Taikura Rudolf Steiner School





1 September 2022

Te Tāhuhu o Taikura

Kia koutou e te hāpori o Taikura!

In a world where an image can portray a number of whakaaro – ideas/thoughts, we have been looking at different ways of presenting our values using specific kōwhaiwhai – Māori scroll patterns, often seen in wharenui and other Māori artforms. In discussion with a number of our whānau Māori who work in the te Toi Māori – the Māori Arts realm, the following kōwhaiwhai have been chosen, alongside whakataukī – Māori proverbs that encapsulate the qualities of our values; Respect, Kindness, Perseverance and the overarching value of Gratitude. Andy Heyward is the graphic artist that has been working with the PB4L group to create these images.



Whakaute - Respect

The Rauru is the kōwhaiwhai chosen for our value of Respect. The rauru speaks of Ranginui and Papatūānuku, in their loving embrace, with their tamariki between them.



Manawanui - Perseverance

The Mangopare is the kowhaiwhai that represents the hammerhead shark. The mangopare symbolises a being with the tenacious spirit, never letting ago and persistent in its' endeavours.



Atawhai - Kindness

The Koiri is the koru with the smaller koru folding in on itself. The koiri speaks about self-reflection looking back to move forward...kindness – treat others as you would want to be treated.



Ngākau reka - Gratitude

Kape ngutu kākā or Kape rua is one of the kōwhaiwhai that is an indigenous Māori scroll pattern. Many of our other kōwhaiwhai are evident in other indigenous artforms. Kape rua speaks about the seed pod, the potential for things to grow and flourish. Among the many kōrero, it can also represent the kākā – the parrot and the skills of the orator it holds.



He pito kõrero!

Kīwaha o te wiki – kīwaha of the week

Inā ko! (Ee naah cor) Give me a look/Can I have a look!

Roimata: Kia ora e Hina! I've just brought the book Nuku. It's the stories of 100 indigenous

women!

Hina: Inā ko e hoa!

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



Te Táhuhu o Taikura

As part of Te Tāhuhu o Taikura we have identified expected behaviours for each of our values. During the embedding of this programme we are going to focus on a different expected behaviour each week. We will share our weekly focus in the Grapevine for the coming week so that families can participate and support also.

Te Tāhuhu o Taikura - Focus for Week 7 Term 3

Our teaching focus this week will be Atawhai/Kindness, specifically: Greeting others

Spring Festival - UPDATE

Due to a clash of dates with the Hastings and Districts Primary School Cross-Country competition, in which 25 of our students will be taking part, our Spring Festival will move from Wednesday 21 September to Thursday 22 September during Main Lesson time (8:45am - 10:30am).

Further information regarding both of these events will be shared directly with families and in next week's Grapevine.

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.

BOOK WEEK AT TAIKURA

Here at school we are getting very excited about next week's Book Week. Over the course of the week there will be added opportunities for students to be read to, listen to visiting storytellers and for the very younger classes an opportunity to toast a marshmallow around the story fire and visit the story tent.

Book week gives us the opportunity to celebrate our love of books and reading with each other and to share the books and stories from our childhood with our children and grandchildren.



What: Book Week at Taikura. Every storytime during the week of Book Week will have a moment of magic. The love of books and storytelling will be celebrated all week

When: Next week 5th - 9th of September, 2022

Who: All whānau, lovers of stories, lovers of reading and beautiful books.

Where: Taikura Classrooms and the School Library. Keep your eyes open for "book nooks" - places where you can curl up, get cosy and read!

We are encouraging a celebration of:

- Talking about stories, books and authors
- Pre-loved books
- Swapping books check out the timetable for the buy, sell and swap book trade.
- Visiting your local library
- Sharing a childhood story book with your child

Highlights and additions in our 2022 Book Week

Te Reo Maori book nook - Te wāhi kõrero pukapuka.

The introduction of a German book reading nook, stories read by German language speakers.

Spanish parent and child read along.

Story Tent and campfire.

The favourite and the fabulous Taikura Book Swap!

REMINDERS

Monday 5 September - bring in your pre-loved books and get your book tokens which can be swapped for pre-loved books at our Book Exchange on Friday!

