



23 June 2022

Mid Winter Spiral

The Lower School, Class 12, Staff and our community have experienced walking the mid winter spiral.



In the wintry depths grows warm
True being of the spirit;
It gives to world illusion,
Through forces of the heart, real inner being.
World coldness is defied in humankind
Whose fire-of-soul grows stronger.

Rudolf Steiner



Our community came together this morning for Matariki and the remembering of those who have passed.

Whetu were made and hung on our Remembrance tree.

Thank You to the Taikura Sproutling Cafe for making us the most delicious warm and yummy kai.







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 practise 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 was a suggestion, last year, of how you could celebrate Matariki, from Te Taurawhiri i te reo Māori – The Māori Language Commission:

To 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



Waiata Mai Is Back

Thursdays – 12:30 – 1:00 pm - in the Library!

Ngā mihi hīkaka ki a koutou ngā manu tioriori o Taikura!

Waiata mai has started. Every Thursday in our Whare pukapuka – The library. If you want to learn some of the waiata that your tamariki sing at school, nau mai, haere mai te katoa....all are welcome!

Ngā mihi ki a koutou ngā kōpara e kō!
Nā Troy Gardiner.

Sports Notices

Due to the Matariki Public Holiday this Friday 24 June the following sports will not be held.

- Intermediate hockey games
- High school netball games
- High school football
- High school basketball

Primary school Hockey is still on this Saturday!

Congratulations to Chris Deed and Kaito Wallis for their selection into the Hawke's Bay Hockey Under 18 representative team. Well done!

Janet Osborne - Sports Coordinator

High School Information Evening

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Students of Class 6, 7 and 8 along with any new parents to the High School,

We would like to warmly invite you to our Introduction to the High School Information Evening on **Wednesday 29 June at 7.00pm in Taikura House**. The evening will involve a welcome and overview of the transition from the Lower School to High School as well as a brief introduction to our NZ Certificate in Steiner Education. Subject teachers will then give an overview and an outline of the Class 8 year and curriculum in their subjects.

We understand that there are questions and interest in information around our New Zealand Certificate in Steiner Education. NZCSE is the qualification which we use in Classes 10, 11 and 12 and at Taikura it is managed by Anne Hilton, our Academic Dean. Each year Anne provides Class 9 parents and students with an explanation of how the qualification works in our school in preparation for the start of the Class 10 year. She also attends the first Class 10 Parent Evening of the year in order to answer any questions which may have arisen. If there are further questions around our qualification you are always welcome to contact Anne or myself individually.

Kind Regards,
Pippa Caccioppoli
Tumuaki/Principal

Upcoming Events

June 24	All Day	Matariki
June 29	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Introduction to HS Parent meeting - Taikura House Level 3
July 6 and 7	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Class 12 Play - "Stardust" by Neil Gaiman - School Hall
July 25	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	School Board Meeting - School Hall

Curriculum Corner

Class 12 Play “Stardust” by Neil Gaiman

*[*Studio logo animation*] [*deep dramatic voice*] Two worlds; [*panning shot of scenery*] Three quests; of Power, of Greed and of Love; Only one will prevail [*montage of relevant characters, meant solely for the purpose of displaying what famous actors are involved for you to get excited about*]. The conquest for a fallen celestial being [*literally every significant scene of the movie in quick succession and cut up dialogue so you get the whole plot and feel like you’ve seen the movie already (which you have)*]. [*black screen, music climaxes, super bold font*] Star Dust. A Caccioppoli Film, Coming to a cinema near you this Fall.*

But in all seriousness, Class 12 is super excited to announce that we will be performing our play at the end of this term. It’s been a long, rough term, so treat yourselves to our humble offering and come along in the last week of term, kick back and enjoy the show.

Wednesday 7 July and Thursday 8 July, keep your eyes open for the poster that will be up soon with performance times and further details.

Watch Found

Black Fila watch found on Friday, please see Adrienne in the office to claim.

