



3 December 2020

He pito korero!

Class four was privileged to go on our noho-marae on Wednesday and Thursday last week, as a part of our local history and local geography Main Lessons. We began by visiting Ōtātara Pā, where Matua Troy took us across the grounds, explaining to us some of the history and usage of the land. Ōtātara Pā is the largest pā site in Aotearoa, at its height it is estimated to have had over a thousand people living there. The class could easily see how significant and strategic the pā was, as we looked out across the old tidal estuary now known as Taradale, Onekawa and Tamatea.



After eating lunch at Anderson Park, we timed our departure perfectly to dodge the spring rain and journeyed south to Paki Paki. Here the class experienced a powhiri as we were welcomed onto Houngarea Marae, with tāngata whenua including children of Paki Paki school. After whaikorero and waiata the class was given some of the history of the beautiful whare rūnanga by Charles Ropatini. This was our sleeping place for the night.

The next day we rose early and after breakfast walked around the village of Paki Paki visiting two other marae and climbing the hill to the urupā. On our return we were treated to a lesson on the forms prevalent in kōwhaiwhai murals, by Fran Obers.

It was a wonderful experience for the class. I am thankful for the parents who gave their time to support the class so we could go. I am also very grateful to have colleagues who are able to share their expertise to enrich and enliven our curriculum.

> Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou ka ora ai te iwi; with your food basket and my food basket the people will flourish.

Nā Leon Crellin



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



SCHOOL NOTICES

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 4 December - David Urieli: Christ before Christmas - Looking at the pre-Earthly deeds of Christ.

Friday 11 December - Angela Hair: Local Homeopath - Looking at stress support, disappointment, anxiety.......

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

Library Books Due Back Soon:

Kia ora koutou

A reminder that all library books are due back by Monday 30 November, please help your tamariki find their books and return them by this date.

Kia ora rawa atu - Kura Rutherford - school librarian

TONIGHT!! Miru Shimaoka Recital

Kia ora koutou, you are warmly invited to a solo violin and piano recital by last year's Taikura graduate Miru Shimaoka. Having just finished his first year of study at the New Zealand School of Music, Miru returns to share his experiences and his music. Please come along and support him tonight.

Venue: School Hall

Date: Tonight Thursday 3 December at 6:30 pm

Found Items

I have several watches that have been lost around the school at various times. One is a **Baby G** and not very old which was left in the library. Two black digital watches. A black watch with a **cat picture** and a pink one with a pink face. A silver chain with disc and the letter "O" stamped on front. Also a gold patterned hoop earring. Please see Adrienne in the office if you think one of these items may be yours.

Mark Your Calendar

December 3 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Miru Shimaoka Concert - School Hall December 4 8:45 am - 9:00 am Start David Urieli - Christ Before Christmas Class 6TM - Mixed Medieval Performance December 8 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm December 11 8:45 am - 9:00 am Start Angela Hair - Local Homeopath Looking At Homeopathic Support Shepherds Play - School Hall - Gift To The Community December 13 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm December 16 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Carol Evening - Gym - The Last Day of School For 2020



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Hasting Choral Society

The Hastings Choral will be performing the Christmas Oratorio, "The Childhood of Christ" by Hector Berlioz. This three act oratorio depicts the Holy family's flight from Egypt.

Joseph Christensen conducts the large choir supporting:

Giselle Clement - Soporano Lindsey Marshall - Tenor Michael Morgan - Baritone Richard Harris - Bass

Vanessa O'Neil - Accompanist

Sunday 6 December at 3:00 pm at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, 505 Nelson Street North, Hastings.

Tickets: Adults \$25.00, students \$5.00. Doors sales on the night.

Christmas Gospel Choir Invites - Sing Along

Four rehearsals and an event at Riverbend Road Reserve on Christmas Eve - that's Napier's choir project in December. Wednesdays (2/9/16/23) all lovers of Gospel Choir Music meet at 7:00 pm at 36 Riverbend Road in Napier for rehearsing and meeting a crowd of nice people and having lots of fun.

Napier Baptist Church offers this project to prepare a special Christmas Eve open air event with Gospel Music, Carols and The Christmas Story on Thursday 24 December 8:00 pm. It will be lead by Berlin choir director Stephan Zebe. Common traditional songs are sung again in modern, groovy styles and contemporary gospel music. Everybody is welcome! Please register by email: hbsoulchoir@gmail.com

Family Concert

You are invited to a family concert this Saturday.

Students from the Hawkes Bay Suzuki music community will be playing in a Christmas concert at Taikura Hall.

Saturday 5 December from 2:00 -3:00 pm

This is a free family friendly concert of instrumental music, performed by students of all age groups, including a number of Taikura students. It is always a joy to hear beautiful music brought to life by our young students. Children, parents and whānau are all very welcome!

Art Therapy In 2021

Individual Art Therapy For Adults, Teenagers And Children

Accessing your creativity, art therapy is an effective way to address and overcome grief, depression, anxiety, life crises and trauma and to discover a new relationship to one's biography. No previous experience in or aptitude for art necessary. For more information contact: Eva Steinmetz-Urieli:evaurieli@gmail.com>, 068786028 or 02102771201

After School Art Classes For Children

Thursdays (and possibly Tuesdays) 3:00 - 4:10 pm, starting Term One 2021. Explore new art techniques, look at interesting images, listen to a story. Cost is \$19 per session, commitment for a term. At the Steiner Centre 500 Nelson St. Hastings. Contact Eva Steinemtz-Urieli < evaurieli@gmail.com > 878 6028 or text 02102771201

Part Time And Casual Staff Required

We require part-time and casual staff for the School Canteen. Please apply at the canteen or contact Matthew on 020 4025 9211

Christmas Tree Fundraiser For Class 9

Beautiful, large trees (Pinus radiata) that have been grown on an organic and bio-dynamically run property for sale. They are \$30 each on a first come, first pick basis. Prior viewing for selection can be arranged, otherwise pick up is Sunday 29 November. Please contact Joanne on 027 901 7592 for purchasing/viewing and payment.