Friday 9 September - bring in your book tokens and/or spare change to spend at the Book Exchange. Prices will be 50c, \$1, \$2)

BOOK WEEK TIMETABLE

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Solve the story quotes - students find quotes from stories written around the school - they work to identify which teacher the stories/books quotes belong to, and take their answers to our School Librarian, Paula.					
Lunchtime read alouds - Library Book Nooks; cosy up and read in a book nook					
Bring in your pre-loved books and receive tokens to buy even more books at our pre-loved book swap on Friday! BEFORE SCHOOL, Monday from 8.30am	AFTER SCHOOL 15:15 / 16:15 Native Spanish Speakers Read	Story Tent Class 2	Story Tent Class 3 Story Tent Class 4	Pre-loved book sale – use your tokens to choose 'new' books (Or bring some spare change 50c, \$1, \$2) BEFORE SCHOOL, Friday from 8.30am	

School Policy Reviews

SchoolDocs review policies termly. In order to participate in reviews we encourage you to visit our SchoolDocs site (User name: *taikurasteiner* Password: *heartwood*). Along the top of the page you will see a tab labelled 'Current Review' where you will find a table with links to the policies currently under review.

- Follow the link
- Read the policy
- Click the red Policy Review button icon at the right-hand top corner of the page. A new screen will appear.
- Select your role (board member, staff member, or parent/caregiver) from the drop-down list.
- Enter your name (optional).
- Submit your ratings and comments.

If you don't have internet access our school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and the review form.

Sports Notices

We had 24 students participate this year in the Get to Go Adventure Race run by the Hillary Outdoors Centre. They competed as three teams in kayaking, problem solving, mountain biking and orienteering. A great day was had by all!













School Board Elections are on now!

We have received eight nominations for parent representative places on the Taikura school board. Please see candidate statements in the Grapevine of 11 August. CES is running our school board election so please look out for their communications and directions on how to vote online. They have advised us that the voting email could end up in spam filters, particularly for those that have a gmail address, so please do keep a lookout. For those without valid email addresses forms will be mailed out.



Voting closes at 4:00pm on Wednesday 7 September.

Upcoming Events

September 5 - 9	All week	Book Week
September 7	7:00pm	Class 8GR play - Attention Detention
September 12 -18	All week	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori
September 14	All day	Māori Language Day
September 14	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Shared Taikura and Kereru Kindergarten Parent Evening
September 15	11:00 am -12:30 pm	Community Assembly - School Hall
September 15	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Class 5 parent hui
September 22	8:45 am - 10:30 am	Spring Festival - PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
September24 & 25	All weekend	Class 12 projects weekend



Fancy yourself as a future Prime Minister of New Zealand?

The first election Jacinda Ardern won was as the Student Representative on her school board.

Now's your chance to follow in her footsteps! We're holding Student Representative elections in September.

For more information, go to www.trustee-election.co.nz.

Giving Students An Equal Voice - 2022 Student Representative Elections

Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern's foray into politics began with a belief that girls should be able to wear pants. "I ran for the school Board of Trustees because I thought girls should be able to wear pants as their school uniform".

And now, students across New Zealand have the opportunity to follow in her footsteps by standing for election and voting in the September Student Representative elections.

Standing for election or voting for their student representative is often the first real experience young people have of participating in a democratic process.

Student representatives have equal standing, voice, accountabilities and voting rights on the board. There is real value in being able to share their knowledge around the board table and they bring different points of view and experiences, which influences better outcomes for the whole school community.

The idea of being a young person on a school board might seem daunting, but student representatives get plenty of help and support to learn about and fulfil their role. The New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA) provides training and learning opportunities, guidance and resources.

As well as having a voice on how their school is governed, being a student representative provides valuable, real-world knowledge and experience for students.

Taikura's Student Election will take place on 22 September, nomination forms will be distributed to all students in the High School.

Suzan Bart Returning Officer

Taikura Music Lessons

We have tuition available for guitar, ukulele, bass, banjo, piano, voice, recorder, violin, viola, and cello.

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 is interested in lessons, please do get in contact with me via my email: thomas.pearson@taikura.school.nz

Taikura Fete



We are going to need all hands on deck to help create this amazing event. Every school family will be called upon to give all they can to showcase our beautiful school and special character to the wider Hawkes Bay community.

Please look out for further detailed communications coming through from your liaison parents. It has been heartening to have such a positive response to our call for help. We are still in need of assistance with organising the children's activities, any and every contribution helps, no matter how small!

The fete is a fun and satisfying event to be involved with and we are looking forward to creating a magic day for all Hawkes Bay tamariki and their whānau.

taikurafete@gmail.com or find us on Facebook

Sports

Intermediate hockey

This year New Zealand Hockey changed all intermediate hockey games to 7-a-side instead of the traditional 11-a-side.

