



Once upon a time...

a decision was made to enrol your child in our kindergarten or school. For some families the decision was based on the closeness of the kindergarten and school to your home. For others, you may have attended the school yourself; or maybe you had friends who inspired you to visit an open afternoon and there you experienced something peaceful/wonderful (full of wonder) and this you liked. Others of you possibly came to the region specifically looking for this special Steiner education for your child. We all have our unique reasons.

Your child is in the kindergarten or school and life goes on. Life is busy. What are you thinking today regarding the education of your child? Do you still feel connected with the reason you chose this kindergarten or school for your child?

Attending parents' evenings is one of the many ways to stay connected. Recently we had our kindergarten parent evening, and we did reconnect with each other. We shared the complexities of what goes on in the first seven years. We discussed the amazing development of children growing into their bodies; taking hold of their bodies' learning through the four lower senses. The sense of touch, the sense of life, the sense of movement, the sense of balance. Experiencing the world, **by doing**. Through doing, children master many skills and once one is mastered they move onto a new one. There is never a dull moment!

The parents' evening was a true celebration of the early years of life. A time together to take stock of how **we** are doing and to reflect on our connections to the kindergarten and its values.

We realise that today's world asks so much more of us in terms of protecting the early childhood years. It is because of this that we work and learn together to honour the education and to optimise the outcomes of Rudolf Steiner's philosophy.

Warm winter greetings, Corrie Levick.



Mark Your Calendar

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 28	11:30 am	He Reo Blessing followed by Hangi/umu for Lower School
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
July 5	7:00 pm	H3 Meeting - Care Initiative Fund Meeting - School Library
July 5/6	6:30 pm	Class 12 Play - Showtime
July 24	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Class 11 Parent Evening - Re Ski Week IT Room TH 2.
July 25	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Class 9 PvK - Edwin Ayre

Pākato mai i runga i ngā tai o te moana ki te whakakukūnga o te hunga e
hāpai ana i tēnei kaupapa - He Reo Ora

*Come forth on the tides of Tangaroa and let us, the people, uplift and
consolidate this kaupapa – He Reo Ora*



Warmly inviting you to the formal blessing of our
He Reo Ora Strategy for Taikura Rudolf Steiner School
on Thursday 28th June.

The ceremony will begin at 11.30am, with a mihi whakataua, followed by the
blessing, and then kai in the school whare.

Please RSVP to Pippa Caccioppoli by Monday 25th June

e-mail: Pippa.caccioppoli@taikura.school.nz

SCHOOL NOTICES

Matariki

Ka puta Matariki, ka rere Whānui, ko te tohu o te tau.
Matariki appears as Whānui flees; this is the sign of the New Year

Whānui is the star Vega in the constellation of Lyra. Whānui sets in the northern sky in the early morning of winter just before the rising of Matariki in the eastern sky. This event is a sign of the New Year.

Today Thursday 21 June the Day of the Solstice

Today, the High School Winter Festival took place. It was celebrated in the hall with a world map, candles, a talk and thoughts of a global nature. This year students received a presentation from the community movement Nourished for Nil. Nourished for Nil is a non profit food rescue project that redistributes surplus FRESH food to the local community and families in need. After the festival a lunch of soup and buns was shared by High School classes and their teachers.

Tonight the Lower School will be having their Solstice Festival. Due to very wet ground and the forecast for more rain, we have decided to err on the side of caution. We have moved the festival indoors to the gym. Classes 4-6 we will be sharing song and light from above, as they watch Classes 1-3, with their lanterns in hand, walk the mid-winter spiral.

Due to the change of venue there are some minor organisational changes. Please read carefully where various classes need to be at the start of the festival.

6.30pm Classes 1-3 Students are to be dropped at their classroom.

Parents and students from classes 4 - 6 will go to the gym.

On arrival to the gym, students from classes 4 -6 are to go quietly upstairs to meet their teacher.

Parents enter the main gym and will be directed to seating areas. *(Feel welcome to bring a cushion to sit on.)*

At 6.45pm the gong will ring signifying the festival's start.

We will start with a community song (see attached page to bring) and then receive music from Classes four, five and six. Community songs too will be sung. While this music is going on, Classes One, Two and Three students will be walking the spiral individually. 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.

