Taikura Rudolf Steiner



11 February 2021

The healthy social life is found when in the mirror of each human soul The whole community finds its reflection, And when in the community the virtue of each one is living *Rudolf Steiner*

We have started our year with much activity. Class 4 left for their camp on Wednesday morning and Class 5 will spend Thursday with the Gannets at Cape Kidnappers.

Grapevine

Class 5 hard at work.





We have welcomed our new Class One into the school and it is always a delight to experience their enthusiasm and joy.

The painting of the Edwin Eyre building is almost complete and our library is enjoying a bold new face of colour.



Looking forward to a new and learning filled year.



He pito kõrero!

Coming together at the start of each new year with the College of Teachers for our annual two-day teachers' seminar is always an opportunity to step back from a busy time planning, setting up environments and meeting with new whānau. This time is well planned to include times to reconnect with colleagues, delve into annual goals and reflect on some bigger picture perspectives of the role we undertake when we become teachers. That is the commitment to ongoing professional development, learning and personal growth.

This year was particularly uplifting as we were fortunate to have Te Huia Bill Hamilton lead us in a workshop about Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Through Bill's wisdom and experience he was able to bring the intentions set out in our founding document as coming from a positive and respectful perspective. One aspect that he touched on was around mana and the interconnectedness of mana as a whole, whenua, atua and tangata. Modern science divides things into individual sections but mana is not isolated from land, people or beliefs but intertwined.

Bill gave the idea that Te Tiriti o Waitangi is a commitment to each treaty partner taking care of the other. This certainly put a lot of negative thinking about the historical grievances of the treaty to one side and gave a forward moving picture for a living document to work with. The world can always do with a little more care and kindness. This served as a timely reminder with Waitangi Day just passing that we are bound to this document and to uphold its initial intentions for a fair and equitable Aotearoa for everyone.

Nā Tash Shaw (Head Teacher – Kererū Kindergarten).

Kīwaha o te wiki – phrase of the week

Ka kino kē! (cah key nor keh)

Awesome!

Hemi: Kia ora e hoa! How were your Waitangi day celebrations? **Rangi:** We did the hīkoi from the Ātea-a-rangi to Farndon Park, then we did a Treaty workshop. Ka kino kē!

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

Class One Playground

A reminder that the Class One playground is not to be used by families at drop off and pick up time.

"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

Music Notices

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 <u>thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz</u>

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 <u>thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz</u>

Instruments For Hire 2021

The school has a number of instruments for hire at reasonable rates. We have many violins and violas, cellos, trumpets, trombones, saxophones, clarinets, flutes and guitars.

An instrument can be hired for one term initially if you'd like to trial it first before making a commitment for the year. There are a number of Itinerant teachers coming into the school who can support your child's learning on a variety of instruments and yet others in the wider community.

If you think your child would be interested in playing an instrument this year, please feel free to give me a call at school on Fridays between 11:45am and 2:30pm or email me: zahira.rickard@taikura.school.nz

I look forward to hearing from you. Warm Regards Zahira Rickard Instrument Hire

Parking and Safety

After only a short time back at school we find we are witnessing an alarming amount of traffic-related incidents on Nelson Street at drop-off and pick-up time. Please remember to allow yourselves plenty of time, and to be patient, at these times of the day that leave all our tamariki vulnerable. Please remember the following points:

- NO parking on the bus stop at any time
- NO parking on the grass verges, on the yellow lines, or in front of drive-ways
- NO parking in disability parks without a permit
- **Staff car parks,** next to the whare, Taikura House and across the road from the office, are not drop-off zones, please refrain from parking in staff allocated carparks.
- There is plenty of parking on Fitzroy Ave from where walking is safely possible
- Please supervise younger children crossing the Whitehead Road T-junction
- Please keep your speed down

School Reports

f you have not received your child's report from last term please come to the school office and collect it. We chose not to send these out last year due to the cost of postage and have several still to be collected.

Mark Your Calendar

February 11 February 16 February 16 February 18 February 23 February 25 March 3 March 3

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Football Meeting - Janet Osbourne - TH Ground Floor Class 7 RM Parent Evening - EA 6 Class 7 TM Parent Evening - EA 7 Class 5 Parent Evening KL 5 Class 11 Parent Evening - TH 3.8 Class 10 Parent Evening - TH 3.2 Class 12 Parent Evening - TH 3.4 Taikura Kindergarten Parent Evening

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Therapeutic Art Class

With Kathy Allan

This term we are taking a break from Parzival and will be focusing on the Grimms fairy tale the **Queen Bee**. It is a 10 week course.

Each week we work with a coloured pastel meditation from the story. At the end of ten weeks you will be able to put your pictures together to create your own little story book.

There will be one on one therapeutic guidance for each person. Pastel is an easy medium for beginners to grasp and grow confident in. **Where**.....Steiner Centre corner of Whitehead Road and Nelson Street **When**.....Wednesday 10:00 am - 11:00 am starting Wednesday 3 February **Cost**....\$15.00 per session plus a one off \$5.00 for materials **Facilitator**.....Kathy Allan a practising Leane Collot d'Herboise/Hauschka Art therapist **Contact**.....Kathy Allan 0272330970

Art for Beginners

Come and have a go, explore the world of colour and form, and discover your artist within. Make your first steps or grow your confidence as an artist. We will introduce you to simple techniques using a variety of media: charcoal; chalk pastel; watercolour and pencils. This is a great opportunity to put away inhibiting ideas you may have about your artistic abilities and try something new. Nourish your creativity in a supportive learning environment.

- Nine Wednesdays 9:00 am -10:30 am from Wednesday 17 February Wednesday 14 April
- Cost \$190 all art materials and morning tea afterwards in the Homestead is provided.
- To enrol contact info@taruna.ac.nz or call 06 8777174 or register online www.taruna.ac.nz

Car For Sale

2001 Mitsubishi Mirage, economical and easy to park. Low Km and a new WOF and service. Call Matthew on 020 4025 9211

Wanted

I require secondhand plastic painting boards and Stockmar paint. I am happy to pay for them or give a koha. If you can help please contact Joy Mintorn in the evenings on 027 876 3232.

