



## Advent 2021

The third light of Advent is the light of beasts—  
All await the birth, from the greatest and the least.

Advent at Taikura has been a little different this year.

Yes we have celebrated the natural kingdoms and yes we have all participated in weekly Advent assemblies, the verse spoken and songs sung .

However this year due to Covid restrictions our whole assembly has instead been many little assemblies, dotted around our school site.

It is a loss not being able to all come together, however when thinking on these Monday assemblies, I imagined a birds eye view above our school, and the many gatherings and candles lit below, all creating good will for the season.

The photos included in this weeks Grapevine show a snippet of some of the tables created.

Hall Foyer - this year with a bunch of the rare yellow Pohutukawa



Cluster Classes 4 and 5 Advent Assembly



# SCHOOL NOTICES

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Classes 6 and 7 Advent tableau.



Class One have celebrated each Advent in their carefully prepared room. Walking through our kura we see pockets of Advent everywhere.



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## He pito kōrero!

### *Kīwaha o te wiki – phrase of the week*

Kua hiki te kohu? (coo ah he key the cor hoo)  
Have you got the picture?

- Kaea: Kia ora e hoa! I'm off to buy a warm jacket for winter at Uni next year. Mum says I should wait until the new year. I don't know why though!
- Iraia: I reckon there might be one under your rākau kirihimete (Christmas tree)  
Kua hiki te kohu?
- Kaea: Tika tāu...I reckon you're right. Āe, kua hiki te kohu!

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



## Christmas Cheer Appeal



This year, our school is collecting donations towards the Christmas Cheer Appeal.

Many people in Hawke's Bay will be struggling this Christmas and we are inviting our school whānau to support by donating gifts.

All school whānau are welcome to come to the school library from **2:45 pm to 3:15 pm** Monday 6 December to Friday 10 December **to visit our school Christmas tree and drop off donations.**

### **A Few Tips:**

*Please provide new gifts only. Please wrap presents and add a tag saying what the gift is and which age group it is intended for. Feel free to get creative with your presents, maybe you might want to make up children's packages with books, pyjamas and a treat, a Christmas hamper for someone experiencing hardship, or maybe a snuggly lap blanket for an elderly person living alone – there are so many different groups in need this Christmas. The current kaupapa of masks and social distancing applies when dropping in.*

## Filming End Of Year Events

Over the coming weeks we will be filming our end of year events to enable parents to still have some participation during these difficult and uncertain times. Please let us know if you do not give your consent for your child/ren to be captured on film. The captured videos will be shared via a link directly with parents, and we ask for this not be on-shared or copied. Further details around this will be shared soon. This is a reminder to please let us know if you **do not** give consent for your child/ren to be captured. Email: [suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz](mailto:suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz)

## Lost Property

Wardrobes looking empty? Clothes magically vanished? It could be that they are 'hanging out' in our lost property. Please come and visit the gym foyer to locate them ASAP. Unclaimed items will be given to charity in three weeks time as we are unable to continue storing this volume of clothing. There are also a number of watches and jewellery items that have not been claimed in the office.



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Sleepout For Rent - Havelock North

My son is off to university in February, so I'm looking for a tenant for the sleepout commencing the end of February 2022. Bathroom and kitchen facilities are shared, so this needs to someone who would be compatible and comfortable with our particular circumstances of a family home comprising a sole parent (father). Rent \$150/week plus bills. Contact Nick on 021 118 7724.

## Rental Home Wanted

Kia ora, We have just moved to New Zealand, and are new to Taikura. We are a family of five, looking for housing. We came for a job at the Hastings Health Centre next door, and so living near the area would be a nice option. We don't have any pets, but we would be open to pet sit/house sit, if that were available as well. We would love to find a partially furnished place, with garden space if possible. We welcome any suggestions, ideas, or offers you may have. Thank you for considering. Please contact us- Annie- 022 035 7760 [acfigurski@gmail.com](mailto:acfigurski@gmail.com)

## Colourscapes-Exhibition Of Paintings By Diana Bacchus

Inspired by nature and landscapes, my semi-abstract oil paintings are my conversations with colours. As my approach to displaying and advertising my art is modest, this is a rare opportunity to view a selection of my paintings.

Picasso once said "*Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.*" This reflects how I feel about the artist process and the importance of art. I was introduced to watercolour painting and studied the history of art while attending Emerson College, England, at the end of the 1960s, then my involvement with Taikura Rudolf Steiner School spanned 30 years, firstly as a parent and then a kindergarten teacher. Art works in this exhibition, *Colourscapes*, have been painted since my retirement.

- Exhibition of paintings by Diana Bacchus **10 - 22 January, 2022**
- Hastings Community Arts Centre Gallery 106 Russell Street, Hastings

## Eurythmy

This Sunday is the third Sunday of Advent and I'm offering a gift of **four** eurythmy sessions in preparation for Christmas, to bring warmth and light into life.

**Where:** Anthroposophical Centre, corner Whitehead Road and Nelson Street.

**When:** Mondays starting 9:30 am.

**KOHA** is gratefully received to cover costs for hire of the room. **All Welcome.**

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## Summer Violin Lessons

Are you or your child thinking about learning the violin? Been playing for many years and wanting some fresh input? I am a Taikura graduate going into my third year of study at the New Zealand School of Music, and I am offering short-term violin lessons over the summer holidays. Boost your playing to the next level. All levels of experience welcome, from absolute beginners to Grade 8 and beyond.

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