

1 July 2021

Acknowledging Matariki



*Mānawa maiea te putanga o Matariki
Mānawa maiea te Ariki o te rangi,
Mānawa maiea te mātahi o te tau!*

*Hail the rise of Matariki
Hail the Lord of the sky
hail the New Year!*

E te tī, e te tā, kua rewa a Matariki!

Matariki has now risen and as part of our Matariki celebrations, there will be a gathering at the Ātea-a-rangi – The Star Compass, at Waitangi Reserve in Clive, on Friday 9 July at 5:45 am! Piripi Smith will give a talk about Matariki and show us where this cluster can be seen and what is happening with Te whānau mārama – Māori astronomy.

- A gold coin koha to be gathered prior to the talk, to be given to Te Ātea-a-Rangi Trust.
- Gretta Carney (HAPI owner/school parent) will also be serving breakfast tacos for a gold coin donation.
- Dress WARMLY! If it is raining it will be cancelled.



SCHOOL NOTICES



He pito kōrero!

Te wāhanga tuatoru (Part 3) - continuation of the Matariki story from last week...

Matariki is present for most of the year but disappears from the night sky in early winter. When the stars appear again in the middle of winter and the new moon has risen, it is the beginning of the Māori New Year. The old stories tell us that when the stars shine brightly, the year will be warm and good for kai, the weather will be kind, and there will be plenty of fish and berries to gather, and plants will grow tall and strong.

We can celebrate Matariki in many ways. It is a time for learning about our Atua, our tangible (the land, waterways, natural resources) and intangible tāonga (te reo me ōna tikanga, whakapapa, stories and history), and how to protect and practice these in our daily lives. It is a time for hearing stories of the old days and about how people used the stars in the past. It is a time to plant trees and winter crops, to fish and gather kaimoana. It is a time for creating, and a time to make plans for the coming year. It is a time to remember our loved ones passed, and spend time with whānau and friends.

The following is an invitation for people to take part in a 'Matariki moment', from Te Taurawhiri i te reo Māori – The Māori Language Commission:

Celebrate the Māori New Year, we invite you to organise a Matariki moment. Invite your whānau and friends to a shared kai, (or virtually share kai if you are not able to be together) then learn how to say the kaikōhau (expression of hope) below, to use at your kaitahi – meal together.

**Nau mai ngā hua
Nau mai ngā pai
Nau mai kia nui
Kia hāwere ai**

Welcome all things that have grown
Welcome all things that are good
May they be plentiful and abundant

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



Canteen Update

In light of the challenging journey the Bristows are facing due to Matthew's cancer diagnosis, they have made the difficult decision to cease operating our canteen. Management are considering various options for the canteen moving forward, but at this stage we would like to offer a short-term lease of the space until the end of the school year to anyone interested in running a canteen for our kura. Please note leasing the space for the provision of food to our students will incur a rental cost, the need to meet council requirements, and management approval of the menu and the products used. Please email expressions of interest directly to suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz

We continue to hold Matthew and Mairi in our thoughts and hearts <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/fundraising-for-dads-stage-4-pancreatic-cancer>

Mark Your Calendar

July 1	3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	Theresa Lam - Liaison Visitor From Otago University - Classes 11/12 - TH 3.4
July 7/8	7:00 pm	Class 12 Play - "The Mouse that Roared" by Leonard Wibberley - School Hall
July 9	5:45 am	Ātea-a-Rangi - The Star Compass - Waitangi Reserve in Clive
July 28	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Class 8 Parents' Evening - TH 2.7
July 28	6:00 pm	Class 12 Parents' Evening - TH 3
August 11	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Mid Winter Magic - Community Mid Winter Celebration

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Acknowledgements

Our wonderful school community has many heroes who go over and above the call of duty every day. We would like to create a place where we can acknowledge just some of the outstanding work that goes on in our school. Let the PFA know if you would like to give a shout out for any good deeds. taikurapfa@gmail.com

Thank you to our amazing school community who get in behind our school sports teams every year. We salute you coaches, managers, staff and other support people who turn up every week, sometimes multiple times a week in these cold days so that our tamariki can benefit from the experiences gained playing sport.

It needs a team effort to create a team and Taikura whānau you are a fantastic team - Thank you.

