Taikura Rudolf Steiner School The evine Grapevine



25 July 2019

Next Thursday, the H3 Group, (*Heads, Hearts and Hands*), will be hosting the event "A Night of Music" on Thursday 1 August at 6:30pm in our school hall. We warmly invite you to come along and enjoy the wonderful talents of our students. This evening would not be possible without our High School students who are generously gifting their time to support this event. A big thank you students! All raised funds from "A Night of Music" will go directly into supporting our students music resources as well as their access to the curriculum via therapies.

The H3 group and those in the wider community who support their fundraising events, contribute to the ongoing financial support for all the wonderful therapies offered here at Taikura. So far this year the H3 fund has contributed generously to the purchase of four new iLs Listening Programme kits, eight courses of art therapy, attendance and transportation at The Leg-Up Equine programme, the purchasing of substances/equipment to support in-class well-being programmes. Thank you H3 fund, those School community and whanau who meet regularly and work tirelessly to ensure funds are being generated. Thank you to all those who heed their call to action and bake or tend sausage sizzles when asked.

Please come and enjoy the gifts of music from our students on Thursday 1 August 6:30pm in our school hall. A delicious supper will be available.

Book Week

Thank you to all who participated in and contributed to Book Week during our last week of Term Two. It was a delight to see the very many and varied ways people participated, and to see engagement with books happening in every realm of the school. Book reports, the Quidditch games, the inventive dress-ups and the book swap were all highlights for our students. Record numbers of books were issued by the High School thanks to lots of book promotion by their teachers, and some High School classes even started their day with reading. Our school library became a hive of activity during the week as children hunted through books trying to find clues to the *quotes from books* written around the school, and the conversations about books and authors as they tried to solve these mysteries were a treat to listen to. As each quote was matched with a book title, the students received a small gift, a book mark, beautifully made by one of our past students. In fact the wonderful support and help we received from both present and past parents and students was a highlight for me. Their help and presence particularly during Stories by Starlight was invaluable – thank you community! It was a week enjoyed by all and the start of something good!

Our hope too is that the festivities of this week flowed into your homes and many got to enjoy a book on the eve of the holidays. The Book Week team were delighted to read the following feedback from one family in our community:

Book Week this year reminded me of the enchantment which drew me into our community. In the cold there is warmth and always reason to celebrate. There is a light that is lit yet takes root in something deep. Any chance to create and tap into the air of magic is a true gift to us all. A gathering for story, the warmth of fire and chocolate and a new book under the pillow...Book Week is now a highlight in our home.

Kelly Sutton on behalf of the Book Week Team



July 29 July 30 July 31 August 1 August 6 August 7



Mark Your Calendar 5:00 pm 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm



BOT Meeting - Meeting Room Main Office Class 11 Parent Evening - TH Level 2 IT Special Character Talk For The Community Evening Of Music Class 4 Parent Evening Kindergarten Combined Parent Evening - School Library



A reflection on Waiata Mai

I was privileged to not only be a parent at the school, but also a staff member. As I had only immigrated to NZ a few years prior, I had not been exposed to learning Te Reo Māori, or any of the beautiful waiata. I listened to the children singing and really wanted to learn these songs so that I could join in.

Matua Troy agreed to starting a *Waiata Mai* group once a week, inviting parents and teachers alike to join together and learn to sing these amazing songs. Not only do we learn the beautiful music, but Matua gives us the cultural background behind the songs, and explains the words and their meaning. I have learnt so much, and singing has helped me learn so many words and phrases in Te Reo Māori and has given me an insatiable hunger to learn more and sing more. It has given me an insight to how special Maori culture is, and how linked to my diverse cultures both in language and beliefs it is.

I feel connected, and every week uplifted, when I get the privilege to sing for half an hour with Matua Troy and our Waiata mai whānau.

Nā Paola Stobart

(Waiata Mai is held every Thursday at 12.30pm in the school whare, and is open to anyone keen to come and learn the waiata our tamariki sing at school.)

Kīwaha o te wiki ... Phrase of the week!

E kai ō mata! (eh kar ee or mar tar) Feast your eyes on this!

