



22 October 2020



Cartoon by Sebastian Wyley Class 6KS

Miss Sutton jumped for joy when the H3 fund received a donation of \$469.30 from this year's Class 12.

Thank you Class 12! For so very generously donating the koha from your play performances.
Tēnā rawa atu koutou mō tō koha aroha, hei āwhinatia te hauora o ngā tamariki!

Kia ora e te whānau after receiving the very generous donation from our class 12 students I felt it timely to share with the community what has been happening for both the H3 group and the various therapies/curriculum helpers we have available for students. These curriculum helpers are exactly that, therapeutic activities which support and strengthen a student's capacity for learning.

Last term we saw our first full term of Creative Speech and Drama being available for our students. This work is taken by Robyn Hewetson, a well known Anthroposophical Speech and Drama teacher who works in schools as well as with small business and large organisations. Robyn helps students to fully integrate eye, hand, foot and mouth so each is fully integrated when they speak. All elements of sound are explored to enrich their capacity to speak and be heard. Robyn works in both Lower and High School and is well received by the students.

Students continue to have opportunities to individually participate in Art, Eurythmy and Extra Lesson therapies. We also have a group of children attend weekly the Leg-Up Trust. Groups of children receive the iLs Listening Programme daily and weekly we have groups of children participating in African Drumming and another group participates in a tuakana/teina group taken in the early hours of the morning followed by a shared kai and then school. This group is led by a Class 12 Student.

These therapies, the breadth and their availability would not happen without the tireless work of our H3 Group.

I would like to acknowledge how generously we are supported by the H3 group, who fundraise specifically towards supporting therapies in our kura. We are very grateful for their amazing support. Without the help of the H3 group many children would not have access to these nurturing and beneficial therapies and activities.

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Presently we are observing more intense and at times reactive behaviours from some of our students. Reactions to situations which normally do not provoke such responses.

Discussion with professionals from across the education sector share similar pictures. Stories describing elevated levels of anxiety and or unpredictable or overly aggressive behaviours among students. World wide in schools there is a recurring theme of tumultuous social relationships, caused by an over intensity of online communication in groups of children who generally, were previously quite harmonious. Post lock down, and with financial uncertainty affecting many New Zealand homes I feel really lucky that we are able to offer our students the experience of these therapies and curriculum helpers, which strengthen the students capacity to learn and take in the curriculum, while simultaneously nurturing their being.

Over the coming weeks the therapies will each be featured in the Grapevine. You will have the opportunity to put a face to the name of the therapist and read more specifically about each one.

Covid has brought such challenges towards us all. Unfortunately, due to Covid, the H3 group has been limited in their ability to fundraise this year. Our planned events have been unable to go ahead. This is challenging as our children benefit hugely from the support offered by the curriculum helpers/therapies post lockdown.

Our fund is in significant need of topping up, so if you have any opportunities for fundraising, or would like to make a contribution to this very worthwhile cause, please get in touch or donate directly to:

Rudolf Steiner School Hastings Trust 03-1518-0040482-00, citing H3 as reference.

Any amount no matter how small is truly helpful and greatly contributes to this ongoing work. Thank you in advance for any donations received. Each one, greatly appreciated during this time.

Ngā manaakitanga ki a koutou katoa, nā, Kelly Sutton

***Hāpaitia te ara tika pūmau ai te
rangatiratanga mā ngā uri whakatipu.***

***Foster the pathway
Of knowledge to strength, independence
and growth for future generations.***

Mark Your Calendar

October 23/26	All Day	Hawkes Bay Anniversary/Labour Day
October 27	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Class 9 Parent Evening
October 30	8:45 am - 9:00 am Start	Herman Veluwenkamp - Biodynamics Continued
November 11	7:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Community Meeting - School Hall
November 13	8:45 am - 9:00 am Start	Kaye Keats - Medical Herbalist/Nutritionist
November 18	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Liaison Parent Meeting - School Library
November 22	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Taikura School Fete

TERM 4: Monday 12 October – Wednesday 16 December

SCHOOL NOTICES

Community Meeting

On Wednesday 11 November we are finally able to hold what will now be our only Community Meeting of 2020. We would love to hear from parents and whānau which topics they would like to hear further information about. Please email your suggestions directly to Suzan by Thursday 29 October. suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz

Teacher Only Day

As part of the re-negotiated Teachers Collective Agreement in 2019, the Ministry of Education made allowances for eight additional Teacher Only Days, to be distributed over the next three years. The first of these was due to happen earlier in the year, but due to Covid-19 has now been set for Wednesday 2 December.

