

Whitsun Assembly

Yesterday the school experienced a beautiful Whitsun Festival - this year in the gym.

The voices of our speakers rang out from the heights of the Mezzanine floor. The doves created by the lower school students fluttered from their various attachments around the gym.

Sandra Jordan brought a beautiful picture of transformation along with sharing where Whitsun sits in the Christian Calendar of the year. Whitsun songs were sung and the orchestra played.



This was the first time the school had come together since before lock down. Our Whitsun Festival also provided us an opportunity to collectively welcome Christiana Hatcher to our kura. Christiana joins us as the Class Five Teacher.

Haere Mai Mrs Hatcher

It is a great pleasure to introduce Christiana Hatcher, our new Class 5 teacher. Mrs Hatcher has a long association with our school and community and a deep connection to our Special Character. She has been a much-valued teacher aide and has had the opportunity to spend some years working alongside various teachers while she has completed her teacher training. She brings with her much learning and practical experience.

Mrs Hatcher was born in Hastings and was herself a student at Taikura. Her parents were both teachers at Taikura, her father in the school before establishing his own business, and her mother in the Kindergarten for many years.

Christiana is married to Wayne and they have two daughters, Charlotte and Hazel. Charlotte graduated from Taikura last year, and Hazel is in Class Nine. They live in Havelock North with a menagerie of animals, including Mrs Hatcher's dog, Lexi. Sailing has recently become a new interest in Christiana's life.



Kelly Sutton
Deputy Principal

Between the Fires

by Rabbi Arthur Waskow

We are the generation that stands between the fires:
 behind us the flame and smoke
 that rose from Auschwitz and from Hiroshima;
 before us the nightmare of a Flood of Fire,
 the flame and smoke that consume all Earth.
 It is our task to make from fire not an all-consuming blaze
 but the light in which we see each other fully.
 All of us different,
 all of us bearing One Spark.
 We light these fires to see more clearly
 that the Earth and all who live as part of it
 are not for burning.
 We light these fires to see more clearly
 the rainbow in our many-colored faces.
 Blessed is the One within the many.
 Blessed are the Many who make one.

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero

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

Hoea tō waka! (hoy ah tor wa car)

Go on then and do it, go for it, please yourself, you're on your own!
(An idiom to support or criticise a proposed action or idea).

Hine: Kia ora Rangji! Hey, I've been thinking about trailing for the school netball team, but I don't know.
What do you reckon?

Rangji: You're good as and you never know unless you give it a go...Hoea tō waka!

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



Vision and Hearing Technician School Visit - (To Be Confirmed)

Lynley Keehan, the Hastings Vision and Hearing Technician will be making a **second** visit to the school on **Thursday 2 July**. She will be carrying out standard tests for distance vision with some of the Class 5, 6 & 7 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 2 July, and she will include them.

Karyn Wills
Literacy Support & Lower School SENCO

Found

A watch was found in the library at the end of last term - good quality. Please see Whaea Kura in the library if you think it's yours.

Mark Your Calendar

Class Photos: Thursday 13 August - further information to come

TERM 3: Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September
Friday 21 August – Monday 24 August - Mid Term Break

TERM 4: Monday 12 October – Wednesday 16 December
Friday 23 October – Monday 26 October - HB Anniversary Day/Labour Day

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Sports Update

Great news! Secondary school sport has been given the go ahead to start up.

First games will start the weekend of Saturday 20 June.
So for our teams that will be:

- Netball teams- Saturday 20 June
- Football teams- Saturday 20 June
- 2nd 11 hockey- Monday 22 June
- Junior boys basketball- Monday 22 June
- 1st 11 Wednesday 24 June

Practice times, fee schedules and other information will be given to students over the next week.

Our lunchtime practices will continue for each code as usual, run by school staff on top of the weekly practice with your coach.

Primary and Intermediate sports teams will start up the first week back of Term 3.

I am currently working through all the team lists and latest information in preparation for Lower School teams to start next term.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Urgent Accommodation Required

We are urgently seeking a 3 - 4 bedroom home preferably long term in Hastings/Havelock North area. We are house proud tenants with references. Our eldest child attends EIT and our youngest is in Class 5. If you have a place to rent or know of anyone who might please contact Helena on 021 20 22230.

Support Local!

The following businesses are owned and operated by Taikura parents:

Acupuncture Heretaunga - Trudi Collins, 68 Te Mata Road Havelock North, phone 877 5777

Oh My Goodness Speciality Breads - Gluten free, organic bread and bread mixes. 106 Queen Street East Hastings

Edgebrook Cider - creators of traditional, dry, English-style cider. Made with pure Hawke's Bay apples! Purchase online at:

<https://maker2ucellar.com/shop/shop-by-region/hawkes-bay/edgebrook-traditional-dry-village-cider-12-bottle-case/>

If you would like to include your business in this list please email Suzan suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz