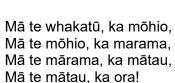


Taikura Rudolf Steiner School

Te Aka Kúmara

17 September 2020



With discussion comes knowledge, With knowledge comes light and understanding, With light and understanding comes wisdom, with wisdom comes wellness!

The 21st of June this year heralded our Winter equinox, the day in the year where the sun's light is least able to reach us. As staff we walked the winter spiral echoing the act of winter which draws us into ourselves and then gives us a sense of the outward gesture that will return us to the warmth and light of Spring as the sun becomes more present in the Southern Hemisphere again.

I know the time that has passed between the Winter equinox and the present moment has provided a challenge for many. You may be one of many who have been drawn deeply into an internal experience, consciously or subconsciously, having grappled with the implications of our current reality, world events, family challenges, winter illnesses etc. This Winter impulse of drawing inwards will often lead to a certain fatigue by the time Spring is ready to engage with us once more. The internalised process can certainly bring intensity, even turmoil, but hopefully with this we have been able to effectively process that which we have taken in deeply over the Winter. In this internal processing and through striving, within the darkest days of our year, we retain the possibility to transmute such challenges into wisdom, hope and opportunity.

Spring then presents a new challenge but one that is much easier to ignore unless we approach it with consciousness. If Winter provided us with new, rich, albeit challenging awarenesses, how do we now take these and apply them consciously to our lives at a time when the gesture of Spring is drawing us back out into the world? How do we let our personal Winter wānanga blossom upward and outward as the native clematis, Puawānanga, does when Spring arrives? ("Pua" meaning blossom and "wanānga", learning.) How does our learning/wisdom manifest and play a practical part in our lives?

Springtime asks for a new discipline from ourselves. Rudolf Steiner told us that the spirit of the Spring festival is "know thyself". So at a time when the Spring begins to draw us out of ourselves once more there is a need to look within and "know thyself". In Spring the tendency is to look towards the material world more and forget our inner nature, spiritual nature, the challenge is to apply the spiritual wisdom gained from our Winter wānanga and balance that with the materialism which pulls us back out into the world.

In today's world this is more fitting than ever as individually and collectively we strive to balance moral and spiritual wisdom with practicalities of the economy, resource distribution and bureaucracy. This is the task of our time however, now as important as ever, the integration of higher spiritual wisdom with the fundamentally neutral nature of the material world. It is a discipline we must carry into our own lives to consciously live in accordance with the fundamental truths we discover within ourselves, to put our learned wisdom into practice. Spring is a time ripe with the opportunity to turn conscious thought and feeling into conscious action. Our responsibility to ourselves and each other is to co-create the meaning which we apply to the material world in the light of spiritual wisdom, through these actions.

Darryn Breakwell Class 7 Teacher

He Karakia Whakakapi

Kia whakairia te tapu Kia wātea ai te ara Kia turuki whakataha ai Kia turuki whakataha ai Haumi e. Hui e. Tāiki e!

Restrictions are moved aside So the pathways are clear To return to everyday activities



SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kõrero!

Ko te kai a te Rangatira, ko te korero!

The food of chiefs is discussion!

Kia ora koutou, Nō Te Tairāwhiti ahau. Kei Te Awanga ahau e noho ana. Kei te Wānanga o Aotearoa ahau e ako ana Ko Matina rāua ko Hera ōku kaiako Ko Morag Wilson tōku ingoa.

I was motivated to learn te reo as a teacher and for my family and mokopuna. My daughter, Niamh, has been on a te reo journey since Class 12, and the last few years has seen kupu posters in each room of the house. She has also stated that she will be speaking te reo to her tamariki, so it felt important to be a part of the family waka.

This year I am attending the Level 1 and 2 Te Reo Māori course at Te Wānanga o Aotearoa. I attend every Thursday evening – I always feel glad I made the effort to go to class and feel uplifted by the te reo I have learned and the energy of the group. The Kaiako, Matina and Whaea Hera, are lovely and the learning is enjoyable and fun. The noho marae and day wānanga are times when we practice our te reo, but also gain a deeper understanding of the culture and history of Māori. Zoom learning during Lockdown was a little hiccup in my learning as like my classmates and the tutors we missed the classroom interaction.

I have been able to bring the lessons and games into my own classes which has been fun and helped to cement my knowledge. Within the Identity Main Lesson, the students stood in pairs and asked the questions above of one another. I write the Māori date on the board each day but now I am also confident to say this to the class (my lack of confidence to pronounce words and phrases correctly had always previously prevented me from trying). As well as the months of the year, I now know the meanings that accompany these; providing me with another layer of understanding that I can share with my students. For example: Here-turi-kōkā (August), 'the scorching effect of fire is seen on the knees of man'.