Hemi: E kai ō mata e hoa, this hoody's awesome! Rangi: You got that right!

He pito korero is a space dedicated to celebrating and promoting Te Reo me ona Tikanga Maori



Lost Property

There is a large quantity of lost property from Term 2 which will be displayed outside the hall on Wednesday 31 July from 8:30 am until 3:30 pm. Items not claimed will be donated to charity after this point.

News from the library

A big thank you:

We would like to extend our thanks to the many families and individuals who have donated books to the school library over the last six months. We have been donated some real treasures and we are very grateful. An enormous thank you also to all those families who went on a book search following our last mailout, and found and returned long-overdue books. It was so heartening to see the returns basket filling up!

The Clockill and the Thief release day fun:

In celebration of Gareth Ward's book launch for *The Clockill and the Thief*, sequel to his popular *The Traitor and the Thief*, I have arranged with Gareth to take pre-orders at school, and to have signed copies delivered to us on the morning of release on Thursday 1 August. To place a pre-order with me, students will need to **see me at the school library**, with payment of \$20.00 (cash payments only please), and I will have the books delivered to the students on the morning of release. *The Traitor and the Thief* is really popular with Taikura students, so this is a fun way to get behind a favourite author, and join in the anticipation of waiting for the sequel. (The book launch itself is this 4:00 pm Saturday 27 July at the Havelock North Function Centre and will be lots of fun - see their website www.wardini.co.nz.)

Warm wishes Kura - School Library

A Night of Music from Taikura High School Students

Thursday 1st August, 6.30pm Taikura Rudolf Steiner School Hall Nelson Street Hastings Tickets: Only \$10 sold at the door

This is fundraising event for the H3 Care Group so come along and enjoy a fun packed musical evening. Supper treats and refreshments available.





COMMUNITY NOTICES

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. The **Library** is 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

Workshop: The Power Of Good Communication

An experiential workshop that inspires participants to enjoy the many benefits that arise when they use helpful communication skills.

Dates: Free Introduction - Friday 2 August 7:00–9:00 pm. Workshop Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 August at 9:00 am – 5:00 pm <u>Cost:</u> \$125.00, unwaged \$95.00, couples \$195.00 - Contact Richard Aukett (facilitator) richard_a@xtra.co.nz or Romilly Brickell romillyjoy@gmail.com 021-055-3921. Venue: Rudolf Steiner Centre Cnr. Nelson St / Whitehead Rd, Hastings.

Casual Kindergarten Relief Teachers and Kindergarten Assistants Needed

We are looking for casual Relief Kindergarten Teachers and Kindergarten Assistants for our two kindergartens. If you are interested please send your CV and a covering letter outlining your availability to Erika Potter (erika.potter@taikura.school.nz)

House Sitter Wanted

From the 1 - 20 September. A small house not suitable for children. Situated near Cornwall Park and shops. A small swimming pool and two cats to look after. Very convenient for Taikura School! Please contact Allyson or Mike 027 324 9855 or 873 5549

Viewing The Grapevine On-line

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

Reiki Course From August

Reiki is a natural energy healing. Reiki Level 1 for opening a connection to healing energy is to be held on Saturday 17 August. Level 2 on Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 September is an advanced two-day course to extend the healing ability with Symbols and Mantras utilizing specific aspects of the energy. Level 3 in October. For enquiries - Shu. Email: crystal@naturallifenz.org or text 0210549035.

Full Moon Sound Shower

Meditation with healing sounds of Crystal Singing Bowls with full moon energy. Cost: \$20.00 - Venue: Breathe Yoga Havelock North. Thursday 15 August, Thursday 14 September, Monday 14 October, Thursday 14 November and Thursday 12 December. For enquiries, Shu - Email: crystal@naturallifenz.org or text 0210549035.

Crystal Evening And Crystal Bowl Meditation

If you are interested in Crystals and Crystal Singing Bowls, this should be a nice opportunity. Thursdays 8 August, 12 September, 17 October, 7 November & 5 December. 7:00 to 9:00 pm at The Lotus centre. Cost: \$30.00 For enquiries - Shu. Email: crystal@naturallifenz.org or text 0210549035.

