



Biodiversity Project Blessing Ceremony

On Friday morning 26 October Class 10 hosted a lovely blessing ceremony for the Biodiversity Project site. The students have been slowly working towards completing this project for the past two years. This was a chance for the Class to stop and reflect on what they have achieved and also an important opportunity to acknowledge and thank the people who have been instrumental in bringing the initial vision to fruition.

Willow Zuiderwijk welcomed everyone and then shared the journey of the past two years to create the biodiversity water feature. She finished her speech by thanking the people involved, many of which were able to attend the ceremony. After the Waiata and blessing of the site by Class 10 and Matua Troy we had the pleasure of hearing from one of the invited Guests; Ruud Kleinpaste aka 'The Bugman'. He visited the site two years ago when the students were still in the planning stage and the tree stood where the water feature and habitat are now located. He spoke passionately about what the students have achieved and the importance of projects like this. We then enjoyed morning tea and our guests walked around the site. While the Bugman investigated what bugs we have and planted a Kakabeak with two of the students. The morning was a wonderful celebration of Class 10's efforts and what people can do to enhance the biodiversity in their own backyard.

Class 10 and I are very proud of the finished result. We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to the following people for their vital input into the project. We are very pleased that most of them were able to join us on Friday to see how much the site has changed and plants have grown.

Liam Wyley- Property Manager

Jen Speedy and Joanne Doig- Taikura Gardeners

Megan McBride and Robyn McCool –Department of Conservation.

Ruud Kleinpaste- Cape to City Project and Biodiversity Ambassador.

Nathan Burkepile- Fish and Game (he now works for Land care).

James Palmer and the Hawkes Bay Regional Council

Chris Riley- Electrician

Paul van Kampen- Class 9 Sponsor

Stuart and Paddy Harper who kindly donated the kanuka for the fence.

Marie Taylor- Plant Hawke's Bay

Judith Grellman - HOD Science



SCHOOL NOTICES

BOT News

Our Board of Trustees meeting was held on Monday 29 October. Our theme for the meeting was 'our culture'.

We reflected on a recent hui held at Taikura with the Te Taura Whiri i Te Reo Māori – The Māori Language Commission. The reason they chose to visit our school is that we are unique, and we are implementing a strong culture. A point of difference for the commission compared to other schools they have visited was that all parents who attended the hui are Te Reo Māori speakers. We have a strong Board, teacher and parent involvement and it was insightful to have the conversation around the strength of the He Reo Ora Strategy implemented at Taikura. We have a long history, as Te Reo was being taught at Taikura as far back as the 70's and Marae Week was introduced in the 90's. It is not a new direction for us, and we are grateful to those who came before and laid the foundations.

Taikura will be hosting a teachers of Te Reo Māori cluster meeting later this term for all NZ Steiner schools.

This is one aspect of our school culture. Community is also something that we value highly. In order to strengthen communication between the school and the wider parent body there will be a community meeting on Wednesday 21 November at 7:00pm in the hall.

It is an opportunity to celebrate our achievements and to stand shoulder to shoulder with one another, as parents, whanau, staff and Trustees.

Key points to be discussed will be published before the meeting, so you will know what to expect. The meeting will last around an hour and a half and it would be wonderful to see you all. There is a current vacancy on the Board of Trustees. Joining the BoT is an important opportunity to do the best we can for our tamariki and the whanau in our school. It is not an unrealistic commitment compared to the benefits gained so we encourage you to consider putting your hand up.

As at any meeting finances were discussed and the budget for next year was presented, unfortunately there will be cuts due to unpaid donations. I encourage you to read the meeting minutes that are always available in the office to gain further insight into what this will mean for Taikura.

Lastly we welcomed our new student representative to the meeting. Jordan Wilkin is currently in Class 11 and we look forward to working with him.

Ngā mihi maioha

Suzan Bart - Board Secretary



Tikanga 101

He pito kōrero!

Generally speaking, tikanga are Māori customary practices or behaviours. The concept is derived from the Māori word 'tika' which means 'right' or 'correct' so, in Māori terms, to act in accordance with tikanga is to behave in a way that is culturally proper or appropriate.

Our head in te ao Māori is tapu – sacred, so anything that you might wear on your head carries that same essence. Therefore hats and glasses are not put on tables where we might have food.

Kīwaha o te wikiKīwaha of the week!

Ka mutu pea (Car moo too pair ah)

That's great!

Rangi: Hemi, I've just finished my handwork!

Hemi: Ka mutu pea!

He pito kōrero is a space dedicated to celebrating and promoting Te Reo me ōna Tikanga Māori.





Taikura Rudolf Steiner School

COMMUNITY MEETING

Wednesday 21 November at 7pm in the School Hall

**To all Taikura Kindergarten and School Parents and
Caregivers,**

You are warmly invited to join us at this inaugural Community Meeting where there will be input from the BOT, Proprietors Trust and School.

We would like to share our Special Character, some of the highlights from 2018 including our He Reo Ora Strategy, look towards 2019 and the possibilities that it holds with Celebrating 100 Years of Steiner Education around the world, reorientating our school site as well as allow time for questions and answers.

Please mark this on your calendar and we look forward to seeing you there.

Pippa Caccioppoli

SCHOOL NOTICES

Family News

Our school has an extraordinary parent and teaching body who contribute in many ways to support our school. Often these happen silently and humbly.

The PFA have put together a directory of all the groups operating within and around the school that provide support in various ways to the school. The purpose of the directory is to create a space where parents, teachers and other interested parties can see what is going on in the school and where they can help or be helped.

Each week we will share a group's mission and requirements. If there is something you feel you can contribute towards please feel free to put your hand out, if you are a member of a group you feel should be included in this directory, please contact someone in the PFA.

Parents Group - Taikura School Community

Main contact person: Filipa Hope 0274513445 filipahope@gmail.com

Mission: To provide regular opportunities for the adult Taikura Community to meet and grow their shared interests and connections with and within the community.

Group Structure: Approximately 2 Friday mornings a month 9:am to 10.30 at the Taikura Kindergarten Gathering Space. All past and present school teachers, parents and whanau as well as those on the waiting list are welcome. Babies and toddlers are welcome as the responsibility of their parents.

Primary goals: Building a sense of community, creating opportunities to support parents interests, and strengthen a sense of belonging to the school, by offering a space for growing connections with educational and discussion opportunities.

Services offered: A speaker on a topic of community interest is arranged for each meeting to support parents.

Contributions welcomed: please share your wisdom with us! If you have something you would be happy to share with us (a talk on an interest area or supportive information, a skill such as art, movement...) please let Filipa know.

Feedback needed: Please let Filipa know if there is an interest area you would like to have as a meeting focus and she will try and source someone to provide this.

Help needed: After 9 years Filipa would like to pass the role of organiser on next year, through a transition period this year. Filipa will be very happy to continue supporting the group.

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. After more than a decade of coordinating the Parents Group Filipa is needing to 'retire'. If you would be interested in considering this rewarding community role next year please contact Filipa 0274513445.

Our next meetings:

- November 9: Biodynamics, Anthroposophy, and Science - What's the connection? Herman Veluwenkamp - Taikura School Parent.
- November 30: An introduction to Rudlof Steiners Threefold Social Order, presented by High School Teacher David Urieli. In 1919 Germany was in turmoil after the first world war and the punitive reparations had bankrupted the country. In November there was a bloodless revolution removing the monarchy and making a new government but there was much discussion about what form the government should take. Steiner was also asked by the very active Stuttgart group what form such a government should take. His suggestions are generally referred to as the Threefold Social Order.

David Urieli will be running about 6 talks/workshops in the Anthroposophical Centre starting next February on the Threefold Social Order and the parents group meeting will be a sort of overview for anyone unfamiliar with this who wants a general introduction to it.

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



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 18 November 2018

The Fête is only a week away. Ka pai to all the whanau who have already made a commitment to help on the day. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have every family represented! 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 limited funding for school facilities. Therefore 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

| Class | Food Item | Contact |
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| Class 1 | Cakes..... | Talia Hohua |
| Class 3 | Drinks & Ice Cream..... | Christine O'Brien/Rachel Chapman |
| Class 4TM | Burgers..... | Midge Barker/Rebecca Biggs |
| Class 4CY | Children's Café..... | Pauline Korevaar/Melissa Ockey/ Monique Low |
| Class 5 | Nachos..... | Rachel Pearson |
| Class 6 | Waffles..... | Nicki Wood/Bridget Berlin |
| Class 7 | Falafel Pockets..... | Jessica Kerr |
| Class 7 | Sushi..... | Aki Ogawa/Jason Lambert/Bridget Freeman-Rock |
| Class 9PVK | Pakorras..... | Suzan Bart/Morag Wilson |
| Class 9SM | Bagels..... | Silje Blaich/Claire Porter |
| Class 10 | Sausage Sizzle..... | Karen Willis/Raewynne Achten |
| Class 11 | Salad..... | Phillipa Harper |
| Class 12 | Devonshire Teas..... | Rachel deLacey/Sonya Lethbridge/Jackie Blair |

For more information, call Suzan on 021 206 59 09, or email taikurafete@gmail.com.

Children's Activities

The Children's Activities Roster will be made available online via Liaison Parents this week.

| These shifts still need covering: | Time |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Scannell's Bean Sales | 12:30-3:00pm |
| Crystal Panning | 12:30-3:00pm |
| Clay Play | 12:30-3:00pm |
| Photo Booth | 9:45am-12:30pm |
| Go Karts | 9:45am-12:30pm & 12:30-3:00pm |

We also need a number of willing volunteers to be flexible on the day, to fill staffing gaps as needed. 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.

