



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Part of our work this year has been around tightening up the way we operate between the various groups that run Taikura. We are looking at our processes, responsibilities and the way we communicate between groups, such as the Management Group, the College of Teachers, our Proprietors' Trust and the School's Board of Trustees.

We are holding a number of sessions for the people who sit on these groups on Monday 11 June. These workshops will take place through the afternoon and into the evening. For this reason we have decided to close the School from 12:30pm on this day to make sure everyone who needs to be involved can be. We will be working with each other and an experienced facilitator to improve our understanding of our roles and responsibilities. This will include practical ways to make working together easier and more effective.

The facilitator we have invited to run these sessions is an independent advisor who has extensive knowledge of Steiner schools, Boards of Trustees and Proprietors Trusts. She has been a member of both as a parent at Michael Park Steiner School in Auckland.

We understand how challenging it can be to find alternative care for children during teachers-only days. We will run a holding class for those children whose parents do not have an alternative for them on 11 June and we will send out a slip next week to be filled in by those who wish to use this option. The Havelock North, Napier, Te Awanga and Haumoana buses will leave at 12:30pm but all buses which connect and pick up other schools will be running at normal times.

We are grateful for the opportunity to work together on improving the way we run Taikura and we look forward to sharing the process and the outcomes with our community.

As you may be aware, this year we have had a couple of incidents of vandalism and theft at the school after hours. We've been looking at ways to make the school safer and more secure without compromising the experience of our students. We have now made the decision to put up security cameras in specific places around the school. These are looked after by a security company and have speakers inside them so any unscheduled visitors can be spoken to over a loud hailer. The security company will warn them they are on private property, tell them to leave, and advise them that a guard is being sent to make sure they do.

The incidents we have experienced include tagging and broken windows. Liam Wyley, our Property Manager, goes to great lengths to clean up the situation so our children can arrive into the beautiful, serene and lovely environment we all work so hard to create for them. We also have people working in the evening at the School and we want to make sure they are safe. Teachers may be on site to work on a play, or prepare their lessons or classrooms. Gardeners may be working on specific preparations at certain times of the evening or early morning. Parents and support staff may be visiting for after-hours meetings. All these people are a vital part of our community and making sure they have a positive experience is important to us.

If you need to be at the School after hours, please tell Liam Wyley through the School Office beforehand. If you are involved in a scheduled event, sports practice, play rehearsal or performance, festival or parent evening, Liam will already be aware of people moving around the school in the evening, so you do not need to check in with him.

Pippa Caccioppoli

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dear Community

This year we have had the privilege 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 Wills

Karyn has been the Lower School SENCO (Special Education Needs Coordinator) for just over a year, where she makes sure that all of our tamariki are receiving the support they need. As well as this, she is the face of literacy support in the Lower School and, just in case she had any free time on her hands, she is also part of the school CARE group and also a mother of three. Karyn grew up in Tutira and since becoming a qualified teacher has taught in huge range of schools throughout Hawkes Bay and in London. She loves her role at Taikura, particularly those WOW moments when she sees children suddenly realise they can read. Outside of the Edwin Eyre building, you may bump into Karyn stepping out on a dance floor near you as her secret passion is dancing!



Nau mai haere mai Mrs Follet

Anna has been at Taikura for a little over a year now, teaching our High School rangatahi about the world they live on and what has happened in it (Geography and History). She loves how through Geography we can see how the world is pieced together and through History, she loves the stories that emerge. She lives in Maraekakaho with her partner, 2 little boys and horse Pia. Anna is a hippophile at heart and likes riding Pia in competitions when she can. Having taught in Australia, and for a while at Napier Boys' High School, Anna is looking forward to bringing her incredible taste in footwear to Taikura and really settling into the school community.



Class 8 Proudly Presents - "As You Like It"

A comedy by William Shakespeare.

Friday 8 June at 7:00 pm for **one night only**, in the school hall, entry by koha.

