



The Grapevine



Pippa's Panui

The end of daylight savings seems to have marked the end of our summer with the golden weather giving way to the arrival of cold, wet days, a hint of what is to come.

This term started with the school pool in demand during lunchtimes, sweltering afternoon lessons and some of our classes heading to Waimarama and Blackhead for water based camps. The tennis courts were in use in the sunny warm afternoons for practices, volleyball games were taking place and shady spots were in demand. As we come to the end of the term team, training for winter sports is underway, gumboots are needed to navigate the grounds in places, sunhats are exchanged for warm hats and there are queues for the toasty maker in the high school at morning tea and lunchtime.

This term we have been blessed with support from our parent community. It was wonderful to have parents actively involved in our powhiri at the start of the year. The effort by parents in supporting our camps and day trips throughout this term is also significant; driving to Wellington with our senior Social Studies students, to the Central Plateau with our Geology students, providing support as Class 8 deepen their understanding of local geography on their bikes, and not just providing transport but also sustenance to our Lower School students as they experience their first Class Camps. The weekly sporting commitments also rely heavily on our parent community as do the bustling Friday Markets.

Our Autumn Festival was a celebration of the change of season, as well as an opportunity to look within ourselves and acknowledge our dragons which are there to challenge us. It was wonderful to see so many parents present to enjoy the picnic lunch, the feisty game on the field and to appreciate the efforts of our junior classes in the Michael Play. Those parents dedicated to craft have begun to produce their beautiful items for this year's Fete, the longstanding parent coffee mornings are underway and while rain delayed the PFA Family Picnic, it was lovely to see that this initiative took place on a sunny Sunday a couple of weeks ago. Parents and whanau have also supported our children's learning through helping to make possible Indian Feasts and filling the hall to watch class plays.

Next term we head into our elections for our Board of Trustees which provides an opportunity to acknowledge the consistent effort these volunteers give to the governance of our school. We are very fortunate to have the efforts of our dedicated staff to provide rich learning experiences for our students so well supported by contributions from our parents and community. Thank you.

This year Easter falls in the holidays. Below is an extract from Collette Leenman's book *Easter in Autumn*:

"Our experience in the Southern Hemisphere is that outside it is autumn and nature is withering and contracting towards winter. The days are shortening and leaves on the deciduous trees are dying and falling. In a way this is an appropriate picture for the Good Friday experience of death on the cross. This experience carries within it the seed or germ of new life. As an image of this the bulb that we can plant at an autumn Easter festival carries its new life within, slowly growing until it bursts forth some months later in spring."

I wish you all a restful holiday, a lovely Easter and look forward to welcoming you back at the start of next term.

Pippa Caccioppoli

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero!

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

That Dr Rangī Matamua, the author of ‘Matariki – The Star of the Year’, is doing a nation-wide roadshow this month. He is presenting kōrero about Matariki, the Māori divisions of time and other aspects of Te Whānau Mārama – Māori Astronomy. Information can be found on his Facebook page – ‘Living by the Stars’ with Professor Rangī Matamua.

Kīwaha o te wāhanga tuatahi – Kīwaha shared during Term One.

Hika/e hika.	Gosh (term of surprise).
Āna.	Yes, I agree, that’s right.
Kia pai mai hoki.	That’s fantastic.
Aua.	I don’t know.
Ehara, ehara ana!	Great/good one/exactly!
Kia tau!	Chill out!
He toki koe!	You’re on to it!
Karawhiua!	Give it your all!
Kai parāoa!	Easy as/easy peezy!

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



Can You Help?

We would like to enclose the area under the stairs by Class Four to make a shed the same as the sports shed outside Class Three. The equipment for outdoor play in the Class One playground is currently stored inside the classroom. We would love to have an enclosed area to safely store all of our equipment and free up space in the classroom. We will need some treated 18 mm plywood, roofing iron to line the inside, removable pallet base, 4x2 for the door frame. If you are willing to take on this project or lend a helping hand please come and see Cherie in Class One or email me - cherie.youngman@taikura.school.nz



Class 5KS Fundraiser

BioGrow Certified Organic Pacific Queen Apples for sale, every Friday till the end of the term!
Kindly sourced from Norton Organic Orchard.

5kg for \$10

2kg for \$5



All orders need to be placed and paid for, before Wednesday 10 for Friday 12 delivery to school. Please click the following link to fill in your details, and to find bank account details for online payment. <https://bit.ly/2UOnUzy>

Please get behind us, by buying your families supply of apples, and also offering this amazing deal to your friends and family.

SCHOOL NOTICES

In Autumn....

Like most of us, I am by no means the perfect mother. Many of my best intentions and best laid plans lie forgotten, as various commitments and monotonous daily tasks take up my time.

But for some reason, in Autumn, this holds less true. In Autumn the earth begins to take it's inward breath, and the busyness and fullness of life that is Spring and Summer starts to slow down.