Festival End

When the festival has concluded, we will need your support to ensure the students are able to leave in a quiet and orderly manner from the spiral area. Our aim is to hold the quiet mood, created during the festival, for as long as possible.

When everyone is finished and our last song sung, classes will then move, one at a time, to the outside of the gym. Parents will collect children from this point. Classes will be leaving the gym in the order of youngest class first, to oldest class last.

When your youngest child's class stands to leave the gym area please stand and make your way to meet them outside the gym. Older siblings will be released to join their youngest sibling. We ask that you don't linger outside the hall as we will be endeavouring to keep everyone as dry as possible as families connect, wrap up, and leave.

Class One will leave first and any siblings of class 1 children, will quietly leave to join their families outside. Class Two, Three, Four, Five and Six will follow, all leaving in the same manner.



SCHOOL NOTICES

Festival Songs - cut out and bring to the festival with you.

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.

He Reo Ora

Pākato mai i runga i ngā tai o te moana ki te whakakukūnga o te hunga e hapai ana I tēnei o ngā kaupapa - He Reo Ora



Come forth on the tides of Tangaroa, and let us, the people,

uplift and consolidate this kaupapa - He Reo Ora.

Many thanks to everyone who responded to the survey for He Reo Ora, the reo me ōna tikanga Māori (Māori language and principles) strategy for the school. We are very grateful for the wide range of suggestions we received, and all of your ideas will greatly enrich the development of the strategy.

Ngā mihi maioha ki te whānau whānui

He Reo Ora Focus Group

Lower School Matariki sharing of Kai

Dear Whanau Of The Lower School

Next week the lower school children will be sharing food together. We will be having our bi-annual Mid-Winter Hāngi. Our hāngi is happening on Thursday the 28 June at 12:30pm. Parents who plan to attend will join their child's class at this time. Our hāngi is following the He Reo Ora blessing which you are all warmly invited to. *Please refer this Grapevine for community invite and details.*

This year there is a slight change to our hāngi, we will in fact be cooking our food in a traditional Cook Island Umu. Leading the cooking of our meal and sharing their long history of food preparation in this way is Tu Ruatoe, grandfather of Ngatungane in Class Two. He, along with students from Class 10, will be cooking the kai for our lower school students and their whānau. If you plan on joining us for kai next Thursday please fill in the slip below and return to school on Monday.

Troy Gardiner
For Tū Mai Taikura

Please cut out the slip below and hand to Matua Troy or your Class Teacher by Monday 25 June.

Child's Name: _____ Class _____ Number of Family Attending _____

Yes we will be joining our child in their Lower School Class for the Umu.

Yes we will be having a meal in the Whare after the Blessing of the He Reo Ora.

Name: _____ Number Attending _____

SCHOOL NOTICES

Wet Weather

Just a reminder that with this changeable weather also comes changes in temperature. For everyone to stay well and in good health, it is important for us to have layers of clothing which can be taken off or added too. The wet and cold days, with the warm snaps here and there, are fertile ground for winter colds. There are times when children do not have the right or sufficient amounts of gear to cope with these weather changes throughout the day.



The children love playing in the rain and where possible we encourage them to venture out as the rain often creates a new and interesting play environment, but they are only able to go outside if they have appropriate wet-weather gear. This includes a hooded long length rain coat which goes past their bottom, and gumboots, which are also essential wet-play gear. We encourage gum-boots for outdoors and slippers for indoors. During these winter terms it is really helpful for your child if you can ensure they have all the appropriate clothing for these changeable days.

There is no such thing as BAD WEATHER - Just Bad Gear

Finance Update

Attendance Dues Policy

The Proprietor's Trust Board have amended its Attendance Dues Policy. Part of the amendment is around the timing of collection of Dues. This amendment requires all families to have paid, at a minimum, a quarter of the Dues balance by the end of each term. The balance to be paid by the end of Term 2 are 1 Child \$511.75; 2 children \$1023.50; 3 children \$1,535.25 and 4 children \$2,047.00.

