The Grapevine



Pippa's Panui Ruia taitea, kia tū ko taikākā anake.

Cast aside the sapwood and gather up the red heartwood.

Taking stock of where Taikura is as we celebrate 100 years of Steiner Education, involves looking back as well as forward. Looking back at this time is helpful but histories can make decision making difficult also, not to get stuck in our traditions because that is what we have always done and not to change everything for the sake of change. How do we keep our values and principles and move forward? We have to keep what is important; it needs to be put into current context and we need to keep the threads as we cannot throw everything out, but it does have to be different today.

Steiner educates 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 from themselves. Around us is a community who raise children, who aim to feed, resource, inspire, nurture and refresh all involved in the most important task in the world – educating our young to be the agents of positive change in the world.

Looking around our school we are incredibly fortunate in the depth that we have within our community. Those who still have a strong connection to the early pioneering spirit, who carry a strong picture of the early values and principles, both as parents and staff and who are willing to share this experience and knowledge with us. We are blessed by the staff who have been with us for many years, those who have ridden the waves of legislative changes: leading work in the development and implementation of our High School Qualification, the development and implementation of our own Lower School Learning Progressions in response to National Standards, the vast compliance requirements in the Early Childhood sector, not to mention constantly revised National and Steiner curriculums, policies and procedures.

Throughout this time, we have had parents who have made significant contributions; rallied in support with massive campaigns against the implementation of National Standards, serving on our Board of Trustees and Proprietors Trust, transitioning our Christmas Fair to our current Taikura Fete, developing and growing our participation in sport, running regular coffee mornings for new parents, collaborating with staff on our He Reo Ora Strategy, crafting, fundraising, stepping in as teacher aides, sharing their love for the outdoors on camps, through culture, gardening, cooking, art, sculpture, language, technology, festivals and drama.

We continue to be fortunate with the parents and staff who come towards us with an openness and desire to understand more deeply our values and principles in order to support our students in their learning and development journey. For some it feels like a coming home and for others it is a whole new world of possibilities. It is also heart-warming to meet those students who are now returning as parents or staff, weaving the threads between past, present and future, finding a new connection to our Special Character which is all their own. Our founders gave us a gift which has grown, developed and expanded and throughout our vision has remained the same:

That every student progresses towards becoming a free, responsible and caring individual able to impart purpose and direction in their life, and contribute in manifold as well as unique ways to society.

(Rudolf Steiner, 1861-1925)

Mark Your Calendar		
November 15	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	Kaye Keats - Medical Herbalist and Nutritionist - "Edible Plants"
November 17	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Taikura School Fête
November 19	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Class 6 Parent Evening
November 29	8:45 am - 9:00 am start	David Urieli - Anthroposophical look at "Life After Death"
December 2	6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Kindergartens and Class 1-3 Parent Evening "Roots and Wings"
December 6	3:00 pm	High School Finishes for Classes 10 - 12
December 17	7:00 pm	Carol Evening - Held in the School Gym
December 18	12:30 pm	Classes 1-7 Finish for the Year

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kõrero!

"Kua rongo kōrero koe ...? Did you hear ...?"

Kia ora kare mā, if you haven't heard about it, below is a panui sent from a kaiako (teacher) of Te Wānanga o Aotearoa about a Te Reo Māori course for 2020!

Mauri ora! My name is Matina Clarke and I am a teacher of level 1 and 2 Te Reo Māori here at Te Wānanga o Aotearoa, Hastings. We are currently taking enrolments and expressions of interest for our 2020 classes which begin in March. It is a **FREE** 36-week long. We provide some learning resources for you to help you on your journey i.e. *Maori Made Easy, Customs and Protocols of the Marae* and a *Biggs dictionary* along with activity sheets, songs and games...just to name a few things. So, if this is a bit of you or you may know someone who may be interested give me a call at Te Wānanga o Aotearoa – 068726355, or my cell – 0272850203 or via this email. Matina.Clarke@twoa.ac.nz I look forward to hearing from you...regards Matina.

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

I a ha ha (Ee ar har har)

To positively reinforce what someone has said!

Hemi: Kia ora e hoa, It was hot yesterday and we had a mean surf...the swell was pumping!

Rangi: I a ha ha!

