



New Zealand Waldorf 100 Conference

During the first three days of the term break a group of colleagues from the Lower School and High School attended the New Zealand Waldorf 100 Conference at Michael Park School in Auckland. The conference had special significance in that this year we celebrate 100 years since the founding of the first Steiner school in Stuttgart.

The conference was attended by approximately 300 Steiner school staff from around the country who enjoyed talks from keynote speakers Dr Steve Sagarin, Neil Boland and Rosie Simpson. A panel discussion also provided a context for questions to be asked and collaborative responses to be formed. Over the three days a wide variety of workshops were available, these addressed the many different areas of the curriculum, provided new ideas and demonstrated how teaching and learning might look in the classroom.

The conference was entitled "From the Inside Out". This speaks to the fact that as Steiner educators we aim to teach from the inside out. Feeding children's imaginations, resourcing them with practical skills, nurturing their senses and inspiring their love of learning before requiring them to create for themselves.

As well as these ideas being at the centre of the conversation it was also an apt time for the professional community to consider where we have come from as an educational movement and how we will evolve moving forward. On Saturday evening our American guest Dr Steve Sagarin gave image to five distinct generations of Steiner education and opened a space for thought about what we can learn from these. In his talk on Monday he then went on to discuss questions about what's next for Steiner Education.

Sunday's Keynote speaker Neil Boland spoke to the qualities that are asked of a Steiner Teacher. The ideas Neil presented have arisen out of work undertaken with Pedagogical Section at the Goetheanum and he pin points "inner work" as a primary aspect in the development of effective, contemporary Steiner Teachers. In her presentation Rosie Simpson took us through an exploration of how imagination can be nurtured as a pathway of self-development so that it becomes a deep nourishing well for teachers and students alike.

The warm and collegial atmosphere provided a beautiful opportunity to share, learn and connect with our broader community. This nourishment will certainly expand ourselves and broaden our practice thus we can trust that we pass this nourishment on to our ākonga.

Darryn Breakwell



Mark Your Calendar

May 2	12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Waiata mai - Wharae
May 7	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Class 9 Parent Evening
May 7	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Class 10 Parent Evening
May 9	12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Waiata mai - Wharae
May 10	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Filipa Hope - An Intro into "NCV"
May 15	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Kindergareten Parent Evening at Taikura and Kereru
May 20	5:00 pm	BOT Meeting
May 22	7:00 pm	Community Meeting - Hall
May 27 - 30	3:15 pm - 8:00 pm	Lower School Parent/Teacher Interviews

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero!

Talk by Dr Rangī Matamua

Last Saturday night at the Napier War Memorial Conference Centre, Dr Rangī Matamua (author of 'Matariki: The Star of the Year') gave a presentation about Ngā Mata o te Ariki Tāwhirimātea – The eyes of the God Tāwhirimātea – Mata Ariki; or more commonly known as Matariki. He also spoke about the Māori divisions of time, giving a very full picture of how this works within the Maramataka – Māori lunar calendar. As a speaker he was funny, inclusive, and a tohunga (expert) in his field of knowledge. It was evident that Rangī lives and breathes Te Tātai Arorangi – Astronomy from a Māori worldview. There were many new pieces of information I came away with and I'll share some of these later as we come into our own celebrations of Matariki. However, his kōrero also reinforced for me that we need to question what we celebrate and the relevance of these celebrations in Aotearoa.

Kīwaha o te wikiKīwaha of the week!

Kei te pērā tonu (kay teh peh da tor nuu)
Just the same/same old...

Rangī: E hoa, pēhea tō rā...how was your day?

Hemi: Kei te pērā tonu!

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



Lower School Parent Teacher Interviews

Dear Parents of Lower School Children

During Week 5 of Term Two, 27–30 May, the Lower School will be completing Parent, Teacher Interviews.

We look forward to this time in the year, where with whanau, we take a pause, reflect and plan together the next stage your child's learning journey.

These meetings happen annually and it is our expectation that all parents attend. We are using the same booking site as in previous years. **Bookings will be open from Monday 6 May.**

When you login you will see each class teacher, has a range of times on various days, available for interviews. We trust that the many options available will make it possible for all families to attend.

Please note that the interview bookings will **close, mid-night Monday 20 May.**

Families not booked for an interview will be contacted by the school prior to interview week to ensure a suitable time is found.

There will be no half day this year!

Warm wishes Kelly Sutton for the Lower School

How to Book:

1. Log onto the following website: <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz>
2. Enter the following code into the 'event code': **6tuxn**
3. You will then be guided by the website.

Parents who do not have access to a computer can phone Adrienne to book an appointment. We encourage you to book on-line please.

Warm wishes and thank you Kelly

SCHOOL NOTICES

Sports Information

Winter Sports season is here! We have registered 22 winter sport teams this year, the largest amount we have had for a few years. It is very positive to have this many students participating in school sport. All teams will be allocated their uniforms, practice and game equipment over the next two weeks by priority of starting game dates. This is a big job and with the amount of teams we have, patience will be needed, everyone will have their required gear before the first games.

Practice times have been allocated for all teams, there will be a chart with this information on the sports notice board outside the school gym. Coaches and managers will also have this information along with their teams draw.

All sports fees are due to be paid before the first games.