The evenings grow darker and the days at times colder and wetter; and we begin to draw inward a little and slow down a bit more. Our children go to bed earlier and we find we have more time in the evenings to ourselves; which, for me, means more time to craft...perhaps to knit some slippers or beanies before winter; or to read, write, or to draw.

I for one like to needle felt something for the seasonal table...the seasonal table which despite those best intentions of mine, is often left forgotten...but not so in Autumn.

Autumn lends itself so beautifully to the creation of a bountiful seasonal table - with its colourful leaves, acorns and chestnuts, pinecones and pumpkins - that my children and I are inspired to grab our baskets and head to a park to gather our treasures, bring home our bounties, and our Autumnal table is born.

In our household, when the feijoas fall by the hundreds from our tree, Autumn is a time when you can find dad making feijoa chutney for our pantry; when the pumpkins are abound, it's a time of hot pumpkin soup for tea; and with gifted apples overflowing from our fruit bowls, it is a time of warm apple crumble for dessert and Dutch apple pie, anytime, not just on birthdays.

Autumn is a time of plenty, and plenty of rest.

A season that holds Easter and all the egg painting and eating fun that it promises; when we gather wood and prepare for winter after a cold spell, while savouring final swims and BBQs on those days that trick us into believing it is an endless summer.

It's when the kids spend hours diligently raking up leaves, only to run, hide, jump and fall into them until they have to do it all over again.

Most of all, Autumn is when we get things done; when our best laid plans come to fruition, and when the kids have plenty of outdoor fun, as well as earlier nights....heaven.

Kia manahau!

Rosa Nobel.



SCHOOL NOTICES

Class One Playground And After School On-site Playing

Dear Community

We ask that children do not play in the class one playground prior to 3:00 pm end of day pick up or after school. From Term Two onwards the Class One playground will be closed to all students except those in Class One.

Our Class One teachers are working tirelessly to foster healthy social play while establishing a kaupapa which will nurture and support the growth of a cohesive class soul. These behaviour expectations and norms reflect both kindergarten and school tikanga. Within the kindergartens and school we have ways of doing things, how and where; we eat, play and move around our spaces. It becomes confusing for students when the expectations of "in school play and after school play" differ.

Kindergarten and Class One teachers have reflected that free play occurring in the Class One playground space does not work to support the child transitioning from kindergarten into school. This was further confirmed at a recent Kindergarten Transition to School review where themes and behaviours of play, post kindy, and pre-school were reflected upon in depth.

It was agreed by all that the free play happening in the Class One playground compromises the establishment of a healthy and appropriate kaupapa for this space.

In times gone by this play space was held dear - the kindy child yearning for their start date at the big school. Equal amounts of awe, anticipation and a good dose of healthy trepidation would rest within the child as they waited for their time at the big school to start. Just as the Class 1 and 2 children yearn for the freedom of Scannels and the Big Field so too would the kindy child be waiting for their time in the Class One playground.

In a school where the children start at kindergarten and go through to Class 12 - a journey which for some can last up to 14 years - it is important that there are thresholds and things to look forward to along the way. The various play spaces each having their time and place for a particular class level is one of these things.

As the winter months draw nearer we would also ask all students be collected and leave the school grounds by 3.20 pm at the latest. For the tired child, having to play an extra ten minutes of play can be the straw that breaks the camel's back. It is our wish that each of our students finish their day as peacefully as possible. It is also appropriate that teachers, cleaners and trades people have time to clean, sort, fix and prepare spaces for the following day with minimal interruptions. Due to our need to ensure the safety of all people onsite it is important to note that if you are on school grounds for longer than 15 minutes - it is both school policy and an expectation that you have signed in at the school office.

Class 12 Students Survey

Hi, my name is Jordan Wilkin, a Class 12 student. We are doing our projects and mine is on sleep. It would really help me if you could complete an online survey by visiting the following website and answering the simple questions. Website: <https://s.surveypal.com/phekmg2g>

Many thanks in advance Jordan Wilkin

Careers Information

Classes 11 and 12 will be visiting the Expo on Wednesday during school time.



Looking for your pathway?
Come to the **HAWKE'S BAY CAREERS EXPO**

CAREERS EXPO
Ngā Ara Tūmanako
Pathway to Dreams and Aspirations

Talk to people who can help get you on the road to the right career for you.
Check out loads of career & study information from over 60 providers.

21st May 4.30-6.30pm
Pettigrew.Green Arena, Napier.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Impetigo

Recently we have had some cases of impetigo/school sores at school. Below are some key points which are important to remember when dealing with impetigo as it is a highly contagious condition.

Key points to remember about school sores:

- school sores (impetigo) are common in children - it is a skin infection caused by bacteria
- school sores spread between children very easily
- try to prevent your child scratching the sores as much as possible - cover sores with a watertight dressing and cut your child's fingernails
- wash hands with soap and dry thoroughly before and after touching the skin or sores
- your child can go back to school, kindergarten or daycare one day after the start of treatment and when the sores are completely covered with dressings
- continue medical treatment until all sores are healed.

