# Taikura Rudolf Steiner School The Orapevine Welcome To Term 3



23 July 2020

Our kura has been a hive of activity during the holidays, and it is lovely to see the grounds and buildings looking so well cared for. New edging around the playgrounds, Katherine Laing interior repaint, hall foyer repaint, new keys and alarm codes for all staff, heating updated in the library, Lower School seating built by the PFA, cloakroom floors in Classes 2 & 3 re-sanded, shade sail posts put in and even the staff room had a good tidy up and sort out. A huge thank you to all those who lent a hand!







Ngā mihi o te tau hou Māori ki a tātou katoa...Greetings of the Māori New Year to us all!

Over the last month it has been heartening to see the many acknowledgements of Matariki and the role this cluster of whetū carries for us all in Aotearoa. Through television advertisements, webinars, the Matariki online series and the celebrations around the motu (island), Matariki has become recognised as a significant event. This highlighted the rich matauranga Māori (Māori knowledge) that our tūpuna had, living intrinsically with the natural environment. It was also inspiring to see the recognition given to Professor Rangi Matamua as he received the Prime Minister's Prize for Science Communications for his work, including raising awareness about the significance of Matariki.

Kua haehae ngā hihi o Matariki. The rays of Matariki are spread.

This comment is spoken when Matariki is seen bright in the night sky, and the rays of its various stars carry messages for the people.

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



### 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 Library. 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.

# Music Department

Itinerant instrument lessons are available during the school day. Instruments include violin, viola, cello, flute, drums, piano, guitar and ukulele if you would like further details please contact me on: <a href="mailto:thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz">thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz</a>

Lower school orchestra and high school orchestra are up and running weekly. If your child would like to join, please get in touch in person or through thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz

# Mark Your Calendar

Class 11 Parent Evening - D-TECH Room July 27 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm July 29 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Class 10 Parent Evening - Art Room Parent Group - Empowered Parenting - Filipa Hope 8:45 am - 9:00 am Start August 7 August 11 3:30 pm - 8:30 pm HS Parent Teacher Interviews - More Info To Come August 13 9:00 am Class Photos - Important Information See Last Page For Details 7:00 pm Class 10 Play - More info to come August 13 August 26 7:00 pm Liaison Parent Meeting - School Library August 28 Parent Group - George Washington Carver - David Urieli 8:45 am - 9:00 am Start HS Information Evening - More info To Come September 2 7:00 pm

**FERM 3**: Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September (Friday 21 August – Monday 24 August - Mid Term Break)

**FERM 4:** Monday 12 October – Wednesday 16 December

# **SCHOOL NOTICES**

# **Proprietors Trust Property Update**

You may be wondering how decisions are made as to where funds are spent within the school. We have a large campus and there is always work to be done, how do we prioritise and who makes the final decisions? A State Integrated School, such as Taikura, is a former private school which has integrated into the state education system but which allows for collaboration between the government and a private proprietor in a way that preserves the Special Character of the proprietor and the school.

The proprietors of all state integrated schools receive Policy One funding from the government quarterly on a per student basis. This funding **must** be used for capital maintenance and modernisation projects. This funding is to keep existing integrated school property in a state of repair comparable to state schools. Health and safety and essential infrastructure are the priorities of Policy One funding.

The Proprietors Trust at Taikura are the owners of the grounds and buildings and therefore all property related responsibilities lie with them. However, we also have a Board of Trustees which is responsible for ensuring the educational needs of the children are met, and the environment plays a big part in meeting those needs. Therefore, we have a property sub-committee made up of members of the Proprietors Trust, the Board of Trustees, and school management (particularly the Property Manager) who all meet regularly and work with both short and long term property plans, as well as the unexpected and the wish-lists. There is a formal process by which recommendations are made to the Proprietors Trust, who are responsible for the final decisions.

Our next property priorities are installing a lift in Edwin Ayre and upgrading Level 2 of Taikura House, both of which will go ahead this year. Our next major project currently going through a due diligence process is the replacement of the whare. This will be an important project for our kura and final decisions will be made in consultation with Matua Troy, Tu Mai Taikura and the wider community. We aim to have this work underway during 2021.

Suzan Bart Proprietors Trust Secretary

# Save The Date!

# Sunday 22 November 2020



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# **SPORTS NOTICES**

### Sports Notices

Welcome back to Term 3 Winter Sports

Last term we had a few weeks of high school sport games and from this week all primary and intermediate sports teams will be up and running!

With a delay in sport starting this year, there will be just 10 weeks of games. All local competitions will be finished this term.

Thank you to all our coaches who have stepped up to take teams this term.

All players and parents value the time you put into these teams.

### **Hockey Coaches.**

Anne Hilton, Bill Hilton, Adam Hay, Rory Merwood, Lucas Porter, Drew Porter, Kaydy Jones, Toby Blakey, Clem Mc Gavock, Katherine Kilgour, Francesca Janke, Gemma Watson.

### Netball Coaches.

Morag Wilson, Angeline Ramsay, Maia Te Huia Rarere, Jahna Barlow, Zahra Ali and Sally Maoate

### Football Coaches.

James Taylor, Troy Wathey, Jason Brown

### **Basketball Coaches.**

Murray Barker

Good luck to all the teams having their first games this week.

### Just a timely reminder for parents on a few policies around school sports teams.

- Please support your child to attend all practices and games on time and arrive in correct uniform with all the required equipment.
- When watching a game please support your child and the team with positive comments, leave coaching tips to the coach and frustration fuelled comments to yourself.
- Organise appropriate thank you gift for the coach/manager and umpire at the end of the season.
- Any complaints that you feel are not able to be resolved with the team coach or manager please contact me... Janet Osborne, Taikura school sports coordinator.
- Please do not contact the governing sports body of the code, or the school you may have an issue with, this is not correct procedure and only makes our school look bad.