Jump on to our school Facebook page. [Taikura Rudolf Steiner School](#)

This is a great place for us all to spread some community cheer, keep in touch with events that are related to school and of general interest to the community. (It is NOT a place of complaint or conspiracy!)

Kolisko Conference

Shot Bro' the one man play from Rob Mocaraka is coming to Taikura as part of the Kolisko Conference on Friday 16 July at 7:00 pm.

The play is the story of Rob's undiagnosed depression which he tried to solve by attempting suicide through being shot by police. It is a powerful, raw, authentic one-man show that exposes, shares and discusses the effects of depression. Through comedy, heart and truth, Rob skilfully leads the audience through his experiences and invites us to be part of a journey of healing and self discovery. The performance is followed by time for discussion with Rob over a cup of tea.



The play is brought to Taikura by the Kolisko Conference but is open with limited seating to the wider community. It is recommended for Class 8 and above. Tickets may be purchased on the night at the door for \$20.00. Eftpos is not available.

Thank You

Thank you David Scapens for sponsoring our 1st XI football team with hoodies as part of their new kit.



Lost Gold Heart Necklace

Small gold heart and chain lost somewhere around the school. If you find this precious item please hand to Cherie in Class 3 or Adrienne in the office.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Curriculum Corner

Sustainable Coastlines

Class 4 have been spending lots of time learning about their local environment, its history and why and how we should look after it. On Friday, Class 4 went to the beach at Te Atea a Rangi to start the process of their first beach litter audit. It was a brisk day, the waves were crashing and the wind was blowing but they worked carefully and efficiently and cleared a 100 m x 40 m area of the beach of every scrap of litter to analyse. Beer cans, drink bottles, fishing gear and a car tyre were among some of the rubbish found and, by teaming up with the organisation Sustainable Coastlines, Class 4 will be analysing this beach litter and will input their findings into a national database which directs governmental policy. This will also offer the class an opportunity to act locally to see if they can do anything to keep this bit of our local coastline litter free. We'll keep you posted.



Thank You

Taikura wishes to express their deep gratitude to the following people for making the Mid-Winter Festivals possible for students, staff and whānau.

Ruth Strong for the P.F.A - thank you for our beautiful spiral.

Ineke Mulder for your eloquent sharing at the High School Festival.

Rosie Simpson for gifting a day of stories to the Lower School spirals.
Rachel Hughes, Derryn Menzies for their beautiful Lyre playing and song.
Teresa Cayton and Shaun Cameron for their wonderful bell ringing.

Without your gifts and talents our festival would not have been the rich experience for the children they are.

A glimpse into the Lower School Spiral held at the Centre last Friday.



SCHOOL NOTICES



BOOK WEEK AT TAIKURA

Get organised and bring your pre-loved books (limit of three) to school this FRIDAY, July 2 to receive your tokens and on MONDAY, July 5 you can choose pre-loved books at our BOOK EXCHANGE.

This will take place outside CLASS THREE.

REMEMBER - next **Thursday 8 July** is dress up day. Come to school dressed up as your favourite book character!

Book Week Timetable

Friday 2 July	Monday 5 July	Tuesday 6 July	Wednesday 7 July	Thursday 8 July
Bring in your unwanted books and receive tokens to buy more books at our pre-loved book sale on Monday!	Pre-loved book sale - use your tokens or bring some spare change. <i>Can you guess who has written quotes from their</i>	Quidditch for high school students <i>Story Tent open for lunchtime reading!</i>	Quidditch for high school students <i>Story Tent open for lunchtime reading!</i>	Come to school dressed up as your favourite book character! <i>Story Tent open for lunchtime reading!</i>
	favourite books around the school? <i>Story Tent open for lunchtime reading!</i> Afternoon story in the Storytelling Tent for Class Two	Afternoon story in the Storytelling Tent for Class One	Afternoon story in the Storytelling Tent for Class Three	Class 1 - 7 Quidditch for high school students Afternoon story in the Storytelling Tent for Class Four

Access to Period Products

We are very pleased to let you know that our kura has opted into this government initiative. We now have pads and tampons - regular and super - available at school. The products are easy for students to use at school and will meet a range of different age, developmental, and cultural needs. Our kura is able to order enough products for young people to use for their whole cycle, based on an average of 20 items per young person per month. There will be a mix of brands.