We have many people to thank for supporting all the teams this year as coaches and managers

Class 3 Tuis Hockey- Coach - Kat Kilgour / Manager Angela Binns

Class 3 Rata - Hay Hockey - Coach Adam Hay / Manager Matt Durham

Class 3 Taikura Tawa Netball - Coaches and Manager - Rosa Nobel / Jenaya Lambert

Class 4 Fast Fours Hockey - Coaches - Gemma Watson / Frankie Mc Kay / Manager Karyn Wills

Class 4 Taikura CG Stars Netball - Coach - Clayton Gibson / Manager Tineka Ferguson

Class 4 Taikura RT Magic Netball - Coach - Clayton Gibson / Manager Rebekka Train

Class 5 Taikura Firebirds Netball - Coaches - Pearl Matthews / Hinauri Tiopira - Hawkins/ Manager TBC

Class 5 TM Hockey - Coach - Gerard Barron / Manager Toby Blakely

Class 5 KS Hockey - Coaches - Clem and Nicki Mc Gavock / Manager Jasmine Beagle

Class 6 Taikura Steel Netball - Coach - Angeline Ramsay / Manager Claire Porter

Class 6 Taikura 6 Breakers Hockey - Coaches - Olivia Achten / Tess Lethbridge / Manager Matt Durham

Class 7 Taikura Thunder Hockey - Coach - Gus Freeman / Manager Cathy Dixon

Junior High Netball - Coach - Donna Te Aho / Manager Jo Doig

Senior High Netball - Coach - Morag Wilson / Manager Azaria Barlow

Junior High Football - Coach - Troy Wathey / Manager Gui Vilhena

Senior High Football - Coach - Jeff Carroll / Manager Melissa Goodwin

Junior High Basketball - Coach - Murray Barker / TBC

Senior High Basketball - Coach - Kareem Johnson / Manager Silje Porter

1st 11 Hockey - Coaches - Ann and Bill Hilton / Manager Claire Porter

2nd 11 Hockey - Coach - Elliot Ryan / Manager Esther Watson

High School Badminton - Manager - Belinda Floyd

High School Table Tennis - TBC

I will be visiting all sport teams once first games have started (this will take a few weeks to get around to all teams). We have a sports booklet with the schools policies and procedures around school sport should anyone wish to have a copy.

We still have mouthguards, socks and shorts available to purchase at the school office.

My hours at school this term are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:00 am - 3:30 pm.

Contact: sports.coordinator@taikura.school.nz

Congratulations to:

Class 7 volleyball team who finished 2nd in the Div One Super League competition. Well Done!

Kail MacKenzie who came 3rd in the Under 18 Division of the Hawkes Bay Surf Championships which was held in the school holidays. Ka rawe Kail!

Janet Osborne
Sports Coordinator

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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.

Found Items - Lost Property

We have the following items that have been passed into the office over the last year or two. If these are yours please come and see us with a description.

4 Watches	1 Necklace with a coin in it
2 Greenstone pendants	1 Gold coloured bracelet
3 Chain bracelets	1 Magnetic rope necklace with charms
3 Necklaces with gems on them	1 Small beaded purse

And a few smaller necklaces, bracelets and gems if you think something may be your please come to the office and check.

Instruments For Hire

Did you know that the school has instruments for hire? We have many violins plus violas, cellos, double bass, trumpets, trombones, saxophones, clarinets, flutes and guitars. If you would like to hire any of these instruments please call Zahira at school, ext 848 or leave a message.

Term 2 Waiata mai - Thursdays 12:30 – 1:00 p.m

Ngā mihi mahana o te ngahuru ki a koutou e te whānau whānui o Taikura!

Waiata mai has started again as you would have read in last week's Grapevine. On **Thursdays** from 12.30 – 1:00 pm in the 'Whare'. If you want to learn some of the waiata that your children sing at school, nau mai, haere mai te katoa.....all are welcome!

Ngā mihi ki a koutou ngā kōpara e kō!
Nā Troy Gardiner.

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.

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

1-Day Singing Workshop

Conducted by Bert van Dijk

Bert van Dijk is a singer, voice teacher and theatre director of international repute, who has directed numerous productions in a great variety of genres.

During this 1-day workshop participants will learn several exciting polyphonic (more part) songs from around the world, each capturing a unique rhythm and mood. Singing is one of the most joyous and uplifting experiences life has to offer. This workshop is open to anyone wishing to sing with others. No music reading skills required!

When: Sunday 19 May 2019

Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Booking: thekaahurangi@hotmail.com

Where: Taikura Eurythmy Hall, 505 Nelson Street, Hastings

Cost: \$50.00 (waged) or \$35.00 (unwaged)

Mobile: 021 213 1044

We Need A Home To Rent

We are a quiet, tidy, respectful, eco-friendly mother and teenage son, with no pets. We require a home for at least a year. I can supply excellent references. Please phone Narnia on (06) 877 8770

The Steiner Centre

Corner Whitehead Road and Nelson Street North, opposite Taikura Rudolf Steiner School.

We have rooms to hire for events, classes, music lessons and more. **Library** available to school families open Wednesdays 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. Many different courses and classes available. Notices posted on board outside venue. For more information call: Cleone Armon 06 878 3128 or Robyn Hewetson 021 217 8688



Calling All Old Mobile Phones

Rummage around for those unwanted mobile phones to donate to Sustainable Coastlines Mobile Phone 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 the school office.



Phones collected help raise funds for Sustainable Coastlines – a multi ward wining 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. Our school also benefits by gaining valuable rewards from the Mobile Phones we collect.

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School Website

If you would prefer to read the Grapevine on-line via the school website please go to www.taikura.school.nz Under the heading: Key Dates, News & Events select Newsletters from the drop down box, the latest copies of the Grapevine will be on the left side of the page. Click on the date you wish to read. Please let the office know that you no longer wish you child to receive a copy in class.