

Exploring Steiner Music Education



I recently commenced an opportunity to grow in my understanding of the Steiner music curriculum. It has been a wonderful experience being mentored under Andrea Lyman and Sheila Johns. Andrea has been teaching music for more than 40 years. She earned a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Vocal Music Education, and a Waldorf teaching certificate, in 2005 from Sunbridge College in New York. Andrea was a founding member of the Association for Waldorf Music Education (AWME), and has served as its president since its inception in 2001. She organises its annual Waldorf Music Conference each summer.

Sheila Johns holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Piano and a Master of Music degree in Piano Performance. In addition, she has done post-graduate training in both Vocal and Instrumental Anthroposophic Music Therapy. For ten years, she has served as the president of the Lyre Association of North America, she was a founding member of the North American Association for Anthroposophic Music Therapy, and she has been part of the leadership of the Association for Waldorf Music Education since 2007.

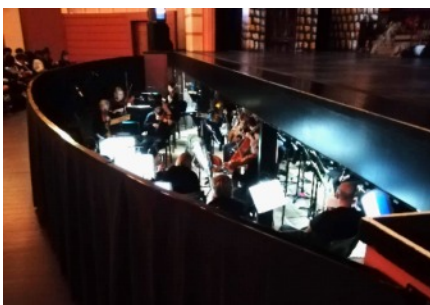


The course's first of six sessions initially worked through introducing music in the Kindergarten, Class 1 and touching on Class 2 music. The mood of the fifth is an all-important feature in the early years. The emphasis on not resolving music, letting the notes hang high and away from the tonic or root note is an important feature of Class One music. Developing dexterity to the fingertips and using the breath to create music are also important points. Singing is core to development, using lyrical imagery and breath. The use of a constant starting tone is also an interesting point, starting on 'A4' for songs to cultivate continuity through the year.

I look forward to continuing this journey of understanding and passing on my learning to other staff and to students.

Cav + Pag Festival Opera 2020: (Cavalleria Rusticana and I Pagliacci)

This week interested students were very fortunate to attend the Cavalleria Rusticana and I Pagliacci Operas. This was at the Napier Municipal Theatre with a number of other Hawkes Bay schools in attendance. Students enjoyed the experience from such a professional show, surrounded by wonderful music and convincing acting. Taikura would like to thank those who gave their time, effort and donations to enable this outstanding experience for our ākonga.



Orchestra pit



Set Design



Attendees

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero

Kua rangona e koe.....Have you heard?

Have you heard that the Hastings Opera House is reopening and they've renamed the whole precinct 'Toitoi – Hawkes Bay Arts and Events Centre'!

The meaning behind the new name was explained in a NZ Herald article on 5 September 2019; "the name Toitoi means the pinnacle of achievement, and is linked to ideas of excellence, encouragement and motivation. It is also used to describe the quick movements of fish and birds and the styles of dance and song that mimic them. The name is also connected to the Ngāti Kahungunu legacy waiata composed by Paraire Tomoana, Pōkarekare ana, adding an extra link to Hastings."

There is a blessing at dawn as part of the opening at 5:30 am this Saturday 29 Pepuere (February).

Full article about Toitoi naming here:

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/hawkesbaytoday/news/article.cfm?c_id=1503462&objectid=12264945

Kīwaha o te wikiphrase of the week!

*Koia hoki! (Coy ar hor key)
I agree/exactly/to agree with an opinion.*

Rangi: E hoa, I reckon we should have our school holidays now, with all this hot weather!

Hemi: Koia hoki e hoal!

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



Waiata Mai Every Thursday, From 12:30 – 1:00 p.m

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

Waiata mai has started again. This will be every Thursday 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 mahana ki a koutou ngā kōpara e kō!

Nā Troy Gardiner.

Medical/Allergy Updates

For the safety of the students, we are currently looking at their allergy/medical records and would like parents to please **confirm if the situation is the same** for their children or **inform us of any changes**. Particularly with any students who have life-threatening conditions.

Thank you

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Mark Your Calendar

March 3	6:00 pm	Class 7 Parent Evening
March 4	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Class 12 Parent Evening
March 6	12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Waiata Mai - Whare
March 12	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	Class 5 and 6 Hearing and Vision Testing
March 16	5:00 pm	BOT Meeting - Meeting Room Main Office

SCHOOL NOTICES

University Scholarships For Class 12 Students

MoneyHub, a consumer finance website, has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2021. The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Maori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list.

Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available. MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success. For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit the [MoneyHub Scholarship page](#)

The scholarship page is free to use and always will be. Unlike GivMe, students can access the information at home and on their mobiles etc. We have published a number of tips for application success as well, designed to make the application process less stressful for students.

Lesley Cox
Careers/Gateway/STAR Taikura Rudolf Steiner School

Vision And Hearing Technician School Visit

Lynley Keehan, the Hastings Vision and Hearing Technician will be visiting the school on Thursday 12 March.

She 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 not had a Before School Screen or 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 12 March, and she will include them.

Karyn Wills
Literacy Support & Lower School SENCO

Welcome Coffee Morning

Friday 13 March - At 9:00 am, Taikura Kindergarten

A warm welcome to new and existing parents in both the school and kindergarten. Please join us for our first coffee morning on Friday 13 March, 8:45am for a 9:00am start at Taikura Kindergarten, morning tea is provided.

Please do not be shy to come along and meet with parents and Pippa Caccioppoli, an ex-student and current parent and Principal at Taikura. Our informal talks are child friendly for babies and toddlers. All community members are welcome including those on the waiting list.

Any queries about the parents group please call Filipa on 027 451 3445

Ko au te moana, ko te moana ko au – "I am the sea, the sea is me"

Seaweek– Kaupapa Moana is New Zealand's annual national week celebrating the sea. Starting from Saturday 29 February until Sunday 8 March, there are lots of Seaweek 2020 activities happening in Hawke's Bay. Check out the events below or visit www.seaweek.org.nz.

Beach Clean Up Waitangi Regional Park, Awatoto – Saturday 29 February 9:00 am -12:00 pm

CAN Seaweek Plastic Fantastic Sculpture Challenge – Monday 2 March

Twilight at Hardinge Road Reef – Tuesday 3 March at 5:30 pm

Twilight at Pandora Pond – Thursday 5 March 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Book Launch of IF ONLY from Adele Broadbent – Thursday 5 March from 5:30 pm

Marine Parade Beach Clean – Friday 6 March 5-6 pm

Our Seas Our Future No Butts Cleanup – Saturday 7 March 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Seawalls Mural Bus Tour – Saturday 7 March at 1:00 PM

Department of Conservation Marine Metre Squared – From 29 February to 31 March 2020

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Urgent Accommodation Required

My family of two adults and two children urgently require a three bedroom house to rent long term. Must have garage and preferably in Napier. But anything considered. Please phone Helena on 021 202 2230

Wellspoken After School Classes

Robyn Hewetson from WellSpoken offers after school classes for students aged nine up in both therapeutic speech and in voice coaching for drama or public speaking. Robyn helps you with clarity, confidence and to be heard, understood and remembered. Classes also for adults. Call Robyn for a free consultation to see how she could help you. 021 217 868 robyn@wellspoken.co.nz

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NAPIER, NEW ZEALAND



Wednesday 4 March 2020, 7.00pm – 8.15pm ~ The Napier Conference Centre, Napier, NZ

“Climate Emergency, So What?”

“The Climate Crisis is everyone’s medical emergency, so what are you doing about it Doc?”

Professor James Renwick



James is the superstar of Climate Science in New Zealand. He has 4 decades of experience in weather & climate research and is internationally acclaimed. He is a lead author on the Intergovernmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC) and contributed to the IPCC that received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007. James is a passionate educator and winner of the Prime Minister’s Science Communication Prize in 2019. He is Head of School for Geography, Environment and Earth Sciences at Victoria University.

Dr Forbes McGain



Forbes is an International leader in the push for greater sustainability in the health care system. He is an Intensive Care Physician and Anaesthetist in Melbourne Australia and also has a PhD in hospital environmental sustainability. He is honorary associate professor at the Sydney University School of Public Health in the field of Planetary Health. In this lecture Forbes will explore why doctors (and all who work in healthcare) are integral to carrying our community on to a better path towards prolonged sustainability.

**These talks are free to attend and you are welcome to turn up on the day,
however, to guarantee your seat(s) please....**

Register your interest: www.anzics2020.nz

Gold coin donation to Hawkes Bay sustainability orientated charities