Hair Braiders Needed

We desperately need more hair braiders for this popular stall. Training will be provided. If you are willing to give some of your day to this activity, 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, and the Class 1 Playground area. 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 taikurafete@gmail.com.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Taikura Fête Sunday 18 November 2018 cont'd

Crafting

Small handcrafted items are needed for sale in the Children's Shop. There should be no less than 15 of each craft item in the shop, but ideally 20-40. Crafts should reflect the special character of the school and be made from natural materials as far as is possible. Completed items can be dropped to the Taikura Kindergarten Parent Room 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 Taikura Kindergarten Parent Room or to the Office.

Natural Materials

We still need natural materials- seeds, shells, decorative grasses, dried flowers for the Clay Play activity. Please drop to the Taikura Kindergarten Parent Room or to the Office.

Signs

If you live on a busy road, please get in touch so that we can arrange for a Fête sign to be put up. Email taikurafete@gmail.com or call Bekkie on 027 301 6637.

Magic Beans

All Children's Activities at the Fête will require one or more magic beans. They will be available for purchase from **Monday 12 to Friday 16 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 16 November.

Pea Straw for Sale

Pea Straw Bales will be available to purchase at \$15 a bale. Pick up after 3:00pm on Fête Day. Email taikurafete@gmail.com or call Bekkie on 027 301 6637 to reserve.

Anthroposophical Nurses at Taikura

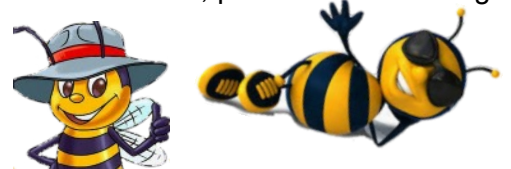
"Kia ora. Due to unforeseen circumstances, we are unable to offer any more nursing therapies this term. We look forward to working again in 2019 at the beginning of the school year.

Ngaa mihi, Michelle Vette & Kristina Friedlander.

"Bee" Sunsmart "Bee" Safe

Welcome back to school! 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.

It is also time to take care in the sun, "bee" sunsmart and wear a hat.



Lost Pencil Case

Two weeks ago, Philip left a denim black pencil case holder with metal zip, filled with crayons on the HN school bus. He looked for it but it was gone. If someone took it home, please return to Philip or the lost and found box at the front of the HN bus. Thank you!!

Mark Your Calendar

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| November 9 | 8:30 am - 9:00 am start | What's the Connection? - Herman Veluwkamp - TPG |
| November 18 | 10:00 am - 3:00 pm | Taikura School Fête |
| November 21 | 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm | Community Meeting Whole School and Kindergarten |
| November 29 | 7:00 pm | Liaison Parent Evening - Library |
| November 30 | 8:30 am - 9:00 am start | Rudolf Steiners Threefold Social Order - David Urieli - TPG |
| December 4 | 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm | French Conversation Group Lunch - past and present students |
| December 7 | 11:00 am | Class 12 Cushion Concert |
| December 12 | 6:30 pm | Class One 2019 - Parent Evening |
| December 18 | 7:00 pm | Carol Evening - School Hall |

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Self Defense Kids' Aikido Class - Beginners Are Always Welcome.

If you are curious about Martial Arts, looking for a new direction, are wanting to enhance the Martial Arts currently studied, or involved in a Martial arts that doesn't suit you, then Jujutsu be the answer.



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Weight Loss Struggles?

Know someone who is struggling to lose weight? Sum Sanos™ is a program that uses HBI to achieve long-term weight loss. Sum Sanos™ is not about strenuous exercise, restrictive diets, challenges or pills. Sum Sanos™ is a scientific and evidence-based coaching program for weight management. To find out more text/call Rebekah 027 7735483

Large Walnuts Needed

I am searching for 20-30 large shelled walnuts to make a Christmas advent calendar out of if anyone has some available for sale. Please contact me on jpreidpath@gmail.com or 0221003798.
Many thanks, Philippa Reidpath

Human Dignity Meeting

New date - Wednesday November 14 7:00-9:00 pm, to share experiences/info of concerns re modern life and better ways of living, to learn, inspire and assist changes. Linked to social movement initiated in Europe by Shin G. Fontalba (to me, the great teacher/world helper predicted by R. Steiner).
Birdsong Retreat, refreshments provided, koha appreciated, booking essential, please phone Belinda 844 5127 or 027 3902156.

Child Wellness *Naturally* Hawke's Bay

Kid-Friendly Breakfasts

with Gretta and the whānau from

Come and get some inspiration for
Delicious Breakfast options

including

- Smoothies (and what superfoods/supplements to sneak in)
- Hapi Chia Seed Pudding (for breakfast!)
- A homemade muesli base that you can add to
- Yoghurt options
- GAPS-friendly pancakes and waffles
- Gluten-free porridge options

Buy your tickets: [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz) (Kid Friendly Breakfasts with Hapi) or Cornucopia

Details through our FB event: [Kid Friendly Breakfasts with Hapi](#)
or Kaye 021 052 4020
or Michelle 027 356 0216

Date: Wed 28 Nov

Time: 7pm-9pm

Venue: The Space

106 Queen St E, Hastings

Early bird
til Nov 14th
\$10

for volunteer
positions with
free
tickets contact
Michelle

Regular
price
\$13
after that