Carol Evening

Each year our community comes together for the Carol Evening at which we acknowledge the transition of our new class one students from Kindergarten to School as well as the culmination of the journey through Taikura for our graduating students and their whānau. It is also an opportunity to celebrate Christmas as a community with the sharing of carols. There is a strong celebratory mood to the Carol Evening, care is given to what is worn, the setting up of the space and whānau and staff coming together. In order to acknowledge this celebration, the College of Teachers have decided that this year our Carol Evening is going to be the final event of the year. This means that it is going to happen on the evening of **Wednesday 16 December at 7:00 pm**. This will result in a slightly different format to our last few days of term.

Tuesday 15 December will be a normal full day for both the Lower School and Kindergartens.

Wednesday 16 December school will finish at 12:30pm and kindergarten will finish at 1:15pm and then all are expected to attend the Carol Evening at 7:00 pm on Wednesday evening. This is the last day of the school year.

High School Update

Class 9 are enjoying their current Careers Main Lesson, and their film production work is in full swing. There have been some tremendous amounts of hours put into this during the school holidays. There may be students filming around the school over the next couple of weeks.

Class 9 Craft Week is confirmed for 11:00 am - 3:00 pm, Monday 16 - Friday 20 November. This will include cooking at the Farmhouse Kitchen and stone carving with Marcus Helmore.

Class 10 are working on their mechanics Main Lesson.

Class 12 students have been issued with study timetables for this term. Exam times have been given out.

Lower School Update

Our first week back last week was a busy time. Mike Sargent visited for the week. Thank you to those families who prepared food for him.

Mike spent time observing students, classes and working with teachers.

Classes 6KS and TM went straight off to camp in Rotorua returning on Thursday.

Class 3 went on a walk in Bayview. Tucked away on top of Te Roro O Kuri in Bayview are the remains of old kumara pits which lie by what used to be Otire Pā. As a part of the farming main lesson, Class 3 braved the rain and wind last week and walked up this little maunga to have a context of what farming used to look like for Māori. Class Two are busy crafting for this year's Fete children's shop.

Jenny Wiggly – long-time Steiner teacher and extra Lesson Teacher and now a national moderator of writing for the Lower School in Steiner Schools across Aotearoa - will be visiting Taikura this week to work with Lower school teachers and the analysis of children's writing. This work helps to deepen teacher understanding of the teaching of writing and how to support children to grow capacity when challenges are met.

The library is open at lunchtimes again now we are at Level 1, and we are having lots of lunchtime visitors.



SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero!

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

Engari mō tēnā! (eh ngar di mor teh nah)
Not a chance! There's no way I'll do that! Not likely! I don't think so! No way!

Rangi: Kia ora Hemi, do you wan'na hang out in town this avo?

Hemi: Engari mō tēnā! I've got to finish off my homework and do jobs at home, maybe tomorrow!

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.'

Enrolment Confirmation

We are confirming our classes and enrolments for next year, and part of this process is communicating with whānau on our waiting list. If you are considering another school for your child, moving away from the area, or your child intends to leave before graduating please do let us know as soon as this is confirmed in order to assist us with our planning.

Snippets From The Parent Handbook

Lower School Dress Code

Hats: Lower School pupils need to keep a sun hat at school during Terms 1 and 4 – named, please. On summer day's children will not be allowed outside unless they wear a brimmed sun hat.

Swimming: Swim and beach-wear should be modest and needs to be functional; ideally a rash-vest for sun protection; a one-piece for girls (or two-piece that covers midriff – no bikinis). Modesty/ Practicality: Narrow-strapped tops and singlets are not allowed. Shoulders and chest must be covered.

"Bee" Safe Wear Shoes!

Our main field always attracts the buzz of our friendly little workers of the flowers. To ensure the children are safe from harm please check that they have suitable shoes on at all times. This is up to parents and staff to enforce. If you see one of our children on the field without shoes on, please ask them to go and put some on.