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

Snippets From The Parent Handbook

At the heart of our Special Character is a commitment to honour the process of a child unfolding at their own pace. Each year is a time rich for the student, they are given the time they need to arrive at and achieve each milestone. Each year group of students is on the same path, travelling towards a shared destination however we recognise each student will journey at their own pace.

Check and Return Of Hired Instruments 2019

Hi all instrument hiring students.

Could all hired instruments be brought in for checking between now and the 6 December. I wish to get this done early so the end of year is freed up.

• As always, if you wish to keep your instrument over the school holidays you may do so, but I need to know this. So please leave a note with your instrument when you drop it off at the office, with your name, contact number and whether you wish to retain or return. I will check them as soon as I can and get them back to you in a timely fashion so your practices are not interrupted. So on that note, the date of your next practice would also be helpful.

Instruments For Hire 2020

Just a reminder that the school has a number of instruments for hire at reasonable rates. We have many violins plus violas, cellos, double bass, trumpets, trombones, saxophones, clarinets, flutes and guitars. If you think your child may wish to begin playing an instrument next year, please give me a call and I will set one aside for them.

Warm Regards, Zahira.

EOTC

Our school policy states that all parent volunteers on overnight camps must be police vetted. If you or a member of your family think you may like to volunteer for a camp in the future, it would be a good idea to get the police vet check done. The check can take up to six weeks to clear, and is valid for three years. If you are a parent who is hoping to assist with a camp taking place this term, or early next year, please come and see me as soon as possible to complete the paperwork.

Ngā mihi, nā, Suzan suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz



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 17 November 2019

It's Fête day on Sunday! Please spread the word amongst family, friends and colleagues so that as many people as possible can experience this joyful day.

Magic Beans

Magic Beans will be on sale at the discounted rate of \$12 for 15 Magic Beans (including pouch), or \$22 for 30 Magic Beans (including pouch) at the school gate from 2:45-3:20pm until Friday 15 November. To facilitate Kindergarten parents, they will also be on sale at lunch-time pick-up on Friday 15 November in the Taikura Kindergarten Parent Room.

Barley Straw for Sale

Barley Straw Bales will be available to purchase at \$12 a bale. Great for strawberries! Pick up after 3pm on fête Day. Email taikurafete@gmail.com or call Suzan on 021 2065909 to reserve.

Setting Up

Please ensure your stall is set up completely by 9:00am on Sunday 17 November. You may access the grounds from noon on Saturday 16 November to set up. The grounds will be patrolled by HSM security guards overnight.

Please arrange to set up **without young children in tow** – this will be an active site and we would like to ensure everyone's safety and comfort.

Vehicle Access

Vehicle access to and from the site is from King Street, next to Taikura House. If you take a vehicle onto the site, the maximum speed inside the grounds is 5km/h. Please be mindful of children. On Sunday, the site must be clear of vehicles by 9:00am. There will be no vehicular access to the grounds before 3:15pm, when the big field has been cleared of children.

Parking for Stall Holders

Community and external stall holders should park on King Street. Please **DO NOT** park on Nelson Street or Whitehead Road near school so that there will be spaces for guests attending the Fête.

Administration Centre

When you arrive on Sunday to set up your **FOOD STALL**, please check in at the Administration Centre in the Gym Foyer. From here you can collect your float, provisions, and other essential information. The following services are available:

- Information and administrative support
- Sustainable supplies including cups, plates, napkins, utensils etc.
- EFTPOS with cash out

- Money exchange and collection facilities
- First Aid services
- Safety equipment
- Lost children hub
- · Magic Bean sales

Financial Arrangements

Food stalls will be provided with a cash float on arrival. Periodically, one of the administration staff will collect surplus cash. At the end of the Fête please bring your float and takings to the Administration Centre.

Children's activities will operate on a **STRICTLY MAGIC BEAN** basis. If someone would like to pay in cash, please direct them to the nearest Magic Bean Sales point – at the Main Gate, the Administration Centre, and by the pizza oven at the entrance to Scannell's garden. Should the bean vessel become full before the conclusion of the Fête, they may be emptied at the Administration Centre. At the end of the Fête, please bring bean vessels to the Administration Centre at 3pm, and no later than 4pm.

