

A Musical Journey

“When the human being hears music, he has a sense of wellbeing, because these tones harmonize with what he has experienced in the world of his spiritual home.”

— Rudolf Steiner

Class Three

Class three students are developing key skills and understanding in music, sight reading, aural skills and violin technique. The importance of violin in class three can be highlighted by crossing the midline with the bow. This facilitates brain development, especially left/right hemispheric processing. The violin can be a very moving instrument which can more than hold our attention on its own. Full of emotion, the tenderness of the bow and the light touch for tuning. In class three the violin highlights the individuality of the child, but also requests balance using the hands and ear. The importance of holding the child during the introduction of this instrument is so very important, an off the cuff critique can very easily squash their long term confidence.

Lower School and High School Orchestras

At Taikura we have a vibrant and ever growing lower school orchestra. Currently we have a number of new members join and we are still accepting new members! Any current students, who would like to join the orchestra are most welcome to join as we continue to develop in strength and number. A long term plan is to travel as a high school orchestra, our destination will largely depend on fundraising and the future climate for travel.

High School

In term three Taikura was blessed to have Julia Deans mentor a number of high school students. Julia has performed in Fur Patrol and The Adults, as well as opening for the artist Pink in Australia. This was all made available through the New Zealand Music Commission which funds professional musicians to mentor high school students. A number of students from a wide range of high school classes had one on one mentorship with Julia, she also shared her decades of full time touring experience, from New Zealand, Australia, America and Europe.



Since her visit, she has performed an intimate performance in Christchurch, which you can watch using this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6TiRqLd7msc>

Ngā mihi maioha,
Thomas Pearson - thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz

Mark Your Calendar

September 10	11:00 am -12:15 pm	Community Assembly Only If In Level One
September 11	8:45 am - 9:00 am Start	Parent Group - Herman Veluwenkamp - What is Biodynamics?
September 15	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 7 Parent Evening
September 16	7:00 pm	HS Elective Information Evening - Specific Class Emails Have Been Sent

VENUE CHANGE for the Parent Group Meeting to the Anthroposophical Society rooms (directly across the street from the school) while the Kindergarten space is closed during Level 2.

TERM 3: Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September **TERM 4:** Monday 12 October – Wednesday 16 December

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero!

“Kua rongō kōrero koe...? Did you hear...?”

Kia ora koutou, have you heard that there is a new translation app out this week that puts you directly in touch with fluent speakers of te reo, and who are certified te reo Māori translators!? This comes in time for Mahuru Māori and Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori! I know for myself that as a learner of te reo Māori, translating verses or vocabulary can take a while...and even more so if it is a request from someone else. Te waimārie tātou...we are lucky that someone has come up with this app to support us all with learning te reo Māori. Here is a link for more information about Ōkupu! <https://okupu.co.nz/>

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

Nā rawa (Nah dawa)

That's amazing, how amazing

(expressing amazement at something the speaker has just learnt).

Rangi: Kia ora e Hemi! My brother has just brought a new waka, so he's given me his old one!

Hemi: Nā rawa e mara, that car is awesome!

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



Parent Election Notice

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School Board of trustees' election

- Nominations are invited for the election of one parent representative to the board of trustees.
- A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.
- You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself. Both parts of the form must be signed.
- Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.
- Nominations **close at noon on 22 September 2020** and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.
- The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.
- There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on 16 October 2020.

Suzan Bart
Returning Officer

Kia Ora Kindergarten and School Whānau!

In the light of the uncertainty and developments around COVID-19 being at level 2, we would like to clarify with the wider whānau, that our Whānau Room at Taikura kindergarten remains closed (under level 2) for parent gatherings due to heightened need to clean and sanitize. Meetings with ngā kaiako and staff employed by Taikura kindergartens and school can go ahead if the room was booked.

Booking is possible via emailing Erika Potter at erika.potter@taikura.school.nz or Danica Hensel Ondrusova at danica.henselondrusova@taikura.school.nz or directly in a booking diary in the Whānau room.