SCHOOL NOTICES

School Information And Communication

For some years now Taikura has been aware that there is a need for school information and communication from a variety of sources. This has been reinforced by suggestions from the parent body.

While we engage in regular email communication, publish our weekly Grapevine newsletter and have a website full of useful information, we can see there is room for more.

Mobile phone apps are a tool many other schools have utilised for several years now, and which come with the benefit of real time communication.

We are therefore delighted to let you know we now have a School App available for parents, students and staff. Thanks to the generosity of sponsors from within our community, this will be at no cost to the school.

In order to download this free app please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to the App Store or Google Play store on your mobile device
2. Search SchoolAppsNZ
3. Download the App
4. Open the App
5. When it asks to send notifications – click allow.
6. When it asks to search your School – type your School Name in the search bar
7. Lastly, subscribe to the Alert Groups you would like to receive alerts for

The home screen has been customised with our school logo. Here you will find quick links to the Grapevine, notices, school contacts, our website and our calendar which is filled with upcoming events, meetings, camps and trips.

We are still in the process of developing alert group subscription notifications for individual classes, kindergartens, sports teams and bus routes. Please bear with us this term as we navigate this new communication technology, and ensure all is working as it should.

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 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 10:30 am. Tea & coffee is freely available from 8:45 am. Donations of food for the morning tea are appreciated. For questions, suggestions, and offerings please contact Filipa Hope 0274513445 or Melanie Sims 0274 555 300

Next Parent Group meetings:

Friday 30 October - Herman Veluwenkamp - continuing an exploration of Biodynamics

Friday 13 November - Kaye Keats: medical herbalist and nutritionist- supporting anxiety and stress in children and adults with herbs.

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.

Knitting Group

During Term 4 we will host knitting at the Taikura kindergarten whānau room week about on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Tuesdays from 4:30-6:30 pm and Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 pm. Please come along when you can to enjoy some knitting, company and to learn from each other.

Jessica Kerr and Suzan Bart



Date	Time
Thursday 22 October	6:30 – 8:30 pm
Tuesday 27 October	4:30 – 6:30pm
Thursday 5 November	6:30 – 8:30 pm
Tuesday 10 November	4:30 – 6:30pm
Thursday 17 November	6:30 – 8:30 pm
Tuesday 24 November	4:30 – 6:30pm
Thursday 3 December	6:30 – 8:30 pm
Tuesday 8 December	4:30 – 6:30pm

SCHOOL NOTICES

A Busy Week One At The Taikura And Kereru Kindergartens



After a relaxing and refreshing Spring break our kindergartens filled with laughter and joyful voices of our whānau and tamariki.

The gardens look ever so fresh and full of blooming flowers. Like fairies sitting in the crowns of the trees.

Keruru Kindergarten was beaming with activity and energy but when Thursday came, all tamariki joined in with their ngā kaiako and participated in New Zealand ShakeOut, Whakahaumarū Aotearoa.



This term, Kereru kindergarten tamariki and ngā kaiako come to share their morning circle together and in a beautiful atmosphere they all join in with the waiata, poem and movement!



It was a real Spring day for the Taikura Spring festival, we had rainbows, spring showers and glimmers of golden sun. The children arrived with posies of flowers for flower crowns and filled with excitement for the festival day.

Whānau joined us and brought the sun, we had some time in the garden digging for crystals in the sandpit, blowing bubbles, and making flower crowns together.