In the depths of the forest Rosalind, Celia and Touchstone meet an old shepherdess, (Corinne) who they ask for food. She tells them that she has none, as her master is mean and anyway he's trying to sell his cottage and sheep. Rosalind asks her to take her to the cottage and gives her money to buy the cottage and sheep for them. Corrine says she will and will also stay as shepherdess to her sheep. They also meet Silvius a young shepherd who is in love with Phebe a young shepherdess who spurns him. Rosalind scornfully tells Phebe off for her attitude towards Silvius saying that she shouldn't be so picky. While she does so Phebe falls in love with Ganymede (Rosalind). Later Ganymede (Rosalind) meets Orlando and tells him she can cure his love for Rosalind (herself) if he woos him (Ganymede). She says that in exchange she will be inconstant with Orlando sometimes encouraging him and sometimes giving him a hard time. He agrees to woo him (her). And what happens then...come and see.

David Urieli

French Conversation Group - Soirées de Conversation

The meetings this term are: 5 June, 19 June and 3 July - from 12:30 pm to 1:15 pm held in the music room. Contact Stasia on stasiepops@gmail.com for more information.

Parent Family Association

Join us Wednesday mornings for a cuppa and a chat just inside the gate at the school entrance at drop off time around 8:30am.

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School Website

If you would prefer to read the Grapevine on-line via the school website please go to www.taikura.school.nz 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.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Last night saw 28 students enter the Taikura preliminary Root to Tip cooking competition. This event is for year 4 and 6 students (Classes 4 and 5) and has an emphasis on low food wastage and eating from the garden. This event at Taikura was generously supported by Pauline Korevaar from the Farmhouse Kitchen cooking school. Taikura is entering teams into this year's nationwide Root to Tip Cooking Competition and due to only a limited number of teams being able to be put forward, our school cook-off gave all those students who wanted an opportunity, the chance to have a go.

It was a wonderful evening and great to observe the engagement and enthusiasm in all 28 children. The children were asking questions about the ingredients they had and were collaborating beautifully. The food was delicious and a massive effort was made. There were awards for the most creative dish and an all-round best dish. The plates of food were first judged for artistic arrangement, food grouping, and then, if this was appropriately completed, the dishes were tasted and the cooking and flavours considered.

After the event, teams were carefully selected based on the many skills displayed, ingredients selected, conversations and behaviors observed in the teams during the course of the evening.

Some Of The Highlights From The Evening

Most Creative Dish - visually pleasing - Manu Vilhena and Mateo De Marco

Overall Best Dish - plating up and taste - Ella Boyd and Maia Ransom

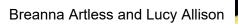
Cooperation Award - Elliot Blakey and Willoughby Barron

Farmhouse Kitchen Cooking Award for Team Effort - (to receive cooking lesson vouchers) - Ruby Ferguson and Jack Peterson, Nico Correa and Lilah Hamilton-Gibbs

Below are the teams selected to represent Taikura in the Regional Root to Tip Competition.

(These students will be working with Pauline on their recipes and their written entry is to be submitted this Friday).

- Manu Vilhena and Mateo De Marco
- Willoughby Barron and Elliot Blakey
- Maia Ransom and Ella Boyd
- Lucy Allison and Breanna Artless
- Seamus FitzGerald and Liam Rousteau





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. 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 22 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 principal - TBA

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

Sandy O'Shea - Public Health Nurse

I hold a clinic for the senior children 3-4 times a term, and follow up any communicable diseases that can impact on the community. I am happy to discuss any health concerns and can be contacted directly or through the school. I also support teachers who are concerned for the wellbeing of a child.

Text or phone 0272349379 or 8799440 Or email sandy.o'shea@hbdhb.govt.nz

Gee's office 8:30 am - 4:30 pm on the following days: Friday 15 June Friday 29 June

Regards Sandy

Board of Trustees Vacancy

Parent by-election to fill casual vacancy. School Name: Taikura Rudold Steiner School

Board of Trustees Election.

Declaration of Parent Election Results:

At the close of nominations, no nominations were received.

I hereby declare that no new parent is elected to the school Board of Trustees.