Treatment talked about in this instance is allopathic. If treating with alternative or Anthroposophical medicines it is important to have the support of a Anthroposophical nurse/doctor or your alternative health care professional. Impetigo can be incredible invasive and compromising for a child once established. In these cases it is important that time is given for the child to rest and recuperate at home until all sores have healed.

For further information follow the links below.

<https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/school-sores-impetigo-detail>

<https://www.healthnavigator.org.nz/health-a-z/s/school-sores/>

<https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/impetigo-school-sores>

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 9am 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 10 May: Filipa offers her support to parents with an introduction into Communication for Connection - based on Nonviolent/Compassionate Communication or 'NVC'. Filipa has been teaching this high quality personal development tool kit to parents and educators for 10 years - and with her Anthroposophical interest she will share from this perspective.

School And Kindergarten Community Stall

During a recent chat over a cuppa, community stalls were discussed, where abundant produce can be shared and exchanged. It was asked, why does a community such as ours not have one? If there is someone in the community that would like to take on sourcing materials for building and taking care of this, please get in touch with me, Liam: property@taikura.school.nz or pop into the office.

Mark Your Calendar

May 1
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May 2
May 7
May 7
May 10
May 20

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
8:30 am -12:30 pm
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
8:45 am - 9:00 am start
5:00 pm

Class 8 Parent Evening
Class 10 Parent Evening
Class Photographs
Class 9 Parent Evening
Class 10 Parent Evening
Filipa Hope - An Intro into "NVC"
BOT Meeting

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Eva's After School Art Class For Children

Thursdays 3:00 - 4:10 pm: Explore new art techniques, look at interesting images, listen to a story. For children 8-13 years. \$17 per session, commitment for a term. At the Steiner Centre 500 Nelson St. Hastings. Contact Eva Urieli:- evaurieli@gmail.com 878 6028 or text 02102771201

Art Therapy For All Ages

Individual sessions: To foster self-esteem and self confidence, to mitigate emotional issues, to balance the constitution, to relieve negative behaviour patterns, to encourage creativity, to review life situations and belief systems, to learn to accept ones biography. Contact: Eva Urieli:- evaurieli@gmail.com 878 6028 or text 02102771201

Car For Sale

A 1998 Subaru Legacy station wagon. One NZ owner for the last fifteen years. Automatic, 200,000km with a tow bar. \$750.00 Please phone Jackie after 4:00pm on 878 8932

House For Sale

Dear Taikura whanau, we are selling our beautiful home and thought someone in our community might be looking for a character villa close to the school. Here is some information. For viewings please check out the listing on the Harcourts website or contact Pete Scott on: +64 27 458 3985 or +64 6 872 8884

"Live Like Royalty on Princes and Queen Streets" 700 Queen Street East, Hastings

This pre-1910 villa exudes character & charm! It boasts 4 double bedrooms, spacious open-plan living and fantastic indoor/outdoor flow; French doors lead out to a wrap-around veranda with park views, and a large covered deck overlooks the private back yard. There are 2 toilets, laundry, loads of over-head storage and other surprises! The heatpump, fireplace, heat transfer and floor/ceiling insulation will keep you cozy during winter. Situated in a sought-after area on a good sized fenced section with established cottage gardens and variety of fruit trees, this is the family home you have been dreaming of! **AUCTION** Wednesday 17 April 2019

Babysitter Services Available

Hello, my name is Jenaya and I am a Class 9 student at Taikura. My babysitting services are available Monday and Thursday afternoons and evenings plus weekends. (I can also be available on Tuesday and Friday with some notice to arrange my sport commitments). For more information please text 0274222663.

NZAMD Jazz Dancing

NZAMD Jazz dancing for ages 8 - 10 years old at the Hastings Baptist Church Hall on a Wednesday afternoon starting from 4:00 pm - Wednesday 1 May. Ballroom/ Latin American dance ages 15 years and up on Tuesday from 6:00 pm. Prices are from \$90.00 per term. To pre-enrol ph or text Nicole on 021 1671 654

Sharp Performing Arts

We are running a holiday programme next week at Theatre Hawkes Bay on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00-3:00pm. **"SHAKING with SHAKESPEARE - having fun with the BARD"** You can enrol for one or all days. \$65 + GST per DAY. Michael Sharp (Director) Sharp Performing Arts 021647142 sharpperformingarts@gmail.com www.sharppperformingarts.co



Messy Church @ St Matthew's Hastings

Sat 13 April 2019

4pm – 6pm

Family fun for all ages!

Come and join us!

What? Fun with crafts, games, Bible stories, a celebration time and a meal together

Who? Everyone is welcome. Children under the age of 14 to be accompanied by an adult.

Where? In the church hall

Phone: Barbara Person 878 8855, St Matthew's Church, 200 King St South, Hastings www.stmatts.org.nz