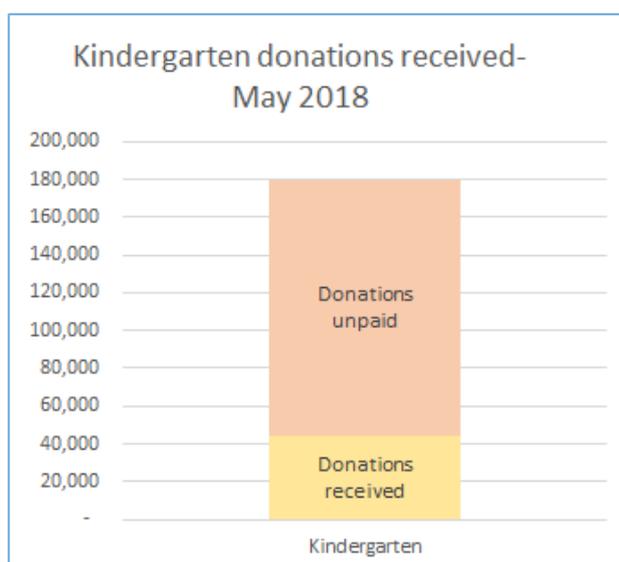
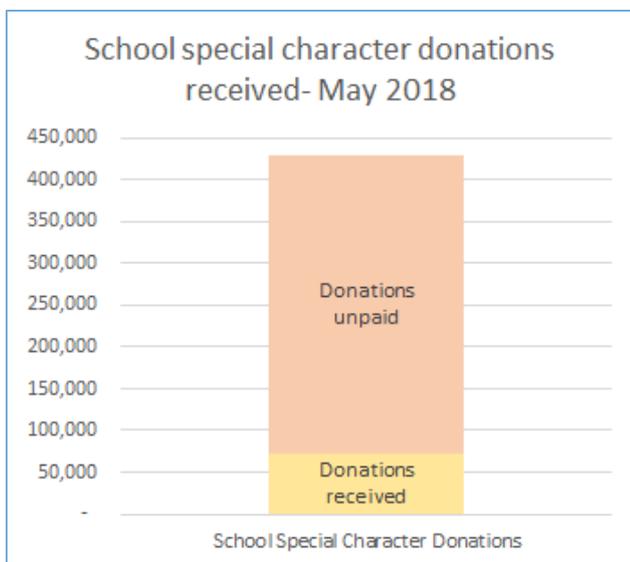
At the end of Term Two those families that have not paid the amounts detailed above towards their child's or children's dues, will receive a letter requesting payment of the outstanding amount due within 5 working days. If the balance remains outstanding, your child or children will not be able to commence Term Three.

To clarify for those with more than one child, I am aware that payments are allocated to the oldest child first, so when looking at the paid balance, it will be 50% paid over all children's Dues.

To assist me, please ensure you have made the correct amount of payments towards your Dues, to avoid receiving a request for payment letter. I have already been in contact with some families in the past few weeks about payments towards their Dues.

Hardship

Families may be eligible for an Attendance Dues Hardship. Application forms are available at the office or you can request a form to be emailed to you. Hardship applications may be made for loss of income/redundancy, death of the main income earner, extended unemployment, family reasons, and hardship.



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 29 June: Sue Simpson - past Taikura principal - TBA Any offerings, suggestions or questions please contact: Filipa Hope 027 451 3445 filipahope@gmail.com

French Conversation Group - Soirées de Conversation

The meetings this term are: 3 July - from 12:30 pm to 1:15 pm held in the music room. Contact Stasia on stasiepop@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

Jacket Found

Blue and black jacket. Branded with a car logo. If this is yours please see Adrienne in the office to claim.

Class 12 Play

The Good Woman of Setzuan by Bertolt Brecht

“The Good Woman of Setzuan” is a tragi-comedy following the fate of a struggling prostitute, Shen Te who struggles to lead a life that is “good” and has to create an alter-ego, the ruthless male cousin Shui Ta, in order to survive. Her life turns around when she houses three gods and they reward her by giving her money to buy a tobacco shop. However, her kindness draws a large crowd who take advantage of her goodness.

Follow Shen Te’s story as she struggles to keep her business affairs in order and watch as her mysterious and enigmatic cousin Shui Ta helps get her business back on track. Two starkly contrasting suitors then fight with her over her heart. Will Shen Te choose the handsome, ambitious yet poor pilot, Yang Sun or the wealthy, widowed barber Shu Fu? Filled with twists and turns and comic one liners, “The Good Woman of Setzuan” is a morality play about what it truly means to be good.