School App

If you have not already done so, we encourage you 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**
2. Download the **App**
3. Open the **App**
4. When it asks to send notifications – click allow.
5. 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.



Reader/Writers Required

Are you, or do you know of someone who might be interested in becoming a Reader/Writer for akonga in the High School? We are looking to create a pool of willing assistants that can be called upon to support students during tests and examinations (an hour or two every so often). This position would suit someone who has flexibility in their daily schedule, including grandparents, with the ability to read, and record student responses. Some remuneration is available. Please contact our High School SENCo, Sanne Coulthard, if you can help. 8787363 ext. 841 or sanne.coulthard@taikura.school.nz

School Board Update

Our school board met on 23 May, and items on the agenda included correspondence and the upcoming board elections. We received several items of correspondence from parents, however unfortunately these were not received in time to be tabled, having been emailed through on the day of the meeting. We welcome correspondence, but please be aware board agendas and supporting documentation must legally be received by board members at least two days before a meeting. Our practice at Taikura is to finalise our agenda and share papers with our board by the Wednesday of the week prior to the meeting, in order to give our board members plenty of time to consider and prepare. Board meeting dates are placed in the Grapevine, on our app and on the banner on our website well in advance. Dates for our meetings for the rest of the year are: 25 July, 12 September, 14 November (new board). Our meetings are public meetings and anyone is welcome to attend.

Board elections are due to be held this year. These would traditionally be held in May, but due to Covid they will be held in September. Further specific information, including the date of Taikura's school board election will be shared soon. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us directly on our new email address school.board@taikura.school.nz if you are thinking of standing for the board, or have a candidate in mind who you would like to encourage to stand and you would like some further information.

What are school boards?

All of New Zealand's state and state-integrated schools have a school board which is the Crown entity responsible for the governance of the school. The board:

- ensures every student can reach their highest possible standard in student achievement
- is the employer of all staff in the school
- sets the school's strategic direction in consultation with parents, whānau, staff, students and the wider school community
- is responsible for overseeing the management of personnel, curriculum, property, finance and administration

Why join a school board?

School board members are active leaders in our schools. They have an important role of supporting strong professional leadership and ensuring effective teaching for all students through informed governance. Parents/caregivers and people in the wider community can be parent representatives. School boards need to represent the diversity of their school communities to ensure a bright future for all our children. The school board elections are the opportunity to vote for candidates who will make a positive difference for children's education. We need more people willing to use their skills and experiences for the benefit of students!

What sort of skills do board members need?

Every board member brings their own unique set of skills and experiences to the board. As a member of your school's board, you will need to work well in a team and have good communication skills. It can help to have an understanding of the education sector. You may have financial skills and experience in managing people, knowledge and understanding of particular communities within your school, or experience working within your school and wider communities.

Suzan Bart

Taikura School Board Secretary

school.board@taikura.school.nz

Trees of Note



Tree of Note

Ginkgo biloba:- Maidenhair tree

One of the largest in New Zealand. Pollarded in 1970. Most of the Ginkgo trees in NZ come from the seeds of this tree.

Diameter at 1.3m 97cm 1969 Spread 18.3m 1969

Height 11.7m 1969

Community Notices

Mid-Winter Christmas

FREE

Kids' Holiday Program

Mon 18 - Fri 22 July
Ages *7-13

FBI
Faithful Bible Investigators

Register now →
or <https://form.jotform.com/221636833011851>

For more information, contact Maria Henderson
022 0966 300 or maria@oac.org.nz

FBI is run in the mornings of the second week of the July and October holidays. It involves games, songs, skits, Bible times, quizzes, prizes and more! If you can't make it these holidays, register your interest to be reminded about future holiday programs.
*5-6yo welcome at our discretion, preferably with an older sibling or friend.

Riverbend BIBLE CHURCH
354 Te Aute Rd
Havelock North



The direct link for registration is here: <https://form.jotform.com/221636833011851>

Fundraiser For Class One

Fire wood and pinecones for sale:

Good size boxes of pinecones for \$10/box or sacks of pinecones for \$15/sack.