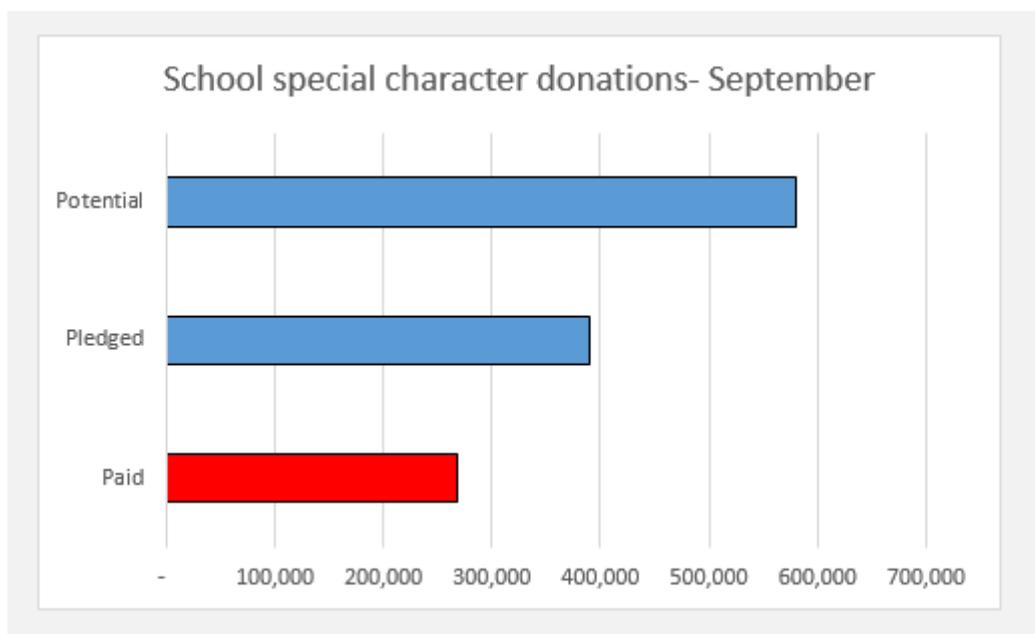
We then shared waiata, karakia and kai together in our Whānau room. It was a lovely, social sharing for the children and families.

Finance update

It is that time of the year again where we are planning for next year. In preparation for 2021, donation forms have been posted to all school families. Donation forms are due back to the office by next week Wednesday 28 October. If you have not received your donation pack in the mail, please pop into the office to collect one or print one from the school website.

In week 4, we will call and email parents for donation forms that are not returned next week. It is important that we have an indication of donations so that we can plan financially for next year's special character delivery. The Trust has kept donations at \$1,650 which is the same as this year and Attendance Dues remains unchanged at \$1,023.50.

Also for next year, 2021 stationery lists will be sent home with children in Week 6 of Term 4. Lower school stationery packs will again be available for purchase through the school office. Details of when orders will be taken will be included in class stationery lists.





What, Why, When, How, Who

Background:

Class 2 historically facilitated an Advent fair for Taikura. A beautiful small in-house event, which raised around \$3000 to \$5000 for individual classes.

In 2011 then principal Rosie Simpson approached a group of parents who she was aware had the capacity to fundraise a significant amount, as they had done for her during her 7 years as a class teacher.

Rosie had the vision to change the Advent Fair into something more significant for the school and the community it served.

Malcolm and Helen Cox, Jeff Carroll, Morag Wilson and Charmaine Wilson worked together successfully to create an amazing fete with streamlined processes and many resources, including 2 shipping containers, gazebos, bbq's, signs and rubbish bins. We are extremely grateful for all their hard work and generosity, making it possible for a new committee to step in and take over without any re-invention needed.

What? (Purpose)

1. Taikura fete is the annual community fundraising event. It contributes between \$20,000 and \$30,000 to the school every year.
2. Each class participates by focusing their co-operative effort towards fundraising activities at the fete.
3. This event is an opportunity for the wider community to experience the Special Character of the school, which the fete embodies.

Why? (Vision)

1. Reflects the cultural, social and environmental values of our community
2. Empowers both parents and students collaboratively
3. Has distinctive and interesting stalls and activities
4. Enrols the interest and participation of the Hawkes Bay community
5. Runs efficiently
6. Delivers a healthy surplus

When?

Traditionally the third weekend in November because it conflicts least with other activities happening at school and in Hawkes Bay at the time.

Sunday is the preferred day as it gives time for set up on Saturday, and doesn't clash with Saturday sports. 10:00 am-3:00 pm is the fete running time, this gives external stallholders time to set up and any last-minute preparations can be made. It is sufficient time for food to sell out and the entertainment schedule to be exhausted and time to pack up.

How?

