CAREERS EXPO

Check out career and study information from over 60 providers

Talk to people who can help and guide you.

Tuesday 22nd May 2018 4.30-6.30pm

Pettigrew. Green Arena, Napier.



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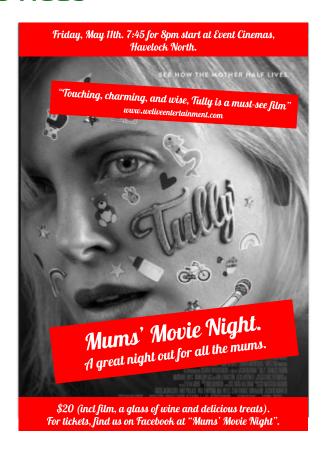
See us at the... HAWKE'S BAY CAREERS EXPO

A great event aimed at giving you the career and study information you want.

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Class One Fundraiser

Ten days until the Class 1 *Tully* movie fundraiser. "Tully is both bitingly funny and observant-and a quietly radical statement on motherhood, sure to make mothers everywhere feel less alone." Tickets are \$20 and include a drink and some nibbles (and the movie). So Mums, treat yourself; Mothers' day is coming up so get someone to treat you; bring a friend, or even a daughter, or even your mother. Tickets can be purchased through Facebook (Mums' Movie Night) or on Friday outside the staff room.



Class Ten Fundraiser



Come along and join us for a portion of **Chilli Con Carne** with a bun and a show.

Drinks available. R13 Age Limit

Cost: \$25.00 CASH ONLY NO EFTPOS

Date: Saturday 26 May

Time: 7:30 Start

Where: The Badger Cave

Tannery Road Jervoistown

Theme: Black and White Badger

Tickets on sale from Taikura Rudolf Steiner School Class 10 members or through email

achten@ruralkiwi.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kairos Courses 2018

With Margaret-Mary Farr 100 Eastbourne Street East Hastings.

HEART OF ART - Thursdays for 7 weeks "The Meaning of Fairy Tales" with Majorie Theyer, Fairy Tale Painting with Margaret-Mary. \$225 8:50am -12:15pm **Term 2**

Tuesdays for 7 weeks The Story of Odysseus told by Allyson Caris, followed by painting with Margaret-Mary Costs \$225 Starts 8:50am -12:15pm. Term 3 Medicinal Plant Study with Nic Parkes & Margaret-Mary.

ART FOR KOHA - For beginners 1:00am - 2:30pm Tuesdays/Thursday starts 8/10 May. Learn Painting, pastels and drawing. Lots of fun. **Term 2**

ART FOR HEALTH - Course to start in **Terms 3 and 4**. This will be a foundation in Anthroposophy focussing on Health and the use of Art as a tool for healing. This course will give the participant the foundation needed if wishing to study Artistic Therapy at Kairos.

AWAKENING YOUR GODDESS - With Raina Ferris and Margaret-Mary coming up in Term 3 dates to be confirmed. Contact Margaret-Mary Farr Ph/Txt 027 2484193, email manawastudio@gmail.com Facebook Margaret-Mary Farr ART, or Kairos Artistic Endeavours

Stephen's Tax, Business and Assets Protection Services Limited

My Motto is that everyone has to pay tax but you do not have to leave a tip. I believe that you work hard to achieve your dreams and goals. With over 20 year's business and tax investigation experience, I am well suited to ensure that you grow your assets and more importantly, keep the assets that you have created.

To find out if we can work together, contact Stephen on 021 085 10771 or stephendiederick@hotmail.com

Fun Part Time Job

Pipi cafe is seeking a parent or two to help out 1 - 3 nights a week. We guarantee a fun night out where you come home with a bit extra to pay the bills. No experience necessary, we just need a positive attitude with a little humility, dignity, and integrity. Pay and conditions are OK, no one at Pipi really complains! Email pipicafe@xtra.co.nz or text 021 707 510.

Help Wanted

Saturday May 26 Time: 4:00 pm - 11.30 pm

Assistance with preparation of food, serving and clean up. If you have your own transport, have a passion for food and want a laugh, then come and help us celebrate.

\$20.00 per hour, if interested please call Aimee on 0279389845

Join Our Food Rescue Team

We are local food rescue group Nourished for Nil looking for a produce coordinator to join our team. This role requires coordinating fruit and produce deliveries and pick ups, 3 mornings a week for about 3 hours. Some days there is nothing to do, other days more. Person ideally flexible and available during these times. This person will be the contact point for growers and organisations that want to donate to N4N. The person will be responsible for contacting the volunteers required to do the collection of goods or even do the picking up themselves. Contact Christina 027425 2316

Nancy Johnson Farewell

Dr Nancy Johnson passed away on Monday 8 May. Nancy passed away at Selwyn Village Hospital in Auckland having been unwell for sometime.

Nancy became the first full time music teacher at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School from 2004 - 2012, having previously been H.O.D Music at Havelock North High School. Memorable was Class 10's performance of an adaptation of Fiddler on the Roof, directed by Nancy. There was no Music Department at Taikura during Nancy's time and I remember her excitement at the possibility of music rooms as they are now.

Nancy left to live in the Kapiti Coast and from there went to Auckland. Those who knew Nancy, knew her to be passionate and highly qualified in the Kato Havas Approach to violin playing.

Memorable too, were the "Sunset Concerts" conducted by Nancy at Black Barn. Nancy was a gifted musician and a strong loyal friend.

Nancy's service will be held Friday 11 May

Marion Stronach