



The Grapevine

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School



21 March 2019

Michaelmas

The sword-wielder,
the dragon-confronter,
gathering up the true aims,
shielding the purposes of our hearts.
He watches over the conflicts
of the dark time,
sending down iron courage
from shooting stars,
lifting the heart to see ahead
the light that overcomes in darkness.

Evelyn Capel



Mark Your Calendar

March 21
March 25
April 2
April 4
April 5
April 11
May 1
May 1
May 2

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm
5:00 pm
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm
7:00 pm
8:45 am - 9:00 am start
11:00 am - 12:30 pm
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Waiata Mai - Whare - All Welcome
BOT Meeting - Meeting Room - Office
French Conversation Group - Library
Class 6 Play - Whanau Performance
Parent Group Talk - The Story Of Parihaka
Community Assembly
Class 8 Parent Evening
Class 10 Parent Evening
Class Photographs

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero!

“Kua rongo kōrero koe...? Did you hear...?”

There is a Māoriland Film Festival, Aotearoa's International Indigenous Film Festival. Each March, MFF welcomes Indigenous filmmakers from around the world to Otaki to celebrate indigenous creativity and storytelling in film. This starts on Wednesday 20 and goes to the 24 of March. There are a number of Māori Art workshops and exhibitions being held as part of the festival. This is the link for more information: <https://maorilandfilm.co.nz/>

Kīwaha o te wikiKīwaha of the week!

He toki koe (here for key cor eh)

You're onto it!

Rangi: Kia ora e hoa, just finished all my mahi kāenga (homework), and now I've got time to go for a surf!

Hemi: He toki koe e hoa! Why don't you come and help me then we can both go!

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



University Liaison Visits

These are usually 40 - 50 minute interactive sessions where representatives from each University give a general introduction to the University and the degrees that they offer.

Parents can come along to meet members of the University, talk to Liaison Officers and at some evenings, faculty and staff members. Sometimes current students from Hawkes Bay talk about their experience at University.

The aim of these visits is to introduce the University and demystify tertiary study for students who are thinking of going to university. The topics for the presentations can be tailored specifically to students' needs; however the prepared presentation includes the following:

- Introduction to University
- Entry requirements
- The range of first degrees available
- Planning a degree
- Tuition fees, student loans and allowances and scholarships
- Accommodation (where appropriate) and the application process
- University study and student life
- Important dates and upcoming University events and Open Days.

Taikura Visits: See Lesley Cox if you would like another University to visit school.

Time: 3:00pm

Venue: Mrs Brooker's English Room, Taikura House for Class 11-12 students.

- Victoria University - Shanna Luafalealo Tuesday 26 March 2019
- Auckland University - Simon Crook Wednesday 27 March 2019
- Massey University - Eugene Hepi Tuesday 2 April 2019
- Otago University Cheryl Caldwell Tuesday 29 May 2019

SCHOOL NOTICES

Sports Notices

Congratulations to Olivia Achten and Raina Mackenzie Mapel who made the Semi- final in the Under 18 Double Sculls at the North Island Secondary School Rowing Champs. They missed out on a final spot by half a second. We wish both of these girls, who are competing at the Maadi Cup next at Lake Karapiro, the very best of luck.

Lower School winter sport registrations are well under way. Please check your student/students bag or your emails for information on winter sport for each lower school class teams. I need to hear from you to confirm your child's place in the team! Team entries will begin next week based on numbers of students I have received parent confirmation from.

Thank you to all those that have emailed their response to sport.coordinator@taikura.school.nz

Janet Osborne

Past Student Success

In three minutes and twenty five seconds, past Taikura student Hannah van Kampen, along with paracyclist Emma Foy, became the fastest paracycling women's tandem in the world at sea level in the 3km pursuit event.

They went on to win the gold medal and the rainbow jersey for world record holders. Hannah and Emma also achieved a bronze medal in the 1km individual pursuit race. An awesome achievement for a quiet achiever from Taikura.



