



The Grapevine

Whare Build Update

4 August 2022







He pito kōrero!

Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori!

Kia ora koutou e te whānau whānui o Taikura! Ko te tūmanako, kua tau te mauri, ā, kua rite āu tamariki ki te whakakīia ā rātou kete i te matauranga...I hope the holidays were rejuvenating and our tamariki set to fill their baskets of knowledge!

The excerpt below acknowledges and informs us of how Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori came to be. Over the years of teaching Te Reo me ōna tikanga at Taikura I feel greatly indebted to Te Taura Whiri and all the mahi that supports the growing awareness and learning of Te Reo. This taonga that embedded in this whenua, is living and always developing reflecting the world around us as languages do.

Yesterday, I was reflecting with a past student, who is now a Eurythmy teacher in Germany, about where I sense Te Reo sits at the school at present. From my perspective it feels as if it is woven throughout the daily rhythms of our kura. In the morning teachers circle, karakia and waiata are spoken and sung to begin our days, in the Kindergarten and from Classes 1 to 10, there are activities and lessons that both the teachers and I endeavour to the best of our abilities to impart and share with our ākonga. These are all supported by the ongoing resources and guidance that Te Taura Whiri create and share to enable those willing to take up the mānuka of commitment and challenge to keep the flame of Te Reo alight!

Ko te manu e kai ana i te miro, nōna te ngahere.

Ko te manu e kai ana i te mātauranga, nōna te ao!

The bird that partakes of the miro berry reigns in the forest.

The bird that partakes of the power of knowledge has access to the world!

We are grateful to be celebrating thirty five years of Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori! On the 1 August 1987, the Māori Language Act came into force making te reo Māori an official language in its own country. As a result of this act, the Māori Language Commission was established. At the first board meeting, the first action was to replace this name with a Māori one. At this meeting, it was decided the name would be: Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori - the rope that binds the language. By the end of that meeting the new name and logo was agreed to, a karakia shared and the decision was ratified. (Excerpt taken from 'Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori – Face book page: 1 August 2022)

Tihei Te Reo!

Nā, Matua Troy.

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



Taikura Winter - Warmer



On Thursday evening 11 August, Taikura will be having its Winter Warmer evening.

We hope this will be a lovely opportunity for the community to come together and connect.

We encourage families to park some distance away from the school grounds - walking a good distance in the cold - led by your child's lit lantern will help the child to experience even more deeply the magic of their kura being lit by fairy, lantern and fire light. This event is an opportunity to listen to live music, wander through Scannell's by lantern light, toast marshmallows, buy dinner and enjoy others company in our community.

Like last year, there will be a Shadow Play to conclude our evening.

Based on community feedback there will be some minor adjustments to this year's set up and programme. (Including thorough planning for inclement weather!)

Those people who indicated via last year's festival survey an interest in helping will be contacted over the coming week for support. If you would like to offer some time of the evening to be on a food stall (shifts are not too long) please email jessicac Clark07@hotmail.com

Classes, via liaison parents will also be asked to support aspects of set up and kai preparation.

We are aware of current times and understand for some whānau resources are stretched. Every intent and effort is being made to keep kai costs down and *for many to do a little mahi* to ensure a lovely time is accessible to all.

All funds raised at this event support the H3 Fund

Kelly Sutton
Deputy Principal

Winter Warmer Food Sales

In order for the Winter Warmer to run as smoothly as possible we will be implementing a 'food ticket' system. All food items will be payable **by ticket only**. Tickets will be available to purchase on the night (no pre-sales) by **CASH ONLY**. Each ticket will have a value of \$2.50, and the minimum purchase is **two tickets**. This system will ease wait times for food items, and means stall holders will not have to handle both food and money. Tickets will be available in \$5, \$10 and \$20 bundles. Please remember to bring your cash on the night so you and your whānau can enjoy some delicious kai before the shadow play.

Class 9 Mountain Bike Camp



Reflecting on this mountain bike camp, I have many images flashing through my head. The night riding with Claire, Luca, Easton, Nicco, Ashley, Kaue, Matt, and Mika was definitely a highlight for me as it is a completely different riding experience, there were lots of laughs, falls and wallaby spotting.

The 34 km forest loop track was also a highlight with beautiful scenery, fast downhill, flat tyres, bike pedals falling off numerous times. One image I have is waiting just off the track with the more experienced group of Luca, Mika, Easton and Ashley, when Tuhina blats around the corner with a big smile on his face, no one was around him which meant he was going pretty fast, this was an awesome sight as this was the second time Tuhina had been on a mountain bike.