Participation

Heartfelt thanks for coming together as a community to create such a unique event. You should all have confirmed jobs at the Fête. Please check where you are meant to be on the map, and arrive in good time for your shift. There are some activities that need further support so please let us know if you are available. Please also be prepared to be flexible to adapt to circumstances on the day.

Stall Dismantling

Dismantling of stall sites may take place after 3pm, with all materials removed by 6pm on Sunday 17 November. Items remaining on site after this time will be removed and disposed of. Please ensure the grounds are returned to their original condition after the Fête.

Health & Safety

Please note

- · No smoking, e-cigarettes, vaping, drugs or alcohol anywhere on the school grounds
- No animals allowed on site
- Use gloves and be conscious of hand washing, particularly when serving food. Those preparing and serving food must not also handle money.

Fête Proceeds

All fête proceeds are set aside to be used towards projects which need attention at Taikura. 2019 proceeds will be added to 2017 and 2018 proceeds and used towards the construction of a large shade area next to the hockey turf. This area will provide students with shaded seating in the heat of summer, provide an outside option for students and classes on a wet day, as well as shelter for waiting parents and students during sports practices. Property Manager Liam has been communicating with construction companies around quotes and time-lines, and we hope to have this project started in 2020.

STOP PRESS Children's Activities

We have had to make the difficult decision not to go ahead with Face Painting this year as we just didn't have enough volunteers for this activity, hopefully it will return next year. There will also be no gyroscope, candle boats, crazy hair or pop up barber. But there will still be plenty of fun and creative activities for children of all ages to enjoy!

Services

1	Toilets	
2	Magic Bean Sales	

Food

3	Coffee
4	Cakes (Class 1)
5	Drinks & Ice Cream (Class 4)
6	Waffles (Class 7)
7	Bread & Pastries
8	Bagels (Class 10UR)
9	Pakoras (Class 10AF)
10	Salads (Class 12)
11	Sushi & Miso Soup (Class 9)
12	Nachos (Class 6)
13	Burgers (Class STM)
14	Sausages (Class 11)
15	Falafel Pockets (Class 8)
16	Devonshire Teas (Class 3)
17	Children's Café (Class SKS)

Children's Wonderland

18	Children's Shop
19	Treasures in the Hay
20	Rainbow Tent
21	Crystal Panning
22	Humpty Dumpty
23	Fishing
24	Model Trains
25	Puppet Theatre

Arts & Crafts

26	Face Painting
27	Hair Braiding
28	Flower Garlands
29	Fairy Wands
30	Cookie Decorating
31	Candle Dipping
32	Art Spin
33	Clay Play
34	3D Art

Wood Workshop

35	Sword Whittling	
36	Hot Burner Pictures	

Magic in the Woods

37	Fairy House	
38	Ice Crystals	
39	Potion House	

Fun & Games

40	Stocks
41	Archery
42	Water Bungee
43	Sumo Wrestling
44	Jousting
45	Coconut Shy
46	Photo Booth
47	The Shocker
48	Go Karts