Library News

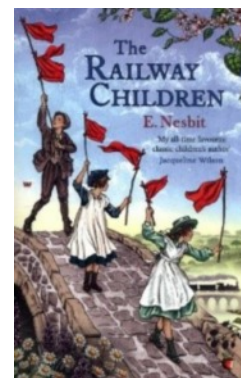
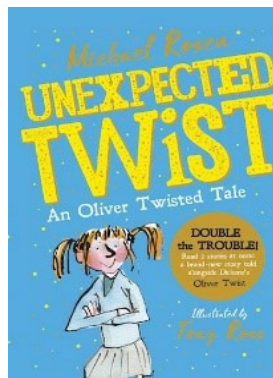
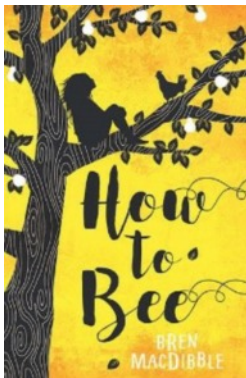
We have had a nice start to the year with a lot of lunchtime visitors to the library, especially on the hotter days. It is lovely to look around and see so many students of all ages enjoying books.

Overdue notices: Our annual stock take has now been completed and we are in the process of sending out notices for long overdue books. We have updated our notification and billing processes and from now on if a book is overdue we will take these steps:

1. A *Book Search Note* will be sent home with children.
2. If the book is not returned a *Final Overdue Notice* will be sent home.
3. If the book is not found within a month from that notice being sent, a replacement charge will be added to the student's sundry bill.

New books, favourite books:

We have some fantastic **new titles** in the library including award-winning "*How to Bee*" by New Zealand writer Bren MacDibble (reading level 13-16 years), and "*Unexpected Twist*", a modern take on Oliver Twist (reading level 10-13 years). We also have some **old favourites** that are being issued lots, like "*The Railway Children*" by E. Nesbit (reading level 7-10 years). If you haven't already read it with your children, it comes highly recommended by our students!



Happy reading, the library team.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Class Photographs

Class photograph will be taken on **Thursday 2 May**. The envelopes for class photos should have been handed out by your students Sponsor/Class Teacher this week. Please hand your envelope into the school office with the correct money. The office do not handle the money so **NO** change will be given. Please ensure that you have included the correct change and **securely sealed** the envelope. If paying online, please state clearly, **PAID ON LINE** on the envelope and seal it. This year we aim to have all the envelopes returned to the office by Tuesday 30 April.

Vision and Hearing Technician School Visit

Lynley Keehan, the Hastings Vision and Hearing Technician will be visiting the school on Thursday 4 April. Lynley will be carrying out standard tests for distance vision with some of the Class 5 & 6 students - this happens every year for all students in New Zealand, and is helpful for picking up on simple vision issues which may not have been previously identified. She sometimes checks other students too: If there is no record of your child/children having had a Before School Screen or if they need to be re-screened; for these exceptions, I will send home a letter informing you that Lynley would like to see them. If you have concerns about your child/children's vision or hearing, and they are not being seen by an outside professional, please collect a yellow form from the office and have it filled in and returned before Thursday 4 April, and she will include them.

Karyn Wills
Literacy Support & Lower School SENCO

Taikura Parents Group Talks

Free for all the school community and includes past parents & those on the waiting list.

You are welcome and invited to come along and enjoy this opportunity to meet other parents and staff from the community, while enjoying the gifts donated by our guest speakers. We meet once a month on a Friday morning at the Hastings Taikura Kindergarten in their lovely community space (just inside the entrance). The aim is to create a relaxed and parent supportive environment so all our informal gatherings are baby/toddler friendly and you are welcome to arrive and leave as meets your needs.

Our guest speakers begin at 9:00 am and tea or coffee is freely available from 8:45am. (Any food donations for the morning tea are very much appreciated :-)

Our next meeting is:

Friday 5 April: Tracy Wheeler is offering *The story of Parihaka* - a significant tale of our land. Did you miss this story offering in February? Tracy is offering it again. Come along and share in this wonderful story experience.

For all questions, offerings, suggestions for the Parents Group please contact Filipa Hope 0274513445 or filipahope@gmail.com

French Conversation Group

A reminder that the the French Conversation Group has begun again for 2019, and welcomes new students. This year the group is being run by two Class 11 students who went on exchange to France and Switzerland in 2018. They will be focusing on teaching conversational phrases, as well as playing board games to help build a word bank of French nouns.