Please ensure you have signed in & out of the visitor book (this is used in the event of an emergency). The Contact Tracer QR code is available by the main entrance. Please make sure the room is left as found.

Thank you for your understanding.
Danica Hensel Ondrusova

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Taikura Parents Group

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 **Library of the Anthroposophical Centre** (whilst in Level 2). 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

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

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Fete Notice

Bekkie the logistics coordinator for the fete is looking for someone to join her team with the idea they will take over her role within the fete committee in the future. The role looks like this:

- Ordering signs that advertise the fete and organising their distribution in Hastings/Napier/Havelock North
- Liaising with Class 2 to ensure all the set-up roles are covered
- Organising waste/recycling
- Set up of the fete must be available Friday/Saturday/Sunday of the fete weekend
- Set up includes facilitating a team to; mark out sites, seating, put up/take down gazebos, moving tables, chairs, trestles - ensuring fete is set up and then the school is returned to original state
- Includes heavy lifting and a mountain of walking throughout the fete weekend alongside being able to facilitate a team of people
 - This role could be taken over in its entirety or could be distributed between multiple people if a particular aspect speaks to you

The fete also needs a person available the morning of Saturday 21 November with access to a trailer and vehicle with a tow bar to collect seating for the fete from the Hastings area and deliver it to the school

The fete advertises the event within the community and are looking for people to distribute signs in the weeks leading up to the fete. If you are available to do this at the end of October / early November in either the Napier, Hastings or Havelock North area this would be greatly appreciated. You will need access to a drill and a vehicle to complete this.

To take up any of these roles or enquire for more information don't hesitate to contact Bekkie Taylor on 0273016637 via text/call

Snippets From The Parent Handbook

Lunch Boxes

General guidelines are that foods have high nutritional value and be free of colouring and additives. We ask parents not to send "party" food such as potato chips, sweets, soft drinks or energy drinks to school.

Food colouring, additives and sugars can affect children's behaviour and concentration and have a detrimental effect on their participation in lessons and in their learning generally.

We strongly encourage wholesome foods and plenty of it, for all children at school. We ask parents to use their own discretion while being conscious of how good nutrition supports children's thinking and engagement in their learning.

Hoodie Survey Update

Final opportunity to have your say on school hoodies, survey closes Thursday 3 September at 5:00 pm

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J85X2RP>

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Shade Sails Update

Our hard work has finally paid off and the fete funded shade sails have been installed, a heartfelt thanks to the whole community! There was immediate positive feedback from students utilising the area.



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Class 12 Project Presentations

Saturday 19 September 2020

Time **Speaker**

9:00am	<u>Willow Zuiderwijk</u> My experience with upcycling
9:30am	Quin Dickerson-Gillett The history of strength
10:00am	Olivia Achten Mastering paint pouring
10:30 -11:00am	Morning Tea
11:00am	<u>Ror Hura</u> The Art of Violence
11:30am	Zahra Ali The changing face of the New Zealand Police
12:00pm	<u>Jahna Barlow</u> The Art of Henna (Mehndi)
12:30pm	Orlando-Jack Palmer Organising tramps
1:00 - 2:00pm	Lunch
2:00pm	Raina Mackenzie <u>Mapel</u> Ashtanga Yoga: enhancing our wellbeing.
2:30pm	<u>Katinka Keet</u> Portraiture
3:00pm	Jens <u>Packheiser-Hall</u> New Zealand Crime
3:30pm	Tess Lethbridge Complexity of Film and Theatre

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Christian Community

We all have friends and family who are no longer with us. Dr. Rudolf Steiner gave many lectures and indications about how we can build relationships with those who have died. They need our conscious awareness and support as much as we need theirs.

You are very welcome to attend a talk: '**Building Relationships With Our Dearly Departed**' by Cheryl Prigg, Christian Community priest from 7:00 – 8:30 pm on **Thursday 17 September**. The plan is that the talk will be held in the School Library, but social distancing may require a different venue at the school. If that is the case, a blackboard will be set up with an alternative arrangement will be at the entrance.

Entry is by donation.