Periods are a normal part of life for half our population and no one should miss school because of their period. Periods usually start between 10 and 16 years of age. Young people can't always access the products they need to feel comfortable at school and sometimes they may simply get caught unprepared. Whatever the reason, free period products for young people who need them means that they don't have to miss school because of their period. Our products are available in baskets in the individual cubicles located in the toilets in Levels 2 and 3 of Taikura House, the Edwin Ayre building and the gym. Should students need products at eurythmy or at the office they are able to ask discreetly.

Using the products is not compulsory. Young people are free to make their own choices about what they use and can continue to bring products from home if they prefer.

If you as a parent or caregiver have any questions or concerns about period products being available to any young person in your whānau, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Suzan Bart

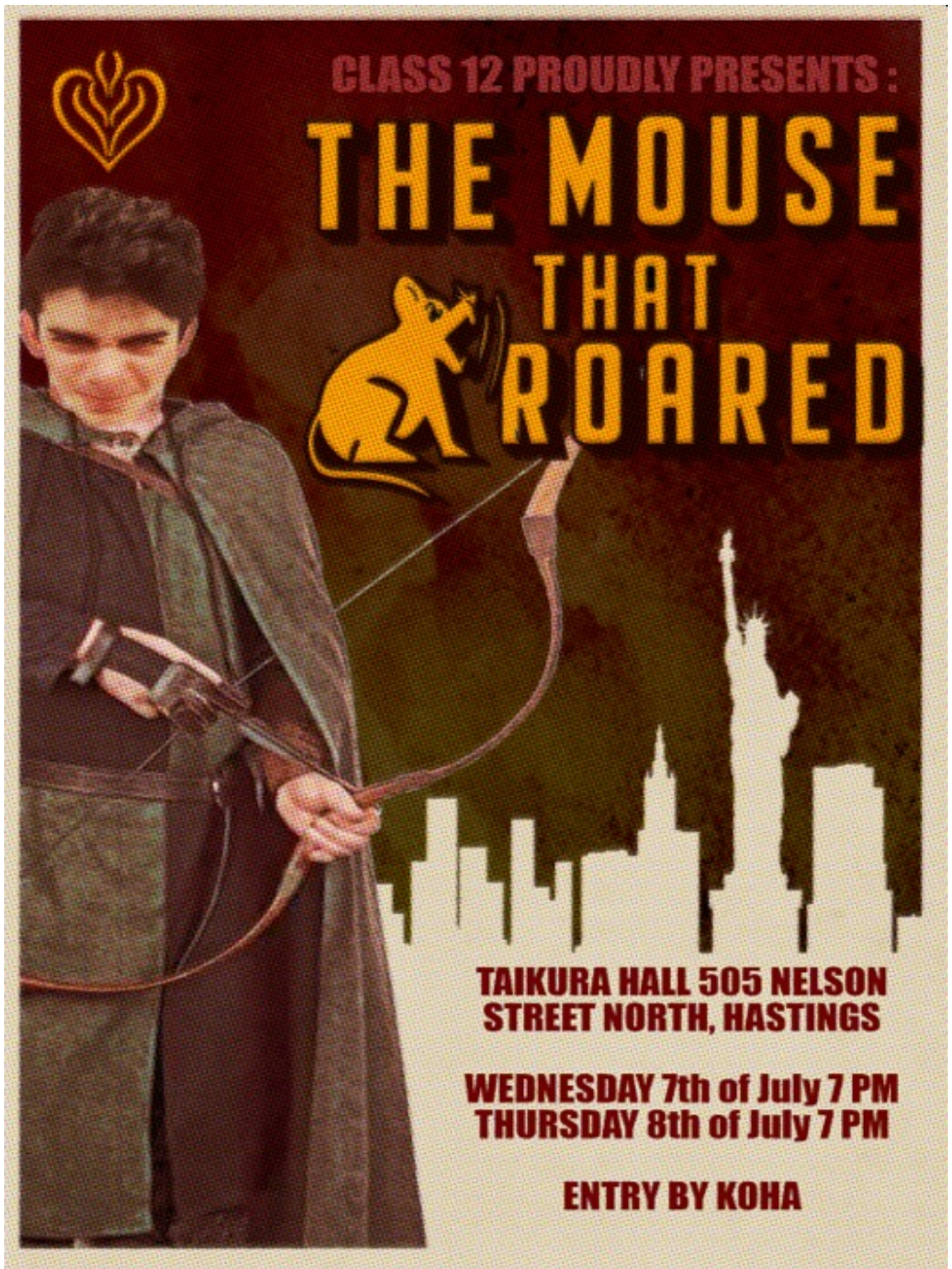
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on behalf of the Management Group