My wish has always been to introduce more te reo into my classes, but to do so in an authentic and respectful way rather than sprinkle each lesson with the odd kupu. This year has inspired me to continue learning te reo and increase my vocabulary of kupu.

Nā, Morag Wilson.

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



Mark Your Calendar

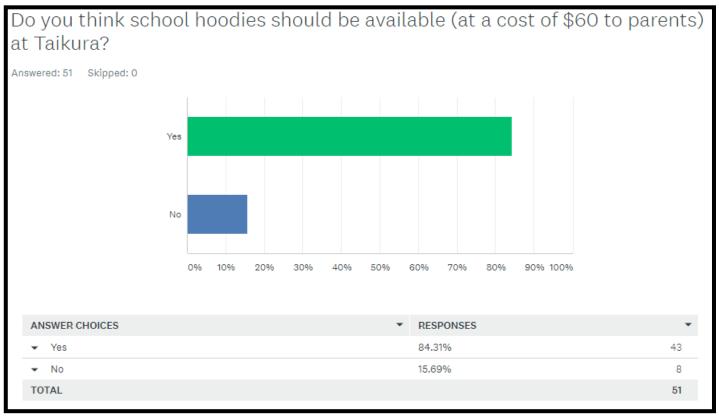
September 24 10:50 am -12:30 pm Spring Festival - Main Field - We Will Welcome The Community **If we are in Level 1**

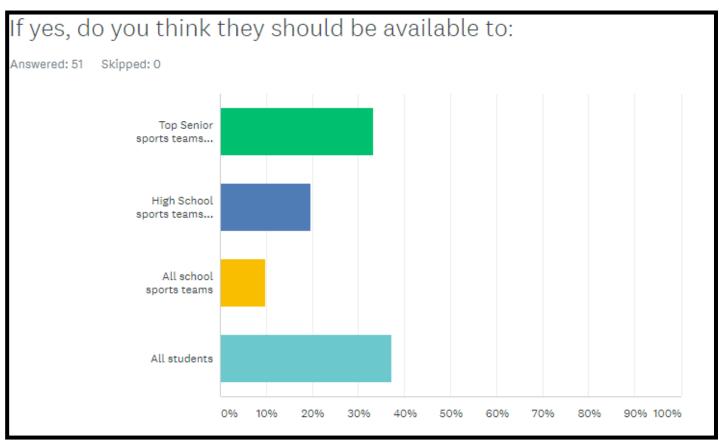
FERM 3: Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September TERM 4: Monday 12 October – Wednesday 16 December

SCHOOL NOTICES

Hoodie Update

As you can see from the graphs below the majority of respondents support hoodies only being available to sports teams in the High School. Management will now consult with school staff, consider all the feedback and comments received and aim to make a decision on this issue next term.





PFA News

Whānau Touch at Cornwall Park - Term 4 Come down with the whānau for a fun game of touch at the park every Tuesday at 6:00 pm to 6.45 pm. No experience needed and all ages welcome.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Sports News

Our short winter sport season is nearly finished. Two more games for most teams.

Football, basketball, hockey and high school netball managed to squeeze in ten weeks of sport. Sadly the primary and Intermediate netball teams only managed three games this season due to the numbers of players involved in the sport and the Level 2 restrictions. It has been a tricky season with no spectators allowed at half the games which has made it more challenging for coaches, managers and parents.

Thank you to everyone for complying with the regulations imposed by the codes so the students can keep playing.

Please remember at the last game of the season your coach or manager will collect up all team uniforms, please make sure your child has a change of clothes for the last game.

It is always nice for players and families to thank the coaches for the time they have given to the team this season. A massive thank you from the sports department for all your ongoing efforts.

Other Sports

All Primary, Intermediate Interschool and Hawkes Bay championship cross country events are cancelled for 2020.

In Term 4 we are hoping to have some volleyball teams competing, depending once again on government announcements of gathering sizes. I am currently taking names and forming teams as if we are going ahead. We may also have a High School cricket team, Lower School softball or mini pitch available depending on student numbers. If all sports are proving to be unlikely we will have some "in house" sports competitions.

1st 11 Hockey

Thank you to Anne Hilton our High School IT teacher for getting our 1st 11 hockey team playing in the Lower North Islands tournament held in Napier last month, this requires a lot of planning, paperwork and logistics to work through. It gave our students the experience of the demands and highs and lows of playing in a such an event over a week. The team had a mixture of wins, draws and losses and finished 10th overall. Well done and thank you to all involved that supported this team.

Hockey Goalie Coaching Session

Thursday 1 October HB Hockey are holding a free workshop from 4:00-5:00 pm for anyone interested in developing their skills. Please contact me if you wish to attend and I can enrol you.