One of my roles is to solve issues and problems related to school sport alongside Brendan Hamilton-Gibbs who is the schools Head of Sport. Please ask the office for a copy of our school Sports Booklet if anyone needs clarification on how sport is run at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School following Waldorf guidelines. Cheer, clap, have coffee and have fun!

Congratulations to Menno van der Have, Evan Wiltshire and Yudi Porter who came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Orienteering Intermediate Relay Sprint Competition in the holidays.

Menno and Evan also entered the Individual section both finishing in respectable places!

# Taikura Parents Group Talks Are Back - Starting Friday 7 August

Welcoming everyone in the community to these free talks and gatherings (including parents, grandparents, past parents, those on the waiting list). Join us in the warm and relaxed space of the Hastings Taikura Kindergarten (in their lovely community space - just inside their front door). We aim to create a parent supportive environment and all our gatherings are baby/toddler friendly. You are welcome to arrive and leave as meets your needs.

Our guest speakers begin at 9:00 am and usually finish about 10:30am. Tea & coffee is freely available from 8:45 am. Donations of food for the morning tea are appreciated :-)

For questions, suggestions, offerings please contact Filipa Hope - 0274513445 or Melanie Sims - 0274 555 300

### **Next Parent Group meetings:**

**Friday 7 August:** Filipa Hope *'Empowered Parenting'* Filipa's work Communication for Connection builds confidence in communication, nourishment for wellbeing and deepening relationships. These affirming and strengthening life skills are based on the work of Dr Marshall Rosenberg: the principles of NVC.

**Friday 28 August:** David Urieli - Taikura high school teacher. An Anthroposophical look at George Washington Carver - The Peoples' Friend.

**Friday 11 September:** Herman Veluwenkamp -What is Biodynamics? Looking at ideas behind this method of agriculture.

### SCHOOL NOTICES

### Class Photographs

This year PhotoLife school photographs will **only** be available to order online. This includes payments. Below is the information you will require for this process. This flyer should have been handed out to your child this week. If you have not received it please follow the instructions listed. The office will not be handling any money or taking orders. We will however, have the sibling forms available at the office. Please disregard previous information in the Grapevine on 2 July as it is not longer relevant.

# **PhotoLife**



Your child's school photos will be taken

- on Thursday 13th August 2020
- at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School

Class 1

### View and purchase your child's photos online



- Look out for your Child's Photo Keycode that they will bring home a couple of weeks after PhotoDay.
- Use your unique Photo Keycode to view your child's photos at www.photolife.co.nz
- Orders placed before the Free Delivery Expiry Date will be bulk printed and delivered to the school for your child to bring home.

### **Exciting New Product Online**

### Create Your Own Portrait Photo Pack

Simply purchase the first sheet of portrait photo/s for \$16.00. Go to your Shopping Cart and all the other portrait photo sizes and sheets will be available to you for just \$5.00 per sheet. Order the number and size of photo sheets that YOU want!

### FAQs about PhotoLife's Online Ordering System

1. When will my child's photos be ready to view Online?

As soon as you receive your Photo Keycode you can go online and view your child's photographs. Class Group, Portraits, Sports Teams and Cultural Groups (if photographed) will be added into the Photo Keycode over the school year.

2. Can anyone else see my child's photo Online?

In order to view your child's photos you have to have the unique Photo Keycode. Without this code no one else can see your child's photos.

3. How can I make sure I get the FREE DELIVERY offer?

PhotoLife gives a "free delivery" period of approximately 3 weeks from the date the Photo Keys are dispatched to the School. It is best to go online straight away and place your order.

The Expiry Date of the "free delivery" period for your child's school is clearly shown on the website and automatically expires when that date is reached.

4. What happens once the "free delivery" period expires?

All of the orders placed before the expiry will be bulk printed and then dispatched to the school for your child to bring home.

If you missed getting your order in before the expiry date then your order will be dispatched to the address typed in by the person placing the order. A \$6.00 Postage & Packing charge is automatically applied.

### Sibling Photographs

If your school has approved for us to take Sibling Photographs you need to do the following:

- Pick up a Sibling Photo Booking Form from the School Office BEFORE Photo Day.
- RETURN the signed Booking Form listing your children's names and room numbers to the School Office BEFORE Photo Day.
- If there is NO SIGNED FORM OUR PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE NOT AUTHORISED TO TAKE A SIBLING PHOTOGRAPH.

### We are here to help

If you have any further questions Please contact us www.photolife.co.nz 09 262 1040 or 0800 501 040



PhotoLife

# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

# Therapeutic Art Class

Ten Guided colour meditations from the Luke Gospel. Working from the artistic impulses of Margarita Hauschka and Liane Collot d'Herboise.

Each week there will be a colour meditation inspired by verses from the Luke Gospel. There will be one on one therapeutic guidance for each person. The facilitator is Kathy Allan who has trained in both Hauschka and Liane Collot d'Herboise Art Therapy

Where: Steiner Centre corner Whitehead Road and Nelson Street Cost: \$15.00 per session

When: Wednesdays 10 -11:30pm starting 22 July Contact: Kathy Allan 8700108 or 027 233 0970

# Awhina Day Nursery and Kindergarten

Awhina Day Nursery and Kindergarten, an independent Waldorf / Steiner Centre for Child Care in Havelock North. Awhina offers a nurturing care environment for children from six months in a home like setting based on Rudolf Steiner pedagogical principles (anthroposophical day nursery).

An environment as close to an 'at home' experience as possible.

For more information and contact details go to: www.awhinachildren.co.nz