On Thursday we split into two groups with one group heading up to the Te Pouaka trail and another group riding 'the creek', 'the dipper', 'roadside challenge' and 'the kids loop' which turned out to be a big favourite! In the afternoon Jayden and Lucy challenged themselves and joined a group led by Kaue to do Te Pouaka again. I was really impressed with Ashley's riding ability and her mental strength to push herself and keep riding when she could have easily stopped. One of the funniest moments that I will never forget is when I got told 'a leaf' was the reason someone crashed off their bike. Normally, the reason you fall off your bike is simply going too fast, or lacking technical skill to handle corners, jumps, berms at speed or slipping on roots, pine cones or branches that have dropped on the tracks. I have never heard of a leaf causing a crash before. I love that humour! This camp saw many falls, more so than any mountain biking camp I have ever been on. Lucky for us, some big falls due to 'bears' being on the track, that pesky leaf', and that jump that came out of nowhere! Most of the injuries were superficial and more to the Ego than anything else.

I want to thank all the students who challenged themselves and did the best they could. It really showed who put the effort into the training program. Miss Mackwell for embracing a new skill, your enthusiasm and sharing your love of Settlers of Catan. Claire and Matt thanks for your support, technical skills and love of Mountain Biking. Miss Millington, thank you for being available when I needed extra support with some students who needed a break from the strenuous mountain biking part of the day. Kaue, thank you for taking up the challenge of learning how to be a 'good leader', I enjoyed seeing you develop this skill as the week went along and everyone appreciated the service you did on all the bikes!



Gee Reisima EOTC coordinator.

Winter Is Here - *and with it lots of rain, puddles and mud*

Our weather in Hawke's Bay can be unpredictable, because of this, it is essential tamariki come to school with layers of clothes and appropriate wet weather attire.

The rain offers a completely different play environment from the more usual dry summer days. For children to get the most out of their play environment during winter it is important they bring to school layers of clothing, a good raincoat and if possible some gum-boots.

Due to a child's accelerated metabolic rate they are not always able to fully regulate or recognise being cold, or overheating, thus the need of having **layers available**. Our curriculum is all about supporting the child to fully incarnate into their physical bodies. Warmth enables this incarnation process to happen more easily. With this in mind it is helpful for students Classes 1 - 5 to keep a pair of slippers at school.



The layers your tamariki bring to school ensure we are able to support them to stay warm, or cool down.

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.

Found Items

I have several watches and items of jewellery that have been handed into the office. Please see Adrienne if you think anything may belong to you.

Upcoming Events

August 8	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 12 Parent Evening
August 11	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Winter Warmer - Courtyard Between Classes 2 and 3
August 24	6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Spring Festival Parent Evening
August 25	ALL DAY	Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL ONLY
August 26 and 29	ALL DAY	Mid Term Break - SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN
September 12	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	School Board Meeting

Music Notices

Taikura Itinerant Lessons

We have had our Lower School and High School orchestras developing ensemble skills and building in number year on year. If your child may be interested, we are looking for students who are interested in violin, viola, cello, double bass, percussion, flute, clarinet, piano, and guitar.

We have tuition available for **guitar, bass, banjo, piano, voice, recorder, violin, viola, and cello**. The start of the term is a great time to initiate lessons for students and there is strong evidence instrument lessons improve maths and reading skills. (Journal of Research in Music Education)

Itinerant lessons are available from Class 3 to Class 12 and it is strongly preferred that these lessons occur outside of main lessons and need to be arranged in close consultation with teachers whose lessons are affected. Lessons are available throughout the year, however, spaces are limited. If you and your child are interested in lessons, please do get in contact with me via my email: thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz

Thomas Pearson
Music Teacher

Staffing Update

Taikura would like to warmly welcome our new school gardener Debra Stranach. She is a positive and outgoing person whose vision for the school grounds is to enhance the already beautiful grounds, ensure the safety for all and make it a wonderful place for all of the wider Taikura community. Deb has lived a total of 18 years in the Hawke's Bay and has recently returned from Hokianga after a couple of years. Deb has a 23-year-old daughter and a 22-year-old son, both of whom have had friends who went to Taikura.

Deb likes to relax through outdoor pursuits and greatly appreciates visual art. She loves quizzes, so I'm sure she would give it a go on "The Chase" tv show if it came to our shores. Born and raised in Nelson/Mapua and moved to the Hawkes Bay around 2003 which she now calls home. Deb's background is in her landscaping business of twelve years, working in plant nurseries and she has travelled extensively overseas. If she could travel back to any two nations, it would be to Morocco and Cambodia. "Moroccans have such beautiful art/design in their culture. The Cambodian food is amazing and the people are so kind and wonderful".



Nau mai, haere mai Deb! Wishing you all the best with your time here at Taikura on behalf of all of the staff, students, parents, and caregivers.

Thomas Pearson
Music Teacher

Taikura Fête

The Taikura fête is held on the third Sunday of November each year. It is a wonderful event that brings our school community together to celebrate and showcase Taikura and the special character we hold dear. For over ten years the fête has contributed between \$20,000 and \$30,000 to the school each year, through the dedicated efforts of whānau, tamariki and community members. This is a welcome invitation to anyone who would like to be part of the Taikura fête committee which is integral in making the fête possible. Nau mai, haere mai. We are seeking new committee members to support this kaupapa, in particular a new fête administrator, a fête financial manager, and anyone interested in contributing. The Taikura fête is accomplished through the creativity, dedication, generosity, mahi and skill of all of us; the entire body of whānau, tamariki and staff. The efforts of the whole community make the fête possible. If you would like to be a part of the fête committee, please email taikurafete@gmail.com We would love to hear from you.

Ngā mihi nui
Fête Committee

Careers Information

Students and whānau are invited to attend the following information sessions in August.

University of Auckland Future Student Evening, Tuesday 16 August 6:30 - 8:00pm

Taradale Hall, 8 Meeanee Road, Taradale.

Join the future student team from the University of Auckland for an informative evening. Learn about the programmes on offer, scholarships, accommodation and student life in our biggest city. Please register at https://response.auckland.ac.nz/fse?utm_campaign=fse-2022&utm_medium=print&utm_source=qr-code&utm_content=poster

NZ College of Chiropractic Career Talk, Tuesday 16 August 7:00 - 9:00 pm

First Chiropractic 164 Kennedy Road, Napier.

If making a positive impact on the health and wellbeing of individuals inspires you, then maybe a career in chiropractic is for you. Learn more about this exciting and rewarding career at the Napier Career Talk. Please register at: <http://chiropractic.ac.nz/event/ct-hawkes-bay-aug-2022/>

University of Waikato Virtual Open Day, Wednesday 17 August 4:00 - 6:00 pm

The University of Waikato invites students to virtually join them to learn more about the programmes on offer, scholarships, accommodation and student support services. Please register at:

<https://crmwaikatoportal.powerappsportals.com/events/event/?id=1f5ac6a1-93a1-4339-ada3-56db5f5c1524>

For more information, please contact Paula in the careers office: paula.rose@taikura.school.nz

Sunglasses Found

A pair of **Celine** perscription sunglasses found, please see Adrienne in the office to claim.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Eurythmy Sessions

Moving out of winter, are you ready to enjoy moving in a way that is not strenuous but awakening? For movement that brings health and wellbeing, come and join us!

7 Eurythmy sessions



Starting the second week of term

Wednesday mornings, 3 August – 14 September
9.00-10.00am

Thursday evenings, 4 August – 15 September
7.00pm – 8.00pm

Cost \$100.00

Contact: sue.simpson0@gmail.com

Full Moon Sound Shower with Crystal Singing Bowls

Wednesday 10 August 7.00 pm

Healing Sound Meditation with Crystal Singing Bowls in the Full Moon evening. Cost: \$30 by book and pay in advance. Venue: Rudolf Steiner Centre at the corner Whitehead Road and Nelson Street North. The facilitator, Shu is a school parent. For booking, contact Shu. Email: shushimawalker@gmail.com or text 0210549035.

Puppies For Sale

Our beautiful golden retriever/border collie dog has had a litter of eight puppies. The father is a hunterway/collie cross. Five are still available - two golden girls, one black girl, one golden boy, and one brown boy. They will be eight weeks old on the 14 August and ready for their new homes. Puppies are \$800.00 but this is negotiable. First priority given to loving homes.

Please feel free to contact me for further details and viewing/puppy cuddles. Sabina 02108307141

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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

Email: manawastudio@gmail.com

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INVITATION

We warmly invite Kindergarten and School parents to a series of short talks introducing Anthroposophy and some of the ideas underlying Rudolf Steiner Education.

We offer these talks at a time that we hope will be suitable for parents prior to picking up children at the end of their school day. The talks will be held in the **Rudolf Steiner Centre** Library where attendees can also peruse the many books available for reading and borrowing.

The talks are free, but there is a Koha box for contributions that help cover the costs of keeping the Centre.

From 1:45 to 2:30pm on Wednesdays in Term 3
in the **Library** of the *Rudolf Steiner Centre*
entrance 401 Whitehead Road, Hastings.
(across the road from Taikura School Nelson Street entrance)

These talks, to be given by Hans van Florenstein Mulder, will be 30 minutes long followed by 15 minutes for discussion.

The initial talks offered are:

Talk 1: 1:45pm Wednesday 3 August

How do we connect to the world around us?

- Through our BODY's sense organs we **perceive** the world.
- Through our SOUL's feeling/empathy we **relate** to what we perceive in the world.
- Through our SPIRIT's activity the inherent meaning of what we perceive is **revealed** to us.

Talk 2: 1:45pm Wednesday 10 August

What is our relationship to nature?

- Understanding the 4 kingdoms of nature.

Talk 3: 1:45pm Wednesday 17 August

How do we understand ourselves in relation to the mineral, plant and animal realms?

- The archetypal nature of Threefoldness.

After these three initial talks we can decide how to proceed through the term, based on the questions arising from these talks.

On behalf of an initiative group: Hans van Florenstein Mulder and Robin Bacchus

Hans van Florenstein Mulder has been involved in Waldorf Education (Upper school Taikura from 1974 to 1990) and had a biodynamic horticulture unit in Hasting from 1976 to 2002. He was General Secretary of the New Zealand Anthroposophical Society from 1992 to 2006. Since then he has been active in above fields mainly in Asia. He is now retired.