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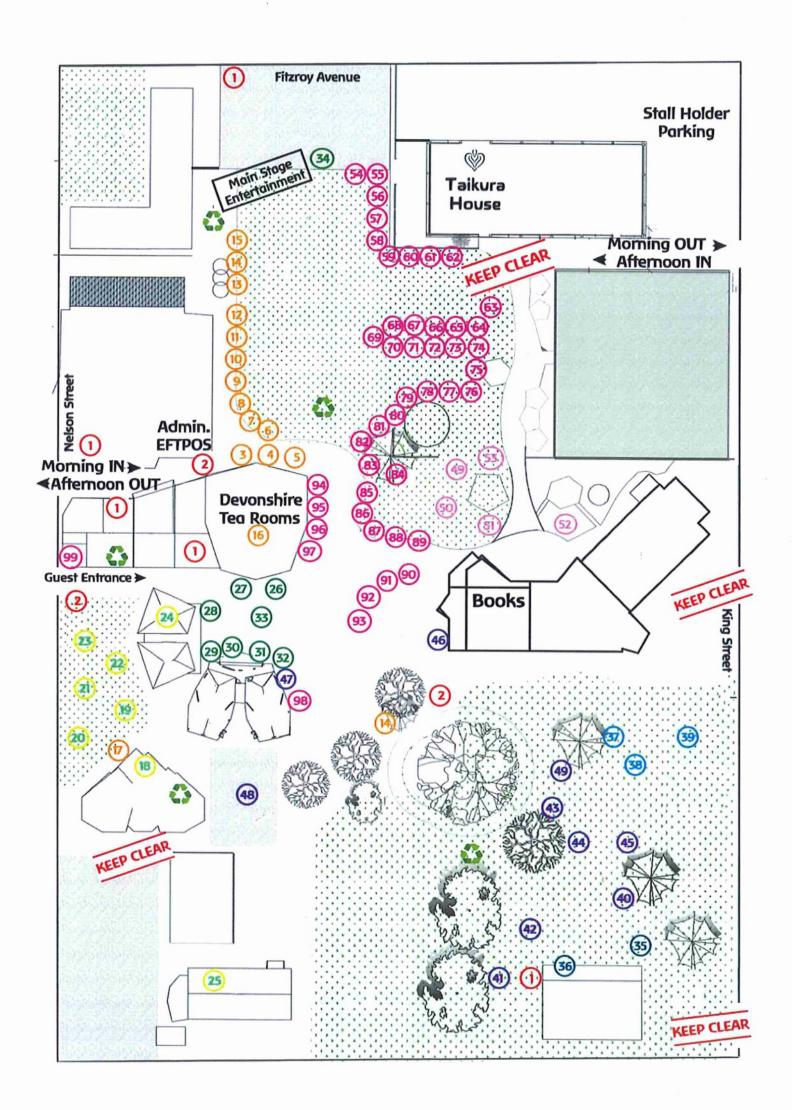
Health & Healing

49	Changes
50	Heartspace/Wellness Sanctuary
51	Greenleaf Reiki
52	Flower Remedies
53	Concordia Health

Market Stalls

Worker Stons		
54	AJR Fashion	
55	Belinda Paton Creations	
56	Bespoke Artisan Designs	
57	Cherries and Wine	
58	Contemporary Craft	
59	Deanta Handcrafts	
60	Dot Arts	
61	Moki Design	
62	Moodz Crafts	
63	Viola Flair	
64	Mundo	
65	NZ Wood and Jade	
66	Sophie Blokker Artist	
67	Bhuvani Bazaar	
68	Mad Mamas	
69	Taikura Kindergarten	
70	Taradale Playgroup	
71	Squarlett's Beeswax Wraps	

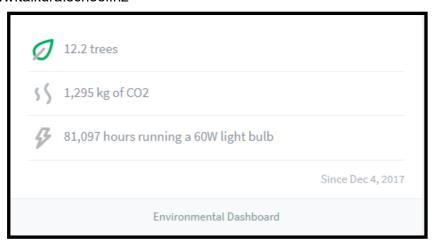
72	Tara Marsden Creative
73	Sano & Humano
74	Junk at Home
75	A Little Bit Vintage
76	Soft Sculpture
77	Elmtree Studio
78	Davina's Art
79	Raranga, Rongoa
80	Soo's Garden
81	Barefoot Mama
82	Sashe
83	Matilda Soap
84	Lush
85	Mayfair Lady
86	Maju
87	Dreamstitch
88	Lulu Dea
89	Beetle Magic
90	Crystal Child
91	RooB Woodwork
92	Jubilee Pipes
93	Dye 4 U
94	Very Good Food
95	The Dutch Shop
96	Mel's Gourmet Preserves
97	Karyn Worthington
98	Sand Art
99	Riverside Perennials



SCHOOL NOTICES

Grapevine Carbon Footprint

The school is looking at reducing our Carbon Footprint and one of the best ways is by reducing the number of Grapevines we print. Below is a copy of the number of trees that have been used since December 2017. From next year we will email a weekly link to the Grapevine out to all parents, and will not be printing Grapevines for families unless specifically requested **by email**. We know this is a community that cares about the environment, and we are looking forward to your support in this. Grapevines (including archives) are always available online at www.taikura.school.nz