This forced us to change our team format of the usual playing in class teams to mixing all the Class 6 and 7 players into three teams of 9 to make the numbers work.

After some intial doubts it has been a really positive experience with good feedback about students getting more touch on the ball in games and having a lot of fun.

All our teams played in Division 3 which suited most students, one of the teams never lost a game all season proving they could have possibly played up a division. We will keep to this formula for next year.

Netball

Congratulations to our Senior A netball team who made the finals of their grade even after being promoted up two grades. The team finished runner ups after a tough game against Napier Girls.

Janet Osborne Sports Coordinator

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Library Talks at the Rudolf Steiner Centre

401 Whitehead Road, Hastings

We warmly invite **Playgroup** parents along with **Kindergarten** and **School** parents to our next series of introductory talks, looking at the **Early Childhood** years from birth until seven years. Babies in arms warmly welcome.

We offer these talks free of charge however a contribution in the Koha box towards the running of the Centre is always appreciated.

From 1:45 to 2:30 pm on Wednesdays, beginning

7 September 2022
The wonders of the 6 and 7 year old and transition to school
Marjorie Theyer

On behalf of the Initiative group, Rudolf Steiner Centre, Hastings.

Principal -Tumuaki - Dunedin Steiner School

We seek an inspirational leader who can work constructively with both our College of Teachers and wider community to lead the school to achieve its strategic vision. The successful applicant will have a deep understanding of Steiner pedagogy as well as the educational frameworks and administrative systems and processes needed to underpin a thriving and effective school.

• Closing date Monday 19 September 2022. Start date January 2023.

An application pack is available on our website (https://www.dunedinsteiner.nz/noticeboard.html), from office@dunedinsteiner.nz or tel 03 471 2163

Employment Vacancies - Teacher Aide

1. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 11:40 am to 12:30 pm, and Thursday from 1:20 pm until 2:10 pm. Working across several classes in the Lower School as a support person for five weeks this term and five weeks next term.

2. Approximately 11.5 hours a week across two days during Term Four.

Please email karyn.wills@taikura.school.nz for further details or expressions of interest.

Salt Therapy Business For Sale

Would a suit person who is interested in alternative holistic therapies. For all expressions of interest please contact Tracy on 0272959900

Individual Art Therapy For Adults, Teenagers And Children

Children's Art Class with Amanda Sowersby

Wednesday 31st August 2022

1.30pm-2.30pm

Ages: 6 - 12 years.

Where: Anthroposophical Centre 500 Nelson St, Hastings. (cnr Whitehead Rd)





This art class is on offer to the Hawkes Bay Homeschooling Community and a chance to meet the art teacher Amanda Sowersby. Amanda Sowersby is an artist and trained Artist Therapist, specialising in Waldorf art styles and traditional art styles and mediums. For this art class we will be doing a mystery painting together.

Following this places will be offered for a 6 week Children's Art Course starting Wednesday 7th September 1.30pm-2.30pm.

Dates: 7th Sept, 14th September, 21st September, 8th September, 5th October, 12th October, \$132.

Art exercises will include painting, clay, drawing, pastel, and more....

Spaces will be limited. Book a spot: art@amandasowersby.co.nz

Amanda Sowersby & Aaron Gregory Invite you to our INTERNAL GUIDANCE & ENHANCEMENT WORKSHOP Saturday 17th September 9.30am - 4.30pm



'Accessing and enhancing your internal guidance'

Amanda and Aaron are holding space for a 'self awareness and amplification of your own uniqueness. This day workshop will be a safe and nurturing environment offering tools to identify and alter any limiting beliefs or triggers that no longer serve your greatest good. The days offerings will include grounding techniques, clearing, meditation, nourishing food and herbal teas, restorative yoga, sound healing and a guided art activity.

(No prior experience is required you will be guided through each activity).

What you will gain: A deeper understanding and connection of your authentic self with learning tools to help serve you're own uniqueness.

This workshop suits beginners on the the self help journey but also seasoned self helpers as there will be opportunity to gain a deeper understanding to self.

Nourishing and wholesome morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided.

Bring with you: Journal & pen, yoga mat, pillow/bolster, blanket and

comfortable clothing.

Investment \$150

Venue: Field office, Rissington, Hawkes bay

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