Food (Jenny)

- Each class takes full responsibility for at least one food stall
- Includes providing ingredients, preparations, staffing and tidying up
- Facilitated by either liaison parents or a nominated person
- Provided with gazebo, table, signage, pricing, aprons, serving needs, float

Children's activities (Rosheen, Trudi and Lynda)

- Large range of activities
- Provides an interesting play environment, where children can be left while parents enjoy other areas of the fete
- Mostly pre-sold 'magic beans'
- Rosters from across the school

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Entertainment (Brad)

- Stage
- Electricity sourced from school
- Sound system
- Music teacher assists with programme

Logistics (Bekkie) with Class 2

- Layout
- Site map
- Set up
- Pack down
- Toilets
- Equipment
- Health and safety
- First Aid

External Stall Holders (Suzan and Leilani)

- Database
- Enrolment contact
- Standard emails
- Accounting

Marketing (Brad and Rosheen)

- Grapevine
- Radio
- Newspaper
- Leaflets
- Signs and banners
- Website
- Facebook

Administration (Suzan and Kylie)

- Financial arrangements
- Accounting
- Budgeting
- Office, teachers, liaison parents
- Administration centre on the day
- External stall holders
- Survey

Craft (Rosheen, Trudi and Lynda)

- School craft, workshops early in the year
- Kindergartens, keep own funds

2020 Taikura fete committee

taikurafete@gmail.com

Finances, Administration

Suzan Bart 021 2065 909
Kylie Vanston 027 277 9438

Outside Stallholders

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Leilani Driessen 021 271 1711

Logistics

Bekkie Taylor 027 3016637

Marketing and Entertainment

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Rosheen FitzGerald 027 7770759
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Lynda Warren 021 0266 9553

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Kia ora Class Parents

There is going to be another Taikura Parents Party!

A night for kicking back, korero in comfy corners while dancing the dust bunnies away. No children to tend to, no fundraising to be done, just for our combined fun fun fun!

Last year our eyebrows were flashed up, this year we're asking you to adorn your head! Think it through - could a 2020 party even turn to seriousness in a room full of creative craniums, marvelous māhunga or redesigned domes? Details in the flyer below, intend to attend, save the date, see you there!!! Here's a link to the event on Facebook, tell us you're coming! <https://fb.me/e/6jyso1RZd>

Tickets \$10 at the door, BYO and bring a plate of nibbles to share.

PS Taikura Parents Party is for current parents, previous parents, parents who are teachers, teachers who are parents, Taikura teachers current and past, parents who used to be kids whose kids are now parents, non parents committed to the community and its kids, nau mai, haere mai.

ANNUAL TAIKURA PARENTS PARTY

HEADS

\$10

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save the date

november 7

HAUMOANA HALL

BYO & BRING A NIBBLES PLATE

7:00PM - 12:00AM

Featuring:

Live band

2 x DJ's

*Get your brain into gear and
plan a wild creation to wear on
your head. It's time to party.*

ANYTHING GOES!



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Child Minder Needed

I require a child minder - long term position. Caring for three children aged five, eight and ten years. Once a month on a Saturday from 7:45 am - 1:00 pm. For further details please call Emil Driessen 021 711 711

Veil Painting Class

Come and learn to veil paint. Working with the light, colour and darkness principles of Leane Collot d'Herboise. We will begin with simple soft paintings and work towards more complexity.

- Tutor: Kathy Allan a practising Leane Collot d'Herboise/Haushcka Art Therapist
- Where: At my studio in Clive
- When: 10 week course on Tuesdays beginning 13 October 10:00 am - 11:30 am
- Cost: \$15.00 per session
- Materials: You will need to provide your own paint, paper and board.
- Contact: Kathy Allan 0272330970 or 8700108

Therapeutic Art Class

Parzival

We will be working with ten guided colour meditations from the epic story of human development **Parzival**. Each person will receive one on one therapeutic guidance.