The French conversation group is held fortnightly in the school library at 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm. The next meet up is Tuesday 2 April. For more information, contact kura.rutherford@gmail.com

Class 5KS Fundraiser

Locally BioGrow Certified Organic Royal Gala Apples ripe and ready for friends and family:

\$10.00 for a **5kg** bag or **\$5.00** for a **2kg** bag

Orders to be placed and paid for by Wednesdays for delivery to school on a Friday. Please use the link <http://bit.ly/2Tg5bpg> for all details and to place your order. The fundraiser will run till the end of the term, for weekly orders. Please call Naomi on 027 444 1826 for any further questions



Friday 22nd March

#colouryourdaynz

Colour your Day

On Friday 22nd March wear something colourful in your school, business and community. Observe 1 minute silence at 1:40pm and donate.

Money raised will support the families and Muslim communities impacted by the tragic events of Friday 15th March.

TSB Bank Account: 15-3976-0091104-80
Reference: Our People Our City
(Christchurch Foundation)

24-7 YouthWork in collaboration with Christchurch City Council.
Raising money for the Mayoral Fund called "Our People, Our City".

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Two Bicycles

Two bicycles going for the asking. Free to an energetic home. Both a bit tatty but within the next week or so I will ensure that both run fine. One is a standard road hybrid adult size. The other is more of a road racer with drop handlebars and narrow tyres also adult size.

davidurieli@gmail.com

Babysitting Available

Hello my name is Lily and I am a graduate of Class 12 2018. I am available for babysitting afternoons and evenings. I have my full licence and my own transport. Rates by negotiation and references available. For more information please contact Lily on 02040348006 thank you!

Willco Electrical

Local Registered Electrician. Give us a call to discuss your electrical requirements. Please contact Will Tong on 0275298371 or william.tong@willco-electric.co.nz

Holiday Programme

Needle Felting Class for Children.

Would you like your child to explore the beautiful Art of Needle Felting?

I am doing another Needle Felting class in the holidays and I am wondering if there are more children in the community who would like to learn this beautiful craft?

Please phone Sabine at Goldkinder Crafts on 8751905 or 0274928444

Musical Theatre Night

After the success of their last two collaborations, Iona College and Lindisfarne College are putting on a musical theatre night to bring your summer to a fitting finale. From the 3 - 7 April the two Colleges will be putting on *Once on This Island* at the Lindisfarne College Performing Arts Centre.

It is a romantic tale set against the collision of French and peasant cultures in the Antilles archipelago. Ti Moune, a young peasant girl falls for a descendant of the wealthy French settlers, Daniel Beauxhomme. In echoes of Romeo and Juliet, it is a struggle between the powers of love and death.

Ninety minutes of smooth music and movement is punctuated by hip-shaking calypso dancing, energetic incantations to the gods and a rollicking score that blends a smorgasbord of sound from the elegance of European waltz to the perk and pluck of Caribbean rhythms.

Tickets can be purchased from the Lindisfarne College or Iona websites and, cash sales can also be taken at each of the School Offices and at the door. Adults \$28.00 Students \$20.00

Show Dates:

April 3 - 6:00 7:00pm

April 7 - 1:30pm

At Lindisfarne College, Lowe Family Performing Arts Centre.

For enquiries please contact Jackie Black at blackjackie@lindisfarne.school.nz

The Spirit and Art of Human Development

A three-day workshop with Van James, on Thursday 4 - 6 April 2019

In the **'Spirit and Art of Human Development'**, Van James will share some of his long experience as a Waldorf school art teacher together with his own life research into art as a path of human development as he explores the Mandala, the Landscape and the Portrait over each of the three days. If you are an art teacher, an art student, someone interested in Art History or simply want to deepen your personal connection to these three distinctive art forms then this workshop is not to be missed. Held at Taruna College, for more information please see our website www.taruna.ac.nz or call 06 8777174

Viewing The Grapevine On-line

If you are interested in viewing the Grapevine on line please visit the school website www.taikura.school.nz