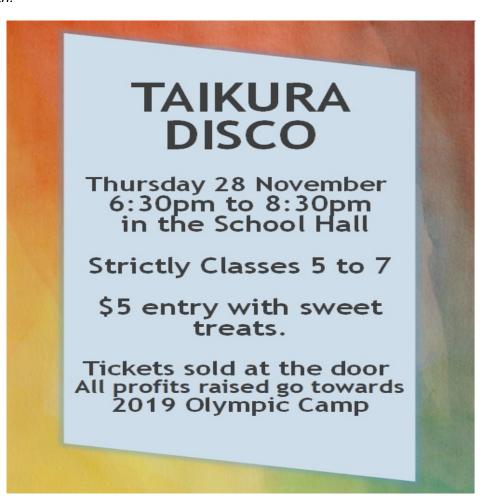
Taikura Parents Group Talks

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

Our guest speakers begin at 9:00 am and usually finish about 10:30 am. Tea & coffee is freely available from 8:45 am. (Any food donations for the morning tea are appreciated) If you have any questions, suggestions, or most welcomed personal 'offerings of wisdom' to share - please contact Filipa Hope 027 451 3445. And if you would like to become the host of the Parents Group for 2020 please contact Filipa.

Upcoming Parent Group meetings and offerings:

Friday 29 November: David Urieli - Taikura High School Teacher. Continuing with an Anthroposophical look at *Life after Death*.



Taikura Kindergartens and Class 1-3 Parents!

You are invited to a talk about Children and Parenting

'Roots and Wings'

Free Your Child to Develop and Grow

by parent mentor

Mary Willow

Where Taikura School Hall

When Monday December 2nd at 7.00pm

6.30pm for a cuppa tea before the talk.

(to support full focus, no children attending please)

Entry: Koha

Wouldn't it be wonderful if our children could just relax and 'come along for the ride'? If they could be open to learning and all that life has to offer? If they could learn to cope with the ups and downs of daily life without always melting down?

Yet increasingly our children are reactive rather than responsive

Why is this and what can we do about it?

How do we free our children to become resilient and responsive 'happy campers'?

Mary has been supporting parents throughout New Zealand and Internationally for many years.

Parents frequently say her lectures and mentoring are life-changing.

See the testimonials page on her website

www.plumparenting.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Firewood For Sale

Class 2 Fundraiser

Get prepared for next winter. Class 2 have apple wood for sale at \$225.00 per cord delivered (\$10 surcharge to those out of Hastings). Please contact Jess on 021 02993576.

Billets Required

We need billeting families for the International Kolisko Conference.

This conference is for Teachers, Parents, Medical / Health professionals and will be held at Napier Boys High School. **Wednesday 8 - Sunday 12 July 2020.** Suggested koha/charge \$40.00 a night. Breakfast included. Contact Corrie Levick 027 3680242 or ph 8367678 or <a href="mailto:emailt

Lemons Please

Class 4 would like your donated lemons for making lemonade to sell at the fete please. There is a labelled lemon box out front of Classes 4/5. Thank you.

The Steiner Centre

The Steiner Centre on the corner of Whitehead Road and Nelson Street North, opposite Taikura Rudolf Steiner School is available to hire for events, classes, music lessons and more. Notices posted on board outside venue. For more information call: Cleone Armon 06 878 3128 or Robyn Hewetson 021 217 8688

House Sitter Required

A large four bedroom cottage with an equally large garden that will require watering. Available from Monday 23 December 2019 to Thursday 2 January 2020. Please contact Pauline on 0207 605 0008

Play Stands For Sale

Two Play Stands for Sale, Waldorf inspired, 110 cm long, beautiful macrocarpa wood. Make an offer, if interested contact Sabine on 8751905 or 0274928444.



World Expert, Professor Dariusz Leszczynski - Public Lecture '5G Technology on Health and the Environment'
Sunday 24 November
3:30 - 5:30pm (doors open at 3:00pm)
Iona College - The Blyth Performing Arts Centre - 42 Lucknow Road, Havelock North
Cost: \$5 to cover expenses

The roll-out of 5G EMF technology by telecommunications companies in 2020 on the whole of New Zealand <u>is</u> without public consultation or consent. There is significant scientific research that raises legitimate concerns for the health and safety of the community from this <u>untested technology</u>.

Come along to learn more and decide if this is what we want for our community. For any more info please contact <u>fleurblack@hotmail.com</u> or <u>https://www.5g.org.nz/events/</u>