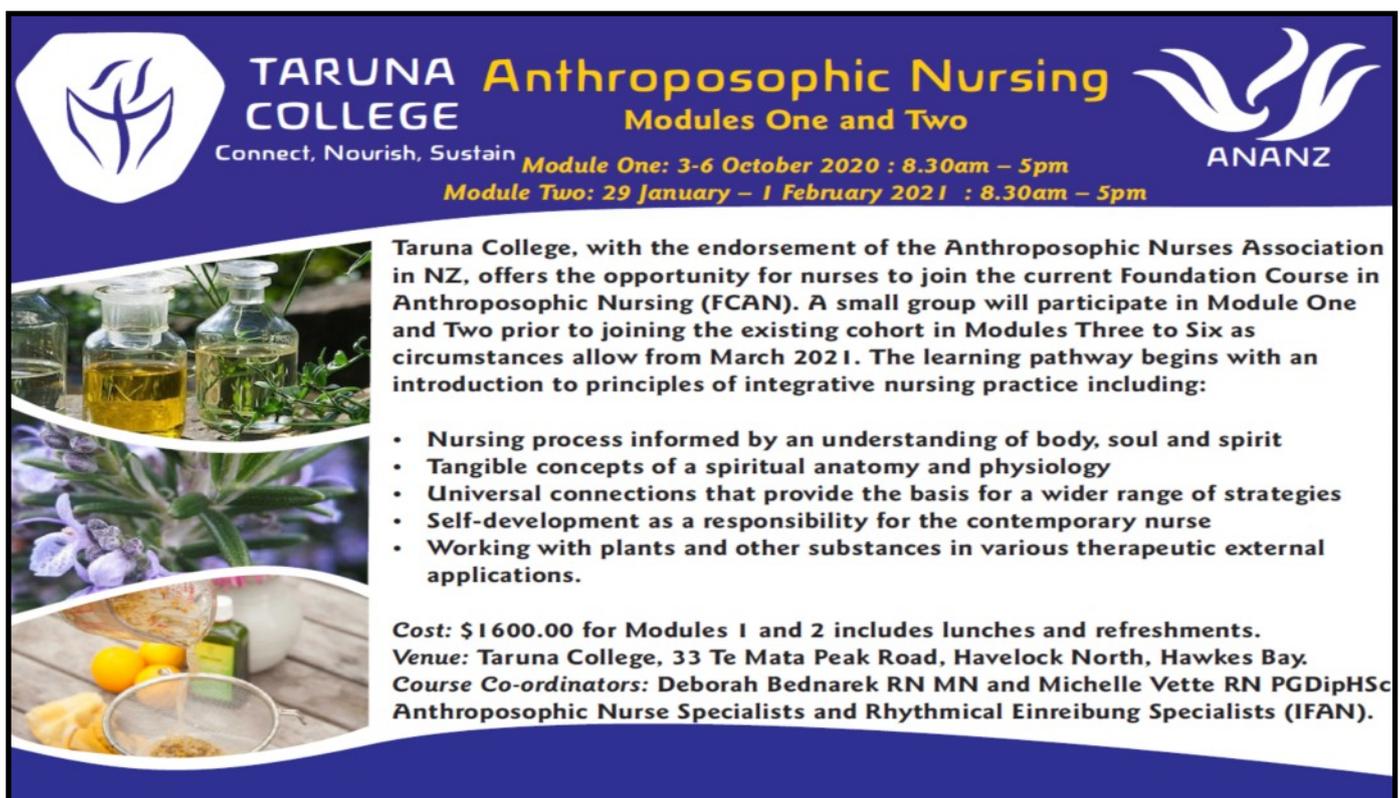
The medium is pastel which is easy for beginners to grasp and grow in.

- Tutor: Kathy Allan a practising Leane Collot d'Herboise/Haushcka therapist
- Where: Steiner Centre Corner Nelson and Whitehead Rd
- When: Wednesdays starting 14 October 10:00 am - 11:30 am
- Cost: \$15.00 per session
- Materials: Provided
- Contact: Kathy Allan 0272330970 or magentarose4me@gmail.com

Homeopathy

"Homeopathy is a great way to keep families well. Angela Hair from Concordia Health has worked in Heretaunga as a natural health practitioner for over 25 years and is now working at The Rudolf Steiner Centre.

- **Monday to Thursdays 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
- **Bookings online:** concordiahealth.co.nz or by text 027 443 6737 email angela@concordia.co.nz



TARUNA COLLEGE **Anthroposophic Nursing**
Connect, Nourish, Sustain **Modules One and Two**

Module One: 3-6 October 2020 : 8.30am – 5pm
Module Two: 29 January – 1 February 2021 : 8.30am – 5pm

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:

- Nursing process informed by an understanding of body, soul and spirit
- 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 1 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).