SCHOOL NOTICES

Class 12 Play

Class 12 would like to invite you to our presentation of "The Mouse that Roared" a satirical play set in Grand Fenwick, a small British Duchy still stuck in the 14th century. When the country is threatened economically they must rise and face the big powers of the modern world. What will they achieve with their mastery of the English longbow? What will they learn along the way? You will have to come and find out on Wednesday 7 and Thursday 8 July at 7:00pm in the school hall.



CLASS 12 PROUDLY PRESENTS :

THE MOUSE THAT ROARED

**TAIKURA HALL 505 NELSON
STREET NORTH, HASTINGS**

**WEDNESDAY 7th of July 7 PM
THURSDAY 8th of July 7 PM**

ENTRY BY KOHA

COMMUNITY NOTICES

COMMUNICATION for CONNECTION

Hastings: 3 and 4 July

Empowering Support For Parents

Providing empowering life skills with communicating and relating in the ways we want to! This workshop is valuable support for all your relationships: as parents, partners, community members... and especially the most important relationship - the one we have with ourselves. *There is no greater investment than investing in what nourishes and empowers your life.* You will receive new awareness, and skill to communicate more confidently and effectively, deepen connections and foster cooperation. Discover new ways to keep your cup filled, reduce reactivity and live with more harmony.

Filipa has been providing this workshop for parents and educators for more than a decade. *Value for your investment is backed up with a money back guarantee!* If you would like to hear feedback from someone at Taikura who has completed this course, let me know. Based on the world renowned principles of Nonviolent Communication. Facilitated by Filipa Hope (past Taikura parent). Numbers limited to 14 - 9:00am - 4:30pm both days. Investment: \$250.00 (incl's morning & afternoon tea)

Registrations to Filipa: filipahope@gmail.com phone 0274 513 445

Billets Required For The Kolisko Conference

International Kolisko Conference.

This conference is for Teachers, Parents, Medical/Health professionals and will be held at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School.

Suggested koha/charge \$40.00 a night. Breakfast included. Wednesday 14 - Saturday 17 July 2021

Contact Corrie Levick 027 3680242 or ph 8367678

[email:corrie.levick@gmail.com](mailto:corrie.levick@gmail.com)

School App

If you have not already done so, please download our SchoolApp into your smart phone. You will find school contacts, newsletters, a link to our website, term dates, absentee notifications and our calendar which is filled with upcoming events, meetings, camps and trips. Subscribe to class alert groups and you will receive notifications such as class camp school arrival times and meeting reminders straight to your phone. So much useful information!

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.



Unwanted Items Needed

I am a parent at the school working in a Centre which is in need of clothing, toys and blankets for children aged from around six months to three years. These cannot always be supplied by the families and we can be short of them in the Centre. If you have any that you would like to donate that you no longer need it would be greatly appreciated. The main things that we are in need of are natural toys, books woollen blankets, woollen underlays, shoes, slippers, cot sheets, woollen clothing, socks, jackets and jacket vests for our children in this cold weather.

Michelle 0211422970

Interested In Being In A Play?

Dear Parents - I am interested in putting on a New Zealand play, "Wednesday To Come", written by Renee. I have studied play writing and directing at Otago University. There will be a group audition to be arranged. No experience needed just a commitment to rehearsals once a week in the evenings 7:00pm - 9:00pm. An open mind to explore music/song and dance and drama. If all goes well there is an opportunity to continue this to a small theater company. If you are interested in acting in it please call Tara on **021- 2604992**

Job Opportunity For a Class 11 or 12 Student

After School Student Job at



302 Te Mata Rd, Havelock North

Position:

- 1 to 1½ hours three times a week after school
- Jobs include stock maintenance, cleaning and other chores
- Opportunity for more hours over the school holidays

We are looking for:

- A team player
- Good math skills
- Attention to detail
- Interest in health and wellbeing
- Ideally a Class 11 or 12 student

Please provide:

- Character reference from your school or a teacher
- One other character reference

If you are keen, please send an email **with** your CV and references to enquiries@weledapharmacy.co.nz