Please support Class 12- it will be well worth it!

Performance times:

Wednesday 4 July and Thursday 5 July at 7 pm. Entry by koha at the door.

Francesca Dance-Mollman, Ana-Terinita Marks.

NZ Community Trust Chamber Music Contest

Congratulations to the participants in the Hawke’s Bay District Chamber Music contest, held in the Municipal Theatre 13 and 14 June. Taikura Rudolf Steiner School entered a group playing two movements of a Shostakovich Trio.

Isaac Cox and Zach Marshall violin, and Christian Porter piano. Isaac was also lead violinist in a group named Statham Quartet. He performed with a violinist, violist and cellist from Napier Boys High School.

This group reached the District Final and received the Adjudicator Award for “epitomising chamber music performance” playing two string quartets by New Zealand composer Keith Statham.

Miru Shimaoka performed in a group called Policka Trio playing the second movement of a Sonata for two violins and piano by Martinu. This group also reached the District Final and was awarded Highly Commended.

These are outstanding results from Taikura Rudolf Steiner School music students.

Marian Stronach

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dear School Community

The Lower and High school faculties have appointed us to find a solution to our ever increasing 'Lost Property' problem.

We are interested in your ideas for possible solutions to the problem.

For students in Classes One and Two, lost property is not a significant issue as the students have one classroom and their playing area is restricted. We believe the majority of the lost property is from Classes 3-12, who are moving around the school more regularly.

The Parent Handbook reads:

Naming: please ensure that all garments that your child may remove during the day are clearly marked. This ensures found property is returned.

Found property is in basket for a term (location given) It will be displayed on community assemblies and in the last week of term before taken to a charity shop.

As a school, we have tried to display clothing on coat hangers in highly transited places; such as the hall foyer. During Lower School Assemblies Class 7 students hold up the clothing hopeful that it will be claimed by their owners.

Despite all of the above, every term we do have a considerable amount of items and some of them, of considerable value, left in Lost Property. The large majority of clothing is unnamed or if there is a name it is not recognisable.

The teachers' wish to improve this culture of 'neglect'. We want students to be responsible for their property and reduce our school's waste.

We also wish to reduce the teachers' task of processing the large amount of belongings every week and every term. The lost property includes more than clothing; camping gear, half eaten lunch boxes, single shoes and socks and dirty moldy laundry. We dispose and wash clothing during the holidays and it has become a large, and we feel, unnecessary teachers' task.

We hope that by sharing this problem with the community, we can find solutions to the current situation.

Please send your ideas to either Sandra Jordan or Morag Wilson. Ideally we would like a person within the parent community to take this role on.

On the 28 June, many of the school community will be in the school for the He Reo Ora blessing and the Lower School hāngi. On this day we will display clothing in the foyer of the Edwin Ayre building, please take this opportunity to come and have a look through the pile. You may find an item of your child's clothing.

morag.wilson@taikura.school.nz

sandra.jordan@taikura.school.nz

Kind People Of The Community

My room in the Edwin Ayre building is often used for distressed students to take a break or speak in private to an adult they trust. I would love for them to have somewhere comfy to sit. To that end, if anyone has one or two two-seater sofas in reasonable condition that they could donate I would be very grateful.

Warm regards,

Karyn Wills
Literacy Support & Lower School SENCO



SCHOOL NOTICES

Holiday Courses At EIT

Please see Lesley Cox if you wish to attend.



ARCHITECTURE

Learn how to create sketches and drawings for building, construction and allied trades projects.

11-13 July | 9am-3pm |
6 US Credits, Level 2 | \$180

AUTOMOTIVE

Perform general servicing checks on a motor vehicle.

17-18 July | 9am-3pm |
3 US Credits, Level 2 | \$135

BARTENDERS' CERTIFICATE

If you're 18 or older, learn the principles and practices of bartending, host responsibility and how to serve beer, wine and spirits.

10-12 July | 9am-4pm | No US Credits | \$200

FURRY FIRST AID

Ever wondered how to treat your animal for basic first aid needs? Come along and learn in our purpose built animal facility

10-11 July | 9am-3pm | No US Credits | \$200

INTRODUCTION TO BARISTA

Prepare real espresso beverages and gain knowledge of the hospitality industry.