Janet Osborne Returning Officer

	Mark Your Calendar	
June 1	All Day	Teacher Only Day
June 1	12:00 pm	BOT Voting Papers Sent Out
June 5	9:00 am	PhotoLife Class Photos
June 6	6:30 pm	Class 4TM Parent Evening
June 6	All Day	Class 11 Geography Trip - Karamu Stream
June 7	6:30 pm	Class 1 Parent Evening - Meet in Class 1
June 11	12:30 pm School Closed	Early Day School Closing for Governance Workshop
June 12	6:30 pm	Canterbury University Info Evening
June 13	7:30 pm	Class 8 Parent Evening
June 14	7:00 pm	Liaison Parent Meeting
June 15	8:30 am - 4:30 pm	Sandy O'Shea - Public Health Nurse
June 15	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	David Urieli - Goethe's Faust
June 20	6:00 pm	Victoria University Info Evening
June 21	6:30 pm	Mid-Winter Festival Lower School
June 22	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Kaye Keats - Medical Herbalist & Nutritionist
June 25	5:00 pm	BOT Meeting
June 27	6:30 pm	Class 7 Parent Evening
June 29	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Sue Simpson - TBA
June 29	8:30 am - 4:30 pm	Sandy O'Shea - Public Health Nurse

GETTO KNOW MASSEY INFORMATION EVENING 11TH JUNE



Register online at massey.ac.nz/infoevenings

11th June, 6.00pm - 7.30pm

MTG Hawke's Bay 1 Tennyson Street Napier

- Study options/Scholarships
- · How to apply
- · Careers Pathways
- · Campus Life



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'Ultimately, RESILIENCE is going to be the only ability that counts.'

Parent Information Evening

In response to a request from school principals

6.30pm, Tuesday 12 June 2018

C3 Conference Centre, Southampton Street

(Opposite the stock yards)

Stortford Lodge, Hastings

Presenters:

Anita Johansen - Clinical Psychologist
Edmond Otis - Health Educator & Licensed Psychotherapist

Followed by 'On the couch with experts' Q & A Session for Parents

Dr Russell Wills, CAFS, MOE, School Principal



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Playgroup Coordinator - Part time, Fixed term (term time only)

The Taikura Rudolf Steiner Kindergartens have a part time position available for a Playgroup Coordinator. This position is fixed term until 28 September 2018 at which time the requirements of the position will be reviewed.

The position is for 7 hours per week over three mornings. One morning is in Taradale and two are in Hastings. Within these hours there is the expectation of at least one-two hours per week to carry out the administration requirements as outlined in the position description.

A copy of the position description is available from erika.potter@taikura.school.nz

Applications close Friday 8 June 2018 and are by way of CV and covering letter. Please email applications to erika.potter@taikura.school.nz

Awesome Administrator - Hours: Monday-Friday (10:00am - 2:30pm) Twenty hours per week. Taruna College is the home of holistic adult education, nestled on the slopes of Te Mata Peak, Havelock North. It was founded by two remarkable HB Women, Ruth Nelson and Edna Burbury. Their passion was education and their dream was for Taruna to be a place of inspiration for generations of educators to come.

We are looking for a skilled Administrator all-rounder that enjoys nurturing and fostering relationships with students, tutors, staff and contractors.

On a day to day basis you will be answering enquiries, emails, updating student records and course information, administering bookings for hostel accommodation and venue hire as well as accounts payable/receivable and maintaining health and safety records. If you have experience with Xero, have a good aptitude with the Microsoft Suite, have a bright enthusiastic approach to life and understanding of Steiner Education and Philosophy then we would love to hear from you.

We are a small, fun team with great energy and looking for an awesome administrator to join us in adding vibrancy to the Taruna Community. Please email your interest, with a covering letter and CV to info@taruna.ac.nz Applications close Friday 8 June 2018

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 accounting, tax investigation and debt negotiation, and trust set up and maintenance 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 Diedericks on 021 085 10771 or stephen@stephentrustedadvisor.com

