



18 March 2021

For The Michael Age

by Rudolf Steiner

We must eradicate from the Soul
All fear and terror of what comes towards us
From out of the future,

*And we must acquire serenity
In all feelings and sensations about the future.
We must look forward*

With complete equanimity to everything that may come,

*And we must think only that whatever comes
Is given to us by a world directive full of wisdom.
It is part of what we must learn in this age:*

Namely to live out of pure trust
Without any security in existence,

*Trust in the ever-present help of the Spiritual World.
Truly, nothing else will do*

If our courage is not to fail us.

*And we must seek this awakening within ourselves
Every morning and every evening.*



We thank you all for your attendance today at the Autumn Festival and warmly wish you a lovely festival weekend.

Much gratitude for the lovely gifts for our Harvest Table and to the P.F.A for their curation of the table, ensuring its weeklong beauty and freshness.

Kelly Sutton - Deputy Principal

SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero!

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

Wāwau ana (waah woe ar nah)
That's crazy; that's cray cray!

Hemi: E ta, have you seen those boats racing for the America's Cup?
Rangi: Āe rā e hoa...wāwau ana!

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

Staffing Update

If you've been wondering who this funky lady is, I'm pleased to inform you this is Ruby Mackwell who is our new Class Seven teacher. Teachers and students alike are stoked to have her on board and the word out in the field is that she is nice, cool, creative and good at telling stories. Ruby has previously been acquainted with this class when they were in Class Three and it has been lovely for the class to have reconnected with her for the end of their Lower School journey.



Ruby completed her teaching training in Auckland with a focus on Steiner education. As part of her training, Ruby spent time here at Taikura and worked alongside Cherrie. Since graduating, Ruby has taught at Raphael House Steiner School in Wellington. Ruby has also studied art and has worked and travelled around the world.

Ruby hails from the sunny Coromandel and has two big sisters, one being her twin. She is widely talented with a particular passion for surfing, gardening and painting. Over the past few years, Hawkes Bay has been a big part of her life living on a farm in Maraekakaho with her partner.

We wish Ruby all the very best for her time at Taikura and warmly welcome her to our school community.

Kia hora te marino, kia whakapapa pounamu te moana, kia tere te kārohirohi i mua i tō huarahi.

May peace be widespread, may the sea glisten like greenstone, and may the shimmer of light guide you on your way.

Thomas McArdle

Mark Your Calendar

March 30	8:30 am - 3:00 pm	HS Athletics Day - Mitre 10 Sports Park
March 30	6:30 pm	Health Consultation Two L2 TH - Gee Reisima
April 14	7:00 pm	Nutrition Discussion - Jocelyn Freeman
April 15	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Taikura School Hall
April 15 / 16	7:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Drama Club Play - "Our Town" - Hall

SCHOOL NOTICES

Issues of Our Times

Class 12 is currently in our Issues of Our Times Main Lesson. We have been looking at the issue of water security globally and decided to join up with the #worldwaterun, a 7-day virtual run around the world in support of world water day which is Monday 22 March. On Wednesday morning we abandoned our desks and completed a 5km run/walk as a class so we could add our totals to the #worldwaterdaytotal. We had twenty three students and two very athletic staff members which means we contributed a total of 125km to the global distance traveled. We encourage you to sign up in support of this cause and log some kms before Monday 22 March. Head to minaguli.com for more information.



SCHOOL NOTICES

Curriculum Corner

The Classrooms are full of Autumn activity, in the Lower Classes 1 - 4, children have been very busy preparing for the Saint Michael Play. Shields created, stars made and verses learned.

Teaching programmes and assessment are well underway, day and camp activity eagerly participated in and enjoyed. It is lovely to walk through the school and see the various curriculum activities both in and outside the classroom, learning support and therapies all in action.

During week eight the Lower School Classes 2 - 7, complete their writing assessments for moderation, and literacy progress is captured. This information feeds into the various learning programmes developed for students for the remainder of the year.

Currently iLs listening programme assessments are being completed across the school, as our current groups are near completion, and we prepare for new groups to start. These groups will begin over the coming weeks.

Sharing From Taikura Kindergarten

The sunflowers are standing tall in our garden as we watch the bees busy filling their 'leg pockets' with pollen to take to the hive. The tui sing in our garden and pīwakawaka are so friendly, visiting and helping themselves to our flies and other delicious insects.

We are enjoying our flowform working again, some of our tamariki have been gravitating to our flowform in the mornings, calling to the water fairies, and then watching in wonder as the water begins to swish playfully down the cascading tiers.



School Directory

Our school and kindergartens contact list has been distributed this week. Please let me know directly if you need another copy for your household. suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz

Sports/Camp Gear

The PFA are initiating a sports and camp gear sharing/swapping/donating opportunity. If you have any spare items or gear that your children have grown out of, and you are happy to donate it, please drop it in to our Sports Coordinator Janet at the school office. Then come and have a look on collection day to see if there is something there which suits your current needs! We will aim to have this gear available at a Friday Market towards the end of every term. This term the Sports Gear Collection will be showcased on Friday 9 April, so come and see if you can find items that will be of use to your whānau!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Gardener Wanted

We are looking for a motivated and adaptable part-time gardener to work alongside our Senior Gardener for eleven hours per week. Our gardening team is responsible for the general maintenance of the grounds and gardens at Taikura. This position requires previous gardening/landscaping experience, seasonal planting knowledge and an understanding of bio-dynamic gardening practices.

Please contact suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz directly for further information, or a position description and application form. **Applications close 19 March 2021**

Chairs for Sale

Approximately 95 hall chairs for sale. Some in need of repair and most need a clean \$5.00 each. Would look at a bulk deal. Please contact Liam property@taikura.school.nz

Earth Movers Hawkes Bay

My name is Jimmy Scott, I have recently started up my own earthworks business. I am a highly experienced machine operator. Please contact me if you need any landscaping, drainage, driveway preparation, site clearance and other earthworks. Please contact me on: 0276259005

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