9-10 July, 12-13 July, 16-17 July or
19-20 July | 9am-3pm |
4 US Credits, Level 2 | \$200

INTRODUCTION TO SCREEN PRODUCTION

If you're 16 or older, get a taste of working in the Film industry. Practical lessons in camera and sound recording, editing and sound mixing from experienced professionals at our purpose-built Screen Production studios.

17-19 July | 9-3pm | No US Credits | \$220

JUNIOR CHEF

If you're 14 or older, learn about basic food safety, followed by hands on instruction in preparing a wide range of items.

17-19 July | 9am-3pm | No US Credits | \$160

STAR courses fill quickly, to book please speak to your school STAR coordinator or careers advisor.

THE EXPERIENCE YOU NEED
& THE SUPPORT TO SUCCEED



6-9PM SUNDAY
24TH JUNE 2018

COMMON ROOM

227 HERETAUNGA ST EAST, HASTINGS

\$10

WITH A DELICIOUS
BUFFET SUPPER AND A GLASS
OF SOMETHING YUMMY



RETURN OF

CRAFTZILLA

— EVENING CRAFT MARKET —

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Evita - Stage Production

Tickets are \$30 Adults and \$20 per student.

Next week is our joint stage production with Woodford House, EVITA, Sunday June 24 at Lindisfarne College. Tickets can be purchased online via the Lindisfarne College website (www.lindisfarne.school.nz) and from Lindisfarne College or Woodford House offices. <https://www.trybooking.com/nz/book/event?embed&eid=78>

Holiday Drama Fun With The Drama Workshop

Make a play in three days in our very cool (but warm and cozy) Napier studio. "A Mixed-up Fairy tale" Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 July. 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Qualified teachers, costumes, set, lights, action - and roles for everyone, no experience necessary! Ages 7 to 14. Information and enrolment at www.thedramaworkshop.co.nz/holiday-programs/ Contact: info@thedramaworkshop.co.nz

Plant Observation -an attempt to grasp their essence- A workshop with Roger Druitt.

Saturday 30 June - Suggested koha \$75.00

9:00 am The The Act of Consecration of Man

10:30 - 11:30 "Visible and Invisible Form"

11:45 - 12:45 "The Melody of Leaf Metamorphosis"

Lunch Break

2:30 - 4:00 "Reading Plant and Human Gesture"

Sunday 1 July

10:00 am The Act of Consecration of Man

11:30 "The Plant in the Perspective Of Eternity"

Registration: Sophie Lslankovsky - Islankovsky123@xtra.co.nz

Billeting: Sandra Simpson, sandsimp@gamil.com Ph: 03 8779992

Venue: The Christian Community, "Rangimarie" 617 Heretaunga Street East, Hastings

House Sitter Wanted

House-sitter wanted for 2 months in October-November this year. Family home on a one acre section near Bridge Pa. Contact Bruce 0274 787 009.

Wanted Space To Rent

Looking for Woodworking Space to Rent. I am a 35 year old musical instrument maker who has been crafting for the last ten years. Looking for a space which is at least the size of a one car garage, could be farm shed, urban or rural, should be reasonably secure, with power, and appropriate for some noise and dust. I'm flexible and happy to consider any arrangement, just get in touch. Phill Jones - 0272392262 tukituki.instruments@gmail.com

Hot Burning Wood For Our Lower School Umu!

Kia ora koutou,

As part of our Matariki celebrations we are having a Umu – Island style hāngi for the Lower School. We plan to have this on the 28 of June. We need hot burning logs; Fruit wood if possible. If you have any long thick lengths of these and you are willing to donate these for the Lower School Umu, please contact the office and leave a message.

Ngā mihi, na
Troy Gardiner



House For Rent

From former Taikura School parents, from the 29 of June to the 18 of August. A 3 bedroom house, all fenced, with a garden, woodfire with off street parking. Fully furnished, wifi included, power and firewood excluded in the price. Five minute walk from the school through a lovely park. \$325.00 pw. Please contact Aurelia at 0226749450 or email aurelialorenzovazquez@gmail.com