



Dear Whanau and Friends

Please mark in your diary - **Wednesday 8 August – 7.00 pm in the School Hall** to come and join us for a hands-on sensory experience on the theme:

'The Importance of Warmth and the Lower Senses'

In week 3 this term, we welcome back Michael Sargent in his role as School Doctor. For Mike's parent evening talk, we would like to focus on the theme '**The Importance of Warmth and the Four Lower Senses**'. These senses lay the crucial foundation for our children's future growth and well-being, enabling higher learning to take place more easily.

One of the annual goals for teachers this year is to deepen their understanding of the breath. The idea of healthy breathing can be applied across all aspects of daily life. A breathing timetable, a lesson which breathes, a rhythmical home life and balanced social life provide for the child a foundation where quality learning can occur. For the child, this balance is most easily achieved when underpinned by a healthy body and well integrated senses.

By its very design, our curriculum which spans Kindergarten to Class 12 works to support the healthy development of a child's senses, their physical growth and social life. Throughout our children's time at school there will be occasions in their development where therapies or targeted lessons will support the student to better engage in both their learning experiences and the curriculum. These therapeutic and targeted supports are provided across all areas of the school to support the curriculum. This support is in the form of Extra Lesson, the Leg-Up-Trust, Eurythmy therapy, doctor's observations, nursing therapies, and the iLs Listening Programme.

The evening will combine a half hour talk from Mike Sargent, with the possibility to experience these different therapies and chat to our therapists in 'stations' around the hall. You will be greeted at the door with a warm herb drink, and a table of Weleda products that support warmth and well-being will be available for your purchase.

It should be a rich and varied evening and a chance for our therapists to share some aspects of the work they do: Rachel Hughes – Extra Lesson; Michelle Vette – Nursing Therapies; Jaci Chambers – The iLs Listening Programme;

We look forward to seeing you there.

Kelly Sutton
Lower School Coordinator

Mark Your Calendar

July 30	5:00 pm	BOT Meeting - Library
August 1	6:30 pm	Class 10 - Parent Evening
August 1	7:30 pm	Class 3 and Class 8 and Class 9SM - Parent Evenings
August 3	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Rosie Simpson - "Storytelling For Young Children"
August 7-10	All Day	Dr Mike Sargent - School Visit
August 8	6:00 pm	Classes 4CY and 4TM - Parent Evening
August 14	6:30 pm	Class 2 - Parent Evening
August 15	7:00 pm	Class 1 and Class 6 - Parent Evening
August 15	7:00 pm	Class 12 - Parent Evening TH 3.3
August 17	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Marjorie Theyer - Two Crises In The First Seven Years
August 22	3:00 pm - 9:00 pm	High School Parent/Teacher Interviews - details next week
August 23	7:00 pm	H3 Meeting - Care Initiated Fund - Library
August 29	7:00 pm	Class 5 - Parent Evening
August 30	7:00 pm	Liaison Parent Evening - Library
August 31	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	David Urieli - The End Of Faust Part 1 by Goethe

SCHOOL NOTICES

Taikura Parents Group

All School Community Welcome - Including those on the waiting list.

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:

August 3: Rosie Simpson, "Storytelling for Young Children." An opportunity to find your own storytelling voice. Create simple stories for your family drawing on your own life experiences and observations.

August 17: Marjorie Theyer, adviser and coordinator for Federation of Rudolf Steiner Waldorf Schools in New Zealand Kindergarten and Early Childhood Training. Topic: The two crises in the first seven years and how best deal with them.

August 31: David Urieli, High School drama and maths teacher: Topic: The end of Faust Part 1 by Goethe.

September 14: Margaret Mary Farr, **will be held at her studio** 100 Eastbourne St W Hastings - upstairs and opposite Women Centre. Local artist and highly regarded teacher of Art Therapy.

Any offerings, suggestions or questions please contact: Filipa Hope 027 4513445 filipahope@gmail.com

Board Of Trustees

All of New Zealand's state and state-integrated schools have a board of trustees. The board of trustees is the Crown entity responsible for the governance and the control of the management of the school. The board is responsible for setting the school's strategic direction in consultation with parents, staff and students, and ensuring that its school provides a safe environment and quality education for all its students. Boards are also responsible for overseeing the management of personnel, curriculum, finance and administration.