There is firewood for next year's winter at \$350/cord delivered.

If you are interested please message me on Facebook using messenger or text/call:

Emil Driessen 021 711 711



School Gardener

We are looking for a motivated and adaptable permanent part-time gardener to care for and maintain our beautiful and extensive biodynamic grounds, located in the heart of Hastings. This position is approximately twenty five hours per week. We would be happy to consider a job-share situation. This position requires previous gardening/landscaping experience, seasonal planting knowledge and an understanding of bio-dynamic practices. There may also be involvement with students and teachers as part of our gardening programme. For further details and a comprehensive job description, or to submit your CV and cover letter, please email principal@taikura.school.nz



TARUNA
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Winter Warmers Craft Workshops

Crafts that foster creativity and connection. Come and learn from master craftspeople. Bring a friend for a day of creativity - two Saturdays - June 25th and July 30th 9.00-1.00pm

Cost \$110 includes morning tea and materials

For more information and to enrol see our website www.taruna.ac.nz or call (06) 8777174 or contact info@taruna.ac.nz



Flax Weaving: Mahi Raranga

June 25 or July 30 with Te Kaahurangi Maioha

Te Kaahurangi has been teaching flax weaving to adults for over 20 years. She is a Hawkes Bay artist of Ngapuhi and Tainui descent. In this workshop you will be introduced to mahi raranga/ flax weaving through the tikanga/ protocols pertaining to its application. You will leave the workshop with a completed woven taonga - a kete or creative art piece.

Wool Felting

June 25 or July 30 with Sabine Laakman

Would you like to learn the beautiful art of Needle Felting? Come along and create your own winter figurines for the season table or puppet shows.

This is a fun and rewarding class for beginners or advanced students.



Fabric Block Printing

June 25 with Lisa Feyen from Ink Moth Print Studio

Learn to block print on fabric, and be amazed with how easy it is to repurpose op shop fabric finds, adding your own touch of magic to pieces for your home. You will learn how to design and carve a block, ink it up and print on fabric and paper to create repeat pattern designs.

Mini-Print Workshop for Beginners

July 30 with Lisa Feyen from Ink Moth Print Studio

Learn dry point etching in this relaxed weekend workshop. You will create your own beautiful hand-crafted miniature fine art prints, taking inspiration from the natural world. This workshop is perfect for print beginners or those with mixed abilities. Dry point is a great place to start!



Wet-on-Wet Painting

Amanda Sowersby June 25

Wet on wet watercolour painting is a gentle and beautiful technique. Together we will do three guided paintings inspired by the season of Winter for you to take home. You will learn about colour and technique, seeing how watercolours colours breathe and move rhythmically with the brush strokes on the paper.

Pastel Art for Wintertime

Amanda Sowersby July 30

Pastel art and rubbing is a wonderful meditative technique. You can play with colour to create gorgeous tones and softness to your artwork. You will learn about techniques of pastel rubbing, colour blending and get to create several gorgeous artworks to take home.



Taruna College Campus - 33 Te Mata Peak Road, Havelock North



Anthroposophy with Art

Introduction to the Spiritual Science of Rudolf Steiner

An esoteric journey through the old Testament from humanity's first beginnings to the birth of Christ. Guidance for this evolution comes from the series of books written by Emil Bock.

Behind the stories and pictures of the narrative, we follow the hidden and purposeful interventions of the Gods who oversee human development, right up to the point when the Christ could incarnate as a man.

Along with the gradual descent of the great Sun God, we follow the evolving development of human beings — ourselves.

"The most difficult and most obscure of the sacred books, Genesis contains as many secrets as words, and each word conceals several others." Saint Jerome

Sessions can be attended at Manawa Studio in Hastings or join us on Zoom for an inspirational morning.

TIME: TUESDAY 9.00 – 12.00

COST: \$260.00 for 8 weeks

DATES: August 2,9,16,23,30, September 6,13,20

For further information contact: Margaret-Mary Farr on (027) 248-4193 or

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