Good luck to these high school teams who are playing off for 1st and 2nd in their grades this week. Junior Girls netball Junior Boys basketball 2nd 11 hockey

Janet Osborne Sports Coordinator

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Teacher Aide Position

We are looking for a flexible Teacher Aide to work across Lower School classes for Term Four 2020. This position is for 10 hours per week, mainly in the afternoon. Please contact karyn.wills@taikura.school.nz directly with expressions of interest.

Self Contained Flat For Rent

We have a one bedroom, self-contained half house to rent. Comes with it's own bathroom, kitchenette/lounge area and own external entrance/garden space. There is one adjoining door to the rest of the house. We are looking for a working/studying person to share with myself and my nine year old daughter. The small farm is on an organic block 5km south of Hastings. \$215 per week including power and internet. Please email or call me for more information, or to set up a time to view. Nikki at; nikkispeirs@gmail.com or 027 6244968.

Holiday Program

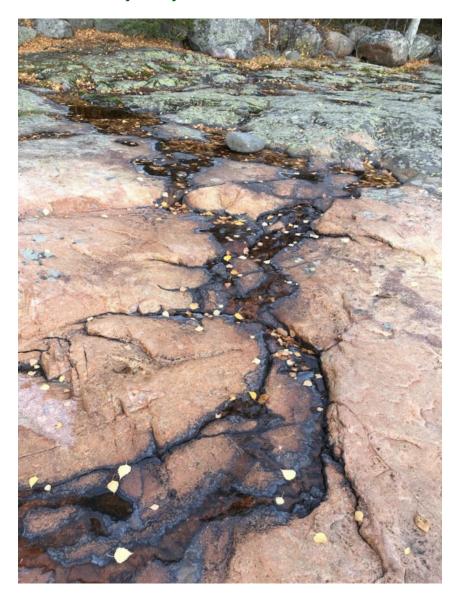
Needle Felting Class for Children.

Would you like your child to explore the beautiful Art of Needle Felting?

I am doing another Needle Felting class in the holidays and I am wondering if there are more children in the community who would like to learn this beautiful craft. Please phone Sabine on 8751905 or 0274928444 for more details.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Enlivening Breathing Eurythmy Sessions for Adults



In this time of uncertainty and limitations, it is helpful to take time each day to centre ourselves and find that quiet inner space in the whirlwind of life. For some this is through contemplation and meditation, for others through movement.

Following on from the work of this term, I will be offering an evening course for those busy work parents who cannot free themselves during the day but would like to do eurythmy in term four. Continuing with the theme of 'enlivening breathing', people can join either group with little or no experience of eurythmy. Eurythmy can bring vitality to life and strengthen the soul life.

Commencing Tuesday 13 October at 7:00- 8:00 pm Steiner Centre corner Nelson Street and Whitehead Road

Commencing Thursday 15 October at 8:30-9:30 am Taruna College, Te Mata Peak Road, Havelock North

Both of the courses will run for 5 – 6 weeks, with a couple of interruptions due to prior engagements. Registrations are now open and I will confirm dates and costs on registration. Contact sue.simpson0@gmail.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES



PORSE Educator Available

Sabina Bacchus

Flaxmere

Full time spaces available now

From exploring the outdoors to setting up indoor activities, Sabina loves to use her environment to create different learning experiences for the children. Sabina is passionate about the Rudolf Steiner principles and your child will feel at home in Sabina's care.

With no more than four children in care at any one time, PORSE Educators spend all day with your child, allowing them the space and time to be whoever they need to be.

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TARUNA Anthroposophic Nursing COLLEGE Modules One and Two



Taruna College, with the endorsement of the Anthroposophic Nurses Association in NZ, offers the opportunity for nurses to join the current Foundation Course in Anthroposophic Nursing (FCAN). A small group will participate in Module One and Two prior to joining the existing cohort in Modules Three to Six as circumstances allow from March 2021. The learning pathway begins with an introduction to principles of integrative nursing practice including:



- · Tangible concepts of a spiritual anatomy and physiology
- · Universal connections that provide the basis for a wider range of strategies
- · Self-development as a responsibility for the contemporary nurse
- Working with plants and other substances in various therapeutic external applications.

Cost: \$1600.00 for Modules I and 2 includes lunches and refreshments.

Venue: Taruna College, 33 Te Mata Peak Road, Havelock North, Hawkes Bay.

Course Co-ordinators: Deborah Bednarek RN MN and Michelle Vette RN PGDipHSc Anthroposophic Nurse Specialists and Rhythmical Einreibung Specialists (IFAN).