The board is entrusted to work on behalf of all stakeholders and is accountable for the school's performance. It emphasises strategic leadership, sets the vision for the school, and ensures that it complies with legal and policy requirements. Policies are at a governance level and outline clear delegations to the principal.

The Board meets regularly during the school year, twice per term, on a Monday night in the library. This meeting is advertised in the Grapevine and all members of the school community are welcome. Minutes, the correspondence list and reports to the Board are available in the office for parents to read. This is one way parents can be informed about the school's activities and issues.

Our next meeting will be this coming Monday 30 July at 5pm in the school library. Nau mai haere mai, all welcome. Nga mihi na, Suzan Bart, Board Secretary

School Website Update

We encourage you to take a look at our updated website. We have added a running banner and Sports page that will be updated regularly. Please visit our website at www.taikura.school.nz

If you would prefer to read the Grapevine on-line via the school website please contact the office and let them know you no longer wish your child to receive a copy from school.

We are also seeking good quality action photographs that we can use on the website. These will be used at our discretion.

Sporting Success

Sacred Hill Vineyard held the 2018 Rifleman's Race - Sled Race during the holidays. Keegan Martin and his dog Astro entered the 11-16 year juniors placing 1st. He then raced in the Canicross which is a mixed adult race placing him 4th overall and first junior home in a time of 16:21 minutes running 3.2ks with his other dog Trooper.

Keegan was also awarded a prize for his hands on help and support towards others over the weekend. Well done Keegan.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kairos Courses 2018 Term 3 with Margaret-Mary Farr 100 Eastbourne Street East, Hastings.

Heart Of Art: Thursdays for 7 weeks 8:5am – 12:15pm Cost \$225.00

Drawing Trees through the seasons. Paintings with Margaret-Mary Farr great for beginners.

Tuesdays for 7 weeks: Medicinal Plants with Nic Parkes Weleda Pharmacist followed by painting/drawing with Margaret-Mary. A wonderful morning at the studio and some at Weleda discovering the wonderful qualities of various plants. Costs \$225. Starts 8:50am – 12:15pm

Children's Art Classes are ongoing through the term on Tuesday/Wednesdays/Thursday 3:30pm - 4:30pm and 4:30pm - 5:30pm spaces available. Children learn to draw. Pencils and drawing, watercolours wet on wet and create in clay. Lots of fun and a great skill and pastime to learn.

Art For Koha: Beginners 1:00pm - 2:30pm Tuesdays. Learn painting, pastels and drawing. Lots of fun!

Art For Health: Course to start in Term 4 This will be a foundation in Anthroposophy focusing 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 September 1. This course will be held at Kurawaka in Porangahau Places a filling fast.

Open Day At The Studio! Come and check out the space and see what is available.

Wednesdays All Day from 10:00am – 5:00pm 25 July, 4 and 8 August.

Love To See You! Contact Margaret-Mary Farr Ph/Txt 027 2484193, email manawastudio@gmail.com Facebook Margaret-Mary Farr ART, or Kairos Artistic Endeavours.

Sustainable Coastlines Mobile Phone Donation Appeal

Each year at least 8 million Tonnes of plastic ends up in our oceans, the equivalent of a full garbage truck every minute.

With “Beat Plastic Pollution” as the theme for this year’s World Environment day we ask for your support by bringing into school any unwanted mobile phones you may have and dropping them into the collection box located at reception.



Phones collected help raise funds for Sustainable Coastlines – a multi ward winning NZ Charity run by a small team of hard working staff and volunteers. Their mission is to inspire, educate and enable others to look after the natural places we love – our beaches and waterways.

Work Offered

Wanted: A fit keen student able to work two hours a week on an organic lifestyle block. If this sounds like you please contact Patricia on 876 2828.

Many Thanks

Many thanks to the five families who contributed items for my room. I now have a lovely space for students to sit alone, or with a trusted other person. This space is also going to be used for buddy-reading. I'm very excited, and very thankful!

Karyn Wills

